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Closer Unity

The report of the proceedings of the Northwestern California Conference. held at St. Helena, February 29 to March 2, has already appeared in the RECORDER, but it may be of interest to the readers to know that this meeting was attended by much of the blessing of the Lord. From the beginning to its close, it was very evident that the Spirit of the Lord was present in more than a usual way. The hearts of the brethren and sisters were knit together in unity and love more completely, I feel confident, at this conference session than at any former period. The same may be said to an equal degree of the meeting of the California Conference, held at Mountain View, March 6 to 8.

I have never witnessed in any of our business meetings more of the presence of God's Holy Spirit than in these two meetings. There was no effort to work up a revival; but surely God's tender Spirit was present to revive the hearts of all the delegates and brethren and sisters attending the meetings. I am confident that all returned to their homes with a greater determination to press forward with this truth more energetically and with greater zealthan ever before.

The necessity of pressing closer together seemed to be felt by all, and I am sure that this same spirit will be carried into the home churches throughout these conferences, and will result in greater blessings upon this work than ever before. The importance of every individual member taking an active part in this great forward movement in finishing the work of this message in the earth, was made very prominent, and all hearts freely responded to the Spirit's call for service.

There were no changes in the officers of either of the conferences, and but very slight changes in the committees. We believe that the year 1916 will witness greater advance moves in this field than any similar period has ever witnessed. The calls for help are coming from every quarter, and the greatest perplexity that our brethren have to meet now, not only in these fields, but in all our conferences, seems to be to respond to these calls, and gather in the sheaves that seem to be all ripe for the harvest.

Surely we have never seen a time when so many of the people were ready to listen to this truth, and to respond heartily to it, as now. The last quarter's statistical report from the North American Division Conference reveals the fact that during 1915, 1401 were baptized in this union conference. These baptisms occurred during the year as follows: First quarter, 366; second quarter, 388; third quarter, 327; fourth quarter, 320.

This union stood second in the number of baptisms, as compared with all other union conferences in the North American Division. The Lake Union Conference baptized a few more than we did during the year. Hitherto the

Lord has helped us, and He will not fail until our work is finished.

Sunday, March 12, the annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, owning the St. Helena Sanitarium, was held at St. Helena. This was undoubtedly one of the best meetings this association has ever held. In many ways it was most encouraging. The splendid addition to the sanitarium that is now being erected, providing for a larger patronage and better accommodations for the patients that have been coming, is now well along toward completion, and the fact that we shall be able to complete it without incurring debt, brought courage to the hearts of the brethren and sisters assembled.

But this was not the source of the greatest courage. It was the fact that God is so evidently with the family and the work of the institution in general. A beautiful spirit prevails throughout the institution, and the reports rendered by the heads of the various departments of the institution were most encouraging.

The institution starts out on a new year with better prospects apparently than we have ever had before, and we ask for the prayers of our brethren and sisters throughout the field for its continued success. The patronage for this season of the year is very encouraging The time has surely come indeed. when every Seventh-day Adventist should consecrate himself more fully to this work than ever before. The times demand it, and God calls for it. Let us each respond to this call without further delay, and earnestly pray for the power of God's Holy Spirit that has so long awaited our demand and reception.

E. E. ANDROSS.

Strength is not so much in numbers as in the ability to work together.

Our Last Month at the Exposition

The Panama Pacific International Exposition is now in the past. Its records are made up, and our work there is also done. Only eternity can tell just what has been accomplished. The more than 12,000 of our truth-filled tracts which were distributed; the more than 10,000 of our splendid weekly papers such as the Signs, Present Truth (from England), our monthly Signs, Watchman, Protestant, Liberty, and Life and Health, as well as our weeklies and monthlies in German, French, Spanish, Italian, Swedish, Danish-Norwegian. Japanese. Chinese and other of the many languages published by our different presses, we cannot believe that' all this seed sown will not bear fruit, and we do believe that there will be some sheaves garnered in the great gathering day as the result of this work. That it was imperfectly done. we know; but we believe our Father's blessing can make up our lack. The last month was a very busy one. Every one who had purchased a "season ticket" was trying to make good use of it, and all others who had put off going until the "eleventh hour," came, so that the crowds were heavy, growing more so each day until the last, which reached over 400,000. The interest at our booth did not flag. The fair closed on Sabbath, but we kept the booth open, feeling we should do a good day's work in distributing the printed page but doing no business. We had Nor were we disappointed. to empty all our magazine holders, and hunted up all the back copies we could find, as well as many hundred tracts. all of which were eagerly taken. The eards we used for taking names and addresses of interested persons ran out, and we put the last names on a sheet of paper. In all, during the time we were there from April to December, we secured almost 3000 of these names. Doubtless many of these persons were only interested in receiving the souvenir booklet promised to them, but we are sure this was not true in all cases.

When the last closing whistle blew at 6 P.M., December 4, we were busily engaged with a young Servian who was buying all he could afford of our literature, in his language; so we were really busy up to "closing time."

We had many encouraging experiences in these last days with some of the "strangers" who are "within our gates." A young Esthonian came in one Sunday. From some source he

had secured a catalog of the publications of the Pacific Press. He came in with the catalog open at the list of Esthonian publications, and in his broken English made us understand that he wanted everything on the list. We went through our stock and furnished him with what we had, and took his order for what we did not have, for all of which he paid. He then asked for a Bible in his language. We did not have one in stock, but the next day we went to the American Bible Society Agency and bought and sent to him the last copy they had in stock in that language. Who could but believe that there was an over-ruling hand in such an instance? When making his change, he pushed back a dollar urging us to take it for "your trouble." He was assured such trouble was a pleasure.

On another Sunday two bright young Hungarians came in. They found the foreign literature section. When asked if they found their language, they said they had, and upon looking over the list of tracts and pamphlets, exclaimed delightedly, "O what good things there are in our language!" They gladly accepted all we had to offer them.

A young Japanese came in one day with a letter in his hand written in Japanese. He handed me the letter. Among the strange looking characters I found the words written in English. "Pacific Press Pub. Co., Machinery Palace, P. P. I. E." His story in broken-English was that this letter was from his brother in Japan. This brother had been very ill, and had been taken to our sanitarium in Kobe, Japan, where he had been "made cured," and that the brother was now much interested in the religion of Seventh-day Adventists, and that his wife who had been educated in a missionary college, was also. Then he added, "And I also am much interested." He too went away with all that we could provide him.

The interest was not manifested by the "strangers" only. A lady to whom we gave literature returned a few days later to ask for more to send to her sister in another state, and again returned the *third* time bringing with her a friend who also wanted reading matter.

A young Catholic spent two hours one day studying the truth, and left full of gratitude for what he had learned that day.

A young American came in one morning, saying he had come in especially to visit our booth. He had been in the

day before with his father, but could not get around, so had returned the following day to visit our booth, and learn what he could of what we taught. He had been studying the truth for some weeks, and his heart was open to receive more. He accepted our invitation to attend our prayer meeting. It was his first entrance into a Seventhday Adventist church, and he was much impressed by seeing the "Law of God" on the wall of the church. He had expressed a desire to attend one of our schools, so was urged to visit Pacific Union College, which he did a little later, spending a few days, and at last reports he was arranging his affairs that he may attend, and fit himself for service.

Some of the readers will remember the reference made in earlier reports to a young man in the navy. He is still clinging to his "mother's religion," and when he finishes the time of his enlistment, which will expire in a few months, he expects to obey and accept fully. He told us, at his last visit to the booth, how he was saving his money, every cent he could, so that he would have something when he came out, and could go to school and get ready for a place in the work. He told us too of how one of his "mates" was studying the truth, and had decided to "buy his time" at the same time his time would expire, and they were both planning to fit themselves for service somewhere.

A bright young Swedish woman was offered one of the magazines in her tongue. It was gladly accepted, with the remark, "Yes, I am glad to get it. I have heard so much about this religion I want to know more about it."

So we feel more than glad for the opportunities we have had during the past months. The work was hard; the days seemed awfully long sometimes. but that too is past and the experience gained more than repays the hard work, and the benefits gained are lasting. After more than twenty years spent among the Latin American people, the greater part of whom belong to the illiterate class, it was a privilege to meet and measure our minds with other minds, for we certainly had to meet "many men of many minds," and it put me to the test many times to "give a reason for the hope" we have, when attacked by the various cults and schisms. But our Father who has promised to give wisdom when we need it, never failed us.

(MRS.) ESTELLE KETRING-SNYDER.

FIELD TIDINGS

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA Conference Items

Our camp-meeting is to be May 25 to June 4. Begin to plan for it.

Remember the thirteenth Sabbath offering for the Philippine Islands on Sabbath, March 25.

Brother G. A. Truesdell has commenced a series of meetings in a schoolhouse in the country between Tulare and Tipton.

Two young ladies of the Catholic Church have joined the home department of one of our Sabbath schools.

Sister Alice Mina Mann has recently made the second visit to many of our church schools. She reports advancement all along the line.

We understand that the interest is growing at Winton where Brother C. W. Fuller is laboring. Some have commenced to keep the Sabbath and others are deeply interested.

One of our larger Sabbath schools has thirty-nine teachers, and at our last visit every one, excepting one who was ill, was present at the teachers' meeting.

The writer attended the Lodi Academy board meeting last Monday. We are glad to report that the Lord is blessing our academy, and that excellent work is being done in the school.

The Fresno church school has been planting trees on the grounds. The school gardens are looking fine, and the children are already marketing some of the produce. They have a very successful school.

Sister Ruth Strever, one of our canvassers, was recently called home to Hughson because of the death of her father. We extend sympathy to the bereaved. She expects to return to her work in our conference.

The writer enjoyed some good meetings with the Burrough church last week. Brother A. R. Rothe, who has faithfully served as elder for several years, expected to move to Shafter, and Brother J. H. Schroeder was elected to fill this office.

Nine persons were baptized and three others united with the church on former baptism at Dinuba last Sabbath. The Lord has blessed the meetings there, conducted by Elder Brown and Brother Breitigam. There are others who have decided to obey the Lord, and who will soon follow their Lord in baptism.

An interesting Sabbath school and missionary convention was held at Fresno last Sabbath and Sunday. Instruction was given and papers were read on different topics pertaining to the work. We believe that the valuable suggestions given in the different papers will be found very helpful.

The conference committee met in Fresno last Tuesday and laid plans for the different efforts to be conducted this spring, and considered other important matters in connection with the conference work. We were pleased to have Elder E. E. Andross with us in this council.

A letter received from one of the home department Sabbath school members brings us the good news that two families have united with her in the study of the Sabbath school lesson. Thus a little family school has resulted from the influence of one member of the home department. Does your school have a home department?

A number of people have alreadytaken their stand for the Sabbath at Planada where Elder A. S. Kellogg is holding meetings. Some of these are among the most influential people of the place. Others are deeply interested. Let us often pray for the success of the different efforts that are being conducted.

An invalid sister living in Minnesota, confined to a wheel chair, sent several pamphlets and tracts to a certain lady living in our conference. She requested that some one visit this person; and now this lady is keeping the Sabbath. Though unable to leave her house, this invalid sister is able to do something for the Lord. Let us do as well.

Two books were added to the conference Missionary Volunteer Society circulating library last week. May others who have reading course books which they will be willing to donate to this library write to Mrs. Alice Mina Mann, our educational secretary, regarding them. We would be glad to secure a complete library of all the reading course books before camp-meeting.

How does your Sabbath school use the picture roll after the quarter has passed? Some of our schools are teaching the boys and girls to tell the story, illustrated by the picture, in an interesting way. Then they send them out to sell these pictures and tell the story. They always tell the one whom they visit where they learned the story, and invite them to attend their Sabbath school.

Our conference goal for missions is \$13,863.20 during 1916. We received \$959.62 for the first eight weeks. This is an increase of \$260.03 over the same period of last year. Five churches have failed to report. Do you know the amount that your church has remitted? We are anxiously waiting to see how this fund will stand at the close of March. Let every church do its best. All should report. We will let you know the standing as soon as possible after the close of the month.

We are sure that our people will be interested in a few items concerning the church schools. The Hanford school is the largest in the conference under one teacher. There are twenty-four little ones attending, in seven grades. The Selma school is doing excellent work under Sister Bessie Loper as teacher. She has been asked to teach the school another year. The family school at Laton has become a church school by the addition of three more pupils, and now has an enrolment of eight. We hope to see this school much larger another year. We understand that the Shafter church is planning on having a school next fall, and they expect an enrolment of about twenty with which to open. The Island school is the second largest school in the conference. The teachers. Brother and Sister Hart, have been asked to teach the school another year. N. P. NEILSEN. March 17.

Sabbath School Convention at

Fairmead

Sabbath, March 4, was a very stormy day, but one that brought showers of blessings to the little company at Fairmead. Sister Lida Ackley had planned to hold a Sabbath school convention here. The Madera and Chowchilla Sabbath schools had been invited to take part. Our conference president, Elder N. P. Neilsen and conference secretary, Brother G. A. Wheeler, Sister Ackley, Elder Fuller and others were present to assist.

There were two sessions, one at 11 A. M. and another at 2:30 P. M. Important subjects were presented at each session. First a paper was read on "Missionary Field of Our Sabbath Schools" by F. L. Potterton. This was followed by a fifteen minute talk by Elder Neilsen concerning, "Teacher's Relation to the Individual Members of His Class." He referred to the statement made by Nicodemus, "We know that thou art a teacher come from God," and showed how every teacher, as he stands before his class, should "come from God" and have an influence that will convince the class that he has been with Jesus and learned of Him. Love should be the power manifested to the extent that the class will be "loved unto the kingdom."

Sister Ackley gave a talk on "Training of Sabbath School Teachers," and explained how the Bible, "Testimonies on Sabbath School Work" and a book on the "Art of Teaching" were helps needed. Anyone with a careful study of these, and thorough consecration to God, can prepare for this great work. Lunches were brought and all remained at the church. The noon hour was pleasantly spent in becoming acquainted.

Four subjects were presented at the afternoon session. The first was to be given by Dr. Myrtle Hudson, who was unavoidably absent; so Sister Ackley ably presented the subject "Teachers' Meetings, How Conducted and Who Should Attend."

A very interesting and instructive paper on "Home Department and its Relation to the School" was read by Mrs. J. R. Church, of Fresno. Brother C. A. Clark, of Fresno, spoke on "Officers and Their Duties."

In conclusion Elder Neilsen showed the "Goals to be reached by our Sabbath schools and church." The goal, he said, is saving souls. This is the first and most important of all. In order to carry on this work, funds are needed, so he explained the importance and privilege of being very faithful in tithes and offerings.

Besides the congregational singing two duets were beautifully rendered and much appreciated. We regretted that, on account of the storm, so many we're unable to be present and enjoy with us this feast.

F. L. POTTERTON. Supt. Fairmead S. S.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

Salt Lake City Church

The work in Salt Lake City is onward. Through Bible readings, houseto-house work, and Sunday evening meetings, new interests are being created. On February 19, two more souls followed their Lord in baptism.

The mid-week prayer meeting is well attended and is enjoyed by all. It is a real spiritual uplift, and no one can afford to absent himself from the prayer band. God meets with His people.

Elder W. M. Andress, conference home missionary and young people's secretary, visited us. He spoke in the interests of these lines on the evenings of the 2nd and 3rd inst., and occupied the pulpit on Sabbath. His talks were enjoyed by all.

The church was pleased to see Elder E. E. Andross and Brother Claude Conard, who recently visited Salt Lake City while in the field helping to perfect the organization of the new Inter-Mountain Conference. Hearts were touched as Elder Andross spoke of the accomplishing of the divine plan.

A special class for the study of Bible doctrines has been formed, which meets at four o'clock every Sabbath afternoon. An active interest is taken by a large number. Many feel that these studies are filling a long-felt want. They are for the purpose of thoroughly establishing the members in the faith, and also to enable them to intelligently give the truth to others.

Brother and Sister J. F. Gaster, who have carried responsibilities in the church here, have recently moved to Grand Junction, Colo., where Brother Gaster will take up his duties as secretary and treasurer of the Inter-Mountain Conference. We wish them success in the line where duty calls, yet we shall miss them. Brother H. C. Holloway was elected elder to fill Brother Gaster's place.

W. M. ADAMS.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

As our conference had to be postponed on account of the storms and floods, our people did not have the privilege of hearing the report of the year's work. It has been decided to postpone the conference till the time of campmeeting. This is to be held in August, possibly the first of the month. The location has not been decided on. Thinking the people of our conference would be interested in some of the items of progress that would have been reported at the conference, I am sending them to the RECORDER.

During the year there was paid in tithe \$36,937.46. This is an increase over 1914 of \$1557.60. We received in offerings to missions \$13,150.33. This leaves us short of the goal, 20 cents a week for each member. \$3094.47. We hope to reach the goal during 1916. We have in our conference fifteen church schools, employing eighteen teachers and having an enrollment of 384 pupils. A number of our young people are attending school at San Fernando and Pacific Union. We are glad for these children and young people and pray that they may receive a training that will fit them for a place in the work. One very encouraging feature of the year's work has been the success attending the evangelistic work of our laborers. It has been our constant endeavor to continually pursue this line of work. At least two or more meetings in new fields have been in continuous operation. As a result, the reports show that during the year 342 people have been received into the church. Two hundred seventy-seven of these were received through baptism and sixty-five on profession of faith. This encourages us to more earnest, faithful labor for the year to come. Through the good blessing of the Lord we were able to operate our conference within our income. It has not been necessary to draw on our surplus and our treasurer's books show a fair operating gain. We are glad for these evidences of the favor of the Lord, and hope for even better the vear to come. W. F. MARTIN.

Our Missionary Paper

I want to speak a word to the people of our conference regarding the best messenger in the denomination. I am referring to the *Signs*. Many people who are now in the message received their first knowledge of it from reading this excellent paper. It is always good but sometimes contains matters of especial value. If you are not a subscriber to the *Signs* you are missing many good things for yourself, and splendid opportunities to do excellent work among your neighbors. I trust the Lord may make our people diligent in knowing themselves and doing what they can to help their neighbors.

Sincerely your brother,

W. F. MARTIN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Bible Training School

There seems to be quite an awakening among our people here in this conference. It is manifested in a desire to train for a more active work in teaching the truth. Five classes are being organized for the purpose of training our church members to give Bible readings to neighbors.

The largest of these classes is meeting in the conference hall. Elder G. A. Snyder is in charge of this class. Another class in charge of Sister M. E. Hoyt will meet Wednesday afternoons. At Long Beach Sister Jennie L. Ireland is conducting a class Sunday evenings. Sister Florence Merrill is instructing a similar class at Florence Avenue. Another good class has been organized by Sister F. I. Richardson for members of the Southside church.

We hope and believe that the work contemplated by these classes is but a small beginning of a work which will not stop until it has comprehended every believer in the conference and finished the work which God has given us to do. B. E. BEDDOE.

EDUCATIONAL

Pacific Union College Missionary Activities---No. 2

Ministerial and Bible Workers' Band. —Brother John Knox, formerly of San Fernando, is the leader. There is a membership of about fifty-two. All are keenly interested in the work of this band. During the past term the young men have held meetings in ten of our nearby churches, and delivered forty-eight "sermons." The fathers and mothers in this union have reason to be grateful for sons who are earnestly preparing to enter the sacred work of the ministry, and for exemplary daughters who plan to engage in

the Bible reading phase of that ministry.

The band meets on Friday nights following the regular Friday evening consecration service, and spends an hour in studying some phase of the art of conducting evangelistic services, or the proper methohs of presenting our doctrinal truths, and the best way of engaging in personal work with the interested. On certain nights the band has a "public meeting," conducting a regular preaching service much the same as is done by conference laborers. The band being large, the sermons and talks are necessarily short so as to give all the opportunity of practice in the course of the year.

Educational Department.-This department of the Missionary Volunteer society fosters the reading course and standard of attainment work. Brother Max Hill has charge of these important lines. Already fourteen attainment certificates have been given to students. But this is only a good beginning. All who creditably finish the regular school courses in denominational history and elementary Bible doctrines will be granted certificates by the Missionary Volunteer Department. We are confident that an encouraging number of both attainment and reading course certificates will be issued for members of the society before school closes.

Literature and Correspondence Band. -This enthusiastic band is doing excellent service in scattering the "speaking leaves." Brother Charles Weniger is the leader. The band has about twenty-eight members, and meets once a week to fold, wrap, address, stamp and mail 100 copies of the Signs weekly. During the past quarter, the band mailed out 1115 copies of the Signs, and wrote 110 letters to those receiving the papers. These students know that "it pays" to circulate the Signs, and to follow the papers with correspondence. Encouraging responses have come from some to whom the papers have gone.

A member of this band recently received a letter from a Congregational minister here in California, and from it we quote the following: "This awful war has undoubtedly lent impetus to the doctrines advanced by the Revelation specialists. I admire their stick-to-it-iveness and concede to them a knowledge of mysteries of which I am ignorant. I promise, though nearly deluged with papers and magazines, to give more attention to your Signs." We little know how far the influence of this band, and the others, will reach in the extension of the message that we love. It is our sincere hope and belief that our young people now in training will be of service in developing these and other practical lines of missionary endeavor when they go out from the school to their home churches and to others.

ERNEST LLOYD



Home Missionary Work

We are told on page 117, Volume 9, that the work can never be finished until the church members take hold with minister and church officers to help finish it.

The last three Sabbaths I have spent with the Santa Ana, Boyle Heights and Garden Grove churches. These have ordered 245 volumes of the new book "Armageddon," which is soon to be out. Those who have not ordered may get them at the office, or if you wish to take it up as a church and have them sent to the librarian, you can secure them at the rate of two for 25 cents; otherwise you must secure six volumes.

This is a good way to do home missionary work, and there never before was a time when one could say, "The world is on fire," and that is what our President Wilson said. It is time for us to work. We may have some Mexicans near us, and with the recent trouble, it may be you can use these things to place some literature.

Then the temperance campaign is on and more saloons to close up in California than in all the last eleven states which went dry. The Temperance Instructor is a splendid medium with which to work.

And how about the *Signs?* Is your church taking a club? Ask your librarian if you cannot join the club.

Then how about the *Review*? Someone's name is not on the list, as the sheet from the office shows a large number in this field who are not. Can you keep abreast the times without the *Review*, and also keep informed as to the progress of the cause? I cannot, and besides I want and need the spiritual food and strength it gives. I have had access to the dear old paper all my life. I am going to say this to the 746 in this

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field who do not take the paper: order it. If you cannot get the money any other way, sell some of the small books or do as my mother said she would do before she would go without the paper, -"Do with one meal a day and save enough money to pay for it." Orderit and pay for it quarterly if it is not possible to pay all at once. Are you looking or waiting for some great event to take place or happen, which will fit you for the work? The little things that come every day are sufficient. A little tract handed to someone may be the greatest event in his life. So watch for the opportunity to help in some way. Do it now.

H. A. HEBARD.

BOOK WORK The Summary

Monthly Summary Subscription Book Sales-February

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I am sure all will appreciate the fact that our summary of book sales for February shows a decided improvement over the same month last year. It is more than double last year's record. I am glad to say that we are not only doing more than formerly, but reports are coming in more regularly, and this is decidedly encouraging. I find, however, that there are still some colporteurs who are somewhat lax in the matter of regular reports. Some seem to feel that as long as the work is done it does not make any difference whether it is reported or not: but this is a mistake. Reporting has a very important place in our economy, and when it is neglected, we are deprived of information that has much to do with the success of our work. May we not count on all our workers being faithful in the matter of prompt and regular reporting, and thus we will be able to see each week and each month that we have "obtained a good report."

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It will be noted that the Northern California Conference has the lead for February, with the Inter-Mountain Conference not very far behind. Shall not each worker strive to improve the standing of his conference during the current month, and all the months that

are to follow? And are there not others who will now join our forces and help to carry the good work higher and higher? Let us remember that whatever we are to do for the Master must be done quickly, for soon our day of opportunity will be forever past. F. E. PAINTER.

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WANTED .--- Clean copies of papers and tracts for missionary work. Send postpaid to James Harvey, 1729 Grove Street, Oakland, Cal.

WANTED .- Experienced blacksmith and horse-shoer, who has recently accepted the truth, wishes employment where he can keep the Sabbath. Address J. F. Wadsworth, 341 E. Lodi Ave., Lodi, Cal. 31-33

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Arizona Conference Corporation Meeting

The twelfth annual meeting of the Arizona Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Phoenix Seventh-day Adventist chapel at the southeast corner of Third and Pierce streets on Tuesday, April 4, 1916, at 9 A.M. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at this meeting. J. ERNEST BOND, President,

A. E. EARLL, Secretary.

Obituaries

DENT.-Beauford Troop Dent was born on St. Simon's Island, Ga., Jan. 30, 1905, and died in Redlands, Cal., Feb. 1, 1916. He was a baptized believer in Jesus and a beloved member of the Redlands church. His last words were, "I am ready." A large congregation filled the undertaking parlors Sabbath, February 4, in expression of their love for this boy. Services were conducted by the writer. G. B. STARR.

LACKEY.-Sister Olinda J. Lackey, a native of Illinois, died in Los Angeles February 23, aged 62 years, 8 months, 13 days. For fourteen years she has been a believer of the message, its sustaining power being especially felt during her two years of illness, and death from cancer. Her last spoken word was "Happy." An unusually large gathering of relatives listened to a review of her faith, as I tried to speak for her of the things that made her happy and hopeful as she entered the valley and shadow of death.

B. E. FULLMER.

BOND,-Seth H. Bond was born Oct. 8, 1845, in the state of Iowa, and died in Healdsburg, Cal., Feb. 5, 1916. His parents moved to Oregon by ox team in 1853. His mother died on the way out. He came to California in 1869. He taught school for nearly forty years. He was in the army for nineteen months, or until mustered out at the close of the war in 1865. In 1870 he was married. He joined the Baptist church at the age of thirteen. For a time he was pastor of the Baptist church of Santa Rosa, and at a later time he was chaplin of the sailor's home in San Francisco for nearly one year. He accepted present truth in 1876, forty years ago, and has been instrumental, under God, in bringing into the message a goodly number of precious souls. He has always been in harmony with the points of the third angel's message.

Two of his daughters and a brother were present at his last sickness. His death is morned by a sister, a brother, three children and four grand-children.

Like a tired child at the close of day, he fell asleep in perfect confidence that he would come forth at the first ressurrection, clothed with immortality, to look upon the face of his blessed Redeemer. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Elder W. H. Saxby.

J. ADAMS STEVENS.

Renewal of the Holy Spirit

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to be renewed in the spirit of the mind. that is, the minds of such must have a constant renewing by the Spirit which controls them, as we read in Col. 3:10, where this renewing is said to be the reception of knowledge according to the image of God who created them.

So then, even though God speaks to man. His words cannot be understood, only as the Spirit of God enlightens the mind. This is clearly stated by the apostle in his saying that "the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God." His reason for this conclusion is that to the natural man, the things of God are wanting in sense (1 Cor. 2:11, 14.). It is therefore clear that at no time can the divine meaning of God's words be understood, except by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

But one may go even further than this, and say that no prayer can be intelligently directed to the throne of grace without the assistance of the Spirit of Him to whom the prayer is to ascend. Through sinful infirmity, no one knows how to address the throne of the Infinite, but must have the Spirit's assistance to take the words spoken, and offer them in right mould to Him who should have them. (Rom. 8:26).

All this but shows why we are exhorted to receive into our beings the Spirit of the Lord. It is the special mission of the Spirit so to hide within man, and make Himself an associate, that He may be the continuous renewal of mind to grasp the things of Jehovah's kingdom. But this work does not cease with the annals of time. It is done here, that in the "ages to come" the mind may be able to learn the exceeding riches of God's grace, in His kinship toward us through Christ Jesus (Eph. 2: 5-7.). J. O. C.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1916

Brethren Claude Conard and B. M. Emerson were at the St. Helena Sanitarium last week, and attended the institution's annual meeting, March 12.

Brother F. E. Painter, missionary agent for the union conference, whose home is in Mountain View, visited Glendale last Sunday. He plans to be in Southern California for at least two weeks, conducting a canvassers' institute at the Fernando Academy. In this he will be assisted by Brother H. A. Hebard, who is in charge of the book work in the southern part of the state. Brother Painter says the canvassers' institute will be open to all who are interested in the canvassing work, whether academy students or not.

-0-New Studies by Correspondence

The Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, D. C. desires to announce lessons in the following new subjects: Logic, Geology, Reporting and Punctuation, and Bible for grades four to seven. Those interested should write to the foregoing address for further information and for our booklet entitled "The Fireside Correspondence School in a Nutshell."

C. C. LEWIS, Principal.

This long-promised song is now It is by the author of the ready. "Boat Song," and is just as simple and delightful as the other. The children will never be satisfied to sing it on rainy Sabbaths only. It is in the April number of the Sabbath School Worker. Extra copies have been provided. Price: two copies, postpaid, 5 cents; six copies, 10 cents. Copies of the "Boat Song" may be obtained at the same rate. If both are desired, state how many of each are wanted. Send your order accompanied by the cash, direct to the Sabbath School Department, Takoma Park, D. C. The department carries no accounts.

----0----Those Portland Lectures

In keeping with the promise made a few weeks ago, the weekly Signs will soon reproduce Elder Daniell's Portland lectures in its columns. The first will appear on page one of the April 4 issue. There will be from six to ten installments, one each week, until completed.

You and your friends may have the privilege of reading the identical words spoken to Elder Daniell's big audiences. The best way is to subscribe for three months. Clubs of five or more to any one name, 30 cents each; five or more to different names and addresses, 40 cents each for three months.

Orders should be sent to your tract society at once, for the April 4 number will be mailed from the office of publication March 29.

Sunday Legislation

Word just received from Washington, D. C., states that Senate Bill No. 645, "providing for the closing of Barber Shops in the District of Columbia on Sundays," has been reported out of the committee to the Senate for favorable action. This will have quite a strong influence to secure its passage. Our people throughout the union should now bestir themselves to protest against this bill. Liberty extras should be circulated to prepare the people for a petition protesting against its passage. Letters should be written to Senator John D. Works, in care of United States Senate, Washington, D. C., or to Senator James D. Phelan, in care of United States Senate, Washington, D. C. It might be well to send them a night letter by wire. There is no time for delay, and this should be attended to at once. "The King's business demands haste."

W. F. MARTIN. <u>n</u>_

Arizona, Nevada and Utah: Notice

In the RECORDER of March 9 was an article giving the names of the United States senators and congressmen from California. Below is a list of those in Washington, D. C., who have gone there from the other states of this union. The senators from Arizona are Henry F. Ashurst and Marcus A. Smith. Those from Utah are Reed Smoot and George Sutherland. From Nevada,

Francis G. Newlands and Key Pittman. Letters or any matter sent to them should be addressed as for example: Senator Marcus A. Smith, Senate Chamber, Capitol Building, Washingtor, D. C. Those in congress from these three states are: from Arizona, Carl Hayden; from Nevada, E. E. Roberts; from Utah, Joseph Howell and James H. Mays. They should be addressed for example: Hon. Carl Hayden, House of Representatives, Capitol Building, Washington, D. C. It would be well for our people to clip out this article so as to have it for reference. There may often be occasion for using the information it contains.

W. F. MARTIN.

Renewal of the Holy Spirit

Did you ever notice the peculiar construction of that text which says that the Lord "saved us by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost?" Titus 3:5. If not before, let us now take a glance at it, and see if it is proving true in our individual cases.

It seems clear, at least, that two separate acts are intended in our behalf. The first one is regeneration. This means a second creation, or birth, a change from the carnal, or worldly, to a spiritual life. But this new birth is only the beginning of Christian life, which must be fed daily in order to maintain its existence.

Please notice that in the text the verb "saved" is in the past tense, which is an act done once for all, while the participle "renewing" points to a continuous, progressive work. So then, although one has given himself, through faith to the new life once for all, the maintenance of that life must be made an uninterrupted operation throughout the "age of ages." This renewing of the Holy Spirit is not a temporary work, confined to time itself, but must continue parallel with the gift of life, so long as that life is extended as God's gift. There never will be a time when one can enjoy infinite life even, without the sustaining power of Jehovah, how much less the preparatory life in this state of existence.

This is very evident in view of the statement that as many as be sons of God are led by the Spirit of God. (Rom. 8:14.) This means the same as what we read in Eph. 4:23, 24, which tells that those who are created in righteousness and holiness of truth, are

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