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## What Have We Done To-day?

We shall do so much in the years to come;

But what have we done to-day? We shall give our gold in a princely sum:

But what did we give to-day? We shall lift the heart and dry the tear,

We shall plant a hope in the place of fear.

We shall speak the words of love and cheer.

But what did we speak to-day? We shall be so kind in the afterwhile; But what have we been to-day?

We shall give to truth a grander birth.

We shall fill the hungry souls of earth:

But this is the thing our hearts must ask.

"What have we done to-day?"

—Selected.

## A Hint for Church Officers

If an elder or a missionary leader goes to one of the members and says to him, "I want you to take charge of this or that branch of the church work and become responsible for its development," the probabilities are nine to one in favor of nothing being done, or at least very little, and that in a superficial way. The requirement is too big and bulky to carry.

To think out the organization of any piece of congregational enterprise is a kind of responsibility that particularly takes time, and it can not be done by turning to the subject at the end of a day, with a mind already worn out. Moreover, the very indefiniteness of the obligation, often vague and unmeasured, rests with several tons' weight of itself on a tired

But let the elder or the missionary leader come to the member with a definite and sizable task,-something made up into a bundle that a man can lift,—a job to be finished and over with, if possible, at a given date,-and the probabilities are ninety-nine to one that the member will carry it through and do it well.

The way to make the fragments in a busy person's life count for the church and the cause, is for its elder or missionary leader carefully to cut out for him definite pieces of missionary work, not too big for the person to take care of inside the limits of those fragments.

Then the resposibility is on the elder and the missionary leader to put these pieces together in such a fashion that, all in all, they will make one big and complete blanket of church activity for the whole community. This is a great responsibility of course, necessitating both patience and skill, but it is the elder's and the missionary leader's business, and they can not afford to shirk it. This is the essential secret, in a busy world with busy people, of having a busy and healthy church.

Ernest Lloyd, in "Church Officers' Gazette."

"Every believer should be wholehearted in his attachment to the church."

## How a Navajoe Answered the Missionaries

Some time after accepting the truth, our educated Navajoe girl, Lilikai, found employment at Fort Defiance, Arizona, then later at Gallup, New Mexico. During all these months we haven't been in as close touch with her as before, and did not know much of her experience, notwithstanding we had letters from her often. She never mentioned any persecutions in her letters. Recently, she visited us here at the mission, and told us all.

It seems that when she went to Fort Defiance, the local missionary thought he had an easy victim, so he immediately began making her regular visits, holding Bible studies with her, and trying in every way to turn But she reher from the truth. mained firm. Her story, in part, follows:

"Mr. ---, (the missionary) studied the Bible with me often. He talked very bad about Seventh-day Advent-But I always had an answer for him from the Bible. It made him very angry when I would read such texts as Rev. 12:17; 22:14, and others like them. He said, 'We have nothing to do with those commandments.' At first, when he would get so angry, I would become frightened, and would not know what to do. But when I found a text to read to him every time, and saw that he could not answer them, I got over being afraid, and sometimes I got angry, too! Which I know was not right, but I could not help it.

"The last time he came, I told him I would have Mr. Follett come over and explain things to him, for he understands them, and can explain

them so much better than I can. Then he took his Bible under his arm and started to leave. I did not know what he was going to do for I knew he was very angry. Just as he got to the door, he turned and said, 'Then you will not change your views? I answered, 'No; I will not.' Then he shook his fist at me, and said, 'You are just the same as killing people.' I replied that I did not know that, but if that is the case, I am going to keep right on in this way, anyway.

"He did not come again after that. I do not know how it was that every time he would say anything. I would open my Bible, and right there would be the answer for him."

Here I explained to her that angels stand by the side of God's people at such times, and help them. She replied, "Yes, that is true; but I did not think of it then."

Her experiences with other missionaries were similar. She told one of them that "Mr. Follett never spoke ill of them or their church, and that she did not think it nice for them to speak ill of us." And she said further, "As soon as the Adventists get their mission finished, I am going out there to work for my people."

This, to us, is a refreshing experience. True, this Navajoe convert to the message did not, in every case, answer wisely, but how many of our American brothers and sisters would have done better under the same circumstances? We now know that these Navajoe Indians are capable of standing firmly for the truth, and that is enough. And the fact that many others among them are becoming deeply interested in the message encourages us to go forward in this grand work. Remember these needy people at the throne of grace.

Orno Follett.

## A Call For Women

"Who knoweth but thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this." "These words of Mordecai to Esther are very applicable to Seventhday Adventist women to-day," writes one of our leading field missionary secretaries.

He continues: "In the crisis we are facing, the interests of God's

queenly girls and mothers of this denomination. One after another as the classification cards come in from the military boards, we see our promising young men set apart as soldiers for our nation. Their places in the work of God must be filled. banner of Prince Immanuel must not be left to trail in the dust."

In concluding his message, the secretary who wrote the above makes an earnest appeal for our sisters to rally to the standard of the colporteur army, and fill up the gaps made vacant by the conscription of our young men for national service. The book work needs women, and so does the magazine work.

Many of our sisters, recognizing the fact that the magazine field presents unusual opportunities for reaching the influential classes, are enlisting in this line of service. But our constant need is for an ever-increasing army of women-earnest and consecratedto go among all classes with our timely and attractive magazine literature.

The "Signs Magazine" has come to be a great factor in the extension of our work, and many of the sisters selling it are not only doing well financially, but are being used of God to place the magazine in the hands of men and women who are looking for truth. We hope the following very interesting message from a "Signs worker will Magazine" encourage more than one sister who reads it to take up this fruitful line of work.

"While canvassing with the "Signs Magazine" I had finished one side of the main street and some cross streets, and had sold all but five copies. I was across the street from the post-office in a small building, and just as I started my canvass, a gentleman walked in and heard me give the canvass and saw the man purchase the magazine. He went out ahead of me and when I reached the entrance he was standing out in front of the doorway. I had just taken out a magazine to give him a canvass when he said, 'I have been waiting to get that magazine. What is the subscription price?" I replied that it was a dollar a year. He said, 'Come to my office this afternoon and I will

gave his address. I went and was shown in. He said 'I am very glad to get that magazine. In 1914 when I was in Philadelphia I saw that magazine in a business office. I picked it up and read it and was impressed with the prophecy on the Eastern Question. I have not seen one since, and did not know where to get it. Now I want a year's subscription to I called his attention to two books advertised in it. 'The World's Crisis,' and 'Armageddon,' and he took particular note of them.

"To show how wonderfully the Lord brings the message to souls, I will tell how He brought it to this man. His office was on the opposite side of the street from where I was canvassing, and I did not have enough 'Signs' left to canvass that side of the street. So the Lord sent that man to that building just in time to get in touch with this last great message again, the first opportunity he has had in several years. I have been told that none of our magazines have been sold there in six years. This man, by the way, is the president of the Bell Telephone Company of that city, and a man of prominence and wealth."

It does seem too bad that six years should have gone by without any one having a burden to place our truthfilled magazines in the hands of the people in that city. Do not such experiences stir your own heart with a desire to help in this good work? The call of the hour is for the widest possible circulation of our literature, and the magazines have an important place in it.

Sister, the magazine work calls for recruits.. Can you, will you, respond? Ernest Lloyd.

#### Conference Bulletin

The greatest conference in the history of our work is now a thing of the past. Those who were fortunate enough to be present will never forget the occasion. Many who remained at home for one reason and another, learned of the proceedings through the columns of the "Bulletin." They read the inspiring reports of our missionaries from different parts of kingdom must shortly be borne by the take it. Call for the manager,' and the world. They know about the changes that were made in our organization and of the transfer of workers from one field to another. They know about the plans that were laid for the future. The details of those long-to-be-remembered closing Sabbath meetings are all known to them, for these details appeared in the last big thirty-two-page issue of the "Bulletin."

Some complete sets of the "Bulletin" are still on hand and will be furnished to those who desire them at the postpaid price of 50 cents a set of twelve numbers. Order through your tract society.

# FIELD TIDINGS

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

N. P. Neilsen, Pres. G. A. Wheeler, Sec. Box 1304, Fresno, Cal.

#### Send Them Back Into Darkness

When persons have walked 600 or 700 miles through the wilds of Africa to reach one of our mission stations, that they may go to school and learn the gospel, it seems cruel to send them back home for want of room. But this is what is being done. Again and again they have been sent back to their heathenism, back to their superstition, back to their home without a ray of hope to die without God. It seems cruel; but for lack of room and teachers, it is being done again and again. Have we in this country. no responsibility in this matter? Can we place all the blame upon the few overworked missionaries in that dark field? Have we done all we ought to do to support the work there? Honestly now, brethren and sisters, what about it? O, that God would help us understand our responsibility and show us what to do!

N. P. Neilsen.

## No Reason Why

It seems to me there is no reason why the coming camp-meeting, appointed to be held at Recreation Park, Fresno, May 29 to June 9, should not be the best camp-meeting we have ever had in this conference. We are nearer the end of all things than ever before, and we should get

ready for the solemn scenes just befor us. These annual seasons of seeking the Lord are needed for strength to do His will.

Our conference will be held in connection with the camp-meeting. Not only the delegates, but all our people should be interested in the plans that will be laid for the furtherance of the work of God, and so we would be glad to have all our people plan to come at the beginning of this annual feast. We can not afford to let any common or ordinary circumstances keep us at home. Plan to attend, and pray that God may richly bless His people at this meeting.

N. P. Neilsen.

## **Pencilgrams**

The Exeter church school board voted on Monday night, April 22, to have a church school next year. They are planning to build soon, and expect to have a neat little school building where they will meet for church services until able to erect a church.

At the special meeting on the ground devoted to this work, a certificate and also a ribbon bow will be given to every one earning a Reading Course certificate before camp-meeting. Those earning a Standard of Attainment certificate will also receive something to indicate the fact. How many will send for certificates before May 27?

Nearly all the missionary volunteer society reports are in for the last quarter. Some show work done. and tell of a growing although interest, not all are as full and complete as we would like to see. Visalia and Corcoran are both waiting to form societies. These places will be visited and societies organized very soon.

The Hanford church ordered 350 "Temperance Instructors." It looks as though this church was going to do its share in giving this part of the message in its vicinity. Can not all our schools take hold and give both the Temperance and Anti-Tobacco numbers of this most excellent paper a wide circulation? They are needed and might do much towards making California dry at the next election.

Alice Mina Mann.

#### Items of Interest

Camp-meeting and conference at Recreation Park, Fresno, May 29 to June 9. Plan to attend.

Delegate blanks have been sent to all our churches. Let delegates be elected, and their names sent in to our conference secretary as soon as possible.

Elder P. E. Broderson, of Minneapolis, Minn., secretary of the Danish-Norwegian department of the General Conference, gave an interesting talk in the Fresno church last Tuesday evening.

Brother David Black, Jr., the son of Brother and Sister Black of Winton, was drowned last Sunday evening while bathing in the San Joaquin River, near Newman. It is with sadness we chronicle this tragic death, and we extend sympathy to the bereaved.

Elder W. H. Anderson, who has spent 23 years in the interior of Africa, is visiting some of the churches in our conference before returning to that dark field. Our hearts are stirred as he recounts the providences of God and the blessing of the Lord in connection with the work in that heathen land. He spoke to large congregations at Fresno last Sabbath and Sunday evening. He has also visited Selma, Merced, Dinuba and Porterville. He will visit a few other places before leaving our field.

N. P. Neilsen.

### INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. J. H. Weaks, Sec. 122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

## Our Tithe Progress

All of our people will be interested to know of the tithe increase for the first three months of 1918 as compared with the first three months of 1917. Note carefully the tabulation below:

	1917	1918	Over
January	\$1063	\$1512	\$ 449
February			
March	580	1402	822

Totals ........\$2448 \$4033 \$1585 We lift up our hearts to God in gratitude for what He is doing in the hearts of the believers in this field. It is planned now to place another minister in the field if the tithes continue to increase as they have the first three months of this year. We earnestly hope and pray that we may be able to do this.

H. E. Lysinger.

## A Sad Accident

Our hearts were most deeply pained upon hearing of the tragic death of little Marion Conger, one of the church school children at Rulison, Colorado. Little Marion was dragged to death by his horse running away with him. He was dragged about a mile and a half before the horse could be stopped.

From a letter received from Rulison we quote the following: "We feel confident he sleeps in Jesus. The night before he died he studied the Bible lesson, sang the Sabbath school songs, and kneeled and said his prayer. His mother says he seemed so happy. We all loved little Marion, and will miss him in our Sabbath school and church school."

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved parents, but is it not a source of deep joy to know that little Marion loved and believed in the One who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not."

Let us, who are more responsible, reconsecrate our lives to God that we may meet our children in the earth made new, with the assurance then, that we never again will have them torn from us by death.

H. E. Lysinger.

## Gleanings

The conference committee met in Grand Junction April 22 and 23, laying plans for the spring work in the conference.

Elder C. L. Snodgrass reports 54 persons keeping the Sabbath at Cedaredge, and he expects a number of these to unite with the church soon.

A colporteurs' institute will be held at Delta, May 6 to 16. If you are called to take up this line of work, lay your plans now and be in attendance.

Brother C. E. Weaks, of the Asiatic Division, spent Sabbath, April 20, in Grand Junction. He spoke to the church twice, telling us of how rapidly the message is going in these heathen countries. A number from Clifton and Palisade also enjoyed his inspiring reports.

Unless plans are changed, because of the San Juan excursion, campmeeting will be held July 18 to 28, in Salt Lake City. Every one should begin now to plan to be present. Doubtless our new union conference president, Elder J. W. Christian, will be with us. Those from the Western Colorado portion of our conference are well acquinted with him, and will be glad to see him in our field again.

#### ARIZONA

J. E. Bond, Pres. Orley J. Bond, Sec. 615 North 10th St., Phoenix, Arizona.

## A Signal Victory

Brother A. W. Dinsmore, manager of the Smith Brothers' 2300-acre ranch, just across the San Pedro River from Mammoth, in eastern Pinal County, Arizona, has seen a signal victory wrought out because of his faithfulness in small things.

Brother Dinsmore conducts what he terms a regular Sunday school at Mammoth, and the Sunday school state superintendent, hearing of it, called to get a line on the work.

"What kind of literature are you using?" asked the state superintendent of Brother Dinsmore.

"Seventh-day Adventist helps," was the prompt reply, no attempt being made at concealment.

The visitor did not seem to appreciate this information, and called for a meeting on Sabbath night, at which time he hoped to straighten out matters.

At the meeting the superintendent wanted the school to become a member of the state organization, and wanted the recognized state literature adopted.

"I am not the person to stand out against odds," said Brother Dinsmore, "so tomorrow when our school is all together we will let it settle the question." tain that which their liberality of the past has, under the blessing of God, made possible. Let us bear our new aim ever in mind and just as nearly question."

At this session the situation was fairly put before the school, and the members were frankly asked whether or not they wanted to become a member of the state organization and use the state's regular helps, or continue as they had been doing.

No sooner had Brother Dinsmore taken his seat when a man stood up and said: "I see no reason why some man should come here and try to upset all our plans. We have been getting along splendidly, and I am not in favor of any change. Furthermore, Brother Dinsmore has thus far been furnishing all the literature, paying for it himself, and I believe in that kind of religion."

Then another voiced practically the same sentiments, after which Brother Dinsmore said: "All those who want to join the state association and use the state's literature, please make it known by the uplifted hand." Not a hand went up. Then he said: "All who want to continue to use Seventh-day Adventist literature and sing Seventh-day Adventist songs, please raise the hand." Every hand in the room went up, save the hand of the state superintendent.

The people of Mammoth are to be complimented on their wise choice.

E. R. Button.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

M. M. Hare, Pres. W. L. Mecum, Sec. 417 West 5th St., Los Angeles, Cal.

#### Mission Funds

We wonder how many of our people have learned to think in the figures that represent our enlarged foreign missionary operations for the present year,—a twenty-five-cent-aweek fund. Until recently it has been twenty cents a week, but now in response to the leadings of Providence in lands afar we have undertaken larger work, and a larger support is needed. We know that a people which has so faithfully supported the work in the days that have passed will respond with equal readiness today, and loyally support and maintain that which their liberality of the past has, under the blessing of God. made possible. Let us bear our new as possible keep up to it week by

week. Statements showing the standings of the churches have been mailed to all church elders and leaders in the conference. Ascertain how your church stands. Compare its weekly average with the aim.—25 cents a week.

M. M. Hare.

## Biennial Session of Conference

By way of information to our people in Southern California we wish to explain the plan for the session of the conference due this year. It had been thought that this would conthe year, during early in January or February, but on account of the recent General Conference coming early inApril. close to the date when our conference as well as others in the Pacific Union Conference would be held, it was recommended by the Pacific Union Conference Committee at a meeting held near the beginning of the year, that the local conference sessions which were due during the spring be postponed and held in connection with the camp-meetings in the summer and the fall. In harmony with this the biennial session of our conference has been postponed. The reason for this counsel must be readily apparent, conserving both time and expense and suggesting an arrangement which will accommodate a larger number of our people than had these meetings been held so close to the time of the General Conference as would have been necessary had spring sessions of the various conferences been held. In fact such a program would have been impossible this year. Further notice will appear as the camp-meeting date, August 1-11, is approached.

M. M. Hare.

## Rode 100 Miles and Visited 400 Homes

Most of our Southern California members are aware of the fact that we have launched a campaign for placing from one to four copies of "Present Truth" in every home in the conference. Several churches have taken hold of this work very earnestly, and we sincerely trust that nothing will be allowed to hinder steady progress in this undertaking.

Some have thought that it would be a very difficult task to reach the people in the rural districts, but it is not an impossible feat. Brother J. A. Powers, of Sawtelle, decided to do his best to reach rural homes, and started out on his bicycle. He rode about 100 miles, and put out about 400 copies of "Present Truth." If every member in the Southern California Conference would put out 100 copies of this little paper, each one working a different territory, the entire conference would be covered.

We trust that every church will carry forward this campaign until our conference has been covered with "Present Truth," No. 25. Then as we go over the territory the second time, we hope to find many interested souls.

Brother H. Von Hofgaarden, who is working systematically a given territory in Long Beach with "Signs" weekly, had a very encouraging conversation with one of his readers recently. When he called she remarked: "Oh, you have brought that paper again. I have been reading it, and I see from it that you keep Saturday for the Sabbath. would like to have you tell me why." Brother Hofgaarden explained briefly why we keep the seventh day. The lady told him before he left that she had been studying the question, and concluded by saying, "Well, I think I have worked my last Saturday."

Word has come from others who are working their territory systematically with our literature that they are finding many interested souls, and many are desirous of taking Bible studies.

Dear brethren and sisters, now is the time to take our publications to the people. The world is in a more sober frame of mind than it has been for many years. People are willing to read anything that will throw light upon the outcome of the present struggle in the world.

Let every church pastor, elder or missionary leader lead their churches in this great soul-saving campaign. Every church has been assigned a territory, and in turn each church should see that its territory is subdivided and some line of work assigned to every member, for every member can do something.

Let us know when and how we can help you in prosecuting this campaign.

C. C. Morlan.

# HOME MISSIONARY

#### Central California

The next number of the "Present Truth," No. 15, "The Bible Sabbath," to be used in our campaign has been received. The first plan was to use the "Second Coming of Christ" issue, but it has been thought best to use the paper on the "Bible Sabbath," and follow that with one on the "Change of the Sabbath," and then use the new paper on the "Second Coming of Christ," which will be ready about June 1.

The first 50,000 papers have all been taken from the office, and the churches are duplicating their orders for the next issue.

We are receiving subscriptions for the paper from strangers who have received a copy of No. 25. A gentleman came to the office a few days ago, holding in his hand a copy of No. 25 and asked us if we had other literature on the subject. He bought a "World War."

This is a mighty movement and we shall see great results. We are living in the day of great things, and God wants us to expect great things from Him.

Our forces are becoming well organized for splendid service. No church officer will now think of laying the burden down, and every private in the ranks will stand firm till the work is done.

G. A. Wheeler.

Striking articles on the present outlook for religious liberty are in the new "Liberty Magazine." Have you read them?

A few of the leading articles in the second quarter "Liberty" now being mailed:

"The Church Running onto the Political Reef."

"The Outlook for Religious Liberty."

"Coming—A Legalized Christian Democracy."

"Why the Preachers Demand Sunday Laws."

Your neighbor ought to read these. Send in your order early.

# **EDUCATIONAL**

## Fernando Academy Items

The orange, peach and apricot trees are in bloom and give promise of a good crop. About two acres of alfalfa has been sown and is coming up; this will help largely to solve the high price of hay. The small vegetables are starting well.

The visit of Elder Meade MacGuire, March 1 to 9, was very much appreciated. The manner of presenting the subjects was of special interest to the student body. Fruits of the week's work are being seen now. Brother MacGuire will be welcomed again at any time he can visit us.

The canvassing spirit is still present in the school. At the close of the institute a band was organized; weekly meetings are held at which time items of interest are related and canvasses given. A number have already gone out in the vicinity and sold several copies of "Our Day."

The recent week of prayer—March 16 to 23—was a good one. Each evening studies were conducted from "Alone With God." Brother E. C. Silsbee, from Africa, and Brother J. A. P. Green, from the Latin Missions of the West Indies, both former students of this school, were with us. Elder F. M. Burg was present for the Friday evening meeting, and Dr. P. T. Magan on Sabbath.

Plans are being laid for a good strong year of school work for 1918-1919. The attendance must increase very materially. Dear reader, will you not help in a definite way to this end? Talk education to the young people in your church and among your friends; encourage those to come who perhaps do not see how it can be done. Young man. young woman; begin now; plan in a very definite way to enter the academy next year. If you have completed that work, think seriously of fitting for some place in the work by securing additional training at the Pacific Union College. There is no time to loose. We are now booking students for next year with refer- it with profit.

ence to rooms, and in a few cases to domestic work. Watch for more news from the academy soon. Something of unusual interest will appear. Get the spirit; boost the academy; work and pray for its interests.

J. Earl Hall.

# **BOOK WORK**

## Prayers Answered in the Canvassing Work

The writer has been working in Kern and San Bernardino counties, California, during the worst winter weather, spending some time at the St. Helena Sanitarium, which is a very beautiful place. While at St. Helena I did some canvassing, and the first party I showed a book to. took it immediately. One day, by the blessing of the Lord, my orders for our good books amounted to \$42.50. Another day by 8:30 A. M., my orders had amounted to \$27.00. My orders in three short days amounted to over \$100.

Dear brethren and sisters, please remember me before the throne of grace that the Master above will bless these printed pages to the winning of many sheaves for the heavenly garner. I feel as if I am borne up on the wings of prayer of God's dear children. My faith in united prayer is growing stronger and stronger, for I see so many remarkable answers. Oh, what a dear loving Saviour, a prayer-hearing and prayer-loving God we have! Ps. 65:2; 102:17. a daily marvel, wonder. how the Lord works. Now the time to push this work of the Master before it is too late. Soon the day will pass as the chaff. Oh, for more prevailing power with God, a closer walk with Christ, but it all awaits our demand and reception. Through it all I can only say, "What hath God wrought"; "This is the Lord's doing: it is marvelous in our eves." Walter Harper.

The May "Life and Health" magazine comes to us filled with excellent advice. It is decidedly a parent's number. Every Seventh-day Adventist father and mother could read it with profit.

## We Know

It is not everyone in the world who does know. A good many people who think they know, do not know. They think they know, despite their senses, that the world is growing better. They think they know that after this war an epoch of peace will dawn, when the nations shall no more make war. They think they know the hearts of men, and that they know how to shape things so that righteous force shall insure righteous living. What a sad distllusionment is finally to come to those who keep on knowing what is not so.

But we have a more sure word of prophecy, whereunto taking heed, we "know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night," that "when they shall say peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them." And knowing this, can we hold our peace? If we do, we shall not stay long among those who know. It is time for us to spread as widely as we can the knowledge of the truth. And the means is at our hand to do it.

The "Watchman Magazine" exists for the purpose of making the world know the truth. But it takes us, brethren and sisters, to spread it. The May "Watchman" is a beautiful number, and one that appeals to the people in the present crisis. It takes the food conservation campaign and the back-to-the-country movement, and makes them mediums for conveying vital, soul-saving truth; and it is beautifully illustrated—a fine seller. We expect 80,000 to go out. Right now is the time.

When June comes you will see a striking cover design. It impresses by a glance that the heart of God is more powerful than armies; "the divine fiat: no world empire." And the contents measure up to the standard. Elder Evans answers in a simple. way the question. "Will Christ Come to this Earth Again?" Elder Heald discusses the trouble that has come thr ugh laxity in the bodily life. And every Seventh-day Adventist, as well as every other one. needs "An Olden Time Practice for a Present-day Need.' Then there is that editorial, 'The Impassable Barrier." Just some of the things here told that people need to know.

What is your church doing? What are you doing? Every Seventh-day Adventist church should be a distributing station for these earnestly told and beautifully pictured truths. are planning on 100,000 circulation for each of our summer numbers. Let us make it for June. You know you can get ten copies of the "Watchman Magazine" at 8 cents per copy; and fifty or more at 7 cents per copy. It sells as readily at 15 cents as it used to sell at 10 cents. Our circulation every month this year has been higher than the corresponding month last vear.

Order through your tract society. June number ready May 3.

A. W. Spaulding.

# **MISCELLANY**

#### Special Notice-Terms

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#### SABBATH SCHOOL DEVICES

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The following Sabbath when it comes time to take the birthday offering, attention is called to this by hanging up the calendar, above which an appropriate motto is placed, such as: "We May Give Without Loving, but we Can Not Love without Giving;" I Gave My Life for Thee;" "Rich Gift of God! A Year of Time," and the students come forward and place their offerings in the box.

These various designs were all original, and had been made by enterprising Sabbath school workers. If there is someone in the Sabbath school with a talent for using crayons or paints similar designs could be made.

**Totals** 

and used to advantage.

One other design might be mentioned which conveyed a beautiful lesson to the children. In colors was presented a picture of a heathen idol. Of exactly the same size was another picture of a mother with a child at her knees in the attitude of prayer. This picture was cut into various odd sizes like a puzzle. The picture of the idol was hung up in the Sabbath school, and each Sabbath as the offerings were given, a piece of the puzzle was pasted over the idol, starting at the bottom until it was completely covered. This would naturally create great interest upon the part of the children to be faithful in their offerings, for only when the quota was made up would the puzzle picture be complete. Then was visualized before them the work accomplished by the pennies and nickels and dimes they had given—a loving, prayerful mother and child, delivered from the tyranny of a harsh, ugly, unlovely heathen god.

Sabbath school officers who would be interested in securing a catalogue of supplies such as book marks, mottoes, missionary flags, blackboards, charts, maps, etc., can secure the same by sending a postal to the Westminster Book Store, 278 Post St., San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. Cornforth's Conservation Recipes in the June "Life and Health" are worth using. Try them and pass on the information to your friends.

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#### THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1918

The following night letter was received at the "Pacific Union Recorder" office last Monday morning, and we pass along this splendid report of missionary activity with the hope that it will inspire all of our churches to similar endeavor. With the opening of the tent season and the special efforts that will be held, let us sustain them with our prayers and an abundant supply of the message-filled "Signs."

"The spring campaign of the 'Signs' weekly opened Sabbath, April 27, at Mountain View, the 'home' of the 'Signs.' They responded with their usual liberality by raising a club of fifteen hundred and ten. Their ever present loyalty to the cause was shown in providing a club of five hundred for the large effort to be held in San Francisco, and a club of one hundred for the ship missionary, Mrs. Brooke.

"J. A. STEVENS H. B. THOMAS"

#### Sabbath School Devices

In the Sabbath school department at the General Conference many exh.bits were shown for stimulating promptness in attendance, and interest in offerings, etc., some of which we will endeavor to describe in this article.

In presenting some of these devices the thought was brought out that "the eye is a stronger factor than the ear when it comes to giving a report or impressing lessons on children." This is equally true of the senior members, too, as witnessed by the keen interest displayed in the rise of thermometers and the turn of the clocks in our Sabbath schools.

#### Attendance

On a large sheet, headed with the words "HONOR ROLL," in bold, black type, the names of the students were listed on the left-hand side, and the sheet ruled into thirteen columns. For each prompt attendance a small star was pasted in the space opposite the name of the child, and for one month's perfect attendance a small bluebird was pasted on. If desired, the bluebird could be used to indicate when the children had the memory verse correctly.

#### Memory Verses

A very beautiful and attractive method of recording accuracy in giving the memory verses was displayed on a heavy piece of cream colored card, 2 inches by 21. On the bottom left-hand corner was pasted a picture of a little girl. In her right hand she held a bunch of thirteen yellow ribbons a quarter of an inch in width which she stretched upward toward the top right-hand corner like strands blown in the breeze. Large bluebirds were attached to the end of the ribbons, and had the appearance of a flock of birds in flight. dren take turns in giving the memory verse, and then write the text on a small slip of paper and paste this on the bill of the bluebird, one each Sabbath, so that during the quarter each child has an opportunity of sharing in the reward for giving the memory verse.

#### **Offerings**

Numerous were the designs for registering the offerings for foreign missions—"gifts of love freely given."

One picture represented the homeland with the blue sea stretching away across to a foreign land on which were temples, pagodas. and people in native costume. For each dollar given a white bird was pasted on the sky. The name of one of the children was written on each bird, and with a large school, toward the close of the quarter or year quite a flock of birds would be winging their way to the mission fields.

Still another picture represented a church set on the top of a cliff. Above the church were inscribed the words, "A Light Set on a Hill." From the church door a path led to the water where a large ship was at anchor, flying a flag on which was written the name of one of the mission fields. Down the path and across the gangplank tripped silver dollars on which were written, "I've Started." "I've Started," and "I'm Going," "I'm Going," while on the decks walked twenty-dollar gold pieces with similar inscriptions. These imitation dollars were cut out of cardboard and had little legs attached, and for each dollar raised one was pasted on the picture, and for each twenty dollars similarly.

One design featured an apple tree, on which were placed red, rosy apples, one for each 10 cents given by the children. So loaded was the tree, that some apples had fallen to the ground in heaps. The Sabbath school using this device had raised \$69.12, and there was quite a heavy crop of apples.

#### Birthday Offering

A unique method of securing the birthday offering was suggested by the use of a large calendar. A call is made by the superintendent for the names of all those who have birthdays the coming week. Then small stars are marked on each day cited.

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