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Notes from the Field E. E. ANDROSS

The Fresno Meeting

Sabbath and Sunday, November 30 and December 1, I was present at the council of conference laborers and church elders at Fresno. This was called for the purpose of considering further plans for the carrying forward of the campaign in behalf of the conference indebtedness. Sabbath morning the Lord greatly blessed in presenting the truth to the congregation, and it met with a hearty response on the part of all present. In the afternoon, opportunity was given for testimonies from those who had been out among the people, during the past two weeks, selling the books. From the reports that were given, it was very evident that the Lord had gone before the brethren and sisters, and that He was greatly blessing their efforts to get the books, "Christ's Object Lessons" and "Ministry of Healing,'' into the hands of the people. A great deal of enthusiasm was manifested on the part of those who had taken hold of the work, and many experiences were related, showing that the Lord is preparing the hearts of the people in advance for the truth. In no single instance did any one report a rebuff in their efforts to approach the people with these books; but they had met most courteous treatment everywhere. Definite plans were laid for the carrying forward of the work to completion, at the earliest possible date; and it was voted to do the utmost possible to complete it by the end of January, 1913. It is not probable that all the money will be raised by that time, and it is quite possible that all books may not be sold; but it is planned to secure all pledges, and to arrange for those who take books to be supplied with them, so that every one has definitely planned for his part of the work, in the raising of the funds necessary to meet the conference obligations.

California Conference

Monday, December 2, I had the privilege of meeting with the conference committee of the California Conference, at which time it was planned to undertake a campaign in behalf of the indebtedness of this conference, early in the year 1913. They will probably follow very similar plans to those adopted by the Central California Conference. It is the conviction of the brethren that the Lord will help them to raise the entire indebtedness on all of our conferences, and the laborers are anxieus to take hold of this work energetically, and carry it forward to completion.

Pacific Press

Tuesday I spent a few hours at the Pacific Press, and found all there very

busily engaged in preparing literature for the field, which is being shipped out in very large quantities. The Lord is certainly blessing the work of the Pacific Press, for which we are very grateful.

Southern California

Wednesday and Thursday I was in Los Angeles attending to some important matters in connection with the work in that part of the field. The workers there are all of good courage, and all departments of the work seem to be prospering. The Lord is blessing the work of the brethren who are carrying forward aggressive efforts in the field; and the sanitariums are meeting with a larger degree of prosperity than ever before.

The Outlook

It is very evident that we are nearing the end, and that what we do must be done quickly. The Lord has gone out before us in all parts of the field, and He would now have us follow quickly the way in which He is leading us, and seek Him earnestly during this week of prayer for the baptism of His Holy Spirit for service. What we see of the Lord's working in preparing the hearts of the people for the reception of this truth in the home field, is seen by our missionaries in all parts of the world. In many places, it is very manifest that the Lord is already pouring out His Spirit in the latter rain, and that a rich harvest of fruit awaits the reapers, on every side.

We will have the opportunity, during this week of prayer, of contributing toward the support of the work in these great fields beyond, and I trust that our brethren and sisters all through the field will plan to make their offerings just as large as possible. We have not reached the standard erected for us in the matter of the 15-cent-a-week fund. In some parts of the field we have fallen considerably behind this, amounting to several thousands of dollars. The annual offering will help to make up this deficiency. Let us seek the Lord most earnestly, in prayer, for the baptism of His Spirit. While He opens the windows of heaven, and pours upon us the riches of His grace, shall we not be as liberal as possible in our offerings, that the work may be quickly finished in all the earth?

We Are Glad

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

There has just come to my hands a copy of the January number of the Signs Magazine. The paper is alive with present truth. The characteristic article in this month's issue, is its editorial on the Turkish question in the light of prophecv. The conference workers and churchmembers in Southern California regard this masterly written and very timely article as almost an answer from above. The disturbances in the Balkan district have led the people to stop and listen, in a way that we have not seen for a long time. The demands for literature on the Eastern question have quite overwhelmed us, and for some time we have been unable to supply the demand. Indeed, we have resorted to the extreme measure of asking Elder Hibbard to write a tract for our local use, in meeting this emergency. The tract is now ready for distribution, and orders are rapidly coming to our tract society office for it.

Now we feel that this good number of the monthly *Signs* ought to have a splendid lift in our field. I am sure the people will rally to give it a wide circulation. We will do our utmost to bring it to the attention of our churches, and look for a general response.

May the good Signs of the Times, our pioneer missionary paper, continue to give the trumpet a certain sound, and under the blessing of God fulfil its sacred mission. F. M. Burg, Pres. So. Cal. Conf.

Correction

A Large Peerless Globe Offer

In a recent notice, issued by the publishers of the magazine "Christian Education," it was stated that for ten yearly subscriptions to the magazine, a large Peerless Globe for the school would be given as a premium. This notice should have read "five" subscriptions instead of "ten."



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

The Sacramento Church Institute

The last in a series of four church institutes held in the Northern California-Nevada Conference, during the past month, closed Monday, December 2, in Sacramento, with a field missionary day. in which more than forty went out from home to home in the capital city, distributing tracts and the Harvest Ingathering number of the Signs. From the very first, there was unusual interest shown in this institute, which was really a convention. Several members from Woodland, Camino, Stockton, Placerville, and other places were present throughout. The Sacramento church had most ably provided for those who came in from a distance, serving meals in the schoolroom, and arranging for comfortable places among our people for all. Some earnest work had been done in the way of decorating the church, adding greatly to its attractiveness, and contributing to the interest. Above the pulpit had been placed a large WELCOME sign, made of beautiful green ferns and smilax; and from it, extending in both directions around the wall to the back of the church, was a border of green, above which were placed in order the names of the fruits of the Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, etc. Special music had also been planned, so that from the first there was a life and spirit and variety that made every one present feel it a privilege to be there.

Elder C. L. Taggart presided at the Sabbath-school feature of the convention. at the regular Sabbath morning hour. In this service, Mrs. Mina Mann spoke on some of the essentials of success from the standpoint of the superintendent. emphasizing preparation for the work during the week, punctuality, and enthusiasm. Mrs. C. L. Taggart presented two kinds of reports by the secretary. The one was a mere recital of songs sung, who offered the prayer, members present, etc.; while the other made you feel the real spirit of the Sabbath-school of the preceding week. The importance of the Sabbath-school secretary's work was given special mention, and most excellent points on how the secretary may

make her reports interesting, and her services of great value to the school, were given.

Prof. I. C. Colcord outlined the qualifications of the Sabbath-school teacher, placing emphasis upon the matter of the teacher's being a Christian and a churchmember. He also presented helpful points on how to teach, on daily personal example of the teacher, and the influence that the teacher may have in the Sabbath-school.

Prof. J. W. Rich showed in his talk that without loyal, working pupils or scholars in the Sabbath-school, it would fail. He impressed the thought of individual responsibility on the rank and file of the church-membership, in making the Sabbath-school a success, in the preparation of the lesson, in being on time, in helping to make the class interesting, and in working to build up the Sabbathschool.

Mrs. Mina Mann led in the afternoon service, which was given to consideration of the young people's department of the church work. This was also an excellent meeting, closing with a consecration service.

The church was crowded Sabbath night, when Brother H. H. Hall gave a stereopticon lecture on the growth of the publishing work in fields beyond, particularly the Spanish-speaking countries. Many incidents were brought out showing how that through our books, tons of which are now going to these fields, the truth is being carried to the most remote sections. He showed pictures of native colporteurs in China, Korea, South America, and India, who, having caught the spirit of this message, are sacrificing to carry it through the printed page to their peoples. These facts seemed to stir all to a deeper realization of the power of the third angel's message, and the rapidity with which facilities have been multiplied to quickly carry it to every part of the earth.

This tended to deepen the interest in the Sunday's services, which were devoted to the study of our missionary work and plans, both in the church, and outside the church. In fact, the study in the forenoon in which Brother MacPherson, Sister Mann, and Professor Rich took the leading part, brought out that the missionary spirit which must necessarily accompany the experience of the converted person, will be seen first in the home. The individual is the nucleus of our missionary organization; next the

missionary family, working to help each other spiritually; then follows the work in the church; and from this the spirit of activity will reach out and work for those in the neighborhood, and the unsaved within our reach on every side. Brother A. A. Cone closed this service with an appeal for consecration for service, in which he introduced statements from late writings from the Spirit of prophecy, urging our people to go to work. There was a response. In the afternoon, methods of work were considered, encouraging experiences brought in from the field by Brother R. H. Miller, Brother Cone, and others, and all felt that it had helped them in knowing better how to approach others and work for them. Personal and general work with tracts was emphasized. The special opportunity just now to introduce the beautiful small books into the homes of the people, and other lines of service were presented. Elder C. L. Taggart made an appeal for all to engage in the field work planned for Monday. The subject of "The Eastern Question" was presented Sunday night by Elder Taggart. Monday morning a large number were present, and the day was spent among the homes of Sacramento. More than forty went out, and our last report is that upwards of \$50.00 was received in return for the Missions Signs, distributed for our foreign missions. The Lord blessed this effort, and many felt that it was the best part of the convention. In each of the four conventions - held at Stock-the active missionary work in the field has received enthusiastic attention. "This has resulted in thousands of pages of truth going into the homes of the people, and upwards of \$200 gathered for the mission work.

It, too, has resulted in blessings to scores of those who have thus gained a fresh experience in meeting the people. The general feeling is that these church conventions have been of great help. We believe that their influence will be of permanent help to all who were privileged to attend. J. R. Ferren.

Conference Items

The conference president urges that a campaign, similar to those following our conventions, be carried on during the week of prayer.

Elder C. M. Gardner, who has been in

the Southern conference for several months past, is with us again, and at the present time is carrying on the work at Turlock.

Elder D. T. Fero, who has been conducting a series of meetings at Dos Palos, reports a good interest at that place; he will return there Sunday, and will spend the remainder of the week at that place, and bind off the work begun.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign has created new ideas for some who have taken part in this work. We understand that some became so interested in carrying the printed page from house to house, that they are now arranging to enter the canvassing work.

We received the following report from Elder A. J. Osborne, who has been laboring for some time in Camino and surrounding country:

"The work is still onward in Eldorado County. I am dividing my time between Camino and Placerville. At the latter place I am engaged in the envelope system of tract distribution. I hope by this means not only to supply the people with truth-filled literature, but to develop or determine if there is an interest to hear the spoken word of God, before undertaking meetings.

"In company with Brother Dreachler, deacon of the Placerville church, I visited the sisters I baptized last summer near Indian Diggins, some 26 miles from Camino. I held one meeting while there. We also visited some interested ones near Aukum.

"We are seeking for new ones at Camino, and to strengthen the work already started. Pray for us."

We understand there are a few at Winton, where Brother E. J. Urquhart has been holding meetings, who are ready for baptism. Merl Horton.

Lodi Normal Institute Notes

Friday morning, November 29, Brother W. M. T. Hibben, of the Hinsdale (Illinois) Sanitarium, spoke to the students on the importance of asking God's guidance in little things.

Twelve students have joined the class organized for the study of "Bible Readings for the Home Circle," with a view to canvassing for this book during the next school vacation. Brother A. A: Cone was present Monday, and spoke to the students on the book work, giving also a canvass for "Bible Readings," and telling some of his recent experiences, in Modesto, with this book.

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Monday, December 2, fifteen students joined with the church in Sacramento, to assist in the distribution of the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Signs*. They gathered over \$25.00, and had some excellent experiences.

An enthusiastic meeting of parents and students was held at the Normal building Wednesday afternoon, December 4. What children should read was one subject that all appreciated. Good books on history, nature, ethics, in addition to many of our own works, were mentioned. The teachers in grades 1-8 reported the following enrolments: grades 1-2, 16; 3-4, 16; 5-6, 30; 7-8, 46.

CALIFORNIA Humboldt County

In harmony with a recommendation of the conference committee, made on the Santa Rosa camp ground, that we make Humboldt County our field of labor, we closed up our work in San Francisco. Somewhat reluctantly, it is true, we left the city work — the great needy field, of which the Spirit of the Lord has so often spoken — to take up labor in another needy field.

What a change it was, — from a great city, teeming with a multitude of unwarned souls, to a great, sparsely settled district; from rows of crowded flats, paved streets, and condensed wickedness, to verdant fields, forests of great trees, and hospitable people.

We landed in Eureka, July 17, and one week later, started for Petrolia, in the southern part of the county. For fifty miles, our outfit had to be taken by team; and after three days' journey in a heavy wagon, we arrived at our destination. just in time to pitch a tent before the Sabbath began. We began meetings August 1, in a 20 x 30 tent, and the attendance was good from the start. The message had been preached in the valley twice before, once by Elder McClure, and again about five years ago, by Elders Wheeler and Lake. However, a good interest was manifest, and people received us gladly, with few exceptions. Literature was placed in most of the homes, and the offerings were generous. An unruly element gave us trouble from the beginning; but no serious disturbance occurred, until the night the tent was saturated with kerosene and burned. The meetings were continued in the Methodist church for two weeks, without any further disturbance, and six persons took a definite stand for the truth. Others who are deeply interested have not made a decision, but we hope for more fruit. A good live Sabbath-school was organized, and a missionary spirit is manifest.

After the effort at Petrolia, some time was spent in visiting the churches and getting acquainted with the field. T found six churches with seven church buildings. With the exception of Eureka, the membership of the churches is small. This is largely due to lack of local educational advantages, the people leaving the county to locate their children near some of our schools. No campmeeting was held in Humboldt this year. Elder Farnsworth and other laborers made a ten-days' visit to the county during October, spending a little time with the various churches.

At the present time, there are but two conference laborers in the county. Brother L. L. Hutchinson and wife are located at Ferndale, where he is doing personal work with the "Family Bible Teacher." They visit about seventy homes a week, and some interest is being aroused. In addition to other duties, the writer is doing personal work of the same nature, at Fortuna, visiting fortyfive homes a week. Interest is being awakened, and we hope for results.

Sister Melvina Fox is conducting the church school at Eureka. Fourteen pupils are enrolled, four of these being not of our faith. Every phase of the work gives evidence of progress. We rejoice that we can have a part in giving the last message, and that wherever we may be called to labor, there are souls waiting for the light of truth. We solicit an interest in the prayer of God's people, that we may be filled with the closing power of the message, and that a harvest of souls may be gathered from this portion of the field.

J. Adams Stevens.

Wanted ---- Salesmen

One or two for Southern California and one for Sacramento territory. Live men (Sabbath-keepers) to sell attractive line to merchants and storekeepers. A fine, clean line and easy to sell. Good commissions. For particulars, address The Greenwood Company, 37th and West streets, Oakland, California.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA Another General Meeting

A second general meeting was called at Fresno, Sabbath and Sunday, November 30 and December 1. in connection with the campaign to raise our conference school debt. Elder E. E. Andross occupied the morning hour on Sabbath, and spoke on the Eastern question. A most solemn impression was made upon all at this time. In the afternoon a general experience meeting was held, at which those who were directly laboring with the churches, and others, spoke of how the Lord is blessing in the work. Every testimony was one of hope and courage. The following are just a few of the thoughts expressed by the different ones:

Report of Laborers at the Fresno General Meeting, Sabbath, November 30

Elder Adams, Bakersfield:

"We are getting the work started, and the spirit of work is taking hold of many. Eight have started out in the work. We have taken forty-nine orders. There are some who will pay cash, but are selling books to help the poor. We have one brother who has already sold his quota of books; another sold ten in one day. We do not have a word of discouragement to bring. We expect to finish up the whole amount.

"One place I was showing the lady a 'Christ's Object Lessons' and she said, 'Is that all the book you have?' I showed her 'Ministry' and she took both. The reason we take 'Ministry' is because we frequently find people who have 'Object Lessons.' Another place the lady had 'Object Lessons,' 'Controversy,' and 'Heralds' in her library. These books will be taken out, and will do their work when the minister is silenced. One lady I showed the Ingathering Signs, and she gave me 50 cents. We carry the three, and receive considerable money, and get the truth before the people. Three have already paid in their entire amount, others are paying little by little."

C. L. Davis:

"I am glad to say that the work is moving on with the churches I have been visiting. I began with the Lemoore church. Quite a number have accepted a plan already. Five have signed to the amount of \$160. A week ago last Thurs-

day I went out with a young man about seventeen years old. He asked who would give the first canvass, and I told him I would. When we reached the first house, we went to the front door, and then to the kitchen. The man asked what we were doing, and we explained the books, and he became very much interested. I told him we had a book on the parables, and he asked the price, and we took his name. In five exhibitions, we sold four books. In the afternoon we made a number of calls. We sold a 'Steps to Christ' in the Portuguese language. This young man made as successful a canvasser as I. Out of four exhibitions, we sold two outright. The work is going, and the people seem to be ready for it. The Spirit of the Lord goes before us in this work, and gives us words for the people.

"At Hanford eight have accepted plan No. 1. Quite a number are undecided, but many are preparing to canvass.

"\$3,000 has been signed for at Armona."

Elder Brown, Island and Laguna:

"At the first meeting, only one lady held up her hand to go in the auto to Coalinga to canvass, so we put off the meeting one more week, when three more agreed to go. On the first trip, 200 books were sold in parts of two days. Two more successful trips have been made, and now we have to see who will stay at home, instead of who will go. 250 additional books have been ordered."

E. P. Ackley:

"At Burrough, the people had already said, 'No one need call on us to help, for we will not have anything to do with it.' I took for my subject the nearness of the end, and the sentiment of the people was entirely changed. There are only ten families in the valley, and sevenare Seventh-day Adventists. At a meeting in the afternoon, there were eleven present, and six took plan No. 3, amounting to \$120. Two took plan No. 1. We received great blessings from the Lord."

Richard Breitigam:

"Selma is an active church. All are interested in raising the conference debt. Five have signed up for plan No. 3. Some have agreed to do more than their part, while others can not do much.

"Fowler is a poor church. One has taken ten books, and another lady is going to do what she can with the books."

Mrs. Rosenfeld, of Laguna, in the trips to Coalinga, reported twenty-four hours of work and fifty-four orders. Many of the books were taken for Christmas presents. Three books were sold to one lady.

A letter from Elder Patterson, of Monterey, was full of encouragement. The whole church is interested. A daily canvassing class is being held in the morning, and each evening a drill and experience meeting. Two girls aged thirteen and fourteen went out after school, and in one hour took seven orders.

Brother McSwain, of Fresno, who is over seventy years of age, sold twentythree books in about three days, and was the first one in the conference to finish his quota.

Elmer Dart on Wednesday sold five books, the next day, six, and on Friday, twelve. Most of these were to leading men in Fresno. He reports three books sold in four minutes.

Brother Sheldon:

"The Laguna church has twentythree members. Seventeen took plan No. 1, one took plan No. 2, and five have so far not taken any. One hundred and thirty-two books have been sold. One sold twenty 'Ministry' in one day. A sister sold two books in five minutes."

Sister Morton, of Fresno, has sold sixteen books, and enjoys the work. The people want the books. She considers the debt a "blessed legacy."

William Dart:

"I would not take ten times the price of the books for the experiences I have had in selling them."

Elder C. W. Fuller reported from the churches assigned him, that all are willing to do their share in lifting the burden.

Paul E. Scoggins gave an interesting report from the Dinuba, Tulare, and Dinuba(German) churches. Perhaps the largest canvassing class thus far is at the first named place.

All of the church officers present at the meeting had nothing but words of encouragement and faith, believing that we are in the line of providence, as indicated in the "Testimonies," to clear the conference debt.

J. H. Behrens.

Conference News Notes

Two thousand copies of "Christ's Object Lessons'' were ordered last week, from Washington, to finish the campaign for the relief of our schools.

Elder Behrens went to Dinuba, and reports that the church is of good courage, and assured us that we need not fear that they would come behind in anything so far as the conference debt is concerned.

The Armona church was the first to sign up for their full amount of the conference debt, but there is every indication that the Laguna church will be the first to finish and turn the proceeds into the conference treasury.

Elder Behrens has just returned from Selma, and reports that they are of good courage down there, and that Brother Reichard, the elder, says, "You can count on Selma to do her part. We will finish with the rest."

Brother Ackley reports that the Burrough church will finish their work and have the money in the treasury for their full amount of the conference school debt by December 31, 1912. What church will be the next on the list, to finish the good work?

The following letter was received from one of our aged sisters in this conference: "For the 25 papers you sent me I am sending \$9.25. I am sorry it is not more, but sickness has prevented me from doing as much as I hoped to do. I will add 50 cents for my part for the week of prayer. I wish to be remembered by you during the week of prayer, as you meet together. Pray for my husband and son who are not in the truth."

The Bakersfield church is alive to the situation, and is out canvassing for the relief books, and meeting with good success, both in taking orders and delivering. Elder Adams is not only giving instruction as to how to do the work, but is himself leading out, as well as encouraging others to go. The church was filled Thursday evening, to listen to the Eastern question. Some who had never been in a Seventh-day Adventist church were present, and seemed deeply interested. G. A. Wheeler.

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Educational

Christian Education in San Diego

We are glad for the cooperative spirit manifested by the parents and patrons of San Diego in behalf of Christian education; for although a sister school was started this year out at the north end of the city, with a good, full enrolment, yet our enrolment now is forty-five, and is steadily on the increase.

God has said that true education means more than the pursual of a certain course of study. It means more than a preparation for the life that now is. It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world, and for the higher joy of wider service in the world to come.

The longer I teach, the more fully am I impressed that the first consideration of every Christian teacher is to see that his pupils INDIVIDUALLY are receiving that preparation for that joy of service in this world, and for that higher joy of wider service in the world to come.

God's Spirit is working upon the hearts of the children in a very marked way, and we rejoice to see many of them reconsecrating themselves to the Lord. One of the most interesting features of our school is our little missionary society, which holds its meetings every Friday morning. At these meetings pupil-officers preside, who are receiving much benefit in learning how to conduct a meeting, fill the office of secretary, help to make up weekly programs, etc.

We are following the outline studies on the "Great Advent Movement," and are delighted with them. These different studies as outlined in the Little Friend are assigned to different ones each week, to be prepared either as a reading or as a talk. This forms the foundation of our programs. Selected stories and poems on missionary topics, with plenty of music, make the meetings interesting and profitable times for the children.

Last Friday, after an interesting program on the life of Sister E. G. White our leader, a little girl, eleven years old, suggested that we have a testimony meeting. So she conducted it, and I wish that all of you could have beer with us. We had such a good meeting! The Lord spoke to our boys and girls and the majority expressed themselves as desiring to live better lives for their The little, tender, heartfel Master.

prayers that these boys and girls pray at opening exercises of school and in our missionary meetings, show us that they are sincere and in earnest.

Many papers have been given away by the children, and we have just begun to mail papers to our relatives. After we have sent these papers three or four times, we will follow them up with missionary letters. We hope to engage in other lines of missionary work as opportunities present themselves.

W. B. Miramontez.

A Special Teachers' Institute To Be Held at Pacific Union College January 1 to May 6, 1913

On January 1, 1913, a special teachers' institute will begin at the Pacific Union College, and will be continued for eighteen weeks. This will be conducted under the special supervision of Sisters Katherine B. Hale and T. D. Robison. The special purpose for the holding of such an institute is to prepare those who have had the advantages of a high school training, but have not had the opportunity of a normal course, for teaching during the next school year. In all of our conferences we have run short of church school teachers, and it seems necessary to make some provision for the supplying of schools with teachers, during the coming year, beyond what will be furnished by graduates from the various schools. It was thought that there might be a number of young people or middleaged people who have had the advantages of a high school training, and with a short course of normal training they might be fitted for the work of teaching. This is not designed to take the place of a regular normal course, hence no diplomas will be issued to those who take the institute work; but after completing this course of instruction and taking the examinations, certificates will be issued, permitting them to teach in our church schools. It is not designed that those who are taking the regular course of training in the schools shall come to this institute, but only such as could not arrange to attend one of our schools and take the regular course at this time. In order to make it possible for all who desire to quickly fit themselves for teaching to come, the tuition and room rent at the college home will be reduced to one half the regular price charged to students in the regular courses. This is done in order to help the church school

work. A very efficient corps of teachers for normal training is in the regular employ of the college, and will have in charge the various branches to be taught during the institute work. While it is impossible for one to secure a thorough training for teaching in such a brief course of study, it does afford an excellent opportunity for one who has had a preliminary training in the schools of the world to fit himself for teaching in our schools, and later he might take a more extended course, and thus be enabled to do the best work in our primary schools. A printed announcement of the course of study, containing full information, will be furnished to those who do not have one by writing to Mrs. T. D. Robison, Pacific Union College, St. Helena, California.

E. E. Andross.

Announcement of Teachers' Institute

Who Should Attend

First. There are those among us who hold state certificates, and have in the past engaged in public school work, but who would like to give their services to the church school. We wish to invite these to avail themselves of the opportunity offered by the institute, to fit themselves for service in the Lord's work.

Second. Those who do not hold certificates, but who, desiring to teach, could after a brief course of instruction and examination secure a certificate for teaching, and render acceptable service in our elementary schools at this time.

Third. Those who have a gift to teach, and have been pressed into service without having a satisfactory preparation for the work.

Subjects Offered .

Methods and reviews in all the branches taught in primary and grammar grade subjects, will be given. A brief course in school management and in the principles of Christian education will also be given, together with the opportunity of working out these principles and methods under the observation and criticism of the normal faculty of the college.

The work of this course will include four periods for class recitation, two daily periods for observation and teaching, and one period daily for manual arts, as follows:

1. Bible. Including review and methods in Bible history and prophecy for grades four to eight of the church school course.

2. Education and School Management. The book "Education," by Mrs. E. G. White, will be made the basis for a thorough study of the principles of Christian education. Following this a study of school management will be given, considering such topics as will prove most helpful to a teacher in conducting a successful school. Among the subjects considered will be the schoolroom discipline, course of study, school organization, the daily program, correlation, etc.

3. Methods I. This will cover the work to be given in the primary grades, including oral Bible and nature in grades 1, 2, and 3, methods in reading and phonics in the primary room, methods in spelling, language, numbers, writing, music, and drawing.

4. Methods II. The purpose of this course will be to prepare for teaching in the grades above the primary. The following subjects will be given: grammar, arithmetic, history, civics, agriculture, geography, physiology, nature study, sight singing, and penmanship.

5. Observation and Practise Teaching. In order that the principles and methods of teaching may be practically applied, and experience gained in school management, students will be assigned periods for actual practise in teaching, under the direction and supervision of those in charge of the college training school. Periods will also be given for observation of methods and principles of teaching, as exemplified by those in charge of this department.

6. Manual Arts. This course will include school gardening, sewing, suggestions for teaching domestic science, some work in physical culture, blackboard, pencil, and crayola work, and the practical application of these to manual training articles.

Instructors

- Education and School Management, C. C. Lewis; assistants - Mrs. T. D. Robi-
- son and Miss Katherine B. Hale.
- Bible, Mrs. Alma E. McKibbin. Methods I, Miss Katherine B. Hale; as-
- sistants Mrs. Delpha S. Miller and Mrs. M. W. Newton.
- Methods II, Mrs. T. D. Robison; assistants — Miss Katherine B. Hale, Mrs. M. W. Newton, and Miss Hattie Andre.
- Manual Arts Drawing and Sewing, Mrs. Delpha S. Miller. Gardening and Home Economics, Mrs. T. D. Robison. Expense
 - In order to assist the church school

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work, a special rate will be made to those who desire to take the institute course. Particulars will be furnished by application to the manager.

Examinations and Certification Upon the completion of this special course, examinations will be held and credits given. These credits may be presented to the educational department of the Pacific Union Conference and certificates will be issued according to the standard of certification, as outlined by the general department of education.

What to Bring

Each student should be provided with bedding, toilet articles, and whatever is desired for a room, aside from furniture.

See page 26 of the college calendar, which will be sent free on application.



"Secretly Reading"

A few days ago one of our bookmen was canvassing the wife of a banker for "Bible Readings for the Home Circle." He touched upon some of the vital truths for this time, and the lady was deeply impressed. He was a little surprised when she said: "I am going to tell you something that I haven't told any one else, and that is, that I have some Advent tracts that I have been reading secretly, and I have about come to the conclusion that the Adventists are right." Needless to say, she ordered "Bible Readings." How little we know of how God is working to place people in touch with His truth! How such incidents should stir us, and make us faithful in passing on our tracts and papers containing the truth for this time! This incident encourages me, as I have met with the church in that town, and have seen them purchase literature to use in missionary work. The members are very busy people, most of them living in the country; but they have been able to sow much seed, and the Lord has blessed, as this experience indicates. Just now it seems that many people are in a receptive state of mind, and will read. Let us sow, and sow liberally during this favorable time.

"I know my hand may never reap its sowing,

And yet some other may;

And I may never even see it growing, So short my little day.

Still must I sow - though I go forth with weeping,

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Central California				·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
W. E. Whitmore	М. Н.	66	10	\$21.05	\$30.00	
Mabel Wheeler	H. W.	· ·	27		13.85	يويغن بالانا
B. Rudolph and wife	B. R.					
	& G. C.					\$31.75
4 Agents				\$21.05	\$43.85	\$31.75
Arizona						
J. A. Kindsman	B. R.	22	.8		\$27.00	•
Walter Higgins	P.G.	6	1		3.50	
Mrs. Walter Higgins	H. W.	3	9		5.50	
3 Agents		31	18		\$36.00	
Southern California						
C. E. Hutchins	P. G.	17	11	\$2.25	\$41.75	
W. B. Findley	P. G.	30	11	•	36.00	
C. Egner	С. К.		11		16.50	
H. Bonde	P. G.		11		54.50	
Elder D. A. Parsons	Misc.		9		12.75	
(In tent effort)						
C. D. Chapman	н. W.		80		40.85	
Mrs. Phena Greenup	н. W.	6	23		14.55	
Mrs. H. Weil	н. w.		8		3.25	
M. E. Spear	н. พ.	6	8		3.25	
Mrs. B. W. Easley	н. W.	16	13		7.40	
Mrs. J. H. Hodge	н. W.	18	34		16.30	\$2.85
E. C. Crawford	н. W.	16	18		11.35	
* Mrs. J. A. Cole	H. W.		49		30.85	
Thos. Odom	н. W.		5		3.00	
C. Jensen	H. W.		23		7.60	
Mrs. Sebe Ellyson	н. .	7	7		17.50	
16 Agents			321	\$2.25	\$317.4 0	\$2.85
* Two days, hours	not given.					

N.B.- Some of the home workers have not given the time, so the number of hours is smaller than usual.

Northern Califor	nia-Nevada					
M. A. Reese	G. C.	$44\frac{1}{2}$	11		\$33.00	
H. R. Miller	B. R. Heralds	14	9	\$4.6 0	35.10	
W. R. Nelson	B. R. Heralds	6	9		26.50	
L. B. Ward	Heralds	12	3		7.50	
4 Agents		761/2	32	\$4.60	\$102.10	
Books delivered	\$18.00.					

I can not, dare not, stay. God grant a harvest, though I may be sleeping

Under the shadows gray." J. R. Ferren.

The Signs weekly, our pioneer missionary paper, is now planning the series commencing with the issue of January 7, and we are assured of the best sixmonth series that has yet been produced. Space will not permit our mentioning all the strong, timely, and important articles. Circulars will soon be out showing these, but our people should now be

planning their list of names to which they wish the series sent. They ought to go to many of our friends and relatives. The Signs does bring people into the truth, and that is just what we desire. It may be the means of reaching some particular friend of yours. Let us give this series the circulation it deserves.

"The closer you come to Jesus, the more faulty you will appear in your own eyes; for your vision will be clearer, and your imperfections will be seen in broad and distinct contrast to His perfect nature."

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1912

McKibbin's Bible Lessons, Book 4, now ready. Price \$1.20. Order of your tract society.

The regular annual meeting of the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference, will be held at Pacific Union College, St. Helena, California, beginning December 23.

After spending nearly a month in Southern California, Sister E. G. White and her son Elder W. C. White returned, the past week, to their home in St. Helena.

Turkey and His End

Is the title of a thirty-two page tract, by Elder E. E. Andross, just off the press and ready for wide circulation. It contains a two-page map, showing Turkey 100 years ago as compared with its dwindled possessions of to-day; also a map showing the original territories occupied by the kings of the north, and of the south. Price \$2.00 a hundred. Order of your tract society.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Davey sailed December 11, from San Francisco, to their home in South Australia. Brother and Sister Davey went out a number of years ago, from Australia, as missionaries to Singapore. After a residence there for a time, they came to this country in order that Brother Davey could take a medical course. This course of study was completed last June. The examinations for a state license were passed successfully, in August, and they are now returning to their home land, ready to enter into the work wherever duty may call. Thev have sailed by way of Tahiti, and will visit in New Zealand a short time before going to Australia. We wish them a pleasant and prosperous voyage.

Brother Walter Harper sends a word of cheer from Winkelman, Arizona, where he is now selling our good books. He says that the Lord wonderfully blessed his efforts in Humboldt County, during the summer, with "Daniel and the Revelation." He says: "I try to lean heavily on the everlasting arms, seek God much in prayer, as if all depended on Him, which it does, then exert myself as if it all was a result of my efforts. Success results. In more than one instance this summer, where I would find four men in one cabin, I was blessed in getting an order from each. What a blessed, loving Saviour we have! He has a storehouse full of rich blessings He is longing to give us."

During the past summer, a large number of pledges were made for the purpose of starting a school for the children of our Mexican brethren in Arizona. The committee that was authorized to plan for this enterprise, met in Arizona last October, and gave careful consideration to the several plans that had been proposed. It has been decided that a school building should be erected in Eastern Arizona, near Solomonsville. This will serve for one center. In central Arizona, near Phœnix, another center must be established, several acres of land purchased, and some buildings erected. For this work we have received, already, some payments on the pledges made last summer. But in order to push this enterprise forward, it will require all the funds that have been promised by our brethren. Remittances for this work should be sent to the treasurer of the union conference, J. J. Ireland, Mountain View, California.

Two weeks' work in the field with the prospectus, during the year, is one item of work the bookmen of our several conferences pledged themselves to, at the last convention. You perhaps noticed Brother A. A. Cone's article last week, in which he told of how the men are taking up this work. Friday we were pleased to receive from Brother Cone a report, by telegram, of his own experience during the week, at Modesto, as follows:

"41 hours, 51 exhibitions, 27 orders (4 morocco, 11 half morocco, 12 cloth), value \$110. Among the 'four hundred' of Modesto."

This is truly encouraging, especially

since it represents work, with that grand book "Bible Readings for the Home Circle," among the finest homes of Modesto. This is the kind of experience that will count, in making the coming bookmen's convention one of intense interest and practical value to our bookmen. The bookmen's convention, which will bring together all of the general agents in the territory supplied by the Pacific Press, is now assured, and will be held at Mountain View, January 13-20. This will bring together the leaders in the book work from the Northern, Central, North Pacific, and Pacific Union conferences.

The Watchman

We are starting the new year with a splendid issue. The cover design is a beautiful two-color portrait of a little child drawing a curtain aside, and bringing to view the new year of 1913 in the form of an hour-glass. This will be a very handsome cover.

The tremendous interest in the "Eastern Question" series, by Prof. P. T. Magan, compelled us to run a second edition of the December *Watchman*. The momentous situation in Europe is stirring the whole world.

"The Trend of the Times and Bible Prophecy," by C. P. Bollman, is an article of tremendous import, in view of the events that are transpiring with lightning-like rapidity in the world.

Elder I. H. Evans, who is in charge of our Asiatic missions, is contributing a splendid article on "Buddhism." He will show the fundamental falsehood concealed under the service of false works and worship, in this vast system of error, with which Satan is darkening the minds of millions in that distant land.

"The Jew and the Christian Religion," by Elder F. C. Gilbert, will be the first of five special articles appearing in the next five issues of the *Watchman*. Elder Gilbert is a converted Hebrew, who was born and educated under the old orthodox Jewish law, and was trained in all matters pertaining to the traditions and ceremonies of that peculiar people.

Rates in quantities, 10 to 40, 5 cents; 50 or over, 4 cents; foreign countries, including Canada, 5 cents each copy.

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