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## California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Feb. 1 to 7, 1910

### Synopsis of Proceedings

The thirty-ninth annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held at Lodi, Cal., Feb. 1 to 7, 1910. Elder S. N. Haskell, president of the conference, acted as chairman of the regular business meetings, which were held at 9 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. each day.

One hundred and sixty-two regularly elected delegates were seated, representing the following-named list of churches, and those churches accepted during the session of the conference: Alameda, Armona, Arroyo Grande, Bakersfield, Berkeley, Barstow Colony, Calistoga, Chico, Dinuba, Fallon, Nev., Fortuna, Fresno, Glennville, Hanford, Healdsburg, Hughson, Island, Lemoore, Lodi, Lodi (German), Los Gatos, Merced, Melrose, McKinleyville, Modesto, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Napa, Oakdale, Oakland, Placerville, Red Bluff, Reno, Nev., Richmond, Sacramento, San Francisco, Sanitarium, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, Santa Cruz, Sebastopol, Stockton, Susanville, Turlock, Ukiah, Vallejo, and Woodland.

Seven churches organized during the year were presented for membership in the conference, as follows: Atwater, twenty-two members, by C. M. Gardner; Fowler, eighteen members, by C. L. Taggart; Haywards, twenty-two members, by A. Brorsen; Kelseyville, fifteen members, by J. H. Behrens; Lerdo, thirty-two members, by H. Shultz; Pacific College, forty-two members, by C. W. Irwin; Wat-

sonville, fourteen members, by G. A. Snyder.

The usual committees appointed by the chairman at the first meeting, consisted of the following-named persons:

Committee on Plans: W. E. Whalin, C. W. Irwin, E. E. Parlin, M. C. Wilcox, L. M. Bowen, C. M. Gardner, J. O. Corliss, and Nis Hansen.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: W. C. White, H. Shultz, B. L. Howe, G. A. Snyder, C. L. Taggart.

Committee on Nominations: A. Brorsen, P. J. Wolfson, C. E. Leland, E. D. Sharpe, F. T. Lamb.

### Tithe and Offerings from the Churches During 1909

[Including funds received up to Jan. 13, 1910.]

	Tithe	Offerings
Alameda	\$1,148.46	\$ 580.29
Arbuckle	35.00	33.67
Arcata	753.87	126.78
Armona	1,536.41	456.23
Arroyo Grande	142.61	110.35
Atwater	127.35	64.27
Bakersfield	228.75	80.06
Barstow Colony	309.62	62.77
Berkeley	981.18	550.63
Bishop	331.55	181.29
Buckeye	92.35	2.50
Burrough	206.26	78.13
Calistoga	162.99	121.04
Chico	1,244.49	253.75
Corning	70.22	24.13
Dinuba	539.80	208.78
Dinuba (German)	21.23	21.23
Dos Palos	171.19	64.84
Eureka	1,159.13	545.20
Fallon, Nev.	177.35	114.07
Ferndale	381.63	76.60
Fortuna	510.05	63.03
Fowler	119.74	17.66

Fresno	3,160.18	860.25
Glennville	294.66	48.33
Goldfield	6.00	35.07
Grass Valley	185.90	55.60
Guerneville	85.70	25.86
Hanford	1,014.47	195.40
Haywards	158.45	102.53
Healdsburg	2,775.55	885.20
Hughson	269.53	58.80
Island	418.64	77.06
Kelseyville	68.35	126.44
Laguna	219.68	89.18
Laton	153.75	44.29
Le Grand	360.36	92.40
Lemoore	695.55	83.91
Lerdo	8.00	51.00
Lindsay	65.10	17.55
Lockwood	520.46	58.76
Lodi	4,346.51	1,145.85
Lodi (German)	149.45	121.64
Lompoc	200.00	30.00
Los Gatos	319.30	132.94
McKinleyville	88.00	43.59
Melrose	645.02	308.33
Merced	2,077.74	2,579.01
Modesto	449.71	182.48
Monterey	158.90	55.92
Morgan Hill	760.86	139.53
Mount Bullion	21.45	10.70
Mountain View	5,357.63	1,610.57
Napa	478.99	129.95
North San Juan	12.00	6.15
Oakdale	370.13	221.87
Oakland	5,114.06	1,625.95
Oroville	356.25	142.13
Pacific College	1.15	28.51
Paradise	331.78	82.56
Pepperwood	218.69	29.85
Petaluma	282.07	66.04
Placerville	338.19	152.57
Red Bluff	216.35	64.12
Redding	452.64	67.94
Reno, Nev.	987.87	302.88
Richmond	284.80	75.89
Sacramento	1,949.87	170.48
San Francisco	3,577.84	833.79
Sanitarium	7,341.91	2,510.83
San Jose	1,737.41	237.65
San Luis Obispo	185.87	77.88
Santa Cruz	433.06	164.77
Santa Rosa	467.15	133.18

	Tithe	Offering
Sebastopol	798.62	153.57
Selma	725.06	185.11
Smith River	68.80	7.50
Soquel	120.15	18.58
St. Clair	17.50	
St. Helena	947.29	170.81
Stockton	1,360.63	279.28
Susanville	39.85	20.67
Turlock	1,239.51	327.32
Ukiah	1,799.85	150.00
Vacaville	89.65	
Vallejo	271.22	85.68
Visalia	33.25	7.48
Wallace District	188.59	34.22
Watsonville	94.56	26.24
Woodland	1,148.16	215.25
Personal	1,333.37	2,706.89
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$70,878.99</b>	<b>\$24,618.58</b>

The amounts in the "Offerings" column given above are made up of the following funds received from the churches:

Annual	\$4,242.47
Free literature	5.00
Korean Building Fund	793.35
Midsummer	1,667.54
Miscellaneous, Foreign	1,133.06
Miscellaneous, Home	921.35
Missions	4,516.91
\$150,000 Fund	5.00
Orphans	208.86
Religious Liberty	345.98
Sabbath School	7,069.78
Southern Field	1,533.78
Thanksgiving Ingathering	2,175.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,618.58</b>

**Treasurer's Statement  
Receipts for 1909**

Annual Offerings	\$4,242.47
California Religious Liberty Assn	345.98
Christ's Object Lessons	19.50
Donations to Laborers	689.99
Free Literature Fund	5.00
Korean Building Fund	793.35
Ministry of Healing	96.45
Miscellaneous Funds, Foreign	1,133.06
Miscellaneous Funds, Home	921.35
Missions	4,516.91
Midsummer Offerings	1,667.54
Orphans Fund	208.86
\$150,000 Fund	5.00
College Donations	13,309.22
Southern Collection	1,496.53
Southern Field	37.25
Sabbath-school Donations	7,069.78
Thanksgiving Ingathering	2,175.50
Tithe	70,878.99
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109,612.73</b>

**Revenue Statement for Year Ending  
Dec. 31, 1909**

GAINS	
Donations Received	\$ 704.99
Tithe	70,878.99
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$71,583.98</b>
LOSSES	
Chico School	\$120.00
Church School Teachers' Transportation	85.15

Hydratic Dispensary	204.05
Edu. Dept. Expense	56.94
General Expense	707.07
Student Canvassers' Transportation	25.90
Donations Paid Out	120.00
Tithe to Pac. Union Conf.	13,627.00
Camp-meetings	1,403.68
Chico	\$426.85
Fruitvale	618.50
Santa Cruz	358.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,330.00</b>
Depreciations	438.12
Office Furn.	\$ 57.37
Property	380.75
Salaries	46,542.09
Gen. Sal. & Expense	\$43,786.65
Jap. School	981.70
Pac. College Teacher	216.28
South. Lab.	1,607.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,253.98</b>
<b>Net Gain for 1909</b>	<b>\$8,253.98</b>

**Financial Statement, Dec. 31, 1909**

ASSETS	
Bills Receivable	\$ 3,999.99
California Bible House	3,049.84
California Conference Assn.	19,958.42
General Conference	546.67
Korean Building Fund	606.65
Pacific Press	183.17
Personal and Mis. Accounts	717.68
Inventories	9,081.32
Edu. Dept. Expense	\$ 10.90
General Expense	66.75
Office Furniture	408.00
Property (Tents, etc.)	5,922.30
Real Estate	2,673.37
Funds Available	1,923.67
Central Bank, Oakland	51.75
F. & M. State Bank	
Mountain View	1,867.00
Cash on Hand	4.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$40,067.41</b>

LIABILITIES	
Pac. Union Conference	\$4,585.68
Mis. & Trust Funds	1,235.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,821.51</b>
Surplus Jan. 1, 1909	\$23,007.52
Gain for Year	8,253.98
Annuities	2,984.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,245.90</b>
<b>Pres. Worth Dec. 31, 1909</b>	<b>\$40,067.41</b>

Claude Conard,  
Treasurer.

**Auditor's Report**

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the books of account of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, with the vouchers produced, and that the Revenue and Financial Statements are a true and correct statement of the present condition of the business as on the 31st day of December,

1909, as disclosed by said books of account.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1910.

J. J. Ireland, Auditor.

**California Bible House  
Revenue Statement for Year Ending  
Dec. 31, 1909**

GAINS	
Merchandise	\$ 2,278.77
LOSSES	
Agent's expense	\$ 25.60
Expense	590.13
Field agent's expense	1.25
Free literature	17.59
Fuel	17.23
Insurance	67.57
Labor	1,059.39
Property	109.53
Scholarships	18.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,906.67</b>
<b>Net gain</b>	<b>372.10</b>

**Financial Statement Dec. 31, 1909**

ASSETS	
Local tract societies	\$ 671.27
Personal accounts	2,420.43
Cash on hand	38.50
Inventories	4,965.23
Merchandise	\$3,861.90
Property	629.65
Expense	391.43
Library	45.75
Insurance	24.50
Fuel	12.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,095.43</b>

LIABILITIES	
Personal accounts	\$ 370.53
Local societies	3.61
California Conference	3,075.11
Canvassers fund	7.04
Ship missions	23.65
Surplus account	
Jan. 1, 1909	\$4,092.52
Old accounts collected	150.87
Net gain	372.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,615.49</b>

Present worth Dec. 31, 1909 ... \$8,095.43  
S. G. White,  
Secretary.

**Auditor's Report**

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the books of account of the Missionary Department of the California Conference, known as the California Bible House, with the vouchers produced; and that the Revenue and Financial Statements are a true and correct statement of the present condition of the business as on the 31st day of December, 1909, as disclosed by said books of account.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1910.

J. J. Ireland, Auditor.

**Reports of Committees**

Credentials and licenses were granted as follows:

**Credentials:** J. W. Bagby, H. C. Basney, B. E. Beddoe, J. H. Behrens, Fred Brink, A. Brorsen, M. H. Brown, D. T. Fero, C. M. Gardner, F. D. Gauterau, S. N. Haskell, B. L. Howe, M. C. Israel, V. Leer, C. E. Leland, Isaac Morrison, A. J. Osborne, J. D. Rice, G. W. Rine, D. E. Robinson, E. D. Sharpe, H. Shultz, G. A. Snyder, J. A. Stevens, H. A. St. John, C. L. Taggart, C. L. Taylor, T. H. Watson.

**Ordination and Credentials:** H. F. Rand, W. L. Sims, James Taphouse.

**Ministerial Licenses:** J. D. Alder, Wilfred Baldwin, E. C. Boger, F. E. Brown, J. W. Bressie, I. C. Colcord, Ray Colvin, Claude Conard, W. H. Covell, Warren Dayton, L. K. Dickson, R. S. Fries, G. A. Hamilton, Mrs. S. N. Haskell, W. S. Holbrook, L. L. Hutchinson, W. A. Johnson, L. E. Leavett, C. H. Moler, J. R. Patterson, A. L. Philbrick, Mrs. Cora A. Rice, Paul Scoggins, Claude Shull, C. D. Stone, W. B. Taylor, G. A. Wheeler.

**Missionary Licenses:** C. W. Fuller, August Glatt, Mrs. Carrie R. King, G. A. Kuhns, Mrs. Lottie Kuhns, W. T. Mogle, Mrs. C. H. Moler, Laura M. Morrison, Mrs. E. E. Parlin, C. W. Peter, H. P. Rue, Mrs. W. B. Taylor, F. J. White, S. G. White.

**Conference Officers**

President, S. N. Haskell.  
Secretary and treasurer, Claude Conard.

Auditor, Pacific Union Conference Auditor.

Executive committee: S. N. Haskell, H. Shultz, A. Brorsen, C. W. Irwin, H. H. Hall, C. L. Taggart, B. E. Baldwin.

**Departmental Officers**

At a meeting of the executive committee just following the conference session, the following departmental officers were appointed:

- Religious liberty secretary, J. O. Corhiss.
- Missionary secretary, S. G. White.
- Periodical agent, W. H. Covell.
- Educational secretary, I. C. Colcord.
- Sabbath-school secretary, Mrs. Carrie R. King.
- Missionary Volunteer secretary, B. E. Beddoe.

**Reports**

Most of the reports for the year from

the officers and departmental secretaries, appear elsewhere in this paper; and it is not necessary to repeat any part of that matter here. Among the reports given that have not been presented for publication, are those of the religious liberty field director and secretary, Elder J. O. Corliss; the canvassing director, W. H. Covell, and the ship missionary, Chas. W. Peter. Also Elder C. L. Taylor spoke briefly of the good work that is being done by the St. Helena Sanitarium.

All of the reports rendered showed that the blessing of the Lord had abundantly attended every branch of the work during the past year, and the outlook is bright for advance steps in the future.

Claude Conard,  
Secretary.

**California Conference Statistics**  
Dec. 31, 1909

Churches .....	83
Companies .....	4
Membership .....	5,039
Church buildings .....	56
Estimated valuation .....	\$175,230
Approximate seating capacity ..	11,900
Ordained workers .....	27
Licensed and missionary workers ..	26
Book and periodical workers.....	68
Sabbath-schools .....	106
Sabbath-school membership .....	4,254
Church schools .....	29
Church school teachers .....	38
Enrolment church schools .....	740
Estimated value school property ..	\$17,500
Annual maintenance church schools ..	\$10,800
Young people's societies .....	22
Membership young people's societies ..	418

"No barrier of coldness and reserve should be allowed to arise between parents and children. Let parents become acquainted with their children, seeking to understand their tastes and dispositions, entering into their feelings, and drawing out what is in their hearts."

If Thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou mayest be feared. Ps. 130:3, 4.

Through Thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. Ps. 119:104.

**Resolutions**

1. This conference in session, reviewing the attending providence of God during the past year, desires to thank Him publicly for His manifold blessings, not only in the preservation of its laborers' lives, but in the manifest power of His grace which has upheld them in their labors, and through them added members to our fellowship, whom we sincerely hope may continue faithful with us to the end. We also gladly acknowledge His gracious hand in directing the missionary operations of the year, believing that He will follow that work with the influence of His Spirit to the salvation of precious souls. That we may have the heart fully to cooperate with the infinite One in future operations, we humbly crave His sustaining grace to make our efforts availing.

In view of the growing tendency of our people to enter into competition with the world in speculative operations, and believing this to be detrimental to spiritual life, we therefore

2. *Recommend*, That all our ministers faithfully set before the churches the dangers of such a course, and that these testimonies of warning be strengthened by the ministers themselves refraining from this doubtful calling.

Since ministers are exhorted to be "ensamples to the flock," and inasmuch as the flock is constantly exhorted to faithfulness in paying tithes, we therefore

3. *Recommend*, That every minister carefully pay tithes of his wages, and thus be able more effectually to exhort the people to faithfulness in their duty.

That our churches may become thoroughly established in the truth they profess, and so reflect the light of Christ's life among those with whom they come in contact, we earnestly

4. *Recommend*, That in the annual election of church officers, prayerful consideration be given to the daily life of those designed to become local leaders of the spiritual operations, lest mistakes be made which may seriously affect the eternal interest of those who may be wrongly influenced in their life work.

That the faith of our people may be maintained in those teachings which, under God, have made us a distinct and united people in the work of carrying the

third angel's message to the world,

5. *We Recommend*, That all of our church-members, and especially the recognized laborers, both in the ministry direct, and in personal missionary work from house to house, and the church elders, give earnest study to the bound volumes of the Testimonies, that they may not be overtaken by the enemy's snares, against which these so faithfully warn our people in every walk of life.

*Whereas*, It is important that our people become informed regarding the principles of religious liberty, and so prepared intelligently to impart knowledge on this important phase of truth, to those who are seeking for truth in these days of startling surprises constantly sprung by the enemies of the third angel's message; therefore,

6. *Resolved*, That we recommend our churches to arrange institutes at important centers, where smaller churches may gather, and there spend a few days together intently studying these precious principles.

*Whereas*, The work for the blind is a needy cause, continually demanding means for its expansion; and

*Whereas*, Our multiplied blessings from heaven place us under moral obligation to give the truth to that unfortunate people; therefore,

7. *Resolved*, That we cheerfully contribute from our treasury the sum of three hundred dollars to that branch of the Lord's work.

8. *We Recommend*, That the conference look with favor upon the effort now being put forth by the sanitarium to establish mission work in San Francisco and other bay cities, and that we request the incoming executive committee to render such moral and financial support as, in its judgment, the situation shall demand.

Believing that we have not fully appreciated the value of health literature and health principles, in removing prejudice and creating an interest among those for whom we would labor; therefore,

9. *Resolved*, (1) That we continue the plan of giving definite time at our camp-meetings for the study of health topics.

(2) That with all tent or hall efforts, definite time be given for health talks, either by those conducting the series of meetings, or by help provided by the medical committee of the union conference.

(3) That health institutes for our churches, and health schools for the public, be conducted in communities when a definite interest can be awakened.

*Whereas*, There is a great need for improvement in the hygienic arrangements at our camp-meetings; therefore,

10. *We Recommend*, In harmony with the action taken by the Pacific Union Conference in its recent session, that a sufficient number of competent, active men be appointed to definitely look after all matters of sanitation on each campground.

*Whereas*, We are constantly urged to put forth definite effort in our large cities; and

*Whereas*, Treatment rooms and cafeterias, when properly managed, have always proven a success; therefore,

11. *Resolved*, That we encourage the starting of these enterprises by competent persons, on safe plans, as the Lord may open the way in our cities.

12. *We Recommend*, (1) That the educational work in the Pacific Union Conference be organized and carried forward after the general plan recommended by the General Conference, including church schools, intermediate schools, academies, and colleges, the church school completing the first eight grades, the intermediate school completing the first ten grades, the academy completing the first twelve grades, and the college completing sixteen grades.

(2) That the Angwin school be made a college, giving a complete course in collegiate work.

(3) That it be made a union conference school, to be known as the Pacific Union College.

(4) That the Pacific Union College solicit from the entire field only those students who have completed the grades of work offered in the local schools, such as church and intermediate schools or academies.

(5) That the Pacific Union Conference, including all its territory, excepting the Southern California Conference because of its many burdens on account of its medical institutions, be responsible for the purchase of the Angwin school property, and that the whole territory unite in the support of the school.

(6) That the Pacific Union Conference at its biennial meeting shall elect a college board consisting of seven members, who shall be responsible for the

management of the college interests; that an advisory board, to be available at the call of the president of the union conference, shall consist of the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference, a representative from each educational institution above the intermediate school, a representative from the publishing house, a representative from each conference sanitarium in the Pacific Union Conference, and five other persons appointed by the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference.

(7) *Resolved*, That to provide for the present management of the work, the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference, and the executive committee of the California Conference, nominate a board of managers of the Pacific Union College, consisting of seven members, who shall be elected by the board of directors of the California Conference Association, to be responsible for the management of the college interests.

(8) *Resolved*, That the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference, and the executive committee of the California Conference, acting conjointly, shall study the status of our existing legal corporations, that might own and govern the college, and if considered advisable, shall create such corporation as they deem fit and necessary for the ownership and conduct of the college.

*Whereas*, There is an urgent necessity for immediate consideration of the taking over of the Western Normal Institute by this conference;

13. *Resolved*, That the board of directors of the California Conference Association be requested to confer with the board of directors of the Western Normal Institute, with the object of bringing before this body proper recommendations for the taking over of the institute.

*Whereas*, It is deemed expedient by some that the conference headquarters be removed from Mountain View to one of the bay cities; therefore,

14. *Resolved*, That we look with favor upon this proposition, and recommend that favorable action be taken upon the question.

*Whereas*, At the recent session of the General Conference committee held at College View, Nebraska, a recommendation was passed requesting all our people to undertake the sale of two copies of

"Ministry of Healing" and five copies of *Life and Health* each year for three years, the proceeds from which to be used in liquidating the debts on our sanitariums; therefore,

15. *We Recommend*, That as a conference we endorse this action, and pledge our hearty cooperation in the movements; and

*We Further Recommend*, That the conference officials devise some plan for this campaign in which there may be harmonious cooperation.

*Whereas*, There are a large number of Japanese and Chinese within the territory of this conference; therefore,

16. *Resolved*, That the work of circulating literature in their languages be encouraged and fostered by our churches.

*Whereas*, Recent light from the spirit of prophecy has led the late Pacific Union Conference to take steps to establish a medical college at Loma Linda; therefore,

17. *Resolved*, That our ministers, laborers, and people generally acquaint themselves with the light that has come to us upon this important subject, that we may wisely counsel our youth who desire a medical education.

*Whereas*, There are many names upon our church records of persons whose standing and whereabouts are unknown, and the statistics compiled from such data are often misleading and incorrect;

18. *Resolved*, That we urge all our local church elders, in counsel with the conference officers, to exercise a closer supervision over the membership records, and in the fear of God, to recommend the elimination therefrom of the names of those who can not, after careful search, be found, or who can not be reclaimed to proper standing in the church.

*Whereas*, The PACIFIC UNION RECORDER does not have the wide circulation that it deserves; therefore,

19. *Resolved*, That we recommend all our ministers and other workers to put forth special efforts at every meeting they attend, to secure subscriptions for this valuable paper.

*Whereas*, The Lord has greatly prospered our conference financially during the past year, leaving a fair surplus in the treasury; therefore,

20. *Resolved*, That we recommend the incoming administration to adopt a lib-

eral policy toward the General Conference, regarding its needs.

*Whereas*, The Lord has placed in our conference the St. Helena Sanitarium, which through His blessing has grown to be the largest medical institution in our denomination, thus enabling it to offer exceptional advantages for training our young people as missionary nurses; therefore,

21. *Resolved*, That we as conference workers and church-members cooperate in this work by seeking out and encouraging consecrated, promising young people to enter the St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital Training School.

*Whereas*, Home tract and missionary work lies at the foundation of all other missionary endeavors; and

*Whereas*, There is an urgent need of continued study of and service in this important department of the work by all our members; therefore,

22. *Resolved*, That our churches be advised to set apart the regular fourth Sabbath meeting as a monthly home missionary service, using, in the absence of a more suitable one, the program outlined in the Missionary department of the *Review*; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the fourth Sabbath collection in each church be turned over to the church missionary secretary (or librarian), to be used exclusively in the work of the church missionary society.

23. *Resolved*, That our conference laborers and church officers be requested to take an active part in searching out and encouraging suitable candidates for the book and periodical work, and that they forward the names and addresses of such prospective agents to the conference missionary secretary, accompanied by helpful suggestions.

24. *Resolved*, That in carrying on our home missionary and publishing work, we recognize a progressive system of education and practical training, beginning with mailing papers, loaning tracts and books, and selling the ten cent magazines and forty per cent books in the vicinity of the church, and advancing, step by step, to the systematic sale of our magazines in the great cities, and to the sale of regular subscription books; and that all these have as their object the training of workers for all departments of Christian service in the world-wide field.

25. *Resolved*, That our churches resume the holding of a weekly missionary meet-

ing preceding the mid-week prayer-meeting.

26. *Resolved*, That our church-members be encouraged to make out a faithful report each week of missionary work done, handing the same to the church missionary secretary (librarian) each Sabbath or at the weekly missionary meeting.

*Whereas*, The sale of our periodicals alone amounts to forty-one per cent of our total literature sales in the United States; and

*Whereas*, Thousands of our people now without a regular occupation could profitably engage in the sale of our ten cent magazines;

27. *Resolved*, That we continue to present this profitable branch of missionary work to unoccupied Seventh-day Adventists, young, middle-aged, and old, as a means of spreading the message, and also of earning a competent livelihood.

*Whereas*, The International Publishing Association, of College View, Neb., has begun the publication of three new quarterly ten cent magazines in the German, Danish, and Swedish languages, similar to our English magazines;

28. *Resolved*, That we encourage our regular magazine agents' working where there are foreign settlements, to carry a supply of these magazines, and also that our church-members endeavor to sell and otherwise distribute these valuable and attractive publications to their neighbors and friends speaking these foreign languages.

(1) The California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in session at Fresno, January 31, 1908, adopted the following preamble and resolution:

"*Whereas*, The establishment of church schools has created an ever-increasing demand for thoroughly trained missionary teachers; and

"*Whereas*, In order to fit our young people for teaching, it is necessary to maintain a strong normal training-school; and

"*Whereas*, Experience has shown that it is impracticable to carry forward this work in connection with the college; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we look with favor upon the following plan:

"a. That the Pacific Normal Institute be established in a suitable place, separate from the Pacific Union College,

where children for the training-school can be had, and enough land to provide for the school gardens.

"b. That a corporation be formed, the details of formation to be worked out later.

"c. That there be an advisory board, to consist of the five members of the incorporators, and two additional members to be selected from the executive committee of the California Conference."

(2) In the same year a stock company was formed, and stock was issued and sold to our brethren. Land was purchased, and school buildings were erected and furnished at Lodi, California; and the school was named "The Western Normal Institute."

(3) The citizens of Lodi contributed funds to the amount of \$8,000 for the purchase of the site.

(4) The buildings erected consist of —  
a. A main school building of two stories and basement, accommodating two hundred fifty students.

b. A boys' dormitory of three stories, accommodating forty students.

c. A ladies' dormitory of two stories and basement, accommodating forty students.

d. A barn, an irrigating plant, and an electric light plant.

(5) The real estate consists of twenty acres of vineyard land.

(6) During 1908 the school lost in its operation \$1,961.67.

(7) The financial standing of the corporation for the period ending September 1, 1909, was as follows:

ASSETS	
Furniture and fixtures .....	\$ 3,499.05
Buildings .....	27,488.30
20 acres of land .....	10,000.00
Total .....	\$40,987.35
LIABILITIES	
Accounts and bills payable ...	\$ 6,453.41
Due on loans .....	20,717.86
Due on interest .....	488.20
Loss on school for year .....	1,961.67
Total .....	\$29,621.14
Present worth, including stock	11,366.21
	\$40,987.35

(8) We are not able at this time to submit an up-to-date financial statement; but the assets and liabilities will not vary materially from the above.

(9) The operating of the school for the

first four months of the school year 1909-10 shows the income to be \$7,920.30; expense, including depreciation, \$7,950.

(10) Owing to the pressing liabilities of the corporation, and the inability to successfully operate a school controlled by a stock corporation, the present board of trustees of the Western Normal Institute, in behalf of the stockholders, have petitioned the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to accept as a donation, and pledge to turn over, the entire stock of the corporation of the Western Normal Institute, without consideration on the part of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, other than that the said California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists receive the assets, and assume the liabilities, and take the entire control of the school now known as the Western Normal Institute.

(11) The board of trustees of the Western Normal Institute pledge and bind the corporation to the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists that in consideration of the California Conference's taking over the assets and liabilities and management of the school now known as the Western Normal Institute, the liabilities to be paid by the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists shall not exceed \$27,000. Any liability in excess of this amount will be paid by the stockholders.

Therefore in harmony with the above statement,

29. *We Recommend*, That the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists accept the deed of said property, now known as the Western Normal Institute, and all stock issued by said corporation; receive its entire assets of every nature whatsoever; and assume its liabilities to an amount not exceeding \$27,000; and own, control, and manage the school in such a way as it shall believe to be for the best interests of the work in the California Conference.

*Whereas*, There is a dearth of efficient teachers for our Sabbath-schools, and a great need of special training for this important work; therefore,

30. *Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the "Teachers' Reading Course" which has been outlined by the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference, and urge all our Sabbath-school teachers, and all who hope to be teach-

ers, to avail themselves of the help offered by this course.

*Whereas*, The *Sabbath School Worker* is the official organ of the Sabbath School Department; and

*Whereas*, Those who have it in charge are putting forth every effort to make it an efficient help to our schools; therefore,

31. *Resolved*, That we recommend that each Sabbath-school make a vigorous effort to see that each teacher and officer has a copy for his special use, and that he study it carefully, and seek to work in harmony with the plans there outlined.

*Whereas*, Most touching appeals for help are constantly coming to us from foreign fields; and

*Whereas*, The General Conference recommends that all Sabbath-school offerings be sacredly devoted to missions; therefore,

32. *Resolved*, That we urge all our schools to lay plans immediately whereby needed supplies may be had without using the regular weekly offerings, and that all our members be urged to donate as liberally as possible.

*Whereas*, A great benefit is derived from daily study of the Sabbath-school lessons; therefore,

33. *Resolved*, That our church and Sabbath-school officers do keep before all our people the benefits of such a regular study of the Sabbath-school lessons.

A vote was taken authorizing the California Conference committee in conjunction with the Conference Association board of directors to provide for a board of seven managers to look after the future of the Lodi school.

*Voted*, That the matter of the Blue Lake, Mount Bullion, North San Juan, and other churches that may have lost their organization and need investigation, be referred to the executive committee with power to act.

Action was taken, by vote, expressing the appreciation and thanks of the delegates for the hospitality of the Lodi brethren and friends during this session of the conference. Also a vote of thanks was passed to the citizens for opening doors to the visitors, and to the Lodi papers for the space which had been granted for notices and reports of the meetings.

## Address of the President Delivered February 1, 1910

It is with great pleasure we meet the delegates and visiting brethren in this thirty-ninth annual session of the California Conference. We have great reason to thank God for His prospering hand over every department of the work the past year, and also that none of our laborers have been stricken down by death.

We realize that the greatest strength of any conference is not in its laborers in the field, but in the rank and file of our brethren and sisters who, while engaged in their daily duties in their homes, support the work by their prayers and their means. It has been a great source of strength to us to know that from family altars throughout the conference daily prayers were ascending to the God of the harvest to bless the work of the laborers in the field.

It is only just that at these annual gatherings when representatives from our various churches are assembled that full reports be given of the work done the past year. As the head of each department will render a detailed report, we will only group together a brief summary of the work in the different departments.

### General Work

Three camp-meetings have been held during the past year, at the following places,—Chico, Santa Cruz, and Fruitvale,—which were well attended. Each was followed by a series of tent meetings, and all was done that could be done to develop the interest aroused at the camp-meeting. Good results were seen and some added to the churches in each of these places as the result of the meetings.

Six Biblical institutes, each continuing ten days, have been held at the following places, Fresno, Sebastopol, San Jose, Lodi, Armona, and Healdsburg,—by your president, his wife, and the missionary secretary, Brother White. At these institutes the brethren and sisters entered heartily into the work of distributing literature, taking \$1,969.25 worth of literature to distribute in their immediate neighborhoods. Brethren Loughborough, Corliss, Beddoe, and W. C. White have rendered valuable assistance at some of these institutes; and we were indeed glad to have Sister White

present at the institutes at San Jose and Lodi, where her instructions were greatly appreciated.

There have been 39 tent and hall efforts held by the laborers during the year. The reports from the church clerks show that 446 have been added to the churches the past year; while seven new churches have been organized at the following places: Kelseyville, Haywards, Atwater, Lerdo, Watsonville, Fowler, and at the Pacific College. Three companies of Sabbath-keepers have been brought together, but are not yet strong enough to organize into churches.

The laborers report 311 baptisms, and 40 have united with the church on confession of faith and a former baptism. New church buildings have been erected at Armona, Lodi, Fruitvale, Los Gatos, and Richmond.

During the year twenty-seven ordained ministers and ten licensed ministers have been employed by the conference, assisted by thirteen Bible workers and other helpers.

We wish here to express our appreciation of the strong company of self-supporting missionaries who have worked faithfully the past year selling periodicals and books. Their work is of great value to the conference, as the large quantities of literature they distribute prepares the way for the minister. We earnestly pray God will richly bless these consecrated workers, and greatly increase their number.

### Religious Liberty Work

The Pacific Religious Liberty Association have held five religious liberty institutes in this conference at the following places: Fresno, Armona, Lodi, Oakland, and Mountain View, each continuing five days. These institutes have helped to awaken an interest in the live issues just before us.

The Lord graciously wrought for us in the Legislature last winter, and the Sunday bills were defeated again. Our brethren throughout the conference did faithful work, and the list of nearly 40,000 signatures against Sunday legislation, which they sent up to the Legislature, did much towards defeating the bill before the committee. We have great reason to be thankful for the freedom the Lord gave Elders Healey and Corliss in presenting the subject before the committee. 18,879 *Liberty* maga-

zines have been sold by agents the past year, and 168 yearly subscriptions to the *Liberty* magazine taken by our brethren. Large quantities of Religious Liberty Leaflets have been distributed. Our brethren will need to put forth more earnest effort the coming year than at any time in the past, for this year will be a fiercer conflict than any previous one.

### Sale of Literature

We have great reason to be thankful to the Lord for the amount of literature distributed in the conference the past year. While it comes far short of what we must see when the publications containing the truth will "fall like the leaves of autumn," yet it shows us something of what can be done when, like Israel of old, "the people had a mind to work." There has been a real enthusiasm in many places in the missionary work. A good, live missionary meeting was conducted each day at nine o'clock A.M. in all our camp-meetings, and special instruction in missionary work was given at all our Biblical institutes.

The managers of the Pacific Press have greatly assisted in this line of work by continuing to grant us special rates on tracts and books when taken by our brethren in large quantities.

As the result of the combined efforts of the regular workers and the lay members, \$44,154.97 worth of literature has been distributed in this conference during the past year. Special effort has been put forth by the conference to encourage the periodical work, and we are glad to state that \$20,582.04 worth of the different denominational periodicals have been scattered in our cities. We quote the following from a letter received from our field canvassing agent:

"Fifty-eight canvassers have been actually engaged in the canvassing work this year. Twenty-eight of these canvassers have sold over \$100 worth of books; sixteen over \$200; twelve over \$300; eight over \$400; six over \$500; while five have sold over \$800; and one faithful worker, a girl, canvassing in the mountains with her mother to assist her, has sold and delivered \$1,195.30 worth of books. A large proportion of our work this year has been done in the mountainous country and rural districts of the state.

"During the past four years there has not been a single agent who has given his entire time and attention exclusively to the subscription book business in California. If something could be done to get eight or a dozen faithful workers to give their entire time to the subscription book work, we believe twelve agents in constant service would do more than sixty agents have done by working just as convenience suits them. Our greatest need is for men and women who will forsake all and follow the Master constantly.

"Now that we have our new college we will hope for a large number of recruits from that quarter, as the biggest record ever made in the state in the past four years was recorded by forty-seven well-trained agents from the Healdsburg College in 1907. We would like to recommend that all our schools and colleges provide for a canvassing course in their regular curriculum, and that selections from our regular subscription books be studied throughout the year in view of the student's handling the book during the summer."

#### Tract Society Work

Faithful, careful work has been done by the tract society the past year; and while the amount of business this year has exceeded that of last year, yet \$785.67 less has been expended in the running expenses of the office. The profits of the society have been \$372.10 for the year. It does not show as much as last year; but the difference is mainly due to the fact that a quantity of old stock that had become worn and of little value was deducted from the inventory, and some books that were in stock that were not especially on present truth subjects have been sold at a discount to get them off the shelves.

The society has handled over \$3,500 worth more of denominational literature in 1909 than in 1908.

#### Health and Temperance Work

The St. Helena Sanitarium has had an especially prosperous year. They have had a good run of patients throughout the winter months, about 1,200 patients during the year. They have about 125 helpers. A good work has been done by a few faithful workers with the *Life and Health* magazine, and 33,191 copies have been sold during the year. About

forty-five per cent of the books sold the past year were denominated as books carrying the gospel of health.

Good, live, instructive health and temperance meetings were conducted by Dr. Edwards each day during all the camp-meetings, and a good quantity of health and temperance literature was distributed.

A good work is also being done by some of the small sanitariums conducted as private institutions.

#### Sabbath-School Work

There has been marked progress in this department of the work. Twelve new schools have been organized, with an increase of 271 in the total membership. There has been a decided increase in the Sabbath-school offerings. The offerings for the year were \$7,185.25; and we are glad to state that only \$209.20 of this amount was used to purchase home supplies for the schools. If our Sabbath-school secretary works as faithfully another year as in the past, we hope there will be none of the Sabbath-school offerings consumed at home.

#### Church School Work

The message has been coming to us for years to "gather the children in;" but we have been slow to heed it, and we are sorry to say that many of our Seventh-day Adventist children are being educated in worldly schools.

We have 29 church schools at the present time; but when we remember that we have 83 churches in the California Conference, it represents 54 churches where our children are being educated in worldly schools. This is a sad fact, and one that should cause us to consider what can be done to increase the number of our church schools. We are glad to state that three new schools have been opened during the past year, and four new church school houses built at the following places: Turlock, Atwater, Melrose, and Armona.

#### Intermediate Schools

The Chico intermediate school has not been carrying a full line of work this year. They have succeeded in disposing of their old school property, and are preparing now for aggressive work in the future. The Armona intermediate school has built some much needed class rooms, which have greatly increased their facilities. The intermediate schools employ five teachers. They have an en-

rolment of 125. A good spiritual atmosphere pervades the Armona school, which has borne fruit in the school sending out a good corps of faithful workers into the field the past summer.

#### Pacific College

Some of our friends were disappointed in not securing the Buena Vista property for the college; but those who were best acquainted with both the Buena Vista property and the Angwin property, which was purchased for the college, felt that the Lord especially directed in the change. It looked for a time as if we were not going to have a conference school this year; but the Angwin property was purchased the first part of September, and the school opened the 29th. Considering the fact that there was not time to send out calendars, or circular letters, we consider an enrolment of 75 excellent. Seven teachers have been employed. All will be interested to know of the financial condition of the school. We are sorry to say that all the money pledged for the school has not been paid yet; but trust it may soon be paid in. Elder Cottrell, the president of the California Conference Association, has had the most to do with spending the money paid in for the new college, and he will give the financial status in his report. We have received no definite report from the Pacific College.

#### Western Normal Institute

The Normal Institute has been doing good work the past year. The following report has been received from the principal of the school:

Total enrolment, 237; in the advanced department, 127; and in the church school, 110. Number of teachers, 10. Number of pupils in actual training and doing practise work, 54. Number pupils doing work preparatory to teaching, 50. Number of advanced students converted, 14. Spiritual condition, good. Intellectual attainments and ability, excellent. Number papers sold and distributed, 1,200. Amount paid foreign missions, \$42. Prospects, encouraging.

#### Young People's Work

There are twenty-two societies in the conference, and most of these are carrying on some definite missionary work. Many of the young people are doing valuable work in distributing literature.

During the year three new societies have been organized.

**Foreign Missionary Work**

There has not been as much done in this line as we had hoped. We planned to open work for the Chinese, but so far have not been able to find any one that had a burden to enter that work. It is useless to attempt work among the Chinese unless the workers have a love for the work and desire to win souls.

The work among the Japanese in Oakland has continued to prosper; and while there have not been a great many who have taken their stand for the truth, yet we are glad to say that one fine, intelligent young man has come out firm and strong, and is now fitting himself to labor for his people. During the year 39 have been enrolled in the mission school, and the teachers are faithfully working for these who attend the school. So far the school has drawn the better class of students, and some very distinguished Japanese have been pupils in the school. It is slow work, and often little is seen; but the results are far reaching, and will be seen when the Lord appears.

**Ship Missionary Work**

Our ship missionary has visited 563 ships in San Francisco harbor, and has placed large quantities of literature in these vessels going to all parts of the world. It is truly casting bread upon the water; but the promise is sure that it will be found after many days.

We wish to notice the faithful work of Brother Harvey, who has, by supporting himself by daily labor, kept eleven distributors filled with literature. These distributors are in prominent places in Oakland and San Francisco, where they are well patronized. We trust our brethren throughout the conference will remember this brother in this work, and see that he is kept well supplied with literature.

**City Work**

While a few of the tent efforts have been held in Oakland and Sacramento, yet the majority of the tent and hall efforts have been held in the smaller towns of the conference. But the messages keep coming from the servant of the Lord, saying we should haste to work the large, wicked cities. We in a measure sensed the importance of this

work; and for that reason two years ago, when asked to take the presidency of this conference, did not locate in Mountain View, where in many respects it might have been more quiet and restful to one of my years,—but we located in Oakland, where we could be on the firing line, and have part in aggressive city work. At that time we tried to agitate the importance of having our base of supplies near the battle-field, by moving the tract society and conference offices into Oakland. When we found that few of our brethren favored the project, we did the next best thing we could do,—we began keeping a stock of literature in our own home, and sold it to self-supporting workers who have sold it in the bay cities. During the past two years we have done the following amount of business at our home:

59,588 ten cent magazines . . .	\$5,958.80
Subscriptions to various periodicals . . . . .	35.40
Tracts and pamphlets sold . . . .	372.18
1,580 copies of books, embracing 30 varieties . . . . .	1,832.60
<b>Total sales . . . . .</b>	<b>\$8,198.98</b>

Most of this has been sold by individuals who met with very poor success at first and needed to be encouraged to keep trying until success crowned their efforts.

This work has been independent of the tract society at Mountain View, although the literature has been ordered through the tract society, and Mrs. Haskell has been personally responsible to the tract society for the payment of all bills of literature ordered through the society, and at the end of two years owes the tract society nothing. Most of the literature has been sold to the workers at the same price charged Mrs. Haskell by the tract society; but on account of cartage and express a little profit was made on the *Life and Health* handled last year. After defraying the expense of cartage and express, the remainder of the profit was invested in papers for Brother Harvey to use in the distributors in public places in the bay cities. We have not kept any profit on the sales for our own use.

If this can be done by individuals who are away from home most of the time, working in other parts of the confer-

ence, what could be accomplished if the tract society were located where these workers could receive their supplies often, and, what is more essential, could receive words of kindly encouragement when the enemy seeks to discourage them?

We would recommend to the delegates of this conference the advisability of moving the tract society and conference offices nearer the battle-field; also to consider ways and means by which a strong corps of city workers may be developed.

**Financial**

We feel very thankful to the Lord for the financial report for 1909. Notwithstanding that many of our brethren have not been able to dispose of their fruit, yet the tithe received for the year is \$70,878.99. While the treasurer gives this encouraging report of the tithes received, we are glad to be able to show our brethren that it has not been spent in vain.

The laborers also bring in their report of souls gathered out from the darkness through the faithful tithe paid. We would not have dared to send out so many tent companies at the beginning of the year, if we had not believed that our brethren would support the work.

Our donations to work outside of our own conference for 1909 are \$26,400.12. At the end of last year we lacked three or four hundred dollars of paying our proportion of ten cents a week for every member. This year we are glad to say that our offerings to work outside of our own conference average \$5.58 per member, or thirty-eight cents per member more than ten cents per week, figured on the basis of our membership at the beginning of 1909.

We heartily thank our brethren for their liberality in giving to foreign missions and the Pacific College; and earnestly pray that the funds will be used in such a way that many souls will receive the message of mercy for this day.

The salvation of souls is the one object that all heaven is interested in; and every one whose heart is in touch with heaven will realize that souls that are the purchase of the blood of Christ are more precious than all else in the earth.

We now return to the conference the responsibilities you have placed in our care the past year, with a thankful heart

for the blessings of the Lord that have attended the work, and an earnest prayer that your officers for the coming year may see a far greater growth in every line of the work; for we are in the loud cry of the message, and should expect great things of the Lord.

S. N. Haskell.

### Tract and Missionary Department Report for 1909

This department, besides being the general source of supplies for all denominational literature for persons of this conference, is also established for the purpose of encouraging our lay members to disseminate the light of this message: first, by a wide circulation of our books, tracts, leaflets, and periodicals; secondly, by the giving of Bible readings; thirdly, by making missionary visits, and doing all in their power to break down the barrier of prejudice, and repair and build the breach, every man over against his own house. Neh. 3:28.

This department organizes the general work of the agents, both book and periodical, the book work coming under the supervision of the field canvassing director. Ways and means of working with our books, tracts, and periodicals are also passed on through our office to church librarians and others. This is one of the departments that keeps closely in touch with the isolated members of our conference, several letters having been sent to the isolated members during the past year.

God has richly blessed this department. Its success is largely measured by the amount of literature sold.

Our statistical report for the year is as follows:

	Number	Amount
Sub. books (50 per cent)	9,953	\$16,126.90
Sub. books (40 per cent)	1,863	1,190.00
Total subscription books	11,816	\$17,316.90
Trade books and Bibles	3,850	3,543.19
Total books, all kinds	15,666	\$20,860.09
Pamphlets	18,752	856.03
B. S. L., A. G. L., W. T. S., tracts	101,151	962.50
Leaflets	129,981	507.56
	249,884	\$ 2,326.09
Magazine sales	155,434	15,335.20
Total pieces literature circulated	405,318	
Periodical subscriptions		5,146.04

Miscellaneous merchandise	486.75
Total sales for 1909	\$44,154.17

\$330.33 worth of literature more has been sold than in 1908.

### Statistical Report of Periodical Sales for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1909

Name	Number	Price	Value
Signs of the Times			
Monthly	62,572	10c	\$6,257.20
Weekly	1,200	5c	60.00
Sions Vaktare	100	5c	5.00
Life and Health	33,191	10c	3,319.10
Liberty	18,879	10c	1,887.90
Bible Training School	28,745	10c	2,874.50
Temperance Instructor	2,325	10c	232.50
Good Tidings			
special number	2,951	10c	295.10
Gospel Herald			
(Chinese)	2,864	5c	143.20
Protestant	340	10c	34.00
Watchman	2,267	10c	226.70
Total	155,434		\$15,335.20

A small work has been done with our foreign publications, and we are glad to report to you that \$165.19 worth of Chinese literature has been distributed among that nationality in our conference. \$143.20 of this has been with the Chinese *Signs of the Times* (*Shi Chao Yueh Pao*), and \$21.99 with tracts.

### Subscriptions to Periodicals

Signs of the Times	\$ 3,425.94
Life and Health	105.50
Liberty	33.58
Bible Training School	32.70
Instructor	429.37
Christian Education	8.50
General Conference Bulletin	159.00
Good Tidings	16.95
Life Boat	8.60
Our Little Friend	332.78
Protestant Magazine	54.47
Recorder	138.25
Review and Herald	294.14
Sabbath School Worker	92.54
Watchman	13.72

Total subscriptions	\$ 5,146.04
Total magazine sales	\$15,335.20

Grand total magazine sales and subscriptions \$20,481.24

42,401 *Missions Reviews* were circulated, and \$2,175.50 was raised for the mission work. Should we estimate the cost of these papers with the *Signs* weekly, the way they do in working up their statistics in our publishing houses, it would bring our sales up to something like \$53,153.04; but we have contented ourselves with passing on to you the amount which has been sold in this conference at its retail value, and not that which has been given away, or

figured a rate per copy instead of subscription price.

There are 837 subscribers to the *Review and Herald* in the conference at present, or one copy for every six members.

375 copies of the *RECORDER* are sent out weekly to members in the California Conference.

2,412 weekly *Signs* are mailed each week to persons in this conference,—1,501 in clubs, and 911 single names and addresses.

Special rates were given last year on the books "Our Paradise Home," "Glorious Appearing," and "Change of the Sabbath;" and as a result of these special rates and the effort put forth with the books, 219 "Our Paradise Home," 908 "Glorious Appearing," and 423 "Change of the Sabbath" have been sold, as against 151 "Our Paradise Home," 89 "Glorious Appearing," and 18 "Change of the Sabbath" in the year 1908.

Of the "Conflict of the Ages" series of books, composed of "Patriarchs and Prophets," "Desire of Ages," "Great Controversy," and "Education," 204 sets have been sold at \$5.00 per set. The regular rate was \$10.25.

The Pacific Press has also granted us a special discount on tracts during the past year, the same as in 1908; and a good work has been done with these. From letters which we have in our office, we learn that as a result of the tracts sold at our institutes and distributed in a systematic manner, souls have been brought into the truth.

631 copies of "Testimonies for the Church" were sold; and of these, 399 were "Testimonies" Volume 9, the latter having been placed in the hands of our brethren during the past three months.

11,704 Bible readings in the form of "Family Bible Teacher" have been sent out of our office. Surely this will bring results. The Lord has promised that His Word will not return unto Him void of fruit.

8,000 more ten cent magazines were sold in our conference last year than in 1908.

Camp-meetings were held at Chico, Santa Cruz, and Fruitvale. Books, tracts, and periodicals were sold in the following quantities:

**Chico**

Books .....	\$689.95	
Tracts .....	151.80	
Periodicals .....	150.70	\$ 992.45

**Santa Cruz**

Books .....	\$811.85	
Tracts .....	117.50	
Periodicals .....	258.75	1,188.10

**Fruitvale**

Books .....	\$1,879.10	
Tracts .....	98.40	
Periodicals .....	977.70	2,955.20

Total sales at camp-meetings \$5,135.75

There were six Bible and missionary institutes held in this conference during the past year, at the following places: Fresno, Sebastopol, San Jose, Lodi, Armona, and Healdsburg. Our sales at these places amounted to \$1,969.25, and were divided as follows: books, \$1,364; tracts, \$284.75; periodicals, \$320.50.

The sales of each institute were as follows:

**Fresno**

Books .....	\$327.45	
Periodicals ..	124.65	
Tracts .....	68.90	\$521.00

**Sebastopol**

Books .....	\$105.00	
Periodicals .....	58.10	
Tracts .....	36.00	199.10

**San Jose**

Books .....	\$87.25	
Periodicals .....	50.65	
Tracts .....	28.75	166.65

**Lodi**

Books .....	\$326.50	
Periodicals .....	78.00	
Tracts .....	63.80	468.30

**Armona**

Books .....	\$349.75	
Periodicals .....	9.10	
Tracts .....	59.10	417.95

**Healdsburg**

Books .....	\$168.05	
Tracts .....	28.20	196.25

Total sales at institutes .....\$1,969.25  
 Total sales at camp-meetings \$5,135.75

Grand total at camp-meetings and institutes .....\$7,105.00

Besides the above, we sold at the California Conference last year ..... 195.20  
 At Lodi Y. P. convention ..... 78.75

Grand total .....\$7,378.95

\$9,549.41 was received in profits by the periodical workers of this conference, or an average per month of \$795.78, from the sale of ten cent magazines only. \$8,539.45 was received by our book agents the past year, or an average per month of \$711.62. This makes a total of \$18,088.86 received as profits by our workers from the sale of purely denominational literature, or an average profit of \$1,507.40 per month.

You will notice from the above figures that it amounts to as much as one fourth of the tithe the members of this conference paid the past year. We also know that results will be seen from placing our message-filled publications in the hands of so many people.

I might state that during the past year one of our periodical workers received a pass from the railroad company to and from her field of labor as long as she continued in the work. Another canvasser wrote us stating that in his field of labor the railroad companies granted him and his fellow worker a pass good for five days to the camps where they were working.

One brother who is now not in our territory, while canvassing in San Francisco for about eight or nine weeks, made a profit each week of from \$21.00 to \$23.00 from the sale of *Life and Health* magazines.

Last year it took \$1,871.16 to run our tract society. This does not include traveling expenses, but does include general expenses of the office and office help.

Our labor bill last year was \$555.25 less than it was for 1908; and our expense bill, including all general expenses, was \$230.42 less, notwithstanding the fact that we handled over \$3,500 worth more of denominational literature through our office than in 1908.

It takes about \$20.00 worth of stamps and writing material to send a letter to each of the isolated members of this conference.

I might say that our tract society has

furnished for reading-rack work to Brother James Harvey of Oakland, about \$100 retail worth of literature, besides what has been sent to him from other sources; and we believe a good work has been carried on through his efforts. This has exhausted the funds which we had at our office for this purpose, and we also donated from our tract society funds the sum of \$20, and charged it up to our loss account. We feel sure that Brother Harvey has done good, faithful work, and would suggest that either a donation be taken up or an appropriation made for this work in our bay cities the coming year. Many times when going through Oakland, and while waiting for the train, I have seen numbers of people reading the literature which he has placed at their disposal.

God has abundantly blessed this branch of the conference during the past year, and we trust that during 1910 a much larger work will be done, and that many more souls may be saved by the circulation of our literature.

S. G. White,  
*Missionary Secretary,*

**The \$300,000 Fund**

[The resolution appearing below should have been included with those on the preceding pages, but in the confusion incident to the moving of the conference office to Oakland, the copy was misplaced and shipped with other papers. It was recovered too late to be made up in the proper place.—EDITOR.]

*Whereas,* The General Conference at its late session in Washington City recommended that the Executive Committee take steps at once to start a fund known as the \$300,000 fund for institutional work and mission homes in foreign fields, and

*Whereas,* This money is urgently needed and repeated calls have been made from some of these foreign fields for their proportion; therefore,

*We Recommend,* That some plan be devised by this conference whereby one half, at least, of its quoto may be raised during the year 1910.

“The choicest garb, the sweetest grace,  
 Are oft to strangers shown;  
 The careless mien, the frowning face,  
 Are given to our own.  
 We flatter those we scarcely know,  
 We please the fleeting guest,  
 And deal full many a thoughtless blow  
 To those we love the best.”

### The Sabbath-School Department Report for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1909

[It will be noticed that the amount of donation received as shown by this report does not agree with that given in the financial statement. This is accounted for by the fact that figures given here are from the statistical reports received by the Sabbath-school secretary, and those in the financial reports are the actual amounts received by the conference treasurer.—EDITOR.]

As we review the work of this department for the past year, we find much to make us glad, and some things to make us sad; for although all has not been accomplished that we had hoped, we rejoice to see that there has been a steady advancement in all lines.

We are told that the Sabbath-school is the church at study; not *part* of the church, but "*the church*," which must mean all who have been gathered out from the world by the third angel's message. We have earnestly tried to make this really true of our schools; and as a result, the membership has increased to 4,254, which is 631 more than at the close of 1908.

We have 106 schools, two of which are mission Sunday-schools. Twelve new schools have been organized during the year, and seven have been dropped. These were mostly family schools whose members have moved where they could unite with other schools.

Of the present membership, 162 are isolated Sabbath-keepers who have been brought in touch with the Sabbath-school work through correspondence, and have become members of the State Home Department. Perhaps no other part of the work is so much appreciated by those for whom we labor, as is this work with the isolated members. We try to pass on to them some crumbs from the feast of good things of which we are privileged constantly to partake. As they are shut away from personal association with others of like faith, every letter is welcomed with joy, as is shown by the grateful replies we receive. One sister writes, "It is such a comfort to receive your letters from time to time, filled as they are with tidings from the field which we do not get from any other source."

The financial reports from our schools show a most encouraging change of sentiment—perhaps I might say change of heart. We have sought to educate our schools in harmony with the financial policy recommended by the General Con-

ference. The result is that only four or five schools in the conference are now using any part of their regular contributions to meet their running expenses, but are donating them sacredly to the work of carrying light to the corners of the earth which are still in darkness.

During this past year, the total amount of contributions given in our schools has been \$7,185.25. Of this amount, \$6,976.05 has been given to missions. This is an increase of \$1,056.40 over the donations of the year 1908.

The remainder, \$209.20, has been used for running expenses by ten of the schools. This seems like a large sum to be taken from the donations; but when we compare it with the record of the previous year, it is most encouraging. In 1908 more than \$617 was taken from the Sabbath-school donations and used at home. So we see that a sentiment against this practise is fast gaining ground. One secretary, when sending in the latest report, said, "Thank God, we no longer use Sabbath-school money for our supplies." Another wrote, "We just love to give now, for we know it all goes to missions."

An earnest and constant effort has been made to secure more thorough study of the Sabbath-school lessons. To this end, programs for family study have been placed, as far as possible, in every family in the conference. Schools have been encouraged to give a written test at the close of each quarter, especially in the young people's and children's departments. This has been found to be a very helpful means of stimulating careful study; for young people like to tell what they know, and they take more interest in learning if they know that they are to put the knowledge thus gained into immediate use.

A special service was arranged early in the year, and observed in each school, the aim of which was to impress the importance of these lessons in the Life of Christ, the lasting blessings to be gained by daily study of the lessons in the home, and the responsibility that God has placed upon parents in regard to this matter. These efforts have resulted in much good to the schools and to individuals.

Letters from our Home Department members tell of the daily blessings they are receiving from the study of

these beautiful lessons. One sister writes, "When I see what Christ willingly bore for me, it makes me realize as never before the worth of a human soul." Another says, "The burdens of life become so much lighter when I realize that Christ has traveled this way before me, and that He is bearing the burdens and the trials with me."

One of the perplexing problems that confronts our schools everywhere is how to find faithful, competent teachers. We have been told through the spirit of prophecy that our schools are "crippling along" because of this very lack. As a help toward preparing teachers for the work, a Teachers' Reading Course for the coming year has been outlined and recommended by the Sabbath-school Department of the General Conference. This has met with a hearty welcome in our conference, and a large number of our teachers have begun the study with enthusiasm. This will certainly result in a marked improvement in the quality of work done in our schools. We only wish all the officers and teachers would avail themselves of this opportunity to become better workers.

We are glad our schools are learning the true worth of our excellent and constantly improving helper, the *Sabbath School Worker*. As nearly as I could learn, this journal now has a place in every English-speaking school in our conference.

More definite plans are being laid to help teachers in their efforts for the salvation of their pupils. A leaflet entitled "Sabbath School Consecration Service" has been issued by the Sabbath-school Department of the General Conference. This will be most gladly studied by all who feel a burden for the souls of the youth and children in our schools. We have the promise, "I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children." Isa. 49:25. It is time for us to claim this promise, and to learn how to do our part in this great work of soul-saving.

We wish to thank our brethren and sisters who have cooperated so faithfully with us in building up the Sabbath-school work, this most sacred work in all the world. We trust you will continue to exert an influence wherever you go that will lead to harmony of action. Division of effort can never accomplish

the work that must be done; we must all pull together. We must press forward, keeping our eyes and hearts fixed upon the great work of bringing souls into the fold of Christ, and strengthening and establishing them in the truth, that they may be able to stand faithful through the tests of the last days.

We want to ask you to work in behalf of the Teachers' Reading Course; to try to get all our people to study the Sabbath-school lessons daily; to use your influence in behalf of much personal effort for the salvation of our children; and to try to inspire all our people to even greater liberality in Sabbath-school donations, so we may carry the gospel more rapidly to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, and make it possible for Jesus to soon come to take the faithful ones home.

Thanking God for what the Sabbath-school work has done in the past, let us do all we can, by the help of the great Teacher, to make it what He has told us it should be, "one of the greatest instrumentalities, and the most effectual, in bringing souls to Christ."

Mrs. Carrie R. King,  
Secretary.

**Report of the Church School Department**

No. schools .....	29
No. teachers .....	38
No. pupils enrolled .....	752
Average attendance .....	665
Per cent of attendance .....	92
No. attending, not S. D. A. ....	76
Grades taught .....	1-10
Banner pupils .....	106
No. cases of disciplining (major) ..	62
No. visitors .....	313
Visits by members of board .....	51
Daily No. of classes .....	11-43
New schools organized .....	4
New school buildings .....	4
Mission schools .....	1
No. schools closed .....	2
Ex-school centers revived .....	2
Educational conventions held .....	6
Salaries of teachers .....	\$12-\$55
Offerings to foreign fields .....	\$225.55
Approximate valuation of church school property and equipment, \$17,500	
Expense of annual maintenance, \$10,825	

I am thankful to have no discouraging report to bring to you from the

church school department. Our enrolment is 752. Last year it was 743. The average attendance is better than any previous year, being 665, while last year it was 606. Three years ago the enrolment was 547, with an average attendance of 474. This gives a forty per cent increase. In 1905 there were fifteen church schools, and nineteen teachers employed. For the current school year there are twenty-nine schools, with a corps of thirty-eight teachers. The year 1906 the children brought to the missionary box \$115.40; for 1909 their contribution is \$225.55. Thus with these comparative figures we are glad to note a substantial growth in this department.

New schools have been organized at Corning, Atwater, Bakersfield, and Los Gatos, and new school buildings erected at Turlock, Armona, Atwater, and a very neat one for two departments at Melrose. These total a valuation of about \$3,000.

The school board at Chico sold their school property, and liquidated their indebtedness of a \$1,000 mortgage, with a net balance of about \$1,200 with which to rebuild. The new location will be just across the street from the church. Also the Fresno school board sold half of their five-acre tract, leaving the school buildings, a teacher's cottage, and two and a half acres for industrial purposes entirely free from debt. These are good business transactions, and a good policy to follow. But this is all in keeping with the instruction which reads, "As church schools are established, the people of God will find it a valuable education for themselves to learn how to conduct the school on a basis of financial success."

**Support of Schools**

Our schools are still supported by tuition, subscription, gifts, and one by second tithe (Glennville). If the teachers were present and we should let them express their opinion on the financing of our schools they would most likely say, "Do it by some uniform method or system." But that question is YET, and not NOW for settlement. I am pleased, however, to say that there is less complaint coming in from the teachers about the payment of their salaries than formerly. This I account for by better and more efficient work being done by the teachers, a stronger course of

study outlined, better books being placed into the hands of the pupils, like the True Education Readers, Mrs. Alma McKibbin's Bible Lessons, the Bible Nature Series, and Prof. G. W. Rine's "Essentials in English," and others coming from the busy presses of our Pacific Press Publishing Association. Thus the present status shows a growth in permanency and progress of the church school work both in system and material used.

**Manual Training**

The manual training that is being done in our schools is gardening, sewing, hammock-making, book-binding, carpentry, agriculture (possibly more in theory than in practise for the present), basketry, stenciling, wood sloyd, and cardboard work. This part of the educational phase calls for better facilities and equipment and more attention given to it. Our schools should train heart, head, and hand. To do this, manual training must have its place on the daily program. The philosophy of this is not so much the product as the spirit it inculcates in the very doing. It is the spirit of work, to accomplish something, that goes with the A B C of agriculture, gardening, etc. This is what we educators desire to get into the hearts of the pupils; and when once in the heart, it comes manifesting itself in the hands. "Learning to do by doing."

Here is a paragraph from a letter: "Not long ago, we had an entertainment. The children's industrial work was displayed on their desks, and the friends and patrons gave a silver offering after accepting the articles made. We received enough to have our blackboards painted and the schoolroom repaired. The little ones felt glad and happy to know that they could help. They all took a great interest in the work."

**Missionary Effort**

Weekly prayer and missionary meetings are held in the schools, and this is where the children learn to pray and to bear testimony, and to do missionary work. Froebel says, "At three the boy's religious nature should be so far developed that he can compose himself at prayers." One school distributed 300 Review and Herald of the Harvest In-gathering Special. Another school re-

ceived in return from their *Reviews* \$20.58. The children have been enthusiastic in these special campaign efforts. Their young hearts bound with hearty response to embrace an opportunity to help our missionaries in foreign lands. In one room of twenty-six, twenty-one went out with the papers. A school of six pupils raised \$17.50 for missions; \$7.50 of it was realized from their school garden. A few schools are helping to pay the tuition of some colored children in the South. Over 1,500 *Youth's Instructors* and *Little Friends* have been given away.

Many little acts of kindness are performed, like the taking of flowers to the sick and dying, the giving of clothing to the unfortunate, the cutting of wood and the carrying of water for homes where the cruel reaper—Death—has taken a father, leaving a widowed mother with half-orphaned children to make the awful struggle for bread. What angel-like ministry these deeds of love and unselfish service!

Not long ago there was a little vacant desk covered with flowers in kind and tender remembrance of a little schoolmate, whose eyes had been closed, whose sweet, innocent voice had been hushed, and whose busy little hands made still by death. Gone?—Yes. But how consoling, to the torn heart, that it has been made possible to meet again, by and by. These little Christian soldiers, when laid to rest, are safe in the arms of Jesus, because they have learned to love Him, and to work for Him, and He in turn does so love them. "And He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them."

"Measure thy life by loss instead of gain;

Not by the wine drunk, but by the wine poured forth;

For love's strength standeth in love's sacrifice,

And who suffers most hath most to give."

"Open eyes will discover opportunities everywhere; open ears will never fail to detect the cries of those who are perishing for assistance; open hearts will never want for worthy objects upon which to bestow their gifts; open hands will never lack for noble work to do."

### Literature

The department is circulating the campaign literature, which consists of six leaflets in number, published and sent out by the Department of Education at Washington, D. C. This literature brings forth in brief the most sterling instruction regarding our educational work for us as a people, and this our day. Our teachers appreciate very much the help that comes to them through the new magazine, *Christian Education*. Being a bi-monthly, it gives them ample time to make the most of each issue.

### Excerpts

#### Conditions Confronting the Children in Worldly Schools

"Prof. Clyde W. Votaw, of the University of Chicago Divinity School, declared that the Bible was not modern enough for the child, and Sunday-school teachers should leave their Bibles at home, because neither the pupils nor the average teacher could understand the Scriptures sufficiently to consider them."

Dr. T. Alexander MacNicholl says that after studying 30,000 children of all classes, his investigations reveal conditions existing in some sections of our great American metropolis that parallel the historic depravity of ancient Sodom. He further declares "that 58 per cent of the school children of New York City drink alcoholic beverages, and that in some groups the percentage runs as high as 79."

### Our Needs

Our needs are for a closer adherence to the instruction that comes to us as given by the spirit of prophecy; for a greater and more pronounced separation from worldly schools and worldly teaching; for a more general flocking of Seventh-day Adventists' children and young people into conference schools; for a stronger cooperative spirit between the church as a whole and the school; for better facilities and better school equipment in a number of places, as, schoolroom separate from the church building, a plot of ground for a school garden, provision made for a play-ground for the children in the grades, for a school library and helps for the teachers; for more words of praise and helpfulness and less fault-finding and criticism around the fireside circle; for a

higher standardization of our elementary branches.

### Correspondence

I now take pleasure in bringing in some of the teachers and letting you hear what they have to say about school matters; also a member of a school board. I will act as interlocutor.

This teacher says: "Remember that the church school work is upward in Turlock. I am glad I'm here and know what it means to work."

From a family school teacher: "I am following the church school lines as closely as possible in my work, that they may be prepared to enter our college as soon as they are advanced enough."

Another says: "The board is very gentle, and the patrons are thoughtful about inviting me out to dinner. The children are not quarrelsome, and not very rough, and are generally obedient; so on the whole I can not complain. Shall be glad to see you at the school, and outside, any time."

Next one says, "I am interested and anxious to see our work progress, so shall be glad, as I have promised you, to do anything in my power to help."

From Arroyo Grande: "There are other children who are very anxious to join us in our school work, but they live six miles away. One sister, a widow, with a lovely family, is trying to rent a place near us so as to send her children. O, how I long for bodily strength, a stronger heart. I see such a great work all about me."

A Fresno teacher says: "We have many encouraging features in our school this year. The parents have given hearty cooperation in our work."

Eureka responds by saying, "I can say that my school is doing nicely."

This one says: "I saw a little note in the RECORDER; and if it referred to us, it is true, because the children are enjoying their hammocks greatly. They are pretty, too, made in four colors."

What do you think of this school? "Most studious children I ever taught. No disciplining whatever."

This one writes for assistance: "Please send me by return mail a *punishment* suitable for two boys who have played 'hokey' one whole day. I can think of many things, but must act wisely, and know you can advise me as

to what to do. They are losing their recesses until I hear from you. Please tell me what to do to them. They are about fourteen years old. Shall I resort to the strap or the whip? Hoping for a solution to the problem confronting me, I am yours."

The next one tells us: "Our school is getting on well and steadily increasing in numbers. I have twenty-six pupils now. Two of these are from parents who are not Adventists. I am so happy in my work, and I am enjoying it more than ever."

The secretary of a school board writes to the church school superintendent as follows: "Trouble, trouble, trouble!!! Professor W. called the school board together this evening to tell us that he wished to be released this Friday. We are half paralyzed, and must look to you for resuscitation. Do send us a teacher." This was a five-days notice, but we were fortunate to be able to supply this emergency call with a college graduate.

**Conclusion**

It has been said by some one, "Let me write the songs of a nation, and I care not what laws you may make." To paraphrase this, "Let me choose the teachers for your boy, and I care not what course of study he may pursue." This is fundamentally true, for the potentiality of a teacher's influence is very great; and there is a vast difference in placing over your child a teacher who merely works for "pay and sundown," and that other teacher who is, first, a Christian, and secondly, has the child's best interest at heart.

I plead for the churches throughout our conference to provide school privileges where the children may be instructed in the special truths for this time, and in practical missionary work. To this end let us work and pray.

I. C. Colcord,  
Educational Superintendent.

**California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists  
Fourteenth Meeting**

In accordance with the notice published in the PACIFIC UNION RECORDER, the fourteenth annual meeting of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists was called at 9 A.M., Feb. 2, 1910, at Lodi, Cal.

The president, H. W. Cottrell, occupied the chair, and in opening the meeting made a few remarks regarding the present situation, and the facts leading up to matters as they are found to-day in the business of the California Conference. He recited the school projects, consisting of the Healdsburg closing, the efforts toward securing the Sonoma property, and the final purchase of the Angwin estate; and stated that while about sixty thousand dollars had been pledged toward the schools, only fifteen thousand had been paid in, and it was quite likely there would be more or less loss in the collection of the balance. At any rate, more funds would be needed in the final settlements. It was his advice that further efforts be made to solicit pledges and cash, so that the Association would not ultimately find itself heavily involved in debt in handling this school proposition.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations: P. J. Wolfson, H. Shultz, H. C. Basney, W. E. Whalin, C. L. Taylor.

Plans: J. O. Corliss, S. N. Haskell, G. A. Snyder, J. H. Behrens, C. W. Irwin, M. C. Wilcox, C. H. Jones.

The committee on nomination submitted the following, and the persons were declared elected:

**Board of Directors**

G. A. Irwin, S. N. Haskell, E. E. Parlin, L. M. Bowen, C. W. Irwin, W. E. Whalin, J. J. Ireland.

In the subsequent organization of the board, G. A. Irwin was elected president, and J. J. Ireland secretary and treasurer.

**Financial Statement and Revenue  
Account of the California Conference Association Dec.  
31, 1909**

ASSETS	
Bills receivable .....	\$23,237.77
Pacific Educational Association ..	11,260.48
Sonoma property .....	4,936.63
Pacific College (reality) .....	60,000.00
Pacific College (current) .....	1,194.27
Mountain View church .....	467.94
Expense .....	874.70
Interest provision .....	1,628.12
Pacific Press .....	2,100.00
	<b>\$110,199.91</b>
LIABILITIES	
Bills payable .....	\$57,428.79
Annuity bonds .....	12,550.00
California Conference .....	19,958.42
Pacific Union College .....	430.45
Interest provision .....	1,170.54

Trust Funds .....	722.77	
Personal accounts .....	2,521.66	
Pacific College donations .....	15,053.87	
		<b>\$109,836.00</b>
Surplus Jan. 1, 1909 .....	\$455.28	
Net loss for year .....	91.37	363.91
		<b>\$110,199.91</b>

LOSSES		
Annuities .....	\$183.11	
Expense account .....	286.63	\$469.74

GAINS		
Interest .....		378.37
Net loss .....		\$ 91.37

Claude G. Conard,  
Treasurer.

**Auditor's Report**

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the books of account of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, with the vouchers produced, and that the Revenue and Financial Statements are a true and correct statement of the present condition of the business as on the 31st day of December, 1909, as disclosed by said books of account.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1910.

J. J. Ireland, Auditor.

**Resolutions**

Whereas, At a special session of the California Conference convened by the regular call of the delegates of the churches, held in Fresno, Sept. 28, 1908, the conference appointed a special committee, the personnel being W. T. Knox, S. N. Haskell, and H. W. Cottrell, whom we instructed to advise with Sister White, and to act in harmony with any special light she had from the Lord, and to select and purchase property for the location of the college; and

Whereas, They have acted in harmony with the conference counsel; therefore,  
Resolved, That we hereby approve of their action in their selection and purchase of the Angwin ranch near St. Helena, Cal.

Two other resolutions, recommending the establishment of Pacific College as a union conference school, with suggestions as to its management, were referred to a special committee for further consideration. This committee consisted of the members of the Pacific Union Conference committee, the California Conference committee, and the following additional persons: M. C. Wilcox, E. E. Parlin, Nis Hansen, W. F. Rudy, W. E. Whalin, P. J. Wolfson,

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1910

### Wanted

A good, Christian home for a bright, active boy about twelve years of age. Has good health and good disposition. References furnished and required. Address B. M. Shull, Mountain View, Cal.

### For Sale

A few remaining unsold lots in the tract which was subdivided some time ago, near the Pacific Union College. Splendid opportunity to secure a home near our college. For particulars address L. M. Bowen, Sanitarium, Cal.

Marvelous are the revelations that come to us through a combined study of the Bible and astronomy. Much of this study is open to the earnest student, though he may be possessed of no special instruments or appliances.

Beginning in the *Signs of the Times Monthly* for March, a Christian astronomer will present the first of a series on the great topic of Astronomy and the Bible. This article will be entitled, "The Open Glory," and will throw significant light on certain statements of Mrs. E. G. White concerning "the open space in Orion." Subscribe for the *Monthly Signs* at once, and get the March and succeeding numbers.

### Oakland Institute

There will be a workers' institute in the Oakland church, commencing the eleventh of March and continuing two weeks. This will be the first of the season, and we hope from this institute to send out a good corps of workers to continue work during the summer in the

cities. Quite a number have written asking us when and where they could begin work; and to all such we would say, Plan to attend this institute in Oakland.

The Oakland church are arranging for the accommodation of the workers that come in from abroad, so their expenses will be very reasonable. They are planning to supply them with room and beds; that is, bed, mattress, and pillows; but the workers will be expected to bring blankets, comforts, sheets, pillow slips, towels, etc. There are a number of good delicatessen stores in the immediate neighborhood of the church where well-cooked food can be procured at cheap rates.

We trust to hear from all, both old and young, who are planning to enter the work this summer. Write us at once so arrangements can be made for your accommodation.

During the forenoons there will be Bible lessons and practical instruction in methods of missionary work. The afternoons will be spent in actual experience work in the city. At seven o'clock in the evening the workers will come together for an experience meeting and instruction. We are hoping to have Dr. Maria L. Edwards with us to give instruction on health and temperance lines each evening during the institute.

Write us at once, if you design to enter the work this summer, so we will know how to plan for your accommodation.

S. N. Haskell,

*President California Conference.  
Oakland, Box 597.*

### Summary of Work Done in the English-Japanese School in Oakland

Students enrolled from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1909 .....	39
Largest number present at one time	19
Smallest number present at one time	5
Largest attendance at our Friday night study .....	13
Smallest attendance at our Friday night study .....	4
Average attendance at Sunday-school	5

Last November the Lord encouraged our hearts by giving us one dear soul, Mr. Kaniko, who was baptized November 21. He is an earnest young Christian, and is now in Loma Linda, fitting himself for future work among his own people.

Two weeks ago, Mr. Nozaki took his stand, and is keeping the Sabbath. He left the position he had held for three years, and will try to go to one of our schools.

Last December, we asked our students to memorize one short text every night. Two of them became angry and left the school. One of these has been coming to our Friday night study again. Last Friday he told me he would come next Sunday to study. He was a strong Buddhist, but I know that his heart has been touched.

Mr. Matsamoto, another student, asked me to teach him the Bible alone, as he could not catch our meaning sometimes. O, that I could speak their language! then I could make them understand better.

Pray for us, that the Lord will give us wisdom to speak the right words, at the right time, and in the right way.

I had a long talk with one of our students the other day. He is a leader in the Independent Church. A remark he made caused me to ask him if he believed in the Saviour. "O, yes, I believe in Him; but He is not the Son of God; Buddha is."

O for more of the Spirit of God, to enable us to bring these dear souls out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Mrs. E. Swift.

### California Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

*(Continued from page 15.)*

B. E. Baldwin, C. E. Leland, T. A. Kilgore, W. E. Chinnock, and W. E. Wilson. Their report, which was adopted by the delegates, appears as No. 12 of the conference resolutions which are given elsewhere in this paper.

Also conference recommendation No. 29, regarding the transfer of the Western Normal Institute from a stock corporation to conference control, was presented to the Association, and the action of that body ratified.

It was also voted that it is the sense of this body that, if deemed expedient during the coming year, the California Conference Association, through its board of directors, be empowered to move its office and place of business from Santa Clara County to Alameda County.

Claude G. Conard, *Secretary.*