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The Church

What Are Your Plans?

The prophet of the Lord came to Hezekiah, king of Judah, and said, "Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live." In many respects this was a very serious and solemn notice from the heavenly court. From another view-point it was a most kindly act, as it gave the king notice that it was time for him to see that everything was arranged just as he wanted it to be, and he would have time to do it, but the end was not far distant.

By us who are living in this day and age of the world, the same counsel should be received, "Set thine house in order"; in other words, Prepare your affairs of life in such a way that if the clock strikes twelve, and the spark of life is put out suddenly, your business will be arranged so that those who must

take up the burden may do so with the least inconvenience; and, furthermore, that your cherished plans with reference to the extension of the message may be carried out.

This call to "set thine house in order" should be considered by every individual who has passed the prime of life, for often it is at this period in life that the summons comes without notice, to lay aside the cares of this world.

Every one who has any property has thought of how he would leave it to his family. Those of us who have realized the need of the cause have no doubt calculated that out of our abundance we would some day help the work in a liberal way. The proceeds from the sale of one of the farms, or some other property, may have been set apart for a certain line of work; another piece of property may have been designated for the support of the family. But whatever our plans, it is both our privilege and duty to administer them while we live. If we have real estate or money at interest, or both, and we have given no thought as to the future, it is time that we were doing so.

As we travel about in the conferences, we find many people who are deeply interested in the progress of the message. Their interest is so strong that they are planning to devote to the cause the funds that the Lord has given them a stewardship over.

One man says, "My farm I will give to our educational work, so it will be a permanent endowment." Another one says, "When I make my will, then I will remember the needs of the cause."

Many people have thought the same way. But it is a sad fact to record that thousands of dollars have been set

aside for the work by will, yet because of some heirs that were not agreeable to the plan, a contest was started, and the will was broken, so that instead of the money going to the cause, a good portion of it went to the lawyers, and the balance went in other channels. Or perhaps the will is faulty because some fundamental law governing wills has not been observed, so it is set aside for this reason. It is not a good plan to leave property by will if some better method can be followed.

There is another class who have funds in hand, and their money is loaned to the denominational institutions at interest, and negotiable notes were accepted in return. Many of our brethren that follow this plan expect to leave their money in the work unless they are compelled to draw it out because of changed plans. But oftentimes death overtakes some of these persons before any final provision is made. These notes then become the property of the heirs. Many thousands of dollars have been placed in the cause in this way with the idea of never drawing it out, but in an hour that these persons knew not, life's record was closed, and the property was left to relatives who took no interest in our work, or who had no part at all in assisting in gathering the funds together. The law, however, will take its course, unless we look forward and plan wisely for the future. How important it is that we do plan wisely, and set our house in order while we yet live and have the opportunity.

Others make an outright gift of their funds at the time they place them, and take in return an annuity bond which is to yield them a reasonable allowance during the remainder of their lives.

Such a transaction as this is final. The annuity bond does not become a portion of the estate that may be left after the death of the owner. He who so arranges his affairs has the privilege of knowing that his funds will be used for the upbuilding of the work. The longer such a bond stands before it matures, the stronger it is. Are there not many of our people who desire to so arrange their affairs?

Another man may have a good ranch, but he must operate it during his lifetime. But in order to provide for the work in such a way that there can be no doubt as to his plans, he deeds his property to the cause, and takes in return a life lease on the property, so he has it to use the same as before. The income from it is his. He keeps up the repairs, and makes the improvements the same as he did before. But if he is called suddenly to lay down his work, he is prepared to do so, as his plans were made months before. In this instance, there is no trouble with probate courts over the property he intended for the work, for the transfer has been made, and is a matter of public record.

Since so much money is passing out of the work, that was expected to be used for all time in it, we urge our brethren and sisters to give due consideration to the situation and to make their plans for the future while they themselves may do so. The officers of the Pacific Union Conference will be pleased to assist our brethren in every way they can. J. J. Ireland.

Some Don't's for 1914

Don't forget to pray daily.

Don't neglect the daily study of the Bible.

Don't forget that you are God's messenger in the world.

Don't forget that God has commissioned you to speak of His love, by helping those entrapped by sin, by encouraging those that are cast down, by feeding the hungry, by clothing the destitute, by being eyes to those that are blind, by sympathizing with those that mourn, by ministering to those that are sick and afflicted, by directing the wanderer to the paths of righteousness.

Don't forget that the blessings of the Lord are new every morning, and that in the evening you should not fail to thank Him for them.

Don't forget to have a supply of our tracts to give to those that are seeking for light.

Don't forget that there is danger of your falling if you follow a multitude engaged in sin.

Don't neglect the house of prayer.

Don't fail to read our periodicals and keep in touch with the progress of the message.

Don't forget that you are your brother's keeper.

Don't forget that you are a child of the Most High; and your deportment here from day to day should be in harmony therewith, for you will be known and read by all men.

Don't forget that it is the little things of life that help fill up the book containing each day's record. Be careful about those little things.

Don't forget that "a word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

Don't forget, when you are in doubt, to stop and ask the question, "What would Jesus do?"



The Field

Good News

Word has just come from Elder F. M. Burg, president of the Southern California Conference, that they have raised sufficient to make up their deficit on the twenty-cent-a-week fund for the six months ending December 31, 1913. This is good news, but I sincerely hope southern California may not be alone in this good showing.

This splendid result was attained in southern California by a strong, united effort at the close of the year. Would it not be an excellent plan for every church throughout this union conference to begin with this new year and see that every month that passes they are reaching the standard? A chart has been prepared at the union conference office, to be hung up in each church, and to be filled in by the church treasurer each month. This will reveal the exact financial standing of your church. The elder should insist on this being attended to properly, then he should frequently call the attention of the church to the chart, and should urge the members to faithfulness in their steward-

ship. Let the newly elected officers take up their duty along these lines at once. This should not be done to the neglect of other important matters; but while other matters are being attended to, this should not be neglected.

Our work will soon be over. A few more sacrifices, a few more days of devoted labor, a little longer of vigilant watching and earnest praying, and we shall see our glorious Lord who gave His life that we might be with Him through all eternity. O, then let us not faint at any task, or draw back at any sacrifice, that will hasten the hour of our final triumph, or enhance the glory of our adorable Redeemer!

E. E. Andross,
Pres. Pacific Union Conf.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

A Conference President Sends a New Year's Letter

This announcement to the churches of southern California is my first letter for the year 1914. I want to tell you the good news: Our conference has raised its twenty cents a week in full for the six months from July 1 to December 31. I am sure this will encourage your hearts as it has mine. Our churches have lifted nobly.

Now then, let us start with January 1, 1914, to keep this fund up to the full amount from month to month, so that there will not be the necessity that has confronted us lately to make up a shortage by a special call. Each church can consider that there is no back amount to make up, and can start with a clean slate from this date.

Church elders and Sabbath-school officers especially should keep alive to this question of helping our mission work, and should encourage the church to keep its funds up to the mark regularly.

A happy new year to you all.

Your brother and fellow worker,
F. M. Burg.

The Week of Prayer at the Furlong [Los Angeles] Church

Preparatory to this season, the church seems to have sought the Lord for His special blessing, and the hearts were undoubtedly in a receptive condition.

The nearness of the "coming King," the real need of genuine preparation to meet Him in peace, and a consecration

of life and means to the Master, were some of the blessings gained as an outgrowth of the readings.

There was a spirit of heart searching and humble confession which freed from the bondage of sin, the skies cleared, the sun arose, and songs of deliverance and praise ascended to the Father above, who takes delight in a "broken and contrite spirit."

Truly we thank the dear Lord for all. The attendance was good, considering the fact that the services were held in the evenings, at the church, and very few members live in that vicinity.

The offering was free, and measured up well.

All seem ready and willing to go forward in the special effort soon to begin in a hall in the down-town district.

Brethren, pray that we may fully follow on to know the Lord and serve Him fervently with soul, mind, heart, and body, and that the cause of God may gloriously prosper under His guidance.

Lewis C. Sheafe.

1723 E. 51st Street,
Los Angeles, Cal.

ARIZONA

Conference Notes

On the first day of the new year, the business pertaining to the office of the Arizona Conference and Tract Society was transferred to the Pacific Union headquarters at Mountain View, California, in harmony with an action taken at our recent conference.

Elders Dillon and Sims report that full forty new Sabbath-keepers are attending the Sabbath services held at Safford, and that three fourths of these are adults. On the whole, this is the largest ingathering of souls in a single locality that this conference has known for several years.

The interest in the vicinity of Safford is still excellent; and we have reason to believe that with the holding of other efforts in near-by places, we will have the second largest church in the conference, in that important center.

For five weeks a series of meetings has been in progress in a centrally located hall in the city of Phoenix. These meetings, in which Elder A. S. Booth is taking the leading part, have been well attended from the beginning. For

the past week, some of the most testing truths of the last message have been presented, but the attendance and interest are still excellent.

On several occasions, public tests have given evidence that at least twenty persons would be obedient to the light of truth. We have reason to believe that the final results of the meetings will be the salvation of a goodly number of souls.

For a number of years in the past, it has been regarded as almost hopeless to try to create an interest in our message in this city. We rejoice to know that the Lord has wrought in creating a deep interest in the hearts of many honest-hearted people. We request prayers, especially of our people in Arizona, that the effort may mean a splendid harvest of souls.

G. W. Reaser.

Artesia

In connection with our work here in Safford, Arizona, Elder W. L. Sims and I have, by the Lord's help, created quite an interest in the Artesia district, which is located about eight miles south of Safford. We have a small company of faithful Mexicans there, who have been holding up the light of this precious truth for a number of years. Yesterday I held quarterly services with them; and it did my heart good to see these dear souls, saved from Catholicism, rejoicing in this last closing message. I am glad to report their faithfulness in returning their tithes and in the giving of offerings for the support of the work.

We believe there are to be brighter days for the Mexican work in this conference.

I. P. Dillon.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Monterey

The Seventh-day Adventist Church at Monterey held their regular annual business meeting on the evening of December 28.

The report in part of the church and young people's society for the year is as follows:

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| Tithe receipts, \$507.24 — just double that of 1912. | |
| Offerings to foreign missions .. | \$208.61 |
| Number added to church | 15 |
| Missionary Volunteer Society: | |
| Letters written | 16 |

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Missionary visits | 420 |
| Bible readings | 52 |
| Papers distributed | 126 |
| Books distributed | 22 |
| Hours Christian help work | 600 |
| Articles of clothing given away | 103 |
| Offerings for foreign missions ... | \$2.95 |

It may be of interest to know that out of the fifteen added to the church, eleven were new converts.

Mrs. Truesdell and I are at present engaged in Bible work. The Lord is greatly blessing our efforts. We expect two of our readers will soon be baptized. Pray for the work in Monterey, that during the year 1914 many more souls may be added to the little church here.

Geo. A. Truesdell.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Conference Items

We hope to arrange for a number of series of meetings where we have small churches and companies, in the early spring.

There is an excellent missionary spirit throughout the conference. As high as twenty-five orders in one day have come to the office for books, papers, tracts, etc. May this good work continue throughout the year.

General meetings will be held with the following churches:

- Chico — January 24, 25.
- Red Bluff — January 26, 27.
- Stockton — January 31.
- Salida — February 1.
- Oakdale — February 7.
- Winton — February 8.
- Sacramento — February 14.
- Woodland — February 15.
- Modesto — February 21.
- Turlock — February 22.
- Hughson — February 28.
- Le Grand — March 1.

We have not learned from these churches whether the dates suggested will best suit them, so it is possible some changes will be made. The various lines of the message will be considered, and at each place we would like to crowd in as many meetings as possible. Brethren J. W. Rich and Verah MacPherson, Mrs. Alice Mina Mann, Mrs. C. L. Taggart, and the writer will be present. The Sabbath-school, young people's, and missionary work will have special attention. We hope that where it is possible, our isolated brethren and sisters, and other churches and com-

panies near these places, will arrange to be with us.

Let us begin to plan and pray just now that these will be the best meetings we have ever experienced. There is no reason why each succeeding service should not be better than any previous one.

We would be glad if we could extend this list, but we can not promise more this time. Other churches will be favored later.

C. L. Taggart.

Educational

Teachers' Institute at Pacific Union College

It rained all the time, but the institute was a complete success. Weather has little to do with the enthusiasm to be found among a company of thirty-five teachers who are met together for a definite object. The teachers from the Northern California Conference joined the California teachers, bringing with them a spirit to unite in all the exercises—in fact, to make it their own institute. The meetings were held in the class rooms of the college, the evening lectures being in the chapel.

Sister McKibbin gave the key-note in her talk to the teachers Sabbath afternoon, on the topic, "The Spiritual Responsibility of the Teacher." Teachers stand in the place of parents, and they can never hope to succeed until they gain the parent-heart. This gained, the teacher has access to the inner self of the child. Sister McKibbin calls upon all our teachers to magnify their office, to do the work the Lord has placed upon them, not only for the children, but for the parents and the church.

On Sunday morning, at the opening of the actual work of the institute, Sister McKibbin welcomed the teachers in a delightfully happy speech that left nothing to be questioned in the hearts of the visitors. And throughout the session, the same good spirit prevailed. One especially helpful feature was the constant use of the question box. Several times each day, short periods were devoted to answering questions. In this way many problems of the schools were solved.

The subject of geography was presented by Mrs. Grace Robison, actual

work by her pupils being used to illustrate her lessons. This was the plan followed by her and others in subjects of household economy, gardening, etc.

Professor Irwin presented the subject of "Recreation." His instruction is timely, following the instruction given us by the spirit of prophecy. When we put the emphasis as it should be, we have *re-creation*, and then will "every student be able to say, I study, I work for eternity."

"What Shall Our Children Read?" was a question considered by Brother Milton Robison. It is a live question, one parents and teachers must consider seriously, for what a child reads, he is; and since he will read, we must place in his hands only that which will strengthen the mind for the serious problems of life.

The necessity of closely following the course of study was urged by Mr. Arthur Lashier; only by so doing can our schools carry the work forward in a uniform manner. Miss Olive Hoiland explained the value of illustrations, presenting numerous pleasing examples to make clear her remarks. Thus many elements of successful teaching were presented, all the teachers being free to take part in discussion or to ask questions.

One feature of particular value and interest was the lectures of Mr. Pedro Lemos. Two of these were presented in the chapel, that the students might hear them. "Nature the Source and Basis of Art," was his theme, illustrated by many fine drawings made while he talked; also illustrated by several splendid exhibits from his work in connection with the art classes at the state university at Berkeley. Simplicity is Mr. Lemos's idea of school art; and that not only in the matter of drawing, but also in all school work, the school furnishings, the building, and the surroundings. To those who heard and saw, it was an inspiration.

On Monday and Tuesday, the work of the church school was observed. The normal department of the college is progressing, though the work on the building is not complete. The school sessions were conducted as usual, the visitors going from one department to another to see the actual work being done. This gave many an opportunity to gain points on the how of teaching.

The evening lectures being on general

topics, the attendance included the resident brethren and the students. The evening after Sabbath, Prof. M. W. Newton gave a stereopticon lecture—the first in the college chapel—on the topic, "Among the Glaciers of Switzerland." Professor Newton is well known wherever the RECORDER is read, and it is not necessary to say that his lecture was pleasing and instructive.

On Sunday evening, Prof. M. E. Cady talked on the subject, "The Bible in Education." This is a favorite theme of Professor Cady's; his work has demonstrated his fitness to talk on it.

"Vision and Expression," by Prof. G. W. Rine, was indeed an intellectual feast. How to see what we read, and how to express what we see,—these are the problems of the teacher, and in fact of every one who would present truth to others. In his inimitable way, Professor Rine illustrated his lecture by quotations, drawn largely from the Scriptures, the source of the best examples of literature.

On Tuesday evening, Elder E. J. Hibbard presented a sketch of the history, principles, and progress of Rome. There is no room for doubt as to where we are in the world's history; history confirms the prophecies regarding this power; there remains but the final conflict, for the world is ready and Rome is ready—Rome is already in actual possession of power and facilities for her great work.

By often-repeated expressions of satisfaction and pleasure, and by formal vote of appreciation, the teachers of both conferences wish to make known to Professor Irwin, the faculty, and the college management, their thanks for the royal entertainment. Many students were away for their vacation, but those that remained showed a spirit to help and oblige. Good cheer and good fellowship prevailed; the benefits might be difficult to name specifically, but the inspiration and enthusiasm gained are real. To Professor Wolfkill, also, a word of thanks is due, for his kindly and skilful conduct of the institute, and for the beautiful souvenir calendar, which will be a daily reminder throughout the year.

Let the concluding thought of this report be the ten characteristics that a teacher of the church school must and will have, as outlined by Professor Cady:

The teacher must be a Christian;
Must have consecrated all his powers
of mind, body, and spirit to his chosen
profession;

Will have a mastery of himself;
Must be master of all branches
taught;

Will give a systematic education,
physical, mental, and spiritual;

Will make the Bible the foundation
of all the work;

Will give religion and missionary ef-
fort first place;

Will have as the greatest ambition
the training of efficient workers in the
cause of God;

Will be an example to the pupils in
all things;

Will make the Great Teacher his ex-
ample in all things.

Max Hill.

Religious Liberty

Sunday Closing as Related to the Prohibition Movement Now Under Way in California

The law prohibiting the opening of post-offices and the delivery of mail on Sunday has added largely to the cost of the postal service, and "materially lessens its efficiency," according to the annual report of Daniel C. Roper, first assistant postmaster-general, just made public. Mr. Roper suggests in his report that it would be to the interest of both the postal service and the employees to amend the law so as to provide for the resumption of Sunday service, giving compensatory time off to employees assigned to Sunday duty.

Aurora, Illinois, after a single day's experience with a Sunday closing law, December 12, is thoroughly disgusted with "blue laws." The mayor and aldermen, dismayed with the result of their mistaken legislation, are planning to repeal the ordinance. Before the week's end, a majority was pledged to bring this about without delay. The ordinance was adopted to satisfy the barbers. Well knowing that such legislation would be rendered unpopular by the enforcement of the rule, the clothing merchants insisted upon the closing of all stores in the city, and those

affected by the order demanded that all other places of business should be required to suspend their activities. One man even asked for the arrest of a neighbor, alleging that he had carried out ashes from a furnace on Sunday. Thus the whole ordinance was made to appear in its true light, as an unwarranted invasion of the civil rights of citizens, and those responsible for the ordinance made haste to repeal it.

The New York *Tribune* reports that the druggists of Ossining, N. Y., have agreed to take turns in keeping open on Sunday. There are seven stores in the town, and six of them are closed on Sundays and on holidays, thus making it necessary for each druggist to work only on every seventh Sunday or holiday, when his business associates are resting or enjoying recreation. And none of them seems to have regarded this partial suspension as anything but a temporary relief from business, without respect to religious considerations.

Last February, when Elder Healey and I were in Salt Lake City to oppose Sunday legislation, we saw displayed in the windows of a liquor store, these significant words, showing the utter uselessness of Sunday closing as a temperance measure: "Dry Sunday tomorrow. Don't forget your bottle." "Get your bottle to-day. Closed tomorrow." Better to prohibit the sale of liquor all the week, as now proposed in California.

Despite the brevity of time, only forty days having been given to the canvass, 52,990 valid signatures have been certified to the secretary of state as having been attached to the petitions demanding the submission of a law for total prohibition to the voters of California at the next general election. This total, reported December 30, doubtless will have been increased by belated filings on the last day of the year. Only 30,857 were required to secure a place for the proposition on the ballot, and we are face to face with the opportunity to cast a vote for the wiping out of the saloon menace. Let us all register again, for otherwise our votes would be rejected, the great register being revised annually.

J. F. Blunt.

Missionary Work

Come and Go

Whoever heeds the gospel's "Come,"
Should also heed its "Go";
For if the "Come" came from the Lord,
The "Go" came from Him too.

It is His love that bids us come.
His love, too, bids us work
Within His vineyard large and ripe,
Nor any duty shirk.

If we in person can not go,
Then let us pray and give,
And tell our neighbors of the Christ,
That they may righteous live.

Let's "come," then "go," as Jesus said.
Then at the set of sun,
He'll say to us, His laborers,
"My children all, well done."
—Mrs. Nellie Sibley.

Stand in Your Place

Those who feel that they are a very small part of the great work of God in the earth may gain inspiration in reading of how the success of great naval tests depends upon the faithfulness of every man in his place:

"Few of the visitors to war-ships have any idea of the details to be mastered, and the work accomplished, in maintaining the power plant installed on a modern dreadnought. They have no conception of the *devotion to duty* which is necessary on the part of each individual working in his own, sometimes obscure, uncomfortable, and frequently dangerous, corner, with the full knowledge that he must do his part to the end, out of sight of men, and without the recognition which those who work in daylight above him may receive. The toll of death due to casualties in engine and fire rooms far exceeds that in turrets and magazines; yet there has been no shrinking and no holding back. There is no class of men on board a ship with a higher sense of duty, better discipline or traditions, or who are more apt to acquit themselves with credit in time of stress than the members of the engineer's division. Their duties are of equal, if not greater, importance than those of their shipmates who fight the guns. It is as necessary for a ship when called upon for battle to reach and to maintain a station fa-

avorable for the fighting as it is to show accuracy and skill in gunnery after this station has been reached. The men below can not hope to see, or to know, what is taking place in the outer world in the final and supreme test for which a battle-ship is constructed. Without the morale, and the training which will insure a proper performance on the part of what has been called the 'black gang,' success on the day of battle will become impossible."—*Scientific American*, November 29, 1913.

Likewise thousands of devoted Seventh-day Adventists—hidden away, so to speak—may, in their faithfulness in tithe-paying, offerings, church work, and the extension of the gospel in their own neighborhoods, be just as essentially a part of the great missionary movement as those filling more conspicuous places. We are engaged in turning the light of truth upon a dark world. All can not directly point the rays, but each in his or her place can be so devoted and loyal in the service God lays upon him as to share in the rewards when the work is accomplished. This is His plan.

J. R. Ferren.

Book Work

My Director

The Lord is my director. His counsel is sufficient.

His way leads me to plenteous supplies, and with His Spirit my soul is showered with freshness.

With good experiences He keeps me restored.

He directs me from home to home with my prospectus, which is to me the way of righteousness.

Yea, though I go through the valley of few orders, I will not doubt His directions. It is His message, and His rod strengthens my steps.

Homes are entered in spite of my adversary, and here my table of blessing is spread. My cup of joy bubbles over, and again I thank Him who leads.

Surely His goodness and mercy will continue with the faithful canvassers until the work is done, and they shall be safe in His guidance evermore.

J. W. Rich.

"A great work is to be done in the world; and what efforts are we putting forth that it may be accomplished?"

"God has given His messengers the truth to proclaim."

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 7, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|-------------------|-------|------|-------|--------|---------|-----------|
| California | | | | | | |
| Mrs. A. M. Gonter | P. G. | 10 | 4 | | \$14.00 | |
| Mrs. M. Johnson | H. W. | 3 | 9 | | 6.75 | |
| Will Gerrans | P. G. | 31 | 3 | | 11.50 | |
| Charles Burg | H. W. | 19 | 13 | | 8.50 | |
| C. L. Harrell | P. G. | 22 | 3 | \$4.75 | 18.25 | \$12.50 |
| 5 Agents | | 85 | 32 | \$4.75 | \$59.00 | \$12.50 |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 14, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|---------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| California | | | | | | |
| Miss Rose Lull | H. W. | 8 | 7 | | \$ 2.60 | |
| Charles Burg | H. W. | 20 | 9 | | 5.50 | |
| Mrs. Phebe Tyler | H. W. | 3 | 2 | | .75 | |
| Mrs. L. E. Charlton | H. W. | 2 | 2 | | 1.50 | |
| Mrs. A. M. Gonter | P. G. | 20 | 11 | | 41.50 | |
| C. L. Harrell | P. G. | 25 | 5 | | 15.75 | \$29.00 |
| Mrs. E. D. Mills | P. G. | 4 | | | | 3.50 |
| Miss Ruth Reed | P. G. | 2 | | | | 3.50 |
| 8 Agents | | 84 | | | \$67.60 | \$36.00 |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 21, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|-------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| California | | | | | | |
| C. O. Blinco | P. G. | 40 | | | | \$155.00 |
| Miss Rose Lull | H. W. | 12 | | | \$ 9.10 | 10.35 |
| Mrs. Dee Liebhart | H. W. | 12 | | | 14.00 | |
| Mrs. Phebe Tyler | H. W. | 27 | | | 12.20 | |
| 4 Agents | | 91 | | | \$35.30 | \$165.35 |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 28, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|---------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| California | | | | | | |
| Glenn Adams | B. R. | 30 | | | | \$52.00 |
| Miss Bessie Wheeler | H. W. | 1 | | | \$.50 | |
| Mrs. Phebe Tyler | H. W. | 3 | | | 11.05 | |
| Miss Rose Lull | H. W. | 15 | | | 3.00 | |
| Mrs. L. E. Charlton | H. W. | 7 | | | 1.00 | |
| 5 Agents | | 56 | | | \$15.55 | \$52.00 |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 26, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|--------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| California | | | | | | |
| Mrs. M. E. Burnham | H. W. | 8 | | | \$ 3.25 | |
| Jas. E. Blockne | H. W. | 6 | | | 2.75 | |
| Will Gerrans | P. G. | 20 | 4 | | \$16.00 | 34.50 |
| Mrs. M. E. Hills | H. W. | 4 | | | | 10.95 |
| Miss Rose Lull | H. W. | 7 | 2 | | .50 | |
| A. C. Logan | H. W. | 27 | 12 | | 10.30 | |
| Jos. Stouder | B. R. | 8 | 2 | | 8.75 | 5.75 |
| 7 Agents | | 80 | | | \$35.55 | \$57.20 |

Northern California

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| C. B. Morrison | B. R. | 41 | 3 | \$6.50 | \$20.50 | \$119.90 |
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Central California

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| A. C. McSwain | D. R. | | 3 | | \$12.00 | |
| I. Hansen | D. R. | | 7 | \$6.00 | 22.25 | |
| A. R. Morris | | | | | | \$18.00 |
| J. V. Pierson | | | | | | 31.50 |
| Lela Daughters | H. W. | | | | 12.25 | |

5 Agents

\$6.00 \$46.50 \$49.50

Southern California

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| C. E. Grey | P. P. F. | 24 | 19 | | \$44.95 | \$13.75 |
| H. E. Farmer | B. R. | 2 | 2 | \$.75 | 3.75 | 46.25 |
| Mr. Gross | Misc. | | | | 5.00 | |
| W. J. Keele | B. S. | 5 | 5 | | 3.75 | 70.50 |
| May Keele | B. S. | | | | | 11.25 |

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|---------------|-------|---|---|--------|---------|----------|
| E. C. Buckner | H. W. | 2 | 5 | 3.00 | | |
| Mrs. Sexton | H. W. | | 6 | 4.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | H. W. | | | 15.00 | | |
| | | | | \$.75 | \$70.45 | \$141.75 |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Canvassing Notes

We take the following few lines from Brother Farmer's letter, as they illustrate the experiences that many of our workers have been having:

"I am going to relate a few experiences that I think will interest you. When I was delivering in Imperial, a lady who had given her order for 'Bible Readings' told me of a family who would be interested in the book. I called, and was told that the man was chairman of a committee appointed by the Sunday-school teachers of the Methodist Church to select a present for the Sunday-school superintendent. They decided for the committee that 'Bible Readings' should be the present, and paid for a full leather. They also gave me an order for another copy to be delivered later. One lady in Calexico ordered a copy of 'Bible Readings' for an unconverted son; and when I delivered, she was much pleased with the book, and ordered one for herself. I had orders also for 'Best Stories' in three adjoining houses, and when I delivered, the lady from the fourth house was present, and asked if I had an extra copy, as she would like one for her boy; so I delivered the fourth book to her. My heart is filled with thanks for the way the Lord is blessing in the work here, and I more enjoy, every day, being in the field."

We are sorry to announce that Brother Keele, who has been doing faithful work in the city of Los Angeles, has gone to his former field of labor in the South. While we regret that he has left us, our prayers go with him as he continues the canvassing work in the Southern field.

We all feel that we have much to praise God for, as we reflect over our experiences of the past year. The Lord of the harvest has made it possible for us to place a large number of our message-filled books in the homes of the people, and we are glad to know that some definite results are already visible.

Now that we are starting in upon a new year, we trust that every colporteur will take hold of the work with a stronger determination than ever before. And

shall we not pray that those who have once been in this work will be called back to the canvassing work? It may be that you who are now reading these lines have at one time been in this work, and have at times felt that you should be engaged in the work of scattering the printed page. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let all who would know of a certainty where they will stand when probation is closed, determine that they will respond to the Master's call, and say, "Here am I; send me." Where?—Anywhere.

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

Miscellany

Ministerial Reading Course

The General Conference Educational Department begins the ministerial reading course with January, 1914. The first book in the course is entitled "Preparing to Preach," by Dr. David R. Breed. A reading schedule will appear in the educational department of the *Review and Herald* each month.

On completion of a book, the reader will be asked to report the fact that he has completed the book, and he will be encouraged to report his estimate of it, and its practical value in his work. To such as comply with this condition, a small certificate in card form will be granted by the educational department of the General Conference.

The course is open to ministers, Bible workers, and all having evangelical work in view. No charges are made for the reading course other than the price of books. Those desiring to take the course may do so by sending their names and addresses, with \$1.65 in payment for the first book in the course, "Preparing to Preach." The book contains 455 pages and is bound in cloth. The publishers retail the same for \$2.00. Those joining the reading course may obtain it for \$1.65. All who have read the book speak highly of it. Address all communications to the Educational Department of the General Conference.

J. L. Shaw.

For Sale

Or trade for California land, income home at Mountain View, Cal. House is up to date and furnished. Earns one per cent per month of price. Address owner, Box 115, Waterman, Cal.

For Sale

I have two new cottages of the Swiss chalet style in a rapidly growing part of Los Angeles, which should bring, in the regular way, \$3,500 and \$4,000. They rent continually for \$26 and \$28 a month. I will cut the price heavily to obtain what I have in them to use in the message. If you are interested, write for particulars. C. F. Marvin, care Sanitarium, Glendale, California.

OBITUARIES

JENSEN.—Robert Valentine Jensen, infant son of Brother and Sister Filo Jensen, was born February 14, 1912, and after an illness of four weeks, died at Fresno, Cal., December 4, 1913, aged 21 months and 21 days. The blessed hope of the resurrection cheers the father and mother and little sister in their loneliness. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, from Jer. 31: 16, 17.
N. P. Neilsen.

SAUNDERS.—O. H. Saunders was born in Salem, Massachusetts, February 19, 1843. He was married to Alice B. Allen May 23, 1866. To this union were born fifteen children, nine of whom survive both parents. In 1881 Brother Saunders accepted the faith of the third angel's message, under the labors of Elder S. B. Whitney. During all the years following, his confidence in the "blessed hope" has been the satisfying portion. Especially has he, during the last few years, striven to make his calling and election sure.

A few weeks ago, Brother Saunders fell asleep in Jesus, with the assurance of rising in the first resurrection. The testimony concerning him is that he was a kind father, a devoted husband, and a good neighbor. S. T. Hare.

"God has given to every man a work to do in connection with His kingdom."

"Whatever may be our occupations, we are to be missionaries, having for our chief aim the winning of souls to Christ."

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If your subscription to the RECORDER is about to expire, a remittance of 50 cents secures it for another year.

The address of Elder A. G. Christiansen, of the Nevada Mission, is 325 W. 5th Street, Reno, Nevada.

After spending a week in southern California and one day at Mountain View, Elder Andross returned last week to his home at Pacific Union College, St. Helena.

Have you secured your Morning Watch Calendar? The first edition of 35,000 is almost gone. Another is being printed. Order from your tract society at once. Price, 5 cents.

The members of the Senior Reading Course are having a rare treat while reading the book "From Judaism to Christianity," for the author is supplying very valuable notes for the *Instructor*. Do not fail to read these notes, and remember also that the book will help you in understanding the Old Testament.

Elder R. C. Porter's series of articles begin in the *Signs* weekly, issue January 13. These are of real value in many ways. Keep adding a few of your friends to the list from time to time. The points of the message are covered every six months. You can begin at any time. It seems as though the matter for our pioneer missionary paper is getting better and better right along. Every issue is better than the last. Let us help it find the honest in heart with this great message.

The next Standard of Attainment test will be held in March. If you are not a member of attainment, will you not

try to take the test in one or both subjects at that time? Every Seventh-day Adventist should know the Bible principles for which our church stands, and be acquainted with the history of this denomination which God has led so marvelously from the beginning, and made of it a great missionary enterprise which to-day is operating in nearly every country on the globe. Bible doctrines and denominational history are the two subjects of which Standard of Attainment membership demands a knowledge. The Missionary Volunteer secretary in your conference will arrange for you to take the test. M. V. Series No. 21, price 2 cents, explains the Standard of Attainment plan.

Prof. J. A. L. Derby, principal of the Lodi Normal Academy, gave a most interesting and instructive lecture at Mountain View last Saturday night, on the Reformation in the sixteenth century. This was given under the auspices of the Pacific Press training-school, in the regular lecture course planned for the winter season, it being the seventh in the series, and the fourth on church history. Professor Derby showed particularly how the great political and religious movements following the Dark Ages, opened the way for the breaking of the Reformation in the work of Luther and his associates. Much history was introduced to show the forces at work, and God's providential working throughout these centuries of reform was strongly emphasized.

The next lecture in the course to be given the Pacific Press training-school is "A Review of Current Events of 1913," by Prof. George W. Rine, January 17, 1914.

Beginning with Sabbath, January 10, the Southern California Conference will hold a series of church institutes that will reach the officers and members of practically all the churches in the conference. The object is to carry on special instruction for the benefit of the church officers, and to generally strengthen all lines of church work. Time will be given for spiritual services, and for praise and consecration. Helpful plans for the missionary work of the whole church will be presented. The young people's work and the educational interests will not be neglected;

and at regular periods, practical class work will be carried on for the help of church elders, deacons, deaconesses, treasurers, clerks, librarians, missionary leaders, and Missionary Volunteer officers. Elder F. M. Burg, Prof. I. C. Colcord, Ernest Lloyd, Clyde Lowry, and other conference workers will lead out in these meetings, the dates and places set for which are as follows: January 10 and 11, Garden Grove; January 18, Central Hall, 417 W. 5th Street, Los Angeles; January 24 and 25, San Diego; January 31 and February 1, Loma Linda; February 7 and 8, San Fernando. Announcement of these institutes has been made in advance so that representatives of the churches in the vicinity of each of these places may plan to be present at the institutes.

We feel sure the Lord will richly bless these meetings, and we bespeak for those who lead out in them the hearty support and cooperation of the churches.

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 26th day of January, A.D. 1914, at 10 o'clock A.M.

The election of directors, 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*.

For Sale

Owing to its buyer's misfortune, which prevented him from going to California this winter, my "Bide-a-Wee" home near the Pacific Union College, St. Helena, California, is again on the market. For quick sale will take \$2,000. Write for description and terms. C. C. Lewis, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.