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Synopsis of Proceedings

In harmony with the public call, the fifth biennial meeting of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists convened at the Mountain View Seventh-day Adventist church, Mountain View, California, at 9:30 A.M., January 25, 1910. The meetings continued until the evening of January 30. Ten regular business meetings constituted the session. Elder H. W. Cottrell was chairman, and J. J. Ireland was secretary.

The regular daily program outlined below was closely followed:

Bible Study6:00 to 6:45 A.M.
Prayer-meeting8:30 to 9:15 A.M.
Conference9:30 to 12:00 M.
Dinner and Committee	
Work12:00 to 2:30 P.M.
Conference2:30 to 5:00 P.M.
Preaching7:30 P.M.

Delegates

The following is a complete list of the accredited delegates that were present:

General Conference: I. H. Evans, G. A. Irwin, C. H. Jones, W. C. White, A. J. S. Bourdeau.

Pacific Union Conference: H. W. Cottrell, J. J. Ireland, S. N. Haskell, E. E. Andross, J. O. Corliss, S. G. Huntington, H. G. Thurston, M. C. Wilcox, H. H. Hall, C. W. Irwin.

California: J. H. Behrens, H. Shultz, B. L. Howe, A. Brorsen, E. D. Sharpe, G. A. Snyder, Dr. H. F. Rand, L. M. Bowen, I. C. Colecord, W. H. Covell, S. G.

White, Mrs. Carrie R. King, C. M. Gardner, H. C. Basney, Claude Conard.

Southern California: H. W. Lindsay, J. J. Wessels, Wm. M. Healey, M. H. St. John, J. A. Burden, R. S. Owen, E. S. Horsman, C. E. Ford.

Utah: S. T. Hare.

Arizona: I. P. Dillon.

At large: J. N. Loughborough, Dr. M. L. Edwards, L. A. Reed, H. G. Childs, E. E. Parlin, W. E. Whalin, C. L. Taylor, C. E. Leland, Frank Lane.

Committees

The business of the conference was planned by the following committees:

Nominations.—S. G. Huntington, Frank Lane, W. E. Whalin, H. G. Childs, M. H. St. John, I. P. Dillon, J. H. Behrens.

Plans.—J. H. Behrens, J. O. Corliss, J. A. Burden, E. E. Andross, S. G. Huntington, W. M. Healey, J. J. Ireland, H. H. Hall, M. C. Wilcox, C. H. Jones, Dr. M. L. Edwards, W. C. White, H. W. Cottrell, Dr. H. F. Rand, C. W. Irwin.

Credentials and Licenses.—H. C. Basney, J. N. Loughborough, A. Brorsen, C. M. Gardner.

President's Address

To the Delegates and Others Assembled in this the Fifth Biennial Session of the Pacific Union Conference.

Dear Brethren:

"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For therefore we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the

Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe."

It is through the extended love and mercy of our Father that our lives, health, and worshipful desires have been continued through another biennial conference term; also that we have been permitted to labor to the glory of His name for the extension of His work with assured results, and that we are again privileged to assemble in conference session. Therefore to Him be all praise, honor, and glory throughout this session and forever.

The visible results of our efforts for the advancement of Gospel truth have not been, in any part of the union conference, all that we had hoped; but from that which we have seen, and from what we know of the Lord's presence with us as workers in the various segregated parts of the great work throughout the union conference field, I am confident that I express the minds of the laborers and people when I say that our courage in this work never was greater, nor our faith in the certain and near triumph of God's truth for this time stronger, than at the present time.

There are 52 regularly employed ministers, and 21 licentiates and 31 Bible workers in the conference. There are 26 ministers and licensed workers retired or partially inactive. There are two widows of ministers who are pensioned to a greater or less extent. Besides these, there are still a number of others who, for various causes, are receiving conference attention from a finan-

cial view-point. Hence our published list of workers does not properly represent our active working force in the union conference, as all ministers who have heretofore labored in this field, or others who have visited the conference as general laborers, well understand.

This conference has, during the present term, supplied a demand from other fields for thirty-six workers, as follows:

China: H. H. Winslow and wife, B. A. Roberts and wife, Otis Fisher and wife.

Africa: Sam Konigmacher and wife, Rossier Campbell and wife, Omer Holmstead and wife.

South America: J. P. Novak.

Panama: A. F. Haines and wife.

Mexico: G. W. Reaser, L. E. Borle and wife, J. A. P. Green, J. F. Blunt and wife, W. A. Yarnell, H. L. Rawson, A. A. Reinke (deceased), and J. L. Brown.

Southern Field: C. N. Martin and wife, M. H. Brown and wife, E. R. Button and wife, W. A. Morris, and F. I. Richardson and wife.

Washington (Walla Walla): Geo. Miller and wife.

A number of trained nurses whose names we are unable to give have been sent out from the Loma Linda Sanitarium.

All these, so far as I know, remain in the various fields to which they have been called.

The cruel hand of death has been laid upon two of our comrades in active labor, and they have thus been removed from our midst. One of these was Brother E. A. Chapman, treasurer of the union conference, and secretary and treasurer of one of its divisions—the California Conference; the other was Miss Ruth G. Kane, a teacher. Death having been permitted, through the providence of the Lord, to lessen our working force, many others should be greatly inspired to press to the front and fill up the ranks.

There have been 900 added to our conference membership during the term. Twenty-two new churches have been organized, and accepted by vote into the various local conferences in the union.

There are in the union 128 churches, with a membership of 7,778; 22 companies, with a membership of 178; and 176 isolated; which make the total number of Sabbath-keepers 8,132.

The Sabbath-school and young people's work have both had a very encouraging growth.

Religious Liberty

The religious liberty department has been an unusually live division of the work of this conference during the entire two years, and has been blessed of God most wonderfully and almost miraculously in its every undertaking. Every bill of a religious nature that was presented at the California Legislature last winter was defeated, under God, through the activities of the Pacific Religious Liberty Association.

The association is particularly active in aggressive work this winter, holding institutes to further enlighten and inspire our people; also the people of other churches and the world's people, that they may all see, and see more clearly, the threatening, raging storm that is about to burst upon *both* the church and the world, and which is destined to crush out, in the near future, individual civil liberty in religious rights for all time, but which will be reversed for eternity.

There have been approximately a quarter of a million of specially prepared tracts, treating upon various phases of the question of civil and religious rights, placed in the hands of the reading public as the result of our institute work.

Our special burden in this department of the work has been to educate, educate, educate, that all the people who are willing to be, may be found on the right side when the final test comes; and, in the meantime, that we may incidentally retain for a time longer our civil rights in religious matters.

We suggest to you that, in our opinion, no better line of work can be pursued for many months to come than a well-ordered campaign on religious liberty lines, especially in the state of California and the territory of Arizona, where there are no Sunday laws.

Educational

The educational department of the conference work has never been in a better condition than at the present time. There are in attendance at the various schools 1,460 students.

We have one college, one normal, one academy, two intermediate, and forty-seven primary schools.

There has been a special effort put forth during the term to establish the school now known as the "Pacific College," located near St. Helena, California. We were counseled to withdraw from the proposed purchase of the Sonoma "Castle" property, which the locating committee were glad to do, because the owner declined to fulfil his part of the written contract to give good and sufficient title to the ranch.

We were further instructed by Sister White to continue the search for a suitable site upon which to locate the college. The Angwin ranch of sixteen hundred acres was finally agreed upon, and purchased for the sum of sixty thousand dollars. And within about three weeks from the time of the purchase of the property, the college work began, with about fifty students present the day of the opening.

Prof. C. W. Irwin, who has of recent years been connected with the educational work in Australia, was retained in this country by special counsel and vote of the General Conference to take the superintendency of this college. Brother Irwin and his collaborators have taken hold of this work in the spirit of prayer, and with commendable zeal.

On account of the isolated location, and many other favorable surroundings, we see before this college a great field of usefulness to the world-work committed to us as a people.

Medical

The medical work is prospering unusually well in all our sanitariums. At this time all of them are well patronized. During the term one medical convention was held, which was well attended by medical people and by others from different departments of the work. We are just starting a series of medical institutes, which so far have been much appreciated by those attending them. Mrs. Dr. Edwards, who is a competent physician and instructor, is at the present time in charge of this department.

Books and Periodicals

The book and periodical department of our work has made some advancement during the last biennial period. The sales for the two years are reported as \$125,256.29. For the previous two years they were \$82,536.56.

Mission Conferences

We have contributed \$15,026.75 to the mission conferences during the term. These conferences must continue to receive financial help from without their borders, if we shall expect any particular growth in church constituency. They should also be strengthened by this conference selecting at this session, or through its incoming executive committee in the near future, some strong laborers, and transporting them to those fields. Thus we may strengthen the fields both spiritually and numerically. We would recommend that you appropriate for 1910 to Utah and Arizona \$3,500 each.

Spirit and Letter

Our financial condition as a union conference is normal, for which we all thank the Lord; for no work can be in a healthy, growing condition either spiritually or financially when either of these — a Christian spirit or Christian finance — is lagging. They are partners in live, aggressive Gospel work, and must walk together hand in hand.

The tithe receipts of the conferences in the union have been for the last two years, \$221,130.65; the offerings were \$63,327.82; total tithes and offerings, \$284,458.47.

The tithes for the years 1906 and 1907 were \$209,182.44; the offerings were \$52,458.10, or a total of \$261,640.54.

Thus the increase in tithe for the past two years has been \$11,948.21; and of offerings, \$10,869.72.

But the financial responsibilities within the confines of this union conference are greater than in any other union conference in the world. We have represented in assets of the various institutions and departments of the work nearly one million dollars. The liabilities are also correspondingly large.

We would therefore advise that this body of delegates, upon whom now rests the responsibility of planning for the future of the work in this union conference for the forthcoming biennial term, *look calmly* at our institutional financial situation, as though it were an individual obligation for which we would have to account to both man and God, before taking action that would involve us more deeply from a monetary view-point. And if this be not done, and if there be no

reconstruction of methods of business, our foes need not be enlightened to be assured of our financial defeat in the early future along special departmental lines. Considering this thought from the viewpoint of the *gift* of prophecy, we quote:

“By working on wrong plans, men have brought debt upon the cause. Let not this be repeated. Let those at the head of the work move cautiously, refusing to bury the cause of God in debt. Let no one move recklessly, heedlessly, thinking, without knowing, that all will be well.”

We wish to call your particular attention to a financial and spiritual duty combined, which will require each individual in our realm to make spiritual and financial record of *acts* rather than resolutions in this or any other session of a conference. We refer to our would-be proportion, provided the whole had been segregated, of the Three Hundred Thousand Dollar Fund for foreign missions, which it is hoped we shall be enabled to secure during the next three years. Our *suggested* proportion is \$36,580.80. We would advise that we raise it, and that we do so without very much talk about it. Resolving will not secure the money; getting it will accomplish the task. The spiritual side of this work is to have the spirit to accomplish the undertaking.

We would advise that all our churches adopt the plan of contributing to foreign missions the average amount per member of ten cents a week, and that no church or individual permit local interests to interfere in perfecting this work.

We would recommend for your favorable consideration the thought that we appropriate to the foreign mission work, to be used exclusively in foreign fields, the sum of ten thousand dollars, the same to be turned into the general treasury at as early a date as can be arranged for and not cripple other lines of work.

In conclusion allow us to suggest to the delegates that we regard ourselves as one family. We are the chosen representatives of the great work and of the people throughout the various sections of the union. Let us each exercise individual civil and religious liberty throughout this session. Thus no one or two or three persons will feel called upon by the Lord to occupy his due portion of

time and the time of the session, which rightfully belongs to others. A liberty-loving individual loves liberty not only for himself, but equally well for his fellow man. Let us have a heavenly sitting together; surely we are at liberty to do so.

“And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it.”

H. W. Cottrell.

Pacific Union Conference Treasurer's Report, 1908-1909

RECEIPTS, 1908

First Tithe		\$11,580.62
California	\$7,647.80	
Southern California ..	3,151.77	
Arizona	329.58	
Utah	272.59	
Personal	178.88	

Second Tithe		7,425.24
California	6,883.04	
Arizona	296.88	
Utah	245.32	

Donations		31.65
Utah Conference		96.00
Arizona Conference		104.99
Pacific Press		1,587.84
Teachers' Institute		510.95
Pacific M. M. and Benevolent Assn.		4,282.40
Pacific Religious Liberty Assn.		285.10
Medical Report		43.84
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER		312.80
General Conference		1,050.00
Mission Board		5,162.60
California Conference		634.71
Central Bank		7.01
Expense, Sales, Rents, Interest ..		414.77
Furnishings		6.65
Text Book Fund		193.43
Trust Funds		31,018.38
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908		12,340.42
		\$77,094.40

DISBURSEMENTS, 1908

Appropriations		\$ 6,597.74
Utah	\$3,346.80	
Arizona ..	3,250.94	

Donations		4,331.68
Mission Board	\$3,000.00	
Tent to France	200.00	
Tent to So. Union Conference	195.00	
Signs to Philippines	316.68	
Labor in South	600.00	
Utah Conference	20.00	

Laborers' Salaries and Expenses ..	5,075.19	
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	1,114.23	
Postage, Stationery, Light, Fuel, etc.	166.49	
Teachers' Institute	1,020.00	
Pacific Religious Liberty Assn.	580.52	
Medical Report	319.80	
Sanitarium Food Company	2,000.00	
Pacific Press Publishing Co.	10,900.18	
General Conference	2,990.05	
Mission Board	6,000.00	
Pacific M. M. and Benevolent Assn.	47.30	
Text Book Funds	367.88	
Furnishings	1.50	
Trust Funds	30,910.00	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1908	4,871.84	

\$77,094.40

RECEIPTS, 1909	
Tithe	\$10,592.37
California	\$5,636.32
So. Cal.	3,906.50
Arizona	386.05
Utah	226.70
Personal	436.80

Second Tithe	5,609.11
California	\$5,072.73
Utah	204.04
Arizona	332.34

Institutional Tithe	60.81
Donations	187.50
Expense and Interest	751.66
Teachers' Institute	3.27
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	337.20
Medical Report	9.11
Pacific Religious Liberty Assn.	1,734.69
General Conference Assn.	1,130.57
General Conference	539.51
California Conference	973.44
Southern California Conference	36.82
Arizona Conference	438.89
Utah Conference	25.00
Pacific Press Publishing Co.	21,853.20
Personal Accounts	104.70
North Pacific Union Conference	120.75
Labor Account	54.33
Bank of Mountain View	28.06
Farmers and Merchants State Bank	32,181.78
Oakland Bank of Savings	2,087.90
Trust Funds	32,313.79
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1909	4,871.84
	\$115,601.30

DISBURSEMENTS, 1909	
Appropriations	\$7,076.75
Utah	\$3,050.00
Arizona	4,026.75

Donations	5,187.50
Sanitarium in China	\$5,000.00
Medical Student	187.50
Laborers' Salaries and Expenses	5,625.15
Furnishings	13.58
Building and Office Expense	294.19
Medical Report	171.65
Teachers' Institute	16.70
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	1,186.03
Pacific Religious Liberty Assn.	3,259.09
General Conference Assn.	1,000.00
Southern California Conference	36.82
California Conference	11,276.65
North Pacific Union Conference	120.75
Arizona Conference	97.94
General Conference	2,468.85
Utah Conference	25.00
Pacific Press Publishing Co.	8,765.06
Bank of Mountain View	28.06
Farmers and Merchants State Bank	32,451.83
Oakland Bank of Savings	4,151.46
Personal Accounts	2.20
Trust Funds	32,346.04
	\$115,601.30

Revenue Statement for Year Ending December 31, 1908

EXPENSES	
Appropriations	\$8,000.00
Utah	\$4,000.00
Arizona	4,000.00
Labor	3,927.41
Laborers and Office Expense	1,219.74
Teachers' Institute	509.05
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	885.28
Tithe to Gen. Con.	1,158.06
Donations	4,331.68
Depreciation on Building and Furnishings	64.85
	\$20,096.07

INCOME	
Tithe from Conferences	\$11,580.62
Second Tithe	7,425.24
Donations	31.65
Interest	842.59
	19,880.10
Net Loss	\$ 215.97

Financial Statement, Dec. 31, 1908

ASSETS	
Cash on Hand	\$ 4,871.84
Pacific Press Publishing Co.	6,312.34
Bills Receivable	10,000.00
Mission Board	837.40
California Conference	523.03
Personal Accounts	49.06
Pacific Religious Liberty Assn.	295.42
Interest	469.27
Office Building and Lot	1,250.00
Furnishings	150.00
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	11.25
	\$24,769.61

LIABILITIES	
Arizona Conference	\$ 54.05
General Conference	69.57
Pacific M. M. and Benevolent Assn.	3,967.34
Religious Liberty Work	223.25
Personal Accounts	3.89
Trust Funds	23.69
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	141.50
	\$ 4,483.29

Present Worth Jan. 1, 1908	\$20,303.86
Plus Division of Text-Book Funds	198.43
	\$20,502.29
Less Loss for Year	215.97
Present Worth Dec. 31, 1908	20,286.32
	\$24,769.61

Revenue Statement for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1909

EXPENSES	
Appropriations	\$7,301.75
Utah	\$3,275.00
Arizona	4,026.75
Labor Account	4,331.04
Expense Account	1,512.44
Teachers' Institute	13.43
Medical Report	162.54
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	872.51
Pac. Rel. Lib. Assn.	432.99
Depreciation on Building and Furnishings	48.58
Donations	5,050.00
Tithe to Gen. Conf.	1,059.23
	\$20,784.51

INCOME	
Tithe	10,592.37
Pac. M. M. & B. Assn.	3,967.34
Pacific Press Tithe	60.81
Second Tithe	5,609.11
	20,229.63
Net Loss	\$ 554.88

Financial Statement, Dec. 31, 1909

ASSETS	
Office Building	\$1,250.00
Furnishings	150.00
Expense Inventory	65.05
Pac. Rel. Lib. Assn.	521.07
So. California Conf.	229.44
California Conf.	11,741.46
Bills Receivable	2,000.00
Pac. Press Pub. Co.	1,224.20
Mission Board	706.83
Personal Accounts	15.77
Oak. Bank of Savings	2,063.56
F. & M. Bank	270.05
	\$20,237.43

LIABILITIES	
Utah Conference	225.00
Trust Funds	11.35
Personal Accounts	80.71
PACIFIC UNION RECORDER	153.93
Depreciation Provision	35.00
	505.99

Surplus Jan. 1, 1909	\$20,286.32
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Less Loss for Year	554.88
Present worth Dec. 31, 1909	19,731.44
	\$20,237.43

Memorandum of Offerings and Trust Funds Received for the Year 1908

California	\$19,926.66
Sabbath-school	\$5,969.44
Annual	3,497.11
Foreign Missions	5,344.41
Special	1,394.37
Thanksgiving	1,121.15
Southern Field	1,309.88
So. Miss. Society	24.11
Midsummer	1,175.19

Southern California	9,145.07
Sabbath-school	\$1,463.59
Annual	1,234.53
Foreign Missions	1,980.24
Special	720.60
Thanksgiving	1,641.86
Southern Field	524.37
So. Miss. Society	6.20
Midsummer	200.55
\$150,000 Fund	1,199.45
Orphans and Aged	1.00
Religious Liberty	172.68

Utah	479.99
Sabbath-school	\$ 207.43
Annual	85.12
Foreign Missions	31.45
Thanksgiving	19.05
Southern Field	63.51
Midsummer	15.21
\$150,000 Fund	14.50
Orphans and Aged	2.25
Religious Liberty	21.47

Arizona	1,466.66
Sabbath-school	544.69
Annual	344.88
Foreign Missions	139.56
Special	10.00
Thanksgiving	288.06
Southern Field	29.17
Midsummer	77.70
\$150,000 Fund	7.60
Orphans and Aged	52.00
Religious Liberty	29.10
Christ's Object Lessons	3.90
Total	\$31,018.38

Memorandum of Offerings and Trust Funds Received for the Year 1909

California	\$20,542.05
Sabbath-school	\$6,265.88
Annual	2,973.80
Foreign Missions	4,317.43
Special	2,304.34
Thanksgiving	1,493.11
Southern Field	1,519.95
Midsummer	1,667.54

Southern California	10,557.43
Sabbath-school	\$2,400.26
Annual	1,723.97
Foreign Missions	2,558.75
Special	740.02
Thanksgiving	1,267.95
Southern Field	1,100.41
Midsummer	735.41
Religious Liberty	30.66

Utah	454.20
Sabbath-school	\$ 190.40
Annual	50.35
Foreign Missions	40.15
Thanksgiving	124.40
Southern Field	11.45
Midsummer	31.10
Religious Liberty	6.35

Arizona	755.76
Sabbath-school	\$ 341.31
Annual	5.00
Foreign Missions	97.85

Thanksgiving	111.72
Southern Field	27.75
Midsummer	167.78
Ministry of Healing	1.10
Christ's Object Lessons	3.25
Grand Total ...	\$32,309.44

J. J. Ireland,
Acting Treasurer.

Auditor's Report

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have examined the books of account with vouchers produced of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the term ending December 31, 1909, and find the financial statement submitted to be a true and correct presentation of the condition of the conference.

Dated this 25th day of January, A.D. 1910.

H. G. Childs, Auditor.

Recommendations Adopted

Gratitude and Consecration

Whereas, We are again assembled in the biennial session of this union conference under so many favorable conditions, and the special blessing of a continuance of our liberties; and,

Whereas, The reports from the field show an increase in revenue, and a large addition to our membership;

1. We hereby unite in heart, and voice in praise to God, and acknowledge that His hand has brought us all these blessings, and we pray that He will continue to lead us to a greater work for His glory, and the speedy salvation of many souls.

Condolence

2. We are again forcibly reminded of the frailty of human life by the removal from our midst, since our last session, of our beloved brother, E. A. Chapman, who at the time of his death was treasurer of the conference. And we hereby express deep sorrow for ourselves, and extend to the members of his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathies, that they may be constantly sustained in the loss of a kind husband and father, and be permitted to meet him in that land where separation will be unknown, and where sighing and sorrow can never come.

Medical

Whereas, The committee on literature has not yet provided all that is needed on health subjects; therefore,

3. Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of five who shall continue the work of preparing such literature.

Whereas, We have been urged in Volume 9 of the Testimonies, to take up a more faithful practising and presenting of the health principles among the people; and,

Whereas, there seems to be an eagerness on the part of the public more than ever before to hear these things; therefore,

4. We Recommend, That our conferences take steps to hold health institutes among our churches, and health schools for people generally whenever they can secure the workers, the means, and the openings.

Whereas, In time past there has often been a laxness in regard to sanitation on our camp-grounds; and,

Whereas, The General Conference has taken pains to provide instruction along that line in the form of a tract entitled "Camp-Meeting Sanitation"; therefore,

5. Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that in each conference some competent, active person or persons should be appointed to take this work definitely in charge in all the camp-meetings of his conference.

Whereas, Evangelical medical missionary work has been pointed out as an efficient plan of reaching the people in both the higher and the lower walks of life; therefore,

6. We Recommend, That special effort be put forth in all the conferences to develop this method of labor, specially in connection with tent and city mission work.

Whereas, The health and temperance work at our camp-meetings has proved a means of attracting the public; and,

Whereas, It is the only opportunity many of our own people have for instruction along these lines; therefore,

7. We Recommend, The reservation of an hour each day for instruction on health topics in our camp-meetings and other general meetings.

Religious Liberty

Whereas, The Sunday-law movement is making its way in darkness, by deceiving the people; and,

Whereas, The third angel's message, committed to this people, is a message of instruction and warning; therefore,

8. We Recommend, That each local conference make special provision for institutes and other means of instructing our people in the principles of religious and civil liberty, and encourage them in the circulation of literature on these subjects among the people.

In face of the fact that a portion of this union conference has become the storm center of a fierce campaign for the maintenance of the sacred rights of man, and in view of the probable high cost of educating the people concerned in the principles of religious liberty, preparatory to meeting the issue in the next California Legislature; and,

Whereas, The probable amount to be received from the next annual religious liberty offering can hardly be expected to meet the great expense in prospect; therefore,

9. We Recommend, That the incoming executive of this union conference be authorized to supplement this annual offering with sufficient funds from its treasury to make good the deficiency, and thus provide for the continued maintenance of this special line of work.

Appropriations

10. We Recommend, An appropriation to the foreign mission work from the funds of this conference, to be used exclusively in foreign fields, the sum of \$10,000, the same to be turned into the General Conference treasury at as early date as can be arranged for and not cripple other lines of work.

11. We Recommend, That \$3,500 be appropriated to the Arizona Conference, and a like sum to the Utah Conference, for the year 1910.

Whereas, There is a great need of a larger work for the blind in this country; therefore,

12. We Recommend, That the sum of \$300 be appropriated from the funds of this conference for said work.

Missionary

Whereas, Missionary field days in which a church, the employees of an institution, or the students of a school go out in a body in the interests of some line of missionary work, have proved very successful; therefore,

13. *We Recommend*, That such campaigns be more frequent, and carefully planned, to the end that our churches may become bodies of minute men ready to act intelligently and unitedly in the crises that are just before us.

Whereas, Church missionary institutes have been held in Northern California during the past year with excellent results; therefore,

14. *We Recommend*, These institutes to our other conferences as being a practical method of interesting our people in all phases of home missionary work.

Whereas, The sale of ten cent magazines and forty per cent books, the distribution of our weekly missionary papers and tracts in different languages, and the importance of all phases of home missionary work, have so developed as to demand better organization and direction; and,

Whereas, The General Conference has recognized this need, and recommended the selection of field missionary secretaries in each conference, and union missionary secretaries in each union; and,

Whereas, The publishing houses are now granting conferences who do this a discount of ten per cent on the wholesale price of all periodicals, to assist them in meeting the expense of such officers; therefore,

15. *We Recommend*, That our larger conferences give early consideration to the advisability of selecting missionary secretaries to give special attention to these lines of work.

Whereas, It has been demonstrated that competent union canvassing agents are necessary to the building up of a strong subscription book business; therefore,

16. *We Request*, The incoming union conference committee to take immediate steps toward securing such a man for our union.

Sabbath-School

Whereas, The only way to lead souls to Christ is through the study of God's Word; and,

Whereas, Many of our children are drifting toward the world instead of becoming established in Bible truths; therefore,

17. *Resolved*, That we do all in our power to encourage more thorough, systematic study of the Sabbath-school les-

sons in every Seventh-day Adventist home.

Whereas, There is a dearth of efficient teachers for our Sabbath-schools, and a great need of some special preparation for this work; therefore,

18. *Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the teachers' reading course which has been prepared by the Sabbath-school department of the General Conference, and urge all who are now teaching, and those who hope to become teachers, to avail themselves of the help thus offered.

Educational

Whereas, There is a great need of instruction among our churches on the subject of Christian education, to the end that a thorough system of training may be inaugurated to prepare all our children and youth for a definite place in mittee to be used in these meetings.

19: *We Recommend*,

(a) That the second Sabbath of the second and fourth quarters of the year be devoted to an educational meeting in all our churches, and that suitable readings be prepared by the educational committee to be used in these meetings.

(b) That a similar reading or program be prepared to be used in all our young people's societies at the second meeting of the first and third quarters of the year.

Young People

Whereas, It has been demonstrated that the holding of young people's institutes and conventions is of great spiritual and educational value to our people; therefore,

20. *We Recommend*, That conference and local Missionary Volunteer conventions be held, with the counsel of the executive committee of the conference, as often as may be deemed wise for the promotion of this work.

Statement and Recommendation

Your committee felt it imperative to satisfy themselves concerning Sister E. G. White's meaning of the expression, "A medical school should be established in connection with the work at Loma Linda;" hence we addressed to her the following letter:

"Mountain View, Cal.,

"Jan. 25, 1910.

"Mrs. E. G. White,

"Mountain View, Cal. .

"Dear Sister White,—

"We have read the testimonies, as far

as we have seen them, that you have given concerning Loma Linda, and the establishment of a medical school in connection with the work at that place. As far as we know, our people are anxious to carry out the light that the Lord has given; but there is a difference of opinion between us in regard to what you mean when you use the term, 'a medical school.'

"Some hold that when you speak of 'a medical school,' you mean a school where the Bible is made prominent, where all features of our faith are taught, and where the message is given in its fulness; in addition to which we give an outline of the treatment of simple diseases, the care of the sick, and such things as will qualify the student to go into a foreign field, or even into a city, and do intelligent medical missionary work, using his medical knowledge as a means of introducing the Bible and teaching the truth.

"Others hold that when you use the phrase 'a medical school,' you mean, in addition to the foregoing, a fully equipped medical school that teaches the Bible and the truth, as before said, but that gives such a thorough training along medical lines as will qualify the students who take the course, to pass State Board examinations and become registered, qualified physicians for public work.

"We are very anxious to preserve unity and harmony of action. In order to do this, we must have a clear understanding of what is to be done. Are we to understand, from what you have written concerning the establishment of a medical school at Loma Linda, that, according to the light you have received from the Lord, we are to establish a thoroughly equipped medical school, the graduates from which will be able to take State Board examinations and become registered, qualified physicians?

"Most respectfully yours,

"(Signed) I. H. Evans,

"E. E. Andross,

"H. W. Cottrell."

To this letter, we received the following reply:

A Statement Regarding the Training of Physicians

"(The statement given below, was called forth by a question submitted to Mrs. E. G. White by Elders I. H. Evans,

E. E. Andross, and H. W. Cottrell, reading as follows: 'Are we to understand, from what you have written concerning the establishment of a medical school at Loma Linda, that, according to the light you have received from the Lord, we are to establish a thoroughly equipped medical school, the graduates from which will be able to take State Board examinations and become registered, qualified physicians?')

'The light given me is, We must provide that which is essential to qualify our youth who desire to be physicians, so that they may intelligently fit themselves to be able to stand the examinations required to prove their efficiency as physicians. They should be taught to treat understandingly the cases of those who are diseased, so that the door will be closed for any sensible physician to imagine that we are not giving in our school the instruction necessary for properly qualifying young men and young women to do the work of a physician. Continually the students who are graduated are to advance in knowledge, for practise makes perfect.

'The medical school at Loma Linda is to be of the highest order, because those who are in that school have the privilege of maintaining a living connection with the wisest of all physicians, from whom there is communicated knowledge of a superior order. And for the special preparation of those of our youth who have clear convictions of their duty to obtain a medical education that will enable them to pass the examinations required by law of all who practise as regularly qualified physicians, we are to supply whatever may be required, so that these youth need not be compelled to go to medical schools conducted by men not of our faith. Thus we shall close a door that the enemy would be pleased to have left open; and our young men and young women, whose spiritual interests the Lord desires us to safeguard, will not feel compelled to connect with unbelievers in order to obtain a thorough training along medical lines.

'(Signed) Ellen G. White.'

This language is unquestionably plain. In harmony with the above,—

Recommendation Outlining a Plan of Operation

21. *We Recommend*, (1) That, in harmony with the above instruction, we

favor the establishment and maintenance of a medical school at Loma Linda, Cal.

(2) In order that this medical school may meet the mind of the Lord in doing the work appointed for it by the Spirit of prophecy, we invite the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Lake, Northern, Central, Southwestern, and North Pacific Union Conferences, and the Southern California Conference, to unite with the Pacific Union Conference in establishing and suitably equipping and maintaining this school.

(3) That a board of control, for directing the management of the school, be appointed as follows:

(a) Two members to be appointed by the General Conference.

(b) One member by the Lake Union Conference, one by the Northern Union Conference, one by the Central Union Conference, one by the Southwestern Union Conference, one by the North Pacific Union Conference, one by the Pacific Union Conference.

(c) Two members to be appointed by the Southern California Conference.

(4) That the school shall be maintained by funds obtained as follows:

(a) Tuition.

(b) Donations.

(c) Deficit if any to be met annually by the General Conference, the Lake, Northern, Central, Southwestern, North Pacific, and Pacific Union Conferences, and the Southern California Conference, all sharing equally.

(5) That each of the above-mentioned organizations be requested to raise one thousand dollars, in behalf of the equipment and maintenance of the school for the calendar year 1910.

(6) That a separate set of books be kept, carrying all accounts of the school, so that the same can be audited, and a full knowledge of the cost of operating the school submitted to the constituency annually.

(7) That a committee, consisting of the incoming president of the Pacific Union Conference, the president of the Southern California Conference, W. C. White, J. A. Burden, and I. H. Evans, be asked to present this entire question to the General Conference and the Union Conferences referred to, and to lead out in the establishment of this medical school.

Whereas, The General Conference of

Seventh-day Adventists at its late session in Takoma Park, 1909, recommended the raising of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for institutional work and the erection of homes for missionaries in foreign fields, said sum to be raised during the succeeding quadrennial term of our General Conference; and further,

Whereas, At the General Conference meeting held in College View, Nebraska, in October, 1909, it was voted "that the desirability of raising this three hundred thousand dollars be assumed by the union and local conferences of North America, apportionment being made on the basis of church and company membership as published in the statistical secretary's report of membership for 1908; that this membership be adhered to until the fund is raised; and that on this basis the apportionment stand as follows:

"That the making of this fund be completed by Dec. 31, 1912.

"That all donations to this fund be paid through the regular channels.

"That in the raising of this fund each union conference is free to pursue such policy as it may elect."

The apportionment of the Pacific Union Conference is \$36,580.80; therefore,

22. We Recommend,

(a) The raising of one half of this sum during the year 1910, the balance to be raised in the two succeeding years.

(b) That each conference take hold of this matter at an early date, and do its best in raising its apportionment of this fund.

Dividing this apportionment among the conferences, the amount for each is as follows:

Arizona	\$ 1,252.80
California	22,478.40
Southern California	11,721.60
Utah	1,128.00
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	\$36,580.80

Sanitarium Relief Fund

Whereas, The relief campaign in behalf of our sanitariums is now being launched in other union conferences; and,

Whereas, The Pacific Union Conference has several important medical institutions that need financial aid; therefore,

23. We Recommend,

(a) That each local conference in this

union at once take hold of this relief campaign work with a determination that for the three ensuing years—1910, 1911, 1912—each church-member and each member of an organized company in the conference shall endeavor to sell two copies of "Ministry of Healing" and five copies of *Life and Health*, the proceeds of which shall go to the relief of the sanitariums in this union conference.

(b) That we extend our thanks to the board of management of the St. Helena Sanitarium for their generous offer to allow all the proceeds from the relief campaign to be applied in assisting other institutions than itself.

Whereas, Proposals have been brought to us looking towards our recommending a division of the territory of the California-Nevada Conference; and,

Whereas, Recommendations have also been presented to make Pacific College a Pacific Union College; therefore,

24. *We Recommend*, That a committee of eleven be appointed to confer with the executives of the Pacific Union Conference and the California Conference over these matters; and further,

25. *We Recommend*, That such councils begin immediately.

26. *Resolved*, That we extend to the Mountain View church a vote of thanks for their kind, cheerful, and generous hospitality that they have extended to the delegates during the conference session.

Amendment

27. *We Recommend*, That article V, Section 1, of the constitution, be amended to read as follows:

The officers of this conference shall be a president, a secretary, a treasurer, an auditor, and an executive committee not to exceed fifteen members, of which the president, secretary, and treasurer of the union conference, the president of each local conference, and a representative of the educational, of the medical, of the publishing, and of the religious liberty department of our work shall be members. Any five members of the executive committee, including the president of the union conference, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Officers

The officers of the Pacific Union Conference elected for the ensuing biennial term are as follows:

President, G. A. Irwin.
Secretary and Treasurer, J. J. Ireland.
Auditor, J. J. Ireland.

Missionary secretary and general agent to be chosen by the incoming union conference committee and the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

Members of the executive committee: The president of each local conference, G. A. Irwin, J. J. Ireland, W. C. White, C. W. Irwin, J. O. Corliss, J. A. Burden, Dr. M. L. Edwards, C. H. Jones.

The executive committee was empowered to select an auditor to examine the union conference treasurer's books.

Departmental Secretaries

Medical, Dr. M. L. Edwards.
Religious Liberty, J. O. Corliss.
Educational, C. W. Irwin.
Missionary, — — —.

Departmental committees were appointed by the executive committee as follows:

Educational: C. W. Irwin, H. G. Lucas, I. C. Colcord, G. K. Abbott, E. D. Sharpe.

Publishing: C. H. Jones, H. H. Hall, J. R. Ferren, A. A. Cone, and the missionary secretary.

Medical: Dr. M. L. Edwards, Dr. H. F. Rand, J. A. Burden, Dr. Julia White, R. F. Cummings.

Religious Liberty: J. O. Corliss, E. E. Andross, W. M. Healey, H. G. Thurston, G. A. Snyder, S. N. Haskell, S. G. Huntington.

Special Committees

On health literature: Dr. M. L. Edwards, Dr. H. F. Rand, Dr. G. K. Abbott, Dr. Julia A. White, Mary A. Stewart, Dr. F. F. Abbott.

On division of the California Conference, to meet with the Pacific Union Conference and California Conference executive committees: M. C. Wilcox, E. E. Parlin, Nis Hanson, W. F. Rudy, W. E. Whalin, P. J. Wolfson, B. E. Baldwin, C. E. Leland, T. A. Kilgore, W. E. Chinnock, W. E. Wilson.

Credentials and Licenses

Ministerial credentials were granted as follows: H. W. Cottrell, M. C. Wilcox, J. O. Corliss, A. O. Tait.

To receive ministerial license: C. W. Irwin.

To receive missionary license: H. H. Hall, J. J. Ireland, Dr. Maria L. Edwards.

For ordination and credentials: L. A. Reed.

The California Conference

(Given at the Pacific Union Conference, at Mountain View, Cal., Jan. 25, 1910.)

The past two years have brought many blessings to the work in the California Conference, notwithstanding the fact that the financial crisis that came in the autumn of 1907 has continued to affect the people, and in some respects has made the work more difficult; yet the Lord has blessed the labors of the workers.

Seventy-three tent and hall efforts have been conducted; and as the result of the work of paid laborers in the field, and the lay members in the churches, 656 persons have united with our churches during the two years. (This is unsatisfactory, as the number reported by the church clerks as added to the churches during the two years is 886.) Sixteen churches have been organized, and at present there are three companies of Sabbath-keepers that are not organized into churches.

In order to show the growth of the work in the different departments of the conference, we will compare the report given at the union conference two years ago with the present situation. In 1907 there were 25 ordained ministers, 12 licensed ministers, and 25 missionary workers. In 1909 we had 27 ordained ministers, 10 licensed ministers, and 16 missionary workers. During the last biennial period three young men have been ordained to the Gospel ministry.

At the close of 1907 there were 92 Sabbath-schools; our present number is 106. During the past two years 26 new Sabbath-schools have been organized and 11 discontinued.

During the past biennial period we have had another fierce struggle for religious liberty. Our people worked faithfully in securing signatures to the petitions against the Sunday laws. Elders W. M. Healey and J. O. Corliss did faithful work in the Legislature, and, with the blessing of the Lord, another victory was gained.

In 1907 there were 24 church schools, with a teaching force of 33, and an enrolment of 669; two intermediate schools, employing 4 teachers, with an enrolment of 111. The teaching force at Healds-

burg College was 14. The total number of teachers in all our denominational schools was 51, and the total enrolment 905.

The past year we have had 29 church schools, employing 38 teachers, with an enrolment of 752. Our intermediate schools employ 5 teachers, with an enrolment of 125.

At the close of the school year in the summer of 1908, the conference voted to close Healdsburg College, and open a college in some other locality; and from that time until September, 1909, there was no conference college in the California Conference. The Healdsburg property has been sold and the Pacific College property purchased; and the school opened last September. Seven teachers have been employed in the college, with an enrolment of 71, which we think very good, considering there was not time to publish a calendar, or send out circulars announcing the opening of the school, as the property was purchased the same month that the school was opened.

Besides our regular conference schools, the Lodi Normal Institute, a stock corporation, has been doing faithful work during the last two years. They employ 10 teachers, with an enrolment of 127. Counting the teachers and the enrolment of the Normal Institute with the regular conference school work, we have 60 teachers employed in Seventh-day Adventist schools, with a total enrolment of 950.

The St. Helena Sanitarium has had two very prosperous years. The Lord has greatly blessed the institution financially. They have had an unusually heavy patronage even during the winter months this year.

Health and temperance instruction was given daily during the seven camp-meetings held the past two years, and considerable literature treating on health and temperance principles distributed.

Our brethren and sisters have taken hold of the missionary work in the various churches in an encouraging manner, and thousands of pages containing the truth for this time have been circulated by the lay members in their home churches. This has borne fruit in creating more interests than we have workers to fill, and in many souls' taking their stand to obey the commandments of the Lord.

This biennial term has been especially favorable for the work of the tract society. The total sales of literature during the two years have amounted to \$87,479.61. Of this amount, \$40,589.60 comes from the distribution of periodicals, principally the sale of ten cent magazines; \$6,143.18 from tracts and pamphlets; \$7,607.78 from trade books and Bibles. The tract society books show a profit for the two years of \$1,116.25.

The farmers who can reasonably expect a bountiful harvest must bountifully sow good seed; and in like manner a conference that can confidently expect to reap a large harvest of souls, must scatter bountifully the printed pages filled with the message.

Our canvassing work has had a healthy growth, although our agents have not in either of the two past years sold as many books as in 1907. There is a reason for this: 1907 was a banner year for California. There was an abundant crop of fruit which sold at extremely high prices, while during the past two years much of the fruit has not brought enough in the market to pay the expense of harvesting. In spite of all these financial reverses, our subscription book sales for the two years only lack \$1.60 of being \$30,000.00. They amounted to \$29,998.40. Fifty-eight canvassers were in the field last year.

We wish to thank the managers of the Pacific Press Publishing Association for their hearty cooperation in placing the literature at reduced prices, when taken in large quantities, so that our lay members could purchase and circulate it freely.

In 1907 the number of young people's societies was 18, with a membership of 511; while the present number of societies is 20, and the membership 418.

Notwithstanding the fact that the crisis which came in the autumn of 1907 has continued to affect our people throughout the conference, the Lord has greatly blessed us. The tithe for the biennial period has been \$136,524.70, and California has responded nobly to calls from abroad. \$48,342.24 have been donated to work outside our own conference.

Our Sabbath-school donations for the years 1906-7 were \$10,009.21; during 1908-9 they have amounted to \$13,720.08. Only \$826.23 of this has been expended for home school supplies, as compared

with \$2,606.88 during the years 1906-7.

We thank God for the prosperity that has attended the work, and for the souls He has given us. But we realize that in every department of the work we have not done nearly as much as might have been accomplished, if we had possessed enough spiritual discernment, as workers, to see all the opening providences that God has permitted to come in our pathway.

We have prepared the following summary showing the growth in the different departments of the work, that all may see what the Lord has wrought:

Summary

New churches organized, 16; new Sabbath-schools organized, 15; increase in periodical sales over last biennial period, \$22,349.92; increase in total literature sales over last biennial period, \$22,774.66; increase in tithe, \$3,484.53; increase in Sabbath-school offerings, \$3,710.87; \$1,780.65 less was used for home Sabbath-school supplies than during the last biennial period; total tithe paid the Pacific Union Conference during the two years, \$26,101.30.

I think every member of the California Conference will unite with me in saying, "To the Lord be all the glory."

S. N. Haskell,
President.

The Southern California Conference

(Given at the Pacific Union Conference, at Mountain View, Cal., Jan. 25, 1910.)

During the biennial period just closed, the Southern California Conference has enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. Its growth has not been all that we had hoped it would be, yet we have much for which to be grateful to God, who giveth the increase. The statistical report shows a net increase of 188 members for the period. Five new churches and seven new companies have been organized. Five new church buildings have been erected, with an estimated value of \$3,500.

Finance

The tithe amounted to \$71,255.92, against \$63,869.83 during the former biennial period, giving an increase of \$7,386.09. The increase for 1909 over 1908 was \$8,065.32. The tithe per capita for 1908 was \$12.81, while for 1909 it was \$16.46, or an average of \$14.63 for the two years.

Many of our people pay a second tith. Two thirds of this is sent to the conference treasury, while one third is kept for local church expenses. The amount sent to the conference treasury was \$17,600.34. From this fund the teachers in the church schools and the academy are supported.

During 1908-9 \$4,175 from the tith was appropriated to fields outside the conference. The offerings to foreign missions, exclusive of Sabbath-school offerings, during this period, were \$20,009.14; while for 1906-7 they were \$6,900.35, showing an increase of \$13,108.79. This larger sum was not given to the foreign work to the detriment of the work at home, as the contributions to the home work show an increase of \$4,993.11 during the same period.

Sabbath-school Work

Eight new Sabbath-schools have been added to our number, giving us a total of forty-six, with a membership of 2,304. The increase in their offerings has been very encouraging indeed. The total contributions were \$6,578.21, \$1,512.99 above that of the previous biennial period; while the offerings to missions were \$4,525.59, \$1,174.17 more than for the previous period.

Young People's Missionary Volunteer Work

This department of our work, although the youngest, presents the largest growth. At the close of 1907 there were six societies, with a membership of 186; while at the close of 1909, there were twenty-five, with a membership of 450. Their contributions to the foreign work were \$2,200 for the past two years, \$700 in 1908, and \$1,500 in 1909. This brings our total offerings to missions for the biennial period up to a fraction more than ten cents a week per member.

The Book and Periodical Work

There has been a steady increase in the volume of business transacted in this line of the work for the past four years. In 1906 and 1907 the sales amounted to \$21,417.90, and in 1908 and 1909 they were \$32,421.51, the increase for the last biennial period being \$11,003.61. We are encouraged with this result, but feel that we have only made a beginning of what is yet to be accomplished with our literature.

Religious Liberty Work

The institutes that have been recently held in the southern part of the state have been a great help to us, and have stirred our people up to greater activity along religious liberty lines. We hope to do our part of the work of educating the people against the idea of religious legislation, during this next biennial period before the next legislature will meet. I am confident that our people in the south will respond quickly to any call to help in this work. They will not be behind the very leaders, I am sure.

The Educational Work

I am not prepared at this time to give a detailed statistical report of this department of our work, but am pleased to say that it has experienced a steady growth. We now have eighteen church schools, with twenty-two teachers, and an enrolment of 410 pupils. The organization of the work has been considerably improved. We have found it a great help to have the management of the academy closely associated with that of the church schools. In this way the same policy is carried throughout our educational work. The church school teachers are trained in the normal department of the academy, and the work is thus unified.

At our last annual conference the last dollar of the indebtedness on the academy was paid, and we celebrated our jubilee in this department.

It has been necessary for us to plan for the enlargement of our quarters, in order to suitably accommodate the constantly increasing attendance; but this will be done without creating a debt. The attendance at the academy this year is about 190.

The spiritual interest of the schools throughout is very encouraging.

The Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists has been doing a most excellent work in preparing our young people for places of efficiency in the cause of truth. The attendance has been good, and the influence on the surrounding community has been very helpful indeed.

The Medical Work

I will leave this department of our work for those most intimately connected with it to report more fully, and yet I can not pass it by without a few words.

Our sanitariums have never enjoyed

such a large patronage as they have at present, and the prospect for the future is quite bright. The financial condition is not yet relieved, but we believe that with proper attention and earnest consecration to the work of God we shall yet see the reproach of our indebtedness rolled away.

The influence for good constantly going forth from our sanitariums is becoming more and more manifest and they are becoming increasingly strong factors in the spread of the truth.

E. E. Andross,
President.

The Arizona Conference

(Given at the Pacific Union Conference, at Mountain View, Cal., Jan. 25, 1910.)

Following the financial depression of two years ago, we found it difficult to secure the services of suitable agents to handle our publications in Arizona; and because of this, the good beginning which had been made in the book work was greatly retarded. However, we can report over \$3,000 worth of business done, not including hundreds of dollars worth of literature sold in our field which was not handled directly by our office.

For 1909, our office business amounted to about \$2,200; and with the help of a competent state agent, who has recently come to our territory, we see this important branch of work upon a good footing, and hope to see at least \$6,000 worth of publications placed in Arizona during the year 1910.

Increased activity in tract distribution and in circulating the *Signs of the Times* has brought in a most excellent spirit among our members. Young and old are taking up the methods of years ago, and show commendable zeal in placing our literature in the homes of the people. Our aim is to place some work in the hands of every member, and see planted in each heart a determination to do some work for God every day. The outlook for the future is truly encouraging.

Educational

We have conducted three schools during the past two years, and have employed three, and a part of the time four, teachers. Our average enrolment of students has been about fifty. We have had intermediate as well as regular church school work.

Religious Liberty.

Local and territorial efforts have been made to set aside the natural rights of men, and thus violate the true principles of civil and religious liberty. Thus far the work of intolerance has seemingly accomplished but little; however, this activity is unabated. We propose to keep faithful watch over the enemies of freedom, and proclaim the correct principles of the Gospel, that the inalienable rights of men may be taught to all the people of Arizona.

Financial

Our tithes for the year 1908 amounted to \$2,980.32; for 1909, \$4,498.94. In 1908 we paid \$946.68 in offerings; in 1909, \$1,424.67. And if we take the figures of the General Conference for 1909, the amount raised by our conference is almost \$2,000. Our books show that we have more than raised ten cents a piece each week for missions. The tithe per capita amounts to nearly \$18.00.

We have sixteen Sabbath-schools in our conference, with a membership of 315.

Our conference assets have been considerably increased by various improvements of its properties, and also by the gift of part of an estate, which was left us on the decease of one of our members.

We fully expected to have erected two church buildings during the past year; but owing to the continual and rapid changes in our population, and so many of our members changed their location, it seemed wise to defer building for a time. This brings us to the subject of —

Membership

Two years ago, we had a membership of over 170, while to-day we have less than 260; and by actual conditions we have been brought to realize what we did not fully appreciate at our conference two years ago; namely, much of Arizona's population is an uncertain quantity.

That they may find conditions suitable in gaining a livelihood, and at the same time keep the Sabbath, many of our new members have left Arizona and moved to California and other parts, thus leaving some of our churches very much weakened. This condition would afford us permanent discouragement were it not that we remember that the field

is the world, and that the church of God is one. We might add, in this connection, that a goodly number who accepted the message last year had not been baptized and were not church-members when the year closed.

We have held about twenty efforts, and our workers have been blessed with fruit in nearly every one, and quite a number of new fields have been entered.

However, most of our workers are not strong physically, and some have been obliged to cease active labor for many months together; and we can hardly expect invalids to accomplish what they might if in health. One of our greatest needs is competent church leaders.

We are thankful that, by comparison, we find every branch of our work in Arizona much stronger than two years ago.

H. G. Thurston,
President.

The Utah Conference

(Given at the Pacific Union Conference, at Mountain View, Cal., Jan. 25, 1910.)

The Utah Conference is the smallest of the four conferences that comprise the Pacific Union Conference. Since our last biennial report ninety souls have accepted the truth. To effect this result, besides a continual house-to-house work, eleven tent meetings and four indoor efforts have been held. Considering our very limited number of laborers, and the peculiar nature of the people with whom we have to do, we look upon these results as very encouraging.

But while so goodly a number have been added to our ranks in Utah during the past biennial period, yet our membership, strange as it may seem, at least to some, remains about what it was two years ago. But this peculiar condition must not be attributed to apostasies altogether; for while we have some who fall away among us, yet this number is no greater in Utah, proportionately, than with others elsewhere. Our trouble in this respect arises from another source — removals. With the exception of the Mormon people, who look upon Utah as the land of Zion, and Salt Lake City as its metropolis, there is a constant moving among the people in Utah. Gentiles, unless willing to subject themselves to the Mormon influence and be dubbed "Jack Mormon," are not tendered re-

ceptions or bidden Godspeed by the polygamous hierarchy of Utah, unless it is when they have made up their minds to go hence.

A few years ago, especially under the regime of Brigham Young, obstinate Gentiles, without even the first admonition, were duly waited upon in the still hours of night by the avenging angels; and, as in the case of the Mountain Meadows massacre, where 130 souls, including men, women, and innocent children, were slain, none ever escaped to tell the story. Only the wailing cry of their souls from under the altar for vengeance against the blood-curdling doctrine of blood atonement and an Oriental religion, give us any idea of their untimely end.

Now that same spirit, though not now outwardly manifest as then, lives in the cruel heart of Mormonism to-day. Therefore it is not surprising if those not of the Mormon faith, and yet living among the Mormons, feel the force of this spirit, and many of them move away. The doctrine of the Adventists is hated by the Mormons, apparently, above that of all other denominations, and this for the reason that it strikes at the very citadel of their cult, the natural immortality of the soul, and thus overthrows it at a single blow.

If Mormonism to-day were strong enough to raise her blood-stained hands and drive out the hated Gentiles from Utah, she would do so unhesitatingly. This is not a far-fetched conclusion. Mormonism fully expects at some future time to avenge the whole nation for the blood of Joseph Smith, the founder of Mormonism, and that of his brother Hyrum, both of whom were shot to death by an enraged mob at Carthage, Illinois, for their libelous and polygamous teachings. Thus the faithful who pass through the Mormon temples, receiving their endowments, etc., in taking the oath and first grip of the Melchisedec priesthood, are made to swear that they will avenge the blood of Joseph Smith, together with his brother Hyrum, on this American nation, and that they will teach their children's children to do so. The penalty for this grip and oath is disembowelment.

Again, as evidence of how well the spirit and letter of this oath are observed by the Mormon people, here is one of the hymns they sing, found in their au-

thorized hymn-book, which is used in all their churches:

“Up, awake, ye defenders of Zion!

The foe's at the door of your homes;
Let each heart be the heart of a lion,
Unyielding and proud as he roams.

Remember the wrongs of Missouri;

Forget not the fate of Nauvoo;
When the God-hating foe is before you,
Stand firm and be faithful and true.

“By the mountains our Zion's sur-
rounded;

Her warriors are noble and brave;
And their faith on Jehovah is founded,
Whose power is mighty to save.

Opposed by a proud, boasting nation,
Their numbers, compared, may be few;
But their union is known through crea-
tion,

And they've always been faithful and
true.

“Shall we bear with oppression forever?

Shall we tamely submit to the foe,
While the ties of our kindred they sever,
And the blood of our prophets shall
flow?

No! the thought sets the heart wildly
beating;

Our vows at each pulse we renew,
Ne'er to rest till our foes are retreating,
And to be ever faithful and true.

“Though assisted by legions infernal

The plundering wretches advance,
With a host from the regions eternal
We'll scatter their troops at a glance.

Soon 'the Kingdom' will be independent;
In wonder the nations will view
The despised ones in glory resplendent;
Then let us be faithful and true.”

Therefore, I say again, living con-
stantly in the midst of such a spirit, it
is not surprising that there are many re-
movals from Utah, particularly among the
truer Gentile population.

But I would also like to say right here
in addition to what I have already stated
relative to the temperament and disposi-
tion of Mormonism, as one might well
imagine, priestcraft reigns in Utah to a
most appalling degree. Here we find a
system of religion, not excepting the
Catholic religion, unequalled for organiza-
tion. So perfectly organized is Mormon-
ism, that it is said upon good authority
that the mandates of the president of the

Mormon Church can travel so fast
throughout the state, and that his word is
so strictly obeyed, that he can change the
complexion of a political election within
the surprisingly short period of forty-
eight hours.

Within this organization is to be
found the president of the church,—a
polygamist with five wives and forty-
three children, and who also claims the
distinction of being a prophet, seer, and
revelator,—his two councilors, the twelve
apostles, the seventies, presidents of
stakes, bishops, priests, elders, and
teachers. There are also many auxiliary
organizations with their respective of-
ficers and peculiar fields of operation.
Both the Aaronic and Melchisedec priest-
hoods, embodying the full and exclusive
authority of the church, are claimed by
this organization, the president of the
church holding the keys of these priest-
hoods, and therefore it is at his discretion
as to how, when, and upon whom they
shall be bestowed and priestly authority
exercised.

All male children are baptized and set
apart by the laying on of hands at the
age of eight years. With rare exceptions
all males in Zion are elders and eligible
to any higher office as may seem profit-
able in the mind of the first presidency.
All power and authority, including the
material holdings of the church, are
vested in its president, who, as the vicar
of Christ, as he assumes to be, sets up or
casts down at will. He dictates every-
thing everywhere throughout the length
and breadth of his kingdom, in which are
to be found not less than 400,000 subjects
ever ready to do his bidding in the very
smallest detail.

In view of these facts, preaching the
message in Utah one does so not only
with a local combination working to de-
feat his efforts, but also, and much more,
the combined force of the Mormon Church.
I tell you, under such circumstances it
is not child's play to act the part of
a missionary in Utah; and if any one
doubts my word on this, as the eating
is the proof of the pudding, we invite
you to come over and try it a while.

But while our conference, for reasons
already assigned, does not become nu-
merically strong, yet it does make some
progress in the salvation of souls. The
truth is just as precious to those who re-
ceive it in Utah as it is to those who

receive it elsewhere; and while, from a
human point of view, the work there may
be an up-hill task, yet we must remember
that God lives and reigns, that Christ
died for all, and that in the name of our
blessed Master and Jehovah's strength
we are to push the work in this field until
every honest soul has been gathered out
and prepared for the coming of the
Lord.

One of those who accepted the truth
in Salt Lake last summer, a very apt
and promising gentleman, is now in the
Foreign Mission Seminary at Washing-
ton. This gentleman, a Frenchman by
birth and education, speaks three lan-
guages—French, German, and English.
Another of our converts is in Walla
Walla College preparing himself for work
among his people, the Scandinavians.
Another, a young lady who accepted the
truth the first summer I labored in Salt
Lake City, graduated from the nurses'
course at Loma Linda in June of this
year. Another at Loma Linda, who en-
tered that institution a year ago, is
making good progress. Just this week,
the son of one of our recent additions to
the faith entered the Fernando Academy.
Thus we are pleased to report that
some of those who have been brought to
the light of present truth in this pecu-
liar field are preparing themselves to
take an active part in the work, and
carry the truth to others.

Our present force of laborers is easily
counted. We have two ordained min-
isters, one licentiate, and one Bible
worker. In other conferences which make
up our union; the laborers, it seems, are
more liberally distributed. Thus to il-
lustrate: In the Northern California Con-
ference there is one worker to about
every 20,500 people; in the Southern
California Conference there is one worker
to about every 20,800 people; in the
Arizona Conference there is one worker
to about every 19,000 people. Now in
Utah we have one worker to 36,000 peo-
ple, or since the last General Conference,
one worker to every 90,000 people. I
gather the above facts from the recent
year book, and do not include church
school teachers in my calculations. From
these figures, therefore, it is evident that
Utah is greatly in need of laborers to
place it in any respect on an equal foot-
ing with her sister conferences in the
union. We appeal for such help at this

conference. In the past and up to the present time Utah has been very unfortunate in holding her workers. The Scriptures say, "Like people, like priest;" and the moving spirit among the people being so rampant in Utah, it appears that before a worker gets well settled in Zion, he is seized with the same spirit, and ere we are aware, it is reported to us that the health of said worker, or the health of his wife, or a deep and longing desire to preach the Gospel to the Gentiles in California or some other part of the globe, requires his immediate transfer; and so after only a very brief acquaintance with us, he bids us a smiling good-by, and takes his departure.

In view of the fact that our conference constituency remains about the same, our departmental work, including the young people's and Sabbath-school work, maintains about the same standard in interest and attendance. Our conference has no established or recognized medical work. The tract society is holding its own along the line of tract and periodical work; but in the matter of getting out our large books we are making slow progress. Utah is a good field in which to sell books; but as in the case of the other workers, so with the canvasser—he soon leaves us and goes elsewhere.

Our tithe for the past biennial period amounted to \$4,212.36, or an average of \$10.56 per member. This is not quite so good as it was during the preceding biennial period, but very good, we think, considering the hard times that came upon all during this period.

Our offerings to the various lines of work are as follows:

Annual offerings	\$130.87
Colored work	118.87
First-day offerings	24.30
Foreign Missions	133.20
Ingathering Review	240.92
Midsummer offerings	46.31
\$150,000 fund	17.50
Religious liberty	27.82
Sabbath-school	366.41

Total	\$1,106.20
Donations to local work	569.89

Total of all donations	\$1,676.09
First tithe paid to union	\$421.23
Second tithe paid to union	379.11

Total	\$800.34
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Total amount of money sent out of the state\$1,906.54

Utah owes no debts. The Salt Lake City church, that had an incumbrance upwards of \$1,000 upon it three years ago, is now also free from debt. The Sabbath-schools of the state have voted all their offerings to foreign missions. As far as I know, all our people are of good courage, and disposed to press on in the blessed work until the last battle is fought and victory won.

S. G. Huntington,
President.

Report of Publishing Department of the Pacific Union Conference for Years 1908-9

There are four great divisions of our publishing work, as follows:

1. Periodicals.
2. Tracts and trade books.
3. Forty per cent books.
4. Subscription books.

Periodicals

First in importance, it seems to me, are our periodicals, as all may have a part in their circulation. In addition to the continuous and successful work that has been done in behalf of our regular weekly periodicals, another class has sprung up almost in a night. I refer to our ten cent magazines, the sale on which almost equals that of our subscription books; and yet it does not in any way interfere with the use of our weekly periodicals. For the past seven months the magazines sales in our union so far as we have received, are as follows:

Signs	73,030
Watchman	5,329
Life and Health	39,432
Liberty	16,570
Protestant	4,622
Instructor	10,522
Education	198
Total	149,703

At 10 cents, \$14,970.30.

The year's business will approximate \$20,000. This does not include *Bible Training School*, the record on which I did not have time to secure. Its sales will nearly bring the total up to that of subscription books, which is \$26,900.

These magazines are a providential agency in the working of our cities. To assist workers in these great centers in

presenting the truth in different languages, the International Publishing Association has recently issued quarterly magazines in German, Danish, and Swedish, with the general title of *Signs of the Times*. We believe the possibilities of this line of work have only been touched upon as yet, but it is a mistake to think that a business of such magnitude can go longer without more careful organization and direction.

We have long since learned that our subscription book work prospers only when its agents are most carefully instructed. The same is proving true in the sale of magazines. Our magazine agents deserve just as careful training and as thorough supervision as do our agents for books. For some reasons they should be even more carefully looked after, for their ranks include many young women, and their field will ever be in our cities, where wickedness abounds. When these workers can depend upon exclusive territory, intelligent leadership, and practical training, their number and sales will greatly increase, and the standard of work will be raised. With these facts in mind, our publishing houses have agreed to refer magazine sales people to their local conference territory and direction, and to grant such conferences a ten per cent discount on the wholesale prices of all periodicals, to assist them in employing missionary secretaries.

That you may see the exact financial basis of such support, let me present the following facts: In this union conference our various periodicals enjoy a circulation of approximately the following:

Signs Weekly	4,500 at \$1.50—	\$6,750
Our Little Friend	2,000 at .50—	1,000
Review	4,000 at 1.75—	7,000
Instructor	500 at .75—	375
Worker	500 at .25—	125
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		\$15,250

Ten per cent discount on the foregoing would amount to \$1,525.00. Commission on our regular magazines, based on circulation of 20,000 copies a year, \$800.00; total \$2,325.00.

This is on the present basis of circulation. No doubt this will be greatly increased as the work develops.

You will be interested to know that approximately 75,000 copies of the religious liberty number of the *Signs of*

the Times were circulated last fall in this union. You will also be pleased to hear that 77,356 copies of the mission Review were circulated in the fall of 1908, and \$4,235.27 collected for the extension of our work in foreign fields. Returns from the 1909 campaign have not yet been made up. Organized efforts in behalf of these Review numbers and also of the special magazines have been made by various churches. These "field days," so called, in which a church drops everything else and goes right out as a body, are becoming popular, and certainly are very profitable. The Pacific Press has closed down its office and factory for at least one day in each year, so that its employees might join in such campaigns.

Tracts and Trade Books

So far as we have record, the Pacific Union Conference has given more attention to the circulation of tracts and trade books than any other union in the United States. Missionary institutes have been held in which specific instruction in home missionary work has been given, daily meetings have been held at many of our leading camp-meetings, in the interests of these lines of work; and special attention has been given them by our ministers and tract society officers. The results in sales for the last two years are as follows:

Tracts	\$4,865.44
Trade Books	8,207.65

Yet when we reduce this amount to an average membership basis, it shows ample opportunity for further development. For example:

Sales per Member per Year on Tracts and Trade Books

Northern California	52c
Southern California	66c
Arizona	41c
Utah	25c

Forty per Cent Books

This class of smaller publications to be sold around home by those of our people who can not engage in regular subscription book business, is receiving more and more attention. Canvassers have been prepared, definite instructions as to how to go about such work have been given, carriers in which to present the books have been made; and as the result, sales are constantly increasing. Here is a line of work that should par-

ticularly interest the children in our church schools, and our sisters among their neighbors. We hope the sales of these excellent books may be greatly increased as our people become more acquainted with them and the ease with which they are sold.

Subscription Books

Sales in this union have certainly been very encouraging indeed. The records by biennial terms are as follows:

1904-5	\$17,114.65
1906-7	57,159.85
1908-9	49,198.90

When you take into consideration the fact that most of these sales have been made in cities where it is regarded as more than ordinarily difficult, we think our book men are to be congratulated on these results. Further than that, this union has not as yet secured a good man to act as union agent. I have been able to assist to some extent, but many institutes have been conducted by the field agent alone. This is never satisfactory. If there is one place above another where the plan of "two by two" applies, it is to the conducting of canvassing institutes. But with our lack of a union agent, and in the face of long distances between conferences, this has been impossible.

An experience and a few statistics as to the value of a union agent may be in place right here. When the Pacific Press was asked to give up the Southwestern Union and take the Northern Union, which then included Minnesota, the Dakotas, and Western Canada, the Northern Union had no general agent, and were selling less than \$10,000 worth of books a year. We immediately joined the union in securing and paying for a general agent, who worked for more than two years with but little apparent result. However, he was building for the future; and in 1908 the results became apparent in sales amounting to \$29,000, and in 1909 to \$33,000. In addition to this, the West Canadian, which has separated from the Northern, sold \$15,000 worth of books during each of these latter years.

Now, brethren, the medicine that will take a "down and out" union conference, and bring up its business as it has been brought up in the Northern, is good medicine to give a conference which is in fairly good condition, as is the Pa-

cific Union. And again, the sales of subscription books in 1909 in the unions supplied by the Pacific Press are as follows:

	Membership	Sales	Per Mem.
North Pacific	5,763	\$35,439	\$6.14
Northern	6,691	33,200	4.96
Central Pacific	8,827	43,625	4.94
	7,067	26,900	3.80

As the Pacific is the only union in the foregoing list that does not have a union agent, the average sales per member is certainly a strong argument in favor of such an officer.

Our Needs

Our subscription book work needs a strong effort on the part of our officers, workers, and membership in securing men and women of mature years to enter the field as permanent canvassers. It also needs one general union agent.

Our home missionary lines of work need the continued active support of conference officers and the ministry, together with two missionary secretaries, one for Northern and one for Southern California.

Grant these two requests, and with the blessings of the Lord, the results will surprise us all.

H. H. Hall.

Biennial Report of Religious Liberty Work in Pacific Union Conference for Years 1908-9

Your Religious Liberty secretary esteems it a privilege to submit his biennial report at this time. The period which it covers has been quite eventful, from the fact that during that time an effort was made by the Sunday law advocates to have the Legislature of California, in its session of 1909, pass a measure submitting to the people the question of so amending the state constitution as to provide for a drastic Sunday law. Another bill was also introduced asking for a common statute to enforce Sunday observance, provided the amendment measure failed to carry.

Anticipating the movements of these would-be reformers, this association prepared an illustrated, sixteen-page paper to meet the situation. Seventy-five thousand of these were printed, and the most of them judiciously circulated throughout the state. Petition blanks also were

hastily circulated, and very nearly 40,000 signatures were secured, soliciting the Legislature not to pass a Sunday law, or any other form of religious measure. Armed with these, your secretary, in company with Elder W. M. Healey and Brethren John F. Blunt and Clyde Lowry, repaired to Sacramento, to watch the course of events.

Permission was granted for the last two named brethren to have seats in the Senate and Assembly as reporters for newspapers. This gave an opportunity to go about among members, and gather as news any contemplated movement regarding the questions in which we were interested. Elder Healey and the secretary moved about on the outside, interviewing any who might have "pointers" for them, and spent some time writing articles for the newspapers.

Two hearings were held before legislative committees, one on January 21, 1909, and the other on February 4, 1909. At these the animus of the proposed measures was so clearly pointed out that one bill was buried in committee, and the other one was heatedly argued in the Assembly, and lost by a vote of fifty against twenty-four. This closed the direct legislative work for that session.

Almost immediately, however, the chief proponent of the defeated Sunday bills began a campaign of the state, to work up sentiment in favor of passing a Sunday law at the legislative session of 1911. One strong point in his work is to interest church people to see that no person is elected for the next session who will not pledge himself to work and vote for the Sunday bill then to be introduced. The next prominent part of his subject matter seems to be to create prejudice against the work your association is doing in behalf of religio-civil liberty.

A recent letter from Rev. G. L. Tufts informs the secretary that the bill agreed upon for the next attempt will be very similar to the one defeated at the last legislature. He says that the first three sections of the new bill, at least, will be identical with the same parts of the old one.

During the closing part of the year just past, the association secured several terse, clear papers on various phases of the question at issue, from some of our best writers, and these were printed in tract form. The association carries a

series of ten of these, each lot enclosed in an envelope. These sell for five cents a package, or twenty-five packages for one dollar. One hundred packages are sold at three dollars and seventy-five cents.

These leaflets have been readily taken by our people in conjunction with institutes which have been held in various parts of the state. Forty thousand packages, each containing ten leaflets, have already come from the press. This means 400,000 leaflets, averaging eight pages in each, or 3,200,000 pages. Of these 1,200,000 pages have been taken by the brethren for distribution, and 480,000 pages have been sent out by mail to the editors and school teachers of the state of California. We look for the remainder of 1,500,000 to be called for very soon by our brethren in the smaller churches, when they are visited in the interest of this work. In connection with Elders H. W. Cottrell and W. M. Healey, your secretary has attended institutes with the churches at Los Angeles, San Diego, Loma Linda, Fresno, Armona, Lodi, Oakland, and Mountain View, eight in number. Elder E. E. Andross assisted in the studies at Los Angeles and Loma Linda. These institutes have covered from four to ten days each, according to their requirements.

The indication for the coming year is that the most active campaign in favor of a legal Sunday rest day, will be fought by the friends of such a measure. This will call for more zealous work on the part of our people than they have ever before put forth. It will not do to delay the commencement of such operations to some convenient time, because the minds of people throughout the state are being filled with prejudicial statements about our motives, calculated to hinder our progress. It will not be wisdom, therefore on our part, to wait until we become thus handicapped, and then expect success in attempting to stay the enactment of law, which threatens to destroy our liberty to prosecute our God-given mission.

With this report, your secretary cheerfully resigns into the hands of this body the trust committed to him two years ago, anticipating nothing for the future, but the privilege of working

where and with whom he may do the most good.

Respectfully submitted,
J. O. Corliss.

Constitution of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

(As amended at the Mountain View Conference, Jan. 24 to 30, 1910.)

Article I.—Name

This organization shall be known as the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Article II.—Object

The object of this conference shall be to unify and extend the work of the everlasting gospel throughout this conference and the mission fields of the world.

Article III.—Territory

This conference shall comprise the states of California, Nevada, Utah, and the territory of Arizona, and such other territory as may hereafter come under its supervision.

Article IV.—Membership

Section 1. This conference shall be composed of such local conferences as are and may be organized in any part of its territory, said conferences having been accepted by vote of the union conference.

Section 2. The voters of this conference shall be the duly accredited delegates from the local conferences, members of the Pacific Union Conference Executive Committee, such members of the General Conference Executive Committee or other representatives from that body as may be present at any session, and such other persons, not to exceed twelve, as shall receive delegates' credentials from the executive committee of the union conference of which there shall be three representatives each from the educational, the medical, and the publishing branches of our work.

Section 3. Each local conference shall be entitled, aside from its president, to one delegate in the sessions of this conference, without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every three hundred church-members in the conference. Such delegates shall be elected by the local conference, or appointed by the executive committee.

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At the session of the California Conference held at Lodi, Cal., February 1 to 7, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President, S. N. Haskell.

Secretary and treasurer, Claude Conard.

Executive committee: S. N. Haskell, H. Shultz, A. Brorsen, Prof. C. W. Irwin, H. H. Hall, C. L. Taggart, B. E. Baldwin.

The following named persons were elected as members of the Board of Directors of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists at the recent annual meeting of the association in Lodi: G. A. Irwin, S. N. Haskell, E. E. Parlin, L. M. Bowen, C. W. Irwin, W. E. Whalin, J. J. Ireland.

Among other important actions taken at the recent meeting of the California Conference at Lodi, was one authorizing the moving of the California Conference and tract society offices from Mountain View to one of the cities about the bay. A location will be selected in the near future.

"Last Day Tokens" Wanted

Elder J. N. Loughborough, R. F. D. 4, Box 13, Lodi, Cal., desires two copies of "Last Day Tokens." Our stock was entirely destroyed at the time of the fire, and we have not even a sample copy to loan Brother Loughborough. Any one who can spare him a copy will confer a great favor by sending to the above address.

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California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association

Annual Meeting

The thirteenth annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, for the purpose of electing four or more members of the Board of Directors, and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Wednesday, March 9, 1910, at 12 o'clock M.

L. M. Bowen, *President.*

H. E. Randall, *Secretary.*

Sanitarium Food Company

Annual Meeting

The eighth annual meeting of the Sanitarium Food Company, for the purpose of electing directors, and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Thursday, March 10, 1910, at 12 o'clock M.

L. M. Bowen, *President.*

H. E. Randall, *Secretary.*

Constitution of the Pacific Union Conference

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Section 4. Each mission field shall be entitled to one delegate in the sessions of this conference, who shall be appointed by the union conference executive committee.

Article V.—Officers

ference shall be a president, a secretary, a treasurer, an auditor, and an executive committee not to exceed fifteen members, of which the president, secretary and treasurer of the union conference, the president of each local conference, and a representative of the educational, of the medical, of the publishing, and of the religious liberty departments of our work shall be members. Any five members of the executive committee, including the president of the union conference, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 2. The officers not otherwise provided for shall be elected at the regular sessions of the conference, and shall hold their offices for a term of two years, or until their successors are elected,

and appear to enter upon their duties.

Section 3. All vacancies in office, except that of a member of the executive committee who is president of a local conference, may be filled by the executive committee.

Article VI.—Sessions

Section 1. The conference shall hold regular sessions at intervals of about two years, at such date and place as the executive committee shall designate by a notice published in the *Review and Herald* and in the official organ of the Pacific Union Conference at least three weeks before the date of the meeting.

Section 2. The executive committee may call extra sessions, if occasion requires, by a like notice, and the transaction of such sessions shall be equally valid with those of the regular sessions.

Article VII.—Trustees, Committees,

and Agents

The voters of this conference shall, at each regular session, elect the board of management of such institutions and enterprises as are, or may be, connected with this organization, in accordance with the acts governing the same; and this conference shall employ such committees, agents, ministers, missionaries, and other persons as may be necessary to effectually carry on its work.

Article VIII.—Funds

The funds of this conference shall be derived from all the local conferences, in the payment by them to the union conference treasurer, at regular stated intervals, nineteen one-hundredths of their tithe receipts, the said nineteen one-hundredths of this tithe being designated to represent a first and second tithe; together with such offerings as may be made for its work.

Article IX.—Auditing

The executive committee shall constitute an auditing committee who shall audit annually the accounts of all its employees.

Article X.—By-laws

The voters of this conference may make by-laws, and amend or repeal them, at any session thereof, and the scope of such by-laws may embrace all subjects not inconsistent with the constitution.

Article XI.—Amendment

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at any session.