

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

Mountain View, California, September 18, 1913

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Central California Camp-Meeting and Special Conference at Laton, October 30 to November 9, 1913

Another camp-meeting is before us. It is greatly hoped that this gathering of our people will prove to be one of great blessing to the cause in our conference. We wish to make a few suggestions which we hope may be helpful.

Make early temporal preparation. Prepare to be at the first meeting and to remain until the close of the gathering. Arrange matters at home so that the mind may be at rest, and all the energies given to the development and realization of definite desired blessings.

Make spiritual preparation. You are going to the encampment to unite with your brethren in communion with God. Prepare your heart for the reception of His Spirit. Confess to Him every wrong in your life. If differences have entered into your family or into the church, remove these stones of stumbling. These differences may prevent you from receiving the desired blessings; they may stand as obstacles in the way of others also.

Arrange, if possible, to take your entire family. Let parents and children, a united band, go up to meet with God and seek His special help.

Reach the camp the day before the opening meeting, in order that you may have your tent arranged, may become rested from your journey, and be in readiness to partake of the beginning of the feast.

As far as possible be in regular attendance at all general services. Acquaint yourself with the working of the various departments of the conference, so that you may be intelligent as to what this great movement is doing in the world, and the means and methods by which it is seeking to accomplish its purpose. Make note of all plans for the prosecution of the work, in order that you may cooperate intelligently in the future.

Take time for personal devotion. Remember that if you do not reach out personally after God, you may backslide even at a religious meeting. Take time every day for the study of the Word, time for private devotions and for family worship.

Take care of the physical health. In the changed conditions of living, proper attention should be given this matter. Take with you suitable clothing for rainy weather or cold nights. Plain, healthful food should be served. Avoid cold lunches and highly-seasoned food. In this period of physical inactivity, many become sick through improper eating or overeating; and even if sickness does not result, the sensibilities are benumbed, and the mind is clouded to that which God desires it to obtain.

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A cafeteria will be conducted on the camp ground, where meals will be served on the same plan as last year, at a very reasonable price.

If possible, appear before God with an offering for His work. Many needy enterprises, representing both local and general interests, may be presented. Respond to these calls, not alone to meet their requirements, but as an expression of love and gratitude for the mercies and benefits you have received.

Give a helping hand to any necessary work on the grounds, and if needed, assist in clearing the encampment at the close of the meeting.

Returning home, carry with you the fire of enthusiasm of the occasion to bless and gladden the lives of those who could not attend.

Camp-Meeting Help

At a recent meeting of the conference committee an action was taken inviting the following general laborers to attend our camp-meeting: Elder E. E. Andross, president of Pacific Union Conference; Elder F. M. Burg, president of the Southern California Conference; Elder E. W. Farnsworth, president of the California Conference; and Elder J. S. James, late of India. In addition to these we expect representatives from the Pacific Press, the St. Helena Sanitarium, Pacific Union College, and other representative men, as well as the entire laboring force of the conference. Best of all, we look for the Holy Spirit and the angels of God to be present at every meeting and in every tent.

Closing of Church Schools for Camp-Meeting

It was also recommended by the conference committee that we have a vacation for all church schools in the conference during camp-meeting week, beginning Wednesday, October 29, to Sunday, November 10, inclusive. We suggest that the various school boards arrange this matter with teachers and patrons so that all the young people and children may attend camp-meeting.

Representation

"The voters of this conference shall be the duly accredited delegates from the local churches, members of the executive committee, all ministers holding credentials from the conference, and such representatives of the Pacific Union and General conferences of Seventh-day Adventists as may be present at any meeting."

"Each local church shall be entitled to one delegate in the session of this conference, without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every fifteen church-members or fraction thereof, when more than seven."

"Unorganized companies of Sabbathkeepers shall be represented by the delegates at large."- Constitution Central California Conference.

Rent of Tents for Camp-Meeting Will Be as Follows:

12 x 17	tents	\$3.50
$12 \ge 17$	fly	.75
$12 \ge 17$	burlap	.75
$10 \ge 12$	tents	2.50
10 x 12	fly	.50
	burlap	

All orders for tents should be sent to the conference office addressed to G. A. Wheeler, Box 1304, Fresno, California. Please send your order at once.

J. H. Behrens.

Special Call for a Meeting of the Central California Conference Association

A meeting of the Central California Conference Association is called to convene in connection with the special session of the conference at Laton, California. The regular delegates to the Central California Conference (unincorporated) are the constituency of the Central California Conference Association. The first meeting of the association is called to meet on Wednesday, November 5, at 10:30 A.M.

J. H. Behrens, President.

G. A. Wheeler, Secretary.

Call for a Special Session of the Central California Conference

At a joint meeting of the Central California Conference committee and Armona school board it was voted "that the future policy of the Armona Academy and equipment be submitted to a. special session of the conference to be called in connection with the coming camp-meeting, October 30 to November 9, 1913.

In harmony with the above action, a special meeting of the Central California Conference is therefore called to convene at Laton, California, October 30 to November 9, 1913, for the transaction of the above named business and any other business as may seem best to the regular delegates and people in conference assembled. The first session of the conference is called to meet on Monday. November 3, at 10:30 A.M.

By order of the conference committee.

J. H. Behrens, President.

G. A. Wheeler, Secretary.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Modoc County

The last report from Modoc County was written the first of May, at the close of the effort at Cedarville, when Brother Dayton and wife left for Yuba City. . My wife and I remained a few weeks longer, to establish the new converts more thoroughly. On Sunday, May 18, two young people were baptized.

Several days were spent in visiting and holding meetings with the brethren and sisters at Lake City. The little company was greatly encouraged.

From this place we went to Fort Bidwell, and spent the Sabbath with the believers there. Sabbath morning, June 7, we had the pleasure of baptizing Sister Mamie Rice, the invalid daughter of Brother and Sister Rice. Brother Rice has spent several years as a minister in the Baptist Church, but now, with his family, is rejoicing in the message for to-day. Mamie, although an invalid, has a bright Christian experience. She greatly enjoys the study of the Bible.

June 11 we left Cedarville for Honey Lake Valley, spending a week with the scattered brethren and sisters there. They were all of good courage and rejoicing in the truth. June 15, Sister Charles Robinson was baptized.

Sabbath, June 21, was spent with the Chico church. We celebrated the Lord's

Supper with them. We appreciated this privilege, as it was our first opportunity, for nearly a year, of partaking of the Lord's Supper. The brethren had planned ahead for our coming, and the Lord greatly blessed in the meetings.

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After our good camp-meeting at Stockton, the committee decided we should make Modoc County our field of labor for another year, so on July 27 we started for our field. A week was spent in visiting the believers at Cedarville, Lake City, and Fort Bidwell.

At Lake City, three more young persons decided to obey the truth. Two of these and one other young person are planning to be in the Lodi school this year.

August 4 we began work in Alturas. Brother Marion King joined us at this place, and has been rendering valuable assistance. After we had our tent neatly arranged, and had advertised our meetings, visiting every home, and giving them personal invitations, the people failed to come. We visited their homes again, but to no avail. After every plan to obtain an audience had failed, we decided to look for another location.

The way seemed to open for us to pitch our tent at Eagleville; so August 18 we loaded everything on a freight wagon and started for Eagleville. This place is a small town in the southern part of Surprise Valley. September 1 finds us with a good audience and quite an interest manifested. The prospect seems very good. We are glad to say we have found some interest that was kindled three years ago with the Signs of the Times sent by the Lodi missionary society.

We ask an interest in your prayers for the success of the work in this place, that many souls may be brought to a knowledge of the truth.

W. S. Holbrook.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

A Year's Report

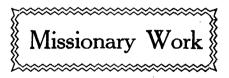
The blessings of the conference year just closed have been greater than those of any previous year in my ministry. Never have I seen the simple gospel of Revelation 14 create such a profound impression on old and young as it has in recent months. Believing that the threefold message is the gospel, and that preaching it is preaching the gospel just as God would have us preach it to-day, we have presented the message as the tender and pitcous appeal of Jesus to a lost world. It has stirred hearts. Men and women sodden in sin have been converted. On every side we have heard the cry, "Come over and help us." Surely this is the promised rain.

During the year, fifty-six took their stand to obey the commandments of God. Of this number, I have baptized fortythree, and several more will be ready soon.

Associated with me as tent master last fall was Brother K. Wood. When he was called to China, Brother P. Knox took his place and assisted some in the speaking during the winter months. This spring, Brother John Knox was sent to care for the tent and do Bible work. The rich experiences these young men had was evidence that the angel of the Lord held their hands in His as they entered homes to teach the third angel's message. During the greater portion of the year Miss Allen was our Bible teacher, Sister Lester joining us this spring. To frankly tell the truth, much of our success was due to their faithful laborg

Our brethren in the recent conference held in Los Angeles requested the writer and a strong company of colaborers to follow up the camp-meeting interest with a tent effort. Associated with me are Elders J. O. Corliss and B. M. Heald, and Brother E. Morrow; but we fear that Elder Corliss will not arrive to take an active part until near the close of the meetings. Sister Lester and Sister Olive Adams are our Bible teachers.

Sunday evenings we have an attendance of four hundred. Of course, on week evenings the number is less, but the interest is large and growing larger every night. It is too early to forecast the final result, but we feel assured of a good harvest. D. A. Parsons.



Incidents

During one of our home missionary meetings at the Stockton camp-meeting, a lady gave the following missionary experience, which had encouraged her in her work in the little church to which she belongs:

"About two and a half years ago, one of our sisters invited a little girl to come to our Sabbath-school. She came quite regularly until a few months later, when the family moved away. During the time, they were well supplied with literature; and after they left, we kept sending them reading-matter. As a result, they saw their duty in regard to paying tithe, and began sending their tithe to our church. They have been paying tithe now for a year and a half. They have also convinced one of their neighbors, and he has begun to pay his tithe. These people have not accepted the truth yet. However, they keep our tracts at hand, and are passing them out. One of the ladies has organized a Sunday-school where she is, and intends to use our supplies."

Another blessed result of some Christian help work and the giving of some literature was told me by a sister at the same camp-meeting who for six years had been alone in the truth in her neighborhood. She said: "My children gave up the truth, and my husband became discouraged and gave it up, and it seemed as if all of my opportunities to do any good were closed. But I felt impressed, some months ago, that I must do something, and prayed for the Lord's help that I might. I went to call on a family living in the neighborhood, and found a very sick child. I offered to help them care for it, which was gratefully accepted. It seemed as if the way opened for them to ask me questions, which I answered by leaving some of our literature. They became interested, and wanted to study, and it wasn't long until both the man and his wife accepted the truth in full. This so touched the heart of my husband that he felt his lost love for the message returning, and he began keeping the Sabbath again, and is here with me at the camp-meeting."

Needless to say, this sister was happy, and felt anxious to go back to her neighborhood and labor more earnestly for souls than ever before.

J. R. Ferren.

An Unusual Experience

Some time ago, the wife of the union conference missionary secretary in South Africa called her husband's attention to an advertisement which appeared in two or three issues of the *Cape Times*. It was headed as follows: "Maranath, the Lord Cometh."

The wording was brief, and set forth that the advertiser was very interested in the second coming of our Lord, and in the fast fulfilling signs of that event. He requested those of like mind to communicate with him, with a view to holding drawing-room meetings, and by prayer and study of the Scriptures, to draw near to God, asking for His guidance in preparing for the soon coming of our Saviour.

Brother Jeffrey made up his mind that no harm could come from answering such an advertisement, so wrote an answer, requesting further particulars, and giving his address. After three weeks, he received a reply, unsigned, as the writer stated that on account of the "lamentable sectarian spirit'' prevailing, he preferred to withhold it. Enclosed in it was a kind of manifesto, which he asked might be studied carefully. He desired to know if it was approved of, or if any suggestions could be made concerning it. It consisted chiefly of references to the Scriptures, and prophecies bearing on the second coming of Christ.

Brother Jeffrey replied, stating he was quite in accord with the document, and made one or two little suggestions. Shortly after, he received a nice note from a gentleman, giving his address, and asking Brother Jeffrey to meet a little company which gathered every Monday night at his home.

The following Monday, Brother Jeffrey went to the home, finding it to be a nice place standing in its own grounds. He was welcomed at the door by the gentleman who had written to him, and introduced to four other gentlemen and three ladies present. After a short opening prayer, they had an interesting study on the second coming of Christ, the members, after the study, joining in a quiet debate on some of the principal points of the reading. The meeting closed with general prayer, in which four or five took part.

Brother Jeffrey felt that he had made his way into quite a unique little company of honest souls, which feeling subsequent meetings amply confirmed. The people attending were of different denominations,— two Wesleyans, three Baptists, two members of the Dutch Beformed Church, all dissatisfied with their own churches, and looking and longingfor truth and the appearing of our Lord. He found they had two or three of our books in the house,—"Daniel and the Revelation," "Great Controversy," and some smaller books,— but did not seem to have made a study of them, for whileclear on the second coming of Christ, their minds seemed quite dark on such points as the sanctuary, state of dead, millennium, etc.

As they meet each Monday evening, the readings are taken by each in turn; so Brother Jeffrey has an opportunity to introduce the truth when his turn comes, and also in the discussions which follow each study.

This remarkable experience shows that the Lord is impressing souls by His Spirit, to study into the truths of the Scriptures. Doubtless there are many others who are looking and longing for light, who will be found by our people as they take up the work of distributing our tracts and periodicals from house to house.

> Gen. Conf. Home Miss. Dept. E. M. Graham, Secretary.

Our Books in Public Libraries

Unusual enthusiasm was shown at our camp-meetings this summer in the purchase of small books to be placed in public libraries and reading-rooms. A large number of the special sets offered, which included "Steps to Christ," were taken. To encourage those who took a part in this work, and others who may have the opportunity of placing copies of our books in libraries, we gladly pass on a copy of a letter which has just been received at the Pacific Press. It is dated Vallejo, California, August 30, and reads as follows:

"Will you please let me know what the price is of 'Steps to Christ' by Ellen G. White. Have just taken the book out of the public library here, and it is such a good book. I long to get one for myself and also one for a dear friend (who like myself is trying to get nearer to Jesus, if it is possible). It is certainly an inspiring book, and should bless its author for the help to mankind."

Let us continue to provide libraries and reading-rooms with our good books and periodicals. It is a splendid work. The books can be offered as a gift from the person, church, young people's society, or other organization, giving them, and the librarian will usually show a real appreciation of the donation, and gladly accept them. J. R. Ferren.

"The work of the gospel is not to depend solely upon the ministers; every soul should take an active part in advancing the cause of God."

Our Chance

Must any of the missionaries appointed to a foreign field and ready to go, remain at home for lack of the dollars necessary to pay their car and boat fare to the mission fields? Our Sabbathschools have never before had just such a chance as this. "How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent?"

Think of it! A hundred strong, sturdy recruits for mission work! A hundred light-bearers for dark, unentered fields! A carefully picked, carefully prepared corps of men and women with eyes and hearts set upon the needy mission fields, — the outposts! Wanted — money to buy the tickets to the fields waiting for them!

Any one desiring to help is invited to pass in the gift in the Sabbath-school offering on September 27, the thirteenth Sabbath of the quarter. Out of our abundance, let us give liberally. It will help to finish the work.

Mrs. L. Flora Plummer, Sec. Gen. Conf. Sabbath-School Dept.

Harvest Time

Farmers plan ahead for harvest time. All their year's toil focuses there. If the precious fruits of the earth are not gathered at the proper time, their loss is great. We are in the time of the gospel harvest of the world. We are entering into the labors of men of God who have toiled before us in sowing and watering the gospel seed. Now God wants harvesters. He often visits the market-place to find laborers. None of Christ's servants need to be idle now. There is work for all, including the youth and children.

October 6 begins our harvest for missions with the special Review. The burden of the work now rests with the conference officers to arrange for the harvesting within their own borders. If we raise \$100,000 this autumn, that means that every church-member in the United States and Canada shall bring in, on an average, \$1.54. This seems a small amount, doesn't it? If every one would work, it certainly would be a small task. But there will be some who may not be able to gather this much, perhaps none at all, while others easily can accomplish much more. Altogether, we surely can reach our new aim of \$100,000, if many who in the past have done nothing, help this year, and all those who went out last year do a little more this year than ever before.

Here are a few expressions from the field, given by conference presidents who have seen the figures giving the aim (on the basis of \$1.54 per member), and what this aim would mean to their conferences.

C. L. Taggart, president of the Northern California-Nevada Conference, writes: "We are planning on setting a high mark in our field. We hope to enlist all our workers, asking them to spend the larger portion of two weeks, or even more, when it will not interfere with their evangelical work, in soliciting for missions. I certainly hope that we can double what was received last year. We shall lay our plans systematically, and all work to this end."

W. H. Thurston, president of the Wisconsin Conference: "We are making an effort for a stronger campaign this fall with the *Review and Herald* than we did last year."

Out in Nebraska where the drought has seriously affected crops, the hopeful word comes from Brother J. W. Christian, the president: "We shall give the matter all the attention at our camp-meeting that we can, and then follow it up with strong efforts in our local churches. I sincerely hope we shall not be disappointed in our efforts."

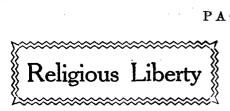
These are a few among many letters received indicating that the conferences are organizing for splendid work this autumn.

If the isolated Sabbath-keepers and all the churches cooperate with the conference officers by ordering papers and supplies during September, we know a splendid harvest will be gathered for missions during the closing weeks of 1913.

T. E. Bowen.

"The Bible Rejected" is a live article in the October *Signs Magazine*. There are eleven others, and a good list of stirring Current Topics. You will enjoy this number. So will your neighbors, if you take them a copy.

"Each one professing the name of Christ is to be an interested worker, ready to defend the principles of righteousness."



Petitions Out for a Sunday Law for California, to Be Submitted to a Vote of the People on the Initiative

With a zeal worthy of a better cause, the advocates of Sunday closing now are engaged in the circulation of petitions for a Sunday law, to be obtained by recourse to the initiative, if possible.

This time care is being exercised to prevent publicity, the idea apparently being that many signatures that otherwise would be lost can be secured under cover of dark lantern methods. If only the opponents of such a law could be kept in ignorance of what was contemplated, doubtless it is thought, sufficient names could be secured to compel the submission of the issue to a vote of the people.

But such schemes rarely fail of publicity, and it has been said that one thousand signatures have been secured in and around Riverside, where the ladies of the W. C. T. U. have been identified with the canvass. Elsewhere, notably in Los Angeles, the worthy women of that organization have refrained from meddling with this issue. Their reason, as tersely expressed by the president of one of the most influential of their unions, is that "there is a wide difference of conviction as to which day ought to be observed as the Sabbath, and we can well afford to leave this question to the consciences of citizens."

There is need, however, of an earnest campaign in opposition to the fallacious reasoning that always accompanies the circulation of such petitions, for many who would thoughtlessly sign, if not informed, would refuse to do so, if aware of the pernicious character of the movement. Our literature ought to be circulated "like the leaves of autumn," for everywhere it goes it carries a silent influence for truth and righteousness. If enough signatures should be secured to ensure the printing of the question on the ballots at the next ensuing election in California, we would be obligated to wage ceaseless warfare in opposition to the proposition. Let us be ready to plunge into a state-wide campaign the instant such a situation shall develop.

It is hard to interest the general public

in questions that do not appeal to them as "live issues," but immediately any overt act is attempted to deprive men of natural rights or constitutional liberty, there is an instant response to the protest. Last year such an opportunity was presented, and we lost the chance of bringing our forces into operation by delays that carried us past the failure of our opponents to secure the needful signatures. With their failure, the live issue became a dead one, and it was no easier to gain the ears of the people than before it was raised in the first place.

Just now in Los Angeles, however, a new condition has been presented. The barbers, failing to secure the unanimous consent of the master barbers and journeymen, to the proposition of closing on Sunday, have appealed to the city council for the enactment of an ordinance. compelling all shops to be closed on "the seventh day of the week, commonly called Sunday." Thus, intentionally or through ignorance, it is sought to confuse the issue, and to make people imagine that by Sunday keeping obedience is rendered to the divine law of the Sabbath, only applicable to the seventh day of the week.

A hearing has been accorded to us, at which forcible arguments in opposition to the proposed measure were presented by the Rev. Dr. S. Hecht, rabbi of Temple B'nai B'rith; the Rev. G. W. Hills, pastor of the Seventh-day Baptist church; the Rev. T. A. Gill, registrar for California of the Christian Sabbath Keepers' Union, and Elder W. M. Healey of San Diego, at whose united request a brief was presented by the writer, showing clearly the illegal and unconstitutional, as well as the ethical and religious obstacles, in the way of such an enactment.

The committee seemed more concerned lest the ordinance might be invalid if adopted than they did as to any fundamental question of right and justice, and the chairman, the only Socialist in the council, triéd to create an impression against the opposition to the measure, while pretending to be fair in hearing such objections. After waiting a week or more in the attempt to discover some valid objection to our logic, the committee is said to have advised the council to adopt the ordinance. This is merely proposed as a means of avoiding criticism from the labor elements aligned on the side of the proposed closing of the barber shops. It seems to be the desire of the councilmen to leave to the courts the question as to the validity of the ordinance, rather than to incur the political enmity of the faction demanding the coercion of a minority among the barbers opposed to Sunday closing.

We have now applied for a hearing before the entire council, when the representatives of the various organizations opposed to any invasion of private business by municipal despotism will again appear. Doubtless a thorough overhauling of the whole question will result from this hearing, for we shall fight the issue to a finish.

Two days before our hearing in committee, the Church Federation of Los Angeles held its first joint meeting with the Central Labor Council, where the ministers of Los Angeles, favorable to state enforced religion, made common cause with the trade-unions, and sought the cooperation of the labor element in the accomplishment of their own objects. And the plans for the coercion of dissenters were cemented amidst the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" and "America," "sweet land of liberty." Thus the principles of Oppression were fostered in the livery of Freedom. Only about three hundred people were present at the meeting, many going simply from curiosity, but the gathering marks a culmination of interests, the unity of which means the coercion of the minority in the behalf of the majority. Hitherto the Socialists have universally endorsed our opposition to state enforced religion, and it is hoped that Mr. Wheeler, erstwhile candidate for mayor of Los Angeles on the Socialistic ticket, is not supported in his catering to the labor element, in their unjust and illegal demand for a Sunday closing ordinance.

Meantime, it would be most pleasing to the writer of this article if the friends of liberty everywhere would keep him advised, by means of newspaper clippings and letter, of all attempts to secure, locally or otherwise, any religious legislation. Please address all such matter to 149 N. Kern St., Los Angeles, California.

J. F. Blunt, Secy. Pacific Religious Lib. Assn.

"In withholding our hearts' service from the Lord, we fail to benefit our fellow man, and thus rob God of the glory that would flow to Him through the conversion of others."

PERIODICAL SALES SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRACT SOCIETY July, 1913

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	Signs	Life and Health	Watchman	Temperance Instructor	Libertu	Protestant	Chinese	Japanese	Spanish	Total
Mrs. Eliza Allen	30	35	చస							100
Mrs. A. M. Althaus	100		100							200
C. Castillo									25	25
Miss Hazel Baldwin	20	5								25
Edith E. Bedford	5	5^{\cdot}		10						20
Mrs. J. E. Bond	65									65
Mrs. A. Carey								25		25
Glendale Y. P. Society	50									50
Miss Helen Huntington	261	18	215		2		-			496
Miss Lydia Johnson	130	95	50		25		50			350
Miss_Zetta Jaeger	25		•							25
W. J. Keele	100									100
Miss Eunice Klopfenstein						10				10
Cyril Lowe				100						100
Paradise Valley Society	200									200
Mrs. C. Richli	60	60	-							120
Mrs. Isabelle Richmond	50	50	50	~	50	50				250
Will Strickland	125	237	90	5	5					462
E. W. Snyder	.								250	250
B. E. Kefft	100	-								· 100
Vegetarian Cafeteria		50			~					50
Mrs. Della Weston	20	004	25		5					50
Miscellaneous	60	204	129	710	13	45				1,161
Totals	1,401	759	694	825	100	105	50	25	275	4,234

REPORT OF PERIODICAL SALES FOR CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE August, 1913

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Name	L. & H.	Signs Mag	. Watchm	an Ch. Signs	Value
Mrs. S. Graves	600		200		\$80.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Callicotte	540				54.00
G. H. McCoon	300				30.00
Miss Florence Morser		315		50	36.50
Oakland Missionary Society		125			12.50
Mrs. O. A. Adams		100			10.00
Mr. Frank Butz	50				5.00
Eureka Missionary Society	50.				5.00
Miss Stanley	30				3.00
J. R. Reed	15	50			6.50
Miss Ruth Crane		25		50	7.50
Mountain View Missionary Soc	liety	25			2.50
Myra Carleton	-	50	50		10.00
Office Sales	15	68		37	12.00
Totals	1,600	758	250	137	\$274.50
Miscellaneous subscriptions and	l back nur	nbers		9	175.40
					\$449.90

H. B. Thomas, Missionary Secretary California Conference.

A Large Tract Order

A telegram order received and filled late last Friday afternoon by the Pacific Press called for 19,000 copies of Sabbath tracts to be sent by express. A few years ago this would have been a most extraordinary occurrence, but in these days of liberal seed-sowing it is only a passing incident at one of our publishing houses. Such orders should turn the attention of our people everywhere to the opportunities they individually have for using tracts. It might be of interest to those who are supplying themselves with assortments of tracts, to know that 16,000 copies of the tracts ordered by this message were numbers contained in the Pocket Package No. 3. This package furnishes seven varieties of Sabbath tracts, thirty tracts in all, and is furnished for twenty-five cents post-paid. The list is:

- 5 Who Changed the Sabbath?
- 5 New Testament Sabbath
- 8 Which Day Do You Keep? and Why?
- 2 Seal of God and Mark of the Beast

4 Sunday in a Nutshell 3 Is Sunday the Sabbath?

3. The Seventh, or One Seventh?

A New Book by Elder F. C. Gilbert

The title of this book, "From Judaism to Christianity" gives a good idea of its scope. The author, educated in his youth as a rabbi, is now a Christian minister, and has had a wide experience as a lecturer for many years. He is a thorough Bible student, coversant with both the Old Testament and the New. The knowledge the author brings to us in this work throws much light upon the Scriptures, and explains things not usually understood concerning the people who were the depositaries of divine revelation for nearly 2,000 years before the New Testament was written.

The Bible was originally written by the Jewish people, hence we are debtors to them. The last chapter of this book gives an accurate description of the Jewish people at the present time, their views and beliefs.

This book contains 384 pages, and is sold in two bindings:

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From Our Friends Far Away

Some of us have heard that Brother and Sister S. G. White, who went out from Central California to China a year ago, have been sick of typhoid. We are glad to know they are recovering. A card dated at Mokanshan, August 20, says:

"We just got here and things in shape when both Mrs. White and I were asked to spend four weeks in bed with typhoid. Did not see our children for five weeks. Had to send to Shanghai (150 miles) for nurses and a doctor. We are around now and doing nicely. It is a beautiful REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 5, 1913

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Central California						
W. P. Henderson	G. C.	28	12	\$10.25	\$49.25	
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Mrs. Cora Tiefel	H. W.	11/2	8		3.75	
Mrs. Eva Buckner	Ħ.W.	· 3 ´	6		· 8.50	
9 Agents		157	133		\$145.00	\$223.45

place here to be well; and if you have to get sick, there are no better close by. We go to Hankow, Central China, October 1.''

Brother Floyd Ashbaugh, in the Philippine Islands, has just received a bicycle from the United States, which he says will be a great help to him in his work in the country during the dry weather. "Last Monday," he writes, "I rode fifty miles, crossed five rivers, and collected in three towns. Reached Iloilo at 9:30 at night pretty tired and sore. June and July I was delivering in Negros. The Lord blessed in making a good delivery, though the last two weeks found the interior towns very muddy on account of the heavy showers. For one week it rained almost continuously day and night. When I did get out I found the water and mud up to my knees in many places. My shoes were broken in two in the middle and the half soles pulled off in the mud, as I had about fifteen miles of that kind of road. But who is afraid of a little water and mud? It all comes out in the wash, as we boys used to say. What makes me feel good is that quite a number of 'Patriarchs and Prophets' and 'Salud y Hogar' ('Home and Health,' Spanish) were left behind on the muddy trail. For the past few evenings I have been giving Bible readings to a young Filipino preacher. He believes the Sabbath. and seems to be in earnest. Brother Finster writes that he is bringing nine more workers. This is indeed good news. We rejoice that the Lord is sending forth reapers into this overripe field. Enclosed find 50 cents for a year's subscription to the PACIFIC UNION RECORDER."

Pacific Grove

Our tent effort will close to-night, with triumph. We have labored hard and faithfully for nearly eight weeks the writer in company with Elder Patterson the fore part of the meeting, and with Brother Truesdell and wife the latter part.

The last two weeks of the meeting there has been a hand-to-hand fight with the clergy and others, who have done house-to-house work with our interested ones, telling them the same old stories of, ''no law,'' ''not under the law, but now under grace,'' etc. However, a few have been made to see the bright gems of truth, and are happy to obey.

Sabbath afternoon the Monterey church gathered at a quiet place on Monterey Bay, where four believing souls followed their Master in baptism. Others are contemplating the step in the near future, while another was satisfied with her former baptism, and still others are studying. Brother Truesdell will remain a while longer and take care of this interest. F. E. Brown. September 14.

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Obituaries

RICKEY.— Louise Leininger Rickey was born near Portsmouth, Ohio, April 22, 1844; died at Oakland, California, aged

69 years, 4 months, and 9 days. In 1861 she was united in marriage to Daniel Boone Rickey, at Ione, Amador County. California. To this union was born one child, now Mrs. Rena Mills. Sister Rickey accepted the present truth through the efforts of Elders D. M. Canright and M. E. Cornell, and was baptized by the former in 1874, a charter member of the Oakland church. For thirty-two years she has been an invalid, and for twenty years has not taken a step. She leaves to mourn, her faithful, devoted companion, the daughter, two brothers, one sister, and a grandson. She was laid to rest in the Mountain View Cemetery at Oakland, California, to await the coming of the One in whom B. E. Beddoe. she trusted.

Charles Robinson was born in England, January 24, 1846, and died at Milford, Lassen County, California, August 1, 1913, at the age of 67 years, 6 months, 7 days.

At the age of twenty-one he was united in marriage to Miss Margaret J. Shotton. To this union eleven children were born, all but one of whom are living. He came to America thirty years ago, and settled in Cleveland, Ohio. Six years ago he removed to Milford, where he resided until his death. He joined the Wesleyan Church when a young man, and three years ago, under the labors of Elder Fred Brink, he accepted the truths of the third angel's message, and was baptized by him, uniting with the Janesville church as a charter member.

Brother Robinson was a faithful member and a careful Bible student. He was chosen as a delegate to represent his church at the last conference, at Stockton, California — a privilege he greatly enjoyed. He sleeps in the hope of the first resurrection. Words of comfort were taken from 1 Thess. 4:14-18; 1 Cor. 15:20-26; Rev. 21:1-5.

H. A. Hartman.

"In the face of what might be done, will the church sleep on, or will they feel the responsibility and the honor that are conferred upon them through the merciful providence of God, and gather up their hereditary trusts and the advantages of present light, and feel the necessity of rising to the urgent emergency that now presents itself before us?"

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1913

For Sale

Nice four-room plastered house. Choice lot of bearing fruit-trees. Good location — three blocks from Seventh-day Adventist church and church school. Easy payments. Address H. E. Hollingsworth, R. F. D. 14 A, San Fernando, Cal.

Lost

On Los Angeles camp ground, August 18, a gold watch and chain. Name inside of back case — Dora Frazier. Please return. Address D. W. Frazier, 943 West 5th Street, Pomona, Cal.

With the approval of the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference, Elder J. O. Corliss, who has been a resident of Mountain View for many years, is moving to Southern California. Elder Corliss and his wife and aunt will live in Glendale, and he will assist in carrying forward the work in that vicinity as Providence may indicate. We believe his long experience in the work will be a blessing to the churches he may visit in that portion of the field.

Our readers will be pleased to learn that the hospital for the College of Medical Evangelists, which was provided for by the generous donations made last March and at the General Conference, is now nearing completion, and will be ready for service in connection with the medical college this fall. In addition to this, steps have been taken to open a dispensary in Los Angeles for additional clinical facilities. With these resources for practical work in medical lines, we can see a bright future for this institution, and we trust that many workers will be trained there, who will assist in carrying the everlasting gospel of salvation to many nations whose people are now calling for help.

The management of the vegetarian café located on Geary Street, San Francisco, has been looking for some time for larger quarters in order to meet the demands of increased patronage. We are pleased to announce that a commodious room has been secured on the Market Street side of the present block now occupied, and a force of mechanics will soon have it in order for an early opening. With thousands of people passing its entrance way every hour of the day, we can safely predict that it will be but a short time until the catering capacity, which is two hundred persons at a sitting, will be more than taxed. We are pleased to notice the increased interest in healthful living which calls for this change.

Before this paper goes to press, the Pacific Union College will have opened its doors for another year's work. The prospects are that its capacity is to be more than taxed. We are pleased to learn that quite a number of students are to take regular college work and thus fit themselves for greater usefulness in giving the message for this time. We hope that many of our young people in our academies and church schools will also set for their standard of attainment the securing of a college education, that they too may become efficient workers in the Master's vineyard. We as parents can bestow no greater legacy on our children than the opportunity for a college education. We may have farms, buildings, and gold in abundance, but the bestowing of these things upon our children is as sounding brass compared to the value of a college training. It is this college work that will enable our young people to occupy positions of trust, and stand with confidence and assurance before men in all the walks of life, and direct their minds to Him who gave His life for us. There can be no work more important, no calling more sacred or exalted than that of giving to the world this last message of mercy. "And they that be teachers shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

A report from the General Conference treasurer shows that the standing of the Pacific Union Conference on the Fifteen-Cent-a-Week Fund on June 30 was as follows: Amount required at the rate of \$3.90 a member, \$33,481.50. Amount paid in, \$22,788.57; thus leaving a shortage of \$10,692.93. The amounts paid in and the shortage by conferences is as follows:

Conference	Paid	Shortage
Arizona	\$513.85	\$ 554.75
California	5,598.85	4,435.85
S. California	9,790.57	3,079.43
Cent. California	2,532.15	1,718.85
N. CalNevada	4,014.99	442.71
Utah .	338.16	461.34

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Since the first of July some large offerings have gone forward from some of our fields, but not enough has come in to cover this shortage and make up the increased quota required from that date onward. As our readers know, on July 1 the Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund becomes operative. This means that the 8,585 members in this field are asked to contribute for the month of July an average of 87 cents each, or a total of \$7,468.95 for the month. The same amount would be the quota for August. By conferences the amount asked for is as follows:

Conference	Membershi	p Amount
Arizona	274	\$ 238.38
California	2;573	2,238.51
Cent. California	1,090	948.30
N. CalNevada	1,143	994.41
S. California	3,300	2,871.00
Utab	205	178.35

8,585 \$7,468.95

While there is a large shortage at the present time, we feel that it can be more than made up by a strong cooperative effort in each church to take advantage of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, with the special *Review*, that is soon to open in behalf of our mission work. Our people have been greatly blessed in their efforts in this line heretofore, and as we rally for the campaign this year, let us do so with the hope that what we secure will make up for the entire field the sum of \$100,000 for missions.

"Brethren and sisters who have long claimed to believe the truth, I would ask you, Have your practises been in harmony with your light, with your privileges, with the opportunities granted of heaven?"