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## The Church

#### Sketches of the Past - No. 134

In closing article No. 132, I promised to say more about the Snook and Brinkerhoff movement. As its headquarters were at Marion, Iowa, the residence of Snook, we gave the movement the name of "The Marion Faction."

In "Testimonies," volume 2, page 625, we read of Snook (after professing present truth) and his eagerness to obtain money: "He was not a truly converted man. The more he received, the greater was his desire for means. He gathered all he could from his brethren, until he had been helped, through their liberalities, to a valuable home; then he apostatized, and became the bitterest enemy of the very ones who had been most liberal to him."

When he commenced his opposition work in 1864, he was president of the Iowa Conference, and Brinkerhoff was secretary. It was expected in those days that each conference, after its session, should make a report of its proceedings to be published through the columns of the Review. No report came of their 1864 conference session. At the time of the Pilot Grove investigation, mentioned in a former article, it developed that a scribe was hired, at \$2 a day, to write out a report of their proceedings, to be sent to each church. There were doings in that conference which it was evident they did not wish the General Conference or Review people to know. While about \$12 a week was the highest wage paid to ministers in other conferences, they had voted to them \$15 a week, and in Snook's case, his was to be paid to him quarterly. in advance. He drew his pay for one quarter, and spent the time at home instead of in the field.

That his great eagerness for money was the principal reason of his leaving our ranks, was demonstrated at last by his own testimony. It was on this wise: A minister of another denomination was to have a discussion with one of our ministers on the Sabbath question. As Snook had been a Sabbath-keeper, and had given up the Sabbath, the minister thought he might get from him some good points to help him in the debate. He inquired of Snook, "Which position had I better take in the debate, that the Sabbath was changed from the seventh to the first day of the week, or that the Ten Commandments were abolished?" Snook replied, "You take either position, and you will he defeated." The man said, "Why?" Snook replied, "Because they have the truth in the matter." In astonishment, the man said, "You say they have the truth, why then did you leave them?" Snook, striking his hand on his pocket-book, said, "Because there was not enough money in it." That admission backs up the testimony on his case, already quoted.

The career of these two men among Sabbath-keeping opponents was quite limited. Their new departure in the "independence of the churches" did not "pan out" as they expected. Marion Faction and the relics of the Messenger and Hope of Israel parties did not give much of a field for money So before many months grasping. elapsed, both S. and B. dropped their interest in the Advocate, and gave up the keeping of the Sabbath. Brinkerhoff engaged in school teaching, and the study of law. Snook engaged in preaching Universalism, at a salary of \$1,000 a year, which later on in his service was raised to \$2,000 a year.

It may be proper, before we pass to note the fate of the Advocate and its party, to speak of the final of these two men who had left even their opposition flock,- a kind of leaders of which Brother Uriah Smith said, "We do not wish such leaders, if we ever know where we are going." They both rejected the health reform, and in Snook's case, especially, developed a condition in harmony with what is said in "Testimonies," volume 6, page 377, that some were rejecting the health reform "to their own death." He died in December, 1901. September 20, 1903, when I was attending the campmeeting in Des Moines, Iowa, I met the widow of Snook's brother, who never took any stock in Snook's rebellion from the truth. She said to me: "The last three years of B. F. Snook's life, he was a most wretched sufferer from dyspensia. His anguish was such that he longed to

die, to be free from his extreme suffering."

Of Brinkerhoff's case, I learned from Brother Starr, of Iowa, that the day he was baptized Brinkerhoff was present, and met him as he came up out of the water, and shaking hands with him said: "I am glad to see you take your stand to go with this people. They have the truth, and I am sorry I ever left them. It is too late for me now to join them. I have opposed them, and have trained my family in that opposition. I could not meet the opposition from my family should I take my position with this people." And then in sadness he said, "I am a lost man." He is now dead, but never had the courage to resume his position with the Seventh-day Adventists. I have digressed from the line I was considering, to give the final of these men. In our next article, we will note what befell the Advocate after it was laid up at Marion, Iowa, and its first promoters and publishers had left the Sabbath and the third angel's message.

J. N. Loughborough.

#### How to Interest the Jews in Present Truth — No. 4

As the Jews become acquainted with Seventh-day Adventists, they begin to have confidence in them as teachers of the Word of God. This means much to our people, as the Jewish people generally have little confidence in the ordinary Christian teacher. The masses of the professed Christian people have so little faith in the Old Testament that the Jewish people, as a rule, do not consider them at all versed in Old Testament teaching.

It will give our workers a chance of taking particular interest in the Jews when they come to such subjects as the Sabbath, the law, the tithing, the spirit of prophecy, health reform, and kindred topics which bear particularly along Old Testament lines. It is true that the Jews do not come much to Christian services, and we know that they think they have reasons. But we must be patient, and do all we can to lead them in a kindly way to the foot of the cross.

There will be many questions that the people will be asked, especially along the lines of certain Old Testament prophecies. While we as a people believe and teach the whole Bible—the Old Testament and the New Testament—as a

rule, our workers and our people are much more familiar with certain prophecies and teachings of the Word of God than they are with other parts. Consequently we not only need to know how to teach the Gentiles, but we also ought to become informed on those parts of the Scriptures which particularly appeal to the Jews. This we believe can be done.

The Jewish department has prepared a series of Bible readings bearing on special lines of Old Testament prophecies, which will be found helpful in working where there are Jews. A copy of these typewritten Bible readings will be freely sent to any desiring them, by sending a two-cent stamp to the Jewish Department, South Lancaster, Massachusetts. If the Jews can be made to see that the truths we as a people teach to day are the same truths that their forefathers believed and taught, it will arouse interest in their hearts.

Here is what the Spirit of God says on this point: "When this gospel shall be presented in its fulness to the Jews, many will accept Christ as the Messiah."

"As the Old Testament Scriptures are blended with the New in an explanation of Jehovah's eternal purpose, this will be to many of the Jews as the dawn of a new creation, the resurrection of the soul. As they see the Christ of the gospel dispensation portrayed in the pages of the Old Testament Scriptures, and perceive how clearly the New Testament explains the Old, their slumbering faculties will be aroused, and they will recognize Christ as the Saviour of the world. Many will by faith receive Christ as their Redeemer." ("Acts of the Apostles," pages 380, 381.)

These are encouraging words. Let us thank God for them. We will do all we can to cooperate with our people and workers in bringing the truths of this blessed message to the lost sheep of Israel. Let us pray that God will open their eyes to see, and open our hearts to bring the message to them.

F. C. Gilbert.

#### Wanted

Homes for two little girls aged four and one half years and three months respectively. Would prefer the older one in a home where there are no other children. Must be Seventh-day Adventist homes, where the children will be brought up in the third angel's message. Address Mrs. Lottie A. Doty, Madera, California.

## The Field

# A Statement Concerning the College of Medical Evangelists

By W. A. GEORGE, M.D.

For some time before the establishment of the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, California, I, with others, realized the importance of making some provision whereby Seventh-day Adventist young people might receive a thorough medical training, including a scientific knowledge of physiologic therapeutics, under influences the most favorable for spiritual development.

At first, when it was suggested that such provision be made in connection with our medical missionary training-school at Loma Linda, it seemed almost impossible to carry out this idea, in view of the lack of facilities and the serious doubt in the minds of many as to whether proper facilities could ever be provided. There were also varying opinions as to the real meaning of the counsels given us regarding the work to be done at this place. After careful study, however, of that which had been written, I became convinced at the time of the General Conference of 1909 that nothing but the establishment of a fully equipped medical school would meet the requirements.

I have watched with great interest the development of the College of Medical Evangelists, and now, after having been connected with the institution for a little over a year, I am thoroughly convinced that there was a special providence in the securing of the Loma Linda property. and in the establishment of a medical college here. And while all the obstacles to progress have not yet been removed. it seems very clear that if we go forward cautiously, endeavoring at the same time to equip ourselves for doing thorough work, there is no reason why this college should not be made all that is necessary for the training of physicians to meet the high standards held up by state and national laws.

In this college, the scientific training usually given in medical schools, important though it is, must be accompanied by proper religious instruction, and supplemented by a very careful training in the proper use of natural remedial agencies. In past years, our medical work has at times made slow progress,

because some of our young men and young women have secured a training wholly scientific, without having had opportunity either to develop proportionately in spirituality, or to master the principles underlying the methods of treatment usually followed in our institutional work. When such ones enter our sanitariums to assist, they find it necessary to take much time to unlearn some of the things they have learned, and to become familiar with and adopt more simple methods. They also find themselves seriously handicapped because of their inability to be strong spiritual leaders. Above all other reasons, therefore, for having a medical college of our own, we should place the value of encouragements to spiritual development, and also ample opportunity to gain a practical knowledge of physiologic therapy.

The College of Medical Evangelists already has excellent facilities for giving the first three years of instruction, including all the laboratory and technical work required in the training of physicians. It also offers opportunities for training in the giving of simple treatments, and in observing the effects of these treatments. The college, however, is in need of additional facilities for giving the best possible training during the last two years of the course. During these final years, the students must come into personal contact with a large number of sick people, and assist in caring for them, in order that at the time of graduation they may have practical knowledge in the actual work that physicians are required to do. For the perfecting of this part of the course, it will be necessary for the college to have under its control a hospital, where a large number of sick people can be cared for by the students, under the direction of experienced physicians in charge. Thus each student will be able to gain practical knowledge, by studying into causes, taking note of conditions, and observing the effects of treatments prescribed and administered.

Such knowledge can be gained only in a hospital of our own. It is certainly much better to train our students in a hospital conducted along the lines of physiologic therapeutics, than to have them depend on getting their practical experience very largely in hospitals where the methods employed are much different from those with which we desire to have our students most familiar.

Through the establishment and maintenance of a clinical hospital, we shall not only place ourselves on vantageground so far as the training of students is concerned; but we shall also hope to care for the sick-poor in a spirit so kindly and Christlike that many will recognize the difference between Christian influences and those which prevail in the management of some large city hospitals. By careful forethought and wise economy, the expenses can be minimized, thus

making possible comparatively low rates. We doubt not that after this proposed hospital has once been established, many who feel financially unable to secure medical help in our regular sanitariums, will come to this clinical institution, and while there will be led to Christ. Thus a great work will be accomplished, and the name of the Lord glorified.

## CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS Tithes and Offerings from Churches — Comparative Statement of 1911 and 1912

Church		thes	Offer	ings Coll	
Alameda	$^{1911}_{\$922.31}$	1912 \$1,181.34	1911 \$698.81	$^{1912}_{\$476,72}$	$^{1912}_{\$69.73}$
Alameda		227.40	465.59	187.74	61.25
Arcata		375.12	69.90	83.05	01.20
Berkeley		1.873.39	366.06	1,249.11	49.82
Calistoga	430.72	339.82	121.49	142.10	2.20
Daly City	76.20	556.75	75.12	186.25	6.42
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Eureka		$856.80 \\ 216.95$	$335.74 \\ 69.55$	$\frac{445.11}{59.55}$	14.80
Fortuna		707.45	61.67	236.39	
Guerneville		178.15	21.28	47.04	
Haywards		172.75	87.57	177.56	
Healdsburg	1,660.23	1,342.21	643.88	719.71	71.82
Kelseyville	193.30	128.92	22.01	49.63	
Los Gatos	295.79	378.16	187.97	139.73	11.60
McKinleyville Melrose	1 640 02	$122.10 \\ 2,397.01$	337.75	$35.74 \\ 537.71$	285.90
Morgan Hill	931.50	598.44	279.27	212.90	3.15
Mountain View	5.728.93	6,722.85	$2,\overline{155},\overline{12}$	2,579.06	113.15
Napa		886.54	424.39	331.23	
Oakland	. 5,145.88	4,899.02	2,505.91	1,668.32	124.46
Pacific College		2,030.14	935.12	575.27	1,408.11
Park, S. F		444.83	141.15	168.53	61.85
Pepperwood		$150.60 \\ 407.25$	69.9 <b>6</b> 88.33	$105.36 \\ 118.36$	
Richmond		404.76	143.55	108.37	43.46
Saint Helena		2,018.08	635.04	577.38	10.10
San Francisco	. 3,881,21	3,700.77	1,836.46	905.99	111.35
San Francisco, special	3,100.00	,			
Sanitarium		7,664.83	2,482.02	1,678.89	306.94
San Jose		$2,554.94 \\ 596.92$	$\frac{267.94}{244.08}$	$304.82 \\ 199.73$	
Santa Cruz Santa Rosa		445.37	312.67	276.56	6.82
Sebastopol		626.02	301.90	218.51	10.00
Smith River		19.10	.20	3.40	20.00
Sonoma		1,306.05	69.81	394.81	2.16
Soquel		100.87	34.94	56.60	
Ukiah		368.78	250.63	280.89	47.15
Union St., S. F Vacaville		$\frac{39.54}{10.90}$	$169.99 \\ 1.00$	12.19	
Vallejo		95.53	70.75	42.08	
Watsonville		184.78	123.84	176.04	10,20
Personal		1,145.75	2,639.80	1,067.40	2.35
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Totals\$	46,288.07	\$48,476.98	\$19,748.26	\$16,835.83	\$2,894.69

The amounts in the "Offerings" columns above are made up of the following-named funds received from the churches:

	1911	1912
Annual Offerings	\$1,839.80	\$2,534.86
Blind Work	142.75	21.80
Christ's Object Lessons		2.25
Church School Equipment		80.64
Free Literature	30.65	
India Book Fund	16.00	103.00
Ingathering	1,340.94	1,662.24
Jewish	26.75	-,
Midsummer	682.75	810.76
Miscellaneous, Foreign	1.184.26	628.45
Miscellaneous, Home	291.20	506.99
Missions	1,262.83	1,654,09
Orphans and Aged	157.53	42.98
Religious Liberty	176.08	307.28
Sabbath-school Donations	4,312.95	5,402.87
Southern Work	894.77	289.13
Sustentation		27.50
Swedish School	72.92	P 00
\$300,000 Fund	7.290.58	1,530.25
Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings	.,= - ****	1,225.74
White Memorial Church	25.50	_,
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The "College Fund" column shows receipts from the churches, on the "five per cent plan," adopted early in the year to raise money on conference school indebtedness, with the exception of the Pacific Union College church, which undertook to raise an amount equal to its last year's tithe by contributions and subscriptions taken at one time. A part of this was covered by notes, all except a small portion of which has been paid. CLAUDE CONARD, Treasurer,

\$19,748.26

\$16,835,83

#### Sebastopol

A few Sabbaths ago, it was my privilege to meet with the church at Sebastopol. After the services, seven young people came forward confessing their sins. Six of these were baptized that afternoon near the church school, to which Heaven-planted vine be all the praise for victories won. May the good work go on at Sebastopol, is our united prayer.

S. T. Hare.

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Week of Prayer (Continued)

Elder W. H. Saxby: "We had at Carr Street church two services each day, except Sabbath, at 3:00 and 7:30 P.M. At the afternoon services, there were from eight to eighteen of those who otherwise would have been deprived of the privilege. We were conscious of the Holy Spirit in these meetings. At our evening services, there were from forty to seventy present. At our Friday evening service, fortyseven bore testimony in a few minutes. A good growing interest prevailed throughout the week. Several said it was the best week of prayer they had ever enjoyed. Victories were gained. Truly the readings were a feast of good things."

Elder S. Thurston: "I attended the services at the East Side (Los Angeles) church the last half of the week. We had some good meetings, and all who attended seemed to sense to some degree the momentous times in which we are living. Some decided victories were gained. The meetings were held both afternoon and evening. This being the first time I ever met with this church, I enjoyed very much my new acquaintances."

Brother Milton P. Robison: "I found the little company at Bishop of good courage, but hungry for some one to come and exhort and study and pray with them. We held the meetings in the church on Sabbath and Sunday, but after that at the different homes. This made it possible for some to have the benefit of the readings and the spiritual feast who otherwise would have been deprived of the privilege. The Lord came very near to us, and all were led to consecrate themselves anew for the finishing of the work."

Miss J. L. Ireland, writing of the meetings in the Furlong (colored) church: "The first meeting Sabbath, December 7, was a very solemn occasion.

After the reading, opportunity was given to all to present requests for prayer. For about half an hour, individuals arose mentioning by name, often with tears streaming from their eyes, those for whom their hearts were burdened. Fathers, mothers, husbands, wives, children, relatives, friends, and neighbors were thought of. Then when all these requests were before us, the entire church bowed in prayer as the elder, deacons, and deaconess, poured out their hearts to God's Spirit was present, and hearts were deeply moved. A quiet hush rested upon the congregation as our first meeting closed. Sabbath, the last great day of the feast, was truly a day to be remembered - a day for the reconsecration of hearts to the Lord for service in this closing work. None were satisfied with what they had done this past year; and the social service hour was much too short for all to express the determination and courage that the week of prayer had brought to their hearts. Many expressed a decision to continue the week of prayer, till more power and victory were seen in their daily walk. 'The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.","

Elder D. A. Parsons, writing from Sawtelle and Santa Monica: "The week of prayer is passed, but the good and blessings that it brought to our people and the new Sabbath-keepers, still remain. The meetings were well attended, and the burden of both prayers and testimonies was that we prepare to be translated at the coming of Christ. Many attended and some took an active part who do not identify themselves with our message, but who are studying the truth. Donations to the cause amounted to over \$112, and we have promise of more. I feel that this is doing well for small churches. It is more than has been given in the past."

Brother B. M. Heald: "The first part of the week of prayer was spent with the Glendale church. All enjoyed a special blessing from the Lord, and hearts were made to rejoice for the prospering hand of God during the past year. From Wednesday night until over the Sabbath was spent in Ontario. The brethren there were very desirous of receiving the outpouring of the Holy Spirit from the start; and with that in mind, the Lord heard and answered the sincere prayers of His people. Some who were discouraged, others who had become indifferent, renewed their consecration. Though some of the brethren lived a long distance from the church, many came out each evening,

and on Sabbath the church was well filled. All rejoiced that they could be counted stewards in this closing work."

Elder H. G. Thurston: "Elder Hill and I visited Artesia, Centralia, Fullerton, Anaheim, Garden Grove, Orange, and Santa Ana during the week of prayer, holding repeated services with every company except Fullerton. Truly God is coming near to His people. Words of courage and victory have been heard from many lips. A new view of Calvary and its agony and the work accomplished there, has brought a new experience to some. This has resulted in fuller freedom in Jesus, and brought to light new reasons for loving Him; and these produce renewed reasons for hating sin, which cost Heaven such a sacrifice. Devotion to Jesus, consecration of life and goods, courage in God, and a desire to help others are some of the fruits of the week of prayer."

Elder G. A. Rauleder: "Through the week of prayer I was with our German church in Los Angeles. I believe it was one of the best weeks of prayer I ever attended. The Lord came very near. Our brethren and sisters were very faithful in attending, although many are old and feeble. All felt the need of reconsecrating themselves to the Lord and to His service. We took up over \$49 in offerings, and some have not yet made their offering. My heart is full of praise and thanksgiving to my heavenly Father."

M. A. Hollister: "I am glad to report the best meetings, for the week of prayer, I ever attended. The first half of the week, I met with the brethren and sisters at Downey, and the latter half with the church at Rivera. The burden of every prayer and testimony was that all unbelief should be removed, and that the Lord would accept the consecration of each one. Nearly every one present at every meeting expressed himself as willing and determined to keep the offering upon the altar. Not only was this true among the older ones, but the young people especially took an earnest part in the meetings, and all expressed a desire to work for the Lord either at home or abroad."

Elder J. W. Adams: "I met with the San Pedro church the first half of the week of prayer. I can report quite a good interest in the church. The last half of the week, I was with the Edendale church, and there was a good attendance. The Spirit of the Lord came very near to convince of sin. A number of our best members testified that they had not realized their condition, and there were confes-

sions made one to another. I was asked by the young people to speak Sabbath afternoon to them. The Lord gave me a message, and it had its effect."

J. H. Miller: "I have just returned from the San Pedro church, where I have been during the last half of the week of prayer. The Lord came into our midst by His good Spirit. Differences were acknowledged, forgiveness sought and received. One mother, with her family, had been breaking the Sabbath now and then, but at this time of refreshing from the Lord, sought Him for pardon, to walk in newness of life. The young people and the boys and girls took part in this renewing of mind and heart. The first half of the week of prayer I was at Gardena. Though this church is small in number, yet the Lord verified His promise that 'where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.' "

> F. M. Burg, Pres. S. Cal. Conf.

#### Harvest Ingathering Experiences

Brother Chas. T. Adams, of Edendale, has had excellent success in the Harvest campaign, and his faithful labors have resulted in blessing to individuals as well as to the mission fund. Brother Adams has just sent us the two following experiences, and we pass them on to encourage others.

1. An experience showing that we should be free and open in our work with the people:

"I called on a lady in Glendale, who met me very pleasantly at the door, and when I began to tell her my errand, she said, 'What denomination are you representing?' I answered, 'The Seventh-day Adventist denomination.' 'Very well,' she said, 'I have already given a friend of mine, Mrs. - a member of your church, fifty cents, but I also want to give you a half dollar.' I afterward learned from the sister referred to, that this lady recognized me and knew the purpose of my visit the moment she saw the magazine. She had asked the question to see if I would evade giving a direct answer. It was a little test. This lady was convinced of the truth at the time I called. She has since been baptized and united with the church."

2. An experience showing how some, not of our faith, give at a sacrifice when they see the need:

"I called upon a lady who was at the wash-tub. As I proceeded in showing up

the great needs in mission fields, the tears came to her eyes. She said, 'I can very well use all the money I make.' I felt that I understood the situation a poor washer-woman, with no means of support aside from the labor of her own hands. I then said to her, 'I do not think, sister, that you have anything to give.' 'Yes,' she said, 'I have twentyfive cents that I will give you for this work.' After drying her hands, she went to get the money, and on returning, said with a tremor in her voice, and tears in her eyes, 'I did not have the twenty-five cents in change. Here is fifty, which is better.' 'Yes,' I replied, 'but I can change it.' 'O, no,' she said, 'that is all right.' I told her I thought her gift was a 'widow's mite,' and that the blessing pronounced upon the poor widow by the Saviour, would be hers. As I turned to leave her, I thought, here is a spirit of sacrifice rarely seen even among our own people."

A former missionary to India, knowing personally of our work among the Hindus, gave a donation to a sister who called at his home in Long Beach, and then influenced a neighbor to assist also.

A gentleman found a copy of the Harvest Ingathering Signs in a station rack, near Los Angeles. His interest in its contents led him to search for some of our people. He is now studying with one of our brethren.

A recent note from the Loma Linda friends tells us that the student body gathered up more than \$325 in their campaign during the week of prayer. The Fernando students did good service with their magazines, and raised, I believe, something over \$160.

The financial returns have not all reached the office, as yet, but Brother Frank Lane, our treasurer, feels confident that they will exceed those of last year. When the total returns of this nation-wide campaign are made known, it will be gratifying to look back and know that we were faithful in doing our part. Yes, we may know about the financial returns; but the results of all the seed sown through private conversations and the literature may not be known until the last day. We shall then feel richly repaid for the efforts we have put forth in every missionary campaign.

Ernest Lloyd.

"Our Saviour was deeply serious and intensely in earnest, but never gloomy or morose."

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

#### Conference Items

Brother M. M. Hust is now engaged in the magazine work at Marysville and vicinity.

Elder A. J. Osborne is doing house-tohouse work in Placerville with the Family Bible Teacher.

Elder Henry Shultz conducted quarterly service in the Stockton church Sabbath, December 28.

The new church at Salida is nearing completion, and it is expected it will be ready for dedication in a short time.

Elder Adam Schlotthauer and family have located at Los Molinos. There are several of our people already there, and we hope to see a good company raised up.

Elder E. J. Hibbard spoke to the brethren and sisters of the Lodi church Sabbath, December 28. He had been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Jacobson, at Salida.

Brother R. S. Fries made us a short call at the conference office Friday, January 3. Brother Fries reports that they expect to build a church at Byron, where he has been laboring.

Since the week of prayer, as we might expect, the missionary spirit is greatly revived. In Sacramento alone, during the holiday week, over 1,200 magazines were placed in the hands of the people of that place.

Brother W. P. Dayton reports that they had an excellent week of prayer with the new company at New Pine Creek. The reports from the various churches are very encouraging, as all speak of having splendid meetings during the week of prayer, and the offerings were good.

Merl Horton.

## Miscellany

#### A Missionary Series

Our pioneer missionary paper, the Signs of the Times weekly commences another of those helpful, converting, missionary series with the issue of January

7. In addition to the splendid list of contents shown in the little circular sent out by the tract society office, there will be a series of articles on the Eastern question from the pen of Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Pacific Union Conference. Elder Andross gives the prophecy in striking setting, with the ring of the message; and we ought to get these strong missionary numbers of the Signs into the homes of a great many people. This is considered to be the best series that has yet appeared, and orders should be hurried on to the tract society.

Single subscriptions, 90 cents each; five or more, six months, to one name and address, 60 cents each; five or more, six months, to separate names and addresses, 65 cents each.

#### The "Watchman" for February

The outlook for the Watchman for the coming year is very bright. The first edition (January) was not only entirely exhausted but went ahead, by 5,000 of the same period last year. The subscription list passed the highest previous point by 500. It now stands at the high-water mark of 7,000. Truly the Lord is doing an effective work through the agency of our good magazines.

The following are some of the excellent features of the February Watchman.

A report of the Federated Council of Churches, by the editor. This is the second quadrennial session of an important movement which is steadily forming in this country, looking toward the eradication of all denominational differences and the consolidation into one ecclesiastical empire for the more effective working out of certain reforms. While this confederation is composed of sincere and able men, yet the dangers of religious legislation do not seem clear to them. Now is the time to spread the true principles of religious liberty by the circulation of this issue.

Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, the vice-president-elect of the United States, gave a very able address before the above-mentioned council. This will appear in its entirety in this issue under the caption, "The Church and the Forces of Reform." Mr. Marshall has a very clear conception of the true functions of church and state, and his ideas should be heartily endorsed by all liberty-loving Americans, and this article widely circulated.

Our readers will be glad to know that Prof. P. T. Magan will continue his important series on the Eastern question, his contribution being entitled "The Fear and Dread of Europe."

"The Jews Misled from the Christian Religion," the second of Elder F. C. Gilbert's splendid series, will be a prominent feature. The Lord is using Elder Gilbert in doing a distinctive work among a class who are difficult to reach.

Elder Clarence Santee will give a very clear account of "The Prince of this World." In these last days of increasing wickedness, some may seriously question the existence of an evil one. To this class, Elder Santee bears a special message. The call of the hour is to "work the cities." Inasmuch as "the final movements will be rapid ones," and the fact that we are living in a magazine age, it behooves us to widely circulate our good magazines with the truths they contain.

If our new president-elect selects as a member of his cabinet a postmaster-general actively opposed to the circulation of true Protestant literature, we may know that our present unbounded privilege of circulating our good magazines will meet with opposition.

Start the new year right, and subscribe at once. Secure two yearly subscriptions at \$1.00 each from two neighbors and send to your local tract society, and receive your own subscription free for one year.

Rates in quantities, 5 to 40, 5 cents each; 50 or more, 4 cents each. Foreign countries, including Canada, all clubs, 5 cents.

#### CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

#### Periodical Sales for Month Ending December 31, 1912

Signs Magazine Value Copies Oakland Miss. Society  $\bar{4}50$ \$45.00 Miss E. S. Maxfield 275 27.00 James Gay 250 25.00 Charles Fillner 115 11.50 Alameda Miss. Society 100 10.00 10,00 J. W. Harris 100 Ethyl Greer 100 10.00 Berkeley Miss. Society 100 10.00 90 9.00 Miss Amy Rawlinson Miss Ruth Crane 8.70 87 Miss Florence Morser 84 8.40 G. H. McCoon 56 5.60 G. A. Kuhns 5.00 50 Danton Olds 39 3.90 Jennie M. Jeslings 25 2.50 244 Office Sales 24.40

2,165

\$216.50

Life and Heal	lth	
Mrs. S. Graves	600	60.00
G. H. McCoon	99	9.90
Miss Ruth Crane	53	5.30
Miss Florence Morser	35	3.50
Jennie M. Jeslings	25	2.50
Office Sales	28	2.80
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Watchman		
Mrs. S. Graves	$200\cdot$	20.00
Ethyl Greer	25	2.50
Office Sales	11	1.10
Chinese Sign	s	
Miss Ruth Crane	179	17.90
Miss Florence Morser	75	7.50
Miss Amy Rawlinson	25	2.50
Office Sales	10	1.00
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Miss Ruth Crane	27	2.10
•	41	2.10
Liberty		
Ethyl Greer	25	2.50
Miss Florence Morser	12	1.20
Temperance Inst	ructor	
Mrs. Wm. T. Vaughn	18	1.80
Mrs. M. C. Berham	30	3.00
Miscellaneous, including s	ນຽ-	
scriptions and office sales		543.59

This is a gain over November sales of \$376.24, and a gain over number periodicals sold of 1,659 copies.

Grand Totals

"Behold, what the Lord hath wrought." Shall we not take courage, brethren and sisters, and work as never before? You will notice the Signs Magazine had a sale of 2,165 copies during December. Ought we not to increase it to 3,000 for January, seeing the February issue is just off the press with its strong articles on the Eastern question, and other things of unusual importance? Let us work to this end.

H. B. Thomas, Miss. Sec. Calif. Conf.

5,279 \$907.19

#### Sonoma

The week of prayer brought a pentecostal blessing to our school in Sonoma. God's blessing was most graciously manifested throughout the week, and especially so during the closing meeting held with the children. Many took their stand the first time, for Christ.

The school has a primary and an intermediate department, including the ninth grade,—a total enrolment of twenty-seven. Some outside children are in attendance.

So far, we have had a very prosperous year, for which we are thankful. A spirit of hearty cooperation has been manifested by all.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Pattison. December 16, 1912.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Wherever you are, be all there."

#### Field Experiences

One of the home workers feels that this one experience has well repaid her for the time and effort put forth. About December 1, she called at a modest little home, and was kindly received by the widow who lived there. After the usual greetings, the home workers' prospectus was shown, and canvass made. woman manifested considerable interest in the books, and expressed the wish that she might have several of them. "But." she said, "the fact in the case is that I actually haven't the money to pay for them. As badly as I want them, it is impossible for me to give you an order. But there is one thing I hope and believe you will do. I wish you would kneel down and pray with me and for me."

After prayer and a few words in parting, the agent received a most cordial invitation to come again, and promised to do so.

On New Year's day, a brother who is canvassing for "Daniel and the Revelation" visited the same house. The woman told of her experience with the former visitor, and described the books she was selling. She quickly learned that the small books and "Daniel and the Revelation" were published by the same people, and that opened up the way for a further study of the truth. She then gave her order for the large book.

The second canvasser gave the woman's name and address to one of our Bible workers, and made arrangements for her to call. All concerned hope and believe the woman will soon take her stand.

Clyde Lowry.

#### From Canvassers' Letters

One brother writes: "Yesterday morning, I met a man on a bicycle who looked very much pleased as he came up to me and dismounted. (I had delivered a copy of 'Daniel and the Revelation,' to him about a month ago.) He said, 'That is a fine book I got of you.' I asked him if he had read it through, and he replied: 'Nearly, and I am going to read it through again! I had quite a talk with one of my Dunkard brethren the other day. and I told him I had a book which would explain his trouble, and I marked the pages for him to read. When he returned the book, he said: "I will give it up. The book explains it satisfactorily to me. That is a good book.", Before the man started on, he said: 'I would not take twenty-five dollars for that book this morning if I could not have it replaced.'

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 21, 1912

Agent	Book .	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Northern Califor	nia-Nevaďa					
H. R. Miller	B. R.	13	11		\$36.00	
W. R. Nelson	B. R.	121/2	6		20.00	
R. H. Miller	B. R.	24	13		47.00	
3 Agents		491/2	30		\$103.00	

#### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 27, 1912

Arizona Walter Harper* Ralph Higgins	Misc. Heralds	11½	105 2	\$335.00 8.00	-
2 Agents * One week's work	ζ.		107	\$343.00	
Southern Californi	a				
H. Bonde	Misc.		30	\$44.50	_
T. Martin	P. G.	18	2	8.00	•
Lotta E. Hatch	H. W.		3	2.50	
Mrs. J. H. Hodge	H. W.		3	1.75	
Miscellaneous				10.00	

N. B. Last week was delivery week for most of our canvassers.

Let us all pray that this man may receive the light fully."

One who has been working with the small books says: "I have enjoyed the work very much, and firmly believe some others have been benefited besides myself. My best record was fourteen orders in one hour and twenty minutes."

Another home worker writes: "Surely the dear Lord has blessed my feeble efforts. How I wish I could have done more along this line of work! I shall take it up more fully in the very near future - shall give up my nursing entirely, and give my whole time to book and missionary work - if the Lord so wills. I find it very pleasant indeed to meet the people and talk with them. One lady who ordered a book from me is a Catholic. After making her selection of the book, we had a long talk. She wished to know our belief about the state of the dead, and said: 'I do not see where the Catholics get their belief of purgatory from even the Catholic Bible.' She said also that if she could find out from any reliable source that the pope is not a true prophet, she would not recognize the first day of the week."

One brother, who is connected with one of our sanitariums, and has been doing some canvassing, writes: "I am working at the sanitarium twelve to fourteen hours a day (half night and half day), and do my delivering in the morning. It is quite hard, but there is a great blessing in it. I had some precious experiences."

A sister writes: "Last Sabbath after sunset, I went to the station and found that my box of books had come on the afternoon train. Monday, as soon as the people were up, I began my delivery and worked until after dark. Tuesday I began early and worked as late. There were just a few places that I could not visit, but I will try to see them to-morrow. I presume some have spent their money for other things and can not take their books; but I have only a few left, and can deliver them to some one in the future, if those who ordered them can not take them. I was surprised that I could work hard all day delivering, when I could work but about two hours a day while taking orders. The Lord strengthened me. After holidays, I will do what I can. I send the amount due the tract society."

Brother Findley said in a letter received a few days ago: "This will be my last report for this year, but you can count on me for work again next year."

We hope that we can "count on" all of our workers again now as the new year, with its many possibilities, comes to us.

> C. C. Morlan, Field Agent S. Cal. Conf.

They are slaves who will not choose Hatred, scoffing, and abuse, Rather than in silence shrink From the truth they needs must think.

— James Russell Lowell.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1913

Elder E. E. Andross is spending this week in Southern California, attending a special meeting of the workers of that conference.

The secretary of the religious liberty department, Brother J. F. Blunt, is now in Sacramento attending the session of the legislature. His local address is in care of Hotel Sequoia.

#### Attention

The annual meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Association will be held Monday, the 20th of January, at 10 o'clock, according to announcement in the Pacific Union Recorder, at which time all the usual business will be transacted. This will be a very interesting meeting, and I shall be glad to see our brethren and sisters who can attend, present on this occasion. The Pacific Press is coming to be more and more important as a great factor in the promulgation of this message. It is located in our midst, and our people as far as possible should become acquainted with the working of the institution; and there is no opportunity of acquainting ourselves with its working equal to that which is afforded us at the annual meeting of the association. Even though you are not a member of the association, you will be welcome to its annual meeting. The constituency in our territory consists of the members of the union conference executive committee and the members of the executive committees of the local conferences in the union. There will be several members of the General Conference Committee, including Elders A. G. Daniells and W. T. Knox, in attendance. The officers of our churches who are located conveniently near the institution to attend, should do so if possible, and all others who can come will be greatly benefited by doing so.

> E. E. Andross, Pres. Pac. Union Conf.

## Notice of the Annual Meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing

#### Association

Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that the Annual Meeting of the members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, a corporation, organized and existing under, and by virtue of, the laws of the State of California, will be held at the office of the Association on Villa Street, in the Town of Mountain View, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on Monday, the 27th day of January, A.D. 1913, at 10 o'clock A.M.

The election of Directors for the ensuing year, the advisability of amending, repealing, or adopting new by-laws, or such other business as may be necessary or proper to be transacted, will come before the members of the Association.

By order of the Directors.

C. H. Jones, President. H. G. Childs, Secretary. See notice of Special Meeting.

#### Special Notice

While the regular Annual Meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Association will be held according to date given in the foregoing legal notice, it has been decided to hold an informal meeting Monday, January 20, 1913, at 10 o'clock A.M. At this time, all the business that is usually transacted at the regular meeting, will be presented for consideration, and the actions taken will be approved at the legal meeting, which will follow one week later. We therefore extend a hearty invitation to all the members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association to attend this special meeting.

This change in plan is to accommodate many of the leading members of the Association, including General Conference representatives and others, who will be in attendance at the Missionary and Bookmen's Convention to be held in Mountain View, California, January 13 to 23, 1913.

C. H. Jones, President. H. G. Childs, Secretary.

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#### February "Signs Magazine"

"The Future of Turkey in Prophecy," by L. A. Reed. The events in the fulfilment of the prophecy are traced out clearly, definitely, and interestingly. A strong, convincing setting, showing the importance of the times.

"Lack of Faith a Sign," by the editor. An article that clearly shows these particular conditions to-day as a sign of the times, and turns the minds of the readers to serious thought.

"The Advent Message in Europe," by Mrs. E. G. White. Another timely article in this important series.

"The Movement with Which the Seventh-Day Adventists Are Identified, as Foretold in the Scriptures"—No. 2, by T. E. Bowen. These articles, without question, are of the utmost importance, presenting the rise and progress of this great movement in just the way that will interest the unacquainted reader. Genuine, converting, missionary articles.

"Light on Life's Path," the new department, but one of wide interest and helpfulness.

\*\*Like as a Father," by Mrs. L. D. Avery-Stuttle. Another of those sympathetic, home articles for our Home Department.

"Glimpses of China," by F. E. Stafford. "Gardens" is the subject presented in this number.

"Bible and Science, Evolution in Prophecy." Another sign of the times. World-wide fulfilment. A brief, unanswerable presentation.

"Replenished from the East." The heathenism of the East supplanting Christianity.—a sign of the times.

"Signs of the End" in earthquake, famine, and sword.

Readers of this paper will easily recognize this February number of the Signs Magazine as being one of the most timely that has yet been produced.

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