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A Message to the General Conference

(As Applicable Now as it was When Given in 1892)

Dear Brethren of the General Conference: I testify to my brethren and sisters that the church of Christ, enfeebled and defective as it may be, is the only object on earth on which He bestows His supreme regard. While He extends to all the world His invitation to come to Him and be saved, He commissions His angels to render divine help to every soul that cometh to Him in repentance and contrition, and He comes personally by His Holy Spirit into the midst of His church. "If thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou mayest be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning." "Let Israel hope in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption. And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities."

Ministers and all the church, let this be our language, from hearts that respond to the great goodness and love of God to us as a people

and to us individually, "Let Israel hope in the Lord from henceforth and forever." "Ye that stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God, praise the Lord; for the Lord is good; sing praises unto His name; for it is pleasant. For the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto Himself, and Israel for his peculiar treasure. For I know that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is above all gods." Consider, my brethren and sisters, that the Lord has a people, a chosen people, His church, to be His own, His own fortress, which He holds in a sin-stricken, revolted world; and He intended that no authority should be known in it, no laws be acknowledged by it, but His own.

Satan has a large confederacy, **his church**. Christ calls them the synagogue of Satan because the members are the children of sin. The members of Satan's church have been constantly working to cast off the divine law, and confuse the distinction between good and evil. Satan is working with great power in and through the children of disobedience, to exalt treason and apostacy as truth and loyalty. And at this time the power of his Satanic inspiration is moving the living agencies to carry out the great rebellion against God that commenced in heaven.

At this time the church is to put on her beautiful garments,—“Christ our righteousness.” There are clear, decided distinctions to be restored and exemplified to the world in holding aloft the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. The beauty of holiness is to appear in its native luster in contrast with the deformity and darkness of the disloyal, those who have revolted from the law of God. Thus we acknowledge God and recognize His law.

the foundation of His government in heaven and throughout His earthly dominions. His authority should be kept distinct and plain before the world; and no laws are to be acknowledged that come in collision with the laws of Jehovah. If in defiance of God's arrangements the world be allowed to influence our decisions or our actions, the purpose of God is defeated. However specious the pretext, if the church waver here, there is written against her in the books of heaven a betrayal of the most sacred trusts, and treachery to the kingdom of Christ. The church is firmly and decidedly to hold her principles before the whole heavenly universe and the kingdoms of the world; steadfast fidelity in maintaining the honor and sacredness of the law of God, will attract the notice and admiration of even the world, and many will, by the good works which they shall behold, be led to glorify our Father in heaven. The loyal and true bear the credentials of heaven, not of earthly potentates. All men shall know who are the disciples of Christ, chosen and faithful, and shall know them when crowned and glorified, as those who honored God and whom He has honored, bringing them into possession of an eternal weight of glory....

The Lord has provided His church with capabilities and blessings, that they may present to the world an image of His own sufficiency, and that His church may be complete in Him, a continual representation of another, even the eternal world, of laws that are higher than earthly laws. His church is to be a temple built after the divine similitude, and the angelic architect has brought his golden measuring rod from heaven, that every stone may be hewed and squared by the divine measurement.

and polished to shine as an emblem of heaven, radiating in all directions the bright, clear beams of the Sun of Righteousness. The church is to be fed with manna from heaven, and to be kept under the sole guardianship of His grace. Clad in complete armor of light and righteousness, she enters upon her final conflict. The dross, the worthless material, will be consumed, and the influence of the truth testifies to the world of its sanctifying, ennobling character. . .

The Lord Jesus is making experiments on human hearts through the exhibition of His mercy and abundant grace. He is effecting transformations so amazing that Satan, with all his triumphant boasting, with all his confederacy of evil united against God and the laws of His government, stands viewing them as a fortress impregnable to his sophistries and delusions. They are to him an incomprehensible mystery. The angels of God, seraphim and cherubim, the powers commissioned to cooperate with human agencies, look on with astonishment and joy, that fallen men, once children of wrath, are through the training of Christ developing characters after the divine similitude, to be sons and daughters of God, to act an important part in the occupations and pleasures of heaven.

To His church, Christ has given ample facilities, that He may receive a large revenue of glory from His redeemed, purchased possession. The church, being endowed with the righteousness of Christ, is His depository, in which the wealth of His mercy, His love, His grace is to appear in full and final display. The declaration in His intercessory prayer, that the Father's love is as great toward us as toward Himself, the only-begotten Son, and that we shall be with Him where He is, forever one with Christ and the Father, is a marvel to the heavenly host, and it is their great joy. The gift of His Holy Spirit, rich, full, and abundant, is to His church as an encompassing wall of fire, which the powers of hell shall not prevail against. In their untainted purity and spotless perfection, Christ looks upon His people as the reward of all His suffering, His humiliation, and His love, and the supplement of His glory,—Christ

the great center from which radiates all glory. "Blessed are they which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb."

Ellen G. White.

Excerpt from the Report of the President of the North American Division Conference

At the close of 1917, the membership of churches is reported as 87,222 a gain of 7,276 for the year, or a gain of 23,357 during the past five years. The net gain in the membership of churches during the past five years has been greater than the entire membership in the territory of the North American Division conference after this cause had been in existence forty-two years, or down to the year 1887. Placed in four approximately equal groups chronologically, the gains in the United States and Canada have run as follows:

First forty-two years, 1845 to 1887	22,087
Next nine years, 1888 to 1896	23,447
Next sixteen years, 1897 to 1912	18,331
Next five years, 1913 to 1917	23,357

Present membership 87,222

The membership of Sabbath schools December 31, 1917 stood at 91,251, a gain of 23,650 during the preceding five years.

The total number of evangelistic laborers is 2,488. During 1917, 8,939 persons were baptized and added to the churches. The total number of persons baptized since 1912 has been 38,372 or an average of twenty-one persons baptized every day since the beginning of 1913.

During 1917 funds have been contributed as follows: tithe, \$2,167,082.47; foreign mission offerings, \$1,013,329.42; other offerings, \$723,217.07; total, \$3,903,628.96. From January 1, 1913 to December 31, 1917, the total contributions in the North American Division Conference have amounted to \$13,880,556.04. This is an increase of more than five and one-half millions over the amount received during the preceding five years, or a gain of 67.47 per cent.

The average amount contributed for each person during the past five years have run as follows:

1913	\$30.91
1914	32.33
1915	32.71
1916	37.85
1917	44.75

During the year 1917, the value of denominational literature sold in the North American Division increased 44.44 per cent over the amount of sales during 1916, amounting, during 1917, to \$2,041,275.75.

The last complete tabulation as to investment in this division indicated the following classification:

Conferences	\$1,071,846.26
Conferences Associations	1,541,494.28
Tract Societies	299,958.66
Educational Institutions	1,912,589.49
Publishing Houses	1,015,683.07
Sanitariums	2,038,927.09
Food Companies	6,983.48
Church buildings	2,126,874.44
Church school buildings	204,848.32

Total \$10,219,205.09

The returns indicate that for the past five years there has been an increase of \$1,149,815.56 in resources; a decrease of \$499,386.66 in liabilities, with a consequent gain of \$1,649,202.22 in present worth.

Our union and local conference officers deserve special mention for the strong, efficient sympathy extended to the organized work, and the hearty co-operation which they have given to those at the head of departments and carrying official responsibilities. No new policy has been launched, no advance step has been taken, that has not commanded the united support of every union, and, as far as I know, of every local conference official. I do not know how men could possibly have cooperated more heartily, regardless of their local interests, than these men; and they deserve the esteem and appreciation of those who love our work.

Sabbath School Departmental Meetings

The hour of 5:15 to 6:15 p. m. each day has been set apart for the Sabbath School Departmental meetings at the General Conference now being held in San Francisco, Cal., and

are under the direction of Sister L. Flora Plummer, the secretary.

The General Conference Bulletin will no doubt contain quite full reports of the papers presented at these departmental meetings, but for the benefit and help they may be to our Sabbath school membership, we pass on a few notes of interest which have developed from the Question Box and other discussions.

Attendance Cards

Many were the queries regarding the use of the attendance cards and book marks, and who should receive them. The only persons entitled to such cards are those who are present each Sabbath during the quarter, attending punctually. For the perfect attendance of one year, or four consecutive quarters, a very attractive book mark of yellow silk is given. There should be no deviation from this requirement of perfect attendance. Provision is made for those who visit other Sabbath schools to obtain a visiting card, which should be filled out and signed by the teacher or superintendent of the school visited, certifying the attendance, and thus preserving a complete record of attendance.

Sister Plummer cited an instance, where in her class at Washington, D. C., two of her girls were present each Sabbath throughout a whole year, until the last but one Sabbath when they were taken ill. This disqualified them for the book mark, since the year's record was spoiled. This seemed rather hard, but it was thought best to adhere strictly to the rule governing the acquiring of the attendance cards and book mark. However, Sister Plummer thought it would be best to be liberal in such matters, and suggested that questions difficult to settle should be referred to the superintendent for decision, or put to the vote of the whole Sabbath school.

Are these attendance cards being used in your Sabbath school? If not, ask your superintendent about them. They are a splendid means of stimulating prompt and sustained attendance at Sabbath school.

On Time

"When is the student on time?" Well, what would you say? The Sabbath school has set the time, varying from 9:30, 9:45 to 10 o'clock a. m., in different places, and it is the bus-

iness of the superintendent to commence the exercises promptly at the hour decided upon. To be on time one should be there five minutes before time, and when the superintendent arises to give out the hymn all who are in their places are on time.

Elder W. H. Anderson told of a plan used in one church he had attended. The secretary stood at the door and gave to each one entering a card, on which was printed, "On Time." As soon as the superintendent arose to give out the announcements, the secretary took his place at the desk and no more cards were issued. At the time of the marking of the records the students handed the "on time" cards to the teacher who recorded punctual attendance, and the other members present were marked as late. This is a plan that is worthy of trial in Sabbath schools where greater punctuality is desired.

Notes on the Publishing Work

The secretary of the General Conference publishing department and his assistants bring most encouraging reports from all over the world to the General Conference now in session.

The slogan of the hour seems to be, "There is no crisis with the Lord." This expression of confidence was made by a native colporteur in Argentina as he faced the new and trying condition created by the great war. And the marvelous increase in the sales of our literature since the commencement of the world war sustains this attitude of faith. For a time it was feared the war would hinder the reaching of the goal of \$2,000,000 for which the bookmen had been striving. During 1914 this goal was exceeded by \$109,000.

The records for the years 1915 and 1916 show the world sales of literature to have been \$2,174,000 and \$2,181,000 respectively. The report for 1917 is not yet completed, but it is estimated the grand total of sales will amount to \$2,500,000. The goal for 1918 has been set at \$3,000,000.

Our literature is issued in 94 languages in 40 publishing houses and branches, in the form of 134 periodicals, 562 books, 364 pamphlets and 1,648 tracts. A sample copy of each would cost \$704.50.

At one of the departmental meetings Elder A. G. Daniells told of an instance of the difficulties which have had to be encountered in the publishing work, which shows that the above splendid record has not been made possible without serious handicaps in some of the branch publishing houses.

In the Philippines, the need for literature was so great that Elder L. V. Finster who had never had any experience in printing work, decided to make a start with humble facilities. In a stable on the back of his lot, a job press was installed, type secured, and natives who had never even seen inside a printing plant, were put to work.

In a short time they were printing 17 different tracts on the various phases of the third angel's message. A little later an attempt was made to print large books, a most difficult and arduous task with such meager facilities, but the Lord blessed the effort. The work has grown until today the annual sales of literature in the Philippines has reached \$12,000 and a great number of bright young people are spreading the truth through the means of the printed page.

In all of the foreign fields there seems to be a great need of men who can organize and successfully lead the native workers in this splendid work of distributing our literature.

FIELD TIDINGS

INTER-MOUNTAIN

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From What is the Tithe Taken, and to Whom is it Paid?

1. The tithe is on the increase of one's property. Lev. 27:30.

2. Hence, it is to be taken from the crops of the ground, the increase of the herds, the net profits of a business, and from the total of a salary.

3. Wherever a doubt arises, the safe course will always be to give the Lord the benefit of the doubt. Prov. 11:24,25.

4. The tithe is for the ministers of the Lord, to afford them an adequate support in return for their ser-

vice in the church. Num. 18: 21, 24-31.

5. To insure impartial distribution, it was therefore paid into a common treasury, from which disbursements could be made to the Lord's ministers. Mal. 3:10.

6. The tithe was paid to the whole tribe of Levi in olden times, and today it should be paid to all who similarly devote themselves wholly to God's service. 1 Cor. 9: 13, 14.

7. The tithe is to be paid by all who are in receipt of an income from any source whatever. Num. 18:20,21.

8. Every one supported by the tithe is under two-fold obligation to pay tithe of his income; to show his recognition of the Divine bounty, and so to receive the Divine blessing (Mal. 3:10), and, secondarily, to set a GOOD EXAMPLE to the believers. 1 Tim. 4:12; 1 Peter 5: 2, 3.

H. E. Lysinger.

Attention!

Do you wish to help and encourage the colporteur work? If so, now is the opportunity. A number of workers expect to enter the field in the Inter-Mountain Conference in the Spring. Several of these worthy workers will have no means of traveling other than going on foot. As some of the territory is in the mountains and thinly settled, we thought possibly some of our brethren would deem it a pleasure to furnish them with horses and saddles, or horses and buggies. They would be very gratefully accepted, I can assure you.

Are there not also those who would be glad to offer homes to the workers while they are laboring in your section?

Brethren, let us do all we can to encourage this work. Remember we are told that "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people."

If you can assist along these lines, kindly write to your field secretary at your earliest convenience.

H. B. Meeker.

Those Sunday School friends of yours should read Governor Stephens proclamation regarding: "Go-To-Sunday-School-Day," as outlined in the article by F. A. Coffin, in the second quarter "Liberty" magazine.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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Organization of Church

For a year or more some efforts have been put forth at Exeter to establish our work. Elder F. E. Brown has held weekly cottage meetings there from time to time. Last summer a tent effort was conducted by Brethren R. L. Shoemaker, G. T. Vore and C. D. Stone, assisted by Ada Bond. Later Sister Bond returned and has held Bible reading with the people. A number have accepted the truth through these efforts, and some of our people have moved in and located at Exeter. Others are deeply interested in the truth.

Together with Elder Brown, it was my privilege to meet with this company on Sabbath, March 23, and we had the privilege of organizing them into church fellowship. Twenty-one members were received into this organization, three of these were received subject to baptism, which will be administered as soon as arrangements can be made. A full set of officers were elected. Brother B. J. McCulloch was elected to serve as elder.

We thank the Lord for another light in our conference, and trust that all its members will remain faithful to the truth, and that many may be added to their members. Let us not forget to pray for this new church.

N. P. Nielsen.

Items of Interest

Nearly all of our conference laborers are in attendance at the General Conference session. We are also glad to greet a large number of our brethren and sisters from the different churches at this gathering.

The Lord is surely blessing His people at the General Conference session. It seems good to greet our missionaries from the different parts of the world, and to listen to their cheering reports. A note of courage and progress is being heard in all the meetings. We hope all of our people are getting the "General Conference Bulletin," as this gives a comprehensive report of the conference session.

It has been decided to hold our camp-meeting and biennial session of our conference at Recreation Park, Fresno, Cal., May 30 to June 9. While the advantages and disadvantages of other places were carefully and prayerfully considered, it was finally decided to hold this annual gathering at Fresno again this year. We trust all our people will begin to plan to attend. We hope to have excellent help present from outside our conference. More will be said about this annual meeting later.

N. P. Neilsen.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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The Advantage of Having Tracts With You

A few days ago the writer called at a house to deliver a book, but the lady was not home. While waiting for a response, the lady next door saw me, and wanted to know if there was anything she could do for me. I explained that I had a book for Mrs. — and that if she could take the book and let Mrs. — pay her for it, I would be very glad, as it would accommodate both of us.

After telling her the price of the book, she said she thought she could do it, and invited me into her house while she got the money. She asked me something about the book, and my explanation of it led her to inquire if I was an Adventist, to which I replied in the affirmative.

"Why do you keep Saturday for the Sabbath?" was her next question. Upon replying that I did so because the Bible commanded it, she then wished me to read it to her from her Bible. The lady was actually surprised, and thought that Sunday must be the seventh day. Upon my request she looked at a calendar, and could hardly believe her eyes when she saw that the seventh day was Saturday. She asked several other questions about the change of the Sabbath, etc. Fortunately I had three tracts with me on the Sabbath question—"The Signs of the Times Leaflets." After showing her how to use them, she promised to study them, turning to every text, and invited me back sometime to have prayer and Bible study with her.

We should "get the habit" of carrying a supply of tracts at all times, for we never know when we will need them.

C. C. Morlan.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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Stockton

In several ways the work in Stockton is very promising, one encouraging feature being the good spirit of harmony that exists among the members of the church. It is a regular home church, with seasons of refreshing each time it assembles. The church officers seek to strengthen and build up their special line to God's glory. As a worker, I have greatly enjoyed the privilege of having a part with them for the past few months.

Sister Buchanan and Sister Forkner labored hard and earnestly to fill the many calls that have come to them for Bible studies in the homes, and God is blessing them. These sisters have gained the confidence of many fine people. Several have already responded to their efforts, and the prospect is good for others. Thus far twelve have been baptized, and others are expected to go forward soon.

Brother Reynolds is doing faithful work canvassing for our larger books, and has greatly aided in the public meetings by inviting strangers to attend. Brother James Sims worked with the small books, having had good success.

The work in Stockton is forward, and we ask the prayers of God's people in this important time.

T. H. Watson.

Stockton Church

In September of last year, the members of the Stockton church decided to organize for more definite missionary work and the Lord abundantly blessed their efforts to conform to His plan. Perhaps a few items showing what they have accomplished may be a help and encouragement to some other church.

During the year 1916, \$2,799.39 was received by the treasurer, of which amount \$1,412.63 was tithe, \$435.87 Sabbath school offerings and \$87.50

Harvest Ingathering. For the year 1917 the amount received was more than doubled, being \$5,857.29, of which \$2,447.36 was tithe, \$657.27 Sabbath school offerings, \$247.57 for foreign missions and \$163.00 Harvest Ingathering. A splendid increase!

During 1917 the church librarian reports 194 missionary visits and Bible readings, and more than 3,100 books, papers and tracts sold, lent or given away. Can we not all thank the Lord for these evidences of growth and improvement?

Belle C. Hall.

EDUCATIONAL

Pacific Union College Improvements

To a former student of Pacific Union College, the last turn of the road is looked forward to with a degree of impatience. The corner turned, he eagerly looks for familiar scenes and for new ones proud of improvements on every side.

What do you think of the chapel?" greeted me from the first, and as soon as I could I went to see it. The way in is a bit uncertain yet, especially on a rainy day, but inside it is fine. The organ, occupying the front of the high room, is the center of the space between the galleries. The pulpit and furnishings, like the organ, are of oak.

The 200 opera chairs which were formerly in the temporary chapel do not fill the space in the new chapel. More will be placed as they are needed, which will be soon, for practically all now in are occupied at chapel time. The room is heated and ventilated by the very latest method, fresh warmed air entering beneath each seat. The acoustic properties are excellent.

Office rooms and class rooms are being finished as rapidly as possible. The former chapel is free for gymnasium purposes and for study. The new chapel will not be used as a study room, but will be reserved for chapel and church services.

The class work is strong. Special attention is given to ministerial training, the young people being given a practical experience in near-by towns. The normal classes are enthusiastic, and are working hard.

Their principal lack is the lack of numbers. Many more of our young people should be taking the normal work, if the increasing number of schools are properly conducted.

Art work has taken a practical as well as artistic turn. The students in the ministerial and kindred classes are preparing charts, posters, images and other helps for conducting lectures on the prophecies. Plans for school homes, and practical manual training helps are being worked out. With this, the beautiful has not been neglected.

The print shop is a busy corner—the scene of practical work. With it is a book bindery, under the efficient direction of Sister Sarah McEnterfer. The students have bound many volumes for the college library, and for the schools of the South, besides doing considerable job work.

Five thousand books in the library, all systematically listed, provide a source of help not to be lightly appreciated. Practically, one-third of these were purchased by Prof. C. W. Irwin last year in eastern cities, and cover a wide range of history, theology, literature and missions, with many rare volumes of especial value to our students. The new library room will be one of the most attractive features of the school equipment.

A delineascope, a valuable help in presenting many lines of science and history, is installed in a room fitted for it, where pictures from books, photographs and charts, as well as from stereopticon slides, can be thrown upon a screen. Students and teachers alike appreciate this fine instrument.

I was glad to meet with the young men in both of their homes. It was an inspiration to see so many earnest students, all working together to prepare for life's activities and responsibilities. Our young people who plan to have part in the advance of the cause of truth must be trained. The place of training is our schools. Pacific Union College is certainly doing a large work in this training.

Max Hill.

A splendid idea!—Some of our churches have arranged to place the "Liberty" magazine in each barber shop in their city each quarter. Thousands could be circulated in this way. What will your church do?

Book Report, Week Ending March 22, 1918

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Northern California						
James S. Sims	D.R.	38	1	\$12.00	\$ 16.50	
V. G. Robinson	G.C., P.G.	40	1	8.50	13.50	
W. S. Brown	G.C., O.D.	28	7	2.35	31.95	
3 Agents		106	9	\$22.85	\$ 61.95	
Southern California						
Walter Marper	O.D.		10		\$ 20.00	
E. E. Shaw	Misc.	20			18.00	
F. B. Desmarests*	El Rey	52	19	1.80	48.30	
3 Agents *3 Weeks		72	29	\$ 1.80	\$ 86.30	
Inter-Mountain						
Wm. Green	C.E.	60			\$100.00	
C. L. Roberts	B.R.	35	10	\$ 7.95	58.95	\$ 76.80
J. L. Sauder	B.R.	21	3		14.50	116.50
F. H. Jenks	B.R.	31	5		25.00	87.50
4 Agents		147	18	\$ 7.95	\$198.45	\$280.80

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California						
M. A. Reese	G.C., B.R.	29	20	\$12.95	\$ 57.95	
W. R. Beatty	Misc.				86.00	
Leona Barbee	O.D.				197.75	
3 Agents		29	20	\$12.95	\$341.70	
TOTALS		354	76	45.55	688.40	280.80

HOME MISSIONARY

Our 1918 Slogan

"I'm going to remember to take some tracts with me when I go down town to-day," said a missionary volunteer one morning. It is a simple thing to do; yet how easy is it to forget it.

On the elevated train, she took out one of the tracts and laid it on the seat. When she had left the car, the conductor picked it up, looked it over and out it in his pocket. Later he gave it to the lady with whom he boarded.

A few days afterward, one of our missionary volunteers was canvassing the neighborhood for the "Watchman." He called at the home of this lady. She had read the tract, and when the magazine was presented, she was glad to learn more of what the tract had explained. She invited the young man into the house, and after a profitable visit, he made an appointment for the church Bible worker to come and give the lady studies. After a series of studies, the lady has now been converted to the truth, and will be baptized shortly.

Another woman purchasing the

"Watchman" from the same young man on the same day, was also glad when Bible readings were suggested, and an appointment was made with her, too. She and her daughter have just recently decided to obey God, as a result.

Doesn't it pay for our missionary volunteers to "be always ready?"

Remember that our 1918 Slogan is "A Year of Active Service," and do not be content until you are actively engaged in doing definite missionary work for God.

Special Notice

The May number of the "Life Boat" will be a special patriotic number. Leading writers in the country are preparing interesting matter for this number.

Notice some of the titles:

"An Outlaw 'On the Run'" by Prof. C. A. Longacre.

"'Over the Top' for Others" by Prof. C. L. Taylor.

"Why Remain Perplexed?" by A. O. Tait, editor "Signs of the Times."

"The Soldiers' Heart" by Dr. D. H. Kress.

"Is It Patriotic?" by R. W. Parmele.

"The Simple Faith of a Modern Scientist."

"Angels of the Barracks" by the editor.

"Patriotic Eating" by Dr. Mary Paulson.

Also Dr. P. T. Magan will write on true patriotism. Other articles just as interesting will appear.

This number will be profusely illustrated and unusually attractive. Order early to sell or give out to your neighbors. Send 25 cents in stamps for five copies.

Address, The Life Boat, Hinsdale, Illinois.

"Zionism" Interesting to Jews

The latest issue of the Yiddish magazine, "The Messenger," contains the following articles: "Awakening of Zion"; "Will Zionism Succeed?"; "The Origin of Zionism"; "Zionism of the Past"; "Zionism of the Future"; "Are There True Zionists?"; "A Great Work by a Small People." This is an important number containing a message from an "Israelite indeed" (Elder F. C. Gilbert) to the Jews of to-day. You owe it to the Jews in your neighborhood that they shall have opportunity to read this copy of the "Messenger." Recently the churches in New York City, Brooklyn, Newark, N. J., Baltimore, Washington, D. C., Chicago, Jackson, Michigan, and elsewhere have ordered thousands of copies of this Zionism number. What about the Jews near you to whom the Lord is expecting you to carry a knowledge of His truth? Shall they be neglected longer? Twenty-five copies, \$1.75, postpaid. Fifty copies, \$3.00. How many for you? Order through your tract society. Pacific Press Publishing Association, Brookfield, Illinois.

"Human agencies are the hands of heavenly instrumentalities; for heavenly angels employ human hands in practical ministry. Human agencies as hand-helpers are to work out the knowledge and use the facilities of heavenly beings. By uniting with these powers that are omnipotent, we are benefitted by their higher education and experience. Thus as we become partakers of the divine nature, and separate selfishness from our lives, special talents for helping one another are granted us. This is heaven's way of administering saving power."

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Obituaries

Howard.—Mary J. Howard was born in Danville, Mich., Nov. 5, 1841, and died in Reno, Nevada, March 14, 1918. She was one of the pioneer women of Nevada, having crossed the plains with an ox-team in 1861, settling near Virginia City, and for the past fifty years living in or near Reno. Thirty-four years ago she accepted present truth, and was a charter member of the Reno church, where she has been an active worker ever since. She leaves to mourn one son and daughter-in-law besides other relatives and friends. Words of comfort from 2 Tim. 4:6-8 were spoken by the writer.

George G. Sims.

Myers.—John S. Myers was born in the State of Ohio, Feb. 6, 1841, and died at his home in Napa, Cal., March 17, 1918, at the age of 77 years, 1 month and 11 days. In the year 1866, while in the State of Wisconsin, he was united in marriage to Hattie M. Duncan. Their family numbered five—three boys and two girls. Brother Myers gave his heart to the Lord in his youth and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. All through life he has proven a faithful member. He served three years and fifteen days in the Civil War, and because of undue exposure at that time he was ever after a semi-invalid. During a long period of his life he was obliged to use crutches, but the Lord heard prayer in his behalf and sustained and strengthened him although called upon to suffer.

He leaves to mourn their loss a loving wife, five children and many grandchildren.

S. T. Hare.

"Those who think it impossible for them to yield to the will of God and have faith in His promises until all is made clear and plain before them, will never yield at all."

Among the Navajoes of Arizona and New Mexico

Navajoes, the early Spanish "conquistadors" (conquerors) called them, but to this day, they call themselves "dine," which means in their language, "men," or people. The Navajo Indian considers himself superior to all other tribes or races of men. Proud, self-conscious, and stolid, a stranger would say, but nevertheless, hospitable and very jolly in the home and among acquaintances.

This remnant of the once great Tinneh tribe which once spread over the western half of our continent, are the Navajoes of today, among whom we have come to labor, and are now building a school and hospital at our new mission site at "Tsin-naz-bausa-a" (Lake Grove).

There are more than 30,000 Navajoes, nearly all of whom still live the care-free life and worship the gods of their pagan ancestors of ages ago. There are six mountains worshiped by them, representing the different parts of the body of the great giant "Na-has-dzan" (the earth). Mt. Taylor is its left foot; San Francisco Mountains its right foot; La Plata Mountains its right hand: a mountain to the west of Santa Fe, its left hand, and its head is far up into Colorado, probably Pike's Peak. In plain view of our mission, and not more than four miles away, is "Na-has-dzan-bi-jei-desh-jol," or "the Earth's Heart," and to this mountain our local Navajo friends with whom we associate day after day, lift their hearts in prayer.

Brethren, these heathen neighbors of yours and mine are groping in darkness, feeling after the true God and His truth; but direct their darkened minds into right channels, and many will become loyal followers of the Master.

Orno Follett.

"In order to gain a proper knowledge of ourselves, it is necessary to look into the mirror, and there discovering our own defects, avail ourselves of the blood of Christ, the fountain opened for sin and uncleanness, in which we may wash our robes of character and remove the stains of sin."

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New Plan of Organization

At the time of the Fall Council held in Minneapolis, Minn., in the fall of 1917, a committee was appointed to study our plan of organization, and to report to the General Conference at its coming session.

This committee, after very careful study of the world-wide work presented their report which in part is as follows:

"Your committee appointed to draft plans for the organization of our world-wide work would respectfully submit the following:

"In order that the unity of our work may be maintained; that economy of administration may best be preserved; that the largest possible amount of funds may be made available for the prosecution of our work in all parts of the field; that all believers everywhere may be constant contributors of their means to the regions beyond; that the General Conference may have direct control and management of its bases of supplies, both of men and of means; that we may meet, and as far as possible overcome the unfortunate international conditions thrust upon large sections of our constituency by this world war, we would,

"RECOMMEND, That the organization known as Division Conferences be discontinued.

"That union conference and union mission field organizations be preserved, and made responsible directly to the General Conference in the carrying forward of the work in their respective territories.

"That Vice-presidents of the General Conference be elected to take general supervision of the work in such divisions of the world field as

may be thought advisable, that General Conference committee being empowered to appoint such vice-presidents as may be required through the development of the work in the interim between the sessions of the General Conference."

This means that the world-wide work will be under the supervision and direction of the General Conference Committee as was our plan prior to the organization of Division Conferences.

Sabbath School Statistics

The report of the General Conference Sabbath school secretary showed that the membership has greatly increased during past years until today the membership of the Sabbath schools exceed that of the church membership. The splendid increase during the past five years is shown in the tabulation below:

	No. Sabbath Schools	Membership.
1912	4,457	114,013
1917	6,118	166,775
Increase	1,661	52,762

It took 25 years to raise the first million dollars in Sabbath school donations. The next million was raised in three and one-quarter years, and the third million in two and one-quarter years.

The treasurer of the General Conference in his report gave the following figures which show the splendid gains in Sabbath school donations from 1905 to 1917:

Statement of Sabbath School Donations From 1905 to 1917

1905.....	\$ 32,214.67
1906.....	36,180.91
1907.....	48,281.68
1908.....	64,441.06
1909.....	81,911.65
1910.....	99,779.95
1911.....	115,651.65
1912.....	188,421.82
1913.....	235,430.72
1914.....	274,877.59
1915.....	332,163.14
1916.....	365,602.16
1917.....	449,625.78

Total.....\$2,324,582.78

To Those Having Friends in the British Isles

A biweekly, 16-page missionary paper is published by our people in England entitled, "Present Truth." During the coming twelve months this

journal will run a series of special articles in each issue bearing on the leading points of our faith, and the believers in the British Isles are working hard to increase its circulation among those not of our faith. It was felt that many of our people in the United States and Canada who have friends and relatives in the British Isles would be glad to take advantage of the opportunity thus offered of getting the truth before these people by having the paper sent to their friends from the English office of publication. A year's subscription is \$1.04, half year 52 cents. Send postal order to M. N. Campbell, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, and the orders will be sent on to England. Do it now!

M. N. Campbell,
President British Union Conference.

Daily Program

The daily program of the meetings held at the General Conference is given below.

8:00- 9:00 A.M.	Departmental Meetings Publishing Educational Medical
9:15-10:15 A.M.	Devotional.
10:30-12:30	Conference.
1:45- 2:45 P.M.	Departmental Meetings Missionary Volunteer Press Bureau
3:00- 5:00 P.M.	Conference.
5:15- 6:15 P.M.	Departmental Meetings Sabbath School Home Missionary Religious Liberty
7:30 P.M.	Song Service.
8:00 P. M.	Public Session

Sabbath Services

9:45 A.M.	Sabbath School.
11:00 A.M.	Preaching.
3:00 P.M.	Afternoon Service.

"God requires an appropriation of means for benevolent objects every week, that in the frequent exercise of this good quality the heart may be kept open like a flowing stream, and not allowed to close up. * * * It is highly dangerous to spirituality to allow selfishness and covetousness the least room in the heart."