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Week of Prayer

The week of December 14 to 21, 1918, has been designated as the week of prayer. The importance of this appointment hardly needs emphasis, since these annual occasions of the past have proven times of special blessing, and encouragement to those who have participated in them.

The appointment this year comes at a truly appropriate time. The "little time of peace" upon which we seem to be entering, now that the great world-war is past: together with the visitation of the past few weeks, and whose results have been experienced in every section of the country; are food for thoughtful meditation. We have been caused to think soberly and seriously in regard to the serious nature of the days through which we are passing. They are full of meaning, and to the thoughtful mind viewed in the light of prophetic utterances, are portentious. The close of human history is just before us.

That we may be able to stand through the hours of trial should drive each soul nearer to God, for how surely we will need the comfort demobilize, disband.

and consolation that heaven alone can give. Sin, that soul destroying thing which would separate us from God must be confessed and put away. We must turn from our back-slidings and our iniquities, that we may be prepared for the Coming One. And not alone that we may thus be prepared, but too, that we may successfully accomplish the part that heaven has appointed us to act in connection with the closing work.

It is hoped that arrangements can be made that will permit of each church receiving help during the week. Let plans be laid by the leaders of each church for a daily meeting during the week of prayer, and as far as possible it will be arranged for conference laborers to assist at these.

The best possible provision will be made for all. Preceding the week of prayer let the occasion be remembered in private devotion and at the family altar, with a prayer that it may prove all that it should be in days like these.

M. M. Hare.

No Time to Demobilize

"Two hundred thousand men demobilized" was the bold headline in a daily paper recently. It is a huge task for our Government to muster out the brave soldier boys and arrange for their transportation. Many a mother's heart is throbbing with bright hope of seeing her boy again. But why demobilize-why stack their arms. lay aside their uniforms, don their citizen clothes and every man return, one to his farm, another to the shop, still another to his merchandise? The answer is obvious-the

conflict is ended, the struggle is over,

the work is finished, therefore they

It would be disastrous to disband the troops before the time, before the enemy was defeated and the victory won and the work finished. It would not only mean the surrender of the principles for which they fought, but the giving up of all that had been gained and the loss of life.

As I read this headline, I could not help wondering if many of the soldiers of the cross who once marched in the front lines and carried the banner of truth had not demobilized. Where are our colporteurs? Where are the volunteers for this important work? The needs were never greatenemy is not defeated, the er. the work is not finished, the conflict is not over. Surely this is no time to demobilize.

There has no word as yet been received from the great General and Leader of this people that would convey the idea that the time had come to disband our forces and forsake the field, and I sincerely trust that none of the under-shepherds and leaders have imbibed any such erroneous views, and have not or will not by act or word encourage such sentiments.

It seems to me that with the world conditions that we now face, with the prospects for a little time of peace. and the divine assurance of still greater and worse trouble soon to come which make it more difficult than ever to carry forward our that heaven-appointed work, we should extend an urgent call to all colporteurs who have in the past served so faithfully, and earnestly petition new recruits to fall into line and mobilize them all for quick, earnest and active service until the work is done.

We have also been told that we "are

to give special study to the work that can be done by the 'laity for their friends and neighbors. 'The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts."

So my brethren and sisters, God is not only calling for colporteurs, men and women who have made a success in life to go out in the field, devoting their entire efforts to the sale of our larger books which contain the message for this time, but He counts on loval and untiring service from every one. There are not only the subscription books, but the home workers' pamphlets. books. the magazines. tracts, also the "Present Truth." All these pages of truth should be widely scattered, for they bear a definite message of mercy and salvation. Providence has lead in the preparation of such a variety of literature, and it opens the way for each lover of the truth to have some part in proclaiming it.

We are in the army of Prince Emmanuel, and our General, who never lost a battle, expects willing and faithful service from every one who is enlisted under His banner, and now in the closing controversy, when the hosts of evil are waging their last warfare against the forces for good, it is no time to demobilize, disband or forsake the field.

G. W. Wells.

Christmas Gifts Worth While

The glad holiday season is just before us, bringing with it the spirit of gift-giving. It is a blessed spirit, when rightly exercised; but there is danger, if we are not careful, of our spending money for gifts which are of no service in any way, which are really a dead loss. Thousands of dollars will be worse than wasted this Christmas in buying useless trinkets which do no one any good.

In speaking of the buying of Christmas gifts, Sister White wrote in the "Review" of December 11. 1879, "Let the presents you shall make be of that order which will shed beams of light upon the pathway to heaven."

Among the gifts for which money can safely be expended are good books. The children and young peo-

ple need suitable reading "which will afford amusement and recreation, and at the same time not demoralize the mind or weary the body." Most children and young people are bound to read, and if books are not selected for them, they will choose for themselves. Very often the choice made is anything but a wise one.

May we suggest that of all good books for the children and youth, none can excel the missionary volunteer Reading Course books? They have been selected with the greatest care. and were chosen because they are interesting, instructive and suited to the ages of those for whom they were selected. There are three sets of books: the primary, junior, and senior. An entire set, or one or more volumes selected from a set, will make a gift truly worth while. The books are as follows:

Senior: "Makers of South America," 60 cents; "Making Good," 60 cents; "The Days of June," 50 cents; "The Story of Prophets and Kings," \$1.50; club price, postpaid, \$3.00.

Junior: "The White Queen of Okoyong," \$1.00; "Early Writings," 75 cents; "The Land of the Golden Man," 50 cents; "Outdoors, Indoors, and Up the Chimney," 75 cents; club price, postpaid, \$2.65.

Primary: "Little Stories for Little People," 85 cents.

Ella Iden.

Morning Watch Calendar

"Isn't it beautiful!" so many exclaim when they catch their first glimpse of the new 1919 Morning Watch calendar. And really, it is beautiful without and within. The texts this year have been selected from the New Testament and deal with the all-important subject of Christian living. They are full of spiritual food.

The front cover of the calendar is well, you must see it for yourself to appreciate its beauty. It pictures our Saviour as He kneels in the Garden of Gethsemane, while underneath the picture are the simple words. "Consider Him."

One cannot look upon that face so full of love and sorrow without thinking of the price He paid for our redemption; and then comes the

thought, "What a wonderful Saviour! I must serve Him better."

What is it that we all need most? Is it not closer fellowship with God? Then let us during the coming year "take time to be holy." Let us keep a daily tryst with the Master, using as an aid to the maintenance of the prayer life this beautiful Morning Watch calendar with its inspiring texts from the Word, and its pictured message of love.

Your tract society will be glad to fill your orders. Help to circulate as many calendars as possible. And the price? In spite of the fact that the cost of nearly everything has doubled, and even tripled in some cases, the Morning Watch calendar still sells for the same price, five cents. Let us circulate 100,000 this year.

Ella Iden.

To Our Missionary Volunteers

One line of missionary work in which many of our students and other young people are planning to have a part this winter is that of getting in touch, through correspondence and sending the "Signs of the Times," with many interested persons whom canvassing students have met during the summer's work, or persons met by our evangelists and who desire literature.

By distributing the cost, a few cents from each will support a club of fifty papers, and in this way all through the conference hundreds who have actually shown an interest crn be followed up week after week. Does not this contain a suggestion for every one of our missionary volunteer societies? It will mean reaching hundreds of families that have had at least one personal visit families where the papers will be accepted and generally read.

Fifty copies for six months in a club costs \$30.00—only 30 cents a quarter for each one where there are fifty members. For \$35.00 the names may be sent direct to the tract society, whence they will go to the publishers, and the papers will be mailed from there direct each week, the latter method leaving simply the work of correspondence with the society. This is a method of missionary en-

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HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN				
Pacific Union	Conference	Goal,	\$37,335	
	. Campaign Began	Reported to	Date Goal	
Arizona		\$ 826.48	\$ 1658.50	
California	Oct. 28	345.59	5353.88	
Central California	Oct. 28	193.23	5797.22	
Inter-Mountain		536.07	2187.90	
Northern California	Oct. 28		5014.60	
Northwestern California	Sept. 1	1073.28	4155.58	
Southeastern California			5173 74	
Southern California	Sept. 1	2600.00	7257.24	
Nevada Mission		250.60	786.50	

WE CAN DO IT IF WE WILL

Campaign Week December 7-14 d

Repeated hindrances and delays in our Harvest Ingathering work this fall have caused our leading brethren. assembled at College View, Neb., in a home missionary council and General Conference committee session, to take action, setting December 7 to 14 as a special Harvest Ingathering campaign week.

Elder J. W. Christian, president of our union field, and Elder J. Adams Stevens, in charge of the home missionary department in the Pacific Union Conference, have been in attendance at the College View meetings, and strongly recommend that every conference worker and church member throughout our field enlist all their energies to reach the goal. They believe this can be accomplished if careful plans are laid, and the campaign pushed vigorously. "The great loss in mission funds, caused by the influenza epidemic which has swept the country, makes it imperative that we exceed our Harvest Ingathering goal," writes Elder Christian. "As the time is short, prompt and energetic action will be necessary. We are confident that in this crisis you will do your best."

The Harvest Ingathering returns to

deavor that will bring results. and give the participants a good experience. It has proved so again and again, and we hope the leaders of the missionary volunteer work in our churches will make up good lists of names, and organize to make this a strong line of their service for others outside, especially during the winter months.

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Ernest Lloyd.

date show that we are far behind our goal. The slump in these funds, which is doubtless general throughout the country, together with the decrease in regular mission offerings, caused by the quarantine regulations closing the churches, will be a serious handicap to our Foreign Mission Board and our missionaries laboring in the dark corners of the earth, unless we rally now, bring up our Harvest Ingathering work, and help personally on the 25cent-a-week fund to such extent as God has prospered us.

Let each take part in this special campaign December 7 to 14, that all may enter the week of prayer with the assurance that we have done all we could to help carry the work in foreign lands, and thus are hastening the glorious coming of our blessed Lord.

Rain Did Not Stop Them

Now is the opportune time to be doing a good strong work with the Harvest Ingathering papers. Those of our people who are trying are having good success and some experiences that are more than encouraging.

One church school teacher took her school children out for a day with the papers and writes of her experience in the following manner:

"Just as we started off in the morning in the buggy it began to drizzle. The children were sure it was only a heavy fog, but before long we knew it to be a real rain. We had gone too far to turn back, so onward we went singing through the rain. People asked us if it was not a wet day to gather money for missions. but the children said the work couldn't wait because of the rain.

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"Our territory was very scattered and the most thickly settled district was one where the influenza had been raging. In spite of the severe soaking we all received, and the chill from riding so long, none of us have developed the dreaded disease. The children were confident we would not 'and their faith has been rewarded.

"We lacked a little of averaging 25 cents for each paper, but expect to more than make up for this in another campaign being planned. We took in \$9.08 for the 43 copies diaposed of. It was the children's first experience, and under such unfavorable conditions I think they did well. We want another 50 papers. The children's goals are each \$5.00 and \$10.00. What I took in the other day helped me to make my individual goal of \$20.00, and now I want to raise it to \$30.00."

If a young lady with school children can do that well, why can't some of us older ones show the same spirit of earnest enthusiasm in the finishing of the work? If each member in the conference were to set his or her goal at \$5.00. \$10.00, \$20.00 or \$30.00, and then make it like these young folks are doing. we would not only reach our financial goal, but we would also reach the hearts of many people who are longing for a knowledge of the love of God.

"To the work, to the work, we are servants of God."

S. Donaldson.

"God desires to refresh His people by the gift of the Holy Spirit baptizing them anew in His love. There is no need for a dearth of the Spirit in the church."

The December "Signs Magazine" amply justifies the increasing popularity of this great truth-spreading agency. The beautiful cover breathes the "Christmas-Time" spirit and guarantees a hearty welcome from all who see it. As usual, this number of the "Signs Magazine" is brimfull of interesting, uplifting articles; just such as is needed everywhere. Why don't you subscribe? Many are doing faithful missionary work with the "Signs Magazine." Why not you?

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PACIFIC UNION RECORDER

FIELD TIDINGS

INTER-MOUNTAIN

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

Conference News

We trust that all who have pledged crops--cows, calves, turkeys, produce of all kinds-and other investments for missions, will remember to remit early in December, that the funds may be credited on the 25-cent-a-week fund for 1918.

Brother W. W. Yale and family, and Brother W. H. Gorlich and wife have recently located near Plateau City, Colo., and are having their membership transferred from the York Street church in Denver, to our Conference church.

Several good remittances of tithe have recently been received from the isolated members, \$100.00 coming from one brother. Our only safety is in being faithful with God. He has promised to be "faithful and just" with us.

The writer enjoyed the pleasure of officiating at a quiet little home wedding near Fruita, at the home of the Davidsons, November 26. Brother Wallace Baldwin and Sister Lula Davidson were united in marriage. We pray that this happy couple may find an active place in the closing work of the message.

An order for \$16.80 worth of tracts and pamphlets has just been received from Brother J. E. Simmons, of Phippsburg, Colo. When the remnant people take hold of missionary work in this style, we are going to see a mighty awakening throughout the hills of the Inter-Mountain Conference. This is the largest order we remember of receiving from one person.

for Harvest Ingathering is the latest and best remittance from one individual. Sister C. H. Baierl of Hayden. Colorado, raised this money while the We can receive this counsel through "ban" was on, and much of her trav- the pages of the "Review and Her- \$5777.56 and for the first three quar-

eling was done on horseback. She reports that she traveled through snow banks three feet deep in places. When a lady past her fifties, and afflicted with rheumatism can work this way, surely the rest of us have no excuse.

CHURCH LEADERS! Prepare and pray, for the most interesting and helpful week of prayer ever experi-"Prayer moves the arm of enced. Omnipotence. He who marshals the stars in order in the heavens, whose word controls the waves of the great deep-the same infinite Creator will work in behalf of His people if they call upon Him in faith-Christ is the connecting link between God and man. He has promised His personal intercession. He places the whole virtue of His righteousness on the side of the suppliant....As we approach God through the virtue of the Redeemer's merits, Christ places us close by His side, encircling us with His human arm, while with His divine arm He grasps the throne of the Infinite. He promises to hear and answer our supplications." Testimonies, Vol. 5, page 453; Vol. 8, page 178.

H. E. Lysinger.

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

S. Donaldson, Sec. G. W. Wells, Pres. Box 408. Santa Rosa, Cal.

Fourteen Months for \$2.50

"At every revival of God's work. the prince of evil is aroused to more intense activity; he is now putting forth his utmost efforts for a final struggle against Christ and His followers. The last great delusion is soon to open before us. Anti-christ is to perform his marvelous works in our sight. So closely will the counterfeit resemble the true, that it will be impossible to distinguish between them except by the holy Scriptures. By their testimony every statement and every miracle must be tested." Great Controversy, page 593.

What a help it will be to us, as we face these things spoken of, to have Twenty-six dollars and ninety cents the counsel of men who have been long in the way and who have diligently studied God's word and are prepared to lead His people to victory.

ald." That everyone might have the opportunity, the publishers will grant to those who are not subscribers an additional two months, or the paper for fourteen months for the price of one year. This offer only stands for a short time, so in order to secure the benefit you must send in your order now.

You may have been thinking of a New Year's card for mother or father, sister or brother. How they would enjoy receiving the good old "Review" for fourteen months! This is your opportunity to give them one year of pleasant, profitable reading.

Just mail your subscription with the \$2.50 to the California Bible House, 537 Twenty-fifth St., Oakland, Cal., or better still hand it to your missionary secretary.

We must not forget the "Recorder;" a visit each week during the year at a cost of about one-half cent a visit. Elder G. W. Wells, our conference president, is following somewhat the plan of Elder J. A. Stevens, anđ plans to have items of interest relative to conference work in almost every issue of the "Recorder." Yon are missing a weekly letter that is interesting and educational if you do not receive the "Recorder." Send in your subscription now and keep in touch with the news items in your home field.

· S. Donaldson.

NEVADA MISSION M. A. Hollister, Supt. 452 Ralston St., Reno, Nev.

Progress in Nevada

Elder W. S. Holbrook, who for two vears and nine months has been superintendent of the Nevada Mission who has recently been and field. called to take the superintendency of the field in Trinidad, British West Indies, under the direction of the Foreign Mission Board, sends the "Recorder" a report of the advancement made in Nevada during the time he was in charge of the field.

In 1916 the membership grew from 174 to 252. At the close of 1917 the membership was 275. It is now 323. Tithe receipts for Nevada in 1915 were \$2578.82: for 1916, \$4161.81: for 1917.

ters of 1918, \$5660.99. The gain for 1916 over 1915's receipts was \$1584.99; and for 1917 over the previous year, \$1615.75.

Eleven Sabbath schools and five home department schools were in operation at the close of last year, the membership being 328. January 1, 1916, there were 10 Sabbath schools, with a membership of 243. Sabbath school offerings for 1916 were \$936.-18; for 1917. \$1515.39; and for the three quarters of 1918, \$1104.11. The Harvest Ingathering receipts made a good gain, with \$181.21 reported in 1915; \$977.46 in 1916 and \$820.65 in 1917.

A growing interest in the home missionary work has been manifested, more than \$600 worth of the "Present Truth" series being circulated in Nevada this year, besides other literature giving the third angel's message.

Three church schools are now in operation, with an enrollment of 58. The missionary volunteer societies are small but active. This year nine conversions as a result of the young people's work have been reported; two Standard of Attainment certificates have been issued and 10 Reading Course certificates. One has finished reading the Bible through. There are 20 reporting members, and 65 subscribers to the "Youth's Instructor." The young people have given for missions this year \$114.22.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

J. A. Stevens, Pres. W. F. Field, Sec. Box 1304, Fresno, Cal.

A Message to the Sabbath Schools

Most of our Sabbath schools are now open or will open in the near future. Let us consider the following questions at this time:

1. Is my family circle as complete as when last we met?

2. Have I had a nurse's wages to pay during these weeks?

3. Have I had to employ a physician?

4. While many have had to lay dear ones away, with all the attendant sorrow and expense, has my family been spared all this?

5. Have I been able to go about my usual work, earning my usual salary?

Most of us can answer these ques-

tions in a way that will cause us to be glad and thankful to our Heavenly Father. Let us bring with us to our place of worship an offering. Let this be a real thank offering. Let us show the measure of our thankfulness. Let none come empty-handed. Our sympathy goes out to those who have been called to mourn. In the midst of sorrow, we may still be thankful as we read 1 Thess. 4:13. Myrtle B. Hudson.

November 22.

Colporteur News

Those who have contributed to our colporteurs' fund will be pleased to learn that Miss Emma Hansen has been supplied with a horse and buggy. which has enabled her to visit many homes the past week with good results, both in securing orders and breaking the bread of life to hungry souls.

A short time was spent with Brother Lewis Knapp the past week at Aubery Valley and surrounding country. Thursday we visited eight homes, gave eight exhibitions, and secured nine orders for "Our Day." besides disposing of a number of the "World in Perplexity." We welcome Brother Knapp to our field and hid him God-speed. Has not the time fully come when we as watchmen are to trim our lamps and faithfully warn every man his neighbor? Paul says. "I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise." Rom. 1:14.

Owing to the influenza epidemic. our December colportours' institute has been postponed indefinitely. Just now is the time for our church members to use the home workers' prospectus, and supply their neighbors with our small books for the holidays The Bible house is prepared to fill all orders. The price of the prospectus is only 50 cents.

C. L. Davis.

"Fearful tests and trials await the people of God. . . But in the midst of the time of trouble that i coming,—a time of trouble such as has not been since there was a nation,—God's chosen people will stand unmoved. Satan and his host can not destroy them; for angels that excel in strength will protect them."

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

M. M. Hare, Pres. W. L. Mecum, Sec. 306 Kerckhoff Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.

Here to Stay and Become More Aggressive as Time Goes On

This was written of this people some twelve years ago by one who was seeking to tear down rather than to build up. Yet the statement is true as is shown by figures from the publishing houses and by Brother H. E. Rogers, of Washington.

Our office shows an increase in sales for the first ten months over the same period last year of over two thousand dollars. And the way Brother L. A. Reynolds and his men in the field are selling our books now, speaks for a larger gain by the end of the year. So far they have had 100 per cent delivery.

I will quote more from this article which appeared in the "Christian Standard," Cincinnati, Sept. 15, 1906:

"Many suppose that Adventism is a small local affair soon to pass away. This is a great mistake. While this people have not made a rapid growth like the Disciples and some other religious bodies, yet they are increasing each year more than the year before. More than this they are laying the foundation for a wide and lasting work.

"Their publications are now printed in about 40 languages. Large sums are donated every year to publish these works in immense editions, so they can be given away or sold at a low price. They are then pushed out through every possible channel, by means of tract societies in every church, by every minister, by Bible readings. through the mails, etc.

"So far as I know. not another set of people of any sect, according to their number, is doing anywhere near what the Adventists are doing in this line. Millions upon millions of copies of their works, small and large, are annually scattered over the earth..... They have a thoroughly organized system of working, which aims to put into active service every member of their society from the little child up to the oldest grandma. Rome never had a more thoroughly organized system of proselyting than the Seventh-

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Edward Archer		145		15	160	
Leo Archer		118		34	152	
Mrs. A. Best 250	200	25		25	500	
Miss B. Bryson 100	370	56	201		727	
Mrs. Gardner 104	113	12		20	249	
Mrs. C. E. Halliday 550	400	350			1300	
Mrs. Jenkins 325	375	160		20	880	
Mrs. Jewel	75	10			85 ·	
Charles Pfeiffer		105			105	
Mrs Mehlman 52	36	14		32	154	
Mrs. I. Richmond 50	50	50			150	
Miss K. Fries		100			100	
Miss C. Willett	21				21	
Miscellaneous 44	30	5 5			129	
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			C. L.	Cyphers,	Secretary.	

day Adventist Church today It Armenian sufferers still starve and is arranged so that every one can do something no matter how poor or ignorant he may be."

Our literature is published in 94 languages and dialects, from 40 publishing houses, in the form of 134 periodicals, 562 books, 364 pamphlets, 1,648 tracts, a total of 2,708 publications, one set of each having the total value of \$704.50.

Let us make our record still better by doing all we can with the Harvest Ingathering "Watchman." There are millions of people who should receive this number of the "Watchman." The "Liberty Magazine" should be sent to all the leading office men and educators. Then there is the "Signs" and all the other 2,708 publications we issue.

Yes, we are "here to stay and become more aggressive as time goes on."

H. A. Hebard.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

W. F. Martin, Pres. J. C. McReynolds, Sec. 310 Loring Bldg., Riverside, Cal.

Young People's Interests

The Morning Watch calendar for 1919 is made up of promises from the New Testament. This line of study will surely appeal to every one, and it will be especially convenient for the soldiers who have Testaments. Each society should plan to push this matter early, so that all may be supplied on time. Old and young can join in t**hi**s.

The incluenza epidemic has broken into our plans. The Syrian and

freeze, still need the help called for. Some societies have responded well to this call. The children have been enthusiastic and have helped willingly. The banks and the self-denial books have been well used. It is a worthy enterprise.

Clyde Rogers, of Redlands, was the first to call for the book mark reward for reading the Bible through in 1918. There is a supply for all. Society secretaries, send in lists of names. These little reminders will help to keep the goal in mind. Schedules for reading can also be supplied.

We have a splendid company of readers in our conference. A large number of Reading Course certificates There is a satishave been issued. faction in completing a course of any kind, and when the course is as valuable as the senior, junior and primary courses are, the effort is well worth while. Parents and teachers can do much to help the children secure these books and encouraging all to read them.

December is the month for the examination for Standard of Attain-A review of Bible doctrines ment. and a careful reading of "Great Second Advent Movement" will prepare one for this test. We are behind on our goal in this line. The work is not hard, and it pays to know how we stand. Let me send you a set of the questions.

Has not every member of our missionary volunteer societies done at least one bit of missionary work during the quarter? And having done it. has each one reported it? One thing man. young woman, will you conse-

done, and reported. makes one a "reporting member"-which means a working member. And working members are the live ones. Doing something helps others; telling about encourages others.

"Reaching Goals, Saving Souls." With this as our motto, our societies cannot fail in accomplishing much of real value in the year to come. Let us not wait till the new year begins, but make the last month of the present year a time for making up for lost opportunities by work and faithful reports.

Max Hill.



Preparation and Proclamation

Peace! Peace! Peace! is the prayer of the millions who have been involved in the mighty struggle of the nations. Now it seems that the mighty volume of prayer has reached the throne and the arm of God has intervened. Why this intervention? That those who have been stricken may hear the proclamation from heaven, "Peace on earth and good will to men."

As never before, the peoples of earth will welcome this grand proclamation of liberty and freedom. The gates of the nations will open wide for the messengers of peace to enter.

Are the messengers ready? Are they prepared to enter the open doors of opportunity that are on every hand? This great day of opportunity should speak loudly to every soul to quickly and earnestly prepare to sound the message of salvation to every nation, in every clime.

Noble youth should now speed the work of earnest preparation that they may soon join in the glorious proclamation of the God-saving message in this God's last hour of earnest invitation. "Whosoever will. let him come and partake of the water of life freely."

Parents, this is your day of opportunity-the last-to help your children get ready to act their part nobly in God's closing gospel program. Will you make the most of it? Young crate and devote your God-given talents to this last supreme effort of a merciful God to save every honest soul in the wide world from the awful fate to which sin has committed him? If you will, prepare, O prepare! that you may proclaim quickly, loudly, joyfully, the wondrous news of saving grace and power promised and pledged to save dying sinners and set them forever free.

Remember that the work of preparation precedes the work of proclamation. Enter now-right now-upon the first, that you may act nobly your part in the last. Do it! Do it now. M. E. Cady.

Special Notice of Joint Meeting Northern California and Central California Conferences

Notice is hereby given to all whom It may concern, that a special joint session of the Northern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Central California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Modesto Seventh-day Adventist church, Modesto, Cal., beginning Dec. 4, 1918, to consider the advisability of uniting the Northern California and Central California conferences, and, if united, to elect officers, committees, departmental secretaries, and adopt a constitution and by-laws, and transact such other business as may be necessary and proper in this special session. The first meeting will be called Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1918, at 2 P. M. By order of the conference committees. Northern California Conference, S.D.A. (Signed) Clarence Santee, President, (Signed) William Voth, Secretary.

(Signed) William Voth, Secretary.
Central California Conference, S.D.A.
(Signed) J. Adams Stevens, President.
(Signed) W. F. Field, Secretary. 3t

Special Notice of Joint Meeting Northwestern California and California Conferences

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that a special joint session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Northwestern California Conference of Seventh-dayAdventists will be held in the Oakland Seventh-day Adventist church, 531 Twenty-fifth Street, Oakland, California, Dec. 2 and 3, 1918. "1918.

The first meeting will be called Monday, December 2, at 2 P. M., to consider the advisability of uniting the Northwestern California and the California Conferences, and for the election of officers, committees, departmental secretaries, and the advisability of amending, repealing, or adopting new by-laws or such other business as may be necessary and proper to be transacted in this special meeting. By order of the conference committees.

California Conference S. D. A.

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J. L. McElhany, President. H. B. Thomas, Secretary.

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Agent	Book	Hours	Order	s Helps	Value	1	Del.
Southeastern California							
H. F. Garland	B.R.	50	11	\$.75	\$ 69.25		
H. G. Warden	O.D .	22	8	2.55	27.55		
2 Agents		72	19	\$ 3.30	\$ 96.80		
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Central California							
Emma S. Hansen	OD.	18	3	\$11.00	\$ 18.50	\$	9.50
J. W. Beardslee*	G.C.	42	38	25.00	106.50		
2 Agents *2 Weeks		60	41	\$36.00	\$125.00	\$	9.50
Southern California							
S. H. Coombs	P.G.	17	14		\$ 75.00	\$	9.00
D. A. Dale	P.G.	20	12	\$ 7.75	70.25	Ŧ	19.75
F. B. Desmarets	Misc.	4	11		34.75		
Ettie Laraway	G.C.	29	7		32.50		
F. W. Miller	P.G .	12	$\frac{2}{3}$		10.00		
B. E. Skelly	O.D .	15	3	.85	9.35		36.70
George Andress	Misc.	20	$\cdot 2$	7.50	14.50	,	
Ofive M. Bell	O.D .	8	1		3.50		24.20
Mrs. F. M. Satiarino	H.W.				8.85		
Mrs Bessie Hibbard	H.W.	10	5		5.25		
10 Agents		135	57	\$16.10	\$263.95	\$	89.65
Totals	••••	267	117	\$55.40	\$485.75	\$	99.15

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1918

Dr. Henry G. Westphal, of Wiscon--sin, hs been secured by the Glendale Sanitarium as Its medical superintendent, and has entered upon his du-He is a thoroughly competent ties. physician and surgeon, having had a large experience in private practice, both in Wisconsin and Iowa. He also has had experience in institu-Dr. H. W. tional medical work. Johnson, who has been acting as medical superintendent for several months, and Dr. Julia A. White, will be associated with Dr. Westphal in the work at the Glendale institution. Brother C. E. Kimlin, manager of the sanitarium, reports that they are having a heavy patronage.

With Camp Kearny Boys

Paradise Valley Sanitarium is more than a health retreat; it is a home, a large, wholesome home, whose family numbers, aside from the regular nurses and helpers, about fifty khakiclad sons, and at least one sailor. Brother and Sister J. A. Burden make all so welcome, and such a real home spirit prevails, that the sanitarium is the Sabbath Mecca of all who can secure passes.

Recently about thirty of the soldiers and the sailor, Carl Fell, came home for Sabbath services in the Sanitarium chapel and Sabbath dinner with the family. It was a good day, and we who shared the blessings greatly appreciated our privileges. In the afternoon, Brethren F. E. Painter and L. A. Reynolds held a service in the interests of the colporteur work About a dozen of the soldiers plan to enter this line of service as soon as they are mustered out of the army.

A preliminary meeting was held near Camp Kearny during the week. We had made appointment by telephone, and were glad to meet more than twenty of the boys, some of them wearing influenza masks, on the flat outside the lines, the quarantine keeping civilians out. The darkness did not hinder in the least, and two hours of visiting and planning quickly slipped by. A venturesome coyote was the only one with the curiosity to creep up near enough to be seen. Camp experiences and home plans shared the time with discussion of book work.

Not all of God's ways are understood and the events and experiences in the draft and army service have not always been clearly seen by all to be of divine planning; but no one questions that God has been guided and protected and given wisdom all along. Where our young men have stood stiffly for principle-and practically all have so stood-they have been granted the privileges guaranteed by the President. Physically and spiritually, they are better fitted for the labors of the future. Like all men in the camps, they look forward to the home-going with keen pleasure. Homes and churches will be cheered and strengthened by their presence and help. Max Hill.

"A holy influence is to go forth to the world from those who are sanctified through the truth. The earth is to be encircled with an atmosphere of grace."

Are Your Banks Filling?

These beautiful autumn days when the harvest time has given us a wealth of good things to store away in barn and cellar for the winter days ahead, are we thinking of those who do not have such blessings-who in fact, have not even a crust of bread to keep them from starvation? Are we doing all we can-and a little more-to relieve their awful need?

"What is that little round box in the center of the table?" asked a visitor of his hostess the other day, as he was enjoying the excellent dinner which she had prepared. Can you guess what it was? An Armenian Relief bank, of course. It is needless

to say that the guest gladly dropped a coin into it when he learned its purpose. And how about your relief fund? Is your bank filling? Do you keep it on the table or in some other conspicuous place where you will be reminded often to drop in a thankoffering for your blessings? To give of our abundance is the very least we can do to show our gratitude.

Our Armenian Relief campaign, began October 5. By action of the General Conference committee it is to last until Xmas. And the whole church is asked to join us in this effort. The initial offering taken up the day the campaign program was presented was just a beginning, and the real test of your interest in those starving in Bible lands will be shown by the sacrifices you make day by day as the campaign progresses.

And we hope the juniors, too, are busy saving for Armenia. How many boys and girls succeeded in filling a stamp book before Thanksgiving? That represents \$2.50 saved for those starving children across the water. And they are not only starving, but without garments to keep them comfortable. One of the relief workers, in speaking of the expected arrival of another lot of orphans, says: "There is another squad coming along soon, and for them I have to buy clothes. They haven't a scrap of clothes that can be put back on them after they have had their first bath. A bunch of rags around thin hips, and a piece of gunny sack over thin shoulders or heads is all they have." Can you imagine such destitution?

It will be a fine idea to have all the banks brought in at one time, and the offering counted. The best way to open these banks is to cut them in two with a penknife, as they are made of cardboard, with the exception of the top and bottom. This is really the only satisfactory way to get at their contents. When counted, turn the money over to the church treasurer, marked "Armenian and Syrian Relief." Do not send it to the address printed on the bank.

Let all societies see that the results of their efforts are carefully reported when the society report is sent in at the close of the quarter.

Ella Iden. •

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