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The Field

The Messenger's Prayer

"Lord, hold my hands as Thou hast said,
Not one, but both my hands instead,
Lest with the other I should cling
For help to any earthly thing.

How sweet the thought that comforts me,

'Tis not my feeble hold on Thee,
But Thine eternal, loving grasp,
Which holds me with a father's clasp."

President's Address

To Southern California Conference,
Aug. 6-16, 1908.

Time hastens on toward a swift approaching eternity; years come and go in rapid succession; the children of today are the adults of to-morrow, and then, all too swiftly, hasten on to the infirmities of old age. The sons and daughters of Adam's race "arise and pass out of the world as blades of grass." The yawning tomb is awaiting the hurried approach of each man, woman, and child; its hunger no more satisfied than when the first member of our race was swallowed up of death. The untold and innumerable sorrows and woes of human kind are not abated as the centuries come and go. This is the dark, but truthful side to the picture. Thanks be to our God, there is a brighter side. Jesus, who has full power over death and the grave, is soon coming to stay the hand of death and to compel the grave to yield up its victims. Time,

with its cruel blight and devastating effects will soon be ushered into eternity that knows no decay, no wasting. Mortals will soon feel the glorious thrill of immortality. The God of love will soon wipe the tears from every eye.

Meditating upon the death-list of more than one hundred thousand of our fellow beings each day since we were last assembled together as we are this morning; considering the awful condition of earth's teeming millions, when probation shall close, and our own spiritual condition in case probation had closed during the past twelve months, we may well unite our hearts in praise and thanksgiving to our heavenly Father, that our lives have been spared; that mercy still lingers, and that we may still have the privilege of engaging in the all-absorbing work of heaven-winning souls. May it be that this conference shall be the most harmonious of any ever held in Southern California; that special wisdom shall be given this people to solve all their perplexities, and that this camp-ground shall witness a greater revival among us than we have yet felt, and that we shall experience more of the converting power of God, followed by a more full baptism of the Holy Spirit for service than we have hitherto known.

While it will manifestly be impossible to review in detail the way in which the Lord has led us during the past year, or to present a report that will include all the work done and results accomplished, yet we may, perhaps, be able to present a comprehensive view of the progress of the various departments of our conference work since our last annual meeting.

Evangelistic Work

Conditions were such in our conference that it seemed impossible to keep as many evangelistic workers regularly in the field as has been our custom, or as was the earnest desire of our conference committee.

Soon after camp-meeting Elder Hare and Brother Marvin located a tent at Watts, a suburb of Los Angeles. As a result of the meeting held, a few accepted the truth and an interest was developed at Graham, another suburb in close proximity to Watts, but which could not consistently be developed by holding meetings at the latter place, so the tent was removed to Graham, and another full series of meetings held. The results of both these efforts was the winning of some twelve converts to the truth, the organization of a church of thirty-five members, the purchase of a lot and the erection of a neat and substantial chapel, which was recently dedicated, free from indebtedness. Before the effort at Graham was completed, Brother Marvin, by advice of the conference committee, located near Garden Grove, in order to devote some of his time to the supervision of the Santa Ana, Garden Grove and Centralia churches.

When the work of properly educating the new believers and of organization had received due attention and the chapel erected and dedicated, Elder Hare accepted the call of the Pacific Union Conference to labor in Utah and has for the past four months been located in that field. Our prayer is, that, under the blessing of God, his labors may be as fruitful in winning souls in his new field of labor as they were during the

seven years of his faithful service in Southern California.

Another public effort was held at Newmark by Elders Ford and Christianson, the latter having come with his family to our conference from Utah in the month of May, having in the proper manner exchanged fields of labor with Elder Hare.

Still another series of meetings was held at Glendale by Elder Adams and Brother Hoare. On account of throat difficulty, Brother Adams was only engaged in active conference work about two months during the year, and Brother Hoare about four months, except as he spent a portion of his time as chaplain of Glendale Sanitarium, while prosecuting his studies at Medical College.

Meetings were also held by Elder Whitehead and Brother Rawson at Hemet; and by the former and Brother Philbrick at three different places in the Imperial Valley.

Results of the several meetings held and labor in our churches indicate that nearly three hundred have accepted present truth, and have been added to our churches during the year. This number includes those baptized under the labors of Elder Luther Warren at Loma Linda, Fernando, and San Bernardino, by Elder J. A. Burden at Loma Linda, by Elders Owen and Kay at Fernando, Elder Healey at San Diego, Elder Ford in Los Angeles, Elder Richardson at Santa Barbara and in San Diego County, Elder J. W. Adams at Edendale and Elder J. F. Ballenger at Long Beach. Elder S. Thurston spent the major portion of the year in the Arizona conference. We have no full statistics of those added to our local churches by confession of faith and baptism.

While not in regular conference employ, Elder Fulmer has had active part in our work by holding public meetings as far as his time would permit in Los Angeles and vicinity. Brother Blunt has during the entire year, had the supervision of our Spanish mission, which has not only been carried on in evangelistic lines, but also as a training school for the development of native Mexican workers. One man and wife who were among the first fruits of this mission have spent part of the school year at Fernando Academy, preparatory to service in Mexico. Brother Juan Robles has been one of the most promising workers developed

at the mission. Brother Rauleder, being partially on the retired list, settled among the German speaking people at Anaheim, where a comfortable home was provided for him, with conference funds.

Brother H. Zutt has worked steadily in Los Angeles and Long Beach in behalf of his own nationality, and has had encouraging results in souls added to the truth.

Our Bible workers have kept faithfully at their work, constantly exerting, in a quiet way, yet nevertheless effectually, an upbuilding influence in the cause, and in souls added to the remnant church. Sisters Hoyt and Ireland spent the year in our metropolis, the latter devoting her special attention to our African population, with the result that a church fully manned with officers, has been organized at Furlong, where for nearly two years we have had a neat chapel.

Sister Stevens did excellent work at San Bernardino where several families were added to the church, and our work was put on a much more encouraging basis than heretofore. The last three or four months of the year, Sister Stevens has been located at Riverside.

Immediately after last camp-meeting, two of our Bible workers, Sisters De Angeles and Nellie Miller, went to Loma Linda to prepare for more efficient service by taking the medical-evangelistic course, offered by that institution.

The work of Brother Loy, a lay member recently from Omaha, at San Bernardino and Riverside was a factor in building up our work in those cities.

The Revival of the Missionary Spirit Among Our Young People

There has never been a year in the history of this cause when such an earnest missionary spirit has taken hold of the students in our denominational schools generally, as during the past school year. This has been especially true of our two advanced schools in Southern California, Loma Linda College of Evangelists and Fernando Academy. Each of these schools has sent out students on several occasions who have had remarkable success in winning their way to the homes and hearts of the people and in selling a considerable number of the excellent books, "Ministry of Healing" and "Christ's Object Lessons." I sincerely wish that all of our people could have heard the soul-thrilling experiences

related by our students after engaging in this work.

At the end of the school year a considerable number of our students volunteered to engage in self-supporting missionary work in the metropolis of our conference under the direction of Elder Warren. A home was secured for them, and doubtless reports of their work will be presented during this meeting which will greatly encourage our people. We are strongly impressed that this may be God's plan for carrying His truth to our great cities.

First Tithe

It was noted month by month by the conference committee during the last eight months of the year, that our first tithe was falling behind the amount of the previous year. There were two self-evident reasons for this, namely, the general financial depression which to some extent curtailed the income of our people; also a partially "dry year" and consequent scarcity of work and shortage of crops. Would that the books above would show no other reasons for this dearth of tithe than that occasioned by less earning power and less income on the part of our people. We have learned of a few instances where our people have purposely paid first tithe in as second tithe so as to apparently meet the necessities of maintaining church schools. Our sincere hope is that this misappropriation of the Lord's funds has been limited to the few cases that have come to the knowledge of the conference committee.

We have regarded the shrinkage in first tithe with regret because of our large list of workers, and have feared that we would of necessity come up to this conference with but little, if any, surplus to vote to our mission board for the world-wide work. Two years ago our people assembled in conference were all rejoiced to vote \$5,000 in a lump sum to carry the message to the regions beyond. While we are sending so many of our young people to distant lands it appeals to reason that we should be more and more liberal in supplying funds for their support.

Our first tithe for the year was \$31,265.50 as compared with \$33,102.58 the previous year. Our net gain for the past year was \$5,490.09.

Second Tithe

Our second tithe has shown a substan-

tial gain during the fiscal year just past. The total amount received by the conference treasurer during the year, after deducting all that we know was paid of first tithe as second tithe, was \$7,624.48 as compared with \$7,563.74 for the preceding twelve months.

The educational and spiritual work of our church schools was never more successful than during the past year. One thing, if adopted, would forever settle the question of support of our schools, and relieve the conference committee from all undue burden. That one thing is the payment of a faithful second tithe on the part of God's remnant people. This whole question should be settled in a satisfactory manner at this session of our conference, so that our educational department, excellent in conception and most encouraging in its results in the past, may begin another year's work with renewed impetus and increased confidence.

Fernando Academy

No department of our work has given basis for greater encouragement to our people in Southern California, and none has done more for the development of workers in our conference, than our Academy located at Fernando. In giving a very brief review of this institution, I will first mention its splendid financial success. We have often referred to the total indebtedness of the institution as we found it three years ago, so you will readily recall the fact that its obligations at that time amounted to \$24,170. At the present time its indebtedness is but \$1,500, and pledges are still unpaid by our people which more than cover this debt.

During the three-year period, approximately \$3,000 has been expended in improvements on the property, in adding rooms to accommodate a greater number of students and in facilities to better provide for their comfort, safety, and health, in a new pumping plant, in painting buildings and planting a large number of trees on the grounds. It can be truthfully stated that the entire academy property was never, since our ownership, in such excellent condition as at the present time.

The attendance during the past year was the largest in the history of the institution, 150 students being enrolled in the academic department. Of this number twenty-one were graduated at the

end of the year. The academy board are confident that the educational work, the spiritual tone and the missionary spirit of the school have been stronger during the past year than ever before. Four of our students of the past year are already engaged in missionary service in South Africa, and three in Mexico.

While in general, the health of students and teachers at the academy during the year has been above the average, yet we are compelled, with deep regret, to record the death of a beloved member of our faculty, Brother H. E. Osborne, who fell asleep at San Pasqual on the 24th day of February, 1908, after an illness of several weeks' duration. Brother Osborne, faithful to his post of duty as long as his failing strength would permit, and not realizing the nature of the malady with which he was afflicted, finally consented to give up his work for a time, and rest. We are now compelled to number him with that class who rest from their labors, and their works do follow them, and who having been faithful unto death, await the crown of life, soon to be bestowed by the Life-giver.

It will be noted, as you glance over the faculty page of the new calendar, that Elder R. S. Owen's name no longer appears as the Bible teacher of the academy. Elder Owen has been very closely identified with the school from its organization, and as he now goes to fill a similar position at Loma Linda College of Evangelists, he will be missed by faculty and students at Fernando; but a Bible teacher of long and favorable experience has been secured for Fernando in the person of Elder E. J. Hibbard, with whom our parents and students may become acquainted during the camp-meeting, and with whom, both in personal associations and as a Bible teacher and Gospel worker, close acquaintance will establish confidence.

Loma Linda Sanitarium

The work at Loma Linda Sanitarium and college has made most encouraging progress during the past year. Needed improvements have gone steadily forward and the property has been placed in an excellent state of repair. The new bakery, a very neat, substantial and practical building, is now complete and in operation. A modestly-equipped printing plant is doing service, and a new journal bearing the title of *The Medical Evangelist* is being regularly published.

The patronage and receipts of the sanitarium have been nearly double as great as during the preceding year, and this notwithstanding the financial depression through which the whole country has been passing.

The necessities of the sanitarium and college demanded the services of another physician, and Dr. Leadsworth was invited to connect with Loma Linda. His work at the treatment rooms in Los Angeles has been placed in the hands of the medical staff of Glendale Sanitarium.

The College of Evangelists at Loma Linda has been giving a strong medical missionary course to a large number of our young people, seven of whom were graduated at the close of the past school year. One of the graduating class, now the wife of Brother Walter Foster, a former graduate of Fernando Academy, accompanied by her husband, has gone to Japan for missionary service. Our College of Evangelists will be materially strengthened as a training school for the development of thoroughly equipped medical missionaries during the coming year, as Elder Owen, too well and favorably known in Southern California, to need any commendation, is to be the Bible teacher, and other members will be added to the faculty.

While Loma Linda Sanitarium has made substantial improvements during the year, and has also kept its buildings in a splendid state of repair, it is most encouraging to note, as will appear when its financial report is rendered, that it has made by far the best financial gain of any year that it has been operated by our people.

Glendale Sanitarium

Glendale Sanitarium has passed through some changes during the year. Brother Simpson and Dr. Winegar-Simpson tendered their resignation some months ago. Brother J. J. Wessels was secured to take the place of Brother Simpson as business manager, and Dr. Etta Gray to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Simpson.

Sister Florence Nightengale was released from the conference office to take up the work of bookkeeping at Glendale Sanitarium. Dr. P. S. Kellogg left Southern California during the year for the Philippine Islands. This institution graduated a class of seven nurses at the close of its last class year.

Brother and Sister W. Ray Simpson are now operating a large and well-equipped sanitarium at Long Beach.

Paradise Valley Sanitarium

It will be recalled that a committee was appointed at the last camp-meeting to negotiate for the purchase of Paradise Valley Sanitarium by the conference. For reasons which will doubtless be developed at the proper time during this conference, the sanitarium was not taken under conference control. During the year Dr. R. S. Cummings and wife were secured for the institution, and Brother H. W. Lindsay for the business management.

I am very glad to say that under its present management, Paradise Valley Sanitarium has enjoyed the most encouraging prosperity, and its future looks very bright. I believe that our sanitariums have demonstrated during the past year that by careful business management and with efficient medical help, they can not only be self-supporting, but can gradually liquidate their indebtedness.

Santa Barbara

Dr. Eastman has successfully operated a sanitarium at Santa Barbara during the year. We are glad to have this thoroughly good representation of our work in that city.

Possibly we have not all recognized the importance of our numerous institutions from the standpoint of furnishing employment to such a large percentage of our young people and this under the most favorable circumstances for observance of the Sabbath.

Various Funds

It will be remembered by our people that the first public appeal in Southern California for the \$150,000 Fund was made on this ground one year ago. Our people gave a splendid response to the appeal, as indicated by the fact that in about seven months our proportion of the fund was in the hands of the General Conference. Other conferences began the effort fully a year earlier than we did, and have not yet made up their proportions. We are persuaded that the Lord has a willing-hearted people in Southern California.

There is another fund now inaugurated by our General Mission Board, which perhaps is not fully understood by our constituency. It is known as the "ten-cents-a-week plan." It is hoped that the purpose of this fund, which is to

hasten the giving of this message to all the world, will find a place in the hearts of all our people in the very near future, so that our Mission Board can depend upon Southern California to contribute its due proportion to the support of our faithful missionaries in all the world.

During the last three years our conference has record of gathered funds, including tithes and offerings, as follows: For year ending June 30, 1906, \$52,200; the same for 1907, \$32,178.14; 1908 about the same as 1907. These amounts do not include the earnings of any institution, nor loans or annuities, nor the one-third of the second tithe used by home churches, nor that sent to our Mission Board through other than the conference channel.

The conference property has accumulated personal and real property to the value of fully \$11,000 during the past three years, making a total of \$14,500 in all. This includes the warehouse property, two large lots on 44th Street, near Vermont Ave., the church property at Furlong and at Ocean Park, and a good supply of field and camp-meeting tents and fixtures. During this time we have paid conference and tract society debts which existed three years ago, to the amount of about \$8,000.

For the two preceding years we have suggested in the address that a financial depression must inevitably come, advising that our people arrange their affairs with this in view. The depression came about three months after our last camp-meeting, and its unpleasant grasp is not yet broken. I hope, however, that this condition will rather advance than retard the onward march of God's truth by checking for a time at least the mad chase after mammon, so that men will give thought to eternal interests.

In making an effort to follow the instruction given concerning locating in the country, experience has proven that our people are in danger of losing their earnings in exchange for country property. It is extremely difficult to secure a location in the country where a livelihood can be readily earned, unless one has considerable capital, and is an expert in weighing all conditions and making wise choice. Thus, they may lose their property, their income be cut off, and their ability to help in advancing the cause greatly curtailed. Especially our people who have children should lo-

cate in the country, but the move should be made under the best counsel obtainable. The conference office has gladly given counsel to some in this particular, also in the matter of legal safeguards, so that their property would not fall into the hands of the enemies of the truth in case of decease.

We have special reason for gratitude to our heavenly Father that in all matters of legal and commercial business which have received the attention of the conference management during the past three years, and they have been numerous, every transaction, without an exception, has been successfully completed.

Our tract society department has had a very encouraging year. Our churches and canvassers as a rule have done well in paying their bills, the volume of business has been large, and the financial showing very satisfactory.

Peculiar conditions have compelled us to have four different bookkeepers during the year, and an assistant for a short time under pressing circumstances. Brother Merrill was called to Loma Linda, Brother Winslow, to China, and Sister Harris to work in the Cafeteria. Our books certainly ought to have been well kept.

Our Cafeteria

Doubtless all of our people are aware of the fact that our vegetarian restaurant has been changed to a cafeteria, and that we have opened a similar institution at 622 South Broadway. You will understand the meaning of the term "cafeteria" if you pay a visit to one of these institutions, both of which are now operated on this popular plan, or to our dining-tent on the camp ground. While numerous restaurants have been forced out of business by the hard times, careful management and the blessing of the Lord has given a fair degree of prosperity to our health work in the city of Los Angeles. For the physical comfort and spiritual welfare of our young people employed in the two cafeterias, an excellent home has been secured in a quiet, restful, and beautiful part of the city, where Sister Fulton presides, and where home life is congenial.

Called to Mission Fields

Besides those already mentioned, the following persons have been called from Southern California to foreign fields: Brother J. A. P. Green to take the over-

sight of our book work in Mexico; Brother Waldo Miramontez to Guadalajara, Mexico, to teach a mission school; Brethren John Brown and Earl Hackett to engage in colporteur work in Mexico; and Brother A. L. Philbrick and wife to Guatemala, Central America, to engage in self-supporting missionary work. A considerable number of our young people are contemplating service in far-distant missionary fields, having consecrated their lives to go wherever the Lord may lead. Brother John Bowers, who was on the camp ground last year is now doing self-supporting colporteur work on the west coast of Mexico.

Called to Rest

We are compelled to add to the list of workers who have fallen at their post of duty in life's battle, the names of Elder A. J. Howard and wife, and Brother Peter Hansen, the former two in Pasadena, the latter at Loma Linda.

Teachers' Institute

During the latter part of the year just past a very successful union teacher's institute was held at Healdsburg, fully fifty teachers being in attendance. The Pacific Union Conference very kindly volunteered to bear fully two-thirds of our expense, so it proved to be cheaper for our conference than to have held a local institute.

Sunday-Law Activity

For the first time in the history of the United States, the higher branch of our legislative body has passed a Sunday law. Nearly all states in the union have Sunday laws, and, doubtless, every state will soon follow their example, and then we may look for the early fulfillment of prophecy which should strengthen the faith of our people in the message.

Suggestive Plan for Conference Cooperation

If any one thing is desirable above another in the idea of organization, and in existence of an organized religious body having a specific work, a God-given message to give to all the world, that one thing is concerted action, united effort. To secure this cooperation and to foster such unity, the following thoughts have been in the mind of the writer for some time in the past: Our local church officers each have their full load of domestic and church responsibilities, and hence do not find the time that they would gladly devote to keeping in

close touch with conference affairs and plans, nor with our work at large. In our lack of time to visit them we often feel compelled to send them circular letters to keep them informed, and to solicit their earnest effort in raising certain funds, and in carrying on aggressive missionary work. These oft-repeated letters naturally become somewhat tame, and do not accomplish desired results. Again, our church elders ought to be fully informed in regard to the use of our conference funds, so that they can meet complaint and criticism, and thus avert such disaffection in the churches as would tend toward distrust in our leaders and in the organization, and thereby toward disintegration of the body. Then, too, the congregational government of our churches is not a code of written law, and many of our officers feel the need of instruction in church government. Still further, our conference committee would appreciate the counsel and suggestions of our church elders on the many important matters and perplexities which confront them almost continually, and if opportunity permitted, would gladly answer all questions in regard to our work which our church elders might desire to ask.

In view of these conditions, and numerous others which might be given, and because of lack of time to deal with all these questions at our general camp-meeting, would it not be advisable, especially in a conference so condensed in territory as Southern California, to hold a mid-year meeting in the winter season, inviting all our church elders and ordained ministers to meet with the conference committee for counsel and consecration, that perfect understanding might exist and concerted action result?

It has also been forcibly impressed upon the mind of the writer that if ministers were available, it would be an excellent plan to station them in districts so that they would be in close touch with all of our churches, and could follow up all interested cases, and disarm prejudice by favorable acquaintance with the general public. Some of our workers who are too advanced in years for pioneer work could do well in this capacity, rather than to congregate at a common center, and lay off the burden of overseeing the flock and of soul-winning.

Miscellaneous

It may not be out of place for me

to remind the delegates that with the many important departments of our work to receive attention at this session, and the brevity of our camp-meeting as compared with last year, it will be necessary to expedite business matters in order to accomplish those things which must receive attention, and it will add materially to the spiritual interests of the meeting if our business can be done promptly. I trust that the Spirit of the Lord will wholly lead every mind, and that not a single discordant note will be struck during the entire meeting.

In everything that the Lord indicates should be done in Southern California, we can well afford to say, "We be well able to go up and possess the goodly land," rather than to turn back into the wilderness on account of the giants.

While we wait for the culmination of our hopes, may He who wears a perfect character on high, dwell in our hearts by faith, perfecting His own character in us, that we may be found, clothed with His righteousness, reflecting His image, when He comes; and may He plant more deeply in all of our hearts the spirit of divine love and sacrifice, that we may engage with untiring zeal and devotion in our heaven-appointed work in winning souls till His appearing.

May He who is the embodiment of wisdom, the Prince of Peace, control all of our minds, prompt all of our words, and thus preside in all of our deliberations, to the end that the divine will may be accomplished, the cause of truth be greatly advanced, and the name of our God be glorified.

G. W. Reaser.

The Furlong Mission Church

On Sabbath the 1st inst., the writer was associated with Elder A. G. Christiansen in the organization of a church of twenty-eight members at Furlong, a suburb of Los Angeles. Sister Jennie Ireland has been working in this locality for more than two years. A good, strong work has been built up here and a neat and commodious chapel has been erected and dedicated. A full quota of officers was elected and ordained, and the ordinances of the Lord's house celebrated. Three delegates were also chosen to represent this new church in our next conference session.

As evidence of the forwardness of this company to cooperate in the support of the cause of God, a financial statement was submitted showing that they had, before organization, contributed more than \$500 toward the advancement of the work. There is talent in this church which we believe can be utilized in the future in a very effectual way in the winning of souls. The name chosen for this new church was the "Furlong Mission Church of Seventh-day Adventists," the name "Furlong" indicating the locality, and the term "Mission" suggesting that the membership are all determined to be active workers in missionary lines. Although the meetings were necessarily long, the members of this church were not willing that the day should close without a social meeting, in which nearly all participated with earnestness and enthusiasm.

It impressed the writer as a rather peculiar coincidence that six years ago it was his privilege to organize the first church of Seventh-day Adventists composed of native Africans in the heart of Africa; and on the occasion mentioned to officiate in organizing the first Seventh-day Adventist Church of Africans on the Pacific Coast.

August 3. G. W. Reaser.

CALIFORNIA

Turlock

We began meetings at this place ten days ago, and have had a good interest thus far. We have a little more than one hundred chairs. Very soon this was insufficient to accommodate all, and we were favored with the free use of a number of benches, or seats with good backs, from the Swedish Mission Church.

To-day the pastor of the Methodist Church made the following reference to us in his church before a large congregation. After speaking of the "good meetings held by the Revival Brigade" and giving their presence as a reason why they had postponed their prayer and Sunday evening meetings, he said in substance:

"There is in town at the present time a tent-meeting being conducted by a people of God. Some people are scared whenever they hear that Seventh-day Adventists have come among them. But I am not afraid to have my congregation hear them. I assure you no harm will

come to you or the community in which they labor. I can not accept all their interpretations of the scripture, yet I feel that all will be much benefited by the lessons of truth that they will hear. I am heart and soul with them on the pre-millennial idea. I differ with them on one very prominent point, but even in this the people can gain much useful, beneficial, and historical instruction.

"In the sight of God I can truthfully say I believe in my very soul there is not a more conscientious body of people than the Seventh-day Adventists. You can depend on them to rid you of the saloon element, if you can get enough of them into your community. And no brothel, or gambling-house or such like would ever be tolerated in a community of them. If you will go to their meetings and follow the counsel they give you to seek God with all your heart and give yourselves fully to Him, and study the Scriptures diligently you will be making a good preparation for the Judgment. I have enjoyed the privilege of attending the meetings twice the past week; and before God I will say there is not a better, more peaceable, law-abiding set of citizens in the land than Seventh-day Adventists."

The brethren and sisters are doing all they can to assist in the meetings; and we rejoice to see a goodly number listening from night to night to this blessed truth.

May we be remembered at the throne of grace.

August 2. C. M. Gardner,
James Taphouse,
G. A. Hamilton.

Foreign Missions

In harmony with the recommendation passed by the General Conference, and ratified by our union conference at its session in January, an effort is being made to raise in our field this year an amount equal to ten cents a week, or \$5.20 a year per church-member. The list given below shows the amounts that have been given by each of the churches of the California Conference from January 1 to July 31, 1908. These figures include all funds for foreign missions—Sabbath-school donations, weekly mission collections, special offerings for mission fields, and all moneys which go to the general work in the regions beyond.

According to the recorded membership of the California Conference, the amount to be raised in that field will be about \$21,000. This list of churches will be published from month to month giving the total amount that has been received from each one to date.

Alameda	\$ 91.87
Arcata	51.06
Armona	121.16
Arroyo Grande	40.43
Arbuckle	2.10
Bakersfield	15.19
Berkeley	138.16
Bishop	108.73
Burrough	33.32
Calistoga	21.89
Chico	114.03
Corning	10.36
Dinuba	99.15
Dos Palos	13.53
Dinuba (German)	9.00
Eureka	93.72
Ferndale	29.25
Fallon, Nevada	28.07
Fresno	205.69
Grass Valley	7.20
Glennville	10.44
Guerneville	9.98
Hanford	41.49
Healdsburg	186.78
Hughson	15.00
Island	4.11
Laton	15.72
Le Grand	35.65
Lemoore	14.06
Los Gatos	21.40
Lockwood	12.38
Laguna	17.75
Lodi (German)	52.76
Lodi (English)	184.78
McKinleyville	19.37
Modesto	22.57
Morgan Hill	61.57
Mountain View	361.34
Monterey	16.40
Mt. Bullion	9.90
Merced	25.46
Napa	20.22
Oakdale	31.84
Oakland	568.03
Pepperwood	25
Placerville	18.21
Petaluma	30.09
Red Bluff	3.50
Redding	13.25
Reno, Nevada	106.56
Sacramento	29.62
San Francisco (Valencia St.) ..	6.00
San Francisco (Laguna St.) ...	180.25

Sanitarium	\$536.43
San Jose	81.93
San Luis Obispo	18.32
Santa Cruz	33.33
Santa Rosa	31.52
Sebastopol	39.50
Selma	50.13
Soquel	7.71
St. Clair, Nevada	2.00
St. Helena
Susanville	5.28
Stockton	87.63
Smith River	8.05
Turlock	45.55
Ukiah	58.62
Vacaville	3.38
Vallejo	19.17
Wallace Dist.
Watsonville	1.91
Woodland	56.47
Lodi Camp-meeting	73.02
Melrose Camp-meeting	443.58
Miscellaneous Donations	880.83
1907 Donations Forward	1,660.44
Total	\$7,525.44

E. A. Chapman, Treas.

Educational

Fernando Academy

Its Aim.—To train young men and women for the great work that is before us, in giving the gospel to the world in this generation.

Its Faculty.—We have endeavored to secure the best teachers that could be found to carry on the work. The faculty for the coming year is as follows:

- Harry G. Lucas, Principal, Commercial Department.
- Elder E. J. Hibbard—Bible, History, Pastoral Training.
- Joseph L. Kay—English, Mathematics, Spanish.
- Lillis Wood-Starr, M. D.—Sciences, Medical Missionary Training, Medical Latin.
- Milton P. Robison—Normal Supervisor.
- Mrs. Harry G. Lucas—School of Short-hand and Typewriting.
- Mrs. Joseph L. Kay—New Testament Bible.
- J. Franklin Gaster—Superintendent.
- Genevieve Johnson—Sacred Music, Vocal and Instrumental.
- Grace Goodell—Intermediate Department.

Ruth P. Kane—Assistant Normal School.
 Mrs. J. Franklin Gaster—Dress-making.
Its Courses.—The School offers nine distinct courses as follows: Foreign Missionary, Ministerial Training, General Course, Normal School, School of Commerce, School of Shorthand, Preparatory Medical, Nurses' Preparatory, Music Teachers.
 H. G. Lucas, Principal
Fernando Academy, San Fernando, Cal.

Pacific Union College Teachers' Institute at Healdsburg

The teachers' institute is now a matter of the past. Its success can be measured by the work that will be done in our schools this year. The instructors and teachers in the institute worked hard to get new thoughts and methods to introduce into their school work this year. I am sure that our schools will be greatly improved.

May we not have the cooperation of the parents in making the church schools what they ought to be? We would like to have the parents visit the schools quite often and take an interest in the work of the teacher. Encourage your teacher as much as possible.

May the Lord's blessing rest upon the church-school work.

H. G. Lucas.

Loma Linda Sanitarium and College of Evangelists

The Nurses' Course opens September 3. Twenty-five or thirty consecrated young men and women are wanted to take up this work. Those interested should write at once for application blanks and information.

The Medical Evangelistic Course of three years opens October first. This course combines ministerial, evangelistic, and missionary training with a medical education. Such a course is offered in no other school.

The special one-year course for gospel workers opens October first. More practical medical work combined with gospel field training is crowded into this year than can be secured by any other one year of training offered to young people.

Another course of one year is designed for those who wish to become hygienic cooks and bakers.

Those interested should write at once to the undersigned.

Dr. G. K. Abbott,
Loma Linda, Cal.

Missionary Work

Report for Week ending July 31, 1908

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
"Bible Readings"			
* W. B. Findley	70	34	\$105.80
"Heralds of the Morning"			
* A. N. Donaldson	60	45	90.00
L. K. Dickson	35	19	43.75
** J. A. P. Green	5	2	4.00
C. V. Raaths	14	16	32.00
"Story of Daniel"			
C. E. Srock	48	7	12.00
Miss Lottiebelle Maxson	25	9	17.00
H. J. Christianson	20	6	10.50
"Great Controversy"			
L. J. Benton	37	19	52.50
Hayden Gilstrap	26	17	49.72
Miss Ruth Benton	14	3	8.25
"Coming King"			
Miss Tressa Belvail	36	29	51.00
Miss Miriam Clark	12	1	2.25
Miscellaneous			
E. C. Jaeger	31	18	22.60
Total	433	224	\$501.40

* Two weeks.
 ** City practise in June.

Where Tact Pays. Value of Quotations

"Yesterday I called at the door of a house hoping to show my book, but when I presented my object in calling, the lady flatly refused me a chance to show my book, saying, 'I haven't any time and couldn't buy it anyway.' I courteously replied, 'Well, that is all right. Even if people don't buy I count them my friends. Three men are my friends,—he who loves me, he who hates me, and he who is indifferent to me. Who loves me teaches me tenderness. Who hates me teaches me caution. He who is indifferent to me teaches me self-reliance.' 'Well, young man,' she said, 'I believe you are in earnest. I'll buy a book from you.' You can imagine my surprise. I could hardly conceive the truth of the fact. I praise the Lord for such experiences as these."

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1908.

Elder Cottrell left Mountain View last Thursday for the Los Angeles camp-meeting.

The Pacific Press Publishing Company has gotten out a new descriptive catalog of its publications. The same will be mailed on request by that house or your state tract society.

Recent word from F. A. Lashier, now in charge of the Healdsburg College property and the disposition of same, states that he has effected a sale of the college broom factory machinery.

Elder A. G. Daniells, in company with Elder W. C. White, spent a few hours in Mountain View last week on his way to the Southern California camp-meeting and conference session at Los Angeles.

Elder D. T. Fero spent Sabbath, August 2, with the church at Santa Rosa. Very interesting meetings were conducted. One young lady gave her heart to the Lord, and others are much interested.

Recent word from Arizona states that a large building formerly used as a hospital, and two acres of ground with water, have been secured by the conference for school purposes this winter at a very reasonable rental.

Among those from this part of the state who are in attendance at the Los Angeles camp-meeting are Elders H. W. Cottrell, W. C. White, H. Shultz, and E. J. Hibbard, and Mrs. E. G. White and her company, and H. H. Hall.

A letter dated July 31 from Brother Walter Harper, who is canvassing in Oregon, contains the following: "This week's orders for books, helps, etc., through God's blessing and help only, are over \$300, or \$50 a day on an average for the whole week."

The synopsis of the work done the past year at the Central California Intermediate School and the plans for the future, appearing in another column, are taken from the second annual announcement of that institution. For outline of work done in each grade, address the principal, Elder B. L. Howe, Box 44, Armona, Cal.

We should like very much to keep closely in touch with each member in the Pacific Union Conference, and of course this means every member of each local conference. This can not well be done without each one of these members being regular readers of the PACIFIC UNION RECORDER. Are you a subscriber? Is your brother or sister church-member? Ask him.

Liberty for the third quarter of 1908 has just come to hand. The two leading articles in this number are "Church and State in the Days of Rome," and "Church and State in the United States." There is also presented "An Argument against Religious Legislation" before the commissioners of the District of Columbia, by Elder W. A. Coleord, secretary of the Religious Liberty Bureau. This paper should have a wide circulation. Write your tract society for papers and territory.

A card recently received from Miss Pearl Stone, one of our church-school teachers in the Southern California Conference last year, but now in Seattle, Wash., contains the following: "During the next few weeks I expect to go over all the large cities in Washington, selling *Signs* specials and *Life and Health*. Hope to send in a report soon. My aunt is with me. We came up on a very stormy Pacific Ocean. Took nearly four days. Expect to go to Vancouver and Victoria, B. C., this next week. We sell only in the business part of town."

A letter dated July 19 from Elder S. G. Huntington, president of the Utah Conference, contains the following: "Our tent meetings at this writing are all doing well. Elder Hare is improving, and will be able to take part in the work shortly. The interest here in Salt Lake is rising, and I think, will develop in the salvation of some souls. This morning I baptized one sister. Brother Nelson also baptized eight last week. I think the most of them are Swedish. Brother Johnson is doing us excellent service. We are now engaged in placing tracts in every home in the city. The effect from this work I am sure will be good. In fact we are already getting some results from it."

On July 31 he writes: "Our meetings are progressing with a fair interest. Brother St. John still has a splendid interest. Brother Gjording is also doing well in the Danish at a place called Bear River, about one hundred miles north of here. Brother Nelson and company are

moving their tent this week from Logan to a small town just this side. He baptized ten altogether, at Logan."

The following portion of a letter dated July 19 from Elder H. H. Dexter, in France, will be of interest to our workers in California:

"Last week I visited eastern France on the frontier of Alsace-Lorraine. Here we have at the city of Montbeliard a company of fifteen earnest Sabbath-keepers. During my recent visit I baptized five converts, and received two others by vote. Four others are preparing for the ordinance.

"I stopped off a day at the city of Besaneon, the birthplace of the famous French poet, Victor Hugo. Here is a little company of six commandment keepers, three of whom are watchmakers. Lately our evangelist who is here, succeeded in renting a nice hall in a recently vacated Jesuit convent.

"Our work is onward in France, rather slowly it is true, but nevertheless surely. Our church at Paris now numbers fifty, with a good outside interest. The Protestant denominations are fighting us hard from the pulpit and the press, but honest souls are coming to the light in spite of the opposition waged against us.

"We are of good courage. Pray for us in France."

Obituary

DIED.—Manor C. DeWitt Gauterau, son of Elder F. DeWitt Gauterau and wife, formerly Miss Mayse Crafton Howard.

Manor was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, Nov. 13, 1904, and died in National City, Cal., July 8, 1908.

Brother and Sister Gauterau have been laboring to spread the message in England, Scotland, and adjacent countries for the past five years. Manor suffered very much from bronchitis while in England, and hoping for his relief in the change of climate, Sister Gauterau returned with him and her little girl to her former home in Southern California, leaving her husband to continue his ministerial work in the British Union Conference. As she was leaving England, both children contracted whooping-cough, which with Manor developed into pneumonia, and he fell asleep to await the coming of the Lord, of which he loved to hear and speak. Often he would say, "I want Jesus to come and take Manor," then he would sing, "I am going home to die no more." Young as he was, he held the "blessed hope" so comforting to those who still remain to watch, wait, and work a little longer.

W. M. Healey.