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We Live in Deeds

We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts,
not breaths;
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.
We should count time by heart-throbs.
He most lives
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts
the best. — P. J. Bailey.

Sketches of the Past — No. 98

Our last article closed with the testimony that the Lord would "suffer" Stephenson "but a little while." Now let us see what he designed to do, and what he did. His design was to have the Seventh-day Adventists adopt the age-to-come theory, and to be a leader among them. Seeking for place to set forth his views, as he had now struck against the visions of Mrs. White, and as the *Messenger* paper was open for the age-to-come writing, he began publishing his theory in that paper, and joined them in their battle. Soon he commenced a series of articles on the law, but in about six weeks he took the position that the law of Ten Commandments was the old covenant, and was abolished at the cross. That at once cut him off from any influence with Seventh-day Adventists. We said, "Indeed, the Lord has suffered him but a little while in his effort to stay the third angel's message."

Now let us inquire a little for the after personnel of these men, especially Stephenson. The *Messenger* party construed the testimony, "One touch of the Almighty can lay thee prostrate," as

meaning that the Lord would slay him. It did not say so, but was speaking especially of his defeat in his contemplated work. After leaving the *Messenger* company, he offered his services to the First-day Adventists, with whom he had formerly been connected. In former times an announcement that J. M. Stephenson was to speak would draw a crowd. His manner of delivery would hold them with undivided attention. But now he had lost that power. As he would commence his sermon, the people would soon begin to leave. Two thirds of his audience would leave before he had worried through his discourse. His brethren said, "What is the matter with Stephenson? He has completely lost his former grip."

Finally that people cast him off, and would not tolerate his speaking for them. This occurred on this wise: While he had a fine wife, against whom no shade of lewdness could be found, he sought the company of a woman many years younger than his wife and himself. By the aid of an unscrupulous lawyer in another state, he secured a divorce, and married the girl. This, of course, was in harmony with his theory that the Ten Commandments were abolished. This transaction was too flagrant for the toleration of his no-law, age-to-come associates, and they cut him off from all preaching among them.

In this forlorn condition — friendless, penniless, and with failing health — he was placed in the "poor house." There his mental faculties failed him — not a derangement, but a state of imbecility. The last four years of his life he had no more sense, or ability to care for himself, than a year-old child. This is

the candid story of the close of his life, as told without prejudice by his age-to-come brethren with whom he had formerly been united. It looked as though some "touch" had laid him "prostrate."

Of D. P. Hall's case we will say a few words. He, with Stephenson, went back to the age-to-come party. But instead of making much effort in preaching, he turned his attention to dealing in real estate, and that on quite a large scale. In this he became financially bankrupt through the dishonesty of some other parties. This threw him into melancholy, which terminated in insanity, not of a dangerous character, but one that was especially manifest in planning great business transactions. These, of course, were not carried out, but in his feeble mental condition were the feast of that man.

There was with this insanity another peculiar hallucination, which was that it would not do for him to go out of doors, and step on the ground, for in that case he would immediately flatten down to the earth. So, in the times of his most active mental aberrations, he kept himself close within the house. Such was the termination at last of that man's life.

As to the cause in Wisconsin: The course these men took shook off their influence from our people. The aforementioned tent was not theirs, so that was left for the use of faithful laborers sent to, and developed in, that field. So the furnishing of the tent to that state was in the end a good investment. The cause recovered from that crisis, and steadily and surely built up in the years that followed. J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

CALIFORNIA

Pacific Press Items

Brother H. A. Peebles, the new manager of the Mexican publishing house, just ordered one thousand copies of "Home and Health," Spanish, in unbound form. They will bind these up in four parts for use among the poorer classes.

Last week we spoke of the hundred packages of Spanish books sent by registered mail to Brother J. B. Stuyvesant, of San Jose, Costa Rica. We do not know how many of Brother Stuyvesant's customers lost their lives in the earthquake which occurred last week. Such calamities as these should lead us to hasten the work of spreading a knowledge of our Saviour's soon coming.

Our brethren in Argentina, South America, have just placed the following book order with us:

1,000 "Patriarchs and Prophets," Spanish.

50 "Patriarchs and Prophets," German.

100 "Coming King," Spanish.

50 "Coming King," English.

These will go forward on the first steamer, and it will take about ninety days to land them in Buenos Aires, their port of entry.

This has been a particularly busy week with us in the office. An edition of nearly 50,000 lesson pamphlets is being hurried through; an edition of 35,000 of the beautiful new June *Signs of the Times Monthly* is also being pushed through; a 5,000 edition of "Great Controversy," Swedish, is being finished; a 5,000 edition of "Coming King," Spanish, will be placed in the bindery within a day or two; a calendar for Pacific Union College is in the typeroom, besides many other items of work, each demanding first attention. This is especially encouraging, as usually this is a light time of the season with us. It is but an indication of the fact that the printed page is receiving more con-

tinuous attention on the part of our people everywhere.

Brother Wm. Steele, of Porto Rico, has just placed the following order with us to be sent to Brother C. N. Moulton, Sanchez, Santo Domingo:

300 "Coming King," Spanish.

100 "Coming King," English.

155 "Home and Health," Spanish.

25 "Home and Health," English.

175 "Gospel Primer," Spanish.

75 "Gospel Primer," English.

150 "Christ Our Saviour," Spanish.

75 "Christ Our Saviour," English.

These will be shipped by water to Panama, thence will take the railroad to Colon, and from there to Sanchez by local boat. Brother Steele tells us that the two young men who formerly were members of our canvassing band in Kansas, have arrived in Porto Rico, and are earnestly studying the language preparatory to taking up book work in the West Indies.

In a recent number of the RECORDER, I referred to an incident which occurred in Portland, Oregon, where a man came into a second-hand store, and was providentially guided to a copy of "Daniel and the Revelation." I mentioned this to a Brother Dodge, whom I met recently, and this reminded him of his own experience which he told me as follows:

Some years ago he was canvassing a man who operated a second-hand store, and who told him he had a copy of "Great Controversy" which he would sell for 25 cents. Brother Dodge took the book at once. After paying for it, Brother Dodge gave him a canvass, and the man became interested at once, and wanted to buy the book back. Of course, Brother Dodge sold it to him.

The results are that this man's family are now in the truth, and the man himself is deeply interested, and Brother Dodge expects him to soon take his stand. He said this gave him a new conception of the value of second-hand bookstores.

May 8.

H. H. Hall.

California Conference Current

Elder A. Brorsen was in Sacramento the early part of the week looking after business connected with the camp-meet-

ing which will be held there May 26th to June 5th.

A young people's institute was held at Sebastopol last Sabbath and Sunday. Among the workers who attended were B. E. Beddoe, S. G. White, W. H. Covell, and I. C. Colcord.

Drs. H. E. Rand and M. L. Edwards, of the St. Helena Sanitarium, left the evening after the Sabbath for Loma Linda to attend the council which was held there the fore part of this week.

Hall meetings were opened in the Sunset district in San Francisco Tuesday evening of last week by Elder J. A. Stevens and Brother R. S. Fries. They report a very encouraging attendance at the outset.

Another tent outfit was shipped from the warehouse at Mountain View last week. This was sent to Oroville where Elder Fred Brink and Brother L. L. Hutchinson will open a series of meetings as soon as their tent is in readiness.

The brethren at San Rafael are experiencing some little difficulty in securing the attendance they would desire at the tent-meetings on account of the cold weather which has prevailed the past few weeks. Elder Behrens called at the office last week.

Brethren B. E. Beddoe, secretary of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department, and S. G. White, missionary secretary of the California Conference, spent Thursday morning, May 5th, canvassing in Alameda for the Temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor*. Results were not reported.

Elder T. H. Watson and Brother J. R. Patterson, who have been laboring in Vallejo this spring, were in the office on business last week. The cold weather which has been experienced the past few weeks, together with a diphtheria scare, has tended to reduce the attendance at that place, and it may be necessary to discontinue the meetings for a time.

Claude Conard.

San Francisco

A few weeks ago reference was made in the RECORDER to some people in Greece who had become interested in the truth through correspondence with recent converts in San Francisco, who were formerly members of the Greek Catholic Church. The following is a copy, with names omitted, of a very interesting letter dated April 1, 1910, just received from that country:

"Thank God, am well. I wish the same for you all. All my friends go back on me, and my neighbors talk against me very bad; call me 'Hebrew mason,' and they say I and my house are full of devils. So you see for yourself how hard it is for Seventh-day Adventists to live in Greece. Some threaten to set fire to my house. It is very hard for me to find employment here and observe the Sabbath of the Lord; so I try my best to live on my small pension, only six dollars a month; so you can imagine how I live, but I don't care.

"I thank the Lord and feel very proud to say I am a Seventh-day Adventist, and by the grace of our Lord I have observed the Sabbath of the Lord since the 24th day of October, 1909. Also by the grace of our Lord I received the baptism here at Athens on the 8th day of March, 1910, by Brother Greaves. He came down from Smyrna and stopped with me eight days, and then he left for Albania for two or three months, and then is coming back to see me. So when Brother Greaves comes, if God will, I will go with him to Smyrna. . . . I thank you all for introducing me to the Sabbath of the Lord; also am not ashamed to say that you brought me out of darkness, so now I am a Seventh-day Adventist. Brother Greaves told me I am the first man to be baptized in Greece. Thank God, and I hope I have a part in the new Jerusalem with you all. . . . I had about a dozen pictures, but now I have none, because I burned them all by fire about forty days ago. Ex. 20:4-6."

Mrs. E. E. Parlin.

"It is those who forget themselves in their labor for others who will be remembered by the Lord when He makes up His jewels."

Sabbath-School Work

The interest in the Sabbath-school work is growing all over the conference. We have never known a time when so much attention was given to the lessons; when there seemed to be so earnest a desire to be prompt and regular in attendance; or when so much interest was shown in the giving of our means in order to carry to others this precious truth that has given birth to our Sabbath-schools.

In Mountain View a plan has been adopted that is meeting with much appreciation. On the third Sabbath of each month, the opening exercises of the school are conducted by the members of one certain division; for instance, the third Sabbath in March was given to the young people's division. After singing, "Jesus, I Will Follow Thee," prayer was offered by one of the young men. A very interesting paper, entitled "The Young Woman and the Sabbath-School," was given by a young high school girl, showing the advantages, socially, educationally, and religiously, gained in the Sabbath-school, and also the help that should be rendered in the school by the young woman. This was followed by a very brief Bible study on "What Young People Have Done in Bible Times," quoting from the lives of Joseph, David, Jonathan, Daniel, and others. A duet, "Sometime, Somewhere," was sung by two of the young ladies.

This occupied only the usual time for opening exercises and not only made a pleasing change but gave the young people an excellent practise in conducting such services.

The third Sabbath in April was devoted to the intermediate division, being conducted by the leader of that division. The children did credit to their teachers by the way in which they repeated, in concert, one of the sweet psalms and the Ten Commandments.

From Calistoga comes a cheering report of a consecration service held on April 30. Nearly every member either wrote or spoke of his intentions to serve the Lord. Two young members are interested, and it is hoped that they will soon take their stand under the banner of Prince Immanuel. One member of that school is holding Bible readings at his home one evening each week, and

several who are not of our faith are becoming much interested.

The Teachers' Reading Course is meeting with much favor by all who have tried it. In some schools every teacher and officer is taking up this reading. This *should* be so in every school. We can not afford to miss any opportunity to become workmen that need not to be ashamed. Some are spending a few moments in the teachers' meeting each week, reviewing the main points that have been studied at home. This is a good thing, unless the teachers come to feel that it is a work *for* the teachers' meeting rather than an *individual home study*. It is not intended as a public study at all, but each teacher should study it at home. If you are the only one in your school who is interested, you can get just as much good out of this study as if all the others were studying too. And perhaps you can become so filled with the beauty of it, that you will have to tell it to others, and thus be the means of getting them interested.

Let us work and pray for the advancement of this important branch of the work, remembering that the Lord has spoken of it as "one of the greatest instrumentalities, and the most effectual, in bringing souls to Christ."

Mrs. Carrie R. King.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Organization of East Los Angeles Church

Some seventeen years ago, Elder R. S. Owen and I conducted a tent-meeting in East Los Angeles with some fruit as a direct result. A few believers were there previous to this series of meetings. After the series for some time regular Sabbath meetings were held, but were finally discontinued. Just what has been done in an aggressive way since, till last summer, I am not prepared to say. However, with the beginning of the tent season one year ago, Elders C. Ford and M. H. St. John held a tent-meeting there, and this was followed by a second effort by Elders M. H. St. John and E. H. Adams. This work was followed up through the winter with Bible work, all of which resulted in gathering out and establishing a goodly number in the faith.

Sabbath, April 16, with the assistance

of Elders M. H. St. John and E. H. Adams, I organized a church of forty-nine members with a full corps of efficient officers. A number of these were members of the Carr Street or other churches in and about Los Angeles, who united by letter; hence the church starts out in its work with a framework of experienced members.

Great care was exercised in the examination of those who presented themselves for membership. We feel that much trouble will be avoided if all who are received into the church are thoroughly instructed in *advance* in all points of the third angel's message, and have from the heart adopted every one of its great principles of truth. Nothing is lost by giving sufficient time to thoroughly acquaint each candidate with every point of doctrine; and then conducting such a careful examination as to convince the church-officers, before whom it should be held whenever possible, that the candidate is in perfect accord with the truth before baptism is administered, or the hand of fellowship extended. Otherwise he may be found later to be an element of disturbance. If he is true at heart, and really in search of the true church of God, he will rejoice to know that such care is exercised to keep the standard of church-membership high.

E. E. Andross.

ARIZONA

Elder J. E. Bond and Professor Nixon are continuing the interest begun a year ago at Globe, and report favorable indications.

Brethren G. G. Sims and B. F. Swan begin to feel the heat near Yuma. However they are of good courage, and report progress in their work.

The young people's society of the Phoenix church has just rendered a program on temperance at the home of the conference president. Every feature was most interesting, well rendered, and instructive.

Our canvassers are at work and doing well. The reports as printed fall far short of showing the actual work they

are doing. Multiply some of the reports by two, and that will give a better idea of what is being accomplished.

Several Sunday meetings have been held about twelve miles west of Phoenix in a schoolhouse. The attendance has been fair, and some interest is apparent. The subject of the Judgment will be presented next Sunday night, May 8.

Brother I. P. Dillon is spending a little time in Tucson. The work in that city does not build up as readily as we had hoped, but we still expect to find some honest hearts there to join the loyal souls who have stood by the message for quite a number of years already.

G. A. Roberts, who is a member of our conference committee and also an elder of the Phoenix church, has gone to Battle Creek with a consumptive patient, whom he has been nursing since the first of the year. He may not return for several months. We greatly appreciate Brother Roberts's church and conference assistance and will welcome him on his return.

The tract work recently undertaken by the Phoenix church has begun to bring forth fruit. A prominent pastor of this city presented a line of argument in support of Sunday keeping. The preceding Sunday he announced his subject, and had a good hearing; and a conservative estimate of the value of the sermon places it among the weakest of the weak. Only those easily satisfied could accept such flimsy arguments as worth anything at all.

H. G. Thurston.

I shot an arrow in the air,
It fell to earth I knew not where.

I breathed a song into the air,
It fell on earth I knew not where.

Long, long afterward, in an oak
I found the arrow still unbroke;

And the song from beginning to end
I found again in the heart of a friend.

— Longfellow.

Missionary Work

Our Home Mission Field

For some time now our attention has been called to the great mission field abroad, and considerable has been done in the way of raising funds and of sending forth laborers to the needy portions of our world; and this is as it should be. It is difficult for us to comprehend the great magnitude of the work which is to be accomplished during this last generation; but we are all glad to see that something is being done, and that the blessing of the Lord is attending this important move in a very manifest way.

But we have another great mission field here at home which is none the less important, and one which deserves very careful attention. We must acknowledge that there is a special providence in the fact that the Lord has sent so many people of the world's nationalities to this land, and God's purpose in all this is that those might receive the truth and be the means and agencies again of bringing it to the people of their own nation and language.

When the Lord has a great work to be done, His providence always prepares the way for its accomplishment. Many such incidents might be cited from the past. At this time we only call attention to one. In Acts the first chapter and the eighth verse, Jesus gave His disciples the following as His parting instruction: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The second chapter of Acts recounts the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, and it is a matter of interest to note the statement in the fifth verse: "And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven." And then it goes on to name seventeen different nationalities which were present, and these with representatives from every nation under heaven were there on that occasion, and were eye-witnesses to the power

of the Holy Spirit, and heard the Gospel preached in their own tongue. This was truly a wonderful providence, and must have contributed greatly to the results stated by the apostle in Col. 1:23; namely, that the Gospel "was preached to every creature which is under heaven."

There in that short period of time, with only meager facilities as compared with the present, the Gospel had then been preached to every creature under heaven. How could such a feat be possible in such a short period of time? It seems to us that the answer must largely lie in the fact that the representatives from all those nations and people who heard the Gospel under the demonstration and power of the Holy Spirit, in turn received the Gospel and carried it, each to his own nation and people in the same spirit and earnestness in which he saw it demonstrated at Jerusalem. Such a course is a natural one.

In the providence of God the three-fold message of Revelation fourteen, that represents the closing work of the Gospel in the earth, took its rise and beginning here in this country. And as this closing message is also to go with great haste to every part of the world, we see the providence of God preparing the way for just such a work by bringing all these nationalities to our shores, that they here might receive the truth, and accept the message, and then bring it to the people of their own language and nationality. Certainly no one can give this a careful thought without realizing that there is a special, definite providence in all this arrangement.

Now, a question comes, Have we, each of us, done our duty in the matter of bringing the light of the truth to these people? This is a more important question than many have given it credit for. Something has been done among the Germans, Swedes, and Danish-Norwegians, but what about the great multitude of other nationalities?—Scarcely anything at all, and this is not as it should be. Here are hundreds of thousands, yea millions of Italians, Poles, Hungarians, Bohemians, Slavonians, and others, and among all these scarcely a beginning has been made. This is a matter to which we must awake.

But what can Americans do who can not speak these languages?—To this

we answer: We have publications in a large number of the languages of these nationalities. These can be circulated and what has been neglected in the past should now be done without delay; namely, the quick circulation of these publications among all these nationalities.

We urge upon the brethren and sisters in our churches, and those also who live in more isolated localities, to ascertain what foreign people are living in their community, and then send to the conference tract society for publications in these languages, and make an effort to circulate them among these people. In this way one will be doing a grand work to hasten the message, and bring the knowledge of the truth to the people of those many nationalities in our midst.

O. A. Olsen.

Which Offers the Greater Opportunity for Advancement Spiritually— the Third Angel's Message or the World?

[Read Sabbath, April 23, 1910, at the forenoon service conducted by the Mountain View Missionary Volunteers.]

The Word of God testifies that the world does not afford opportunity for advancement spiritually, for in Galatians the fifth chapter we find a comparison of the world's condition with the spiritual condition of those striving to pattern after their Maker. "Walk by the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are contrary the one to the other; that ye may not do the things that ye would. . . . Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousies, wraths, factions, divisions, parties, envyings, drunkenness, revelings, and such like; of which I forewarn you, even as I did forewarn you, that they who practise such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, self-control; against such there is no law. . . . If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk."

Picture the world and its advantages, spiritually. We find uppermost in the heart of man the love of gain, of self-

exaltation, of fame, of pleasure, and of excitement. The world is full of gait, frivolity, folly. It is restless and has no time for serious thought concerning its spiritual welfare. Because iniquity doth abound, we find the love of many waxing cold. In these last days "men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."

The cheap theater stands with open doors, and is thronged with eager children, youth, men, and women. Is there advancement spiritually in this pastime of the world? The dance is demanded by all, and when denied, feelings of rebellion are invariably the result. Does it afford opportunity for spiritual advancement? The Word of God, His promises, the soon coming of Christ, and the new earth, do not satisfy those whose motto is, "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die."

How is it with those who are striving to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus? In the endeavor to obey the commandments given, in the consecration that follows such endeavor, and in the work that results from that consecration, there is ever advancement spiritually. The third angel's message leads one to habits of devotion, to communion with God, to quiet meditation, and to a practise of watching for opportunities wherein one might be a witness for Christ. It can not fail to develop a noble Christian character.

Is there a difference in the schools of the world and in those where the Word of God is taught? At one time the aim and ambition of the worldly school was to instil in the hearts and minds of the youth the idea of good citizenship; now it is the ambition of every one to be an able popular leader in society.

The aim of the school founded on the third angel's message is and ever will be, the training of citizens for the heavenly kingdom, the training of young people for leadership in the last closing message.

The school of the world checks and attempts to blot out the least semblance of spirituality. Higher education ridicules the very idea of accepting the Bible literally, and presents all manner of theories and plausible explanations for the formation of the earth, the existence of man, and the survival of the fittest through the great medium of evolution. Unless the influence of the home is strong enough to counteract the effect of the untruths taught, unless there is a firm belief in the Word of God that can not be shaken, it is impossible for the person who attends such a school to help but be influenced to some extent; and in the great majority of cases the theories of the world are accepted without question and—faith in God is lost.

The other school, although called "old-fashioned" and "narrow," adheres to the Word of God, and accepts what it says literally. The pupils are directed to the great, omnipotent, all-wise Father when seeking for the Creator of the universe. They read that man was created in the image of God, who breathed into his nostrils the breath of life. They are taught of the great love of God and of His sacrifice, of Christ's second coming, and of the truths that must be heralded abroad in this generation. They are taught that they are engaged in a warfare against evil, that Satan is earnestly seeking to counteract the efforts of the Spirit in its attempt to awaken a slumbering world, and that it is their privilege to assist in arousing the world from its lethargy. Thus are the pupils brought into a closer relationship with their God, and their faith in Him is strengthened.

The churches of the world are fast departing from their faith in the Bible, questioning even the divinity of Christ. Does *this* lead to spiritual advancement?

But certainly the *literature* of the world, with all of its hundreds and thousands of contributors, must far exceed in purity of language, in knowledge, and in beauty of style, the works of the few who believe and uphold the commandments of God. Surely the literature will afford at least an opportunity for advancement spiritually! It is a well-known fact that the literature most enjoyed by the world destroys the appreciation for anything uplifting and substantial. It, like the show, perverts the desire for that which would broaden and

ennoble the mental faculties. How different is it in comparison with the pure, beautiful words of the servants of God.

Thus we find no opportunity for advancement spiritually while striving after the things of this world. Reputation, fame, wealth, power, and worldly wisdom are alike incompetent to advance spirituality, and only succeed in its ultimate destruction, while the third angel's message daily magnifies the beauty and truth of Christianity.

"Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. . . . Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession."

Adeline L. Chapman.

Canvassing Work in the Pacific Union

Inasmuch as "the canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order," and as we believe that each succeeding year should show marked advance in our work, therefore, our plans for this year's campaign should be laid deep and broad, that this year's record may surpass any of the past.

In view of this fact, let us set apart Sabbath, May 21, as a day of earnest prayer in behalf of this work. Let all who will join with us in asking God for more wisdom in conducting this work, and for more of a realizing sense of the value of souls, that in the months to come we may be able to do more effectual work, and enter homes which have heretofore been closed to us.

What the remaining months of this year will be to us, depends upon our attitude to God and the daily things which meet us. If we selfishly seek happiness for ourselves, we shall not be happy. Happiness is never found in that way. If we seek happiness for others, forgetful of ourselves, we shall walk with God's angels in the way, and our hearts will be filled with His peace.

Why not reconsecrate ourselves and our all to the work at this time?

All through this year let us shout victory and sing,
 "Awake my soul! stretch every nerve,
 And press with vigor on;
 A heavenly race demands my zeal,
 And an immortal crown."

A. A. Cone.

Home Missionary Work

There are hundreds in our church missionary societies who are glad when instructed to take up regular correspondence with, and send papers to, persons who may show some interest in the truth. You are daily coming in contact with such persons. Will you not make it a point to secure the names of these individuals, suggesting that you will try to furnish them some of our literature; and pass these on, with what information you can give that will help persons taking up correspondence, to your missionary secretary?

This plan will furnish a list of the very best names which can be secured for missionary correspondence work, and will form a cooperation between workers in the field and at home which will surely accomplish much for the Lord's work. Cards for names and information are being furnished, but if you have not received them, pass in names which you have at once without them.

In Northern California, address S. G. White, 601 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, Cal.

In Southern California, address Ernest Lloyd, 1018 Broadway, Central Building, Los Angeles, Cal.

"But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, *the mystery of God should be finished*, as He hath declared to His servants the prophets." Rev. 10:7.

From this text Elder J. W. McCord gave a missionary sermon at the Carr Street (Los Angeles) church on Sabbath, April 30, which made clear the responsibility which God places upon every believer of this message with reference to *finishing* the work. It was deeply appreciated, and laid a strong foundation for a well-attended missionary service in the afternoon, in which were presented definite plans for work. For an hour and a half personal work with tracts and papers, missionary correspondence, and other proved methods of bringing

people to the truth, were studied in a practical, helpful way.

The suggestions to have a church *missionary committee* to have charge of, direct, and encourage all lines of home missionary endeavor met with approval, and such a committee was appointed. This is to consist of the pastor, one elder, the church librarian, missionary leader, president of the young people's society, and a lay member from the church.

The leaders and members present expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of a revival in home tract and missionary work, and pledged themselves to help to that end. Impetus was given the tract work already in progress, and fifty copies were added to the regular *Signs* club.

The forenoon of Sunday was spent in a magazine institute from which a number went out with magazines. One sister said: "I feel I must do something. I am losing spiritually and feel that I need to get to work." What a revival there would be if all would apply that God-given remedy for indifference! Study Rev. 2:2-5.

Pray that this may be the beginning of a revival in home missionary work in the Carr Street church to the end that every member will have a large part in warning that great city.

A class of nine for the magazine work was organized at Fernando Academy, Monday, May 2. This is made up of conscientious young women who wish to do something in carrying the message during the vacation. Brother Ernest Lloyd will work with these students in the class, and in the field when they get to work.

J. R. Ferren,

Mis. Sec. Pac. Union Conf.

CALIFORNIA

Messengers' News Notes

Good news from Brethren Rue and Heiserman at Salinas! Brother Rue expected that he would have to leave the field to look after his cherry crop, but the Lord has arranged that by sending a good buyer to his wife at Mountain View. The result is the cherry crop sold on the trees, and Brother Rue continues his work in the field. These brethren

have made an excellent beginning, and trust their success will continue.

Just received word from Sister Heiserman at St. Helena. She is encouraged over her husband's success, and expects to join him soon with "Practical Guide."

Brother Fred Reinke, a messenger of 1909, is again coming into line. He has already gone to Modesto to begin work, and as soon as a "Herald" messenger can be found to join him as a partner, will lay careful plans to work Stanislaus County.

Brother J. V. Pierson, another member of our last year's messenger force, will begin work at once near Fresno with the grand book "Daniel and the Revelation." He attended our profitable institute at Fresno and Armona.

Brother Fred Mathiesen, a young man who just recently accepted the truth and attended our Fresno and Armona institute, has given careful consideration to the message to work in the cities. He has decided to cast his lot with the companies that enter San Francisco.

Brother W. P. Dayton, a talented young man of the Lodi school, and Brother and Sister Lukens, of Pacific College, will join these companies with our large books.

Sister Lawrence has already begun work with the better class of San Francisco. The latest word is that she has on her list a number of the leading men of San Francisco, including a prominent attorney who gave her fifteen special names to visit with "Practical Guide." So you see we have a beginning in the book line in San Francisco. I will not urge any to enter San Francisco, but will do all in my power to strengthen the burden for and an interest in the work there.

We have just received word from Miss Tressa Belvail, who sold \$1,295.00 worth of "Practical Guide" last year in 366 hours, saying that she expects to enter the field this year, and has set her mark for \$2,000.00 worth of sales.

A number of others are planning on entering special fields, but will not make further note of these until they are ready for the work.

May our workers understand that the enemy has many devices to discourage and entrap the workers, but this is our encouragement: "Not by night, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord."

Then let us "be strong and of good courage."

During the coming two weeks Brother A. A. Cone and I expect to work hard in closing our institute at Lodi. Any one wishing to communicate with me will kindly address me at Lodi for the next two weeks. E. S. Horsman.

Sacramento Camp-Meeting

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Following the camp-meeting we expect to hold a workers' institute, during which time it is designed to thoroughly work Sacramento. Tent-meetings will be held in connection with the institute.

Brothers and sisters, plan to attend the Sacramento camp-meeting. Come praying that God will bless His people and convert sinners. We know that in the last days God will again pour out His Spirit upon His people as He did upon the day of Pentecost. *This will take place sometime, somewhere*, and the Spirit will be poured out upon those who are longing and praying for it. The Lord says, "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring." Isa. 44:3.

Those who are "thirsty," and realize that they are "dry ground," in need of the Spirit of God, will be the ones who will receive it; while the self-sufficient ones who do not sense their great need will be passed by.

We hope none of our people, who can possibly arrange to be present, will fail to attend this camp-meeting. Our conference laborers who have important meetings in process will, of necessity, have to miss the camp-meeting; but we hope all others will be present, especially those in the Sacramento district.

It is expected that Sister E. G. White will return from the Southern California Conference in time to attend the Sacramento camp-meeting. Elders G. A. Irwin, F. C. Gilbert, J. O. Corliss, and other efficient laborers are planning to attend this meeting. We also hope that Elder I. H. Evans will be able to spend a few days at the camp-meeting on his way to Japan. But what is best of all, we know the Lord will be present with rich blessings for each one who will humble his heart before Him, and seek His Holy Spirit. S. N. Haskell,

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THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Control of the prospective medical college to be established at Loma Linda, Cal., convened at the above named place, Sunday, May 8, 1910. The members present from the respective fields are as follows:

General Conference, A. G. Daniells, H. E. Salisbury, W. A. Ruble, M. D.; Lake Union Conference, Allen Moon; Northern Union Conference, R. A. Underwood; Central Union Conference, E. T. Russell; Southwestern Union Conference, G. F. Watson; North Pacific Union Conference, C. W. Flaize; Pacific Union Conference, G. A. Irwin, H. F. Rand; Southern California Conference, E. E. Andross, J. A. Burden.

Besides these brethren there is a full attendance of the other members of the Pacific Union Conference Committee, ministers and workers from the Southern California Conference, and the physicians and nurses of the Loma Linda Sanitarium. It is too early at this writing to give any report of the proceedings, only to say that the work has been organized and the committees are getting down to work.

Wanted

To correspond with a young or middle-aged lady who would accept a home for several months with a Sabbath-keeping family where she would have church privileges; her work to be helping a young woman with her housework and teaching three little girls, the oldest being seven years. Address, C. F. Marvin, R. D. 2, Orange, Cal.

Tents at Sacramento Camp-Meeting

The rental price on family tents at the Sacramento meeting will be the same as has been heretofore charged at similar gatherings. The following is the schedule:

12 x 17 tent	\$3.50
10 x 12 tent	2.50

Flies and burlap carpets will come extra at a charge of 75 cents each for the 12 x 17 tents, and 50 cents each for the fly and the burlap for the 10 x 12 tents.

Orders should be placed at once with the conference secretary at 601 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, or with Elder Andrew Brorsen, Sacramento, Cal.

Claude Conard,
Sec. Cal. Conf.

Bible Training School

Commencing with the June number of the *Bible Training School*, a series of articles will begin and continue throughout the entire year on the book of Jeremiah, which will be of special interest to all Bible students. With the same number will also begin a series of articles on the annual feasts of the ancient sanctuary service, in the order in which they were celebrated. These articles will compare type with antitype, and will be a help to all who love to study their Bibles.

The price of the *Bible Training School* is 25 cents a year. Ask for your subscription to begin with the June number.

Address, *Bible Training School*,
South Lancaster, Mass.

New Nurses' Class at Glendale Sanitarium

A new class for the training of medical missionary nurses will be started at Glendale Sanitarium on the first day of June. This school is affiliated with the Fernando Academy, where a year of preparatory work is given. The term at Glendale is two years. If desired, advanced medical work after graduation can be arranged for at Loma Linda.

Arrangements are such that students can work their whole way, as allowances are liberal. Full particulars will be given upon application. Intending students, please apply at once to Dr. Belle Wood-Comstock, Glendale Sanitarium, Glendale, Cal.

Camp-Meeting Railroad Rates

As has been previously announced, the various railroad companies operating in the central part of the state, have granted the regular convention reduced rates to those attending the Sacramento camp-meeting, May 26th to June 5th, and the workers' institute which will follow, provided there are fifty full fare tickets purchased and receipts taken.

The companies which have placed these rates in effect are the Southern Pacific, both steam and motor service connecting with Sacramento; the Santa Fe; the Northwestern Pacific; and the Northern Electric Railway Company between Chico and Sacramento.

Tickets will be on sale for those attending this camp-meeting and institute, from May 16th to June 20th, and will be good for return until June 22d.

Tickets to Sacramento will be bought at the regular rate, and at the same time the agent should be asked for a receipt for the amount paid, the purchaser stating that he is going to attend the Seventh-day Adventist camp-meeting and institute at Sacramento. This receipt, when signed by the secretary of the meeting, will constitute a certificate which will entitle the holder to purchase return tickets at one third the regular fare.

Stopover privileges may be secured on the going trip by asking the agent at the time of its purchase for a stopover ticket. No stopover privileges will be allowed on the return trip.

If, through neglect or fault of the one attending, a receipt is not obtained at the time the ticket is purchased, no claims for refund of fare will be considered by the railroad company.

Privileges mentioned herein are available as far east as Reno, Nev.

Claude Conard.

Sacramento Camp-Meeting

The first camp-meeting of this season in the California-Nevada Conference will be held in Sacramento from May 26 to June 5.

This year is an important one for our work in Sacramento, and we trust there will be a large attendance of our brethren and sisters at this meeting.

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