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The Church

Give What You Can

It was only a sunny smile,
And little it cost in giving;
It scattered the night
Like morning light,
And made the day worth living.
Through life's dull warp and woof is
wove
In shining colors of light and love,
And the angels smiled as they watched
above—
Yet little it cost in giving.

It was only a kindly word,
And a word that was lightly spoken;
Yet not in vain,
For it stilled the pain
Of a heart that was nearly broken;
It strengthened a faith beset by fears,
And groping blindly through mists of
tears
For a light to brighten the coming
years—
Although it was lightly spoken.

It was only a helping hand,
And it seemed a little availing;
But its clasp was warm,
And it saved from harm
A brother whose strength was failing.
Its touch was tender as angels' wings,
But it rolled the stone from the hidden
springs,
And pointed the way to higher things—
Though it seemed of little availing.
—Selected.

Mission Fields at Home

[Portion of a talk before the Pacific Union Conference, Mountain View, Cal., Jan. 28, 1910.]

Some have expressed a desire during this conference to send a large amount of means to China for the support of the

work in that country. It is right and proper that means be sent to China. God's people are to act their part faithfully in warning that field, and many other fields in various parts of the earth. Already a beginning has been made in many important mission fields in the regions beyond, and God is giving His servants some measure of success in winning souls. As the workers advance in faith, they will find that the Lord is going before them by His Holy Spirit, preparing the hearts of many to listen to the truths presented.

But while plans are being carried out to warn the inhabitants of various nations in distant lands, what is being done in behalf of the foreigners who have come to the shores of our own land? Are the souls in China any more precious than the souls within the shadow of our doors? God's people are to labor faithfully in distant lands, as His providence may open the way; and they are also to fulfil their duty toward the foreigners of various nationalities in the cities close by.

Those in responsibility must now plan wisely to proclaim the third angel's message to the hundreds of thousands of foreigners in the cities of America. God desires His servants to do their full duty toward the unwarned inhabitants of the cities, and especially toward those who have come to these cities from the various nations of the earth. Many of these foreigners are here in the providence of God, that they may have opportunity to hear the truth for this time, and receive a preparation that will fit them to return to their own lands as bearers of precious light shining direct from the throne of God.

Although the needs of the great centers of population have been presented before our people over and over again, yet comparatively little has been done. Who is answerable for this neglect? Brethren, consider how you can ever expect to be clear in the sight of a just and holy God, if you leave these cities unwarned. Very few of the ministers are carrying forward strong, aggressive work in these large centers where so many thousands are in need of the saving truths we have to proclaim. The means that should be used to carry the message to the cities, seems to be taken away and used where it perhaps ought not to be used. But where is seen a burden in behalf of these cities that have long been pointed out as places that must be worked without delay? Who will take up the burden of this work? Who will labor faithfully to set a right example before the inhabitants of our centers of population?

It almost seems as if scarcely any one dares ask a worker to go into the cities, because of the means that would be required to carry on a strong, solid work. It is true that much means will be required; in order to do our duty toward the unwarned in these places; and God desires us to lift our voices and our influence in favor of using means wisely in this special line of effort. Over and over again has been repeated the message, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that My house may be filled." This is a work God's people must take hold of; for it is a work that must be done.

In this effort in behalf of the cities, all classes of laborers may cooperate to advantage. Especially valuable is the

help that the physician may render as an evangelist. If ministers and physicians will plan to unite in an effort to reach the honest-hearted ones in the cities, the physicians, as well as the ministers, will be placed on vantage-ground. As they labor in humility, God will open the way before them, and many will receive a saving knowledge of truth.

Great benefits would come to the cause of God in the regions beyond, if faithful effort were put forth in behalf of the cities in America. Among the foreigners of various nationalities who would accept the truth, there are some who might soon be fitted to labor among those of their own native land. Many would return to the places from which they came, that they might win their friends to the truth. They would search out their kinsfolk and neighbors, and communicate to them a knowledge of the third angel's message.

In New York, in Chicago, and in other great centers of population, there is a large foreign element—multitudes of various nationalities, and all practically unwarned. Among Seventh-day Adventists there is a great zeal—and I am not saying there is any too much—to work in foreign countries; but it would be pleasing to God, if a proportionate zeal were manifested to work the cities close by. His people need to move sensibly. They need to set about this work in the cities with serious earnestness. Men of consecration and talent are to be sent into these cities, and set at work. Many classes of laborers are to unite in conducting these efforts to warn the people.

When God's chosen messengers recognize their responsibility toward the cities, and in the spirit of the Master-Worker labor untiringly for the conversion of precious souls, those who are enlightened will desire to give freely of their means to sustain the work done in their behalf. The newly converted believers will respond liberally to every call for help, and the Spirit of God will move upon their hearts to sustain not only the work being carried forward in the cities where they may be living, but in the regions beyond. Thus strength will come to the working forces at home and abroad, and the cause of God will be advanced in His appointed way. Mrs. E. G. White.

Sketches of the Past—No. 95

Up to the time of our tent-meeting in Shelby, McComb Co., Mich., mentioned in our last article, no effort had been made to sell our tracts and pamphlets to the public. They were given away to those who would read, and the expense of publication had been met by donations from our people. To lighten the expense of their publication they were first printed in the *Review*, and then the same type was made up in small sized pages, and put in tract form.

Brother White had sold to our people some of his pamphlet on "The Signs of the Times," and said to me, "I think if our books were offered to the public in connection with our preaching, the people would be willing to buy and pay a small price for them, and that would enable us to publish much more than we are now doing." I said to him, "I will try it." So on the Sundays of this series of meetings in Shelby, we offered the books for sale, having the same displayed on the speaker's stand before us.

On the second Sunday of our meeting, having presented the Sabbath question quite fully to the people, they intimated that they would like to hear Elder Russell, a Methodist minister, who lived some three miles away, give his views on the Sabbath question. This minister had not attended any of our meetings, so did not know our proofs for the Sabbath.

Brother Cornell gave him a call, and told him that the people wanted Elder Russell to speak in the tent the next Sunday at 10:30 A. M., on the Sabbath question; that we had been telling the people that Saturday was the Sabbath, and the people, and ourselves also, would like for him to conduct the service at 10:30, and present to the people his views on the Sabbath. To this he gladly assented. So we made appointments for the next Sunday at 9 A. M., 10:30 A. M., 1 P. M., and 5 P. M. Just after the second Sunday of our meetings Brother Cornell got word that his wife was sick, and left me to meet the situation.

At 9 A. M., the third Sunday of the tent-meeting, the grove was full of people. Our tent was full, and enough seated on the ground and in their carriages around the tent, to more than fill another tent of the same size. Our tent

master counted 246 farm wagonloads of people who had come into that grove, besides those on horseback, and footmen. At 9 A. M., I gave a discourse on the eternal perpetuity of the law of ten commandments, every jot and tittle of it. This Elder Russell heard. He had the service at 10:30 A. M. He had his sermon written down, but in the reading of the same he would sometimes turn over two or three leaves at a time. It was afterward expressed by some of the audience that the nine-o'clock discourse had spoiled some of his manuscript.

The talk of the elder was the feeble inferences drawn from a few texts, the main portion of his talk being quotations from the Fathers of the Catholic Church. His talk might have been called a confirmation of what we had before told the people,—that "the foundation for Sunday-keeping was tradition, and no Scripture commandment." At the close of the elder's talk, we announced an examination of his discourse at one o'clock, and requested him especially to remain. He declined the request. Even the earnest entreaties of his own members did not move him to change his decision to leave.

Our congregation all remained, as they had come prepared to tarry for the whole day. The Lord gave freedom in showing the lack of evidence for Sunday-keeping in what the elder had presented. In the five-o'clock discourse we spoke upon the third angel's message, the mark of the beast, the seal, etc. The people supplied themselves quite freely with the few books we had for sale. They could get a full set of all we offered for sale for thirty-five cents. They also, without solicitation on our part but by request of some of the audience, started placing on the stand, money for our expenses, amounting to about eighteen dollars. Our sale of books for the three Sundays was fifty dollars. Brother White published a report of these sales in the *Review*, urging the other ministers to offer the books for sale in all their public meetings. As this was complied with, it gave indeed a new impetus to the book work of our cause.

Among our audience on this last day of our meeting was R. J. Lawrence, an earnest Baptist minister. This was the first of his attendance at our meeting. As he rode on his horse to his home, those of his neighbors who had been

attending the meetings that day said to him, "Elder, what do you *think* of this day's talk?"

Putting his hand to his head, he said, "O, my head is so full I shall have to take three weeks to think it out." Suffice it to say that as the result of his thinking, he became a firm Seventh-day Adventist minister, and spent the rest of his useful life in this cause.

As the result of that tent-meeting those added to the one family of Sabbath-keepers in that neighborhood, constituted an earnest company of over thirty members. Among the members who accepted the message, and obeyed the rest of their lives, were both of the grandfathers of Elder Luther Warren, now an active Seventh-day Adventist minister. J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

CALIFORNIA

Pacific Press Items

Brother A. A. Cone and family have just arrived in Mountain View, and are nicely located. Brother Cone is very favorably impressed with California, and will throw his whole soul into the work before him.

Elder S. G. Huntington writes us that Utah has secured a field agent, Brother Le Roy Knott. He has had a good experience, especially with "Great Controversy" we understand, and begins his work at once. We trust Brother Knott will like his new field of labor, and expect to see Utah's book record greatly increased as the result of his work.

Brother A. A. Cone and the writer expect to leave for San Fernando the night of the 17th inst. to conduct a canvassers' institute. Brethren J. R. Ferren and Ernest Lloyd will join us in holding an institute for the instruction of magazine workers.

Sister L. E. Borle and two little girls arrived from Mexico, Monday, the 11th. They spent two days in Mountain View,

and then went on to her sister's in Healdsburg. Brother Borle will be here in a month or such a matter on his way to Europe. We understand that Brother H. A. Peebles, who is now canvassing in Mexico, is to take Brother Borle's place in the office. The condition of Sister Borle's health made the change necessary.

Brother W. R. Beatty was in the train which immediately followed the one that was wrecked near Spokane the other day. The delay caused by this gave him time to write quite at length concerning his experiences in the North Pacific Union Conference. He is working hard, and as far as I was able to ascertain, has the full confidence of his associates in book work as well as the conference officers. He and his wife will greatly appreciate hearing from friends in California. Address them at 61 Park Street, North, Portland, Ore.

Last Friday, April 8, Mrs. Hall and I went to Lodi to meet Brother E. S. Horsman, and assist him in opening his institute. A stereopticon lecture was given the night after the Sabbath in the Normal chapel on our book work and workers in Spanish-speaking fields. This was well attended. Sunday afternoon a meeting was held with the students who wished to talk over institute work, and Monday morning a class of twenty-five was organized. The students seemed to greatly appreciate Brother Horsman's practical experience in the field, and we believe he will have a successful class.

While in Canada I talked with Brother J. T. Thompson, who delivered books for his agents in Manitoba. Up there the deliveries usually take place after the agents have gone to school. He told me of the following interesting experience:

"Brother William Tall was canvassing a business man one evening for 'Great Controversy,' and an attorney, who cared very little for religious questions, came in; and at once began to ridicule Brother Tall's description of the book.

"Finally Brother Tall turned to him and said, 'I have a full copy of this

work with me, and I shall be glad to leave it with you for a few days. When I come back, you can either pay for it, or return it. This will give you an opportunity of seeing for yourself whether or not I am telling the truth.'"

The man, of course, took the book, and Brother Tall was prevented from returning that way. If I remember correctly, Brother Tall wrote to him, giving reasons for his inability to see him personally, and asking him his opinion of "Great Controversy." The man replied as follows:

"After fully examining 'The Great Conflict between Christ and Satan,' I have concluded to keep it, and am sending you herewith a post-office money-order for the same of four dollars. Although, as you know, I entertain very independent notions in respect to religious matters, I want to read this book with more than ordinary attention, because it is a strong, intelligent presentation of one side of the case by a remarkably bright and talented woman."

This letter was used by Brother Thompson and others, for Mr. Burbank, the author, is one of the best-known attorneys in Manitoba. It has had a strong influence in behalf of the book. We have photo-engraved it, and are supplying each of our canvassers in Western Canada with a copy. This is simply one more evidence of the fact that the Lord is speaking even to the irreligious through our truth-filled books.

H. H. Hall.

April 15.

California Conference Current

Elder and Mrs. Haskell, Brethren White, Covell, Horsman, and Colcord, and Mrs. King are attending the Bible institute in Fresno this week.

Baptismal services were held at the Alameda church last Sabbath. Elder Brorsen administered the rite to two sisters. Elder Corliss was also present and assisted in the worship of the day.

Elder A. Brorsen, of Oakland, spent Sunday of this week in Livermore counseling with the brethren there who have

been conducting a series of meetings. He held a meeting in the Danish language in the afternoon.

Under date of April 15, Elder D. T. Fero writes from Lodi: "The work is going here quietly. Over thirty are in the canvassing class, and I think quite a number will be in the work in some way during the vacation."

It will be noticed in Professor Colcord's notes this week that definite dates are announced for the teachers' summer institute at the Pacific Union College. Plans are being laid to have present competent instructors from our own conference and abroad.

Writing from Vallejo under date of April 10, Brother J. R. Patterson says: "We started meetings last Thursday night with a good attendance. Yesterday's rain interfered some. One young man, after a battle, kept last Sabbath. We have worked with him before."

The date selected by the California Conference Committee at its last meeting for the camp-meeting at Sacramento, was May 26 to June 5. This date was chosen so that the meeting might come just at the close of the school at Lodi. Further announcements as to definite location and details will be made later.

Elder H. Shultz was in Mountain View last Thursday shipping a tent outfit to Fresno for use in German meetings among the Germans in that place. Elders Shultz, Leer, and Schlotthauer will participate in these services, assisted possibly by one or two younger men. Elder Shultz is in Fresno this week looking for a location.

An order has been placed by the California Conference with the White-Wallace Co., tent-makers, of Oakland, for two new field tents. One of these is to be 32 x 52 feet, and the other 40 x 60, the latter of which will in all probability be used as a dining tent at the larger

camp-meetings. A number of 12 x 17 family tents will also be ordered this season for camp-meeting use.

Correction is hereby made of the note which appeared in last week's issue directing the church school teachers to order their examination questions for the finishing grades from Professor Coleord at Healdsburg. He will be spending some time in the field for a few weeks, and will not be able to attend to this. He therefore requests that these supplies be ordered through the conference office at 601 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, Cal.

After making the statement that as far as she knows all of the members of their company are paying a full tithe, the clerk of the Watsonville church writes: "We are thankful to the Lord that we as a little company here are so united, and we are praying and trusting that the Lord will use us to bring many souls to the knowledge of the truth. Last Sabbath we had with us one more sister and brother who are going to unite with us. We are all of good courage in the Lord, and we are also thankful that the young people are taking part with us."

The following is taken from a personal letter dated April 4, from Elder C. N. Martin, who is now living at Bon Aqua, Tenn.:

"I must tell you something about our work. We have been giving some lectures at a number of schoolhouses, and in every case the people flocked to the meetings. I have never been in any place where the people were such hands to go. We have not yet tried to present any of the special points of our faith; but we are gaining the favor of the people, and we feel that we are making some headway.

"We are planning to fix up an outdoor tabernacle as soon as the weather settles, and have regular meetings. We expect a harvest of souls in time, but the people are different, and the work is different from anything we have known before. It seems necessary to live among the people for a while to have much influence; and unless the living is

of the right sort, the influence will not grow much with time.

"We still keep up our mission school, and hope sometime during the summer or fall to erect a suitable school building.

"I have been asked by the Tennessee River Conference to take up work in Nashville for a time, which I expect to do if I can get away from the work here. We are exceedingly busy most of the time."

Claude Conard.

Western Normal Institute

In the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Lodi, Tuesday night, March 29, the oratorio "Elijah" was rendered by the students, under the able leadership of Prof. O. S. Beltz. The full house and attentive audience expressed the appreciation felt by all present.

Among our recent guests who came to hear the "Elijah" rendered and to visit as patrons of the school, were Mrs. Monton and daughter and Mrs. Cave and son, of Clarksburg; Mrs. Bobst, of Turlock; Mrs. Hodges, of Stockton; and Mrs. Easler, of Sacramento.

Brother H. H. Hall and wife, of Mountain View, spent April 9, 10, and 11 with us in the interests of the book work. Brother Hall gave a stereopticon lecture Saturday night in the Normal chapel on Mexico and South America, and the progress of the canvassing work in general. The interest awakened just preceded the canvassers' institute, by Brother Horsman, which is now in session.

Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell and Brother E. S. Horsman spent Sabbath, Sunday, and Monday with us recently in the interest of the work. A special feature discussed was the coming summer's campaign in the field. A germ of interest has been sown among the students, which we hope will increase by rapid multiplication, and produce workers who will scatter seeds of truth to those in darkness.

In view of the plan presented at the Lodi conference for every Seventh-day

Adventist to sell five copies of *Life and Health* and two "Ministry of Healing" a year for three years until the indebtedness of the sanitariums is raised, some of the members of the Missionary Volunteer Society went to Stockton with two hundred and seventy copies of the March number, and disposed of them in a few hours. Many more could have been sold, and the next company have ordered five hundred copies for their attempt in the near future.

E. D. Sharpe.

Dedication of Melrose Church School and Meeting-House

Sabbath, April 9, was an interesting and profitable occasion for the Melrose church. The structure which has just been erected to serve as a church, and also as a church-school building, was formally dedicated.

Elders S. N. Haskell and B. E. Beddoe were present, and an attentive company of friends and neighbors gathered into the attractive little building to participate in the season of consecration and dedication. Elder Haskell told us of how, from the days of our first parents, all through the centuries the Lord's children were accustomed to dedicating certain places and objects to a holy use. Heaven has witnessed to the consecration, and such transactions become far-reaching in influence and binding in character.

Elder Beddoe told of the rise and development of the church at Melrose. Brother Taylor, who has had charge of the building operations, related some of the providences of God which were manifested in connection with securing the means and labor to complete the work. Appropriate remarks were made by others, after which the dedicatory prayer was offered by Elder Haskell.

The building is located on Fifty-second Avenue, one block north of Fourteenth Street. As a church school, it will be patronized and supported by members of the three churches, Oakland, Alameda, and Melrose. To complete plans we contemplate building an addition to the present structure to serve as a church, while the quarters now erected will be devoted to educational purposes solely.

The Melrose church will welcome the

visiting brethren, and be especially pleased to greet such of the ministers as are able to spend the Sabbath in our midst.

E. C. Chapman.

April 11.

UTAH

Brigham City

On Thursday, March 3, in company with Brother H. G. Gjording, I opened meetings in a hall in the above city. The nightly attendance was fair, considering the fact that our field of operation was a Mormon town where that dominant church holds its followers with a strong hand. These followers of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young entertain strong hopes for unenlightened Gentiles; but when those who have once been through the warp and woof of Mormonism,—passed through the temple, received holy garments, taken certain oaths, entered into celestial marriage, been baptized for the dead, etc.,—apostatize, they are regarded as "sons of perdition," and in consequence no longer a welcome subject to tread the hills and valleys of Zion.

But notwithstanding all the reproach and calumny heaped upon dissenters, there are hearts, loyal and true to God, who leave this Satanic snare, and become captivated by the heaven-born truth of the third angel's message as taught by the church of the "first-born."

Elder S. G. Huntington, of Salt Lake City, visited us several times, and spoke on the very living issues of this intermountain temple worship—prophets and priesthood of the gospel age.

The work which began in this place some three years ago by A. G. Christiansen, has been gradually growing until Sunday, April 10, we organized a church of seventeen members. A small chapel which was not in use, belonging to the Methodists, has been secured at a reasonable rental for Sabbath and other services.

Next Sunday afternoon we expect to visit a pool of water on the hill-side where several dear souls will follow their Lord in baptism. Pray for this small plant in the Lord's vineyard.

S. T. Hare.

Utah Items

There was one addition to the Ogden church, and two to the Salt Lake City church on last Sabbath.

Le Roy Knott, of Illinois, enters upon his duties this week as field missionary agent in the Utah Conference.

Brother H. G. Gjording is conducting meetings in Salt Lake City in the Danish language, and some interest is being manifested.

The writer conducted quarterly services at Provo last Sabbath and at Salt Lake the Sabbath before. The services in both instances were well attended.

The conference committee was in session on the 2d inst., and laid plans for our summer's campaign. Three tents will be in the field, and aggressive efforts put forth along all lines of conference work.

On Sunday, the 10th inst., assisted by Elder S. T. Hare, the writer organized a church of seventeen members at Brigham City. A more extended report of this organization is made in this issue by Elder Hare.

Brother J. W. Bressie has written us that in harmony with the call for him to connect with the work in this field, and the willingness of the California Conference to release him from its employ, he has fully decided to unite with our force of laborers the latter part of May.

S. G. Huntington.

April 12.

The Happier Life

Forget the ache your own heart holds
By easing other's pain;
Forget your hungering for wealth
By seeking other's gain;
And make your life much brighter seem
By brightening the years—
For tears dry quicker in the eyes
That look for other's tears.

Headache fades quickest from the heart
That feels another's pain;
The greed for wealth dies sooner if
We seek another's gain;
Life's sands run lightly if we fill
With kindness all the years—
And tears dry quicker in the eyes
That look for other's tears.

—Selected.

Teachers' Exchange

Church School Notes

The enrolment has reached nearly the 800 mark.

The pupils are now thinking about making their grades.

Our school gardens are doing well under the spring-time smiles of the sun.

The Sebastopol school recently sold \$10.35 worth of our good literature.

The school at Los Gatos has an increased enrolment of six since February.

The final test questions have been drafted and may be had by ordering of Mr. Claude Conard, 601 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, Cal.

Most excellent reports are coming in telling of the splendid progress the pupils are making, and in ways more than mere book knowledge.

The teacher at Corning says: "The Corning school is doing very well. Twelve pupils constitute our enrolment. I am of good courage in the work."

The Sanitarium school will undoubtedly turn out the largest eighth grade graduating class in the conference this year. If we are rightly informed there are fifteen or sixteen.

The pupils of the St. Helena school have "fallen in love" with their new teacher in the person of Mrs. Lela M. Browne. This school is doing most excellent work under her supervision.

Special attention of the teachers is called to Mrs. Haskell's series of articles on animals of the Bible that is now appearing in the *Bible Training School*. They contain matter of interest and profit.

The church school superintendent has been invited to speak in five different parts of the schools. It has been a pleasure to talk to these public school children telling them about our church school work, and to hold up before them Bible characters.

Our teacher at Bishop tells us the good news in the following words: "Mr. Cottrell and I have begun giving Bible readings, and our first reader has accepted the message. This makes us rejoice and strengthens us for further conquests on the enemy's ground."

The teachers at Fresno write the following: "We are glad to report the financial standing of the Fresno school. At present it is out of debt, both property and teachers' wages. Our parents' meetings are growing in interest. Teachers are encouraged and feel like singing with the spring birds."

It is now being planned to hold our next teachers' institute at the Pacific Union College (Angwin's) from August 19 to September 7, 1910. This is one of nature's beauty-spots, for this college is encompassed by a magnificent forest, sentineled by mountain peaks, and neighbored by a sister institution.

Miss Louise Wood, of Eureka, writes the superintendent: "My school is doing nicely and I am quite well pleased with it. Last Wednesday evening the school missionary society held their meeting in the church so they (the church) could have the benefit of it, and it was just grand the way the pupils conducted it: The church was full. We were not expecting so many, especially outsiders." Their collection amounted to \$4.12.

I. C. Colcord,
Educational Superintendent.

Missionary Work

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Temperance

The work of spreading the principles of healthful living is being blessed of God. Just now it is His will that the people should know His laws of caring for the body, which is the temple of the Spirit. I spent a busy day April 11 in the schools at Corona, giving in all eleven lectures on Scientific Temperance. Ten of these were given in the grade schools and one in the high school. Thus in one day I was able to reach over 750 youth and children.

Sunday I visited the First Methodist

Episcopal Church at Pomona, speaking to about 450 in the morning, and to about 150 young people in the Christian Endeavor Societies in Riverside in the evening. Mrs. Stella Irvine, national superintendent of the Sunday-school department of the W. C. T. U., has asked me to carry my work into the Sunday-schools, which will give me an added opportunity to give prominence to the medical missionary work. I am planning to have a union Sunday-school Temperance Rally in Riverside May the 8th, which is anti-cigaret day.

Sunday, while at Pomona waiting for my train for Riverside, I held a small meeting in the Southern Pacific park with a group of boys and young men. Most of them were smoking when the service commenced, but as I explained the evils of the cigaret and the need of giving their lives for better things, they put the pipes into their pockets. One young man asked me to visit him at his home so that he could talk more. Pray for these boys. Should any one desire their names so as to send them *Instructors*, I should be pleased to supply them.

In my travels I meet many especially bright and promising young men, and, as often as possible, secure their names in the hope that some day I may be able to write to them and send literature. Would you not like to help me reach them? I wish that some of our Missionary Volunteer Societies might take it upon themselves to handle a few of these names.

Edmond C. Jaeger.

April 15.

CALIFORNIA

Lodi Young People's Convention

We have planned to hold a series of young people's conventions this year. The first one was held at Chico. Arrangements are now being made for one to be held at Lodi, April 29, 30, and May 1. The first meeting will be Friday evening, the 29th.

While we urge and expect a good attendance of the young people from the near-by churches, we extend a general invitation to old and young, living far and near.

Word has just come from Mrs. Alma McKibbin, informing us that she has consented to assist us in this convention,