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## Progress

By the time this copy of the RECORDER reaches its readers, the California, Northern California and Central California conferences will be in joint session in Oakland, studying very important questions concerning the progress of the work in that part of the field. They will consider the question of the readjustment of conference lines, as well as plans for the advancement of the work in the field.

We are more concerned to know what the will of the Lord is concerning all these matters than to carry out any plans that we might think best, hence we earnestly request our brethren and sisters throughout the entire union conference to pray that the Lord may lead in the counsels of the brethren, that His plans may prevail.

Following this conference there will be held in Los Angeles a meeting of the Southern California Conference, February 18 to 23. We hope that all the churches of the conference will have their delegates present at this meeting, and that above all else we may have the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the work of this meeting. Very important matters for the future of our work in

this field will be considered, and we must have help from above. But we are assured that as we seek the Lord earnestly for wisdom, He will give liberally, and upbraid not.

We have every reason for encouragement in the progress the work has made during the past year. Notwithstanding the stringency of the times in financial lines, the Lord has helped our people very much in their efforts to advance this cause by larger contributions to this work than ever before.

I have just received word from the treasurer of the North American Division Conference saying there would be something over \$100,000 to be distributed among the union conferences of the North American Division above the 15 cents a week for missions. Of this amount we shall doubtless receive somewhere between \$10,000 and \$15,000. No action has been taken as to how this money shall be applied, but undoubtedly the union conference committee will decide to apply this on the \$150,000 fund, which will be a great help to us in our conference in lifting the indebtedness on the educational institutions of this union.

If every church in this union will begin at once to do its best during 1915, there will be no question but that at the end of this year we shall have about \$25,000 from the 20-cent-a-week fund to apply upon our indebtedness. Let everybody earnestly labor to this end.

E. E. ANDROSS.

## The Fulness of Time

It is true that God in His fore-knowledge of events to transpire on earth, has marked off certain times when the most prominent of these events would occur. That Abraham might not become discouraged in waiting for promises made to him, he was informed that

his seed must first of all serve another nation 400 years. Gen. 15: 13-16. As the fulness of that time drew on, a deliverer was being raised up in the person of Moses, who led the people out of their intolerable bondage.

When as a settled nation in Canaan Israel became wayward, and spiritually ungovernable, a second period of bondage was appointed them. This time God said they should serve the king of Babylon seventy years. Jer. 25: 11, 12. This appointed time was specially regarded by Jehovah, and in its closing period, Cyrus, the Persian monarch, was brought into position by the conquest of Babylon, to release Israel from bondage, in fulfillment of the inspired Word through Jeremiah. To this end the Lord stirred the spirit of Cyrus to make a proclamation that returned the people to their own land. Ezra 1: 1-4. During the period of this captivity, another time was set for the occurrence of an event which would mean the salvation or condemnation of the house of Israel. Through the prophet Daniel information was given that in 483 years following their deliverance from Babylonian captivity the Messiah, their long pent-up hope, would appear. Dan. 9: 25. Paul says that God sent Him forth "in the fulness of time" (Gal. 4: 4), just as the chronological order has revealed. Mark 1: 10.

But although the prophecy was so plain, and the fulness of time so well marked, the people who were to have the first and choicest blessings from that event, did not recognize their opportunity, and so were compassed in darkness, and were lost to the plan prepared for them. Luke 19: 42-44.

Other periods of time have been distinctly marked by prophetic accuracy, one of which is the time of final judgment, appointed many centuries before-

hand. Acts 17:31. The apostle says this will constitute the "fulness of times" in God's eternal purpose when the forces of heaven and the redeemed of earth will be united in a single family, as the unit of Christ's work for the lost throughout all the marked times of sin's history. Eph. 1:10.

That which is to mark the fulness of this "last time," and which will be the culmination of all past times is the great three-fold message of Rev. 14. This is so apparent that whoever is found lacking in preparation for the Lord's return at the closing of this world appeal, will be as culpable as were the Jews regarding their rejection of Christ at His first advent.

What a privilege to become a member of God's family in the closing period of probation! But whoever holds this relation to heaven will be found entirely devoted to the work of that time. The hope is that none now formally connected with the message may fail of an eternal inheritance in the promises it holds forth. —J.O.C.

### Word From Persia

Elder Frank F. Oster, formerly of Portland, Oregon, but now in Persia, was recently called upon to make a very perilous journey through the country of the warlike Kurds in order to assist the family of one of our workers who was drafted into the European war. At one place he was called upon to preach to people upon a housetop by the light of the moon. Telling of his experiences, under date of November 13 he says:

"Shortly after the war broke out in Europe, the writer set out on a trip to Urumia, with a view to visiting our brethren there as well as interested ones, and taking Sister Staubert and children of Tabriz to Maragha. Elder Staubert had been ordered to the front, leaving his family with another German family. Circumstances compelled me to go by way of Soujbulak, through the land of the terrible Kurds. I was very glad for this opportunity, for I had long wanted to visit that place, and call on some acquaintances along the way. My first stop was at Miandoab (meaning between two waters) where I remained one day. I stayed with an Armenian family, and had opportunity to hold several Bible readings. In the evening I spoke to a small gathering about the signs of the times.

"Soujbulak is a town of about 20,000 people, most of whom are Kurds. There

are also Turks, Armenians, Jews, Jacobites and Nestorians: Persian soldiers are stationed there as a safeguard against the Turk. While there I enjoyed the hospitality of the American Lutheran mission. In the evening I had a study with the workers on the Eastern question. The next evening I had the privilege of speaking in the Jewish synagogue. Met one Jew who is now a Christian. I had a long visit with him, during which he asked a great many questions concerning our teaching. He seemed to welcome the Sabbath truth. He is assisting Mr. Fossum, with whom I stayed, in the translation of the Gospels into Kurdish.

"At the next stopping place, at Mamatera, we had a unique meeting. Quite a congregation met on the roof of the local pastor's house. In the light of the silvery moon, I gave a discourse on the second coming of Christ, which was listened to attentively.

"At Urumia I found the gates closely guarded. On entering, an officer took me in charge and led me to the governor's office, where, after asking me a few questions, he released me. The whole Christian population seemed to be celebrating the Russian victories. Processions, headed by Russian priests with long flowing locks, were marching through the streets with banners. The Russians were threatening to destroy the German mission, and to drive all Germans out of town. I found our people faithful and rejoicing in the truth. I had the privilege of presenting the Eastern question to a gathering of Presbyterian missionaries, and on another evening the same subject to a band of other missionaries. These same missionaries opposed us a couple of years ago, and wrote articles against us in their paper. It shows that people are inquiring about these things, and are willing to listen to an explanation in the light of prophecy.

"I had planned to visit some of the villages around Urumia and had already engaged my horse, when things took a sudden turn. It seems that the Russians had suffered some reverses in Europe, and that all the Russian troops in Persia were to be recalled at once. Their baggage and everything was sent on ahead to the Russian border. War with Turkey seemed imminent. Shops were closed, merchants stored away their goods, and hundreds of Armenians began to leave for Tabriz and Russia. Everybody feared a Kurdish raid. We secured a carriage and I es-

corted Sister Sperling and children to Djulfa, the Russian boundary. The same fear was entertained at Maragha. As a matter of fact soon after my arrival home the Kurds, several thousands of them, did sweep down on Urumia plain and plundered twelve villages, coming within fifteen minutes' walk of Urumia city, where reinforcements from Khoy arrived and drove them back. The Kurds are much like the locusts, they leave nothing but ruin in their track.

"When I arrived in Tabriz, I found Sister Staubert ready to flee to Teheran. The Germans there like in Urumia had been threatened by the Russians, though at the time it was quiet. In fact, the German consul was down with nervous prostration as a result of a threat on his life by a Russian officer. In counsel with Sister Staubert she thought best to stay in Tabriz. Since then all the Germans in Tabriz, including our sister, have fled to Teheran. Great fear has seized the people of Maragha, many of whom are fleeing to Tabriz. They fear a raid of the Kurds on the one hand, and an anti-Christian uprising of the Moslems on the other. Our hearts are stayed on God, whom we serve. It is a great comfort in such a time as this to know that God is a ready helper in every time of need. It behooves everyone of us to be prepared, for the events of the last three months show to us how quickly Dan. 12:1 may be fulfilled when the winds of strife are let loose."

## FIELD TIDINGS

### CALIFORNIA

#### City Work in San Francisco

Fully 100 persons ate their Christmas dinner this year in San Francisco for the first time as Sabbath-keepers. Seventy-eight of these we have already baptized, and the others will soon be ready.

This is the Lord's work through one company of workers in San Francisco during 1914, and we rejoice to have had a part in it. As 1915 is the world's fair year in San Francisco, we are praying and planning for greater results, and to this end we earnestly ask for the prayers and help of our people everywhere.

Our company consists of Elder R. S. Fries, my associate in preaching; Elder James Taphouse, a veteran in Bible

work; Sisters Lester, Tarver and Clark, who are Bible workers; and Brother Ferry who takes care of the hall, and also does good service as doorkeeper.

As we cannot use tents to advantage in San Francisco because of high winds and fog, we are obliged to labor entirely in halls and store buildings. This makes our work in this city somewhat costly and to some degree also less attractive. However, we are not discouraged by any means, but purpose by the grace of God to do our best with conditions as we find them.

Of these 100 new Sabbath-keepers, seventy-two came out during our last series of meetings on Fillmore Street. Fifty-eight of these have already been baptized, and others will soon follow.

The Fillmore Street series was good in every way. Our hall seated nearly 300, and frequently we had to turn people away. We had a service each evening for fourteen weeks and one day, and the attendance averaged fully 250 a night for the entire period.

The expense of this series amounted to \$695, and the donations for the same time amounted to \$720, leaving a surplus of \$25. We gave away some thousands of tracts and papers, and sold \$150-worth of books.

As city workers in San Francisco, one of the many things we are thankful for is the steady cooperation that exists between the workers and the churches. This team work is a source of great encouragement to us, and also, we believe, to them.

In closing this report, perhaps it would be well to mention a few cases as samples of the Lord's work in reaching sinners during the Fillmore Street series.

Brother Hines is a shoemaker. A few years ago he owned a large down-town shoe store in San Francisco. He lost everything, however, through drink. A few nights ago I noticed that he seemed somewhat pensive, and asked for the reason. He looked up in my face with tears in his eyes, and said, "I was just thinking how the Lord has kept me from touching strong drink for four months."

Brother McDougall is a young Irishman who, with his wife, sister and cousin, also accepted the truth at this time. Brother McDougall was under such deep conviction that had he not responded to the call, he said he "would have dropped dead in another minute." For five months he had been vainly looking for work, and a few days after

he was converted obtained employment. A few days later the Sabbath was explained from the pulpit, but his employer would not allow him to keep it. This young man quit his work at once, and within three days he secured another job where he could keep the Sabbath, and he still retains it.

Sister Ruggles had been a Spiritualist. She had often seen lights in the sky, and even Satan himself had appeared to her in different forms. Night after night in her bedroom, apparently deadly combats took place between so-called good spirits and bad ones. Sister Ruggles was told that the good spirits were to defend her, and she fully believed them.

This woman was truly possessed of demons, and became so bad, that her relatives finally had her put in an insane asylum. She remained there for two years, and the spirits told her the very day and hour she would be set free. This came to pass exactly as these spirits had told her, and she was liberated. Later she came to San Francisco and attended our meetings on Fillmore Street. She then invited us to her home, and after weeks of patient labor the dear Lord set her free. Before her conversion she was the most miserable looking woman who attended the meetings, but now she looks happy in the service of the Lord.

These are but samples of the Lord's work in this wicked city, and they make us rejoice to have a part, however humble, in this closing work.

We are just closing another successful effort in San Francisco, but this is another story, and properly belongs to the next report. J. W. McCORD.

### A Profitable Week at Ukiah

The harvest truly is ripe. Souls are now eager for truth. The interest at Ukiah is a growing one and gives promise of a plentiful harvest.

At the close of our tent effort last summer, six were baptized and seven added to the church. A few weeks later, on visiting the place again, we all gathered on the bank of the Russian River while five more followed their Lord in baptism.

During the week of prayer, while I was visiting the churches in Mendocino County, it became very evident that there was yet a good interest in and around Ukiah. Two took their stand for the truth, and others were deeply interested. This condition called for attention and resulted in our bringing

a company of workers from Pacific Union College for a short effort. The company consisted of the Misses Maxson of Oakland, Celian Andross, Titus Kurtichanov, the writer and wife.

With the aid of good instrumental and vocal music and stereopticon pictures, the church was crowded each night almost to the limit. Eight nights we held the people for over two hours as point after point of truth was flung home to the heart. Faithful heart-to-heart work was done by the Bible workers during the day, confession, consecration and prayer brought the Holy Spirit's presence, and a good work was accomplished.

There was a hearty response to each public appeal that was made. Each time new persons responded. We planned for baptism Sunday, January 3, for six candidates. When Sunday came, nine were ready; but the weather was so bad that we had to postpone the service. It seemed providential, for Sunday night, when the final appeal was made, four more stood for Christ and His truth. Thirteen are awaiting baptism, four or five others have begun to keep the Sabbath, and still others are in the balance.

A few words from some of the company are to the point:

Titus Kurtichanov.—"My connection with the Ukiah company was an experience of rich blessing to me, for in that week's work I saw much of the workings of the hand of God. The Spirit of the Lord created in the hearts of many a hunger for the Word of life, and we could scarcely respond to all the calls for help. A Methodist lady, after one study, remarked that she would have enjoyed spending the whole day in the study of such things. Another woman with her little son, took her stand for the commandments of God. We were glad to hear one young man say, with earnestness, that he had broken God's Sabbath long enough and that by God's grace he would never do so again. We are glad for a message that can solemnize careless hearts and make ready a people for the coming of the Lord."

Harriet Maxson.—"In thinking back over the short week spent in Ukiah, I cannot but be thankful that I had the privilege of being there, for throughout the time God's blessing followed us; hearts were touched and souls led nearer their Creator. Homes were opened here and there to receive light, and eager questions were asked on subjects of eternal interest. Many a time the

Bible opened for a needed verse, and it truly did seem as though God was again multiplying the bread. One experience especially stands out as an encouragement. It is the case of a young woman who became interested in the meetings and would allow nothing to stand in the way of her attendance. Though she had heard but one sermon on the Sabbath, she determined that she would keep the day "the Lord kept," and the next night she gave her heart entirely to the Lord, and asked for baptism. It is surely marvelous to see the Lord work with the hearts that honestly accept light and live thereby. Thus this experience has watered my soul, for I have seen the works of God in it."

Willeta Maxson.—"The joy of laboring with the Master; of visiting the 'lost sheep of Israel,' and talking to them of the self-sacrificing love of the Saviour, and praying with them, is a joy that no earthly work or pleasure can bring to him who depends entirely upon the Lord. Of myself, I know that I could do nothing. I must turn to Him who has promised, 'My grace is sufficient for thee; for My strength is made perfect in weakness,' and Who has said, 'Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.' With these promises I could enter homes knowing that He would put the words in my mouth. And greatly do I praise His name for all that He has done.

"I first entered the home of a middle-aged lady, and in the course of the conversation, the way was opened to read the Word and offer prayer. She is an honest truth-seeker, and is accepting light as it comes to her. In the home of an elderly lady, where the subject of the second coming of Christ was of great interest, the way was opened for readings. (Homes were opening on all sides for readings.)

"I visited the home of one who had formerly been a Seventh-day Adventist, but who had turned to the pleasures of the world. She had been attending our evening services regularly, and showed deep interest. When asked if she did not want to be reconciled to God, and again identify herself with the people of God, she seemed to draw back, saying, 'No, I don't think so.' With a prayer for help, I began to tell of the wonderful love of our Saviour, and as we talked, the room seemed to fill with angels, and the Holy Spirit drew near, melting her heart. We had a precious season of prayer, after which

she gave her heart anew to the Master. She is now waiting to follow her Lord in baptism. How can I thank my Saviour for this wonderful privilege of co-working with Him in reaching perishing souls! I only regret that our stay in Ukiah had to be so brief. It is my purpose to seek Him more earnestly, that He may better use me to His glory."

These experiences could be multiplied by every member of the company. One young man who had weighed the truth carefully since last summer, honored this new year by keeping the first Sabbath and taking his stand firmly for the truth, not from mere sentiment, but by candid decision. He risks his good position and leaves it with God.

A young lady who has been brought up in Catholic superstition, and who has been ill treated at home, was struggling to be free. She found her liberator in the real truth of Christ.

It was a pleasing sight on the last evening to see a father and son take their stand together. It was a struggle for the son, but this tells the secret,—his mother, a night before, had prayed all night for her son. O, the power in a godly mother's prayer!

As a result of the new accession to the faith and the large interest that remains, the church has taken new life, and is harmoniously working together for more results. W. P. DAYTON.

## EDUCATIONAL

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Visit to One School

A recent visit to the Modesto school was much enjoyed. In a corner of one of the schoolrooms, a small room not over 6x8 has been curtained off. This is used as a kitchen. In it is installed an oil stove, two small tables, several shelves for dishes, and some cooking utensils. Any time during the forenoon the visitor will be greeted with an aroma that will certainly start the psychic juice to flowing, and at noon he will be offered a bowl of delicious hot soup, or potatoes and gravy, or something good. Each child has his bowl, and he comes to the kitchen for his helping. The pupils who have charge of this department are very enthusiastic, and school has new charms. In the afternoon we peeped into the kitchen to see how it was kept when "off duty," and found that every dish had been washed and put away, and order reigned.

Out of doors, dirt was flying and the boys were very busy at noon and recess making hot beds. According to present indications they will be able to supply that part of California with plants for gardening. The school grounds have been leveled, and the younger ones are planning on having fine gardens, and on planting trees for the future beautifying of the grounds.

On the wall back of the teacher's desk we noticed three colored knobs, and that when classes passed or intermission came, these knobs flashed into colored lights, and were informed that they were used as signals, thus doing away with the necessity of talking. The pupils watched these and moved according to the light seen, and the order was fine. Two small batteries supplied the power, and three buttons fastened below the teacher's desk made it very easy to give the signals. All these things may seem small in themselves and not very important, but they make school interesting, and thus help to make it a success.

One boy, whose parents were not Adventists, had just started to school. He is in the fifth grade and heard the other boys saying something about how many chapters they had read in their Bibles, as that is another thing many are doing in this school—reading their Bibles through—and he asked them what they were doing. When told, he said nothing, but in three days told them he had read twenty-eight chapters in his Bible. On giving him a friendly quiz, they found he knew what he had been reading about. He was not going to let the other boys be doing things he could not do. Sabbath we noticed the same boy at Sabbath-school.

Good reports are coming in from all the schools, and especially interesting are those reports which show victories gained spiritually. A number of the children have been baptized since the week of prayer.

Again we want to urge our teachers to thorough work and well prepared lessons. A teacher who has to depend on the book when hearing a recitation will sooner or later be a failure if she is not one already.

ALICE MINA MANN,  
N. Cal. Conf. Supt. of Schools.

It is far better for us to reflect on what we have not accomplished, and try to discover why it is we have failed, than it is to exult in what we have accomplished.—*Hon. James Bryce.*

# MISSIONARY

## Army, Navy and Marine Mission

The great fleet of war ships will enter the harbor of San Francisco next month, or March, 1915, to take part in the great exposition at this port. "Let literature be distributed judiciously, on the trains, in the street, on the great ships that ply the sea, and through the mails." Volume 9, page 123. "Every Seventh-day Adventist to his work, and each to do his best." The people need our literature now, before the famine comes—"not of bread but the Word." You who are holding literature in your homes, send it now and the Lord will bless. We have scarcely enough English literature on hand to fill present-day needs, much less the *great fleet of war vessels* which will be right upon us soon. No foreign literature desired. *Reviews* and *RECORDERS* cannot be used. See *RECORDER* of November 26, 1914. Address Chas. H. A. Brooke, No. 10, East Street, San Francisco, Cal.

## Report of Missionary Volunteers of the Utah Conference

### For Quarter Ending December 31, 1914

Letters written.....	186
Letters received.....	80
Missionary visits.....	1696
Bible readings held.....	131
Subscriptions taken for periodicals.....	37
Papers sold.....	585
Papers given away.....	2403
Books sold.....	287
Books lent or given away.....	71
Tracts sold.....	236
Tracts lent or given away.....	2124
Hours of Christian help work.....	782
Articles of clothing given away.....	152
Number of meals provided.....	195
Treatments given.....	399
Offerings through the Sabbath-school.....	\$ 81.81
Offerings for home missions.....	128.56
Tithe paid to church treasurer.....	231.88
Total money given.....	442.25
Young people added to church.....	2
Total attainment members in conference.....	11

W. A. JOHNSON, Sec.

### Without Excuse

In carrying forward the work of God on the earth, many and various agencies must necessarily be employed. We would not discount any one of these,

for each has its part and place; but we desire to speak particularly regarding one of the most effective agencies. "If there is one work of more importance than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." Vol. 4, p. 389. "It is an eternal law of Jehovah that he, who accepts the truth that the world needs, is to make it his first work to proclaim this truth." Vol. 7, p. 13. "We are held accountable by the Lord for making the most of our opportunities to enlighten those in need of present truth; and one of the principal agencies He has ordained for our use is the printed page." Vol. 9, p. 89.

Never in all the history of the world were the opportunities to work for God more plentiful than now. Things of the most startling character are transpiring every day. People are eager to read; they want to know what these things mean. God has given to us the light. He bids us go forth into the whitened harvest field and gather precious sheaves for the heavenly garner. In His providence God has gone before us. He has led in the establishment of our great publishing houses. To-day they are meeting every demand of the field. We appeal to our dear people everywhere to wake up and join in scattering the truth-laden printed page like the leaves of autumn.

Have you a set of the Berean Library? You will surely want this to loan to your neighbors. Thousands have this most excellent set. If you have not as yet procured one, let me urge upon you the necessity and virtue of doing so now. You can use these to loan to those who have been receiving the *Signs* weekly.

The latest addition to our great soul-winning campaign equipment is the "Present Truth Series." This most excellent four-page document is to be issued monthly as an extra to the *Review, Signs* and *Watchman*. We cannot speak too highly of it, and it surely will meet a long-felt want. Here is an opportunity for every believer in this great message to give the light of truth to both friends and neighbors. Just think of it—fifteen copies for 10 cents; twenty-five for 15 cents; fifty for 30 cents; 100 for 50 cents; and 1000 for \$4.00. It will sell readily. People will read it, every line. Surely we have reached the time in this great reformatory movement, with everything to hand, when those who refuse to act

will be without excuse. Let every soul take hold as never before, and use this wonderful agency that God in His providence has provided, that the light of present truth might come to those still in darkness.

Do not wait for openings. Step in and make them. Opportunities are with us every day; embrace them and God will abundantly bless every effort put forth in His name.

F. W. PAAP.

## How "The World's Crisis" is Going

It is going. Our first 200 copies were received last Thursday morning, a week ago to-day. By Sunday afternoon every copy had gone out, and we telephoned the Pacific Press for 1000 copies quickly. One little incident occurred Monday morning before our shipment arrived that was rather out of the ordinary. A young man came into the office and said he was ready to start out with "The World's Crisis." I looked about helplessly, because I knew we did not have even a sample copy of the book. Remembering that the Oakland librarian had gotten a copy I called her up by phone and gained permission to secure her copy, which was put to use at once. The young man came in this morning for eighteen books, for which he had already taken orders with it.

Elder Farnsworth believes this little book to be the best missionary document we can put out just now. He was particularly impressed with the way in which the principal points of the message, such as the Sabbath, the hope of the new earth after Christ's coming, and other subjects are presented. It begins with the people's interest in the war, and then tactfully and strongly leads into these vital features of the truth for this time. Elder Farnsworth was present at the Berkeley church last Sabbath, and recommended that all take hold in a general circulation of the book. One hundred twenty copies were spoken for in about three or four moments. These have already been delivered.

Other of our churches are already at work and are ordering books with which to start. Word from Sister Carter, librarian of the St. Helena Sanitarium church, says that the members there are buying quantities of ten and upward. Eighty copies have gone to her this week.

Brother J. R. Reed, elder of the Alameda church, put in his order for 100 copies ahead of the church order. He

has a regular list of acquaintances with whom he comes in touch in his work. He secured twenty-five copies last Friday. Tuesday he stopped on his way from work, and slipping out his well-worn sample, said, "This is all there is left." He took out his second twenty-five copies.

One of our isolated workers, a girl of sixteen, who had a successful experience with home-workers' books writes: "I received your letter and 'The World's Crisis' last night. Yes, I will do my best to take all the orders for it I can. I believe this is an answer to my prayer, for I have been praying for a way to open so I could get some money for Sabbath-school and foreign missions, and besides help to scatter the words of truth." Surely there is no better way; and we expect to see the book placed in many homes by this young woman.

Yesterday morning Elder A. Brorsen took out ten copies of "World's Crisis." A few minutes later he was walking down town. A Christian Science friend of his saw him pass the office where he was. Hurrying out he hailed Elder Brorsen and began asking him questions about his belief regarding this war and its outcome. When the book was shown, the gentleman said, "This is just what I want." This little book is just what thousands of people have been looking for to answer their queries.

The little church at Ukiah hurried down an order for sixty copies the first of this week. Morgan Hill sent for fifty. Two or three isolated people at Windsor are planning the sale of several hundred. The sister ordering the first fifty wrote: "I am not rich, but the Lord has lent me some means, and I wish to use it as He wishes."

Oakland has 200 copies with which to begin to supply its members for work. The librarian feels sure this will be increased to 500 next Sabbath when the book will be mentioned. The order from Mountain View, one of our largest churches, will come early next week, as it is planned to mention the book and the possibilities in liberally circulating it at their next service. San Francisco we feel sure will send back for a large number following the fifty copies their librarian took over last Sunday. Santa Rosa has just sent for twenty-five; Napa for twenty. These are only first orders, and we feel sure they will be followed by much larger ones. Thirty-two copies have been ordered by

the Healdsburg society with which to start; twenty-two by Los Gatos, and fifteen by Sonoma.

These orders with quite a number of individual requests from various places have taken all but 164 of our 1200 copies thus far received; and we earnestly hope that it will be necessary to order another thousand early next week. If our people will appreciate the way in which this little book will

capture the interest of the people just now, and lead their minds to the truth, I believe we shall see a united campaign. It sells readily. It is ideal for lending, for giving away, and for sending to friends at a distance. In all of these ways we can, with a little effort, put the book into thousands of homes where it is sure to have a definite influence.

J. R. FERREN,

Sec. Cal. Bible House.

#### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 15, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>Utah</b>						
L.R. Ackerman	E.S.	20	9		\$ 33.00	
J.L. Sauder	E.S.	39	15	\$11.75	68.75	
2 Agents		59	24	\$11.75	\$101.75	

#### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 22, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>Utah</b>						
L.R. Ackerman	E.S.	22	8	\$ 1.50	\$ 34.50	
J.L. Sauder	E.S.	25		16.50	150.50	
A.R. Robinson, P. Moore	B.R.	34	14		50.00	
Misc.		13	11		35.00	
4 Agents		94	33	\$18.00	\$270.00	

#### Arizona

G.H. Reese	Misc.				\$43.00	
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#### Central California

F.O. Jensen	P.G.	14	6	\$ .25	\$ 22.25	\$15.25
E.J. Martin	G.C.	29	8	49.85	76.85	
J. Martin	U.S.	18	2	5.25	10.25	1.50
J.V. Trimble	H.M.	10	2		4.00	
4 Agents		71	18	\$55.35	\$113.35	\$16.75

#### Northern California

J. Wesley Reid	H.M.	29	3		\$ 8.50	
Mrs. T. Moon	W.C.		18		4.50	
A.M. Todd	W.C.		18		4.50	
Mr. Perkins	W.C.		16		4.00	
Mrs. Ella Harris	W.C.		15		3.75	
M.S. Dickinson	W.C.		15		3.75	
Mrs. Alice Fox	W.C.		14		3.50	
Dr. R.A. Buchanan	W.C.		10		2.50	
M.A. Reese	W.C.		10		2.50	
R.P. Crowther	W.C.		10		2.50	
D.G. Harden	W.C.		10		2.50	
Oakdale Miss. Soc.	W.C.		10		2.50	
Stockton Miss. Soc.	W.C.		10		2.50	
Misc. 50% for Jan.					22.00	
Misc. 40% for Jan.				\$14.55	14.55	
11 Agents		29	159	\$14.55	\$84.05	

#### Southern California

Frank Ross	C., S.	11	14		\$ 21.00	\$45.50
Chas. Millar	Heralds	12	4		8.00	
H. E. Farmer	Misc.	8	6		14.60	6.00
G.G. Brown					4.75	
Luis Herrera	El Rey	9	6		9.00	
H.E. Jennings	Misc.	21	6		10.00	
H.A. Williams	H.W.		13		7.75	
T.W. Weir *	Misc.	40	204		59.50	
* 2 Weeks. 8 Agents		101	253		\$134.60	\$51.50

## BOOK WORK

### Found the True Sabbath by Reading "Coming King"

From a canvasser's letter: "I left my book with a lady (Spanish Catholic) last Sunday, so that she could show it to her husband when he came from his work. When I went back to see her, she said: 'I want that book, and be sure to bring it to me the 15th of February. In reading that book I find that Saturday is the Sabbath, and I have been keeping the wrong Sabbath—Sunday. If God will help me, I will keep His law from now on. Bring me some tracts from which I can learn more about it.'"

Our Spanish minister is now giving this lady Bible studies, and let us pray that she may soon be one of our members.

C. C. MORLAN.

### An Important Book

"A Straight Talk to, Old Brethren" is the title of a book written by Elder J. H. Morrison, containing 224 pages. This book has a field of its own. It reviews and gives facts and confessions made by leading men that have from time to time left our work and started movements in opposition to the organized work of Seventh-day Adventists. It gives something of the history and demise of five different papers that have been started at different times against our work by these spasmodic movements. The book is devoted especially to a review and the consideration of the teachings of those who were once prominent in our work, but now are united in an effort to destroy the work they once upheld and are contributors to a publication called *The Gathering Call*, whose object and purpose is especially to oppose the organized movement of Seventh-day Adventists. Everyone will find a perusal of this book most interesting.

The price of the book, when ordered in three or more copies sent to one address, will be 30 cents, postage prepaid. When sent in less than three copies, it will be 35 cents, postage prepaid. All orders for the book should be sent direct to Union College Printing Department, College View, Neb. In the second edition of Elder Morrison's book, he has added eighty pages, but has only added 5 cents extra on the price.

## MISCELLANY

**WANTED A BAKER.**—Experienced baker wanted at once. Loma Linda Food Company. Address above, giving experience and references. 27-3

**FOR SALE:**—Alfalfa honey in five-gallon cans \$4 per can. It is light color and fine flavor. Sample free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Correspondence solicited. M. S. Dickinson, Los Banos, Cal. 24-3mo

**FOR SALE:**—In San Fernando, Cal., half block from academy grounds, modern five-room cottage. In use a little more than one year. Electric lights; natural gas for fuel; everything cozy and convenient, house no sham, but built upon honor. Nice grounds; concrete walks. Orange and olive trees in full bearing. Very cheap at \$1800. Address E. J. Hibbard, St. Helena, Cal., care Pacific Union College. 26-tf

**WANTED:**—Good help, who want steady work, and are enthusiastic, willing workers. Our work requires five persons through 1915 in making maps and searching state and United States records. We could use reliable man in copying and making blue prints. Could teach a willing helper in a short time. Also want one or more stenographers. Write qualifications and wages expected; references exchanged. May be off any day desired. The California State Land Information Bureau, Joseph Clark, Manager, 1511 K Street, Sacramento, Cal. 26-2

### Annual Meeting of Southern California Sanitarium Association

The eighth annual session of the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California will be held in connection with the annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Cal., for the purpose of electing the officers of the corporation, and transacting such other business as may come before the body. The first meeting will be held at 10 A.M., Friday, February 19, 1915.

F. M. BURG, Pres.,  
B. M. EMERSON, Sec.

### Annual Meeting of Southern California Conference

The fifteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in

the hall at the conference office at 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Cal., February 18 to 23, 1915. The first meeting will be held Thursday, February 18 at 10 A.M., and continue daily until the conference business has been transacted. The session is called for the purpose of electing the officers of the conference and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Each church in this conference is entitled to a delegate representation at this session on the following basis: One delegate to represent the church organization and an additional delegate for each twenty-five members or major fraction thereof.

E. E. ANDROSS, Pres.,  
B. M. EMERSON, Sec.

### Annual Meeting of Southern California Association of Seventh-Day Adventists

The fifteenth annual session of the Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the hall at the conference office, 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Cal., February 18 to 23, 1915, in connection with the annual meeting of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The first meeting of the session will convene February 19 at 10 A.M. At this time officers will be elected and all other business pertaining to the annual session will be transacted.

E. E. ANDROSS, Pres.,  
B. M. EMERSON, Sec.

### Expositions Pictured and Described

Thirty-six pictures, one a double-page panoramic view of the Panama-Pacific Exposition grounds showing the Golden Gate in the back ground, together with several pages of reliable information regarding both fairs, will form part of the surpassingly fine Exposition (March) number of the *Signs Magazine*. This is an excellent missionary document, as the following titles to articles will show:

Then Shall the End Come.  
Westward the Course of Empire.  
An Exposition of our Times.  
The Circle Almost Circled.  
Sun Worship and the Sabbath.  
Russia and the Open Sea.  
The Bible True.  
The Grand Finale of Armageddon.

This issue of the *Signs Magazine* brings another opportunity to agents, for its very appearance ought to sell it. Order some for mailing to friends also.

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The following magazine report has come from Northern California for the month of January:

764 Signs.....	\$76.40
26 Life and Health.....	2.60
5 Liberty.....	.50
2 Protestant.....	.20

A letter from B. M. Heald, formerly connected with the Southern California Conference, tells of good experiences he and his wife are enjoying in a city effort at Tampa, Fla. He writes: "California will always have a large place in our hearts. We like it here very much. The workers are very congenial. The average attendance at our meetings is about 300, with a crowd on Sunday nights of over 700. The newspapers are giving us all the space we could ask. Each day we have a write-up in the largest paper in the city. Tampa is a place of about 80,000 people. Remember us in prayer."

"Twenty-five gallons of alcoholic beverages per capita consumed in the United States of America mean a terrible loss of national efficiency," says Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson in an article on "National Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic" in the 1915 Temperance *Instructor*, which is just off the press. This new number is brim full of convincing articles, showing the evils of the liquor traffic. "What Became of Billy Sunday's Colleagues?" is the first article. "Russia's Temperance Lesson to the World," "The Father's Part in a 1914 Home Tragedy," "The Cigarette Octopus," are articles equally as good. Edward Hyatt, superintendent of the California public schools, contributes a very interesting article on "What I Saw While Visiting Schools." The cover shows a mother with the children gathered about her—a typical bed-time scene and beneath it the request, "We

want to kiss papa good night." "Papa" is seen spending his evening in a saloon. The entire make-up of the paper maintains the high reputation which the Temperance *Instructor* has earned. It should have a wide circulation. Price, 10 cents, as usual. Order of your tract society.

### "The Breaking of the Day"

We have had many inquiries for this stirring song and are glad to be able to announce that we can supply any who desire it either in single copies or larger quantities. Price, 5 cents a copy; ten copies, 25 cents; fifty copies, \$1. Address all orders to F. W. Paap, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

### "Kings Business" Post Cards

Correspondence is a great factor in the world's work. It may be a mighty factor in missionary endeavor. Very likely we are not making the most of this important channel of influence. Next to a personal conversation, perhaps no other avenue offers such splendid opportunities for Christian service as that of correspondence. The statement is at least applicable to young people.

But so many youth to-day are making the worse possible use of the art by scattering cheap, sentimental post cards that are actually lowering moral tone. We all know this. What we want is something better—some good substitute that is worth while. So we have a series of choice post cards known as "The King's Business Series," carrying messages of courage, hope and cheer. These cards have met with favor throughout the country, and recently it was necessary to print another supply.

Nine different cards have been issued thus far. Some of the "gem" paragraphs in "Education" and "Desire of Ages" will appear on new cards that we hope to issue in the near future.

Why not turn our most ordinary correspondence into some account—for the cause of righteousness? Perhaps you are doing this. Encourage others to do so. These attractively printed post cards sell for 10 cents a dozen. Order some to-day. Address Southern California Tract Society, 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Cal. —E. L.

"Careful instruction should be given that will be as lessons from the Master, that all may put their light to practical use in benefiting others."

### Death of Elder Olsen

Last Friday, January 29, a message came from Sister Paulson of the Hinsdale Sanitarium to her husband, Dr. David Paulson, who is visiting our various sanitariums in this union, saying that on that morning Elder O. A. Olsen died of heart trouble. To all our people this will come as very sad news indeed. We have none of the particulars as yet, but hope to receive these in a few days, when a more complete report will be given.

For many years Elder Olsen has stood as a faithful representative of this message, holding for a time the highest office in the gift of this people. From October 17, 1888, to February 19, 1897, Elder Olsen served as president of the General Conference. Since his release from the heavy burdens of that office, he has served the cause in Europe and America, continuously occupying a very responsible position in the work.

I have had the privilege of laboring quite closely with Elder Olsen in the past. For several years I worked in connection with him in Great Britain, he serving as president of the British Union Conference for about four years.

Elder Olsen has been one of our most faithful standard bearers for many years, and his loss will be felt deeply by our people throughout the entire world. We were greatly blessed by his faithful labor at our camp-meeting in Southern California last summer. This was greatly appreciated by all our brethren and sisters who attended the meeting.

Elder Olsen has fallen at his post of duty, but the promise is surely his: "Blessed are they that die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them." So he will wait to share the reward so soon to be given to the 144,000. Let each pledge himself anew to be faithful to the end. E. E. ANDROSS.

### The Burden

—of raising the Educational Fund, is too heavy for a few to lift. If ALL will cooperate it will not be difficult to raise the total. If YOU have not yet definitely planned to help, why not begin NOW? Please write us about it. Pacific Union Conference, Box 146, Glendale, Cal.