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

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Our Mission Offering

Twenty cents a week for missions! This has been the rallying cry in many of the churches of our union conference, as well as throughout the entire field, in 1915. An amount equal to this from every church member in the Pacific Union Conference for last year would have given a total of \$101,015.20 for the needy cause in other fields.

Many churches raised their full share and more of this sum. Some of the largest churches in the territory were among this number, and our people generally did nobly in this effort for the missions' need. \$84,949.32 was the total amount passed through the union conference office on the twenty-cent-aweek fund. This was \$151.86 more than was received in the same territory in 1914. During that year, however, over \$8700 came in special windfalls, while during 1915 we know of but \$1000 of this nature.

Below is a table showing just how each conference in the union did in behalf of the twenty-cent-a-week fund for 1915, together with a comparative weekly average for 1914.

Three conferences did better this year than in 1914, while six did not show so high an average; and where

three stood more than 20 cents in 1914, only one is above for 1915. This general lowering of the weekly membership average in the conferences has brought the average for the whole field down to 16.82 cents as against 183 cents in 1914.

With the ever increasing interest of our people in missions, with the \$150,-000 Educational Fund fully subscribed, and with good prospects for abundant harvests, and with a burning desire to come behind in no good work, we believe that every church and every member in the church will begin at once to plan for a full average of twenty cents for missions in 1916. God will bless our efforts.

CLAUDE CONARD.

Treas. Pac. Un. Conf., S.D.A.

Work vs. Labor

The Saviour's invitation to a lost world is: "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28. The root of this word "labor" indicates blows from beating, hence pain, even to tears and bitter outcry, hence deep sorrow. The summons therefore promises a surcease of all the ills induced by the labor condition indicated. Yet it in no way assures exemption from pure work,

that which will be given in exchange as relief from sorrow exertion. This is readily learned from the condition imposed by the Saviour: "Take My yoke upon you," He says, which implies that the exchange is simply from mournful labor to restful work in the service of Heaven.

In Eden pleasant work was provided for untainted man. This was only a delight, because it was done under God (Gen. 2:15). But when sin entered to drive man from his God-given pursuit, his occupation brought sorrow, because a curse rested not only upon the human family, but it extended itself to everything earthly (Gen. 3:16-19). Sin changed man's employment from pleasant work to painful drudgery. The Saviour now asks all to permit Him to return the primitive condition.

Yielding to the invitation one becomes again a worker together with God (1 Cor. 3:9), because God then works in one both to will, and to do of His own good pleasure (Phil. 2:12). The preparatory effect is thus wrought until the earth-life period gives way to rest. Then it is said of such: "They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13. Passing on to the great awakening, all these find that there is "no more curse," but in sight of the throne of God, "His servants will serve Him through all eternity (Rev. 22:3).

All this is anticipated in the promise: "I will give you rest," that is, a Sabbath in which your painful toil will cease. Indeed, the weekly Sabbath, while being a memorial of God's creative power, and man's pleasant labor in God's original garden of delights, is also the shadow cast before, of all that the Saviour promised in His gracious invitation. Why then, should not sol-

Conference	Full quota at 20 cents	Amount received	Amount	Amount over	Ave cts per mem 1915	Ave cts per mem 1914
Arizona -	\$ 3161.60	\$ 2609.80	\$ 551.80		$.16 \ 51$.55 1
California	15995.20	16613.34		\$618.14	$.20\ 76$.159
Central Cal	12729.60	10941.64	1787.96		.17 19	.16 1
Nevada Mission	1643.20	1231.15	412.05		.14 99	$.25\ 5$
Northern Cal.	15828.80	10657.69	5171.11		$.13\ 47$.20 1
Northwest. Cal.	12438.40	11404.31	1034.09		.18 34	.16 1
Southeastern Ca	l. 16078.40	13350.88	2627.52		.16 61	.17 9
Southern Cal.	21143.20	16966.04	4177.16		.1604	.17 9
Utah	1996.80	1174.47	822.33		.11 76	$.15\frac{1}{4}$
Pac. Un. Conf.	\$101015.20	\$84949.32	\$16684.02	\$618.14	.16 82	.181

emn heed be given to His call, and each one in response so dedicate his heart to the Lord that the finality of His promise may be a daily enjoyment?

Church "Temperature"

An interesting and stirring message given by one of our leading missionary secretaries contains several experiences which are worth passing on for the encouragement they may bring to readers of the RECORDER. He said:

"I wish you could have been present at a fourth Sabbath missionary service that I attended some months ago. It was one from which I believe every one went home encouraged to be more active. The first lady speaking from the audience said that there were in her home a well educated man and wife who had become deeply interested in reading her Signs and Review. They had never seen anything like them, and this sister was thankful for a part in this interest.

"The second speaker told of meeting a lady while out distributing tracts, who at first refused her tracts. She said that a lady had come to her home in Washington, and had convinced her of the proper way to study the Scriptures, and that she did not care to investigate anything else. 'Of what denomination was she?' inquired our sister. To her surprise, she replied, 'She was a Seventh-day Adventist.' So we see people are being convinced. It is to be hoped that this one will accept.

"Another member said that one of his experiences during the week was praying with a neighbor who had begun to study Christian Science. He succeeded in turning his mind from Mrs. Eddy's book to the Word of God. This is only an example of the condition of hundreds to-day. Dissatisfied with their experience, they reach out for something. Earnest work is reaching many in just the time of decision. The truth must reach the honest in heart. Will you help carry it to them?"

This meeting seemed to approach the ideal set before us in Volume 7, page 19. It says:

"Those who have united with the Lord in the covenant of service are under bonds to unite with Him in the great, grand work of soul-saving. Let church members during the week act their part faithfully, and on the Sabbath relate their experience. The meeting will then be as meat in due season,

bringing to all present new life and fresh vigor."

There is nothing that will raise the spiritual life of the church quicker than for its members to get a burden for the souls of others. A church where the members are actively working for their friends and neighbors and bringing souls into the truth is a church with a good spiritual temperature.

What Some People Have Done

"Your letter of some days ago asking us to try to double our subscription to the Signs weekly was taken up in our missionary meeting last Sabbath after-We had indeed a very enthusiastic meeting. I read portions of your letter and asked them if I could not give you a little surprise and multiply it by four instead of two, making a club of twenty. They all fell into line, and instead of twenty, I am sending to the tract society for a club of twentytwo. Besides this I took names for seven Reviews and five Watchman."

This evidently is an active little church. I like the words "they all fell into line," for they make me think of a well organized army of workers, all working together in a strong way. Would that in all our churches, the members would all fall into line. could then soon finish the work.

"I am taking advantage of your offer as mentioned in the last Signs to renew my subscription. Times are terrible, work scarce and money more so, but my papers are read by several people, so I do not like to stop them."

"A friend handed me a copy of the Signs for December, 1913. Now I want you to send me this magazine for one year to my four friends listed below, if your clubbing offer still holds good. I am enclosing check for \$3.00."

In this case the good seed sown by some unknown worker multiplied sixtyfold, for it led to the sending in of five yearly subscriptions. I trust it may have further results in souls saved.

"We have had some good results from our club. Through having the paper sent to her brother, one sister is abundantly rewarded by seeing him living out and spreading a knowledge of the truths of this glorious message. Another had it sent to a relative in the old home town. As a result, a little company of believers has been raised up. One sister had it sent to a worldly sister in the East, who at last became so interested in the good paper that

she lent it to all the neighbors who came into her home."

The Signs does save souls, does it not? "I have often thought I would like to relate an experience we had at the time we were coming into the truth. I was a glass blower at the time. mother, brother, and sister were Adventists, and had become such after I was married and in a home of my own. During July and August we always made a visit home, as the factory never ran in these two months. My mother always talked to me about the message, but for three or four years I did not become interested.

"Finally one time when I was there they asked if we would not like to have a Bible reading, and invited in a brother living near. We enjoyed the reading very much, but returned home and almost forgot the experience. One day an old lady came to the door selling the Signs. She also gave an invitation to the meeting in their little church. Well, we went to church, although we had not been in the habit of going. we had gone a few evenings, we asked a brother-in-law and family to go, and before long we were all taken into the church. Now if it had not been for the old sister and the bundle of Signs she carried, perhaps I should never have been a Seventh-day Adventist."

This brother and his brother-in-law went into the colporteur work, and now the brother is a conference colporteur The faithful sowing of the agent. good seed without doubt brings results. How many intend to sow liberally during 1916 and reap a rich harvest? Send in your order for a good club of Signs.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

Cured of the Coffee Habit

A sister who has recently begun the observance of the Sabbath. relates an interesting experience. For years she had been addicted to the use of coffee, often drinking seven cups a day. A week ago, when invited to dinner, she brought her coffee with her, in order to avoid the inevitable headache that she expected to follow if she were deprived of it. At that time she expressed the conviction that she could not give up the use of the beverage. Later she prayed to the Lord to show her the path of duty in this matter.

The next morning she made her coffee as usual, but when she tasted it. found it bitter and nauseating. She then drank a little milk, which, as she

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FIELD TIDINGS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA Where Are the Conference Laborers?

This question is often asked. The last days of 1915 were busy ones in attending quarterly meetings, church elections, etc. We are now well launched in the year 1916. What its leaves will reveal as they are unfolded, none would dare to predict. Changes such as the world has never before seen are before our eyes. Destruction of life that has had no parallel, is now going on. We still have peace in our conferences, so that we may carry forward the work. How long will it last?

Elder A. J. Osborne has closed his meetings at Modesto, and is again at work in Sacramento and its suburbs. He has recently visited Camino and Placerville. He reports good meetings and courage for the new year.

Elder N. W. Kauble, who closed his meetings near Corning because of rains and prevalence of the grippe, has again gone to that place. Precious souls were deciding for the truth, and others were in the balance.

Dr. L. M. White, one of the first medical graduates at Loma Linda, and Brother Wolfsen, have been doing house-to-house work near Colfax, and the result has been that one young man has accepted the truth, and is in the class that are preparing for the canvassing field. Two of our young German brethren of the Lodi Academy spent the holidays with the Germans in that neighborhood with good results. This will be followed up, and we hope for a church to be organized at that place.

Elder T. H. Watson will commence meetings near Yankee Hill where there has been an earnest call for labor. A brother from that place writes: "We have eight or ten adults who are ready for organization, and ten to twelve children who will take part in the Sabbath-school."

Elder G. G. Sims, with Brother M. J. King, has been working in Yuba City and Marysville for some time. A church was organized there in the fall, and they have a comfortable house of worship, recently finished. They also have a church school. Brother King will continue there for a time.

To-night Elder A. S. Booth will com-

mence a series of meetings in the city of Stockton, if the Lord wills, and Elder Sims will assist him. Our Bible workers, Mrs. Buchanan, Miss Esther Bergman, and Miss Alice Brayshaw, will also assist in the effort with house-to-house work.

The Lord has told us that the work in our cities is as important as that in any foreign field, and that soon it will be more difficult to work them than it is now.

We are continually finding families here and there, in the valleys north, who are faithful to this truth, and want the living minister to visit them.

Our canvassers have done excellent work during the fall, and the call for the Stockton effort was quite largely through their canvass of the place. They are now in the institute at Lodi, with Brother Painter and Brother E.H. Abbott as their instructors, and Brother H. H. Hall has spent the last two days with them at the Lodi church. His lessons have been an encouragement to all.

Our courage is good, and we hope for a good year in the work of the Lord.

January 12. CLARENCE SANTEE.

Week of Prayer Experiences

My time during the season of prayer just past, was divided among the following churches: Stockton, Sacramento Placerville, and Camino. Sabbath December 11, was spent with the Stockton church. I was pleased to have this, my first, opportunity to meet with this church. While the unfavorable weather prevented a large attendance the Lord was present and blessed us.

Sunday and Monday evenings were spent in meetings with the Sacramento church. This was the first meeting I have had the privilege of holding with Sacramento church for about three months. The meetings were good although the attendance was not large owing to the weather.

The remainder of the week was spent with the Placerville and Camino churches. Although these churches are small, yet we found them earnestly engaged with the Lord's people in this season of devotion. The Placerville church is composed entirely of people of mature years, while the Camino company is made up largely of young people. A successful church school is being conducted, the children of which joined heartily in the season of devotion. Since the writer last visited this little church the elder,

Brother J. C. Rasmussen, has baptized three souls who have been added to the field. We believe still others will be added to this company. An earnest desire for a better preparation to labor for the Master, possesses a number of the young people, who are working hard to earn means to enable them to attend school next year.

December 20, 1915. A. J. OSBORNE.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA Porterville Church Organized

For some time Brother and Sister F. W. Griffin, together with a few other faithful Sabbath-keepers, have been endeavoring to hold forth the torch of truth at Portersville, and they have been calling for a strong effort. About the middle of September Brethren F. E. Brown, R. R. Breitigam and G. T. Vore pitched a tent here in a good location near the main street and began a series of meetings. The attendance was good from the first, and the Lord blessed the presentation of the Word. Quite a number accepted the truth. When the tent was taken down, a hall was rented for their Sabbath and Sunday evening services.

Last Sabbath it was my privilege to meet with them in their Sabbath service. We then organized a church with thirty-two members, besides eight others who had given in their names for baptism, joined subject to baptism, making forty members in all. Arrangements had been made for baptism, but because of existing circumstances the baptism was postponed. Of these forty members, seventeen joined by letter. A full corps of officers was elected. Brother F. W. Griffin, who has served as elder of the Lindsay church the past year, was chosen to serve as their elder.

We believe there are bright days ahead for this new church. We pray that the members may all remain faithful to the truth, and that they may be the means under God to lead many others into the light of this glorious message.

N. P. NEILSEN.

Dec. 31, 1915.

"Is America In Danger of Invasion?"

A most interesting and convincing article in the February Watchman is an editorial entitled "Is America in Danger of Invasion." It is an interesting study of the situation in which our country has been placed relative to the warring nations of Europe.

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

Healdsburg Annual Report, 1915
Sabbath-school offering \$514.04
Mid-summer 93.27
Annual 71.57
Mission Board 97.75
Harvest Ingathering 55.52
Volunteers 97.21
Total \$929.36
Tithe for year 1915 \$1756.61
Grand total for church work

(including church school) - \$4117.82 The tithe for 1914 was \$1489.96, an

increase of tithe for 1915 of \$276.65.

The last three weeks of the year were precious to all of the church. Elder R. F. Cottrell and wife spoke New Year's. Our courage is good.

W. H. SAXBY.

Comparative Tithe Statement Northwestern California Conference For 1914 and 1915

		1914		1915
Arcata	\$	359.70	\$	468.01
Calistoga		122.75		201.80
Eureka		1020.13		1060.37
Ferndale		188.60		18.80
Fortuna		574.35		691.38
Fort Bragg		137.92		104.30
Healdsburg		1579.06		1783.59
Kelseyville		123.50		174.78
McKinlevville		72.76		77.60
Napa		997.39		1291.50
P. U. College		2900.00		3716.87
Pepperwood		267.09		129.85
Petaluma		203.52		251.99
Petrolia		75.30		58.45
St. Helena		1634.97		1101.55
Sanitarium		7440.83		7080.38
Santa Rosa		372.18		787.69
Sebastopol		576.74		826.59
Sonoma		788.79		597.58
Ukiah		524.15		760.55
Vallejo		191.75		287.46
Personal		768.36		793.77
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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Annual Meeting of Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists

The sixteenth annual session of the Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in the Carr Street Seventh-day Adventist church, at 141 Carr Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

The first meeting will convene at 2 P. M. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1916. At this session officers will be elected, and other business pertaining to the annual session will be transacted.

The membership of this corporation embraces the members in good standing in all the churches of the Seventh-day Adventists in that portion of California lying south of the summits of the Tehachapi and Santa Ynez Ranges.

B. E. Beddoe, President, B. M. Emerson, Secretary.

Southern California Conference

The sixteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Carr Street church, 141 Carr Street, Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 25 to 28, 1916. The first meeting will be held Tuesday, January 25, at 10 A. M., and continue daily until the conference business has been transacted. The session is called for the purpose of electing officers of the conference, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

B. E. BEDDOE, President, B. M. EMERSON, Secretary.

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Twenty-cent-a-week Fund Northwestern California Conference For 1915

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Church	Mem.	Quota	Paid	Over	Short 1	pr. mem.
Arcata	17	\$ 176.80	\$360.28	\$183.48		.407
Calistoga	33	343.20	128.38		\$214.82	.074
Eureka	63	655.20	408.46		246.74	.124
Ferndale	16	166,40	23.95		142.45	.028
Fort Bragg	30	312.00	94.03		217.97	.060
Fortuna	25	260.00	159.62		100.38	.122
Healdsburg	161	1674.40	953.42		720.98	
Kelseyville	9	93.60	44.65		48.95	
	$2\overset{\circ}{4}$	249.60	88.82		160.78	.071
McKinleyville	82	852.80	313,50		439.30	
Napa				01	400.00	
Pacific Union College	210	2184.00	2184.01	.01		.200
Pepperwood	13	135.20	173.13	37.93		.256
Personal			829.82	829.82		
Petaluma	10	104.00	181.70	77.70		.349
Petrolia	6	62.40	149.25	86.85		.478
Sanitarium	216	2246.40	2492.51	246.11		.221
Santa Rosa	42	436.80	411.36		25.34	.184
Sebastopol	74	769.60	835.98	66,38		.217
Sonoma	49	509.60	377.71		131.89	.148
St. Helena	$1\overline{15}$	1196.00	534.87		661.13	
Ukiah	43	447.20	432,46		14.74	
	19	197.60	198.18	.58		.201
Vallejo	19	131.00	190.10	.00		.201

Conference Items

Last Tuesday evening, Miss Daisy E. Coons was united in marriage to Dr. Benjamin C. Chadwick. Miss Coons has been a laborer in the Southern California Tract Society about four years. She has been a faithful and conscientious worker. The ceremony was solemnized by Elder E. E. Andross.

Monday, January 10, the auditing committee met at the Los Angeles office to audit the accounts of the laborers. Meeting with the conference committee for this work there were present Elder E. E. Andross, Hans Von Hofgaarden, O. F. Conway, Dr. C. A. Burrows, Truman Sterling, I. W. Blackburn and C. E. Kimlin.

Sabbath and Sunday, January 1 and 2, a Sabbath-school and temperance convention was held by the colored believers living in Los Angeles. The program was prepared by Elder Sydney Scott, Sister Jennie Ireland and Sister A. R. Temple. Among those assisting were Elders E. E. Andross and G. A. Snyder, Doctors H. F. Rand, D. D. Comstock, B. E. Fullmer and H. J. Hoare, also Miss Cornelia Teal and Mrs. Hester Griffith, lecturers of the W.C.T.U. organization. We believe the convention accomplished much good. B. E. BEDDOE.

Annual Meeting of the Southern California Conference

Our annual conference is called for January 25 to 28 at the Carr Street church in Los Angeles. This is the first session of the conference since the southern part of the state has been divided into two conferences. For this reason many and important matters must receive consideration. The first meeting is called for 10 A. M. Tuesday, January 25. We hope every church elder and, as far as possible, other officers of our churches will attend. Those chosen as delegates, of course, will be present. We believe it would be helpful if our people generally should plan to attend this conference. There will probably be a Bible study each morning after the first day and also a preaching service B. E. BEDDOE. each evening.

"Study yourself until you know where you are strong and where weak; study your acquaintance until you find a man weak where you are strong and strong where you are weak, that the benefits may be reciprocal, and make that man your friend."

CALIFORNIA Army, Navy and Maritime Ship Mission

Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1915

"Let us now, by the wise use of periodicals and books, preach the word with determined energy, that the world may understand the message that Christ gave to John on the Isle of Patmos." Volume 9, page 62. Papers, periodicals, tracts received 2623 Papers, periodicals, tracts distrib. 4773 Books sold Bibles and books given away -104 Missionary visits -1 Letters written -Papers, periodicals, tracts mailed 316 Ships visited 147 Army posts, hospitals, prisons and reading rooms visited 27 Calls at office 69 Expenses, sundries - \$5.56 Donations -\$1.00

The mission is still in need of our magazines, foreign literature in Spanish, Chinese and Japanese only desired. Address Chas. H. A. Brooke, No. 10 East Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Total distribution -

Comparative Tithe Statement California Conference S.D.A. 1914-1915 January to December Inclusive

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Church	Mem.		1914	1915
Alameda	79	\mathbf{L}	\$2138.73	\$1961.15
Berkeley	129	G	2053.68	2304.82
Byron	14	\mathbf{L}	287.17	228.05
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and Pers'l	8	L	460.50	331.82

Daly City *	14		683.23	171.17
Fruitvale	164	G	2143.51	3210.55
Hayward	17	G	308.86	365.40
Hollister	19			311.44
Los Gatos	20	G	251.69	265.41
Mission, S. F.	. 45	G	673.41	1234.56
Monterey	38			228.91
Morgan Hill	28	\mathbf{L}	355.55	321.53
Mount.V'w	289	G	6354.01	7404.61
Oakland	326	G	6697.99	6858.30
Oak. Jap.	11	L	142.72	142.52
Richmond	20	G	611.80	652.17
San. Fran.	216	G	4610.16	5223.98
San Jose	130	G	1901.28	2019.00
Santa Cruz	43	\mathbf{G}	582.34	922.04
Soquel	11	\mathbf{L}	500.00	132.00
Watsonville	5	L	160.74	129.41
* Disbanded	(6-3-1	5)		

H. B. THOMAS, Treas.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

The first annual session of the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, corner Eighteenth and G Streets, San Diego, Cal., Jan. 19 to 23, 1916. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, January 19, at 7:30 P. M. The session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the conference, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

A full representation of the churches is desired. Each church is entitled to one delegate for its organization, and one additional delegate for each twenty members or major fraction thereof. Report of the delegates elected should be sent to the conference secretary, 617 East Fifth Street, Santa Ana, Cal.

W. F. MARTIN, President, J. C. McREYNOLDS, Secretary.

Twenty-cent-a-week Fund
California Conference, for Twelve Months Ending December 31, 1915

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Church	Mem.	12-Mo. Quota	Amt. Paid	Over	Short	Av. pr. wk.
					Short	per mem.
Alameda	79	\$821.60	\$ 829.61	\$ 8.04		.201
Berkeley	129	1341.60	1614.71	273.11		.240
Byron	14	145.60	395.59	249.99		.543
Conf. Church						
and Personal -	8	83.20	517.71	434.51		1.244
Daly City ** -	14	145.60	50.99		94.61	.070
Fruitvale	164	1705.60	1356.81		348.79	.159
Hayward	17	176.80	248.33	71.53		.280
Hollister *	19	181.07	103.34		77.73	.113
Los Gatos	20	208.00	124.53		83.47	.119
Mission, S. F	45	468.00	601.92	133.92		. 257
Monterey*	38	362.14	108.56		253.58	.059
Morgan Hill	28	291.20	299.87	8.67		. 205
Mountain View -	289	3005.60	3308.90	303.30		.220
Oakland	326	3390.40	2833.56		556.84	.167
Oakland Jap	11	114.40	154.46	40.06	-	.270
Richmond	20	208.00	402.13	194.13		.386
San Francisco -	216	2246.40	2316.55	70.15		.206
San Jose	130	1352.00	560.87		791.13	.082
Santa Cruz -	43	447.20	384.57		62.63	.171
Soquel	11	114.40	126.95	12.55 \cdot		.220
Watsonville -	5	52.00	71.72	19.72		.275

** Disbanded(6-3-15)

* These two churches have been in this conference only eleven months, and are, therefore, reckoped on that basis.

Beaumont

The conference sent Elder W. L. Black to help the Beaumont church through the week of prayer, and we think the Lord guided, for most of us are hungering for spiritual food and Brother Black certainly gave us the bread from heaven. As a small church of twenty-three members we have struggled along without much assistance from ministers, and have appreciated especially the help and encouragement given along the spiritual line.

We especially praise the Lord for the lessons we have learned during this week of prayer. It left us with a full determination to put aside everything that drives the Holy Spirit away and to live such Christian lives that we may be able to approach others to give to them this blessed third angel's message. We believe if we could have a house-to-house work here among those that do not go to church, there would be others gathered in. We find honest hearts among that class that do not find the Saviour in other churches, so have fallen away from attending.

Dec. 21, 1915. MRS. I. E. BOURNE.

Loma Linda

The Seventh-day Adventist physicians of Southern California have recently organized a medical society. The purposes of this organization are two-fold: first, for mutual advantage in the lines of spiritual endeavor as well as for exchange of thought along scientific and medical lines. Second, the society purposes by every means possible to advance the interests of the College of Medical Evangelists; particularly that portion of the school that is being conducted in Los Angeles.

There are between thirty and forty Seventh-day Adventist physicians, at least, in Southern California, exclusive of those directly connected with the medical school, and pratically all of these have indicated their desire to be connected with this association.

It is the plan of the society to have monthly meetings in Los Angeles. At a meeting held in December the organization was perfected. The officers elected were Doctor Newton Evans, president; Dr. D. D. Comstock, vice-president; Dr. Percy T. Magan, secretary; Dr. Geo. Thomason, treasurer.

If there are any Seventh-day Adventist physicians in Southern California who have not already indicated their purpose to connect with this society, or who have been overlooked in

the effort to bring together these physicians, it is sincerely hoped by the organization that they will accept a most urgent invitation to present their application for membership. Address any of the officers of the society.

BOOK WORK

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

We have no time to be idle or discouraged. The gospel is to be proclaimed to all the world. The publications containing the light of present truth are to go forth to all places. Canvassing campaigns are to be organized for the sale of our literature, that the world may be enlightened as to just what is before us.

"Every new disclosure of the Saviour's love turns the balance for some soul in one direction or the other; for the end of all things is at hand." —Mrs. E. G. White, May 15, 1903.

As we visit the homes of the people, we find less prejudice than formerly on the subject of the coming of the Lord, and in many cases there is a realdesire to know the truth. During the week we found people in deep sorrow and prayed with them; in one case, after presenting our work ("B.R."), we were favored with some choice piano selections. One young canvasser remarked, when asked how the work was going, that "we just visited the people." While visiting one of the better homes in Fresno yesterday, the lady said that she used to be an Adventist, and that she would attend meeting Sabbath. We are not to be discouraged even though the work goes slow at times. The prophet says, "Is not my work like a hammer that breaketh in pieces?" C. L. DAVIS. Dec. 31, 1915.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA Lodi Institute

The colporteurs' institute held at Lodi January 2 to 12 has proved to be one of unusual interest and consecration to God for greater and better service in the Northern California Conference.

It was encouraging to see all our workers except one in attendance, together with a number of others who are taking up the book work. Truly all were greatly helped by the Bible studies conducted by Elders Clarence Santee and D. T. Fero, and our hearts were brought closer together as we

realized that God has given us a definite work to do in this closing message.

It was very cheering to have Brother H. H. Hall with us for a few days, and listen to the excellent reports of the circulation of the printed page in all lands. The instruction on salesmanship by Brother F. E. Painter was greatly appreciated by all He gave special emphasis to the fact that if we all work faithfully, putting in forty hours each week, together with daily study and prayer, just sticking to it

M.A. Reese

Mrs. A. Carter H.W.

Jas. E. Boehne Misc.

Mrs. F.R.Peterson____H.W.

Totals for Union: 21 Agents ...

4 Agents

for the coming twelve months of 1916, God would greatly bless us, and a harvest of souls would be the result of our efforts.

"We've the now in which to labor, We've the now in which to be. And the now alone we call our own Through all eternity.

The past and future are shadows, But the present is ours for aye. To us is given to build our heaven In the kingdom of to-day."

Е. Н. Аввотт.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 10, 1915

AGENT BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	- HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERE
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G.H. Barbee B.F.	27	10	13.50	44.50	
L. M. Overholt B. F.		10	14.75	46.75	
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John G. Lea D.R		2	4.95	12.95	
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MISCELLANY

WANTED.—Address of J. C. Heistom. Please notify H. P. Lovejoy, Los Gatos, Cal. 24-25

For Sale.—Small, modern bungalow on improved lot, 62½x150 feet. Bearing fruit trees and vines. C. R. Campbell, Loma Linda, Cal. 24-25

Wanted.—To buy or exchange for close-in or city property near educational institution, church school or sanitarium. Give full description and lowest cash price. Address S. L. Woodruff, Ridgefield, Wash.

THE MAGOON is undoubtedly the sweetest, best ever-bearing strawberry in the world. Plants set this month will bear heavily all summer. I have a few fine plants at \$1.00 per 100 or \$8.50 per 1000, while they last. Cash with order. O. F. Campbell, Le Grand, Cal.

FOR SALE.—Ten acres in Oakdale irrigation district, one and one-half miles from the town of Thalheim. Good house and barn, chicken yard and house, well and windmill. Three acres in alfalfa, fenced with woven wire. Balance partly checked and leveled for alfalfa. Very good soil. Reason for selling, too far from my business. Will sell at a bargain. M. S. Dickinson, Ingomar, Cal. 2-28-16

Obituaries

BECK.—Columbus Jefferson Beck was born Jan. 12, 1838, in Tennessee, and later moved to Arkansas City, Kan. Here he married Miss Flora L. Arnett, Dec. 6, 1874. A family of eight children was born to them, all of whom are living except one.

Mr. Beck and family moved to Ontario, Cal., Feb. 18, 1906. He was united with the Seventh-day Adventist church Sept. 4, 1910, and was faithful and sincere until death, Oct. 12, 1915.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by the pastor of the Baptist church at Ontario.

W. F. MARTIN.

MARTHA ANN NASH WINKLER.—Mrs. Martha Ann Winkler was born Nov. 4, 1851, at Walnut Grove Farm, Calistoga, Cal. She fell asleep in Jesus at Sanitarium Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1915, aged 64 years and 20 days.

Her father, William H. Nash, came to California in 1847 and settled in this county, being one of the early settlers in this valley. There were twelve children in the family, most of whom survive their well-beloved and now departed sister. The family name is an honored one in this valley, and Mrs. Winkler has nobly sustained the honor of the family by a well spent and useful life.

November 19, 1871, Martha Ann Nash was united in marriage to Bernard Fredrick Winkler. Two children were born to them,—Ernest Fredrick, born in Napa March 30, 1874, and Ada Evarts, born at Coos Bay, Ore., March 3, 1877,—both of whom are still living, the former at Valparaiso, Ind., and the latter at Oakland, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Winkler left California and went to Oregon in May, 1875. In 1878 they moved to Walla Walla, Wash., where they resided nine years, returning to California in 1887. They resided at Healdsburg, Sonoma County, fourteen years and moved to Sanitarium in 1900, where they have resided nearly fifteen years. During these years Mr. Winkler has been a trusted and faithful member of the sanitarium staff of workers.

In youth Sister Winkler attended the services of the Christian Church to which her parents belonged. She was united with the Napa Seventh-day Adventist church about the year 1873. She was baptized soon after her husband who was a charter member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Napa, which was organized in the early seventies.

She was very zealous in her attendance upon the services of the church of her choice, and at the annual campmeetings, and was ever foremost in maintaining the family altar, and in every good work. She was an earnest student of the Word of God, as her well-worn Bibles abundantly testify. She was faithful in paying tithe and in every duty that devolved upon her as a member of the church of Jesus Christ. Though very quiet in demeanor and undemonstrative, she had a clear view of Christ as her personal Saviour which she retained to the last. She has ever been held in the highest esteem by her brethren and sisters in the faith, and much loved by those who were most intimately acquainted with her. All womanly virtues were manifest in her character, and like the unobtrusive

violet she shed forth the sweet fragrance of a Christ-like gentleness that unmistakably proved that she walked with Christ and learned of Him.

Sister Winkler was a sister of Mrs. E. M. York of St. Helena, whose daughter, Mrs. F. L. Alexander, is so well known in this town.

Besides her husband, two children and four grandchildren who mourn her loss, there are the following brothers and sisters: Mr. C. H. Nash, of Oakland; Mr. Jason Nash, of San Francisco; Mr. J. T. Nash, of Los Angeles; Mr. Cornelius Nash, of San Jose; Mrs. L. H. Hopkins, of Susanville; Mrs. R. W. Morris, of Santa Rosa; Mrs. E. Wilkins, of Napa; Mrs. Walker, of San Francisco; and Mrs. H. Beverly, of Piedmont.

The funeral was conducted by the writer at the Seventh-day Adventist church at St. Helena and her remains were interred in the cemetery there to await the advent of the Life-giver.

R. W. Munson.

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said, never before tasted so sweet. Another taste of the coffee, and she took it to the door and threw it out.

The same transforming power was manifest in her sudden aversion to the theater, which she had been attending regularly; also in her inability to complete a number of popular stories she was writing for the papers.

This lady and her husband have generously offered us the use of a vacant house for our meeting place. This will serve us until we are able to build a church.

D. E. ROBINSON.

December 27.

Annual Meeting Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California

The ninth annual session of the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California will be held in connection with the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at 141 Carr 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 convene at 2 P. M. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1916.

E. E. Andross, President, J. A. Burden, Secretary.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1916

Word from Lodi states that seven or eight new students have entered the academy since the holiday vacation.

One of the largest remittances of tithe and trust funds ever sent from the Pacific Union Conference was passed on to Washington this last week. It amounted to \$27,377.77.

Brother L. M. Bowen, for many years business manager of the St. Helena Sanitarium, but recently chosen to act in the same capacity at Loma Linda, has taken up his work at the latter place.

The annual meeting of the Central California Conference has been in session at Fresno during the past week. Several of the union conference workers are present. An excellent meeting is reported.

Brother E. J. Smith, teacher, writes: "A church school has been started in El Centro. As it is small, we earnestly solicit the prayers and help of our dear brethren, especially in this vicinity, that it may be a success."

Friends of Elder J. H. Behrens, who was formerly president of the Central California Conference, will be pleased to learn that he has greatly improved in health, and is again able to take up ministerial labor. He is now in Ohio.

Brother Walter E. Gillis and family recently from China, are stopping at the Glendale Sanitarium. For a number of years Brother Gillis has had charge of the factory end of our publishing house in Shanghai, China. His wife is taking treatment at the sanitarium.

Sales for 1915

This past year—1915—the war year, has been a good time for the sale of our message-filled literature.

The book report for the sales territory of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, comprising a large number of the states west of the Mississippi River, and Canada, shows \$270,010.85 in 1915 as compared with \$214,557.90 in 1914, or an increase of \$55,452.95.

The Pacific Union Conference has just alittle better than held its own, the sales in 1915 standing at \$38,893.45 as against \$38,539.20 in 1914, a difference of \$354.25. Below is the comparison by conferences, in which the territory served by the California Bible House in Oakland is all reported for both years in one total, as is also the Southern California and Southeastern California conferences with the Los Angeles depository as a distributing center:

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Conference	1914	1915
Arizona	\$ 566.85	\$ 2344.70
California N. W. Cal.	7252.25	9937.40
Central Cal.	4462.30	4473.10
North'n Cal. Nevada	8668.55	6187.80
S. E. Cal. South'n Cal.	13879.00	12921.10
Utah	3710.25	3029.35
	\$38539.20	\$38893.45

The reports from the Pacific Union field indicate a falling off in subscription books and tracts and gains in trade and educational lines.

Several of the union conferences in the Pacific Press territory show marvelous gains, and it is hoped that the Pacific Union will be in the same list in 1916. CLAUDE CONARD.

Praying for Rain

An interest sprang up recently in Central Hupeh, China, as the result of our native evangelist praying for rain. Already one person has been baptized, and many others are at the point of yielding. There had been no rain during the early summer months. The rice fields were turning yellow. Famine seemed imminent. The heathen had exhausted every means they knew of to intercede the gods for rain. Sister Cottrell writes:

One day our evangelist, an elderly man of deep piety and faith, decided that God could be glorified before the heathen. He therefore called a meeting at our chapel, to which he invited all the townspeople who wished to come and join the Christians in praying to the God who lives. The evangelist read Elijah's experience in praying for rain, after which the believers joined in earnest petitions that God would hear and answer if it were to the glory of His name.

The meeting closed, and the people returned as usual to their homes, watching the sky closely for any signs of rain. Toward night a small cloud was seen arising, which so strengthened their faith that some closed their windows and doors before retiring to rest. Nor were they disappointed, for during the night the much-needed rain came in torrents, and the life-sustaining rice-crop was saved.

The following day, Sabbath, many of the villagers united with our Christians in a praise service. A free-will offering was taken, in which several idolaters each gave a Mexican dollar, a large sum for these people. I was privileged to be present when Evangelist Djang with joy turned over to the mission treasurer the 30,000 cash (equivalent to about two pounds gold) as their offering, at the same time telling us the story which is related here. Many idolaters were convinced of the power of our God, and several straightway decided to cast in their lot with the church. - Australasian Record.

Notice of Annual Meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Association

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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 24th day of January, A. D. 1916, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The election of directors, repealing or adopting 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.

"He that has character, need have no fear of his condition. Character will draw condition after it.