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"We get our mete as we measure;

We can not do wrong and feel right, Nor can we give pain and gain pleasure, For justice avenges each slight.

The air for the wing of the sparrow, The bush for the robin and wren,

But always the path that is narrow And straight for the children of men."

The Field

CALIFORNIA

Humboldt County Camp-Meeting ~

This camp-meeting will be held in Eureka, June 8 to 18, 1911. We are informed that a site has been secured at the corner of E and Grant Streets, which is only a short distance from the business center of. the town.

Elders C. D. Taylor, Andrew Brorsen, and the writer expect to attend this meeting, also Sister Katherine B. Hale, our educational secretary. She will labor in behalf of the educational work. Brother Horsman, our field missionary secretary, expects to be present to labor for the publishing work. No doubt all the laborers in Humboldt County will be present.

While Elder Taylor will represent the sanitarium and medical work, he will by no means confine his labors to that line, but will labor especially for the young people; and we are sure with the prayers of the people, and the blessing of the Lord, a good work will be done.

The prices for tents will be the same as last year. There will be provision made for board, and necessary supplies can be obtained on the ground at reasonable cost. Yet we would recommend all to bring the things they will need as far as convenient, that they may be comfortable in their tent life.

We shall have a good meeting. Those who attend may expect the blessing of God, while those who are not present will fail to receive what the Lord has to give. We feel sure all our people need the benefits to be gained by attending the meeting, and the laborers will need your presence and help; so we hope all will come, both to get good and to do good, to be blessed and to be a blessing.

Come the first day and stay till the last. I would say to our brethren and sisters who live in Eureka: Do not think you can remain at home and attend the meeting at the same time. It will be a failure if you try to do so. Those who lose the early morning meetings lose half of the whole meeting. Those who try to attend the meetings and stay at home at the same time, get little more than they would if they lived a hundred miles away and depended on reading the report of the meeting in the papers to get their share of the blessing out of it. So let all come to the meeting. Live on the ground, stay till the close, and the blessing will be yours.

E. W. Farnsworth.

The \$300,000 Fund

At the last General Conference such earnest appeals came from our missionaries in heathen lands that it was voted to raise \$300,000 to assist in their work. This amount was to be expended in establishing publishing houses, schools, and homes where the workers could live comfortably.

The workers that are sent to these far countries to face new and untried perils are nearly all young men and women. They have no means of their own beyond their salary, which is no more than needed for living expenses. Most of them have just completed a course of study in our schools, and have spent what they had in obtaining an education; hence they have no means to build houses of their own.

Those who have always lived in comfortable homes, such as we have in this country, can scarcely imagine the conditions that exist in heathen lands, where the buildings are such as would hardly be thought suitable to house cattle and horses. Some that have left us as missionaries have lived in places where it was impossible to preserve health. Some have died. Others have been compelled to leave the work they hoped to do, and return to this country as invalids. Such sacrifices are too costly; and those who leave all to labor in this cause, should not be compelled to make them.

Those that are sent abroad should be placed under favorable conditions; that their lives and health may be preserved. It is not expected that expensive buildings will be erected; but sanitary houses

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should be provided, where the missionaries may have a chance for their lives.

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California has done little toward raising its apportionment of the \$300,000 Fund, as shown by an article from Elder W. T. Knox in a recent number of the *Review*. Probably this is because the matter has not been bronght especially to the notice of the churches; for there are no people who have been more liberal in the past, and more forward in every missionary enterprise, than the people in this State. They may have ''lacked opportunity,'' but now the opportnne moment has come. Just now is the time to lift strongly and steadily till onr part in this work is done.

We find our churches ready and willing to do all in their power,—yes, even beyond their power. When the matter was presented at the Pacific College, though the students generally have but little money, they rallied like true soldiers, and the teachers led them on. The church pledged \$540, and have paid \$466 of the amount in two weeks after the pledges were made. The amount given is about \$150 above their apportionment.

The same day the meeting was held with the Pacific College chirch, Elder G. A. Irwin and I visited St. Helena, and the church there did nobly in becoming responsible for \$420 in addition to what had been already pledged. They have still a little more to do in order to meet their full apportionment. The following Sabbath we were in Mountain View, and the church there responded to the call by pledging their full apportionment.

The Sanitarium church had already taken np the matter, and had pledged over \$1,600, of which about \$1,000 has been paid. This amount was several hnndred dollars above their apportionment, and God will bless them for their liberality.

The Missionary Volnnteer Society in San Francisco became interested in this enterprise, and with no one to lead ont they pledged \$55, which they will soon pay. We think this is a good example for other societies, and for all onr yonng people.

We hope all onr chnrches will quickly fall into line, and that every member will now begin to plan what he can do for this fund. E. W. Farnsworth.

Labors in California

Nearly two months have passed since we came to California to labor. We were glad to meet the workers of this conference at the church in Oakland on onr arrival, and we were soon in a meeting planning for fntnre work. Since then I have visited the following churches: Petaluma, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa, Healdsburg, St. Helena, Pacific College, Napa, Oakland, San Francisco, and Monntain View.

I have greatly enjoyed the meetings held in all these places, and we think they have been pleasant occasions to the brethren and sisters who attended them. In nearly all we had a full attendance. At Sebastopol we had a mid-week meeting which all enjoyed. The Sabbath following we were pleased to meet almost the entire Sebastopol church in Santa Rosa. The two companies nearly filled the church building. All seemed to enjoy the meeting greatly. Brother Fleming, our home missionary secretary, was with me at this meeting, and labored in the interests of home missionary work.

At Healdsburg we were glad to find the lamp of light and truth still burning. With the exception of one brief call, it had been nearly twenty-five years since we were there before. Great changes have taken place since then, but the truth still lives, and the light shines.

At Oakland, St. Helena, San Francisco, and Monntain View we had very enjoyable meetings. The blessed Spirit of the Master was with ns in every place, and we think the people were blessed of the Lord. We shall endeavor to visit all the chnrehes and companies in the conference as soon as time and opportunity will permit. We want to assist the brethren and sisters in every way we can. The Lord is good, and He has given ns a good message. Let ns be faithful in giving it to others.

E. W. Farnsworth.

The Camp-Meeting

For several weeks the California (Coast) Conference Committee have been considering where and when the campmeetings should be held in the conference this year. It has finally been decided to hold two,— one in Enreka, Hnmboldt Connty, June 8 to 18, and one in Oakland, July 6 to 16.

We have spent considerable time

searching for a suitable location for the meeting in Oakland, and found it difficult to obtain such a place as will be needed. But we have now secured what we believe will be a convenient site at the corner of Aleatraz Avenue and Racine Street, where we will have sufficient room for a large meeting, and such conveniences as will be necessary. This location is in a part of Oakland where no particular effort has been made to present the truth, and we have the promise of the ground for a sufficient time to develop any interest that may be awakened.

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An institute for our church school teachers will be held the week preceding the regular camp meeting, and a workers' meeting will be in progress at the same time. This will give the teachers the privilege of attending the institute and the camp-meeting at about the same time and without extra expense. The National Educational Association convenes in San Francisco during the time of the regular camp-meeting, and no donbt some educational workers from other States will attend, and will stay on the camp ground.

We greatly hope all onr brethren and sisters will begin to plan now to attend this important meeting. Come at the beginning and stay till the close. We want to be refreshed together by meeting with the Lord and with yon.

Watch for further information concerning the camp-meeting in fntnre nnmbers of the RECORDER.

E. W. Farnsworth.

California Conference Current

The dates of the Oakland camp-meeting are July 6 to 16, 1911.

A good assortment of onr books and other literature will be on sale at the Enreka camp-meeting; also Bibles.

Elder Hare writes from Enreka that they have secured a good gronnd centrally located for their camp-meeting there.

Brethren Stevens and Fries and company have opened another series of meetings in San Francisco. They report a fair interest.

Elder C. L. Taylor, of the sanitarinm, passed through Oakland the first of the

week on his way to attend the Tulare camp-meeting.

Miss Katherine Hale was at the office in Oakland the first of the week looking after correspondence in connection with the educational work.

Elder Andrew Brorsen was in Mountain View the first of this week shipping tents, etc., to Eureka for the camp-meeting to be held there June 8 to 18.

The conference and camp-meeting committees had a meeting in Oakland last Sunday. Of the conference committee, Brethren C. W. Irwin and H. H. Hall were not present.

At the Sabbath service in the Oakland church last Sabbath about \$1,600 was raised on the \$300,000 Fund. A number of our churches are responding nobly to calls for this worthy purpose.

The location of the ground selected for the Oakland camp ground was misstated in our last week's announcement. Instead of being on Ashby Avenue it is on Alcatraz Avenue between Telegraph Avenue and Racine Street.

Among the conference workers who are expecting to be in attendance at the Eureka camp-meeting are Elders E. W. Farnsworth, A. Brorsen, C. L. Taylor, Miss Katherine Hale, E. S. Horsman, and possibly others, besides those laborers who are already in that field.

As a local committee of counsel and general oversight of the work in San Francisco, the following persons were named by the conference committee at its meeting last Sunday: Elder J. A. Stevens, Elder James Taphouse, Elder R. R. Reinhold, E. E. Parlin, and Edward Pierson.

A workers' meeting will precede the Oakland camp-meeting, beginning June 26, and continuing to the opening of camp-meeting, July 6. It is expected that all conference workers who can reasonably plan to do so will be in attendance to receive the instruction that will be given, and to assist in preparing the camp.

Several local committees have been appointed by the conference committee to

look after various details of the campmeeting work, as follows: Advertising:
Elder G. A. Snyder, J. A. Stevens, and B. E. Beddoe; music, B. E. Beddoe, R. S. Fries, L. K. Dickson; young people's meetings, Elders C. L. Taylor and B. E. Beddoe; reporting, Elders C. L. Taylor and B. E. Beddoe; reporting, Elders C. L. Taylor and G. W. Rine and Brother J. R. Ferren. Claude Conard.

May 21.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

We wish to take advantage of this our last opportunity of calling the attention of our brethren, sisters, and friends of the Northern California-Nevada Conference to our annual camp-meeting and conference to be held at Stockton, June 1 to 11. Please do not forget these dates. Plan to take advantage of the early part of the meeting and stay all the way through; for we have no reason to doubt that the Lord is going to meet with His people at this time, and each one of us doubtless desires and needs a more complete and thorough consecration. Satan's temptations are pressing on every side; and as we draw near to the close of time, we must press together and lay definite and decided plans for ourselves and our children, in order that the enemy of all good may not get the advantage over us.

The Western Pacific railroad wish it announced that they will give one and one third round trip rates on the certificate plan over the I. R. road to and from the Stockton camp-meeting, the same as the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe.

All those desiring to attend the graduating exercises of the Lodi Normal may take advantage of the reduced rates to the camp-meeting by getting their ticket to Stockton with stopover privileges. Let us again call your attention to the necessity of securing a receipt from the agent when purchasing your tickets, as the railroad companies will not give any concession or reduced rates to those who fail to secure these receipts. Please remember to bring your baggage checks to the book tent as soon as you reach the ground, so that your baggage may be transferred immediately; also leave your certificates to be viséed by the secretary in the early part of the meeting, so that he may report the same to the different railroad companies.

We will begin to pitch our tents and arrange the ground for the meeting Monday, May 22. A goodly number have orders in for tents, and we would like to secure your order as soon as possible. We wish to disappoint none.

Elder T. H. Watson and Brother and Sister L. E. Leavett submit the following report from Ripon:

"We began tent meetings in Ripon May 11. A few honest souls seem interested in the message we are giving. The Salida church met with us on Sabbath, May 13, which was a source of encouragement. We appreciate the faithful efforts of Brother and Sister **Evans**, who live near here, and we believe that our brethren who sacrifice in order to assist in tent meetings conducted in their neighborhood, will be blessed of God. We are becoming acquainted with the people in Ripon, and feel impressed that if faithful, consistent work is done, in due time results will be seen."

Elder J. D. Alder, Brother Johnson, and Brother and Sister Boehm have the following report to give from Farmington:

"The five roads leading out of Farmington have been traversed from six to seven miles, and every family within this radius given literature and an invitation to attend the meetings being conducted here. It is very evident that angels of God have a part in this visiting. People everywhere open their doors and show the utmost cordiality. The attendance at the tent has been about fifty through the week, and last Sunday evening every chair was occupied. This is encouraging to the ten: company, and will be good news to our brethren everywhere, we are sure. To secure the attention of the people is a most necessary thing; but the Word says that it is possible to have ears and yet not hear, to have eyes and yet not see. The seed may be scattered ever so faithfully, the soil be ever so fertile, but anless the latter rain falls the grain will not mature. Brethren, the precious seed of the third angel's message is sprouting in the hearts. of some that live in this place, but if the rain of God's Holy Spirit does not fall, it can not develop. The Sabbath

question will be reached by the end of this week. Will you not remember the work here?''

Miss Olive Hoiland, with five of the Lodi Normal young ladies, spent two or three hours in Stockton with the May and June numbers of the Signs magazine, selling over 225 in this short time, and they tell us that as many more could have been placed easily if they had only had the papers. This shows what can be done by our young people if they will take hold of this work in the right spirit. Brother Warren Dayton also took out a company with him the early part of the week, and reports a successful and profitable day.

During the coming week there will be good opportunities for our young people to spread these good magazines all through Stockton. We have a supply of the Temperance Instructor, June Signs Monthly, Life and Health, Watchman, Liberty, and Protestant Magazine, for those who wish to handle them. On these there will be from fifty to sixty per cent commission for those selling them; so we shall expect many to take advantage of this good opportunity of spreading the gospel message over Stockton, and preparing the people for the coming camp-meeting.

> Verah MacPherson, Secretary.

Cottonwood

The 5th of March we entered Verde Valley to begin our summer's work. I had previously spent a little time in labor here. A number of years ago Brother F. Brink also did some work here. Later Brother George Sims held a series of meetings in this valley.

Last fall Brother and Sister James spent about two months at this place. They were faithful in holding up the light. Brother James sold a good many books on health; and in consequence of the Bible studies given, one honest soul, the local W. C. T. U. superintendent, began keeping the Sabbath.

Not being able to obtain rooms, we telegraphed for a tent. A beantiful site under immense shade-trees had been offered us by the man who keeps the little Cottonwood store and post-office.

By a little planning on the part of one of the sisters, who with her four children had begun keeping the Sabbath during my stay last winter, we were made very comfortable, and enjoyed her kind hospitality for a number of days until our tent arrived.

Our first work was the organization of a little Sabbath-school, which with its ten members met for several Sabbaths in private houses. Then we obtained permission to use the schoolhouse, and since then the organization has doubled in numbers.

We hold our Sabbath service in the afternoon, at 2:30, that the sisters whose husbands are not in the faith, and who have to get dinner at noon, may enjoy an uninterrupted service.

Sabbath morning at 10:30 Bible study is conducted at the home of one of the sisters, with those living near enough to attend; also Thursday afternoons at 2:30. In this way we hope to help them to become more thoroughly settled and grounded.

At the 10:30 hour Sabbath morning, Mrs. Boger usually takes the children out-of-doors, and there assists them in memorizing their Bible verses for Sabbath-school, teaches them little songs, and reads from some good book, varying the exercise from time to time, that profit and pleasure may be combined.

We have been trying to have our Sabbath-school exercises as educational as possible, so we have selected verses containing watchwords to commit to memory each week. Already we have had verses "love," __ "faith," with "iov." "hope," "peace," and "glory." "Truth" has been selected for next Sabbath. Besides these we have committed to memory the names of the books of the Bible, the commandments, and the first, eighth, fifteenth, and nineteenth Psalms. The children also have their regular lesson memory verses.

We expect to organize a missionary society next Sabbath. Meanwhile we have not been idle. Some of the children have missionary gardens, others sell flowers, etc. Our school took three hundred copies of the Temperance Instructor, and there are but a few copies left from the first two hundred. Of course we helped in selling these papers. With the money, we have paid for our Sabbath-school supplies, and hope to place: a few of our good books in the school library.

We have been conducting evening

meetings in the Cottonwood schoolhouse Sunday and Wednesday evenings. We use the stereopticon at times, and the people always enjoy it.

We are full of courage, as we see fruit appearing. The enemy is angry, and is not napping. However, calls are coming in for meetings in other school districts, which we hope to answer soon.

There are sixteen keeping the Sabbath here now, but we hope for others. Brother Tissaw and his wife and six of his children have been observing the Sabbath for some time, but have not been baptized. Mrs. Boger has been proving the truthfulness of the assertion that the medical missionary work is "the right hand of the message."

Pray for us here, that the little candle of light may not flicker, but burn steadily, and light other tapers to illuminate the path heavenward.

E. C. Boger.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Holtville Church

Sabbath, April 29, a church of nineteen members was organized by Elder C. E. Ford in the Alamo schoolhouse, six miles southwest of Holtville, Imperial Valley. Five of these were taken in upon profession of faith, the others by letter. About thirty were present upon this occasion, some coming thirteen miles after having milked their strings of cows.

The following day, at the ranch of Brother and Sister Striplin, Elder Ford officiated in the burial of five dear souls in baptism.

The formation of this organization gives to Imperial Valley three church organizations.

An account of the trip made necessary by the organization of the above church, may give the reader some idea of the environments under which those who come to the valley must live and labor. The sixty-five or more Seventh-day Adventists that live in the valley are well scattered over the four hundred square miles that comprise the valley, and which include five good sized towns.

Desiring to visit as many of these as possible, Elder Ford, the writer, and his wife left Brawley Wednesday, April 26, during one of the wind storms which make the dust and the valley famous, and took the train for Imperial, where

we were entertained at the hospitable home of Doctor and Sister Fuller. Until the organization of the Brawley and Holtville churches, it had been the custom of our people to meet at this home the first Sabbath of each month.

Thursday morning we went by private conveyance ten miles to the south, calling on some of our people, and visiting the church school taught by Sister Ida Bennett.

Returning to Imperial, we were driven about twenty miles east to the home of Brethren A. E. and Homer Robinson and Brother and Sister Kent. After a brief visit, Brother Kent took us to Holtville, where the night was spent with Brother Adrian Striplin and his sister, who have been doing medical missionary work in this place during the winter, and through whose instrumentality one young man took his stand for the truth.

The next morning we were taken out ten miles to the home of Brother McFarland and Brother Burch and family, where it had been planned we should study with the candidates for baptism.

Sabbath a drive of four miles took us to the place of meeting; Sunday a drive of five miles to the place of baptism; and eleven miles more through the desert sand brought us to Calexico, at which place we took the train for Brawley, having covered about eighty-three miles in private conveyance in four days, considerable of it in lumber-wagons.

D. D. Fitch.



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Missionary Visits Garden Grove

Our next meeting was with the Garden Grove church on Sunday evening, May 7. A nice new church building is just being completed there. The first attendants at the meeting had rolls of papers, which indicated that this was the regular missionary meeting night. We learned upon inquiry that this is always well attended. Some excellent results have accompanied the work there. Through papers delivered one lady has embraced the truth. She has moved to another part of the State. In answer to a missionary letter, a letter had just come from a young man in Seattle, stating that the Signs had convinced him of the truth, and he desires to live it. Notwithstanding the heavy strain that accompanies the building of the new church, the members are planning on a continuous supply of material with which to reach out for others.

Centralia

One brother at the Centralia meeting reported that one of his Signs readers had become so interested that he paid for the subscription he had furnished him, and six months in advance. While not surrounded by many people, the Centralia church is working, members having visited Fullerton and Anaheim with literature. At the meeting with them Monday evening they added twenty-six Signs to the club of thirtyfive taken, and will continue correspondence work.

Glendale

A faithful few were present in the Glendale Sanitarium gymnasium for the missionary meeting Wednesday evening. The librarian was about the first one that came, and she had a basket of papers. Those papers are creating interests, and the club was increased to about sixty-five copies. Some good reports were given, and the prospects for larger work are good. Several visiting nurses are reaching Los Angeles homes.

Éscondido

But few really appreciate the number of Adventists there are away out in the Escondido Valley. Two churches, an English and a German, are now organized there, and each is doing something in missionary endeavor. The young people have been caring for quite a list of names, mailing papers, and writing letters. They are now making np small bands to foster the different lines of work, and twenty-six more Signs were ordered at the meeting Thursday night, and four hundred copies of back numbers of the Watchman. There are great possibilities in the development of the work at Escondido.

Paradise Valley

The sanitarium society did not wait for personal help in renewing the correspondence work it has been doing with the Signs. A club of eighty copies had already been planned for. The large number of the Watchman recently taken are being given out in the city and on the boats; and more of this outside visiting work in line of distributing literature, conducting schools of health, etc., will be taken up. There is excellent leadership and a splendid missionary spirit in the work at Paradise. They were glad to learn that the work is going throughout the union and the conference, and want to take the very largest part possible in it, in addition to the special work in the institution.

San Diego

Sabbath morning the hour was devoted to the home missionary interests. and it was an excellent service; not for anything special that was said, but because the Spirit of the Lord was present, and seemed to impress those in attendance with the nearness of the end, and the work we should be doing in reaching the people with the truth. While San Diego has a club of one hundred Signs. individuals at this meeting pledged to use 140 more. Dr. Tindall led out in this, stating that he had been considering whether or not to continue the twenty he had been using. One quite prominent lady had told him a few days ago that she had never been in the Adventist church, but was so interested in their doctrine through reading the paper he had furnished her, that she wished the paper continued, and would like other literature to use in study with some friends. The doctor wishes to continue his twenty copies.

Other good experiences were given. The Bible worker stated that a number of readers had been turned over to her by two brethren who have been using the *Signs*. Every one felt that this move to do greater things was a right one; and we expect this work, together with the excellent influence of Brother Hollister's cafeteria, where the literature is used freely, to reach many with the truth.

This meeting closed a three weeks' series of visits with churches. At it the one thousand mark in additions to the Signs circulation for six months was reached. This means that in new clubs and additions to regular clubs 1,000 more Signs, a week will be circulated during the next six months — 25,000 more Signs with its message of salvation. Pray that this work may bring many to the truth of God.

> Ernest Lloyd. J. R. Ferren.

CALIFORNIA

Appreciation

Through the columns of the RECORDER, I desire to thank the members in the different churches I have visited, for their kindly welcome to me; also for the interest they have manifested in taking hold of the work of spreading the message with the printed page.

I find that almost every one of our people is willing and glad to do something for the Lord whenever he is shown what is to be done and how to do it. By reports coming in from all sides we see that it is when personal work has been done by the lay members that great results are realized.

Let us work while it is yet day, sowing the seed that will spring up after many days and bring forth much fruit. May we not make greater efforts, and our motto be ''Onward, 'with every member a working member''?

> W. D. Fleming, Miss. Sec. Cal. Conf.

Book Work

Report of Book Sales in Southern California

For Week Ending May 12, 1911. "Practical Guide"

J. G. Smith and	Hrs.	Ords	. Value
C. N. Young*	52	22	\$82.00
Mrs. L. J. Burrows	25	7	29.50
Miscellaneous		13	30.50
			\$142.00

*Deliveries, two weeks, \$283.50.

Report of Book Sales in Central California Conference

For Week Ending May 5, 1911 "Daniel and the Revelation" Hrs. Ords. Value Pierson and Eddy1 162 51 \$100.75 "'Practical Guide" Purdy and Williford² 32 33.50 10 "Heralds of the Morning" Leona Schlarb³ 41 14 29.50 "Past, Present, and Future" Wm. McClusky⁴ 157 15.7525082 \$179.50

¹ Six weeks; helps, \$4.25; ² three weeks; ⁵ two weeks; ⁴ one week.

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J. A. Kindsman	нгs. 9	Oras. 2	\$6.00
"Home and	l Healt	h''	
W. O. James*	21	29	89.00
	.30	31	\$95.00

*Helps, \$1.20.

A Word from Central California

We do not wish to let the idea be extant that because we have not written anything before, we are asleep, and therefore have nothing to say. It is true that we have not accomplished as much as we would like to have done, but we have been doing something.

Some time has been devoted to the interests of the canvassing work among the students at Armona, and at the same time a few agents have been actively at work in the field. An experience or so with these will simply add to the fact that our books can be and are being sold.

Recently while out with one of our agents here, we approached a man in a yard, and gave him a canvass for "Daniel and the Revelation." The man questioned if this book was published by the Battle Creek people, or the Adventists. On being informed that it was, he said, "I read that book through while I lived in Dakota, and I want to get a copy of that book." We were glad indeed that we could supply this man's wants, and went on our way rejoicing.

Another experience is no less interesting. While another of our canvassers was working with the Temperance Instructor for a few days, she incidentally mentioned that she was working with "Practical Guide." The lady to whom she was talking told her of a child that was sick only a short distance from there, and asked the canvasser to call and give the child some "Practical Guide'' treatments. This she did, with such success that the lady wanted to know where she could learn how to give those treatments. A brief description of "Practical Guide" followed, resulting in an order, and a recommendation to another lady living near, which secured another order, and no book or prospectus was used in either case.

The Spirit of the Lord is moving the hearts of the people, and our books are being sold. Possibly you would like to take up the book work for the summer, preparatory to pursuing the work during the winter. If so, let me hear from you before the territory is all taken, the summer is ended, the harvest is past, and you are not saved.

J. W. Rich, Field Director Cent. Cal. Conf. May 16.



Pacific Union College Department of History

In response to the desire for information about the work we are doing at Pacific Union College, I take pleasure in reporting something with regard to the history department, which, with other duties, is under my direction. The work in this line has been very pleasant to me this year, notwithstanding the fact that class room facilities have been considerably different from those enjoyed in our other schools. I find that the unfinished schoolroom has not prevented the students from doing some of the best work in history that I have seen in my classes for some years.

Apart from Biblical history, three classes in history were called for and organized at the beginning of the year; that is, general history, history of antiquity, and Greek, Roman, and medieval history. The first is an academic subject, and the two latter are college classes. In general history, as usual, the students have been covering in a brief way the entire field of history from the beginning, and are now considering the great events of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries which are fulfilments of prophecy.

- An enthusiastic class has been pursuing the study of the nations and peoples of antiquity, the aim being to get a clear idea of the world and its conditions during the times of the pa-

triarchs, kings, and prophets of Israel. What has delighted these students most has been the wonderful confirmations of the Old Testament Scriptures in the great archeological discoveries of the past few years.

The class in second year college history has been pursuing not merely the ordinary text-book work on Greece. Rome, and medieval times, but has given special attention to matters of great importance to us, which are omitted or lightly treated in most text-books; such as the history of Alexander's successors, as predicted in Daniel 11; the fall of the Roman republic and its counterpart to-day; the rise of the ten kingdoms of Daniel $\tilde{\imath}$; the fulfilment of the prophecies regarding the Saracens, Turks, etc. While there is a separate year devoted to church history, yet all matters pertaining to the church are by no means postponed to that year.

The work is not confined to the textbooks. Nearly every student has made a large chart of the field of history he has studied, which has impressed upon the memory, as one student remarked. "a picture of the history." A former student now engaged in teaching history, writing to us during the year, declared his chart to be worth one thousand dollars to him if he could not obtain another. The classes in college history have produced some unusually - fine charts, most of them about thirty-five feet in length. One young man has produced two artistic charts, aggregating sixty feet in length.

We also endeavor to avoid dwelling upon the exploits of the Alexanders and Napoleons of history to the exclusion of the great principles and lessons which history teaches. It is our aim to make the study of history conduce to the development of a right character in the student.

The college offers the complete course in history as recommended by the General Conference Educational Convention, and such classes will be formed each year as may be desired by a sufficient number of students.

H. A. Washburn.

Lodi Normal Academy Notes

Wednesday was christened as Patron's Day, and we were gratified to see fathers as well as mothers take advantage of this occasion to visit our training school and see it in operation. An exhibit of work done during the year was found in the respective departments.

Miss Elizabeth Maycock gave her graduation piano recital the evening after the Sabbath. The execution of the selections chosen for the occasion, though difficult, proved to us that she is qualified to receive her diploma and bids fair to be one of our leading artists in her chosen work.

On Wednesday evening the promotional exercises of the training school were held in the church, the normal chapel not furnishing sufficient accommodation for our present demands. The children went through with their program without a break. Credit is due the ones who so faithfully guided the training for the occasion.

Mr. Harold Mathew, of class of 1910, occupied chapel hour on Tuesday morning, telling experiences as a self-supporting teacher in Fountain Head, Tennessee. His experiences are varied, yet interesting, and sometimes amusing. We feel proud to have such a good report from a faithful teacher. He returns to his field in the fall to start a new industrial school.

Prof. M. E. Cady spent Monday visiting the training school of Lodi Normal Academy. At the chapel period he showed that it is essential to be able to give a reason for our view on Christian educational principles, as upon other doctrinal points. He talked three times during the day, and left us with many practical thoughts to consider about our methods and reasons for study, weeding out the non-essentials from our courses, and making essentials of primary value.

The canvassers' institute began its work this week under the supervision and direction of A. A. Cone, union conference general agent. A good sized class are planning to enter the field for a summer's campaign. With the faithful efforts already put forth and Mr. W. P. Dayton's consecration to his calling, we may hope for pleasing results. The band has done some practical work in Stockton the past week,— disposing of nearly 400 magazines, Signs of the Times and Temperance Instructor.

On Monday evening, May 15, at eight o'clock, occurred the annual orchestral recital of Lodi Normal orchestra and local musicians. Each of the ten orchestral numbers that appeared on the program proved the untiring, unrelenting, vigilant efforts of their faithful director. Before the last number, a member of the Library Board arose to extend to Prof. Wm. Wallace a vote of thanks for the evening's entertainment and for the proceeds of the evening, which were applied upon the Carnegie Library Fund. Those who attended the recital of last year remarked upon the improvement accomplished during the nine school months just passed.

Lotta E. Bell.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me, try my reins and my heart. Ps. 26:2.

"Luck is ever waiting for something to turn up; labor, with keen eye and strong will, always turns up something."

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About one year ago they learned that her lungs were seriously affected. Hoping that the climate of Florida would help her, we then urged the little family of three to come home, where her mother could care for her. They came in August, 1910, and we have all been together these eight months, thankful for the privilege of doing all that could be done for Gertrude's recovery. She was brave and cheerful, patient and hopeful, never a nurmur from her lips. She longed to live. She loved her husband and her little boy, and felt that she could not leave them. At last she gave up hope, and requested our prayers that the Lord would help her in the last struggle with the enemy. The Lord heard our prayers, and she fell asleep without a struggle. She was conscious to the very last. She trusted in God, and said it was all right. The funeral was attended by many of the best citizens. Brief services were held at the grave. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the dear sister and her little family in far-away Japan, in this time of sore bereavement. Gertrude leaves a kind husband, a baby fifteen months old, a sister, and her mother (Mrs. Geo. I. Butler), who will keenly and always suffer her loss .- Geo. I. Butler, in "Review and Herald," May 18, 1911.

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THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1911

In accordance with the recent eighthour labor law for women, the Pacific Press adopted the new plan Sunday, May 21.

Elders Andrew Brorsen and B. E. Beddoe and Brother R. S. Fries, of Oakland and San Francisco, were callers at the office last Monday.

Tuesday of this week was fully devoted to the Pacific Press interests at the Tulare camp-meeting. Elders H. W. Cottrell and M. C. Wilcox and Brother C. H. Jones, of the Pacific Press, were present on this occasion.

Elder A. O. Tait is again associated with the weekly *Signs of the Times* office. His assistance is particularly appreciated by Elder M. C. Wilcox, who has been carrying the editorial responsibility of this paper largely alone for some time.

The May, 1911, issue of the *Life Boat* is the twelfth annual special prisoners' number. The editor informs us that copies of this magazine will be sent to all the leading prisons of this country. Copies may be secured through your tract society.

The following is taken from the April number of *Eastern Tidings*, printed by W. E. Perrin, Lucknow, India:

"From Lucknow very pleasant weather can be reported so far. A number of times it has seemed that the hot weather would set in at once, but each time it has been delayed until just now, when for a few days the wind has blown quite hard, and dust is to be found almost everywhere. The latter is most trying in a printing office, mixing with ink and spoiling earnest efforts for good work, as well as ruining type. The truth of the matter is that the Watehman Press needs a home of its own, properly erected, and as nearly dust proof as is possible. This building is old, and the walls and floor in such condition that to keep things clean is impossible."

"Life and Health"

The editor of *Life and Health*, in the June number of that spicy health journal, has found two good services which a common house-fly renders to the public. First, it teaches the teachable to clean up and to keep clean; second, it kills off the others.

June "Watchman"

After the beautiful cover page, come the following articles in the Watchman for June: "All Flesh Is Grass," Prof. Frederick Griggs; "The Coronation of Our King," E. E. Andross; "Crime versus Sin," editor; "They Shall Not Cleave One to Another," Prof. P. T. Magan; "The Seven Seals of Revelation," Prof. B. G. Wilkinson; "Christ and the Law of Ten Commandments," Walter Reed; "Eternal Punishment," A. L. Manous. The readers of this journal will enjoy the foregoing timely articles.

The June "Signs" Magazine Is meeting with a good sale. On May 22 about 25,000 copies had gone out from the office, and good orders continue coming in. No doubt every copy will find a place in the hands of some person. Every month this year, with the exception of one, has been an increase over the previous issue, and June was a double increase. Speaks well for the contents and appearance of these good magazines. The Signs is the magazine with the message. It gives its message, too. The increased circulation speaks appreciation. Let us increase our orders on this splendid June number. It is provingitself very popular. We invite our agents and others to order largely of them. Hardly any of them are used in the bay There should be several thoucities. sand copies sold there in the next few weeks. Several of our good sisters should take the situation in hand. Write Brother W. D. Fleming, 601 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, and arrange for the territory.

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.

Obituaries

CORNWALL.— Mrs. Mary Cornwall was born in Denmark, November 14, 1865, and died in Fresno, California, May 13, 1911, of typhoid malaria, being 45 years, 6 months, and 9 days of age.

She was married in 1884 to Daniel Cornwall. To this union ten children — five sons and five daughters — were born, all of whom are living save one son. These, with the father and a number of friends and relatives, are left to mourn their loss.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, after which we laid her to rest in Mountain View cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

J. W. Rich.

CRANE.— Gertrude Grainger Crane was born at Christine, Mendocino County, California, in 1878, and died at Bowling Green, Florida, April 1, 1911. Her noble father, Elder W. C. Grainger, was well known in this denomination. He was our first missionary to Japan, where he labored unceasingly for three years and died October 31, 1899. Gertrude assisted her parents in their efforts to present the truth to those interesting people. She was very helpful and earnest in her work. After the death of Elder Grainger, she returned with her mother to America, leaving with a sad heart her only sister, Mrs. W. D. Burden, and her husband and two little boys. She was married to H. W. Crane, April 14, 1907.

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