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A Call to Evangelistic Advance

God is calling to arouse men and women to a sense of their danger. The world's probation is rapidly passing away. Disasters of war and bloodshed, destruction by fire and flood, are evident signs that God's judgments are already in the land.

Surely in a time like this, when thousands are facing destruction, going down into their graves without God and without hope; in an hour when the great controversy is almost ended, our evangelists everywhere should accept the challenge to "arise and shine" and "make up the hedge, and stand in the gap" before the Lord.

"Shall we whose souls are lighted,
with wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted, the
lamp of life deny?

Salvation, O salvation! The joyful
sound proclaim

Till earth's remotest nation has
heard Messiah's name."

Never was there a time when you and I, as apostles of God and ministers to hungry souls, needed more urgently to preach the message with the power and demonstration of the Spirit.

Stumbling blindly in the darkness of doubt and unbelief, weary, disoriented, sick at heart, angry with the things that are, unable to agree with the things that ought to be, the world is crying for light and guidance. Our evangelists must answer this need. Our business is to see to it that men are enlisted on the side

of Christ. All our ministers must, therefore, strive as never before, with mighty work, study, prayer, and faith to bring the hungry sin-sick soul to the One who alone can heal and save. This is our supreme task, and we must at once enter upon the greatest work of all time. To do this we must equip ourselves with the whole armor of God, which includes a perfect knowledge of the "law" and the "testimony." Pulpit eloquence alone will not bring the lost to Christ. There are experiences in which it proves to be but "sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal." We sometimes use a great wealth of Bible texts, but unless accompanied by the Spirit's power, the way of God and eternal life may not be made manifest.

The successful soul winner must be able, like Aquila and Priscilla, to expound "the way of God more perfectly." Like the Master, we must be able to begin at "Moses and all the prophets" and expound the things concerning Jesus and the preparation necessary to meet Him. Our sermons must have, not a new message, but a new ring. We must be able not only to present a proposition or make an analysis of truth or doctrine, but also to bring the truth home to the hearts of those who hear.

In order to win souls, we must have as our goal not only good preaching—but also effective preaching. Dr. Herbert H. Farmer states, "Good preaching may mean nothing

more than that it is interesting to listen to, conforms to certain generally accepted classical standards, has certain graces and unities of style, and design—qualities by no means to be despised. But effective preaching can only mean effective in the sense of doing God's work, and this it may assuredly do even if the qualities mentioned in the last sentence are not conspicuously present." The message of the hour must be not only vigorous, but lucid, graphic, and above all loyal to the gospel. We must never preach another gospel. Our hearers must be convinced that "there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," than the name of Jesus Christ. "We want more praying ministers,—men who carry a solemn weight of souls,—men who have a faith that works by love and purifies the soul."—*Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers*, p. 149.

Two other statements from the servant of the Lord will help to emphasize the importance of soul winning in the sight of heaven: "The greatest work in which human beings can aspire is the work of winning men from sin to holiness."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 398.

"For the conversion of one sinner, the minister should tax his resources to the utmost. The soul that God has created and Christ has redeemed is of great value, because of the possibilities before it, the spiritual advantages that have been granted

it, the capabilities that it may possess if vitalized by the word of God, and the immortality that it may gain through the hope presented in the gospel. And if Christ left the ninety and nine that He might seek and save one lost sheep, can we be justified in doing less? Is not a neglect to work as Christ worked, to sacrifice as He sacrificed, a betrayal of sacred trust?"—*Gospel Workers*, p. 465.

May the Lord in compassion grant to us a new perspective. May the still small voice of the Holy Spirit speak to our hearts saying, "Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel." Judges 6:14.

In the Colored Department the year 1947 witnessed the greatest gathering of souls by our evangelists. Two thousand three hundred and thirty-two souls were baptized.

We are praying that our efforts this summer will bring to each worker such fruitage as will demonstrate a response to a mighty evangelistic advance, such fruitage as will vividly indicate rain as the latter and former rain upon the earth. (Hosea 6:3.)

We earnestly trust that each worker will know and understand his individual relationship and responsibility.

G. E. P.

SOUTHWESTERN MISSION

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Sparks From the Recent Youth's Rallies

WE have just completed a series of outstanding youth's rallies throughout the Southwestern Mission. The first in the series of rallies was held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At this meeting were assembled our finest youth from New Orleans, Baton Rouge, and surrounding areas. The aim of the rally was to inspire courage, stimulate action in our youth to share their faith, and win souls to Christ. Ways and means were suggested to show how in a

profitable way this could be accomplished. The youth present accepted the challenge, and with lives dedicated to God's service, went forth in a "Youth for Youth" movement for Christ.

Our second rally convened in Houston, Texas. At this were gathered all our young people in the State of Texas. Here the time was well spent in placing emphasis upon the study of principles and practices of personal evangelism. At the close of this session these too pledged to share their faith. We feel that definite responses will come as a result of these inspiring meetings for our youth.

Another session for our youth was held in Oklahoma City. This gathering was our largest. Here enthusiasm at the outset of the meeting was indicative of a successful rally. Throughout the session our youth were "on fire for God." Concrete examples given in their testimonies showed that these youth in the State of Oklahoma have been sharing their faith. This only served as an added stimulus to them to continue to hold high the torch of evangelism and to win youth for Christ.

At Little Rock, where youth met to discuss plans to share their faith, many were in attendance, and there too, as elsewhere, they united with thousands of Adventist youth in a program of evangelism.

Because the youth of San Antonio were unable to attend the former rallies held and to share in the blessings received on Sabbath, March 6, the official staff of the Southwestern Mission invaded San Antonio for a one-day rally. Here as elsewhere the youth of San Antonio caught fire, and resolved to share their faith. The comments that followed after the Sabbath were unanimous in that it was said, "This was one of the best meetings ever witnessed in San Antonio."

We are told that our youth are the church of tomorrow. What a precious heritage! God grant they will not fail in this crisis hour of earth's history.

MRS. W. W. FORDHAM.

Camp Meeting

At last we are happy to announce that the first camp meeting of the Southwestern Mission will be held in Dallas, Texas, June 11-20. For this occasion we have secured spacious grounds of the Lincoln High School. Provision will be made to house quite a few of our people on the grounds. The majority, of course, will be forwarded to our churches from time to time. This is the official notice of the place and date.

In addition to the regular camp meeting activities, the second constituency meeting of the Southwestern Mission will also convene. Delegates from each church will be elected to attend this official session. Additional information will reach our churches relative to this gathering.

Plan now to attend. Make your reservations early.

Dedication Service of the Houston Church

SABBATH, February 14, was a memorable occasion for the members of our Houston church. This was the day chosen for the dedication of the beautiful stone-veneer edifice, which has a seating capacity of 400.

It was fitting that one of Houston's former pastors, H. W. Kibble, of Shiloh Church, Chicago, Illinois, was invited to deliver the dedication sermon. Many friends in the community and representatives from several of the sister churches of the

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mission were in attendance. Several of our ministers also were there for this special occasion. W. S. Lee, J. H. Williams, V. L. Roberts, and W. W. Fordham assisted in the service.

A. R. Carethers is to be congratulated for the splendid leadership he has given Houston and for this very fine accomplishment. A brief history of the work in Houston, with a picture of the new building, will appear later.

W. W. FORDHAM, *Supt.*

Ordained to the Ministry

TOUSSAINT L. DAVIS, of Boston, Massachusetts, was ordained to the gospel ministry in the Ephesus church of New York City at the eleven o'clock hour, Sabbath, February 21. Those officiating were M. L. Rice, president of the Atlantic Union; L. H. Bland, president of the Northeastern Conference; and A. E. Webb, pastor of the Ephesus church. Brother Davis had recently been called to the pastorate of our church in the city of Boston, and is doing a very creditable work.

Sabbath, March 13, Ernest E. Rogers, associate instructor of Bible at the Oakwood College, was ordained to the ministry at our church in Nashville, Tennessee. Those taking part in the service were President F. L. Peterson, of the college; H. R. Murphy, president of the South Central Conference; and G. E. Peters, of the General Conference. Elder Rogers was formerly engaged in pastoral and evangelistic work in the Southern Union territory. He is now rendering very acceptable services in his present responsibility at Oakwood College.

As these brethren resume greater responsibilities we want them to know that they have our sincere wishes for continued success.

G. E. P.

"All great reforms, great movements, come from the bottom and not the top."

THE world is in desperate need of good leadership.—WALSER.

New Dormitory Dedicated

THE new girls' dormitory at Oakwood was dedicated at the close of the recent board meeting. Present at the dedication were general, union, and local men. V. G. Anderson, president of the Southern Union, delivered a pertinent address in which he set apart this edifice for the use of Christian young women who would devote their lives to the finishing of the gospel in this generation. After the address G. E. Peters offered the dedicatory prayer from the parapet above the front entrance.

The selection of a name for the new hall was not difficult, as the executives felt that no other person of our group could be held up as a superior example to Christian womanhood than Oakwood's mother, Mrs. E. I. Cunningham. To honor her for her long years of untiring service at the institution, it was unanimously voted to name the new dormitory Cunningham Hall.

To the young ladies of Cunningham Hall we give a verbal housewarming in that we wish you many blissful moments and successful years of preparation in your new home.

G. E. P.

Off the Press

OUR colored workers will want to secure and study the newly issued Volume II of *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* by LeRoy E. Froom, secretary of our General Conference Ministerial Association. It is doubtless the key volume of the set, and covers the Old World prophetic exposition from the Renaissance to the French Revolution. Replete with illustrations—historical scenes, facsimiles of title pages and extracts, reproductions of coins and medals, portraits of the prophetic spokesmen, and a progressive series of charts and tables—it covers a period filled with human interest and vital import. Scholarly in form, intriguing in style, and fully documented, it is not only a handbook of facts and history of vital developments but also a human-interest portrayal of the leading characters in the

drama of prophetic interpretation—all framed in a biographical setting. It has a special appeal for the trained mind and crystallizes the research of thirteen years in the archives of Europe and America. Completely annotated and exactly verified, its 864 pages are fully indexed.

Eye Openers

ALCOHOLISM costs U.S. industry about one billion dollars a year in lost time and inefficient work. A group of Chicago doctors and businessmen got together to discuss and do something about this fact: they formed the Chicago Committee on Alcoholism and picked as president the University of Chicago's famed physiologist, Dr. Anton J. Carlson.

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LAST week Dayton had a shower of green rain. It stained a few citizens' clothes and left a greenish tint on some white-painted houses. The press reported that local scientists were mystified. (It is believed that the color was obtained from algae sucked up by a tornado.)

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THE Reverend Lewis A. McGee, former Negro Army chaplain, announced recently the formation of the first Chicago church to be started as an interracial venture. The congregation at present consists of five white and twenty Negro families, and meets at the Unitarian Abraham Lincoln Center, Chicago, but plans to have its own building soon. It will be known as the Free Religious Association, a Unitarian group.

Note to the Editor

LIKE many hundreds I am truly proud of the INFORMANT, for it is filling a long-felt need.

THE INFORMANT provides the medium whereby one keeps informed of the whereabouts, the movements, and successes of our workers. It inspires its readers to do more when they read how our work is spreading and growing under the vision and leadership of our consecrated leaders.

MRS. J. ESTELLE BARNET.

A Look Into the Record Book

WE here in the editorial rooms of the INFORMANT have been wondering just what our junior and senior academies have been doing this year, and we imagine that you are just as curious. In order to satisfy this curiosity we have written to the principals of our schools, and they have made it possible for all to share their varied activities.

All reports have not reached us, but we are hoping that we will have these in hand for the May issue of the INFORMANT.

OAKWOOD

Maxine H. Brantley, principal

The present enrollment of the Oakwood Academy is one hundred and thirty-six, representing students from the United States and six foreign countries or islands. We think we have a very fine group of students this year, and they are doing excellent work.

Our teaching staff includes the following persons: Miss Eunice Willis, Miss Thomasine Longware, Professor Charles Gray, and Mr. Russell Fassett. We have three additional teachers who are assisting us by teaching one period a day. They are Professor Lewis, Mrs. Hunter, and Mr. Cooper.

Perhaps our most outstanding organization is the academy choir, conducted by Charles E. Dickerson. It has rendered the cantata, *David the Shepherd Boy*, here and at the A. and M. College. The choir also has done some singing over the radio. In addition to this musical organization we have a boys' quartet and a mixed quartet.

Not much has been done in the way of formal socializing for the academy as such, since we take part in the college activities; however, we did have a Valentine party on February 15 for our department alone, and everyone reported having had a good time.

The greatest need of our school is an academy building, where we can

have all our classes and activities unhampered by the college department. We are looking forward to this within the next few years.

The senior class, and also the junior class, has organized, and we are looking forward to having more than forty graduates from high school.

Beginning with the new year, the academy students have been meeting in a separate building for their Sabbath school under the leadership of Professor Gray. In this way they have more opportunity to use their talents and assume the responsibilities of holding an office. It has proved to be quite a successful plan.

We look forward to receiving our copy of the INFORMANT each month, and we hope this paper will have continued success in being a vital force among our people.

PINE FORGE

J. L. Moran, principal

As our other academies, Pine Forge Institute is in step with the march of progress. Since last hearing from Pine Forge we learn that their auditorium has been completed and a shipment of new chairs received recently.

New sidewalks have been laid on the campus to save time in inclement weather.

The Bell telephone system currently installed an automatic switchboard in the office and telephones in all buildings on the campus. This has certainly been a great asset to the office as well as to the deans.

The senior class is preparing for a journey to the "land of cotton" to participate in Oakwood's Academy Day activities.

Not too long ago Pine Forge was host to the seniors of Northeastern Academy. Many old friends were united and scores of new acquaintances were made. If the Northeastern students were as happy over their visit as the Pine Forge students were to have them, then their trip to Pennsylvania was a grand success.

At last the kitchen for the home economics department is completed. It is very neatly equipped with unit

sink and cabinets and a gas range. It is appropriately color schemed in white. The sewing room is also completed. It is adjacent to the kitchen. Together the kitchen and sewing room form a neat little home economics department just suited to our needs. It is located on the first floor of the north end of the Manor House.

From what we hear, a student council is about to function for the students at P.F.I. This not only should help to simplify disciplinary problems but should help many boys and girls to understand the significance of responsibility, the importance of justice, and the prominence of good citizenship.

Pine Forge is looking forward to an illustrious occasion at the time of its graduation exercise in June.

NORTHEASTERN

Samuel Darby, principal

The new Northeastern Academy building recently purchased in the Bronx has become the center of youth activities in the Northeastern Conference.

This academy has an upper-grade enrollment of sixty students with seven faculty members. Ten of these boys and girls will finish high school this year. The senior class has been organized and is under the capable sponsorship of Mrs. Edna Lett Williamson. Among the outstanding activities of the senior class is a trip to Oakwood this month to participate in Academy Day.

Perhaps the readers of the NORTH AMERICAN INFORMANT will be delighted to read some of the recent happenings at Northeastern.

The faculty members are having a special opportunity to bring some timely messages to the academy students. Thus far Mr. Phipps, Miss E. Robinson, Miss S. Kee, and Mrs. E. Williamson have brought weel' messages. The students are to commended for the excellent attention they have given all the speakers. We wish our friends and parents could drop in and hear the faculty speak. A variety of worth-while topics has been discussed.

The students of Northeastern took their places among the hundreds of school children at Grand Central Station to view the Freedom Train. After waiting two and one half hours, they saw the Spirit of '76 gleaming forth in its new coat of brilliant red, white, and blue. Before they entered the train, PM reporters took photographs of the group. They were not able to do justice to the elaborately encased freedom documents, but everyone remembered the Declaration of Independence, the Emancipation Proclamation, and the Japanese and German surrender terms. Everyone considered the three-hour trip a worth-while expedition.

Our school claims the night of October 5, 1947, as the occasion of its first great success. The Mozart Ensemble joined with the academy to present an interesting and entertaining program. The purpose was twofold: to introduce our academy to our parents and friends, and to provide funds, a portion of which was to help us realize our dream of visiting Pine Forge. We accomplished both!

Our weekly Missionary Volunteer meetings have proved interesting to all. Recent speakers have included Professor Roach, Elder North, and Brother James.

We are planning a bigger and still more interesting school program. Profiting from experiences of the past we can meet the challenge of the future, and by working together attain spiritual and intellectual heights.

CHICAGO

G. R. Partridge, Jr., principal

Our upper-grade enrollment at Shiloh this year is thirty-five, and our teaching staff includes Mr. Gaines R. Partridge, A.B., principal and teacher of Bible and history; Dorothy McClellan, B.S., instructor of science and mathematics; and Miss Wilma S. Minisee, A.B., instructor of French and English.

Perhaps the most outstanding event of the year has been our campaign for the school paper, *The Shi-*

loh Reflector. During our recent rally we were able to obtain 150 new subscriptions to our paper. Our school boasts a number of clubs, namely The Ministerial Association, Teachers of Tomorrow, Photographers' Club, and recently organized is The Glee Club. In order to supplement classroom instruction we have formed French and science clubs.

Many improvements have been made for the comfort and betterment of the students. A lunchroom has been provided. A ping-pong set and many other games have been made available for student enjoyment. New tables were secured for the library and plans are now being made to redecorate the room. Informative references, source books, and monthly and weekly periodicals are at the disposal of students.

Ten seniors are looking forward to graduation this spring. At present they are anticipating, with much enthusiasm, a trip to Oakwood, where they have been invited to spend a week end. They are also looking forward anxiously for the time when they will visit E.M.C. on Senior Day.

Since there is to be a boarding academy in this vicinity next year, there is to be no Shiloh Academy. All efforts are being concentrated to make a success of the Lake Region boarding academy.

BALTIMORE

R. L. Reynolds, principal

The year 1947 gave us new courage in regard to our school. We have looked forward for years to a new school building. Imagine our joy and gratitude on the day that we moved into our lovely red brick building located in a very aristocratic part of the city, on the corner of Whitelock Street and Madison Avenue. The school is situated on a high hill, with a generous terrace surrounding it.

Our school entails a full curricula for ten grades. On the first floor are found the library and two classrooms. One classroom belongs to the ninth and tenth grades. These

classes are taught by Prof. R. L. Reynolds, principal, and former principal of Oakwood College Academy. The other first-floor room belongs to the fifth and sixth grades. Mrs. Ernestine Roberts is in charge of this room.

Ascending the stairs and turning to the right, we find ourselves in front of Mrs. Flora Reynolds' room. This is the room in which the seventh and eighth grades are instructed. Miss Thirza Henry formerly taught these grades. Directly across the hall we find the first to fourth grades, with Mrs. Blanche Jones as their teacher. These grades were taught by Miss Anna Cheatham during the first semester.

Leaving from the rear end of the hall and descending the back stairs to the basement, we find ourselves in the cafeteria and assembly room. The cafeteria accommodates the entire student group within the given period of time, but this would not be possible were it not for the efficient and untiring labors of our dietitian, Mrs. Laura Cheatham. These hot lunches served every day not only fill hungry stomachs but also teach the ninth and tenth grade girls how to help in the preparation of healthful and appetizing meals. The assembly room accommodates approximately two hundred persons, and it serves for church as well as school activities.

We wish to congratulate our pastor, William L. Cheatham, and the church board for the splendid service they have given us to make our new school a success. We are proud of it and are endeavoring to go forward to do great things for Christ under the leadership of our able principal, Professor Reynolds.

We are looking forward to a pleasant year-end exercise and an unusual graduation of the eighth and tenth grades.

CLEVELAND

Mae E. Laurence, principal

Ramah Junior Academy has been dedicated to the task of preserving and training young people for God's service in the Cleveland area since

1927. Definite progress has been made each succeeding year until today we are confident that another term will find us nearer our goal of perfection.

Our grade level reaches eleven, with an enrollment of ninety-five. Our teaching staff in the elementary department is composed of Miss Ruth L. Wrenn, teacher of grades 1-4, and Miss Emyth Giddings, grades 5-8, both of whom are experienced and achieving gratifying results. In the academy Mr. Robert Murrell, A.B., graduate student W.R.U., is the teacher of science, mathematics, and history; and Miss Mae E. Laurence, A.B., M.A., is principal and teacher of English and foreign languages.

The credit for classroom improvements and educational equipment must be given our pastor, J. H. Laurence, and church auxiliaries such as the Education Guild, a committee organized to promote academy financial interests monthly, and an equally co-operative Home and School Association. Through the concerted efforts of all we have been able to purchase this month for the library a senior and junior set of *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, a new microscope for the science department, and classroom maps.

We at Ramah are conscious of our obligation to make a positive contribution in the preparation of our youth which will enable them to share the solemn responsibility of Christian young people today.

JACKSONVILLE

I. A. Christian, principal

As one approaches Mount Herman Street from Eighth Street, he sees a beautiful brick construction. Immediately his mind becomes full of curiosity, but as he enters the yard and sees inscribed on the walk "Ephesus Junior Academy," he then realizes that this structure is a school.

"Enter to Learn—Depart to Serve" is the motto which greets him as he enters the front door of Ephesus Academy.

The academy is a four-room



Members of the Glee Club at Ephesus Junior Academy,
Jacksonville, Florida

building with a beautiful and spacious auditorium, which has a seating capacity of approximately three hundred. Three of the four rooms are used for classrooms. The fourth is used for home economics. It is here the students learn to sew garments and cook wholesome meals. The room has two sewing machines, one cabinet for storing dishes, and a beautiful electric stove. Adjoining this room is the beginning of a library. It now contains more than five hundred volumes of valuable books. The school also possesses three typewriters and a modern mimeograph machine which is electrically operated.

As one leaves the building by one of the side doors, he is greeted by laughing boys and girls. Yes, it is the noon hour; they are playing on the spacious playground in the back. The playground is equipped with swing and volleyball court. We hope in the near future to have it fenced in and well equipped.

The teachers at Ephesus Junior Academy are exceptionally proud of it, for this school is the only building of its kind in the Southern Union for training colored children in the service of God. The present enrollment is seventy, and the faculty members are Miss E. Ashley, Miss D. Smith, and Prof. I. A. Christian, principal.

(To be continued)

On the Road to Recovery

OUR workers and churches in North America will be glad to learn that Professor J. L. Moran, principal and business manager of Pine Forge Institute, is well on the road to recovery from a serious operation, made necessary by a fall from a building more than a year ago while he was directing and assisting in the remodeling and enlarging program of the institution.

Many prayers have ascended on behalf of this faithful worker, and it now appears that Elder Moran has passed the danger mark and will be able, through a kind Providence, to resume once more his responsibilities after the necessary period of recuperation.

Let us continue to remember our brother at the throne of grace.

G. E. P.

Book Review

A Word to Writers. By Mable Hinkhouse Towery. 64 pp. Washington: Review and Herald Publishing Association. \$.50

A Word to Writers is a unique publication for the beginning writer and for any author who aspires to produce a manuscript which will require minimum editing.

It is a comprehensive book for both students and teachers of writ-

ing. The author makes clear the standard practices of writing by well-placed illustrations. The basic material of the book came from Mrs. Towery's highly successful work as free-lance writer and as office editor for *The Ministry*.

For all who are interested in the techniques as well as the romance of writing, this book will offer steady inspiration and help.

LOUIS B. REYNOLDS.

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Pacific News Notes

ELDER J. E. JOHNSON, of San Bernardino, spent ten days with William E. Galbreth in helping to get his effort started in Blythe (Imperial Valley), California. The effort opened March 14. Associated with Brother and Sister Galbreth in this effort are Brother and Sister J. W. Burnett, of Turlock; and Sister Justine Reed, of San Bernardino. Twenty-seven are in the baptismal class.

IN Pasadena, at the Sunset Avenue Church at the corner of Sunset and Pepper, Elder H. A. Lindsey is conducting an evangelistic campaign on Sunday, Tuesday, and Friday evenings with good interest and attendance on the part of the public.

ELDER R. HOPE ROBERTSON, who is still holding meetings at his present tent site on Avalon Boulevard, plans to open a series of meetings this summer in Los Angeles' west side. It has been thirty years since a tent effort has been held in that district.

THE Philadelphian church of San Francisco, through its pastor, Elder J. C. Cox, announces that the fourth anniversary of the church will be observed Sabbath, May 15.

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE students are conducting an evangelistic effort in the Masonic Temple in Vallejo



San Bernardino Shiloh Church's Class in Nutritional Cookery.
Mrs. Albert S. Pinchem Is Instructor

on Sunday evenings with an attendance that averages more than one hundred non-Adventists a night. They hope to raise up a church in this San Francisco Bay-area city.

ELDER WILLIAM MILLS, having successfully led the church in reaching its Riverside Sanitarium and In-gathering goals, is now leading out in a tent effort in Phoenix, Arizona.

MISS JUSTINE REED, Bible instructor, reports that the nutrition class sponsored by the San Bernardino church and taught by Mrs. Albert S. Pinchem was of great benefit to those who registered in the course.

O. A. TROY.

Nutritional Instruction

THE nutrition class sponsored by the Shiloh church of San Bernardino concluded the course in nutritional cookery, Sunday, February 29, under the direction of Mrs. Albert S. Pinchem, instructor.

Of the twenty-five who registered for the course twenty-three were faithful to the end. Each has been greatly benefited by the instruction and demonstrations.

Some of the points of interest were the household hints on the advantages and disadvantages of the subsidized lunch program, the selection and preparation of foods, and the nutritional needs of each member of the family.

"To cook well, to present healthful food upon the table in an inviting manner, requires intelligence and experience. The one who prepares the food that is to be placed in our stomachs, to be converted into blood to nourish the system, occupies a most important and elevated position."—*Fundamentals of Christian Education*, p. 43.

Those eligible for a certificate in nutritional cooking are Mrs. Isabel Collins, Mrs. Blanche Crowell, Mrs. Lila Dawson, Mr. Theo Dawson, Mrs. Selma Donley, Mrs. Margaret Galbreth, Mrs. Della Gaines, Mrs. Beatrice Grayson, Mrs. Legarta Henderson, Miss Ora Hutson, Mrs. Mildred Isaac, Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, Mrs. Ethel La Ley, Mrs. Nellie M. Lane, Mr. Eli M. Lange, Mrs. Lillie Quarles, Miss Madeline Quarles, Miss Justine Reed, Mrs. Mary Sewell, Mrs. Mary Washington, Mrs. Lillie Walker, Mrs. Fannie Williams, and Mrs. Ruth Woodson.

JUSTINE R. REED, *Press Sec.*

Please do not fail to send us your news for the INFORMANT. The deadline is the 15th day of each month preceding publication.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF RIVERSIDE SANITARIUM EQUIPMENT FUND

February 14, 1948, Offering

Union Conference	White Churches	Colored Churches	Totals
Atlantic	\$ 816.11	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,816.11
Central	1,330.36	433.60	1,763.96
Columbia	2,324.44	1,409.38	3,733.82
Lake	1,949.50	840.71	2,790.21
Northern	368.82	179.69	548.51
North Pacific	2,693.43	338.00	3,031.43
Pacific	8,104.38	1,437.43	9,541.83
Southern	1,276.48	South Atlantic 637.51 South Central 2,659.44	4,573.43
Southwestern	956.71	1,321.94	2,278.65
Canadian	320.59		320.59
TOTALS	\$20,140.82	\$13,257.70	\$33,398.52

SUMMARY TOTALS

1947 Total receipts from colored conferences	\$51,550.25
1948 Total receipts February 14 offering	33,398.52
1948 Special cash donation (individual)	1,000.00
1948 Donation of medical equipment (individual)	1,000.00
Grand total of all funds to March 1, 1948	\$86,948.77

J. J. Nethery, Vice-President of General Conference, Speaks

It is gratifying to observe the progress of the work of our colored conferences; the membership shows encouraging increase, and the funds provided show great loyalty on the part of the members. More and more it is evident that wise steps were taken when conference organizations were authorized and carried into effect.

The millions of colored people in North America constitute a challenging call for devoted endeavors in their behalf. It is good to notice the well-directed effort by the conference officials, workers, and members in developing educational institutions. Well-conducted academies will mean untold blessings for the youth. Particularly the present gradual and consistent strengthening of Oakwood College will afford increased opportunities for advanced

training for those who seek college education. The future workers will bless the present leaders in the conferences and this excellent college for having provided these educational possibilities.

And soon all will rejoice as the new Riverside Sanitarium opens its doors for patients and for training to those who wish to prepare for medical service. The sacrificial giving for the furniture and equipment fund will not be overlooked by the Lord of the harvest. I was cheered as Elder Peters gave me the last report.

The prayers of the righteous avail much as they are combined with earnest, wholehearted co-operation and loyal support.

THROUGH whatsoever my path shall
lie,

With patience may I run;
With filial trust my heart reply,
Thy will, O God, be done.

—ANNIE R. SMITH.

From the North American Colored Department

WE desire to express our sincere appreciation to our churches of both races who so graciously responded to the call of the General Conference to unite in a special offering on the furnishing and equipment fund for Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital.

As reported in this issue, \$33,398.52 was realized in the joint offering. We still need \$33,051.23 to complete our goal. We are depending on our conferences, missions, and constituents of the department to face the task with courage looking into the wonderful face of One who knows no defeat. G. E. P.

"Too many Americans are lu-
into the comfortable illusion ar-
forded them by the argument of
'expediency.' They believe that it is
their 'privilege' to do what is ex-
pedient for them in their attitude
toward their fellows."