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Unwise Investments

[At a time like this, when the spirit of speculation is rife in the world, and some even of the people of God are catching the spirit, and are calling upon others to unite with them in investing means in some great scheme or series of schemes that is said to be sure to bring large returns, thereby enriching the individuals and making it possible for them to give large donations to the cause, it seems appropriate to publish in the RECORDER the words of caution and advice on this subject spoken by Sister White to the brethren assembled in camp-meeting at Los Angeles, California, August 15, 1905 .-- G. A. Irwin.]

A few weeks ago, while I was attending the camp-meeting at San Jose, some of our brethren presented before me what they considered wonderful opportunities to invest means in mining and railroad stock, that would bring large returns. They seemed confident of success, and spoke of the good they would do with the profits they expected to receive.

Others were present, and seemed interested to see how I would receive their proposition. I told them that such investments were very uncertain. They could not be sure that these enterprises would succeed. I spoke to them of the everlasting reward that is assured to those who lay up their treasures in heaven; but in these uncertain ventures. I begged them, for Christ's sake, to stop right where they were.

In the night season I was instructed to tell God's people that it is not according to His will that those who believe in His near coming should invest their means in mining stock. This would be burying our Lord's talent in the earth. Much was presented, but I will say only a few words at this time. 1 will read a copy of a letter I wrote to one of the brethren I have mentioned:

San Jose, Cal., July 2, 1905. Dear Brother:

You have presented before me a proposition to invest in mining stock. You feel confident that such an investment would prove successful, and you think that in this way you will be able greatly to help the cause of God.

The Lord has given me instruction that at meetings I would attend I would find men encouraging our people to invest their money to work mines. I am bidden to say that this is a device of the enemy to consume or to tie up means that is greatly needed to carry on the. work of God. It is a snare of the last days to involve God's people in loss of their Lord's entrusted capital that should

be used wisely in the work of winning souls. Because so much money is invested in these very uncertain enterprises, the work of God is sadly crippled for lack of the talent that will win souls to Christ.

"The kingdom of heaven is as a man traveling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

"Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. . . But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

"After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. . . .

"Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: and I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

"His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed

not, and gather where I have not strawed: thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received my own with usury. Take there: fore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath."

Our Lord's entrusted talents are to be invested wisely in giving the warning message both in this country and in other countries. Many of the cities in this country have not yet been warned. What is the reason? O, it requires money to carry the message of warning to the cities. It is sometimes necessary to hire at large expense the most popular halls, in order that we may call the people out. Then we can give them Bible evidence of the truth.

All around us there are souls to save. There is a work to be done by every man or woman who hears the truth to enlighten some other one. To every one is given some responsibility in the Lord's work. As these responsibilities are assumed, there will be an increase of strength and power to win souls.

A great work is before us. We must watch and work for souls, in this time of waiting for our Lord. Cultivate personal piety. Every precaution must be taken to prevent spiritual declension, lest the day of the Lord come upon us as a snare. To be good and to do good should be the study of every human being. There is, my brother, great need that your spiritual eyesight be enlightened. "Take heed to thyself and to the doctrine." Keep the channel of your mind clear, that you may understand how to use the Lord's entrusted capital. If there are those who have means that they can possibly spare, it is their duty to use it to advance the cause of God.

Last night in vision, I was raising my voice in warning against worldly speculations. I said, "I invite you to take shares in the greatest mine that has ever been worked."

"The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and bnyeth that field."

"Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not?"

If we will invest in God's mining stock, the return is sure. He says: "Harken diligently unto Me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Incline your ear, and come unto Me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David." Please read this whole chapter.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it."

My brother, will you make an investment to secure the heavenly pearl of great price?

"Then answered Peter and said unto Him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed Thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of His glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life."

This is mining stock in which you may invest without running a risk of disappointment. But, my dear friend, we have not a dollar of the Lord's money to invest in mining enterprises in this world.

I am exceedingly sorry that any of our people have made the mistake of burying their God-given capital in mining stock, thinking thereby to increase their revenue. The prospect may seem flattering, but many will be sadly disappointed.

I recall the case of a brother who was once interested in the work and cause of God. Some years ago, when I was in Australia, this brother wrote to me, saying that he had purchased a mine from which he expected to receive great profits. He said that he would give me a portion of what he would receive. I dared not even answer his letter, for fear that it might be said that I was giving the least encouragement to such investments. For some years he continued to follow this business. Occasionally he would write to me, saying: "Now the prospects are good. Soon we shall receive returns." But the returns did not materialize, and after sinking many thousands of dollars, his ventures proved to be an entire loss.

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This is one of many similar cases that have come to my attention. Many have expressed to me their sorrow that they had ever encouraged any one to invest their means in mining stock. If there is one here who has received money from a brother or sister for any such investment, it is his duty to return it, if the one who gave it so desires.

I warn you to be careful what you do with your Lord's goods. By placing it in God's treasury you may insure for yourselves a revenue from the inexhaustible treasures of His kingdom.

The people of God have been too easily satisfied with mere surface truths. We should search diligently for the deep, eternal, far-reaching truths of God's word. Having found them, we shall joyfully sell all, that we may buy the field.

Mrs. E. G. White.

Who Is "Bewildered"?

In view of certain recent efforts to cast reproach upon the "Testimonies" by comparing some of the more recent statements with earlier statements made in "Great Controversy," it may be well to call attention to just a few simple facts. In the denunciatory sheet referred to above, the writer takes great umbrage at the statement in volume 9 which says that "when the people were moved by a power from beneath to enforce Sunday observance, Seventh-day Adventists were to show their wisdom by refraining from their ordinary work on that day, devoting it to missionary work."

He strives hard to make it appear that this statement is a back-down from our position as outlined in earlier statements from the same source. He also takes issue with the "Testimonies" on another statement, which says that the real test will come when an effort is made to prohibit the observance of the true Sabbath. He asserts that the papal power never did and never will seek to prohibit the

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observance of the Sabbath among those who also refrain from labor on Sunday.

In trying to bolster up this assertion he cites with seeming approval a statement in "Great Controversy" which says that the Waldenses "became so bewildered that while they observed the Sabbath, they also refrained from labor on Sunday." I wonder if he forgot to quote the next two sentences, which flatly contradict his assertion. Here they are: "But this did not satisfy the papal leaders. They demanded not only that Sunday be hallowed, but that the Sabbath be profaned; and they denounced in the strongest language those who dared to show it honor." There may be some kinds of bewilderment that the Lord can overlook; but when one becomes "so bewildered" as to omit from a quotation the very portion that touches the point at issue, we feel somewhat at loss to venture an opinion.

He further asserts that the prophecy of Daniel does not predict a prohibition of Sabbath observance, but only that a change would be attempted. But what does a change involve? According to his argument it would mean that if a man were compelled by law to change his clothes, all he would need to do in order to satisfy those demanding the change, would be merely to slip another suit over the one he already had on. Even a child knows that merely putting on another suit would not be changing his clothes at all, and that the next step would be to see that he discarded his first suit. That would be where the real test would come.

Even so those who are fulfilling the prophecy which predicts an attempted change of the Sabbath, will never be satisfied with anything short of a CHANGE, which in the very nature of things involves the attempted prohibition of the observance of the true Sabbath as well as merely refraining from ordinary labor on Sunday; and that is where the crucial test will come.

The testimony in Daniel's day predicted an attempted change. The "Testimonies" of to-day define this as being in its last analysis a *change* involving the discarding of the true Sabbath as well as merely refraining from ordinary labor on Sunday. We hope that no true Seventh-day Adventist will ever become "so bewildered" as not to be able to see that the great test will not come until

the attempt is made to compel a CHANGE from true Sabbath observance to that of a counterfeit day.

Let us be careful lest we be found casting reproach not only on the "Testimonies" of the présent, but also on the testimony of Bible prophecy. The Spirit of prophecy is a great, symmetrical system; and it is not surprising that those who try to exercise censorship over one part of it may be found to clash unwittingly with the entire system.

Geo. A. Snyder.



CALIFORNIA

General Camp-Meeting

Selection has been made of the location for the general camp-meeting in the California Conference on Ashby Avenue in Oakland, between Telegraph Avenue and Racine Street. This is a central place for those coming from Oakland, Berkeley, and San Francisco, and easily accessible from all other points around the bay.

The date set is July 6 to 16, the campmeeting to be preceded by a workers' meeting beginning June 26. At this workers' meeting it is expected that all of the conference laborers who can leave their interests will be present to assist in the preparation of the camp and to get the benefit of the instruction that will be given.

A restaurant tent and food store will be conducted on the camp ground for the benefit of those desiring this service. Also there will be a book tent. Plans are being laid for good meetings for the young people and children.

We shall announce soon with reference to the rates on the railroads. We trust that every one who can do so will plan at once to attend this camp-meeting.

Claude Conard.

Eureka Camp-Meeting

Grounds have been selected for the camp-meeting in Eureka at the corner of E and Grant Streets, which is only a short distance from the business center of the town.

The dates of this meeting have already been announced, June 8 to 18. It is expected that several of the conference workers will be present. Our members in Humboldt should all take advantage of this meeting.

Claude Conard.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Are all keeping in mind the campmeeting and conference to be held in Stockton, June 1 to 11? Please pass this information on to your friends and relatives and all who would be interested in attending, and let this meeting be one that will be remembered, for the good work done, for some time to come.

The tents are now ready to be erected, and orders for the same are being received daily; so those desiring tents should get their orders in as early as possible. We have nice new 12x17 tents for \$3.50, and 10x12 tents for \$2.50; burlap for 12x17 tents, 75 cents; for 10x12 tents, 50 cents. All orders for these should be sent direct to the conference office at 332 East Pine Street, Lodi, California.

We trust that all churches will report their delegates to this office as early as possible. We plan to dispose of the conference business Monday and Tuesday; so let all delegates be on hand Monday morning at 9 o'clock, June 5. We are anxious to dispose of the conference business as quickly as possible, so that it shall not detract from the great object of this gathering. Special attention will be given to the young people's and children's meetings. Let all come and enjoy the blessing that God will have in store for us there.

We have received the following report from Elder J. D. Alder, Brother W. A. Johnson, and Brother and Sister J. B. Boehm:

"Meetings were opened in the tent at Farmington Thursday evening; and notwithstanding the weather is very cool, the attendance runs up to about fortyfive. We are encouraged by the attitude the people take, and feel that God has a purpose in our being here. Pray for the work in this place, that the Master may be glorified and souls saved."

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Elder T. H. Watson and Brother and Sister L. E. Leavett send in the following report from Manteca:

"We are glad to report a baptism at Manteca. On Sabbath, May 6, the little company of about twenty assembled to witness the baptism of a bright, promising young man who has fully consecrated his life to his Master. This young man will join the church which is soon to be organized at Manteca. We anticipate other baptisms at Manteca shortly as a result of the effort here. This is a young but prosperous and growing community, and our brethren here feel that an organized church will be a strength to the work. We trust it will prove but a nucleus for a good, strong church that will grow as a result of more of our Seventhday Adventist brethren's settling here, as well as honest souls' accepting the truth. As our interests are now to be centered at Ripon, six miles farther south. the work at Manteca will be followed up from this point."

> Verah MacPherson, Secretary.



Southern California to the Front

Have you heard about the "boom" in the book work that is on in Southern Celifornia? Well, people speak of it as such, but we who have been closely connected with this branch of the work there know that it has been just a steady growth ever since the "new policy" was adopted. Let me tell you about it.

At the beginning of this year we adopted the mottos, "Spiritual Canvasses," "With All the Heart," "Forty Hours a Week." As a result of following those mottos, the work has attained such proportions that we felt justified in appealing to the conference committee for help for Brother Morlan. And now they have promised us an assistant field agent to help care for the large class that will soon enter the field from the Fernando Academy.

Yes, this is Southern California that I am talking about. Perhaps you had not heard that this little conference has been leading every other field in the Pacific Press territory in sales for some time now. Well, this is true.



CANVASSING CLASS, 1911, FERNANDO ACADEMY, CALIFORNIA C. C. Morlan, Field Agent; A. A. Cone, Union Agent

We are pleased to call your attention to the accompanying cuts. The first is the picture of the canvassing class that expects to go out from the Fernando Academy this summer to do valiant service for the Lord. It seems to me that already I can hear "the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees."

The second picture shows two of our faithful workers and their mode of travel. Times have changed, have they not? Perhaps some of you have a picture in mind of a canvasser as one who travels on foot plodding along the dusty or muddy roads munching a cracker, lugging a pack on his back, and sleeping in haystacks, etc.

If you still have that kind of picture in mind, it is because you have not kept pace with the book work. To-day our evangelistic canvassers travel with motorcycles and automobiles and soon we expect to see them traveling through the air over our heads. "The King's business demands haste," and of course the canvassers will make use of all the modern conveniences for rapid transit.

The Lord has promised that the canvasser will have favor with the world till the work is finished, and it is really wonderful to see how this is proving true. We just learned recently that in one field when one of our brethren went back to town to deliver his books he was met at the station with the court carriage, taken in pomp and ceremony to a nice place provided by the State, and entertained at State expense all the while he was there. They also furnished him a fine rig and livery and an assistant when he delivered his books. Yes, times have changed!

But we would like to have you look at that second picture again while we tell you that those two brethren sold and DELIVERED over nine hundred dollars' worth of books in a country territory about eight miles square. And here is just a little more that I wish to add: They worked from thirty-five to fifty hours a week.

Another of our faithful workers in Southern California who is working with that wonderful book, "Great Controversy," has become so inspired and enthused that he can not refrain from doing a little work on Sunday. Doubtless you have been watching Brother McJannet's reports in the RECORDER.

When the students from Fernando and Loma Linda enter the field, we will have about all we can handle in that conference this summer. We expect that there are many in that conference who feel a desire to get out and do some canvassing, but who at present are tied down so it is impossible for them to do so. Yet there is a way that they can

help the canvassing work. WHY NOT DO IT?

Some canvasser or canvassers will be working in your neighborhood this summer. Would you not like to help this work on by opening your doors and making a pleasant home for them while they are working there? "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

As you meet the canvassers, give them your encouragement and your prayers to assist them in their important work.

We have told you about Southern California this week, and we will tell you about the other fields in this union at another time.

> A. A. Cone, Gen. Agent Pacific Union.

or do you feel you want to be *found* a little more faithful?

God is calling some one right here in this field to enter His vineyard. Have you heard His invitation? Has He heard you reply, "I pray Thee have me excused"? If so, does not this sentence apply as truly as in the parable: "I say unto you, That *none* of those men which were *bidden* shall taste of my supper"?

God is still inviting, and here is a precious statement taken from "A Call for Canvassers," by Sister White, dated May 15, 1903: "Each worker may now understand his special work and receive strength to take hold of it anew." This applies especially to those who have at some time engaged in the work. It still designates them as workers; but through



J. G. SMITH AND C. N. YOUNG, SOUT HERN CALIFORNIA "Practical Guide," week ending April 21, 1911, 52 hours, 37 orders, \$142.50

An Appeal to Workers

Many earnest Sabbath-keepers in Arizona who read the RECORDER feel that the canvassing reports from this field are not what they should be.

When one stops to consider that the third angel's message must be carried largely by this means, and then sees only one or perhaps two names lined up representing this important work, do you feel assured that Jesus can soon come "and take His faithful children home," lack of strength, they have let go. How many of such are now scattered through our ranks, desiring to be back where they were when they gave up the work, discouraged, but not knowing it is their privilege, yea, their duty, to step up again to that experience? Brother, sister, if you are called to this special work by the Spirit of God, though you once failed, remember that same Spirit which is calling you, also promises "strength to take hold of it anew."

W. O. James.

KING'S MESSENGERS

Here is what the Lord has said about Los Angeles: "It is a fruitful field for the sale of our books."—Special Testimony.

What is true of that city is true of others. But the enemy is acquainted with these facts, and by this time has so well-nigh gained full control of the majority of men and women in the cities, that it seems almost an impossibility to get faithful, consecrated workers to consider these places at all. In the *Review* of 1896, No. 16, we read this striking appeal:

"What sacrifice are we ready to make that we may find the lost pearl, and place it in the hands of our Saviour? The cities are teeming with iniquity. Satan suggests that it is impossible to do any good within their borders, and so they are sadly neglected. But there are lost pearls there whose value you can not realize until you earnestly seek to find them. There might be one hundred where there is but one seeking diligently, prayerfully, and with intense interest to find the pearls that are buried in the rubbish of these cities."

Reader, the days, hours, and minutes of probation are rapidly coming to a close. Has the Lord not said to you, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in"? In what other forms could language clothe these facts that will help us bestir ourselves ---- awake from a deathlike sleep, take God at His word, and go to the work before it is forever too late?

The following letters are from faithful laborers who see the crying need and are calling, "Come over and help us":

J. Goffar: "As we find some honest souls who are anxious for light, we are certainly encouraged to press faithfully onward, asking God's blessing and guidance. We are praying for others to join us, that will trust in the promise, 'There is no limit to the usefulness of one who, putting self aside, makes room for the, working of the Holy Spirit upon his, heart, and lives a life wholly consecrated to God.' 'To every one who offers himself to the Lord for service, withholding nothing, is given power for the attainment of measureless results.'—'Ministry of Healing.' ''

H. S. Carter: "'In rescuing souls from the devices of Satan, far more will

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be accomplished by Christlike, humble prayer than by many words without prayer.' More and more am I impressed with the truth of this statement made by the servant of the Lord. When we seek the Lord at home, we will not only find Him there, but He will lead us to souls who need the very help we can give. Often have I had my own soul refreshed by praying with others that were waiting for a cheering word. One lady, with whom I was led to pray recently, with tears in her eyes thanked me, and as I was leaving her door, she urgently asked me to continue to pray for her."

E. S. Horsman.

Report of Book Sales in California Conference

For Week Ending May 5, 1911

	Hrs. (Ords	s. Value			
"Practical Guide"						
D. M. Lawrence	35	10	\$40.00			
Mrs. E. D. Mills	291/2	3	11.50			
Jennie Lukens	15	2	7.00			
"Bible Readings"						
J. B. Goffar	7	5	11.50			
"Heralds of the Morning"						
H. S. Carter*	33	18	38.50			
Totals	119½	38	\$108.50			

*Delivery, \$18.00.

For Week Ending	May	12,	1911		
"Practical Guide"					
	Hrs.	Ords.	Value		
D. M. Lawrence	35	12	\$ 50.00		
Mrs. E. D. Mills	31 1⁄2	8	29. 00		
Miss J. Lukens	7	4	16.00		
"Heralds of the Morning"					
H. S. Carter	31	12	24.00		
"Bible Readings"					
J. B. Goffar*	26	6	17.00		
Totals *Helps, \$2.00.	1301⁄2	42	\$136.00		

Report of Book Sales in Arizona Conference

 For Week Ending May 5, 1911

 Hrs. Ords. Value

 ''Home and Health''

 W. O. James
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 \$94.00

EDUCATION and Young People's Work Conducted by C. C. Lewis Educational Secretary Pacific Union Conference

The Pacific Union Conference Convention and Summer School

Requests are coming to the secretary for copies of the announcement and program of the convention and summer school.

Perhaps it is more of a task than some suppose to arrange through correspondence for different teachers to present papers upon various topics, and with other teachers to take charge of different classes in the summer school work. Not until all these questions are settled, can the announcement be issued. We wish, however, to announce the matters that have been settled, as follows:

1. The convention will be held July 2 to 8 on the camp ground of the California Conference, in Oakland.

2. The National Educational Association is to be held in San Francisco and Berkeley, July 8 to 14. At the same time the California Conference will be in session, and teachers will have opportunity to attend the National Educational Association or the camp-meeting in such proportion as they may think best.

3. During the two weeks of these meetings, the teachers will room in tents upon the camp ground.

4. The summer school will be held in the Lodi Normal Academy, July 16 to August 14.

5. The expenses of accredited teachers, including railroad fare, room, and board, will be met by the union conference and State conferences in cooperation. The various conferences will determine for their respective fields who are accredited teachers. The announcement and program will probably be issued from four to six weeks before the convention. It will be printed in the RECORDER, and will be sent to teachers and all others desiring copies.

C. C. L.

Eighth Grade Examinations, Certificates, and Graduation

This article is written to answer questions that are coming in from different teachers throughout the conference.

1. It has been finally decided for the superintendents of the church school work in the different conferences to send out the examination questions to their respective teachers. Perhaps they will have done so before this article is printed.

2. The union conference educational department is furnishing questions for the final examinations of eighth grade pupils only. This is in accordance with the recommendation of the Fresno conference. Teachers having other grades will please prepare their own questions.

3. How can the examination papers be looked over before the closing exercises of the school, so as to determine who have passed the test? — They can not be. It is impossible. The papers will be forwarded to the superintendents of the different conferences, who will look them over and take them to the summer school at Lodi, where the committee on examination will review the work, and together will make final decision in regard to each paper.

4. What then will be done about the graduation of eighth grade pupils, since it can not be known who have passed the examinations? How can the graduating exercises be held?

Answer: It would be far better if our church schools would not hold graduating exercises. It would be better to call them closing exercises, in which the eighth grade pupils might take the leading part, assisted by other pupils of the school. To go through the form of graduating eighth grade pupils, and presenting to them diplomas, would have a tendency to bring the whole matter of graduation into disrepute. If eighth grade pupils are to graduate, why not ninth grade pupils, and tenth grade, and eleventh grade, and so on indefinitely? If eighth grade pupils and their parents will candidly consider the matter, they will be convinced that it would be better to have simple closing exercises, and say little or nothing about graduating on so small provocation as eighth grade studies would warrant.

The examining committee, consisting of the educational secretary and the

church school superintendents, will do careful and conscientious work, and as soon as possible will issue certificates to those who, in their judgment, have successfully passed the examinations.





Santa Monica

Before the regular Sunday night service, April 30, we held a short missionary meeting with the members to encourage their coöperation with the special effort now in progress under the direction of Elders Huntington and St. John. This is known as the "ladies' church." They have been doing valiant work with our literature, and look forward with pleasure to the probable addition of five or eight members as a result of the meetings. Four hundred Watchman were taken to continue the work.

Boyle Heights

At this church the members are of good courage, although sickness prevented a large number's being present at the missionary meeting. Some excellent experiences of work done were given, and since then lists of names have been made up for the Signs series, and papers ordered - about thirty.

Long Beach Sanitarium

About two months ago the workers organized a little missionary society. About ten or twelve have been in regular attendance, and have been doing tract work. At our meeting Tuesday evening they planned advance work with the Signs, and made up a club of forty-one copies for six months. This little band is enthusiastic, and now is planning to place a Bible in each of the forty rooms in the sanitarium. One of the members is a Presbyterian young lady, and she does not miss a meeting, and is helping with the work. Pray for this little band of con-Their influence for secrated workers. good may be unlimited.

Edendale

Although building a church, and bearing other heavy responsibilities, the efforts along missionary lines in the distribation of our literature have not decreased at Edendale. Under the leadership of Elder Adams and Mrs. Youngs, the weekly missionary meeting is kept up, and its influence in keeping the work going in a strong way can not be overestimated. One member reported that she had recently heard from her brother and family to whom she had sent the Signs for six months. They were not Adventists, nor were there any in the town where they live, until after that paper was sent. Now they are in the truth, and have gathered interested ones in, so that now there is a little company of Adventists.

Another member had that day received through the mail a check for twenty-five dollars from a Presbyterian minister. son of an old lady being cared for by this sister. The old lady wished to donate twenty-five dollars to the church building fund, and her determination to do this brought about special praver that it might be done, and with the result that the donation was gladly made. Another member reported that she had just heard from her son at school, and is happy to know he is going out canvassing this summer. As we listened to these excellent reports, we could not help but be impressed with what it would mean to this message were every church so cultivating the spirit of definite prayerful work on the part of each member individually in connection with the church organization.

At this Wednesday evening meeting the society increased its club of Signs from twelve to thirty.

The Cafeteria Work

Friday evening it was our privilege to have an hour with the workers in our large cafeterias in Los Angeles. The literature work in connection with these places is growing, and the results that are seen are most encouraging. At this little meeting the cashier reported that people frequently ask for the privilege of taking the Sians from the table with them. On one occasion a lady asked for three. The morning before, a minister had asked for the issue of April 28, and seemed very grateful when told to feel free to take it. At the present time a lawyer is with Brother Fulton in Loma Linda, having become interested in the truth through contact with the cafeteria and reading "Daniel and the Revelation." He is attending the Bible studies while at Loma Linda.

In addition to furnishing fifty Signs a week for the tables, and the regular supply of tracts for the racks, there is a constant seed-sowing among the people with whom certain workers come in contact daily. Thousands of pages of miscellaneous literature are scattered also in the systematic work carried on by these laborers, who devote two or three hours each Sabbath to this work.

Carr Street, Los Angeles

The eleven o'clock service Sabbath morning, the 6th, was devoted to "Our Times, Our Work, Our Opportunities." Elder Andross led in a stirring presentation of world conditions which should urge us to greater works. The missionary secretary followed, giving an outline of how our churches throughout Southern California are relating themselves to the work, giving some most encouraging items of progress. This was followed by some experiences, and brief outline of opportunity offered for reaching friends, relatives, and those about us, with the special series of the Signs beginning May 9. An appeal was made by Elder McCord, pastor, for the support of the church in a supply of papers also to use in connection with the tent efforts in the city. The result was that three hundred copies for six months were pledged for by members. This gives Carr Street a club of 450 copies a week, and is a source of great encouragement to those leading out in the missionary work. An excellent spirit of work prevails, and we are expecting great things from this influential church in the work before it.

Thursday a band of fourteen young ladies came in from the Fernando school for a field day with the Temperance Instructor. They had an excellent day, selling 237 copies.

> J. R. Ferren, Miss. Sec. Pacific Union Conf. Ernest Lloyd. Miss. Sec. So. Cal. Conf.

"Prefix one letter to your luck, and you will have the very best kind of luck --- pluck."

"He who neglects health, invites poverty of mind and of soul as well as of pocket."

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Brother J. J. Ireland is in Los Angeles commencing his 1911 audit in that conference.

On their return trip from China, Brother H. H. Winslow and family have stopped at Honolulu, where they are visiting at the home of Mrs. Winslow's father.

Brother and Sister Chandler Harris, recently of the St. Helena Sanitarium, sailed Wednesday of last week for China, to which field they have devoted their talents. Sister Harris was formerly known as Miss Myrtle Lillard.

Brother H. H. Hall, manager of the Pacific Press book department, is in the North Pacific Union Conference, attending the camp-meetings, in the interest of home missionary work. Brother Hall plans to be away four to six weeks. He is now at the Roseburg, Oregon, campmeeting.

Brother A. A. Cone, the Pacific Union Conference general agent, has returned from his stay of four weeks in Southern California, where he assisted Brother C. C. Morlan. Brother Cone is spending this week at Lodi in the interests of the book work, and will leave about the 22d of this month for the Tulare camp-meeting.

Elders G. A. Irwin and E. W. Farnsworth met with the Mountain View church Friday evening and Sabbath forenoon. At the Sabbath service, after a powerful talk by Elder Farnsworth on Isaiah 2 and Revelation 18, the \$300,000 Fund was considered, and the full quota (\$1255.00) was provided for by its members.

Prof. M. E. Cady returned the first of the week to his duties as educational secretary of the North Pacific Union Conference, where he will be in attendance at the camp-meetings. He plans to return to California for another brief stay at the time of the National Educational Association, which convenes in San Francisco July 8 to 14, 1911.

Our union conference missionary secretary, Brother J. R. Ferren, who has been in the Southern California field with Brother Lloyd about four weeks, is now on the Tulare camp ground. From the reports and letters received from Brother Ferren, we truly believe he has enjoyed a most profitable season in this conference. We pray that the live interest and enthusiasm thus aroused by the visits of these brethren to various churches, may never wane.

Various messages from Brother and Sister T. F. Culhane, who left California April 5 for Shanghai, China, state that they have been enjoying a pleasant voyage. They had an interesting visit at Honolulu with Elder C. D. M. Williams. The last mail received from them was from Japan, dated April 24. The steamer Tenyo Maru stayed in Yokohama two days, at which time they took advantage of the opportunity to visit our mission and press at Tokyo, eighteen miles from port. A stop was also made at Kobe. In one more week they expected to reach their destination.

Wanted

- A place to work in country with Sabbath-keeping family by boy in fifteenth year. Can drive team and care for them, etc. Would like a place soon. Address Mrs. H. Hubbard, 270 No. Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, California.

Girl Wanted

We have a home for a consecrated Seventh-day Adventist young woman sixteen to twenty years of age. We want some one to assist in the kitchen, and eventually take charge of that part of the work. Send church elder's name. For particulars address Dr. Dail's Maternity Hospital, 3936 B St., San Diego, Cal.

Northern California-Nevada Conference

Notice is hereby given that a special session of the Northern California-Nevada Conference will be held in connection with the camp-meeting in Stockton, June 1 to 11, for the purpose of considering the advisability of holding our annual conference sessions in connection with the camp-meetings, and such other business as may come before the conference. The first meeting will convene Monday, June 5, at 9 A.M. The constituency of this conference consists of the members of the churches in this territory. Each church is entitled to one delegate, and one for each additional twenty members.

> C. L. Taggart, *President*. Verah MacPherson, *Secretary*.

Glendale Sanitarium Training School

We desire at least twenty-five young people for our nurses' class beginning June 1, 1911. Applicants will be admitted to class any time during May and June, but it will be well for each one to enter as early as possible.

We are able now to offer a very strong course, one in which an exceptionally large amount of valuable, practical experience can be obtained. Our proximity to Los Angeles enables us to give our nurses thorough training along all lines, each nurse spending some time in visiting nurses' work in this city.

We desire to put at least twelve nurses into the city during the next few months to help do the work in Los Angeles that we are called to do in all of our large cities. We can do this and more, if our young people will respond to this call. The training that we can offer is one that many, if not all, of our young people, should have to prepare them for active missionary service, whether as nurses, canvassers, or Bible workers.

Those desiring to enter, apply as early as possible to Belle Wood-Comstock, Superintendent Training School, Glendale, California.

"He is never lonesome who has the companionship of good thoughts."

"A truly gracious manner is the outward expression of a grace within the heart."