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A Letter from the Philippines

Well, we are in Manila at last. We arrived here the first day of the new year. We are in good health and spirits. The good Lord has blessed us all the way, and we have had but very little sickness.

We saw our workers in Honolulu, Yokohama, Tokyo, Shanghai, Canton, Fatshan, and Hongkong. Because of the revolution in China, nearly all the workers were in Shanghai and Canton. I might write a newspaper on the sights and sounds and smells in Japan and China, but I want to tell you of the work in the islands.

I think our people in the States are not very well informed as to what is being done here. Some time ago I saw in the *Review* that twelve members had been baptized, which was the first-fruits of Brethren Caldwell and Finster's work. This is the first and last report I remember seeing. Since that time the work has advanced in a remarkable manner. God has worked mightily in behalf of the truth here. There are now seventy-five members. This does not include the mission. Sixteen new members were received last Sabbath, and fourteen more applied for membership. You can tell something about the progress that has been made when you consider that our church was organized March 11, 1911, with eighteen members.

There is some opposition, just like the truth meets everywhere, but it does not stay the progress of the message. "If God be for us, who can be against us?" At a tent meeting a Presbyterian struck our native evangelist, Brother Monolo. The Roman Catholics stood up for Brother Monolo. The result of that experience was that people lost confidence in the Presbyterian Church, and several accepted the truth. Surely "the wrath of man shall praise Him."

Most of our people here accepted the truth through cottage meetings. Some have been brought in through reading our literature. What the results of the book work will be, only eternity will reveal. There is a young man working here at the mission home, and going to school, who was converted through reading ''Great Controversy'' while he was sick in a hospital. No human agent spoke a word to him. Let us praise God for the privilege of spreading such literature.

Last Sabbath the first Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society was organized here, with a membership of twentyfive. What do you think of that for Manila?

The evening after the Sabbath Brother R. A. Caldwell took down a big map, and we talked over the book work. We called it the first bookmen's convention held in the Philippines. Brother Caldwell has done faithful work here. I went out with him to a near-by village and watched him perform. It takes no scientific methods to get into the homes here. All one has to do is to walk in through the open door. One does not need to guard against their giving that ''longdrawn-out sigh'' which, to us in the States, indicates that the interest is lost, nor sit near the door so he can get out quickly if anything should happen. The people are very deliberate. Their brains seem to be benumbed. I would like to see one of those ''whirlwind canvassers'' rush in and try to do business here. The people would think he was affected by the heat or had just broken jail.

When Elder Finster began his work here he started selling portions of the Tagalog Bible, visiting families in their homes. This led to cottage Bible studies, this in turn to tent meetings, which began three nights ago. The tent is crowded every night, and more people standing on the outside than on the inside.

Brother Caldwell has placed the following books in the field here: "Patriarchs and Prophets," Spanish, 1,450; "El Rey" ("Coming King"), 750; the Tagalog book "Daniel and the Revelation," 500. Estimated roughly this would be in value 17,700 pesos, which is just half the value in gold.

Now just a word in regard to the climate and other conditions. From what I had heard before coming, I half expected, when I sailed into Manila Bay, to be seized by giant mosquitoes, carried away bodily, and eaten piecemeal. But to my surprise the doors and windows here have no screens on them, and are left open day and night. What few mosquitoes I have seen are very timid. The weather is delightful this time of the year. Southern California has nothing to compare with it.

I have written a long letter. I will write again when I get to work, and let you know how the battle goes. My hope and courage are good. My own soul is watered as I see the needs of others.

Floyd G. Ashbaugh.

Notice the spirit in this letter. No word of complaint, no word of homesickness. He sends back a "good report." It is the spirit of Joshua and Caleb. His own soul is watered as he sees the needs of others. Let our workers in the home land copy this spirit and example. Let us pray for our fellow workers in the Philippines, and also ask the Lord to send forth more laborers into the harvest-field. A. A. Cone.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

News Items

Elder E. H. Adams returned to the coast to finish up the work at Hollister and Paicines.

Brother Paul E. Scoggins will labor for a time at Fowler. An urgent call comes from there for help.

Elder J. R. Patterson has been asked to go to San Luis Obispo and attend to the needs of the company and field there.

Elder H. C. Basney, assisted by Brother Fuller, will finish the work at Kaweah, and then attend to the moving of the church building at Visalia.

Brethren White and Rich spent Sabbath and Sunday, February 17 and 18, at Bakersfield in the interest of missionary canvassing and periodical work.

Pursuant to call, the association board met at the conference office February 14. and organized as follows: J. H. Behrens, president; H. G. Thompson, vice-president; S. G. White, secretary and treasurer; J. J. Ireland, auditor.

The Armona school board met at the home of Brother Nis Hansen. J. H. Behrens was re-elected chairman of the board, William Bond as secretary, for the coming year. The principal, J. L. Jones, reported the school finances to be in good condition.

An interest has sprung up at Armona on account of the ministers of other denominations speaking against the cardinal points of the message, especially the Sabbath. Elder F. E. Brown will follow up the interest thus awakened in that place.

At a recent session of the conference committee, the following department secretaries were, appointed: tract and missionary, S. G. White; educational and Sabbath-school, Mrs. T. D. Robison; young people's and field canvassing agent, J. W. Rich.

The company at Dinuba will complete their house of worship, and hope to have the dedicatory service March 9. The building, when completed, will cost about \$3,500. It is the ambition of this company to double their membership within two years. Surely this is a laudable ambition.

S. G. White.

Young People's Convention at Armona

There will be a young people's convention at Armona March 2, 3. A cordial invitation is extended to the near-by churches to attend this gathering for the benefit of our young people. A program has been arranged, the blessing of the Lord has been sought, and now we are asking you to coöperate with us in making the meeting one of lasting benefit, not only to those who shall attend, but, by carrying the benefit home, to those who do not have the privilege that you J. W. Rich. are to enjoy.

Canvassing Items

One of the agents of the Central California Conference week before last took orders to the amount of \$57.50 besides delivering \$141 worth of "Practical Guide." The average sales for the time put in canvassing were \$3.38 per hour. Not so bad an average! and among these orders none were for cloth binding, and two thirds were for full leather.

We are expecting two more workers to enter the field next week with the book "Great Controversy." We are looking for a good work to be done by these laborers. Shall we not all pray for the workers that go forth with the printed page?

A church convention for the study of the Sabbath-school, missionary, and young people's departments of church work, was held Sabbath and Sunday last at Woodland. A number of the leading workers in the conference were there to give help. We hope to give report of this meeting a little later.

CALIFORNIA

ANNUAL REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

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Healdsburg	104	78	141.43	.026
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Oakland	239	182	467.31	.032 .037
Oakville	12	11	25.72	.041
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(2 quarters)	5	3	7 60	.058
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Petrolia	6	6	31.00	.099
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*Total amount of donations was \$67.06, but \$35.58 was used for supplies. Rosamond D. Ginther, Secretary.

Abraham's affection for his children and his household led him to guard their religious faith, to impart to them a knowledge of the divine statutes, as the most precious legacy he could transmit to them, and through them to the world. -" Patriarchs and Prophets."

Sanitarium Siftings

Brother J. J. Ireland is again at the sanitarium for a short time.

Dr. Buchanan was operated on one week ago, his right leg being amputated. He seems to be making a good recovery, though not yet out of danger.

Brother C. H. Jones, manager of the Pacific Press, was a guest of the sanitarium this week, and also attended a meeting of the board of directors of Pacific Union College, of which he is a member.

Elder F. M. Wilcox, of Washington, D. C., editor of the *Review and Herald*, is a guest of the sanitarium, and will remain about a week. He will speak at the young people's meeting on Friday evening, and will preach the Sabbath sermon in the chapel.

Mrs. George Thomason and her little daughter Katheryn were again welcomed to the sanitarium on Thursday. They accompanied Dr. Thomason when he returned from his weekly visit to the city. All will be pleased to know that Katheryn is making a good recovery from her operation for appendicitis.

Quite a number of the sanitarium family attended the funeral of Brother Harry Carter. It was held in the Seventhday Adventist church at St. Helena. Harry was loved by the family here, and they mourn with the bereaved father and mother over Harry's early death.

Sunday evening a farewell reception was given to Brother and Sister L. M. Bowen and family. About one hundred fifty of the sanitarium family, with other friends, were present; and a program was given consisting of speeches by Chaplain Taylor, Dr. Thomason, and "Grandpa" Stevens, music by the band, and an instrumental duet by Mrs. E. F. Stow and Miss Iva Stow. Elder Taylor sang "They're Going," which he had composed for the occasion, the family joining with him in singing the chorus.

As a slight token of the esteem in which both Brother and Sister Bowen are held by the sanitarium family, they were presented with two beautiful lap robes and a fine whip, both of which are designed for carriage use.

Brother Bowen will make frequent trips to the sanitarium, of which he will continue to be business manager.

Myrtle Hudson.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Elder D. T. Fero spent Sabbath, February 10, with the Galt church.

Elder Henry Shultz is conducting a series of Bible studies at Acacia Grove which are attended with much interest.

Elder Fred Brink reports that he has quite an interest at Thermalito. We hope to see good results from the effort there.

Miss Lida Ackley, who has been suffering from an attack of pneumonia, returned from Fresno last week after an absence of three weeks.

Brother Hender, a member of our Lodi church, has entered the canvassing work for the season, having started out on this mission over a week ago. May the Lord bless his efforts.

Brother J. D. Alder and Brother W. A. Johnson are still working diligently for the salvation of souls in Modoc County. A number have already accepted the truth, and others are deeply interested.

Brother W. P. Dayton was called home from Placerville Monday by the death of his mother. The funeral services were conducted at the Seventh-day Adventist church of Lodi, Wednesday afternoon, by Elder D. T. Fero.

There will be a short workers' meeting at Lodi March 10 and 11. We want the conference committee and the workers together, that we may talk over the needs of the field. We will then go in a body to the Los Angeles institute.

Tent season will soon be here. Those having places in mind where there is an interest to hear the truth, will please write us. Feel free to offer any suggestions to the committee. In behalf of these men I wish to say they solicit your coöperation.

There will be a revival held in Lodi, beginning March 1. The church is looking forward to a great spiritual awakening at this time. In fact this revival has already begun. Elder Fero's sermons the past two Sabbaths have paved the way for a good beginning. The brethren and sisters will begin at once to hold prayermeetings in the various houses. The conference committee and school board (the committee being the board) will meet in the conference office March 5. There are a number of items to be considered, and it is possible the session will continue for several days. Our brethren and sisters will not forget to pray for these men you have chosen to direct the work for you between sessions of the conference.

Sabbath and Sunday, February 10 and 11, were spent with the Chico church. At this time we buried six willing souls in a watery grave. Two joined the church who were satisfied with their former baptism. Brother W. S. Holbrook has been laboring here since the time of the convention. This church is now in a good spiritual condition. Others are interested, and the good work is being continued.

We are endeavoring to give the different parts of our field equal attention. Missionary, Sabbath-school, and young people's conventions have been held in several districts. The results have been gratifying. In each instance these general gatherings have been well attended. They have been a great spiritual uplift to the people. One will be held in the Stockton church, beginning at 10:45 A.M. Sabbath, the 24th.

C. L. Taggart.

Lodi Normal Institute Items

Prof. I. C. Colcord visited Turlock last Sabbath in the interest of the young people's work at that place.

Another row of chairs have been added in the chapel to accommodate the increased attendance. Still others are coming.

The news budget committee proves an interesting feature each week at chapel hour. It teaches the students to cull the best from the best sources.

The advanced physiology class is nearly through the book, and will then take up a brief study in the Red Cross pamphlet "First Aid to the Injured." Miss Henton will give some practical lessons in bandaging, dressing wounds, resuscitating a drowning person, etc.

Secretary Normal Faculty.

"The Spartans did not inquire how many the enemy are, but where they are."

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1911

Brother G. C. Hoskin, of the Pacific Press periodical department, has just returned to the office after seven weeks in the field. This time was spent largely in attendance at the bookmen's conventions at Loma Linda and College View, and the session of the Central and the Northern Union Conference, held at College View, and in visiting tract societies and schools through the Southwestern, Central, and Northern States.

Recently we have come in touch with those who are reading "The Acts of the Apostles" for morning and evening worship. One of our conference and tract society office families are reading it at their 9 o'clock worship daily, and the workers gain strength for the duties of the day. Every Seventh-day Adventist family should have the inspiration and help of this Spirit-filled book. Notice these precious promises taken from the close of the chapter entitled "The Gift of the Spirit":

"Every worker who follows the example of Christ will be prepared to receive and use the power that God has promised to His church for the ripening of earth's harvest. Morning by morning, as the heralds of the gospel kneel before the Lord and renew their vows of consecration to Him, He will grant them the presence of His Spirit, with its reviving, sanctifying power. As they go forth to the day's duties, they have the assurance that the unseen agency of the Holy Spirit enables them to be 'laborers together with God.'"

Such promises are surely for every believer. The price of "The Acts of the Apostles" is so low that every family can have it. In red leather binding, it costs but \$2.00; in substantial cloth binding, \$1.50.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 2, 1912

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Southern California						
Minnie Dye	P.G.	19	4		\$14.00	\$119.50
R. I. Witt	G.C.	34	6		25.20	8.00
Guy Payton	Heralds	18.	7		17.00	
Miscellaneous					28.50	
					\$84.70	\$127.50
Central California A. G. Westphal	P.G.	17	11		\$57.50	\$141.00

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 9, 1912

Southern Californ	ia					
Albert Muth	Heralds	15	10		\$21.50	
Belle W. Findlay*	P.G.&B.S.	40	18		60.00	
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Dr. George W. Grannis, secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, with Dr. Tufts, their California representative, is busy holding union church meetings in the principal California cities. To his audience at San Jose, last Wednesday night, Dr. Grannis said: "I bespeak for Dr. Tufts your most hearty coöperation. He is well able to lead this commonwealth of California to a Sunday law, if you will only support him." There is no effort to disguise their purpose. It is for a Sunday law, to be gained by the initiative privilege, which provides that one eighth of the voters may petition and have the question put on the ballot. The bill is drafted, says Dr. Tufts, after the Idaho Sunday law. May the Lord help those who in the light of prophecy understand what these movements mean, to pray and work now earnestly for those whose interest will surely be aroused through this agitation.

Pacific Union Conference Biennial Meeting

The sixth biennial session of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene at 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California, at 9:30 A.M., March 21, 1912, and continue until the 26th, for the purpose of electing the officers for the ensuing biennial term and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Each local conference shall be entitled, aside from its president, to one delegate in the sessions of this conference, without regard to numbers, and one additional member for every three hundred church-members in the conference.

A ministerial institute will be held in Los Angeles from March 12 to 20, which will precede the opening of this session of conference.

By order of the executive committee.

G. A. Irwin, President,

J. J. Ireland, Secretary.

Annual Meeting of the Arizona Conference Corporation

The ninth annual session of the Arizona Conference Corporation of Seventhday Adventists will be held at Phœnix, Arizona, in the Seventh-day Adventist church, April 2, 1912 (the first Tuesday following the first Monday in April), for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The first meeting will be held at 10 A.M., April 2, 1912.

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