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"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another"

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## A REAL THANKSGIVING DAY

One day each year,  
As sacred hours, with thankful  
hearts,  
We've reverently set apart;  
Not as a day of feast and glee,  
Not as a day of luxury,  
Nor, as a day of merriment,  
Of pleasures, or of money spent.

We would, dear Lord,  
Just thank Thee for Thy presence,  
near;  
Thy guidance through another year;  
For health, for food, for fragrant  
flowers;  
For singing birds, sunshine and  
showers;  
For happy songs, and friends so  
dear,  
And all that makes us joyful here.

We thank Thee, too  
That though the storms and shadows  
dark  
Oft gather round our little bark,  
Yet through the darkness and the  
rain  
The bow of promise shines again.  
So, then, whate'er our lot may be,  
'Tis well, if we but follow Thee.

So we would now  
Return Thee thanks, as we recall  
Thy many gifts, both great and  
small.  
Then as this day draws to its close,  
And evening brings us sweet repose,  
Oh, heavenly Father, may it be  
A real Thanksgiving Day to Thee.

—Mabel Bliven.

"A truly noble character will not  
stoop to resent the false accusations  
of enemies; for it strengthens that  
which it cannot overthrow."

## PRAYER BRINGS POWER

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the  
time of the latter rain; so the Lord  
shall make bright clouds, and give  
them showers of rain." "He will  
cause to come down for you the rain,  
the former rain, and the latter rain."

In the East the former rain falls  
at the sowing-time. It is necessary  
in order that the seed may germinate.  
Under the influence of the fertilizing  
showers, the tender shoots spring  
up. The latter rain, falling near  
the close of the season, ripens the  
grain, and prepares it for the sickle.  
The ripening of the grain represents  
the completion of the work of God's  
grace in the soul. By the power of  
the Holy Spirit the moral image of  
God is to be perfected in the character.  
We are to be wholly transformed  
into the likeness of Christ. The  
latter rain, ripening earth's harvest,  
represents the spiritual grace that  
prepares the church for the coming  
of the Son of Man.

Many have in a great measure  
failed to receive the former rain.  
They have not obtained all the  
benefits that God has thus provided  
for them. They expect that the  
lack will be supplied by the latter  
rain, when the richest abundance  
of grace shall be bestowed, they  
intend to open their hearts to  
receive it. They are making a  
terrible mistake.

The work that God has begun  
in the human heart in giving His  
light and knowledge, must be  
continually going forward. Every  
individual must realize his own  
necessity. The heart must be  
emptied of every defilement,  
and cleansed for the indwelling  
of the Spirit. It was by the  
confession and forsaking of sin,  
by earnest prayer and consecration  
of themselves to God, that the  
early disciples prepared for the out-pour-

ing of the Holy Spirit on the day  
of Pentecost. The same work,  
only in greater degree, must be  
done now. Only those who are  
living up to the light they have  
will receive greater light. Unless  
we are daily advancing in the  
exemplification of the active  
Christian virtues, we shall not  
recognize the manifestations of  
the Holy Spirit in the latter rain.  
It may be falling on hearts all  
around us, but we shall not  
discern or receive it.

We may have had a measure  
of the spirit of God, but by prayer  
and faith we are continually to  
seek more of the Spirit. It will  
never do to cease our efforts.  
If we do not progress, if we do  
not place ourselves in an attitude  
to receive both the former and  
the latter rain, we shall lose  
our souls, and the responsibility  
will lie at our own door.

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the  
time of the latter rain." Do not  
rest satisfied that in the ordinary  
course of the season, rain will  
fall. Ask for it. The growth and  
perfection of the seed rests not  
with the husbandman. God alone  
can ripen the harvest. But man's  
co-operation is required. God's  
work for us demands the action  
of our mind, the exercise of our  
faith. We must seek His favors  
with the whole heart if the  
showers of grace are to come to  
us. We should improve every  
opportunity of placing ourselves  
in the channel of blessing. Christ  
has said, "Where two or three  
are gathered together in my name,  
there am I in the midst."

It is not an immutable law  
that all who attend general  
gatherings or local meetings  
shall receive large supplies  
from heaven. The circumstances  
may seem to be favorable for  
a rich out-pouring of the  
showers of grace. But God  
Himself must com-

mand the rain to fall. Therefore, we should not be remiss in supplication. We are not to trust to the ordinary working of providence. We must pray that God will unseal the fountain of the water of life. And we must ourselves receive of the living water.

Let us, with contrite hearts, pray most earnestly that now, in the time of the latter rain, the showers of grace may fall upon us. . . . If we pray for the blessing in faith, we shall receive it as God has promised. . . . The whole heavenly treasure awaits our demand and reception, and as we receive the blessing, we in our turn are to impart it. Thus it is that the holy lamps are fed, and the church becomes a light-bearer in the world.

This is the work that the Lord would have every soul prepare to do at this time, when the four angels are holding the four winds, that they shall not blow until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads. There is no time now for self-pleasing. The lamps of the soul must be trimmed. . . . We should daily receive the holy oil that we may impart to others. All may be light-bearers to the world if they will. We are to sink self out of sight in Jesus. We are to receive the word of the Lord in counsel and instruction, and gladly communicate it. There is now need of much prayer. Christ commands, "Pray without ceasing," that is, keep the mind uplifted to God, the source of all power and efficiency. . . . But those who do not cultivate the spirit and habit of prayer cannot expect to receive the golden oil of goodness, patience, long suffering, gentleness, love. . . .

The dispensation in which we are now living is to be, to those that ask, the dispensation of the Holy Spirit. Ask for His blessing. It is time we were more intense in our devotion. To us is committed the arduous, but happy, glorious work of revealing Christ to those who are in darkness. We are called to proclaim the special truths for this time. For all this the out-pouring of the Spirit is essential. We should pray for it. The Lord expects us to ask Him. We have not been whole-hearted in this work. . . .

What we need is the quickening

influence of the Holy Spirit of God. "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." "Pray without ceasing," and watch by working in accordance with our prayers. As you pray, believe, trust in God. It is the time of the latter rain, when the Lord will give largely of His Spirit. Be fervent in prayer, and watch in the Spirit.—Mrs. E. G. White in "Review and Herald," March 2, 1897.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER

The inhabitants of this age have been the recipients of unparalleled mercies. The choicest blessings of heaven have been bestowed upon them, but the constant increase of crime, idolatry, covetousness and sin show their base ingratitude for all these favors. The professors of God's grace have been influenced by the unrighteousness around them, and many of those who know the truth for this time have grown cold and indifferent.

Heaven's ordained way of getting rid of sin is through prayer and confession. We can never get from under its incubus by any human reasoning, excuse, or invention. Confession may call for a crucifixion of our personal pride and feelings; it will cause us to humble our hearts, and make, so far as lieth within our power, all things right with our God and fellowmen. The channel of the soul must be kept open, that God may speak to us.

It is in keeping with Bible truth for a day to be appointed for special prayer, and under the blessings and guidance of the Holy Spirit we may make this appointed time a season of great refreshing in our churches, homes, and individual lives. As we renew our covenant with God, shall we not put forth most earnest efforts for the unconverted in our own homes and churches, and likewise for our neighbors. Let us see to it that we remove from their pathway stones of stumbling which we may have placed there in an unguarded moment.

If the spirit of worldliness, and love of pleasure and commercialism, the love of riches, the desire for social prestige has found place in our hearts, let us confess it to God and put it away. If we have grown care-

less regarding the simplicity and plainness of dress; if we find ourselves catering to the fashionable attire and worldly costumes; if we have neglected the family altar and daily study of the Word of God, and failed to harmonize with the principles of health reform; or been robbing God in tithes and offerings,—all these things should be subjects of prayer and confession, and with God's help we should put away all sin and make proper amends in the fear of the Lord.

It will be sad indeed if any of God's remnant children do not realize the need of earnest prayer and watchfulness in this awful hour of the world's crisis, and as a result fail to stand the test. O, how important that we all see the importance of prayer now, and learn to extend the hand of faith higher and still higher with the mighty argument, "It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us."

The prayer of faith will bring a pentecostal blessing and spirit into our hearts. Personal victories will be gained over sin and human weaknesses, new life will come into our churches and a wave of earnest service will take possession of our hearts.

G. W. Wells.

"Prayer is more than mere meditation upon God. Through His Word, God talks to man; through prayer, man talks to God."

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**A MISSIONARY'S HOME IN THE WEST INDIES**

(The following letter was written by Mrs. Ruth McCulley-Cochran, who spent one year at the Washington Foreign Mission College after graduating from the St. Helena Sanitarium in 1914. Her full address is San Claudia, Province Pinar del Rio, Cuba.)

San Claudia, Cuba, May 20, 1919.

"Dear Classmates:

"This finds us way up in the hills starting a mission school for the natives. It is very interesting work. There has never been a school here before, therefore few of the parents know how to read. I have 15 in my school besides one girl who is preparing for the work. There are waiting now those who desire to come as boarding students, who will be here just as soon as we can make room for them by building.

"Our house is made of palm leaves and my stove is very similar to Jacob's altar—just a heap of stones on which I pile wood for a fire. My father has just sent me a check to buy a real cook stove, so I can smile through the tears that fill my eyes from the smoke, knowing that it will be only a little longer.

"There is no wagon road that reaches us, so everything must be brought up on horseback. It is very interesting at times to get stoves and such things up these stony hills.

"It is beautiful here, timbered hills everywhere, with a cleared spot here and there, and with palm leaf houses just full of interesting little chaps. One of our neighbors has 24 children.

"We have an abundance of fruit of many kinds.

"The Lord has blessed us greatly since coming here, and He seems nearer than ever before. Pray for us that we may be able to bring this people from darkness to light."

Our next thirteenth Sabbath offering, December 27, is to be used in building homes for our missionaries. This will help us to see the need of homes where scorpions, centipedes, etc., cannot enter, not to mention larger unpleasant visitors. Reader, try to imagine your children in some of the homes where our missionaries are living.

Myrtle B. Hudson.



"Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as to a friend."

**FIELD TIDINGS**

**NEVADA MISSION**

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**Items of Interest**

Brethren H. L. Wallace and C. L. Bond began a series of meetings at Sparks last week. So far the attendance has been fairly good, and some seem to be interested.

Elder M. A. Hollister recently made a visit to Las Vegas where Elder C. W. Fuller has been laboring for some months past. Quite an interest has been developed there, and it is expected that a public effort will be started in the near future.

The Nevada Mission has gone "over the top" in the Harvest Ingathering! At this writing incomplete reports of the work accomplished during the week ending November 15 indicate that we have reached our goal of \$5.00 per member.

Our supply of Italian Harvest Ingathering papers was received a few days ago, and Brother Salvator Arabito is busily engaged in this work at present. He reports that so far he has not failed to receive a donation from a single party on whom he has called, and his average has been about 40 cents per paper.

Elder George G. Sims reports continued interest at Alturas. The attendance at his meetings has been good. In a letter recently received from him he tells of three members of another church who were planning on going to their pastor and asking for letters to join us.

Eugene Woesner.



"It is not enough to pray for the conversion of sinners; it is not enough to look with fear upon the palaces of the rich, or with solicitude upon the hovels of the poor. Our feet must cross the threshold."

"What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

**INTER-MOUNTAIN**

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. S. Donaldson, Sec. Box 210, Grand Junction, Colo.

**Conference Items**

Brother J. A. Neilsen attended the missionary volunteer institute held in Glendale, Cal.

We are still counting on you to remain active in the Harvest Ingathering work. We suggest that field days be appointed for each week until we are "over the top."

The time is drawing near when our mission investment pledges should be paid. Be sure and send your investments in early enough so all money can be applied on this year's mission funds.

Elder W. F. Martin, field secretary for the religious liberty department of the General Conference, is expected to conduct a revival meeting in the Salt Lake City church, beginning Wednesday, November 26.

Elder H. E. Lysinger just returned from Glendale, Cal., where he attended a meeting of the Pacific Union Conference committee. He reports our leaders were never of better courage than they were at this meeting when they adopted plans to double our gifts to missions for 1920.

Determined to more than reach their goal in the Harvest Ingathering work, the Grand Junction church members secured the use of automobiles and went into the country with the Harvest Ingathering papers. We cannot at this time state the amount received, but hope to pass on this information at a later date.

We are glad for the opportunity of becoming acquainted with our union conference auditor, Brother W. C. Raley, who audited the books preparatory to the special session of the conference. We welcome Brother Raley as auditor for this union and wish him every success and blessing in his labors.

November 19. S. Donaldson.

**Week of Prayer**

As we draw near to the Week of Prayer, do we not all personally feel that a real spiritual revival is needed in our hearts?

While the war is over, we have never, in all the history of our message, come to a Week of Prayer when the world was so full of unrest, when men's hearts were so filled with fear, "and for looking after those things which are coming upon the earth." The sound of alarm spoken of in Joel the second chapter is timely just now. "Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand; a day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness."

And brethren and sisters, do we not fear and realize that many in our ranks are now, in these days of dark clouds, uncertain of their experience? The spirit of money-making, and living for self is taking possession of many. The real missionary spirit is lacking with some; others are withholding their tithe, and hundreds, we are told, are failing to be real soul-winners. In other words many are only Seventh-day Adventists by name, but not in spirit. Oh, how many there are who need a new conversion throughout! And we all need a new experience, a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Let us begin now to take an inventory of ourselves. "Closely examine your own heart as in the light of eternity. Hide nothing from your examination. Search, Oh! search, as for your life, and condemn yourself, pass judgment upon yourself, and then by faith claim the cleansing blood of Christ to remove the stains from your Christian character. Do not flatter or excuse yourself. Deal truly with your own soul. And then as you view yourself a sinner, fall, all broken, at the foot of the cross." Vol. 2, page 81.

Without this kind of a preparation the Week of Prayer will mean but little to us. Let us begin now to prepare for the infilling. Let us pray for the Lord to make of us new men and women.

H. E. Lysinger.

**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**

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**News Notes**

Elder H. S. Shaw visited the Rollinda church last Sabbath and occupied the time in the services.

An important meeting of the conference committee was held Tuesday, November 18. Every member was present and plans were laid which will strengthen the work in our field.

Elder Ernest Lloyd and Brother A. L. Baker, from Mountain View, met with the Fresno church Sabbath, November 15. The facts and experiences related by them were greatly appreciated by the congregation, this being evidenced by the response in raising clubs of the "Signs of the Times" weekly, the total number of subscriptions being 755.

Sunday night Brethren Ernest Lloyd, A. L. Baker, G. A. Wheeler, E. A. Moon and L. M. Overholt went to Dinuba and held a service in the interest of the "Signs of the Times." At the close of the meeting it was announced that the book, "Epidemics," could be purchased, and the supply of 100 copies lasted only a few minutes. This book sells well. Order some and give them a trial. November 21. W. F. Field.

**Among the Sabbath Schools**

Exeter Sabbath school is now on the honor roll for the thirteenth Sabbath offering. Brother W. O. DeForest is superintendent.

The Burrough (Tollhouse) Sabbath school is also on the honor roll, as \$25.00 was brought to the office on November 13 to be used for Korea and Japan. Brother John Schroder is acting as superintendent.

Sisters Edward Bergstrom and Mae Mark, members of the Lemoore Sabbath school, have completed the 1919 Sabbath School Training Course. This makes ten certificates for Central California and eight of the ten go to Lemoore.

Brother Nazareth Gevrekian, who was superintendent of the Armona Sabbath school until he went to Pacific Union College, has just sent in a well written review of the two books in the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course for 1919. This entitles him to a certificate.

According to the last report received from Washington, D.C., Central California is only 18 subscriptions short of the "Sabbath School Worker" goal. Yet there are some of our schools that do not have this valuable aid which makes for efficiency in our work.

Wednesday evening, November 12, the writer met with the Selma Sabbath school and assisted in organizing a "pre-prayer meeting" teachers' meeting. The first half of the time was given to the study of the lesson and the remainder to the Training Course for 1919. Among those present were the superintendent, Mrs. Anna Murray, and the secretary, Miss Leola Linton, and all of the teachers.

Send in at once your subscriptions and renewals for the "Sabbath School Worker" to Brother E. A. Moon at the tract society office. Word has been received from Washington that the size of the "Worker" is to be increased. It will contain 32 pages each issue instead of 24. Single subscriptions, one year, 60 cents; two or more copies to one address, one year, 45 cents each. Price after November 30, single subscriptions, 75 cents; two or more copies, 60 cents each. Do not forget this. Every father and mother should have the help of the "Worker" in teaching the children the Sabbath school lesson. Every officer and teacher should have it. Recommend it to those who are now doing without it. November 14. Myrtle B. Hudson.

"Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray, when prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence?"

**CALIFORNIA**

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**Fruitvale Church Dedicated**

The Fruitvale church, beautifully decorated with ferns and flowers from the near-by hills, was the scene of a dedication service held Sabbath, November 15.

Elder James Taphouse, pastor of the church, was in charge of the program. Brother D. K. Royer, of the Bible House, and the local elders, Brethren H. O. Dalby and G. P. Allcutt were also present. The writer was asked to give a brief history of the church, telling the reasons for building and how the people have faithfully lifted their indebtedness.

Elder E. W. Farnsworth, who was president of the California Conference when this church was organized, preached the sermon, calling attention to the temple built by Solomon, and other temples throughout the history of the world that have been used for the service of God. He also told us that the idea of building churches throughout the country was originated by Ezra. His sermon was very instructive and was much appreciated by all.

Elder G. W. Wells, president of the conference, offered the dedicatory prayer. The congregation felt that it was a solemn occasion and renewed their consecration to God.

The Fruitvale church now stands free and clear of debt, and we believe it will continue to grow until it will be one of the strongest churches in the conference.

H. B. Thomas.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

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**Pomona**

Readers of the "Recorder" will be pleased to know of how the Lord has greatly blessed the efforts of the Knox evangelistic company in the city of Pomona. In spite of united opposition from the usual sources our attendance has been remarkable. Though the effort has continued for more than 90 nights, each lecture has been enthusiastically received by a large audience, many evenings standing room being at a premium.

As a result, 70 precious souls have taken their stand for present truth; 51 of these have already been added to the church; five others have left Pomona to unite with the Fresno church and elsewhere, and the remaining 14 are regularly attending Sabbath services, and will unite with the Pomona church in the near future. At the beginning of the effort the workers set for their goal 50 souls. Having already reached and gone beyond this number, it has been re-set at 75.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign has not been overlooked by the tent company. Our workers have gathered in \$117.50 for this branch of the work, to assist the church in reaching its goal.

We are happy in our work here, and feel greatly encouraged to press forward in our earnest endeavor to reach our new goal. We trust that the work and workers in Pomona will be remembered in your daily prayers.

Sue M. Nary.

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**Bisbee**

In harmony with an action of the conference committee the writer assisted in a short effort in Bisbee to follow up an interest created by meetings held earlier in the summer. We opened our meetings Sunday evening, October 19, in the "Woman's Club" which afforded us a comfortable place to meet. A good interest was manifest from the first though our attendance was small. As the meetings progressed, personal work was done with the interested ones and on Sabbath, November 9, seven precious souls followed their Lord in baptism. Others seem interested and we hope to see them take their stand for the truth.

L. B. Ragsdale.



"Friendship is one of the holiest things in life, and one of the most helpful, if it is consecrated to God; but if it is not, it is one of the mischievous influences that can enter our lives. Our friends should be those that Christ selects for us, and our conduct toward them should be such as He would delight in."

**SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA**

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**Blythe**

Sabbath, October 18, the writer met with the church at Blythe holding the regular quarterly meeting. Services Sunday night were held with the colored believers alone. We studied the Testimonies relating to the work the Lord would have them to do for their own people. The blessing of the Lord came in, and the result of it all was a united vote to request the conference to send a tent or establish temporary quarters for them to hold Sabbath school and services alone. Many were happy in the decision reached.

Sabbath, October 25, the brethren and sisters met and organized a Sabbath school with a full corps of officers, selected teachers and launched the Southside Sabbath school. There were present 35 or more individuals at the first meeting, the donations amounting to nearly four dollars. The next Sabbath we met in the same place, the home of Brother Black. Over 40 were present. After Sabbath school Brother P. B. Bontemps of Los Angeles gave an appropriate but brief Bible study on humility and death to sin. A splendid social service followed in which nearly all took part, and a good spirit was manifest throughout.

Brother Max Hill, who spoke to our white congregation, came in near the close and spoke briefly of the church school which just opened for the entire church.

A committee of five was appointed to locate the temporary place of worship and to act as a permanent building committee.

Sunday was spent in helping four of our colored brethren put up a 12x32 foot tent house. Upon investigation it was found that this lot can be purchased at a very reasonable price for a permanent church site.

As I left them one of the leaders said, "Tell the brethren of the conference committee and tell Elder McElhany we are all here, we are all happy, and all satisfied."

When we go the way the Lord has pointed out, His Spirit attends and

things move in right lines. I am glad to have had the opportunity of laboring in this church and rejoice in the prospects ahead. A neat house of worship should be erected without delay.

Both the white and colored congregations have almost doubled within the past three weeks. Pray that God may still lead, and that His work in Blythe may prosper.

C. McReynolds.

### Determined to Reach Goal

The Harvest Ingathering campaign at Brawley began with a field day, Sunday, October 19, with 13 members ready to work and a goal of \$290 to reach.

We rallied our forces, did some drilling, assigned territory, and started work. All who went out had good experiences, and not one failed to bring in some money for the Lord's treasury. The total amount reported for the day's work was \$70.00.

Some of our members were so situated that they could not go out more than the one day. Others continued right on, and at prayer meeting Wednesday night there was reported over \$100. At our next Sabbath service \$159 was reported. This caused great rejoicing as some feared we could never reach our goal. Now we are determined to reach it, for we have hardly touched our territory. Up to the present time we are able to report about \$260. It will only take a few hours work to put us "over the top."

The Japanese have been very liberal with their offerings, and we find almost every one willing to give, and only a few gave less than one dollar.

Some of the brethren have taken our Harvest Ingathering work up with the Hindu Association of this valley. The officials have manifested considerable interest in this work, and promised to present it to the members. The president gave his check for \$1.00.

The writer has given about 25 hours to this work for which he has received an experience that could never have been obtained in any other way. It was my privilege to meet some souls who are hungering for the truth, and who are now on our

"Signs" mailing list; and to gather \$55.65 for the cause. To the Lord be all the praise. J. W. Dement.

## HARVEST INGATHERING ECHOES

Are you thankful? Show your appreciation for God's care and bounty by visiting your neighbors with the Ingathering "Watchman." Ask them for a "thank offering" for missions.

California Conference bulletin number five shows 15 churches over the goal. It is nearing the \$6,000 mark in its steady march to the goal. One of the conference workers gathered \$125.

Arizona's bulletin for the eighth week of the campaign shows a total of \$2,596.24. This leaves but \$698.76 to be raised to place this field over the goal. One minister reached his \$300-goal and plans to make it \$500. Six churches are over the goal.

Southern California bulletin number nine indicates approximately \$5,000 raised. No doubt complete reports from all the churches would show well on the way to the \$6,000 point. It is the faithful efforts of the larger churches that insure victory. Four churches are over the goal.

Southeastern California continues to show nearly a thousand dollars increase with each new bulletin. This pace will bring success. Bulletin number seven shows a total of \$3,597.62. Five churches are over the goal and several others are nearing the top.

At the time of the last report Nevada Mission had just a little over \$200 to raise to make its goal. Elder M. A. Hollister felt sure they would be over by the fifteenth. The success of the campaign in many places throughout the union indicates that the same results will follow everywhere if the same faithful effort is put forth. Surely we will not be satisfied with anything short of the goal.

Inter-Mountain bulletin number six conveys the good news that this conference has raised \$1,967.76. This is a good report. They were greatly delayed in launching the campaign, but are making up for it. Three churches are over.

We are well along on the last half of our goal as a union conference. Two conferences should complete their goals by the time this number of the "Recorder" reaches its readers. Three more are over the half-way mark, and the others are working faithfully to win success.

Northern California and Central California had not reported up to the time this item was written. Both conferences are working hard to reach their goals, and the great prosperity of the territory included in these conferences insures success from faithful endeavor. The harvesting season lasts later in these conferences than elsewhere in the state, and our brethren are not always able to enter fully into the campaign as soon as in other sections. Results attained so far, however, indicate they do not intend to be behind the other conferences when the campaign closes. J. A. S.

### PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE NEWS

The gospel meetings at Monticello and Yountville, conducted by the students, are progressing favorably.

Prof. M. W. Newton manufactured a cupful of snow and froze mercury with it at chapel last Friday.

Doctor G. K. Abbott, from the St. Helena Sanitarium, spoke at chapel Monday on the value and proper use of hydrotherapy in treating influenza.

On his homeward trip from the union conference committee meeting at Glendale, President Irwin visited the Pacific Union College medical students at Loma Linda.

The first orchestra recital of the school year was given the evening after Sabbath, November 15, to the enjoyment of all present. The orchestra is directed by Prof. Noah Paulin and consists of seventeen pieces: four first violins, four second violins, two 'cellos, one bass

viol, one flute, one saxophone, first and second cornets, trombone, and piano.

Miss Despina Keanides, of Constantinople, has recently entered school. She passed through many dangerous experiences in coming here from Turkey, to receive her education. Her mother and sister are both engaged in our work at the headquarters in Constantinople.

The class in journalism visited the class in commercial geography Monday morning to hear and "report" the address on army transportation, given by Mr. Preston Byington. Many original photographs of various parts of the S. S. Leviathan, on which Mr. Byington returned from France, were reproduced by the reflectoscope.

Prof. and Mrs. K. M. Adams and their little son, Morgan, from Singapore, are visiting Professor and Mrs. G. F. Wolfkill. Brother Adams was principal of our training school in that field and reports more than 30 native workers have received their preparation in that school during the past five years. They returned on account of the ill health of Sister Adams.

#### NOTICE

On account of the death of Mrs. S. N. Haskell, who has been very closely associated with Elder Haskell, it is thought best to discontinue publishing the "Bible Training School." The January number will be the last issue of the paper. This number will be a special double number to be sold in the interests of securing Christian literature for the blind.

We wish to thank our friends for their hearty co-operation which has made the work a success. Upon request we will supply back numbers for unexpired subscriptions, but we do not wish to receive any more new subscriptions.

We still have a limited number of "The Cross and Its Shadow," "Seer of Patmos," "Story of Daniel," "Bible Handbook," "Charts," files of back numbers of the "Bible Training School," and tracts.

Send orders to "Bible Training School," South Lancaster, Mass.

#### 7 METHODS THAT BRING RESULTS

**Through the Mails.** Remarkable results have grown out of following up mailed copies of the weekly "Signs" with a few letters. These silent preachers can go where we cannot. Don't forget the instruction to send them "through the mails."

**At the Door.** Opportunities come daily to our doors. Be prepared for callers and agents. Have a rack hanging conveniently near. Don't allow your papers to remain hidden in a bookcase. Send them out on their mission.

**On the Train.** You can always find travelers who will gladly accept a paper and read to pass away the time when riding. Be an opportunist. Remember to go prepared on the next trip. Mark some special article. It focuses attention.

**In Reading Racks.** A method possessing great possibilities. Wherever people have to wait, you will find some who wish to read. See that the rack is kept in nice shape, and supplied with fresh, up-to-date papers. Reading racks pay.

**Neighboring.** "Watch and pray"—some day, that neighbor will mention some special bit of news she has seen in the daily paper, and will ask, "What is the world coming to?" And you, in a tactful manner, will give the answer, and also pass over a "Signs."

**On that Auto Ride.** What is in that pocket on the door of your car? Make a little room for the literature for the times. Keep a supply there, ready for the next trip, whether it is a business or a pleasure trip.

**House-to-House.** An increasing number of our people are making a few calls each week, systematically, leaving the "Signs," and later suggesting a subscription. Let us plan definitely to give more time and thought to such work. Try this plan out during "Over-the-Top" "Signs" week, December 14 to 20. Secure at least one subscription.

Influenza is lurking around, warnings are being issued by all health officials. For good, practical common sense suggestions, secure the special influenza number of the "Life and Health" just off the press. Price, five cents. Order a quantity at special rates; then give your friends and neighbors the opportunity of securing same.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

#### SPECIAL NOTICE—TERMS

Advertising rate: 50 words or less, first insertion, \$1.00. Each additional insertion, if run consecutively, 50 cents. No advertisement will be accepted unless cash accompanies the same.

References from the conference president must accompany requests for advertising space in the "Recorder," where individuals are not personally known to the "Recorder" management.

**Wanted.**—A painter and a landscape gardener; also help in domestic and culinary work. Address Manager Loma Linda Sanitarium, Loma Linda, Cal. 14-3t

**Loma Linda Training School** for Nurses will begin a new course January 1, 1920. Write for information to the Superintendent of Nurses, Loma Linda, Cal.

**Wanted.**—Men to work on ranch. Wages \$50.00 a month, with separate room, good bed, and reading room provided. Church privileges. Address Mrs. Josie I. Phillips, Box 145, Pomona, Cal. 16-3t

**For Sale.**—Bausch and Lomb stereopticon, like new; about 1,200 slides on most all important subjects of the message. Worth at least \$400. Will take \$150 cash. A snap! Address Box 1045, Arroyo Grande, Cal. 16-2t

**A Good Home** is offered to two orphan children—brother and sister—boy from nine to twelve years of age; girl from seven to ten. Any one knowing of such children needing a good home can write to the Northern California Missionary Society, 341 East Lodi Ave., Lodi, Cal.

**Wanted.**—An experienced machinist; one who is capable of making parts, also repairing and operating an automatic basket machine. Must be Seventh-day Adventist. For particulars address Charles Burnham, 908 Central Ave., Glendale, Cal., giving reference, also stating wages desired.

**For Sale.**—Forty acres alfalfa; small orchard; Company water right, also big pumping plant. Seven-room plastered house; barn, and other buildings; 12 good milk cows; young team; implements. One and one-half miles from town, church, and nine-grade church school. For price and terms write to L. Skadsheim, Route 1, Box 26, Winton, Cal. 15-2t



**THANKSGIVING DAY**

Thanksgiving day, set apart by proclamation of the President, and the Governors of the States, again comes to us with its opportunity of expressing, in a special way, our gratitude to God for His mercies and blessings during the year. "The earliest harvest Thanksgiving in America was kept by the pilgrim fathers at Plymouth in 1821, and it was repeated often during that and the ensuing century. Congress recommended days of thanksgiving annually during the revolution, and in 1784, for the return of peace. President Madison issued a proclamation of the same import in 1815. Washington appointed such a day in 1789, after the adoption of the Constitution, and in 1795 he appointed another day as Thanksgiving day, for the general benefit and welfare of the nation. Since 1817 the festival has been observed annually in New York, and since 1863 every president has issued each year a proclamation appointing the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving day." God has bestowed many blessings during the year now nearly spent, not the least of which is His ordering of events for the cessation of hostilities in the great war. Let us not only thank Him with sincerity, but let us also express our gratitude by an appropriate thank offering.

"Hast thou plenty? Then rejoice;

Rejoice and freely share.

Hast thou scanty store? E'en then

A little thou canst spare.

And hast thou only bit or crumb,

A donor yet thou mayest become,  
Since morsel from thy less or least  
For bird or insect makes a feast.

Be the portion small or great,

The loving, generous heart

Will always find it large enough

To give away a part."

**GOOD MISSIONARY LITERATURE**

As long as they last \$1.00 will secure 100 copies of the "Watchman Magazine"; \$5.00 for 500, or \$10.00 for 1,000 copies. These are back numbers of the "Watchman" during the past year. It is a splendid opportunity to obtain excellent illustrated missionary literature for a penny a copy—ORDER NOW.

**ST. HELENA SANITARIUM**

Elder J. W. Christian was a recent caller at the sanitarium.

Sister Viola Miller is now connected with the Sanitarium Training School for Nurses as Bible teacher.

A large new class of nurses has entered training this fall, and is taking hold of the new work with earnestness and enthusiasm.

Elder M. D. Wood and family, who have spent many years in India, are visiting at the sanitarium. Elder and Mrs. Wood have spoken several times on the mission work in India, and their talks have been appreciated by the guests, sanitarium family and church.

Elder H. A. Washburn of Pacific Union College occupied the pulpit in the Sanitarium church Sabbath, November 8. He gave a thrilling discourse on the fatherhood of God, and drew a very impressive picture of our dear, loving, heavenly Father, and His care of His children.

The Sanitarium chapel is undergoing quite extensive repairs. The inside is being overlaid with pressed steel. When the painters have finished their work, the chapel, we think, will present a neat and attractive appearance. While this work of repair is going on the church meets in class room number one for all church services.

Brother J. L. Humbert, of the Nevada Mission, who has spent some weeks at the sanitarium, is now so far recovered and improved in health that he has reported for work. The Lord in answer to prayer has done great things for Brother Humbert, and we join him in praising the Lord for His wonderful works to the children of men.

Sabbath, November 15, Prof. W. G. Wirth of Pacific Union College preached an impressive sermon on the signs of the times. He called attention to the unrest among the nations, labor troubles, and the social conditions, which are all a direct fulfillment of the sure word of prophecy which describes the last days of this world's history.

Sunday night, November 16, Elder M. D. Wood spoke on the famine

conditions in India. The great mass of the population of India is more or less underfed all the time. But when the "monsoons" fail to come, as they often do in some part of India every year, there is no rain, crops dry up, famine comes, and people die by the thousands; pestilence follows in the wake of famine and adds its horrors to the terrible situation. India's greatest need, however, is the gospel, and more workers must be sent as heralds of the love of God and the free and full salvation there is in Christ Jesus. Andrew Nelson.

A San Francisco newspaper recently received the following inquiry from one of its Berkeley subscribers: "Why is Sunday observed as the first day of the week? R.F." The editor of the paper wrote the following answer: "Sunday is observed as the first day of the week by Christians in commemoration of the resurrection of Christ. The custom was first introduced by the early Christian church. There are a few Christian denominations, notably the Seventh-day Adventists, who observe Saturday as the first day of the week." Now every Seventh-day Adventist knows that Saturday is not the first day of the week, but that it is, indeed, the Sabbath. But do your neighbors know it? Are there those living near you who do not know the reasons of your faith? Why not place in their hands our truth-filled literature? Why not let them read the "Signs of the Times," "Present Truth," "Watchman," or some of our good books?

Remember the Standard of Attainment test comes in December. Are you a member of Attainment? If not, why not take the test in one or both subjects at that time? And did it ever occur to you who are members that taking the test again, even if you do not get another certificate, will strengthen the grip your memory has on those subjects? Think it over!

**ADDRESS WANTED**

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Miss Hazel Cooper will confer a favor by at once writing to Church Clerk, 916 Laguna St., San Francisco, Cal.