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Synopsis of Proceedings

The first annual session of the Inter-Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held in Salt Lake City, Utah, at Fifth East Street near Twenty-first South, in connection with the camp-meeting August 17 to 27.

Besides the president's address and the treasurer's report, the departmental secretaries outlined the progress of their special divisions for the 13 months. Mrs. J. T. Spriggs submitted the report for the Sabbath-school department; W. M. Andross, the home missionary and volunteer departments; J. L. Sauder, the colporteur work.

Committees

At the first meeting of the conference, one member from each church was chosen to act with the conference committee in the selection of the standing committees of the session, which committees were appointed as follows:

Pastoral, E. A. Curtis, E. E. Andross, G. W. Reaser, W. M. Andross.
 Plans and resolutions, G. W. Reaser, Ernest Lloyd, F. E. Painter, J. A. Neilsen, J. L. Humbert, J. L. Sauder, J. F. Gaster.

Credentials and licenses, E. A. Curtis, E. E. Andross, G. W. Reaser, M. A. Hollister.

Nominations, J. T. Spriggs, Charles Nelson, H. C. Holloway, Wilbert Wilcox, H. B. Meeker.
 Constitution, G. W. Reaser, J. F. Gaster, J. A. Neilsen.
 Seating of delegates, H. G. Gjording, J. L. Humbert, D. T. Snideman.
 Baptismal, M. A. Hollister, W. M. Andross, J. T. Spriggs.

Officers

The following persons were elected as officers for the ensuing term:

President, E. A. Curtis.
 Secretary and treasurer, J. F. Gaster.

Executive committee, E. A. Curtis, W. M. Andross, M. A. Hollister, Charles Nelson, J. A. Neilsen, J. C. Holloway, J. F. Gaster.

Board of trustees of Seventh-day Adventist Association of Western Colorado, E. A. Curtis, W. M. Andross, J. F. Gaster, J. A. Neilsen, W. G. Cope.

Departmental secretaries: Tract society, J. F. Gaster; missionary volunteer and home missionary, W. M. Andross; Sabbath school and educational superintendent, Mrs. J. T. Spriggs; field missionary, J. L. Sauder; religious liberty, M. A. Hollister.

Credentials and Licenses

The list of those to whom credentials and licenses were voted appears below:

Ministerial credentials, E. A. Curtis, J. T. Spriggs, H. G. Gjording, M. A. Hollister, W. M. Andross.

Honorary ministerial credentials, Geo. O. States, Charles Nelson.

Missionary credentials, J. F. Gaster, J. L. Sauder, Blanche Spriggs, Mrs. H. C. Holloway, J. A. Neilsen, H. C. Holloway, Esther Smith.

Honorary missionary credentials, J. E. Carmichael.

Colporteurs' credentials, H. B. Meeker, J. L. Humbert, D. T. Snideman, A. R. Robinson.

Distribution of Labor

Elder and Mrs. J. T. Spriggs are to labor in Dolores, Colo., and vicinity.
 Elder M. A. Hollister will reside in Salt Lake City, and visit the other

churches in that part of the conference as opportunity affords.

Sister Esther Smith has been asked to take up Bible work in Gunnison, Colo.

Brother and Sister H. C. Holloway will continue the Bible work in Salt Lake City for the present.

Elder H. G. Gjording has been stationed at Ogden, and is to give the Brigham church as much assistance as possible.

Elder W. M. Andross will visit the churches of the conference in the interest of his departments, the Harvest Ingathering work having special attention.

All conference laborers will take an active interest in pushing the Harvest Ingathering work in all parts of the conference, and we hope to raise \$1500 before the close of the year.

Resolutions Adopted

Gratitude and Consecration

With deep gratitude of heart we acknowledge the many blessings so freely bestowed upon us by our kind heavenly Father during the past year, in the preservation of the lives of His people; in maintaining peace in our land while such a large part of the world is torn with war; in preserving the liberty of conscience and freedom of worship; in the progress the message has made in our field as the result of the labors of our ministers Bible workers, colporteurs and lay members.

We hereby renew our consecration to God, to His service, to the salvation of the lost, and to the speedy triumph of the third angel's message.

Colporteur Work

Our publications are proving more and more effective as an agency for the winning of souls, and for giving Heaven's warning message to the world; and—

Whereas, The spiritual and evangelizing nature of this line of effort is becoming more clearly recognized therefore,

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the fostering hand of God in sending prosperity to our publishing work, and giving success to our colporteurs in the field, and that we do all we can to uphold and encourage these workers to persevere in their efforts by prayers and words of cheer, by opening our homes to them as opportunity offers, and that suitable persons be urged to devote their lives to this department of Christian work.

We Recommend, That colporteurs' missionary credentials be granted to all colporteurs who have been in the field six months or more, and who may be recommended by the field secretary, the tract society secretary and the conference president.

Missionary Work

Believing that the hour has come when our people must devote themselves most earnestly to the finishing of the work, and desiring that every Seventh-day Adventist in the Inter-Mountain Conference shall take an active part in getting the third angel's message before the people of this field;

We Recommend, That a strong, continuous, home missionary campaign be definitely planned for all our people. As a working basis on which all may unite, we suggest the following:

(a) That each church be organized into missionary bands with suitable leaders.

(b) That these bands carry forward cottage meetings, Bible studies, medical missionary work, missionary correspondence, the selling and lending of our small books, and the distribution of tracts, pamphlets and magazines, and all other lines of missionary endeavor, faithfully reporting to the church missionary secretaries all such activities.

(c) That we encourage every church member to engage daily in definite prayer for the salvation of some particular person or persons for whom the Lord may give a special burden.

(d) That during the Sabbath services of the coming year we unite in prayer, beseeching the Lord's blessing upon the communities in which we live, praying that the Lord may lead souls to Himself, and also for our ministry and other laborers, that there may be a large ingathering of souls.

Sabbath School

Whereas, The Lord has said that "All who are interested in the truth should endeavor to make the Sabbath school prosperous"; therefore,

Resolved, (a) That we make an earnest effort to get every member of the church to join the Sabbath school, that we invite those not of our faith

to enjoy the Sabbath school blessings with us; and that we help to bring the membership of the Inter-Mountain Conference Sabbath schools up to 900 during the present conference year.

(b) That we avail ourselves of the helps for the benefit of the Sabbath school work, such as "Testimonies on Sabbath School Work," the "Sabbath School Worker," the Picture Roll, Thirteenth Sabbath leaflets, "Acts of the Apostles," and all other helps suggested by the Sabbath-school department for the betterment of our schools, and that we diligently endeavor to make our schools more efficient in bringing souls to Christ.

Religious Liberty

Believing that the fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty are being overridden through the enactment of compulsory Sunday observance laws, which abridge the free exercise of the individual conscience in religious matters; therefore,

Resolved, That we continue to defend the inalienable rights of men, and protest against the enactment of laws for the compulsory observance of Sunday, or any other religious enactment which tends to unite the church and the state, and places the different sects on an inequality before the law, as being a subversion of the Gospel plan of free choice and departure from the fundamental principles upon which the American Republic was founded.

Resolved, That we continue to protest against the enactment of laws by Congress for the abridgment of free speech, a free press, and the freedom of the mail beyond existing statutes.

Whereas, The "Liberty" Magazine is doing effective work among legislators, executive officers, and judges of courts, in molding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws; therefore,

Resolved, That our conference continue to supply the "Liberty" magazine to state officers within our field, and that the expense involved be taken out of the annual collection for the local religious liberty work.

Resolved, That we urge our people to take this magazine at the club rate of 20 cents, when ordered in clubs of five subscriptions, to be sent to one address; or, at 25 cents, in clubs of four or more to one or more addresses.

Temperance and Prohibition

Whereas, "The advocates of temperance fail to do their whole duty unless they exert their influence, by precept and example, by voice and pen and vote, in behalf of prohibition and total abstinence;" therefore,

Resolved, That in view of the spe-

cial temperance issue now on in the states of Utah and Colorado, our people take an active part and cooperate in every consistent way with all temperance people; that our conference committee, in conjunction with our home missionary department, formulate definite plans which will contemplate enlisting our entire membership in this conference in the circulation of the excellent literature prepared by this denomination, setting forth true temperance principles.

Resolved, That we place ourselves on record as favoring nation-wide prohibition of the liquor traffic as the most effective measure for the elimination of this national curse.

Educational

Whereas, Many among us long for and feel the need of better training for Christian service, and for various reasons are not permitted to attend one of our schools; and,—

Whereas, The Fireside Correspondence School has been established for the purpose of aiding such persons in obtaining an education without leaving home or discontinuing regular employment; therefore,

We Recommend, That our workers pursue some studies regularly by correspondence, and put forth untiring efforts to encourage our people generally to take advantage of this opportunity.

Whereas, Many of our youth desire to attend our advanced schools;

Resolved, That we lend them every reasonable encouragement, principally by recommending ways and means of self-support, and our hearty cooperation in carrying out these plans.

Whereas, The Lord has instructed us to provide for the education of our children in church schools, that they may receive Christian training under consecrated teachers;

Resolved, That we encourage our churches having a sufficient number of children, to establish such schools, and that we solicit the careful study of the field on the part of the church school superintendent, in cooperation with the conference committee, to bring about this result.

Feeling that the number of children in our conference demands that we give due consideration to the question of their receiving Christian education up to a certain age, without being away from their homes;

We request that our conference committee give careful study to the question of establishing one or more schools to give ten grades of work at suitable location or locations in our conference.

Missionary Volunteer Department

Whereas, The Lord has instructed our youth, who love the Saviour, to form themselves into bands or societies for mutual spiritual help and

to labor for the salvation of others; therefore,

Resolved, That in every possible manner we co-operate with them in their efforts, giving particular attention to the following:

(a) By placing upon them responsibilities in church work such as they are qualified to bear.

(b) By parents taking an active interest in the department plans outlined for our young people, including the reading course, standard of attainment, and morning watch; doing all that they can to encourage faithfulness in carrying out these plans.

(c) By conference laborers manifesting a live interest in our young people and assisting the secretary of the young people's department in every possible way which will make the work for our youth most effectual.

Churches Disbanded

Whereas, Owing to removals and other causes the churches at Aspen and Glenwood Springs, Colorado, are left almost entirely without resident membership, and no meetings are held by our people in these places; therefore,

We Recommend, That church organizations at these places be disbanded, but that the conference committee give careful consideration to the matter of conducting strong evangelistic efforts in each of these towns, with the hope of raising up new congregations therein.

We further suggest that the names still retained on the church registers at the places mentioned, receive the careful attention of the conference officials with a view to providing church homes for them elsewhere.

Legal Corporation

Whereas, Action of the constituency of the Western Colorado Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and also action of the Utah Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, has authorized the creation of a new conference to embrace the territory and the constituency of both of the conferences above named, the said new conference having taken the name of the Inter-Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and—

Whereas, This arrangement will make it necessary for this conference to take steps authorizing the creation of a legal corporation to receive and to hold all real property which the said two conferences, through these legal associations, may now possess, and any and all real property which may in the future be acquired for the benefit of the work of the Inter-Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; therefore,

Resolved, That this conference, now in session, elect and authorize a committee of seven men, who shall be members of the Inter-Mountain

Conference, to take the necessary legal steps to create a new legal holding corporation, to be incorporated under the laws of the state of Colorado with its principal place of business in the city of Grand Junction. That these men thus elected be the incorporators of the new corporation, and act as its first board of directors; and that the persons composing this committee, and duly elected by the passing of this resolution shall be E. A. Curtis, J. F. Gaster, W. M. Andress, M. A. Hollister, J. A. Neilsen, Charles Nelson, H. C. Holloway. That the name of this corporation be "Inter-Mountain Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists."

President's Address

To the Delegates, Laborers and Brethren of the Inter-Mountain Conference:

Today I extend to you a hearty greeting. I realize that at this time I am facing new conditions and circumstances that make the rendering of an annual report more complicated and difficult than is ordinary. During the past year Western Colorado and Utah have been joined into one conference.

During about one-half of the year the work in this territory has been operated under two heads, and the other half under one. It now falls to my lot to report the whole. I am sure that in all the field all the time, the goodness and mercy of God have been so manifest that feelings of gratitude and words of praise are due from all hearts and lips.

The question of the union of the conferences, which was considered by the delegates and people of both fields at their last annual meetings, has been settled, I think, to the reasonable satisfaction of all interested, and I trust that the arrangement may prove in time to come to be a benefit to the work. To this end I pray that God will guide and bless us.

It was recommended by the North American Division Conference that the union become effective at the beginning of the year 1916. Owing to some unavoidable delays, this was not wholly accomplished until the first of February.

As the field was divided the first half of the year, I shall speak of the work in each portion separately. At the time of the camp-meeting in Utah, Elder A. S. Booth, then a Pacific Union laborer, was working in that conference. Assisted by nearly all the Utah laborers, he conducted a series of tent meetings in Ogden for some time, and later a course of meetings in Salt Lake City. These efforts were crowned with a good degree of success. Elder Booth left

the field about the close of the year. Elder W. A. Johnson, a former laborer in this field, went to California in December, and Elder M. A. Hollister came here in his place. The work in Ogden has been continued by Elder Hollister and Sister Esther Smith; and in Salt Lake City by Elders W. M. Adams and H. G. Gjording, Brother and Sister Holloway, and others.

Since the beginning of the year Elder Hollister, in addition to his work in Ogden, has conducted a short series of meetings in Logan, assisted by Elder Charles Nelson. He has also been associated with Elders Adams and Gjording in holding a series of tent meetings in Salt Lake City. These meetings were not as well attended as we had expected, but the message was presented, and some fruit has appeared, for which we are thankful.

In the spring a series of meetings was held at Greenriver, Elder J. T. Spriggs leading out in the speaking. Elder Adams was there a few evenings and the writer one. Elder Gjording was there nearly all the time, and labored faithfully, assisting in the meetings and in house-to-house work. Sister Spriggs also rendered efficient service throughout the series. This effort did not seem to accomplish what we had hoped. A church of ten members was organized, composed of those who were already Adventists. It is expected that several more will unite with this organization soon.

Elder W. M. Adams, the former president of the Utah Conference, has recently accepted a call to labor in California, and has gone from our midst. We are aware that we have lost a faithful and efficient laborer, one who will be missed by all who knew him, especially by the church in Salt Lake City. These remarks also apply to Sister Adams.

In Western Colorado the work has advanced. Elder and Mrs. Spriggs labored in Routt County, where they spent a part of the previous year, until midwinter or after. As a result of their work there an unorganized company of ten or twelve have accepted the truth. Sister Spriggs has visited all the churches in Utah, and about one-half in Western Colorado in the interest of the Sabbath schools. She has also visited other small companies. Brother and Sister Spriggs have held a short series of meetings at Dolores, Colo. They had fierce opposition and other difficulties, but labored heroically. The Lord blessed the effort, and some are rejoicing in the truth as the result. We hope the work will continue to grow.

Elder W. M. Andress, through the blessing of God, had so far recovered his health and strength that he felt he was able, and that it was his duty, to

resume more active and continuous labor in the cause than for the last few years. Having made known his convictions to the committee, they voted to invite him to enter conference work.

The new church building at Cedar-edge, having been completed and equipped, was dedicated with appropriate services Aug. 15, 1915, Elders G. O. States, W. M. Andress and the writer officiating. The erection and completion of this beautiful building, under the circumstances, was an arduous task, and its accomplishment is due to the blessing of God upon the persistent and untiring efforts of Elder Andress and Brother D. T. Snideman and J. A. Baker. Further mention in this line should be made of the help rendered in soliciting funds for the enterprise by Brother J. L. Humbert, he having been there on three different occasions and laboring, all told, several weeks; also of the faithful and self-sacrificing labor of Brother Robert Wallace, who did a large part of the carpenter work in a most creditable way, largely as a donation.

In the autumn Elder Andress held a series of meetings in the new church, which resulted in some additions. It should also be stated that Sister N. A. Wallace, of Hotchkiss, has spent considerable time in self-supporting Bible work at Cedaredge during the year, and several have accepted the truth as a result of her labors.

It is interesting to note that from a church of seven members four years ago, Cedaredge has steadily increased until it now numbers about 60, with an interest in the community that is still growing.

For several years the Western Colorado Conference has felt the need of a secretary for the young people's work, who could devote more time and effort to this department. This matter was considered at our last conference, and a recommendation was passed that the committee should take steps to secure such a laborer. At the committee meeting in February, when the new conference was fully organized, Elder Andress was elected as missionary volunteer, educational, and home missionary secretary. Since that time he has visited nearly all the churches and companies in the entire field, has assisted in several institutes and general meetings, and carried on a large correspondence in the interest of these departments.

Elder R. L. Benton labored in the conference until about the end of the year, when he responded to a call from the Minnesota Conference. He spent some time after camp-meeting in a new field at Rangely, but did not find conditions favorable for a continued effort. He also held some meet-

ings in schoolhouses near Montrose.

Brother R. N. Studt, who labored a large part of the preceding year, was discontinued from conference employ at the close of the camp-meeting, because of the financial inability of the conference to support so many laborers.

As a result of the union of the two conferences and the elimination of an office, it became necessary that one secretary-treasurer should be discontinued; consequently Brother Wilbert Wilcox was retired; and as we were unable to secure an opening for him elsewhere, much to our regret, he has been compelled to leave active service in the cause and engage in farm labor.

Brother Earl Ventling, our former field secretary, for the same reason, was dropped from conference employ, and has gone from our field.

Brother J. A. Neilsen is still living at Rulison, and although somewhat improved, his health is still not such as to warrant his undertaking continuous labor in the cause. He has taken an active part in the work of the committee and in the general business of the conference, and has been making frequent visits to the church at Silt, besides assisting in the work at Grand Junction as church elder.

Since the change in the conference, the office work has been under the able management of Brother J. F. Gaster, assisted by Sister Esther Watson, and with our growing work in the churches and in the field, I am able to say, from my own observation, that they do not have any time to spare.

Your president has made two trips to California, attending important meetings, which occupied several weeks. He has attended to the general business of the conference as well as the correspondence connected with it, has assisted in a couple of institutes, and has visited and labored in nearly every church in the entire field, the most of them more than once. Three churches have been organized; one at Greenriver, Utah, another at Glade Park, Colorado, of ten members, and one at Grove Creek, near Colbran, Colorado, of twelve members. The membership is made up of Sabbath-keepers who have moved to these localities from other places. In each case several additions are expected in the near future.

There have been baptized in the whole field during the year 116 persons. Sixty-one of these were in Utah, Elder Booth baptizing 53 in connection with his special efforts, and eight were baptized by the other ministers. The other 55 were in Western Colorado—32 at the close of the camp-meeting, and 23 at other places.

The spiritual conditions for the most part are quite encouraging. There seems to be a deep and growing interest in most of the churches. There is, of course, room for improvement. A mighty awakening is needed everywhere; but there seem to be encouraging indications that it is already beginning, for which we are thankful.

Three successful church schools were conducted during the past year, located at Salt Lake City, Delta, and Cedaredge. These schools have been a blessing, and we expect will be continued the coming year. There is also a possible prospect for one or two new schools being established.

During the past year, as we had hoped, our colporteur work has increased very much in volume and efficiency. It is now under the direction of Brother J. L. Sauder, as field secretary. In addition to the general oversight of the work, he has conducted a successful institute, taken a personal part in the field work, and sold a large amount of literature. Several other experienced men have engaged in the work, and the Lord has blessed in marked way. After our conference last fall, Brother J. L. Humbert, of Grand Junction, labored about four and a half months in Rio Blanco and Moffat counties, northwestern Colorado, this being very sparsely settled and hitherto unworked territory. This summer he has spent 17 weeks, mostly in southeastern Utah, in very strenuous labor, and the Lord has blessed. He has had many interesting experiences, and much good seed has been sown, which we hope will bear fruit. In 15 weeks he has traveled over 900 miles on horseback, selling \$660 worth of literature.

Brother H. B. Meeker, of Delta, Colorado, spent nearly five months canvassing near his home, and has labored the last two months in the vicinity of Salt Lake City. It may be added that as a result of Brother Meeker's labor near Delta, one family are now in the truth and members of the church. Brother D. T. Snideman, of Cedaredge, has labored most of the time since the beginning of the year, and the Lord has blessed his work to a remarkable degree. One family has promised to walk in the light, and others have been helped in a special way. Brother A. R. Robinson and Brother F. H. Jen's have also been laboring successfully in Utah. Brother Robinson reports one family as having accepted the truth. There have also been several others, old and young, that have taken part in this line, with varying degrees of success. We hope to see this department continue to grow and become more efficient as a soul-saving agency. The retail value of the books sold in the field during the 13 months

since the last conference meeting in Western Colorado, is \$8900.17. The major part of this is the result of the colporteur work.

A reasonable degree of interest is shown by our members in home missionary work.

From a financial viewpoint the outlook has not been as encouraging as we could wish. We hear of a wave of prosperity in the East, but it has not reached us to a noticeable extent. Perhaps it can not cross the Rocky Mountains. The most of our people are having a struggle to live, but we have much for which to be thankful. We should not forget that faithfulness is required under all circumstances, and that the Lord's blessings is likely to be in proportion to the degree of faithfulness shown. I am sure that a good share at least of our people are trying to do their whole duty in this line; but there is doubtless need of much improvement with some.

The total tithe for the 13 months is \$9465.92. Owing to the changes it is not easy to make comparisons with former years. Our laborers have been paid each month, and full remittances made to the union conference. Doubtless all understand that since the organization of the Inter-Mountain Conference we are receiving an appropriation from the Pacific Union Conference that very materially assists in carrying on our work.

The amount received on the twenty-cent-a-week-fund for the same period is \$4413.34. The Pacific Union reports us short for the first six months of the year 1916, \$1889.85, having paid only \$1419.75. Our showing is far from being what we desire it to be. From the office and in the field we have tried to do all we could to encourage faithfulness in this respect. Knowing the strong interest that our people have taken in our missions in the past, I can only account for this condition on the ground of extreme scarcity of money. I am glad to say that the financial prospect just now is a little brighter than it has been for some time, and we hope that in the remaining months of this year we shall show a much better record. In fact our experience in the past has shown that we raise two-thirds in the last half of the year as easily as one-third in the first half. Part of the pledges made at our camp-meetings in Colorado for the last two years are not yet paid. We hope some of them will be met this fall. We are of good courage, and have no plan to retreat, but expect, by the help of God, to press the battle to the gate.

In closing I will call attention, as evidence of the interest taken in the work in Utah, to the fact that every conference laborer, and part of the

colporteurs from Western Colorado, have, since the organization, taken an active part in the work on Utah soil.

E. A. Curtis.

Constitution of the Inter-Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Article I—Name

This organization shall be known as the Inter-Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Article II—Object

The object of this organization shall be to extend the work of the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ in its three-fold setting throughout the world.

Article III—Territory

The territory of this conference shall consist of the State of Utah, that portion of Colorado west of the Continental Divide, and San Juan County, New Mexico.

Article IV—Membership

This conference shall be composed of churches as are or may be organized in any part of its territory, under the direction of its executive committee, said churches having been accepted by vote of the conference in session.

Article V—Representation

Section 1. The voters of this conference shall be duly accredited delegates from the local churches, members of the executive committee, all accredited conference workers, and such representatives of the Pacific Union, the North American Division, and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as may be present at any meeting.

Sec. 2. Each local church shall be entitled to one delegate in the sessions of this conference, without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every ten church members or major fraction thereof.

Sec. 3. Unorganized companies of Sabbath-keepers shall be represented by the delegates at large.

Sec. 4. The delegates present at any regular or specially called meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VI—Officers

The officers of this conference shall be a president, a secretary, a treasurer and an executive committee of seven members, including the president, all of whom shall be elected at each regular meeting.

Article VII—Meetings

Section 1. This conference shall hold annual sessions at such time and

place as the executive committee shall designate, for the purpose of electing the officers of the conference, and to transact such other business as may come before the conference. Notice of such annual meeting shall be published at least three weeks prior to such meetings in the "Pacific Union Recorder."

Sec. 2. The executive committee may call extra sessions, as occasions may require, by a like notice, and the transaction of such sessions shall be equally valid with that of the regular sessions.

Article VIII—Corporation Trustees, Departments, Agents, Committees

Section 1. This conference may authorize the creation of a corporation necessary for the execution of its business, of the operation of its institutions, and may at each regular session elect or appoint the boards of management of such institutions and enterprises as are or may be operated by this organization, with the acts governing the same.

Sec. 2. This conference shall maintain such departments as may be provided by the conference in regular session, and employ such committees, agents, ministers, missionaries, and make such distribution of laborers as may be necessary to carry on its work effectually.

Article IX—Laborers

Credentials and licenses shall be granted by the conference at its regular sessions to all its approved laborers, and during the interval between sessions, when deemed necessary, by the executive committee.

Article X—By-Laws

The voters of this conference may make by-laws and amend or repeal them, at any session thereof, and the scope of such by-laws may embrace all subjects not inconsistent with the constitution.

Article XI—Amendments

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present and voting at any session, provided that if it be proposed to amend the constitution at a special session, notice of the proposed amendment shall be given in the call for such special session.

By-Laws

Article I—President

It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the conference, to report annually the condition of the work, and to make such recommendations as may seem best in the judgment of himself and the executive committee, and to attend to all the duties that usually pertain to this office.

Article II—Secretary

It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of each session of the conference; to give immediate notice to officers and committees, trustees and agents, of all votes pertaining to their respective duties; to have charge of the records; to collect from the churches in the territory such financial and statistical reports as may be required, and forward copies of the same as may be directed; and to conduct the general correspondence of the conference.

Article III—Treasurer

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to the conference, keep a detailed and accurate account of the same, and disburse them under the direction of the president; also to make a full report thereof at each regular session of the conference, and at such other times as may be required by the president or executive committee.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to forward monthly all trust funds to their proper destination through the Pacific Union Conference.

Sec. 3. The conference treasurer shall be the authorized auditor of the accounts and records of the churches.

Article IV—Auditor

The treasurer of the Pacific Union Conference shall be the authorized auditor of the accounts and records of the conference.

Article V—The Executive Committee

Section 1. The executive committee shall have full administrative power during the intervals between sessions of the conference, and shall exercise a general watch-care over all matters pertaining to the work of the conference; and shall fill, for the current term; any vacancies that may occur in its membership or in the boards, committees, or agents which are appointed or selected by the conference. It shall direct the movements of the employees of the conference, and pay them for labor, at regular intervals, from the funds of the conference.

Sec. 2. The executive committee shall appoint such department secretaries and committees as shall be provided for from time to time by the conference in session.

Sec. 3. Any four members of the executive committee, including the president, shall be empowered to transact business, but the concurrence of the four members shall be necessary to pass any measure.

Sec. 4. Meetings of the executive committee may be called by the president at such time and place as he may deem proper, or by the secretary of the conference, upon the writ-

ten request of any three members of the executive committee.

Sec. 5. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the president, the executive committee, in council with the Pacific Union Conference president, shall fill the vacancy.

Article VI—Auditing Committee

The executive committee shall appoint a sufficient number of brethren from year to year to exceed their own number by one, and who shall not have been in the employ of the conference during any part of the preceding year. These, together with the executive committee, shall constitute an auditing committee to examine and settle all accounts which are presented to the conference at the close of each conference year.

Article VII—Funds

The funds of this conference shall consist of the tithes paid by the churches and individuals in the conference, donations for special purposes and such other funds as are proper to use for conference work.

Article VIII—Laborers

Section 1. It shall be the duty of laborers in the employ of this conference to make a written report of their labors performed from month to month during the year, together with such receipts and expenditures as are required by the conference, and to send the same at the close of the month to the conference secretary.

Sec. 2. This conference shall not regularly employ any worker, and pay him from the tithe, unless he is himself a tithe-payer.

Sec. 3. Those who may feel it duty to exercise their gifts in preaching, colporteur, or Bible work in a public way should express their wish to the conference or to its executive committee.

Article IX—Churches

Section 1. Each church of this conference shall render faithful support to the conference work by the prompt payment of its membership tithe and such other funds as may be set apart for that purpose.

Sec. 2. Each church, through its clerk, shall make a written report every quarter to the conference secretary of its standing, additions and losses, the amount of its tithe, and the number of members of its Sabbath school and young people's societies, and such other information as may be called for.

Sec. 3. Any church or isolated brethren desiring labor in their vicinity should make request for the same to the conference or its executive committee.

Article X

The departments of this conference shall be a tract society, Sabbath

school, young people's missionary volunteer, church school, field missionary, home missionary and religious liberty.

Dear Brethren of the Inter-Mountain Conference:

Once more we are sending to you a special sample copy of the "Pacific Union Recorder," our union conference paper, and again we urge all who have not already subscribed for it, to do so now if possible. Please fill out the enclosed order blank right now, and send 50 cents with it for a years' subscription to J. F. Gaster, 122 South Eighth Street, Grand Junction, Colo.

This is important for several reasons: You need to read the paper to keep posted and in touch with the work, and it will help the office and conference workers in making appointments and in giving general information.

Please do not consider this an unimportant matter, but give it careful and prompt attention for your own good and for the good of the work in our conference.

Faithfully,

E. A. Curtis,
J. F. Gaster.

Harvest Ingathering Work

As this issue of the "Recorder" will be sent to all the members of our field, I wish to embrace the opportunity of calling attention to the Harvest Ingathering campaign. The time for doing this work is rapidly passing, and I fear that so far we have not made much headway. I appreciate the fact that it is a very busy season, but it must not be forgotten that the Lord's work is the most important.

I am sure that by and by we shall be desirous of hearing the "Well done, good and faithful servant," said to us. To have that pleasure we must be faithful in doing our part in carrying forward the work that the Lord has committed to His people. The demand for men and women to labor in fields afar, and the money to support them, was never so great as now. It is most cheering to hear and read the reports of the splendid progress in soul-saving work in many lands.

NOW is the golden moment for "hastening the coming of the day of God" by faithful endeavor in giving the last message. I am anxious that the Inter-Mountain Conference shall make a strong effort to do its full share in the giving and the gathering of funds to carry on the work that all profess to love so much.

I need not say more, only to earn-

estly appeal to one and all not to treat the matter indifferently nor negligently, but to definitely plan to set apart a reasonable amount of time

and to spend it in earnest, prayerful work for God in the line of the Harvest Ingathering, and do it soon.

E. A. Curtis.

MISCELLANY

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Obituary

Coolidge.—Sister Jane Coolidge died in Healdsburg, Cal., September 27, at the age of 89 years and 2 days. She was a native of Pennsylvania, from which place she went to Iowa, and in 1870 came to California, where she has since resided. She belonged to the Seventh-day Adventist church of Healdsburg, where she was well known. She was an earnest, faithful Christian, earnestly believing in the Lord's soon coming to deliver His people. She left a son, Dr. Coolidge, of San Francisco, and a daughter, Mrs. Nellie Fulton, of Los Angeles, to mourn. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Rom. 6:23: "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." She rests in peace, awaiting the Life-giver.

C. H. Hinchey.

Tithe and Twenty-cent-a-week Fund in Inter-Mountain Conference

January 1 to August 1, 1916.

	Member-ship	Tithe	Per Capita	20-ct. Funds	Per cap. Per Wk.	Quota
Church						
Aspen	5	\$ 55.40	\$ 11.08	\$ 15.88	\$.10	\$ 30.00
Bayfield	14	81.95	5.85	96.80	.23	84.00
Brigham	8	194.65	24.33	62.82	.26	48.00
Cedaredge	55	242.42	4.41	57.99	.03	330.00
Clifton	19	28.36	1.49	58.50	.10	114.00
Collbran	27	141.51	5.24	66.29	.08	162.00
Conference	55	563.72	10.25	85.02	.05	330.00
Delta	62	248.63	4.01	174.75	.08	372.00
Fruita	14	126.22	9.01	22.44	.05	84.00
Farmington	20	142.58	7.12	26.13	.04	120.00
Grand Valley	13	17.57	1.35	28.83	.07	87.00
Grand Junction	70	486.59	6.95	126.56	.06	420.00
Green River	12	374.01	31.16	111.19	.31	72.00
Hayden	9	26.00	2.88	14.20	.15	54.00
Hotchkiss	24	92.80	3.87	46.88	.06	144.00
Logan	19	64.48	3.39	51.10	.09	114.00
Montrose	35	91.28	2.61	52.81	.05	210.00
Ogden	50	283.99	5.68	89.16	.06	300.00
Palisades	72	333.97	4.64	36.98	.01	432.00
Paonia	18	76.85	4.27	72.15	.13	108.00
Provo	31	91.25	2.94	48.17	.05	186.00
Salt Lake	150	823.62	5.52	376.18	.08	900.00
Silt	15	2.30	.15	5.35	.01	90.00
Individuals		187.93		49.45		

J. F. Gaster, Treasurer.

BOOK WORK

Report of Book Work

Agent	Hrs.	Ordrs.	Helps	Value
Week Ending October 6				
Central California				
"Practical Guide,"				
F. O. Jensen	\$	2		\$8.00
§ Delivery, \$17.00.				
Southeastern California				
"El Rey"				
W. F. Mayers	35	35	\$3.50	\$61.50
"Practical Guide"				
E. E. Nelson	40	9		\$ 52.50
E. E. Hansen	25	4		15.00
Mrs. F. Gauterau	15			\$ 52.50
4 Agents	100	63	\$3.50	\$162.50
Southern California				
"Practical Guide"				
Ottie W. Smith*	11	4		\$ 15.75
"Practical Guide" and "Crisis"				
E. Carpenter	\$	56	20	\$ 85.25
Miscellaneous				
				21.00
2 Agents	67	24		\$122.00
* Delivery \$56.25; § 2 weeks.				
Week Ending October 13				
California				
"Bible Readings"				
J. E. Roberson	\$	53	13	\$3.75 \$54.75

Northern California

"Great Controversy"			
G. W. Winn	50	14	\$12.25 \$ 62.50
G. B. Morrison	46	7	4.50 28.50
F. M. Butterfield	48	9	23.80 56.80
"Bible Readings"			
L. A. Reynolds	44	9	7.30 36.30
4 Agents	188	39	\$47.85 \$184.10

Northwestern California

"Bible Readings"			
M. A. Reese†	78	14	\$13.70 \$ 57.70
"Practical Guide"			
R. A. Jorgensen*	57	6	4.75 27.75
"Practical Guide", "Controversy"			
Wirt Lucas	\$	23½	10 38.75
Napa camp-meeting			
Miscellaneous			\$158.60
3 Agents	158½	30	\$18.45 \$282.80
Delivery, * \$36.20; † 2 weeks.			

Southeastern California

"Practical Guide"			
E. E. Nelson*	33	5	\$ 8.25 \$ 26.75
E. E. Hansen*	35	12	10.75 52.75
W. F. Mayers†			
2 Agents	68	17	\$19.00 \$79.50
Deliveries, * \$19.00; † \$36.00.			

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1916

Our people living in Colorado should not forget to vote "No" at the election November 7 on the bill to permit the manufacture and sale of beer. This bill declares beer to be a "non-intoxicating liquor."

Arizona residents should vote number 104 "Yes," and number 109 "No." Number 104 is the amendment forbidding the importation of liquor for "personal use." Number 109 is the liquor men's bill for local option, permitting elections on the liquor question every month, and authorizing the manufacture of ale, beer, wine or intoxicating liquors within Arizona at any place that is voted "wet." Let us do our part to kill the liquor traffic.

"Good Medicine"

Time is flying and election day will soon be here. Some of the states in the Pacific Union are in a campaign either to gain a prohibitory law or to keep one already gained. Are we—every one—doing all we can to help create public sentiment against strong drink. Have we gone to our neighbors and friends—those for whom we are especially responsible—and in a kindly manner shown them why the traffic in strong drink is wrong? Only a few days remain before the election in which to carry on the educational work of this campaign. We cannot get all our neighbors to attend temperance rallies and prohibition meetings, but we can give them the truth by way of the printed page. With our attractive temperance papers and leaflets we can reach the mind and conscience of

many individuals through the "eye-gate."

The alleged "failures of prohibition" and the "revenue" bugaboo form a most important part of the liquor people's stock of misinformation poured out through their publicity bureaus to deceive the people. We have plenty of "good medicine" to cure the malaria thus injected into our social system by the liquor poisoners. The Temperance number of the weekly "Signs" and the Temperance "Instructor" are unexcelled, and there is an abundance of valuable small material setting forth the good effects which have followed prohibition where tried. Have you some of this material in your church? in your home? Send it forth to fulfil its mission—**now**. Let us do our best to drive the liquor demon from the land.

Ernest Lloyd.

Vote "Yes" on Both

Two Dry amendments will be on the ballot at the election November 7, 1916. They will be at the top of the last column, numbered 1 and 2. Vote "Yes" on both.

"While we are in no wise to become involved in political questions, yet it is our privilege to take our stand decidedly on all questions relating to temperance reform. Con-

cerning this I have often borne plain testimony." Mrs. E. G. White.

"The advocates of temperance fail to do their whole duty unless they exert their influence, by precept and example, by voice and pen and vote, in favor of prohibition and total abstinence." "Review and Herald," October 15, 1914. Mrs. E. G. White.

Clyde Lowry,
Committeeman Cal. Dry Federation.

Army, Navy and Marine Ship Mission

Quarter Ending September 20, 1916

"I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4.

Magazines, papers and tracts received	1626
Magazines, papers and tracts distributed	3142
Bibles and books given away....	110
Papers mailed	108
Ships visited	168
Army, posts, hospitals, reading rooms, prisons and waiting rooms visited	43
Books loaned	2
Expenses, sundries	\$4.85
Total distribution for the quarter.	3360

All mail matter should be addressed to Mrs. Eva J. Brooke, Western Pacific Mole, Oakland, California.

Chas. H. A. Brooke.

SAVE CALIFORNIA'S BOYS AND GIRLS

1	"PROHIBITION. Initiative measure adding Article XXIV to Constitution. Defines alcoholic liquor. After January 1, 1920, prohibits the manufacture, sale or possession of same, except for medicinal, sacramental, scientific and mechanical purposes under restrictions prescribed by law. Prescribes and authorizes penalties. Declares payment of Internal Revenue Tax prima facie evidence of violation. Declares this amendment shall not affect prohibitory laws, or ordinances, enacted before such date, or be construed as in conflict with Article XXIV-A of Constitution if latter article is adopted, and that this amendment supersedes that article on that date."	Yes	X	Stamp X Here
		No		
2	"INITIATIVE AMENDMENT, ADDING ARTICLE XXIV-A TO CONSTITUTION. Defines alcoholic liquors; after January 1, 1918, prohibits its possession, gift or sale in any saloon, dram shop, dive, store, hotel, restaurant, club, dance hall or other place of public resort; prohibits sale, accepting or soliciting orders anywhere except in pharmacies for certain purposes and by manufacturers on premises where manufactured, under delivery and quantity restrictions. Owner or manager of all such places to prevent drinking therein. Restricts transportation. Payment Internal Revenue tax prima facie evidence of violation. Prescribes and authorizes penalties. Neither repeals nor limits state or local prohibition, or Article XXIV of Constitution."	Yes	X	Stamp X Here
		No		

VOTE "YES" ON BOTH PROHIBITION AMENDMENTS

This is the way to stamp your ballot to help make California dry. Clip it out and carry to the booth.