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## The Church

Address of Elder A. G. Daniells in  
Oakland Church, Sabbath,  
October 14

This morning I will ask you to turn with me to the 8th chapter of the book of Isaiah, and the 18th verse:

"Behold, I and the children whom the Lord hath given me are for signs and for wonders in Israel from the Lord of hosts, which dwelleth in Mount Zion."

From this scripture, it is plain that God designs that His people shall stand for Him and His work and His great purpose in the earth. And as they stand for that, and bear their witness and their testimony, they become a sign, and a marvel, and a wonder, to men. I believe this has been the way God has wrought among men down through all the ages. And I believe that to-day, now, in this marvelous generation, God is using His people, His representatives on the earth, in that same way, He is making them a sign, a witness, a marvel, in the world.

And the witness they bear, and the sign they become, I think comes the closest to the thoughts, the convictions, the hearts of men, of any sign that can be given. To-day I wish to refer to the sign that God's people are, as the greatest of all signs of this age—to God's people, and to the world.

We believe that we have reached the last generation of men. Our name stands for that—Adventists, believers in the immediate coming of the Lord Jesus Christ the second time. We believe we have ground for our position. We believe that if the Bible teaches anything at all for men to believe and to understand, it is that Jesus Christ is coming the second time. All that we have to make us believe that He has been here, we have to make us believe that He is coming back. The same word from Him that tells of the first advent, tells of the second advent. We believe, too, that all He has taught gives His people, and the world, reason to know when His coming is near. Believing that, we have chosen as a part of our name, one that suggests, that indicates, our firm belief in the second advent of Christ.

Now, in proof of this, we always, of course, turn to the words of our Lord in answer to the question that came to Him, "What shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?" It is a very natural question, very simple and plain. Jesus answered it in the most direct, simple, natural way possible. He said to them, "There shall be signs," and then He told them what the signs would be, and where they would be. He said, "There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth," and He then described

what would occur. "The sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars of heaven shall fall;" "and upon the earth" there shall be "distress of nations, with perplexity" that will cause the hearts of men to fail with fear, "and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth."

He then went on to give further instruction; and among the signs that were to come upon the earth was this one:

"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Now, we believe that the signs set forth here are to be taken as they are given, and used for what they are intended to do. So we point to the darkening of the sun and moon, and the falling of the stars; and say they came at the right time. They fulfilled the word of God; and they stand there as signs. We point to the conditions in the earth—distress of nations, with great perplexity; "men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." And we are there in that situation to-day. Then another: "And this gospel of the kingdom [this gospel of the coming King] shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

I believe that is just as much of a sign of the coming of the Lord as any of the others that are mentioned. I believe that it is the most impressive; that it is the strongest appeal to the hearts of men in all parts of the world, of any sign that is mentioned. Some of the other signs came and passed away, some local in their place, and for a short period. When the day was gone, the sign

had been registered, and it all passed, and it is a matter of history. But it has its value; it has its place. It was leading up to the climax. But when you come down to this last one — when the gospel of the coming King — our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ — when that shall be preached in all this world, as God intends it shall be preached — we have then something that comes home to every heart, something that knocks at the heart of every man. It is not limited to North America; it is not limited to Protestant Europe. This sign is to be extended all over the face of the earth. Its character is such that it makes an impression upon the minds of men. It builds up something among men, and it is there a constant reminder, a constant witness, a constant testimony, borne to men day after day.

Now it is that that I wish to dwell especially upon to-day. I would, too, bring this question: What can we do to herald this sign more powerfully? What can we do to bring this great testimony home to the hearts of men with greater force, greater impression, that will lead a larger number to the foot of the cross of Christ, than we are doing at the present time? That is the question. Let us look at it a moment.

This testimony that is to be borne is given to us in the fourteenth chapter of Revelation, beginning with the 6th verse.

In connection with this scripture I wish to refer to two or three other scriptures that may properly be classed with this. These refer to the movement. The first — Joshua 3:5: "And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you." My text says that "I and the children whom the Lord hath given me are for signs and for wonders in Israel from the Lord of hosts, which dwelleth in Mount Zion." This scripture says,—"Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you."

Following on we are told why God will do wonders with His people. The twenty-fourth verse of the next chapter, which is a continuation of the narrative, tells why: "That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the Lord your God forever." I think that is beautiful. "Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders among

you." He will make you a wonder. Why?—"That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty." Why would God impress the hearts of all men with the might of His power?—"That ye might fear the Lord your God forever." That is the supreme thing. The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom; and the Lord wants men to have that true fear of Him that they will depart from evil and be saved at last forever in His kingdom.

Turn to the second chapter of Joshua. It gives the account of the conversation between the two spies who came to the house of Rahab when they were spying out the land; and as these men were in fear of their lives, they sought protection; and in the ninth verse we have this: "And she [this woman, Rahab] said unto the men, I know that the Lord hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you." Why should the people of God make such a profound impression as that upon the minds of their neighbors, or the world around them?—Next verse: "For we have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed. And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt." An impression was made. "Neither did they remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the Lord your God, He is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath."

Why did God show the might of His great power among His people, and for His people?—That He might impress the hearts of men that they might know the living God, and be led to serve Him. In that way, dear friends, the people of God become signs and wonders to the people of the world.

What can we do to carry the great and solemn world-wide message that we have to give with a might, a power, that will impress the hearts of men, and cause them to stop and think of it, and realize that here is a revelation of the living God? What can we do? Back there, when the Lord wanted to do that thing, He said to the people, "Sanctify yourselves;" get right with God; stand right

with Him, that the Lord may do wonders among you.

Let us take an incident brought out in the New Testament. I can only briefly refer to it.

Matt. 3:1-3: "In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight."

This has reference to the first advent. What was it that impressed the minds of men, and stood out as a sign, and wonder, and assurance to the people that Jesus Christ was to appear?—It was the work that this man John the Baptist did. It was the message he proclaimed. And what was he to do?—"Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

John 1:19-23: "And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? . . . He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord."

We have the facts set forth that God takes men and women, and uses them as testimony and evidence to the world regarding His purposes, regarding the work He has to do. John stood there as mighty herald, a mighty witness bearer, a mighty sign to all Israel that Jesus Christ was to make His appearance among men as the Saviour of the world.

Go back to Isa. 40:3, and there is the prophecy. Isaiah was shown that before Jesus would make His appearance, somebody would herald His coming. That person would be a voice, a sign, a witness, to the world. The man himself, the message he gave, the work he would do, were foretold. And the Saviour said of him, "Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist." John did no miracle. He was not a spectacular character. He was a man whom God used to fulfil His word. The message he bore became a mighty witness to the world, and savor of life to those who heard and obeyed, and death to those who rejected.

Now we come to the message for this day to our time, to our place, our work, and the sign that is to be given to all the world now. What is one of those signs? Jesus said the preaching

of the gospel of the kingdom would be a sign of the end of the world. When this preaching is finished, then the end will come. That same prophecy that Jesus made there is repeated in the book of Revelation. I will read you a few verses so as to get every mind fastened upon the main thought and text of the hour.

Rev. 14:6: "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth." That is just about what Jesus said: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world." This message is the gospel to be preached to all that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. There is the scope of this movement set before us. When this message is preached in all the world, to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, what occurs?—Jesus said that the end will come. John said, "I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle." "Another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in Thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for Thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe."

When will the harvest be?—At the end of the world. When this threefold message of Revelation is preached to all the world, as God purposes it shall be, then the harvest will come. That will be the end of the world, and it will all be ushered in by the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. How will He come?—He will come as King of kings. He will have received His kingdom from His Father. What then is the principal thing to which this message will refer regarding the coming of Christ?—His coming as a King; coming to establish His eternal kingdom on this earth among men; coming to reign forever, and to banish sin, and to establish His own kingdom for His own people. So, when this warning is given to the world, the end will come. And that message, and the people bearing that message, will be a sign to the world that the end is near, that Jesus is coming.

Now, then, the hour has come for that message to be given, and it is being given. I can not to-day give the evidences we have for believing that the

time has come for the message to be proclaimed. The strongest evidence, when you go back to the last analysis, is the fact that the message is being given, and is doing its work among men. The message was not preached before its time.

Luther did not have this threefold message of Revelation 14. He had the Bible, and he had a real message for the world. It took hold of the hearts of men. It did the work God purposed it should; but it was not the third angel's message of Revelation 14. No preacher of the gospel from Noah to 1844 understood the third angel's message. No preacher ever preached that message. No other generation ever heard it nor had anything to do with it. The Scriptures clearly show that at the termination of the 2,300 years, in 1844, the hour would come for the third angel's message to be fully launched, and the precision that marks the movement of the heavenly bodies marked the events connected with it. My brethren, there is just as much certainty and accuracy and precision in the work of God in carrying out His purposes as there is in the movements of the worlds He has created and put in space and keeps there. The very year when the third angel's message of Revelation 14 was due, it began to sound. It was here, and it has been here ever since, doing its work.

This message, that took hold of your lives and brought you here, is to warn the world of the coming of the Lord, and to prepare the people to be saved in His kingdom. It is that message that shows how to prepare for the coming of Christ: "Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." You have had many temptations, many trials, perhaps many doubts at times; but somehow you haven't felt you could break from it; have you?

Where is this message doing its work? Where was it to be preached?—"To every nation, kindred, tongue, and people." It sets before us the greatest evangelical movement the world has ever seen. The people who have this message, must get out of every native country and go abroad. Not only so, but they must go everywhere, when they start in with that work. There will be something about the movement and the people that will drag them on, urge them on, push them on, impel them forward, everywhere, until the light is shining to all peo-

ple in all lands, so that the earth itself will be lightened with the glory of God from that message.

When we get a full view of the marvelous progress this threefold message has already made in the world, it seems to me it must lay hold of us and impress us with the fact that surely God is closing His work among men.

A recent report gotten out by the Rev. A. T. Pierson, late editor of the *Missionary Review of the World*, and published in that magazine, tabulates statistics regarding the missionary movement of the nineteenth century. We all know that this last century has witnessed the greatest movement in behalf of foreign missions in heathen nations that the world has ever seen. The number of people out preaching the gospel of Christ to the heathen to-day is greater than ever before. There are more native believers among all the heathen nations who have found Christ, and who are rejoicing in His salvation, than have ever lived among these people in any one generation before. It is marvelous what has been done since William Carey pressed his hard way out to a foreign field.

This report gives the names of sixty-two mission boards, date of their organizations, number of fields entered, etc. For example: The great American Board of Foreign Missions was organized in 1810—101 years ago—and has been at work ever since, and is to-day carrying on its work in ten different countries,—South Africa, Turkey, India, China, Japan, Micronesia, Mexico, Spain, Austria, Philippines.

Seventh-day Adventists began foreign mission operation in 1874—sixty-four years later than this American Board of Foreign Missions—and are operating in all the countries where the American Board is found, and thirty-seven more. That board, with its millions of representatives and its untold wealth, in one hundred years has pressed its way into ten foreign fields. Seventh-day Adventists, coming along sixty-four years later in their foreign operations, with but few people, and very small resources, have gone right out into the field, entered all that the American Board has, and gone into thirty-seven lands beyond.

The Presbyterian Board, one of the strongest in the country, is operating in India, Siam, China, Japan, Korea, West

Africa, Syria, Persia, Spanish America, and the Philippines. We are in all these except Siam, and we have one believer there, and our Burmese mission is right on the edge.

The Methodists have entered China, Korea, Japan, India, Turkey, Bulgaria, Mexico, South America, and the Philippines.

This report gives names of fifty-seven divisions of the great world mission field. That is the entire number. The American Board is in ten, the Presbyterians are in ten, the Methodist Board is in nine.

The Seventh-day Adventist denomination is not included in this report. I found the Seventh-day Baptist; date of their organization in 1842. They have entered one foreign country, and have an annual income of twelve thousand dollars. They have three missionaries abroad. I wondered why we were not put in that report. I have attached it to the bottom, after having Brother Rogers, our statistician, go over every division and count them up.

We are in forty-seven of the fifty-seven divisions. There are ten countries we are in that these other boards are not operating in at all. There are fifty-seven fields of mission territory that we are working in, the same number as all the rest put together are working in.

I have no disposition to boast, or feel proud, but I will tell you it brought home to my mind a very definite impression that during the century God has been opening the whole world for the preaching of the gospel. Such men as Carey, Judson, Livingstone, and Moffat have gone out into these fields to prepare the way. God has had consecrated missionaries all over this world from these religious bodies, led them out, and stationed them in every country of the world.

God has raised up a people with this message, and said to them, "Go ye into all the world, and preach this gospel to every creature." They have gone out; and what has He done?—He has led them forth as no other religious body in the world has been led forth. He has planted them in almost every land that any other body of people is working in, and led them on to victories in other lands besides.

What does this mean, dear friends? Go back in history. Our Seventh-day Baptist friends were well started, had

more wealth, and were on the ground, and were leading out in their lines of work, when we just began. How is it that this people has come up, not only with this cross of the Sabbath truth, but the cross in the teaching of life only in Christ, the Spirit of prophecy, tithing, and the health reform? This message is loaded down with these things that bring self-denial to the human heart.

We have often been counseled: "If you would go out and preach the prophecies and the coming of the Lord, and leave off the Sabbath, what wonderful progress you would make!" The Seventh-day Baptists said, "If you would only go and herald the Sabbath truth, and leave off the visions, how well you would get on!" So all about us people have wanted to cut off things that brought cross to the human heart, shear it down so that there would be as little hardship as possible, that we might be free from these things, so that our work would sail ahead.

With all the self-denial, with all the crosses, this cause has taken wings, and has gone as no other religious movement in this generation has gone in the world. The records are before us; the facts are here. It is accounted for in just one way: here is a message that God has ordained shall go to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, in this generation, and it is going. That is the only way to account for it.

Brethren, we never could have gone out into the lands we have without the superintending providence and help of a divine being. Is it not remarkable that our dear friends, our brethren and sisters, our sons and daughters, our people everywhere, have gone, gone, and gone, into the world, and you will find them everywhere standing by the message and telling it to their fellow men?

When I was over with Brother Boettcher in Russia this summer traveling from town to town, and stopping every night with some new church in Russia, the thought of the growth of the work almost staggered me. I said to him: "I have always thought of Russia as a far-away foreign field. But here I am stopping every night with our own beloved people—Seventh-day Adventists." Then we took our map, and studying from east to west, north to south, found that in journeying around the world stops

could be made almost every night with Seventh-day Adventist families.

We do not realize what is being done in these countries. My heart has been out there, but I can not keep up with the marvelous progress of this work. I stood in amazement in Russia at the mighty work of God. At St. Petersburg I found two churches, and preached to them; next night in Riga, where there are 400 believers. Three years ago there were fifty believers there. While I was there we had to have two meetings—one for the Russians, and one for the Lettonians; and the hall was crowded at both. These are Seventh-day Adventists—just like you. This message talks the same language the world over. It says precisely the same thing, and it touches the same responsive chord in every heart. It changes people, it gives the same kind of heart; it gives them the same hope; it gives them the same current of thought. It has its every thought traveling in the same direction. And they are the same the world over.

These people were touched as I told them how we were willing to send our best brethren there to help them; had done so in sparing Brother Boettcher. At the close one arose and addressed the interpreter, proposing that a message of thanks and brotherly greetings be sent to the believers in America. A vote was taken, and all enthusiastically and solemnly took part in a rising response to the suggestion. We could not keep the tears from rolling. Brother Boettcher felt that he ought to call all the people to take a stand for God, to consecrate themselves anew. Everybody arose. Some had not before taken their stand. Twelve of these stood up to be baptized, among them a talented young woman who had become interested. She took her stand notwithstanding the opposition, and the possible imprisonment for leaving the Greek Church. Notwithstanding the terrible restrictions in Russia, our ministers baptized 750 Seventh-day Adventist converts the last year. They are coming in spite of everything.

Our brethren are working on in Russia; and as I went to St. Petersburg, Riga, Moscow, finding preachers and believers everywhere, just as it is here, I said, "What is this great thing that God has done?" I can not make you sense it, brethren. Nobody can fully realize the tremendous facts with which we stand

face to face until he goes out there among those people.

When I went into Turkey, there I met our ministers, our believers,—Turks, Armenians, and Greeks.

In Austria, where the law is the most restrictive and bitter, I found many of our people. We can not hold a single religious meeting in Austria. Only lectures, or meetings, of a social improvement nature are allowed, and our work there is carried on under the registered name of "The More Light Society." The leader can not be a minister; he must be simply a man among men. Thank God for men. I found the hall where the More Light Society meetings are held, nicely filled, and I was introduced to them as a friend from America. I told them about the progress of the third angel's message, and we had a wonderful meeting. They have to baptize in the night between ten and two o'clock. Knowing that it is absolutely impossible to reach the people in their homes, as this is carefully guarded by the police, I inquired of our brother who has charge of the work there, how he got at those interested to give them the real instruction in the truth. He told me his work is largely done in the restaurants. In Vienna it is the custom to buy your lunch or dinner, and then if you like you may occupy a portion of the place fitted up for visiting and resting. There are fine easy upholstered chairs, the latest magazines and papers, the porter on hand to care for your wants. After one who attends the meeting in the hall shows an interest, and says he would like to study further, the brother makes an appointment with him to meet in some restaurant, where they have a little lunch together, then spend time in studying. Many of the men converts are gained in this way.

(Here Elder Daniells returned to incidents connected with his experiences in Russia, telling of the terrible prejudice, the stringent laws, and how 10,000 priests watch their work day and night. He told of his visit to the prison where is imprisoned one of our ministers. He closed with an exhortation to faithfulness of all in their relation to the message, and asked all to arise who would consecrate themselves and what they have to the work anew. The congregation in a body arose.)

## The Field

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA- NEVADA

#### Conference Items

W. P. Dayton spoke to the church at Salida Sabbath, October 7, on missionary lines and field work.

Elder Henry Shultz, who has been on an extended trip through the Middle West and Canada during the summer, returned to his home at Lodi last Wednesday.

Elders Watson and Brink have closed their effort at Orland, and are now holding a series of meetings at Chico. May the Lord bless their efforts there.

Elder Osborne, who has been laboring for some time in Modesto, reports that several have been brought into the truth. One young man who has lately accepted the truth is planning to go into the canvassing work in the near future.

A number of orders are coming in from all parts of the conference for the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and we trust that all are planning on taking hold of this work during the campaign.

Verah MacPherson.

### CALIFORNIA

#### Marine Bible Society, San Francisco

We wish to tell you of some of our experiences in the field, out where the ships load their cargoes along the broken shore-line one hundred miles to the north of us. My companion, Brother George Reese, and I left my home near Sebastopol in our buggy. The small horse we drove brought us safely through. We drove to the coast, over twenty miles, to Duncan Mills, a small lumbering town. Our first box of books was awaiting us. We sold our first book, "Story of Daniel," to the freight agent.

From here to 100 miles to the north we visited the shipping towns and logging camps. We traversed a wild country and a rough shore-line, on one side the broad Pacific dashing upon the rocky shores where they have been beating ever since the days of Noah, and upon the

other, the primeval forests of giant redwoods, their majestic heads lifted to the skies. We stood upon the stump of one measuring fourteen feet in diameter. There were some twenty feet in diameter.

We secured passes to ride on the logging trains from two milling towns back to logging camps. These camps are about twenty-five miles in the interior and the roads lie over high trestles, through deep canyons, and along towering bluffs. We found the hand of Providence in evidence all the way.

At Fort Bragg, the largest town in Mendocino County, we sold the book "Story of Daniel" to all the leading citizens. Some of these persons are actively engaged in church work. One leading church worker purchased four books, one "Bible Readings for the Home Circle," and said he was interested in the studies. This is a favorable place for a strong tent effort. We believe a large company can be raised up here.

In this stretch of 100 miles we found only four isolated Sabbath-keepers. One had not been to camp-meeting for ten years. Another had not seen an Adventist for four years, nor attended a camp-meeting for thirteen years. Another one had not heard a sermon from one of our ministers for ten years. These all had a good understanding of and a live interest in the truth for this time.

You say, What is the secret of this? I found they had the good old *Review and Herald* coming each week. One old sister who was ninety-two years of age, we found reading the *Review* without glasses. The Lord gave us sale for 130 English and foreign books and 700 journals. Large portions of the shore towns are deserted, on account of the lumbering interest's being at a standstill.

We had many rich experiences in meeting and praying with the people. The six weeks we were absent passed quickly, and now we take up the work on the ships where they discharge their cargoes. One of the most interesting experiences we had was our visit to the Point Arena lighthouse. It is 116 feet tall, and the reflecting glass is one of the best in the United States. It cost \$25,000. As we saw it for miles along the coast flashing out its rays of light, guiding mariners away from the rocks, we thought of the light-filled pages of precious truth that we were putting out to

guide men from the rocks of sin, error, and false doctrines.

We are now taking up the work of completing the placing of one hundred morocco binders on fifty of the most important steamers that enter this port on regular trips. Any wishing to pay for one or more of these, can send their donation to the undersigned.

Charles W. Peter.

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## Educational

### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

#### The Opening of the Armona Academy

For some weeks the carpenters have been at work on the Armona Academy, and as a result class rooms have been remodeled, new paper added, rooms re-seated, and a new tank house erected.

Tuesday, September 26, the date set for the opening of the academy, found everything in readiness, and a goodly number of young people assembled, ready for the school duties of another year.

It is encouraging indeed to note the interest on the part of the students as they take up their work for the year, and we are glad to say that this interest is not confined to students alone, as will be shown by the following report.

On the evening after the Sabbath following the first week of school, Prof. and Mrs. J. L. Jones, received an invitation to spend the evening with a neighbor. Instead of taking them to his home for entertainment, however, they were driven to the academy, where the school patrons of the immediate vicinity had gathered to welcome Professor Jones and his staff of teachers. Appropriate talks were given by various ones, and responses made by teachers. The evening was then pleasantly spent in becoming acquainted with one another, thus establishing a spirit of good will between teachers and patrons, which counts for so much in the making of a successful school. Surely it is clearly shown that coöperation, that element which is so essential for the success of any school, is not lacking on the part of the patrons of the Armona Academy.

We are fortunate in having so efficient

a corps of teachers for the academy work. Professor Jones has had a wide experience in the school work, and in the successful management of our schools. And as he has planned the course of study this year with "Not how much, but how well" in view, we feel that under his direction, with the assistance of his fellow teachers, and with the help which is sought daily of the great Teacher, a high standard will be maintained, thorough work will be done, and students will be fitted not only for the practical duties of every-day life, but for entering upon the higher course of study that embraces eternity.

Mrs. T. D. Robison,

Ed. Sec. Central Cal. Conf.

October 10.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Fernando Academy

September thirteen found about eighty young persons on hand to begin the work of the new school year. Others have since arrived, making the present enrolment one hundred eight in the academy, and about sixty in the church school. A spirit of earnestness and contentment has pervaded the school from the first.

Elder E. E. Andross was present at the first chapel exercise, and his earnest words of admonition will long be remembered by both teachers and students.

The music department has grown to such proportions that it has been found necessary to engage Mrs. Bachman as an assistant teacher. The chorus class has begun work on the oratorio "Elijah," which will be rendered during the year. Instruction is also given on the stringed instruments, and an orchestra has been organized.

A valuable addition to the school facilities is the library and reading-room. Our collection of books is not large, but a beginning has been made. Any one wishing to donate books or money to this department may address the principal or the librarian. A friend of the school recently made a gift of a leather bound set of encyclopedias.

The interest taken in the missionary work of the school is very encouraging. A company of fifty meet once each week, under the direction of W. S. Boynton, to study the canvassing work, with the view of spending the coming vacation in the

field as missionary solicitors. The medical missionary and ministerial bands also hold weekly meetings, in which study is combined with plans for practical work.

The Wednesday morning meetings of the Missionary Volunteer Society are inspiring and helpful. Each Sabbath afternoon about twenty-eight young persons meet to study the needs of the field both at home and abroad. A series of studies on personal work has also been begun, using as a basis the example of our Saviour, who evidently regarded this method of soul winning most important and most fruitful.

Last Sunday evening Elder E. J. Hibbard addressed a large and attentive audience on the new development of the Eastern question. All were greatly impressed as the fulfilment of prophecy was clearly traced to the present time.

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### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

#### Lodi Normal Institute

Two weeks of our school are in the past, and the enrolment is still increasing. We now have 211 enrolled, and more to enter soon. For the first time the academic department outnumbers the grades—103 in the grades, 108 in the academic department. The eighth grade has an enrolment of twenty-seven pupils. The commercial department has an enrolment of fourteen. Another source of encouragement is the large Bible classes, and the interest manifested in them.

The following items were handed in by Mrs. W. B. Taylor, of the music department:

"After only one week of school has passed, forty students are enrolled in the music department. Sixteen of these are taking voice culture. About ten more have signified their intention of taking up this line of work as soon as their classes are arranged. Judging from past experience, we know that the number will increase materially as the year advances. All seem to realize our lack in this line, and are anxious to prepare themselves for more efficient service in the Master's great vineyard, and that should be our one aim. A large class are taking sight singing, and the chorus class will be organized soon."

Miss Olive Hoiland says: "We are rejoicing in the increase of language pupils. Last year the enrolment was twelve; this year, thirty-six. Besides the regular classes in first and second year Latin and Spanish, there are four applicants for French. The students are bright, earnest, and enthusiastic in their foreign realms. Already bits of Spanish conversation may be heard about the campus, showing that the students are eager to accomplish the prime purpose in studying Spanish—the ability to speak it."

The classes in carpentry and drafting promise good work.

Prof. I. C. Colcord has the largest class in school, a class of thirty-five in astronomy.

Mrs. Viola Miller, the preceptress, reports the home nearly full, and everything moving smoothly.

Professor Colcord spent last Sabbath with the church at Dos Palos, while Mrs. Mina Mann visited Modesto.

Mrs. J. A. L. Derby has a class of seventeen for hydrotherapy. A class in physical culture will soon be started.

Prof. J. A. L. Derby has occupied the chapel hour for a week, and his talks on practical Christianity have proved very interesting and helpful.

Secretary of the Normal Faculty.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK IN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Items of Work	Eureka	Healdsburg	Melrose	Morgan Hill	Richmond	Santa Cruz	Totals
Missionary visits	15	18			56		89
Hours Christian help	41			5			46
Sick assisted		11		1	3		15
Clothing given away		11		3	1		17
Meals provided				5			5
Number tracts given	490	150	1079	14	72		1805
Total papers received				257			257
Papers lent or given	132	114	258	133		300	937
Number books lent or given	7	7	1	2			17
Times reading rack filled							
Letters written	3		7				10
Letters received	1						1
Periodicals sold	25				77		102
Subscriptions taken		116		1			117
Relief books sold							
Other books sold	3						3
Retail value of literature sold					\$7.70		
Bible readings and cottage meetings	29	10	22		12		73
Number attending readings			11		2		13
Number children brought to S. S.		4					4
Amount collected for missions				\$14.30			\$14.30

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 6, 1911

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
<b>Arizona</b>						
J. A. Kindsman	B.R.	2	2		\$ 8.00	\$31.00
W. O. James	P.&P.	14	15	\$4.50	53.50	
2 Agents		16	17	\$4.50	\$61.50	\$61.00

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR TWO WEEKS ENDING OCTOBER 6, 1911

<b>Northern California-Nevada</b>						
Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
J. C. Rowe	P.G.	25	8		\$28.00	
Geo. Morrison	P.G.	46	14		58.00	
	P.G.		4		15.00	
3 Agents			26		\$101.00	

Arizona Annual Conference

The tenth annual session of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Phoenix, Arizona, November 6 to 13, 1911. The first meeting of the conference session will be held at 10 A.M., Monday, November 6.

The purpose of calling this meeting is for the election of officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Special rates can be secured by all attending this meeting, on account of the

Territorial Fair being held at the same time.

H. G. Thurston, *President*.  
M. T. Poston, *Secretary*.

For Sale

A good 12 acre vineyard of tokay grapes, one half mile from Forest Lake switch, seven miles from Lodi. Small house, barn, and windmill.

Also 10 acre vineyard mostly tokay grapes. Four-room house, hot and cold water, bath, tank house, windmill and tank, fruit shed, barn, chicken yard, family orchard. Four miles from Lodi, five from Lodi Normal Institute, three fourths mile from good church school. Good reason for selling. Address C. H. Abbott, R. R. No. 3, Lodi, Cal.

For Sale

A fine twenty acre ranch near Los Angeles. Good for alfalfa. Plenty of water from twelve-inch flowing well, distributed by underground pipe line. Good new house and barn. Write for terms and detailed description, Box 200, Artesia, Cal.



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1911

The number of orders received and filled for the Missions number of the *Signs* reached 310,690 on Monday night, October 16.

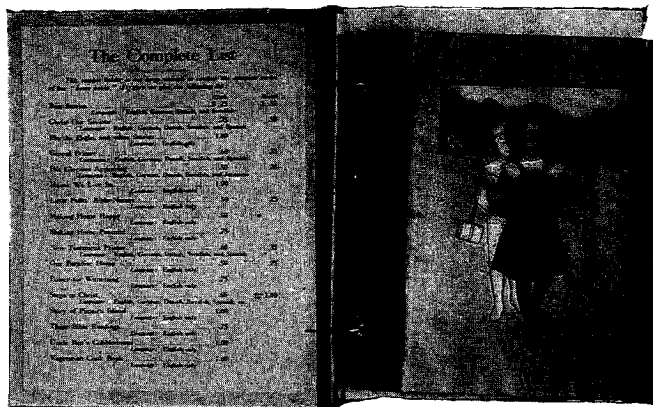
We are pleased to report that Elder H. Hansen, of the Nebraska Conference, has connected with the work in this union. He has taken up work in the Utah Conference.

Elder G. B. Thompson addressed the congregation in Oakland Saturday night, while Elder Daniells spoke in Mountain View. Sunday evening Elder Thompson spoke in Mountain View.

Elder G. A. Irwin and Brethren C. H. Jones and H. H. Hall have gone to Washington, D. C., to attend the fall council of the General Conference Committee which convenes October 24, and continues one week.

Our union conference missionary secretary, Brother J. R. Ferren, is spending a little time with the California and Northern California-Nevada tract society offices in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

In harmony with the appointment of Elder E. W. Farnsworth, the membership of the churches about San Francisco Bay met in Oakland last Sabbath and had the privilege of listening to two sermons by Elder A. G. Daniells. Many incidents were related that showed that God's hand has been leading His people all the way, and now the fields are white ready for the harvest. A portion of the morning sermon will be found in another column.



## The Ingathering Work

Considerable has been said and written about the Harvest Ingathering campaign which is to begin in our churches during the next two Sabbaths with a special program and study of the Harvest Ingathering issue of the *Signs*. The large number of orders that are coming in for this paper we take as an indication that this work is going to be taken up with much enthusiasm and prayer. We sincerely hope this will be true with each church, and that the uplift which our Mission Board treasury shall receive will be felt in all the world. Remember, if you have not received instructions or papers, you can obtain them by consulting your church librarian or the secretary of your local conference.

## Sixty-Six Days Until Christmas

Those attractive small books filled with interest for the children, the youth, and the older members of the family, should now be sold everywhere. The next eight weeks is the harvest-time of the year for these beautiful books so appropriate for gifts. The list includes:

"Best Stories,"  
"Bible Child Life,"  
"Elo the Eagle,"  
"Glorious Appearing,"  
"Gospel Primer,"  
"House We Live In,"  
"Little Folks' Bible Nature,"  
"Making Home Happy,"  
"Making Home Peaceful,"  
"Mount of Blessing,"  
"New Testament Primer,"  
"Our Paradise Home,"  
"Steps to Christ,"  
"Story of Pitcairn,"  
"Uncle Ben's Cobblestones."

## A New Prospectus

For presenting these books, there has been devised a neat, light prospectus,

made of a stiff cover with rings inside for loose leaves, into which are inserted the front cover and sixteen pages of each book. It certainly approaches the ideal in method of presentation, as the customer is at once attracted to the beautiful assortment, which may be grouped in classes for the children, youth, and older ones.

## Printed Description

In the inside of each cover is printed a brief, interesting description of the book, which may serve as a canvass if desired.

## Opportunity Now

Holiday work with this class of books has become popular. Efforts have proved that almost any member of the family, including children, who can give some time to it, can go out and successfully interest the people in these attractive books. Many are delighted with the chance to buy something of real educational and spiritual worth, instead of something else, as holiday gifts.

To begin the work, all you need is the prospectus, and the order book which accompanies it. If you have longed to get started in meeting the people in their homes, take up this work. It places Bible truth in the homes in a form that will attract, and open the way for further work. The one selling these books receives forty per cent commission, which makes it remunerative. Thus on \$10 sales the agent receives \$4.

List of books, with prices, is clearly given in the prospectus. The prospectus is sent to you post-paid for \$1.00 from your tract society office. Order one now, as there are just sixty-six days until Christmas. These will be days filled with pleasure and rich experiences with this line of beautiful books. J. R. F.