

"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another"

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Looking Forward

Though sometimes my hands become weary,

And I long for a season of rest, And the road stretches thorny and dreary,

Still, Jesus will lead where 'tis best. He loves me too well to forsake me,

And ever with Him would I stay. To His heavenly home He will take me

- When I get to the end of the way.
- 'Tis blessed to work for the Saviour, To seek and to succor the lost,
- To enjoy His sweet Spirit and favor, To tell what salvation has cost;
- To tell to the world the glad story Of the home of the soul far away,

Of the tender, the infinite glory That shines at the end of the way.

He loves me too well to forsake me. My all I can trust in His care,

- And in His own time He will take me To regions of love over there.
- And the friends I have lost I shall greet them,

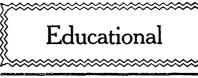
That here on the earth could not stay. In the city of God I shall meet them,

When I get to the end of the way.

Not long will the clouds overshadow, For Jesus the tempest controls,

- And soon in the joy of life's meadows I shall rest, in that home of the soul.
- And joy spreads her rainbow about me, While in hope and with faith I can pray

That I with the dear ones that love me May meet at the end of the way. -L. D. Santee.



To Superintendents and Teachers

Please notice the following important announcement from the General Conference secretary of education:

"At the secretaries' council at College View, Nebraska, when the examination for the teachers' reading course was under consideration, it was —

"''Voted, That the teachers be asked, while reading the books, to make brief notes of the important points observed, giving page and paragraph. Within thirty days from the close of the book study, the teachers shall present to the chairman of the examining board (union educational secretary) these notes, together with a thesis of one thousand words upon the four most important points in the book.'

"Inasmuch as this report did not reach the teachers in time for them to prepare the notes while reading their books in 1911-12, I would recommend that the examinations this year should be simply the writing of the thesis. To require the outline would not be fair, as it was to be made as the books were read.

"Please pass this information on to your superintendents at once, so they

can send it to their teachers by the first

C. C. Lewis.

No. 44

More About the Summer School

DATE. The time is June 27 to August 7.

PLACE.— A quiet retreat in a suburb of Portland, Oregon.

TRANSPORTATION.—The steamer "Rose" will leave Los Angeles at noon Sunday, June 23, and San Francisco Monday noon, June 24. The fare is considerably less than by rail, although the railroads grant one and one third fare for the round trip. The amount of the fare over each route will be given in a later announcement. Reservations on the steamer must be made at once. Those sailing from Los Angeles should write to Milton P. Robison, 417 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, California. Those sailing from San Francisco should notify C. C. Lewis, St. Helena, California.

EXPENSES.— The conferences and the union conference pay the transportation and board of all teachers selected by their respective conference committees. These should include all teachers of church schools, teachers of normal departments in the training schools, and normal directors. If possible, teachers should be engaged for all schools before June 15. Superintendents should take these matters up at once with the schools and with their conference committees. Teachers desiring to attend the school should correspond with their respective superintendents.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND.— Besides the regular teachers appointed by the conference committees, other persons desiring to pursue academic or teachers' professional studies are invited, on payment of their own expenses. See announcement. Such persons should write at once to C. C. Lewis, St. Helena, California, stating what subjects they wish to study.

ANNOUNCEMENT.— Copies of the announcement, giving full particulars about the school, may be obtained by addressing the union conference secretary, the local conference superintendents, or Prof. M. E. Cady, College Place, Washington.

> C. C. Lewis, Ed. Sec. Pacific Union Conf.



CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Conference Notes

Remember Reedley camp-meeting, May 30 to June 9.

Elder Brown reports a good interest in the tent effort at Lindsay.

Sabbath, May 18, Elder J. H. Behrens baptized five persons at Laguna.

A Young People's Society was organized at Dinuba the 18th inst.

Brother J. R. Patterson reports that at Monterey souls are prayerfully investigating the truth.

Each home in Reedley was visited by Brother Paul Scoggins with the temperance issue of the *Youth's Instructor*, and we are glad to report that Fresno County went "dry" May 14.

Monday, May 20, the camp-meeting paraphernalia was shipped from the conference warehouse to Reedley, and ere this report reaches the readers of the RECORDER, all arrangements will be very largely completed.

Sabbath and Sunday evenings, May 11 and 12, Brother H. H. Hall gave two very interesting and instructive stereopticon lectures to the Armona students, showing the advancement of the work of God throughout the ages.

The Central California Conference was favored last week by having with us Elder J. O. Corliss and Brother J. R. Ferren. These brethren did fine work among the churches in behalf of the Religious Liberty Signs of the Times, over 2,150 sets being subscribed for.

Brother J. W. Rich reports a very profitable canvassers' institute at Armona. Ten are taking the class, and these, with the six who will come from the Lodi school, and the ones already in the field, will give us a nice working corps. Brother A. A. Cone assisted Brother Rich in the institute.

S. G. White.

Lindsay

Elder F. E. Brown and Brother Lester Bond still continue to hold good audiences at the tent meetings here. God has wonderfully blessed their efforts to bring the truth before the people. Several have accepted the message, and to-day ten newly interested brethren joined us in our Sabbath-school devotions and the service that followed.

We feel thankful to our heavenly Father for His loving-kindness and mercy in having brought light to these dear souls, several of whom testified in our social meeting to-day of how glad they were that the light of truth had come to them. Pray for us, brethren, that the Lord will continue to bless the meetings, and that honest souls will be brought into the kingdom of truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

Geo. A. Julen.

Rates to Central California Conference Camp-Meeting

May 25.

Both the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe railroad have granted rates on the receipt certificate plan to the Central California Conference camp-meeting, to be held at Reedley, May 30 to June 9. All coming to the camp-meeting should secure from the ticket agent a receipt certificate, showing that the full fare has been paid to the meeting; and this certificate, when signed by the conference secretary, will entitle the holder to a special one third return trip rate.

Stop-over privileges may be had on the going trip, but no stop-overs will be allowed on the return trip.

Tickets will be sold from May 20 to June 9, and certificates will be honored for the return trip from May 30 to June 14 inclusive. Be sure, when purchasing your ticket, to secure the receipt certificate. S. G. White.

Bakersfield Sabbath-School

Convention

A Sabbath-school convention was held in Bakersfield May 4 and 5. A large number of members gathered from the oil fields, East Bakersfield, and other isolated places, showing the interest taken in the work.

Elder Adams presented the first paper, on the subject "The True Object of Sabbath-School Work." He showed the great responsibility and privilege of this branch of our work, repeating the testimony, "The Sabbath-school is the greatest instrumentality in saving souls." Elder J. H. Behrens spoke of the necessity of coöperation of each member with the officers and teachers. He made it more impressive with a complete diagram of every one's duties.

The importance of thoroughly preparing the lesson, especially for the sake of the children, was discussed by Sister Augusta Bainbridge. "Nothing should be above the family altar;" "The preparation of Sabbath-school lessons means heart preparation;" "When there is lots of study there are lots of words;" were some of the thoughts she expressed.

Sister R. H. Schwartz read a paper on "The Relation of the Home to the Sabbath-School and the Church." Who knows but that the brightest stars in the crowns of the parents, will be the saving of their own children? "The Preparation and Efficacy of Prayer'' was spoken of by Sister Ida Hellar. Ps. 66:18; John 15:16. "All our requests must be presented in the name of Jesus." "Faith is the wing that lifts the prayer." "Prayer is the lever that moves the world." "It is in response to the earnest prayers of God's people that the Holy Spirit will be sent, and that power that moved the hearts of the people at Pentecost will again be manifest." In the discussion of this paper, Sister Bainbridge added, "Faith is the purpose of the will, holding the mind to the promises of God."

In a short pointed talk, Sister R. Barnes depicted the qualifications of a Sabbath-school teacher as being perfect self-control, love, simple dress, and much prayer. As a primary teacher is of so much importance, Sister Gertie Lincoln added the need of the special teachers in that department.

Several devices for increasing and holding the attendance were given by Brother Waggoner and Sister Robison. Each member should be a personal worker. A model secretary's report was read by Miss Elizabeth Gregory, showing the importance of, and many duties assigned to, the secretary—a general roustabout. She should be cheerful, courteous, helpful, alert, and accurate.

The writer in a paper, gave the importance of being punctual and regular. "If punctuality is necessary in carrying forward the business enterprises of the world, is it not an important factor in earrying forward the work of God? Mr. Emmons said, 'I would not think well of a man's intellectual and moral character if he was habitually unfaithful in his appointments.' The Sabbath-school is an appointment — a regular appointment. It is an appointment we all know about. Tardiness deprives the Sabbathschool of one of its avenues of success.''

"A Progressive Sabbath-School and How to Secure It" was presented by Dr. J. A. C. Hiett. In this officers, teachers, and parents must coöperate; and it includes regularity, punctuality, qualified teachers, prayer, opening exercises, consecration, teachers' meeting, spirit of investigation, all to missions.

Sister DeWitt Robison, in answering the question, "Do Sabbath-schools pay?" gave some interesting statistics to show the wonderful growth and results of this branch of work in the last twenty-five years. The growth from one hundred seventy-seven to four thousand schools was one item.

Very appropriate and excellent music was rendered.

Mrs. J. A. C. Hiett, Secretary.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Elder C. L. Taggart spent Sabbath, May 25, with the Manteca church.

There will be a good supply of clean straw on the camp ground for all who desire it.

Elder Henry Shultz left Wednesday for Western Oregon, to assist in the campmeetings there and in Western Washington.

Elder E. E. Andross is expected to be with us June 1, and deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class at the Lodi Normal. The teachers and students of the Lodi Normal are very busy getting ready for the closing exercises, which will be held in the church the evenings of June 1 and 2.

We learn that four persons at Summer Home have decided to obey God and keep His commandments and the faith of Jesus, and still others are deeply interested.

The tent meetings at Turlock are progressing nicely. Elder C. M. Gardner and Brethren Baldwin and Philbrick are putting forth great efforts in the service of the Master.

As the weather will probably be very warm during the day and cool at night, it may be well to suggest that all provide themselves with heavy wraps for use during the Sacramento camp-meeting.

Elder N. W. Kauble spent a few hours at Lodi Tuesday, May 21, returning to Sacramento to assist in the tent work that evening. While the attendance is small, yet there are some who are very deeply interested in the truth.

Work has already begun on the camp ground in Sacramento, and we are looking forward to a profitable meeting June 6 to 16. Let all who possibly can, attend this annual gathering and receive the great blessing the Lord has in store for His children.

Brethren J. D. Alder and W. A. Johnson write: "July 17, 1911, workers came into Modoe County. They failed to find a single Sabbath-keeper in the county. There have been three series of meetings conducted and a systematic tract work done during the winter months. To-day there are forty known to be keeping the Sabbath. These are scattered over a radius of seventy-five miles. Fifteen belong to the Fort Bidwell church, twelve live in and around Lake City, where meetings were just closed, and the rest are scattered throughout the country. \$501.83 worth of literature has been sold. The profits on this amount to \$179.17. This has been turned into the conference treasury to balance against expenses incurred by freight, meetings, etc., which total \$176.52. \$278.80 tithes have been paid through Fort Bidwell church treasurer. We are indeed thankful to God in this matter, as well as for the dear souls who are now rejoicing in the truth. It is

safe to say that the work in Modoc County is just begun. Will our brethren pray that the Lord will continue to bless the work in this field?"

Verah MacPherson.

Lodi Church

Thinking it might be an encouragement to others to work in a disinterested, silent way, I glean a few experiences from this church. Dr. Buchanan, a short time before meeting with a serious accident, showed a special kindness to a Christian Church family by loaning them reading-matter and giving Bible readings, and in a short time they accepted the truth.

We as a church are taking two large clubs of the Signs of the Times, and are supplying distributors both here at Lodi and in Stockton with papers and tracts, and have placed the Protestant Magazine in the hands of every public-school teacher in San Joaquin County for one year. The Rev. Mr. Fulkerson, secretary of the foreign mission board of the Methodist Church, who has labored for twenty years in China as a missionary for that church, said to the writer that he very much enjoyed reading the Signs, and never saw a better magazine on Catholicism than the Protestant. When I told him we were sending it to all the teachers in San Joaquin County, he said we were doing a timely mission, for in his county - Sacramento - they had a Catholic county superintendent, who was pushing their ends to an alarming degree.

Another wealthy person to whom I was sending the *Signs* took very little interest in them, but a young man, an employee, began reading them, and felt so convicted that he presented himself a few Sabbaths later for baptism, unexpectedly to us all. Elder Fero questioned him, and presented the church covenant, and found him like the cunuch that Philip taught, so he took the young man down into the water and baptized him. Surely this is the Lord's work.

H. C. Haslam.

Northern California-Nevada Conference

The third annual session of the Northern California-Nevada Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists will convene on the camp ground at Sacramento, California, June 6, 1912, at 2:30 p.M., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and of transacting such other business as may properly come before the delegates. Each church is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each twenty members. The executive committee, ordained ministers, representatives of the Pacific Union Conference and General Conference, are delegates at large.

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

Northern California Conference Association

The annual meeting of the constituents of the Northern California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, incorporated under the laws of the State of California, will convene on the camp ground at Sacramento, California, Monday, June 10, 1912, at 9:00 A.M., for the election of a board of trustees for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the session.

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

CALIFORNIA

Camp-Meeting at Santa Rosa

We trust no one will forget this important gathering. The time is June 20 to 30, 1912. The place is Santa Rosa. The location is in the east part of the city, between the city and the Southern Pacific railway station. The provisions and arrangements for the comfort of all who attend will be much the same as in former years. As it is more difficult to secure wire mattresses this year than common, let all bring straw ticks and bedding.

The first meeting of the conference will be Thursday morning at 10:30, June 20. We hope to have all the conference business done and out of the way by Sunday noon, so we can give our undivided attention to other matters after that.

Again we wish to urge our people, one and all, to come. Many of you will go for an outing this summer. You will take your tent and go somewhere. Maybe you will stop at some hotel, where the expense will be much greater than at the camp. Why not take your family and come to the meeting! At such a meeting, you can both get good and do good. Let no ordinary obstacle hinder you from coming.

E. W. Farnsworth.

The \$300,000 Fund

We wish once more to call the attention of our brethren to this fund. The last report in the *Review* showed that the California Conference had paid in about 10,160 - a goodly sum. Only one conference in the United States has surpassed it. That is Nebraska. The brethren there have given \$13,000.

We feel profoundly thankful that our brethren have done so well. We wish, however, to call your attention to one feature of this matter. We understand the Mission Board is to close out this account July 1, and everything going to foreign missions after that will go into the fifteen-cent-a-week fund.

We are quite sure there is between two and three thousand dollars that has been pledged to this fund, in our conference, that has not yet been paid. These pledges we count perfectly good until paid; but we wish to emphasize the fact that if they are to be reckoned on the \$300,000 fund they must be paid in very soon. There is no time to lose, and it seems desirable that all of this should go into the fund for which it was pledged.

We wish the elders, deacons, and treasurers of the churches would at once look this matter up. Ascertain who in your church have pledged to the fund, and see if some arrangement can not be made whereby it can be paid, if it has not been already. Do the best you can, and do it as soon as you can, and let us see if a good share of this amount can not be gathered in before the account is closed.

> E. W. Farnsworth, Pres. Cal. Conf.

Rates to the Santa Rosa Conference and Camp-Meeting

June 20 to 30, 1912

As usual, the railroad companies will grant reduced rates to those attending the camp-meeting.

Upon purchasing ticket for Santa Rosa, ask the agent to give a receipt for the amount paid, stating that you are going to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Conference. This receipt will be signed by the secretary of the meeting, on the camp ground, and will then serve as a certificate upon presentation of which to the ticket agent at Santa Rosa return ticket can be secured for one third of the fare paid in going. Reduced rate can not be had unless receipt is secured. Receipts can be obtained under this

plan for tickets purchased June 10 to 30,

and are good for return June 20 to July 5 inclusive.

Fifty persons must be in attendance holding receipts before rates can be secured for any one returning.

Claude Conard.

California Conference Seventh-Day Adventists

Forty-First Annual Session

The forty-first annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Santa Rosa, California, in connection with the campmeeting June 20 to 30, 1912, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other business which may properly come before the assembly. The first meeting will be at 10 A.M., Thursday, June 20.

Each church shall be entitled to one delegate without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every twenty members.

> E. W. Farnsworth, President. Claude Conard, Secretary.

California Conference Association of the Seventh-Day Adventists

Notice of Annual Meeting

The sixteenth annual meeting of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, will be held in connection with the fortyfirst annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at Santa Rosa, California, June 20 to 30, 1912, for the purpose of electing a board of seven directors, and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The first meeting will be held at 9:00 A.M., June 24, 1912.

G. A. Irwin, President.

J. J. Ireland, Secretary.

St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

Miss Rose Sparks, of Galt, has returned to the sanitarium to continue her work in the training school.

Dr. Thomason on Tuesday morning amputated the arm of Ong Yet Lem. The young man was injured at a garage in Calistoga.

Brother Clyde Lowry, of Mountain View, is at the sanitarium, and has promised to speak at the Missionary Volunteer meeting on Sabbath afternoon. Miss Maud Luey is the first of the Sanitarium Missionary Volunteer Society to complete the three examinations in the Reading Circle course for this year.

Mr. Max Levy, who was in the famous Jameson Raid, and who was later with Plummer's Flying Column in the South African War, is a guest at the sanitarium.

All members of the training school who are at liberty at that hour, are attending Elder Loughborough's classes. Many others are taking advantage of these lectures.

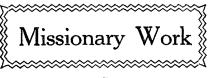
The board has decided to put a motor stage on the route from St. Helena to the sanitarium. This is to be done in the near future. The automobile already purchased is to be used for special purposes.

On Sunday evening the sanitarium family gathered in the gymnasium, where a reception was given to Brother and Sister J. J. Wessels. Dr. Thomason gave the address of welcome, and Mr. Wessels responded in words of warm appreciation. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, social intercourse, music, etc.

The picnic arranged by the young people from the State of Washington occurred on Tuesday as planned. A company of sixteen, with Brother H. Mc-Dowell as driver, started at 4:10 A.M. After driving about fifteen miles, a camp-fire was kindled, and a good warm breakfast was soon prepared by the hosts and hostesses. Along the route Instructors and temperance or other literature were left at the homes. At Napa Soda Springs, a summer resort over twenty miles from the sanitarium, we received a most cordial reception. The man in charge, when asked by Mr. Staley and Mr. Harris if he would allow us to place in one of the main buildings a rack for reading-matter, replied that if we would send literature he himself would see that it was placed on the tables where all could have access to it. At Yountville Messrs. Joy Boger and Charles Lindbloom went to the railway station and asked if we might put up a rack for our literature. The agent asked a few questions as to the nature of the readingmatter, gave his consent, and showed the young men where to place the rack. We reached home much refreshed after a ride of about forty-five miles. We attended Elder Loughborough's 6:45 class, and later mailed some literature to Napa Soda Springs.

We may never know in this world the good accomplished by this picnic party, but it has been a suggestion to us to remember the Lord's work during our outings for our own pleasure and recreation. Myrtle B. Hudson.

May 24.



Fom Japan

The two canvassing bands, composed of twelve students, just out from our school and under Brother Burden's direction, are doing quite well. The six girls, accompanied by Brother and Sister Cary (formerly Etta Cornish), have been ''working'' Nagoya. Brother Cary continues to make large daily sales. The six young men under the immediate charge of Brother Burden are the ''stick-at-it-ive'' kind. They are doing even better than we had expected. Here are the results of one day's work: 34, 44, 53, 11, 38, 54.

I quote from a recent letter of Sister Cary's: ''I was out to-day with one of the girls. We put out 40. Mr. Cary sold 49. Brother and Sister Watanabe came over to Sabbath-school yesterday and took dinner with us. Our table was made of the two large packages of 'Owari,' one on top of the other, and for knives and forks we had to use chop-sticks. Omoshiroi ne [Is interesting].''

Our Japanese friends in California, who are associated with Sister Swift, are drawing on our supplies in liberal quantities. Nearly 200 yearly subscriptions to our paper have been received from these workers during the month of April. Brother Nozaki has figured prominently in this good work.

Perhaps it is not generally known that a supply of our Japanese tracts is carried by the Pacific Press Publishing Association. If any of our Pacific Coast people wish to do a little work among these deserving and needy people in their neighborhood, they would do well to order some of these splendid tracts of the tract society located in their conference. Chas. Lake.

Wanted — Ten Experienced Colporteurs for Foreign Fields

In response to urgent calls from China, India, Argentina, Brazil, Central America, and the West Indies, the General Conference Committee recently took the following action:

"Voted, That the Publishing Department of the General Conference be authorized to secure ten experienced bookmen and arrange with them to come to the Foreign Mission Seminary next autumn to take a course of special training, preparatory to going to foreign fields."

The circulation of the printed page is coming to be more and more one of the strongest factors in opening our work in mission fields and establishing it on a sure foundation. In many of the foreign fields there is already a constituency from which native workers may be drawn, but they need leaders to develop and direct these workers, and it is to the home field they look for such leaders.

During the past three years men have been sent from the home field to take charge of the colporteur work in South Africa, Argentina, Chile, Peru, India, Mexico, Spain, and Cuba. Some of these men, especially those who went to the Spanish-speaking countries, have been leading the world in the sale of our literature.

In Mexico John L. Brown in 29 hours took 113 orders, amounting to \$264. A little later a young man in Argentina in 28 hours took 122 orders, value \$322. And now a report comes from Cuba, where the work is just started, that Brother George Sandborn in one week took orders amounting to \$289. During the first two years that Brother G. H. Clark was in South Africa, he and his colporteurs sold \$50,000 worth of literature in that field.

These experiences show that we have already passed the experimental stage in the colporteur work in the mission fields. We are already beginning to see the fulfilment of the testimony which says that ''in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory.''

We feel sure that this call will appeal strongly to many who read it. We invite correspondence with any who are willing to respond, "Here am I, Lord; send me."

N. Z. Town, Sec. Gen. Conf. Pub. Dept.

REPORT O	\mathbf{F}	BOOK	WORK	FOR	WEEK	ENDING	MAY	17,	1912
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Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Southern California						
J. A. Starr	D. & R.	36	13		\$37.00	
Albert Muth	Heralds	25	5		10.00	\$67.00
Miscellaneous			4		16.00	
			22		\$63.00	\$67.00
Central California						·
A. G. Westphal *	P. G.	54	10		\$48.00	\$152.00
J. V. Pierson	S. D.	14	4	\$1.55	7.55	
Gertrude Patterson	G. C.	7	2	.50	5.00	
3 Agents * Two weeks.		75	16	\$2,05	\$60.55	\$152.00

Canvassers, Charge!

Go on, brave canvasser and true, Bear forth the burden laid on you, And send the sacred heralds forth To east and west, to south and north.

Emboldened by the truth you love, Empowered by all heaven above, To every human dwelling bear The burden of the word "Prepare."

A little while — O, saints, rejoice! For we shall hear the trumpet voice Of God's own well-beloved Son Proclaim, ''Thou faithful child, well done!''

- Selected.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Field Notes

Doubtless those who have been reading the RECORDER have noticed that not many book reports have been coming in of late. We are glad that the chain of circumstances which brought this condition about is broken, and soon we shall see many good reports.

I had the pleasure of helping Brother J. A. Starr a few days in his field last week. The work is new to Brother Starr, but he is getting hold of the work nicely. The two days that I worked with him, we had some of the most blessed experiences that I have ever had in the canvassing field. We were able to interest some souls in the "things of God" who had never before shown any interest. We not only secured their interest, but their order.

Brother Starr is following the instruction given in the Spirit of prophecy about staying with people in their homes rather than staying in hotels. When the lady at whose home he is rooming learned that he was an Adventist, she reduced the charges for his room rent, and makes him feel as a member of the family.

One thing of special interest in Brother Starr's report is that he puts in good time, which is one requisite for success in anything. His first report shows thirty-six hours, which really represents only four days' work, as Brother Starr did not get to work on Wednesday. The following is taken from a letter received from him to-day. After returning from an evening engagement, he says: "The result is another half leather order, which makes to-day's record read: 10 hours, 16 exhibitions, 5 orders — 1 full leather, 2 half leather, and 2 cloth; total value, \$19."

I am glad for the good example this brother is setting for the other workers who are soon to enter the field. This shows also that it pays to make evening appointments. The following is also taken from his letter: "One woman who gave me an order to-day has 'Coming King,' which she has read with interest, and mailed to a friend in the East, who writes that he has loaned it to several others to read." Who knows how many souls this book may be the means of saving?

Albert Muth recently made a delivery of "Heralds of the Morning." Did you ask if he made a good delivery? Well, he delivered all he had orders for, which was about twenty-five, and two extra. Why not have good deliveries? The Lord can help to deliver books just as well as He can help to secure orders.

Let us all pray that as the summer's campaign opens up it may prove a complete success for those who go out into the field. There is still some territory that has not been assigned to any one. Reader, have you your assignment for the summer? If not, write us at once. C. C. Morlan,

Field Agent Southern Cal.

Reporting

Santa Monica-""We are very much encouraged in the work," writes Sister Housler. "Our three reading racks are well patronized, and we will soon place a fourth in another part of the town. Our call for reading-matter has met with a generous response, and now we can keep the racks well filled. We are not only working here, but are reaching out by correspondence. One of our members has an interested reader of the Signs in Ohio. Another man in Ohio, on receiving a tract relative to the coming of the Lord, sent a request for all the tracts written by the same author. We would request that you earnestly pray for these two men. We are also aiding a sister who is working as a self-supporting missionary in the mountains of Virginia."

Loma Linda.— The society in this busy place is doing excellent work by correspondence. Brother Lathe writes: "We are beginning to get some very interesting and encouraging replies from those to whom the *Signs* has been mailed. About fifteen of us met last Sabbath night and wrapped two hundred ninety periodicals for mailing. We enjoyed it very much."

National City.— Brother Arthur Pfeiffer writes: "Accept our sincerest thanks for sending material for free distribution. It is a great joy for me to hand out our magazines and papers to the people, going from house to house with truth-filled pages. Almost without an exception, the people will receive them with smiling faces and words of thanks."

Some excellent itemized reports are coming to the office. Let us pass on the experiences. It brings courage to the whole church to know what the people are doing. Let us consider it our duty to report, not to boast of what we have done, but to declare the things that God has done through us. Acts 15: 4. "A good report maketh the bones fat."

Ernest Lloyd.

Shining Everywhere

A very ambitious deacon once came to Dr. Broughton, the famous Southern preacher, with this remark: "Pastor, I am praying that God will give us soon a

church here upon this corner with a providence with a steeple that can be seen from all parts of this country round about us. I want it a thousand feet high."

"What do you think I want with a thing like that?" the preacher asked.

"O," replied the deacon, "so that when people come into this city, their first sight would be your church steeple. When they go out of it, the last sight would be your church steeple."

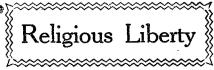
The doctor then put a sermon into a sentence. "My brother," he said, "I want the time to come when my church spire will glitter, instead of from one part of this community, in every part of this community. That is the church spire that I am proudest of. I want men to comment upon the shining spire of my church as they see it on the streetcar, in the factory, in the store, in the home."

Instead of a shining steeple, God wants a shining people. "Let your light . . . shine" just where you are. "Your light may be small, but remember that it is what God has given you, and that He holds you responsible to let it shine forth. Some one may light his taper from yours, and his light may be the means of leading others out from the darkness."

There are many like Gideon, in the sixth of Judges, who feel that they can not assist in the Lord's program. Listen to this: "It is not always the brightest talent that accomplishes the most for the cause of God. God can speak through a humble mind if that mind is consecrated to Him and His service. Go daily to the Lord for instruction and guidance." "When the Lord comforts you, you will speak that comfort to others. When the Lord makes your wilderness like Eden. you will want to go forth to the people. You will want the light that is so precious and glorious to shine upon their pathway." Your thought will be that of the Master, "I must be about My Father's business." And you will go about it without hesitation. And you will have the joy and satisfaction in seeing the things of the kingdom succeed, and finally triumph over all.

Ernest Lloyd.

A good friend is too severely won to be lightly set aside. We should hold him and cherish him, willing to receive his criticism as well as his praise, and eager to turn both to our profit.-- Boston Budget.



Why Use Religious Liberty "Signs"?

There has been a generous response to the call for subscriptions for the Religious Liberty Series of the Signs of the Times. All over the field the papers are being widely distributed, and much interest is manifested in this opening effort of the season's campaign.

It is now realized that indeed the issue is to be presented at the November election, and that earnest work is needed to prevent the enactment of a Sunday law by recourse to the initiative. The affirmative of any proposition to be voted upon always has the advantage. Many will vote for it upon the assumption that it would not have been presented had not some one believed the proposed measure would result in benefits to the State.

Voters must be educated in order to persuade them to vote against any measure that awaits determination. Otherwise they are likely to vote for it, or to give no expression of sentiment that will influence the result. So the negative of any question to be voted upon calls eloquently for active opposition if it is to be defeated at the polls. Doubly necessary in the present instance is it to awaken the people to a realization of the iniquity of Sunday laws, for we have the women's vote to consider, and thousands of them will favor a Sunday law if not persuaded of its utter opposition to the constitutional guarantees of religious liberty and to the plain word of God.

Ten sets of these papers to each member of the church in California is a reasonable basis on which to begin the work. Many are exceeding this estimate; and this is highly necessary, for many will not equal the average subscription, or take any papers at all. Let our earnest brethren and sisters everywhere obtain the largest number of papers they can afford to buy, and then circulate them faithfully. In that manner we will make way for the later house-to-house work, which will prepare the minds of the people for the mass-meetings to be held later in defense of the principles for which we stand.

One thing is evident: Not enough signatures yet have been obtained on the petitions, demanding the submission of the Sunday issue to a vote of the people next fall, to insure the printing of the question on the ballots to be used. That is why the advocates of Sunday rest are seeking coöperation by the formation of local committees everywhere. The principal worker for a Sunday law is telling his audiences that literature must be circulated to offset the influence of what printed matter the Seventh-day Adventists are sure to spread broadcast over the State. So he is diligently engaged in scattering his tract entitled "Twenty Reasons Why California Should Have a Sunday Law." We have many times twenty reasons why California should not be burdened with such an unconstitutional enactment, which not only would violate the very letter of basic safeguards in the fundamental law of the land, but would be directly opposed to the higher law of God. Let us arise to the issue, trusting that heavenly influences still will prevail, and that the campaign in California may be effective in the advancement of the gospel and in an ultimate harvest of souls. John F. Blunt.

Help Wanted

We are still in need of several young or middle-aged women to work in our cafeteria. Good home, good pay, and steady work. Send recommendation with your application to R. Floyde Moore, Vegetarian Cafeteria, 43-45 Geary St., San Francisco, California.

Special Notice

10 pound package Malted Cereal .	. \$1.20
10 pounds Graham Crackers	
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2 cans (1 pound) Nut Cero or	
Nut Loaf	50
1 large jar Peanut Butter	

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Obituary

PEARSON .- Mrs. Charlotte E. Pearson was born October 2, 1857, in San Francisco, California, and died April 30, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Oakland for about ten years. At the time of her death she was a member of the Chicago church. Sister Pearson was the daughter of Dorothea Washington, and a sister of Marie A. Bryant, of Woodland. Elder Ford (colored) preached her funeral sermon.

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Wallace McBain, of the book department of the Pacific Press, will assist the secretary of the Northern California-Nevada Conference at the book stand during the Sacramento camp-meeting.

Brother Clyde A. Lowry, of the Pacific Press, has accepted an invitation to the secretaryship of the Southern California Tract Society. He will leave the early part of the month for Los Angeles in behalf of this work.

More than 40,000 subscriptions for the Religious Liberty Series of the Signs have now been entered. It is hoped that thousands of other names for this series are on the way. The Signs department is working nobly to handle its part of this work.

Brother A. A. Cone reports a successful canvassers' institute at Loma Linda. Ten from that school will enter the field with our large subscription books in the near future. This brings up the prospective student agents in this union to seventy-nine. They need your prayers and encouragement.

A Canadian edition of the July Signs Magazine is being got out by the Pacific Press for that field. Ten thousand copies are ordered by the conferences in Canada. 45,000 copies of the United States edition are being printed for the sale in this country. Prospects for magazine work this summer are excellent.

Brother J. F. Blunt, religious liberty secretary, reports successful meetings with the Santa Ana, Orange, and Garden Grove churches. He also visited the Long Beach and Carr Street churches. They all responded well, he says, with subscriptions for the Religious Liberty Signs. Carr Street raised \$120 for this work.

The Mountain View church is handling over 2,000 copies of the Religious Liberty Series of the *Signs*. The young people have addressed the wraps, and the senior society is caring for the wrapping of the 2,000 copies a week during this six-week series. The leading voters in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties are being reached.

The new thin edition of "Desire of Ages," a little larger than the "Acts of the Apostles," and weighing but twentyeight ounces, bound in handsome red cloth at \$1.50, and flexible red leather at \$2.00, is now ready, and may be secured from your tract society. This contains all of the reading-matter in the regular large book, and all the illustrations in the text. It makes a beautiful book, and at this price may be obtained by every family.

The Mountain View church, which has ever proved itself ready to do its duty and lift its share of every burden in connection with this message, has again proved its loyalty to the cause in a substantial way. At the meeting which Elders E. W. Farnsworth and Andrew Brorsen held here recently, the subject of the debt on our educational institutions was considered, and the members decided by a standing vote to pay five per cent of their income till their proportion of the debt is paid.

Sabbath, May 25, was quite generally observed, we believe, throughout this union as Missionary Volunteer day. The program as outlined by the General Conference was followed in the Mountain View church, and all felt that it had been an excellent service. The reports given by the missionary secretary of the society showed that some very definite lines of work are going forward. One member who has been in correspondence with an old lady in another town to whom she has been writing and sending our literature, recently received a letter from this lady. She wrote, "I have now quit keeping my Sabbath and am keeping yours." And she goes on to tell of the bright hope she has in the coming of Jesus. The Mountain View society is planning to draw upon its treasury to help supply needed equipment to Brother George Hamilton, who is soon to go to India to work among the Karen people.

The Mountain View post of G. A. R. held its Sunday memorial service in the Seventh-day Adventist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Elder J. O. Cor-

liss, himself a veteran, gave a most sympathetic and strong address, first dwelling on the conditions of the country that led to the Civil War, something of the patriotism and sacrifice the struggle called forth, and the great principle involved. He then from the Scripture showed how the spirit of war entered the world, and what it has led to, especially in religious persecutions. In closing he emphasized the peace and joy of the Christian warfare and its certain triumph, and appealed to his comrades and friends to enlist in the army of Jesus Christ, to enter His service, and prepare for His coming. The address was highly appreciated. The Rev. W. C. Spaan, of the Presbyterian Church, assisted in the service.

You are encouraged every time you hear of some one's interest in the truth through tracts or leaflets, are you not? About a month ago a young man in the United States army and stationed at the Presidio, San Francisco, wrote to the Pacific Press as follows:

"Several of your leaflets concerning our Lord's Sabbath day have so interested me and convinced me entirely of its correctness, I now wish to have one copy each of your other leaflets, as far as enclosed amount will cover."

This case was referred to the conference, and this young man by appointment made a trip to Oakland and met Brother Claude Conard and Brother B. E. Beddoe in the Oakland office, and they had a splendid talk with him. Of this visit, Brother Conard writes:

"We were all quite favorably impressed with this young man, and with his determination to study further, and accept the truth as far as he can do so. He bought quite a large list of tracts, and a copy of 'Glorious Appearing,' 'Last-Day Tokens,' and some papers, and was delighted to think that he would have the opportunity to study these thoroughly. He is twenty-six years old, and has a frank, open countenance, and I believe will improve his opportunities to learn the truth and obey it. He was raised a Catholic, and did not learn anything of the truth at all until the last two or three months."

Ought not such incidents to inspire us all to greater seed-sowing with our message-filled tracts and leaflets? This young man is hoping soon to receive an honorable discharge from the army, and looks forward to obeying the truth. Some one furnished the leaflets.