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A brief sketch of the work done in this conference the past year may be of interest to these delegates. Nine series of meetings, varying in length, have been held in different places. In all these meetings some souls have been brought to accept the truth. Brethren Beddoe and Hamilton, assisted by Sisters Hamilton and Parlin, were successful in bringing out and organizing a church of twenty-two members at Daly City, a suburb of San Francisco. A church has also been organized at Sonoma.

Our laborers report the baptism of 201 converts during the year. These have joined the churches near which they lived. We are sure that every one who loves this truth and message will rejoice that so many have been led to obey it.

Progress has been seen in every other line of work. Our tithe receipts for the year ending December 31, 1911, were \$46,288.07. The tithe per capita amounts to \$17.66. There were fifteen churches that showed a gain in their tithes over the previous year. It will be seen by the treasurer's report that our conference has paid from its tithe to outside fields the following:

Sustentation Fund	\$1,869.12
Foreign Missions	7,390.61
Pacific Union Conference	8,574.37

Other items bring the amount up to \$18,053.14 that has been sent from our tithe in the treasury.

Our offerings to foreign missions during the year were \$14,212, making a total of \$32,265.14 that has passed beyond our borders to assist various branches of the work in regions beyond.

Literature to the value of \$19,107.36 has been sold. This does not include the value of that which was given away.

The Sabbath-schools have had a year of general prosperity in every department, with one exception, which is the lack of attendance of many of our adult Sabbath-keepers. So far as we have knowledge, there is no ground for criticism with reference to the attendance of our young people and children; but it is to be regretted that so many of the older

people absent themselves from the Sabbath-school.

Our Missionary Volunteer Department has, no doubt, suffered on account of the serious illness of the secretary, Sister McKibbin. However, this lack has been in large measure made up by the faithful labors of the corresponding secretary, Sister Ginther. We are glad indeed that such a good report comes from these two lines of work, as you will hear more fully from the secretary.

Our subscription book business has had a somewhat varied experience. It has been difficult to secure agents that were steadfast in the work. Our missionary agent has worked very hard indeed to build up this branch of the work, and the sale of nearly \$6,000 worth of subscription books is the reward of his perseverance and that of his associates in labor. We have no more faithful laborers in our cause than those who toil in this branch of it. While progress has been somewhat slow, yet we see omens of good and of more prosperous times for our book missionaries.

The church schools have had an encouraging year's experience, as will be seen from the report of our educational secretary. The education of the children can hardly be considered secondary in importance to any department of the work. Not only during this meeting, but in the churches at home, this matter should receive the most earnest and sympathetic consideration. Some plans should be devised by which our schools can be more substantially and constantly sustained.

We call the attention of the delegates to the matter of the obligations resting upon the conference on account of Healdsburg College, the Lodi Normal Institute, and the purchase of the Pacific Union College property. Something has been done toward liquidating these obligations, but we feel sure the incoming administration will desire the advice of this conference as to what shall be done in the future. If you can devise any method more satisfactory to yourselves and the churches you represent than the plan already suggested by the committee, we earnestly beseech you to give the

The Field

Forty-First Annual Session, California Conference

Santa Rosa, June 20, 1912

President's Address

Through the mercy and goodness of God we are brought to the forty-first session of the California Conference. Almost half a century has passed since Elders Loughborough and Bourdeau came to this state by way of the isthmus to preach the message. Great changes have taken place in the development of the work, not only in this state, but in all the world. We often fail to grasp the significance of the wide-spread influence the message has attained during these years.

brethren and sisters the full benefit of it. There will be no difficulty in meeting these obligations providing all will take part in it. The amount can be raised in a short time without any being oppressed. What advice have you to give with reference to this matter?

It is not on account of any lack of interest with the Pacific Press, the St. Helena Sanitarium, and the Pacific Union College, that we have no special recommendations for these institutions located in this conference. They, being union conference institutions, do not fall in the scope of this address. Nevertheless we are constrained to make a few suggestions as to our attitude toward them, and their attitude toward each other and toward the conference. On our part we urge that all cultivate an earnest and intense sympathy and loyalty toward these institutions. They are a part of the cause we love, hence we should always be ready with words of sympathy and approbation when we speak of them to one another. They are our own children, and we should feel as does a parent when any speak adversely of their children. The Lord says, "He that toucheth you, toucheth the apple of His eye." This should be the sentiment of every institution toward other institutions, and all the people toward all the people and toward all our institutions. "All help all," is California's motto. "A house divided against itself can not stand," is the teaching of Scripture. If any of the institutions should, unfortunately, go wrong, do not curse them as Shimei did David, but set them right in God's own way, and still stand by them, giving them your support and influence.

The General Conference Committee has called for twenty-five per cent of our tithe for the support of missions in foreign lands. Last January the committee voted to comply with this request, and instructed the treasurer to forward this amount. Will the delegates to this conference recommend that we continue this plan, or shall we make a change?

In closing this report, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the unflinching kindness and support of every member of the committee of the conference, and the laborers in the field. No one could have had more hearty support of the secretary of the conference, and the secretaries of the different departments of work. Much credit is due to all for their faithful labors. And now we return the responsibility placed upon us, back to you, thankful to God and to you for the measure of success attained, and praying for greater blessings in the future.

E. W. Farnsworth.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

(Summarized)

Church School Work

In the absence of her full report, we give the following facts concerning the church school work, which were presented by Miss Katherine B. Hale, educational

secretary, at the conference: There are thirteen church schools in the conference, employing twenty teachers, and having an enrolment of 412 for the past year. Three new church school buildings have been built during the year, and now the equipment for the schools in this conference in way of buildings is valued at about \$8,000. These schools are maintained at an expense of about \$7,000 a year, or a total monthly expenditure of about \$864. Some good missionary work has been carried on during the year by the students in the church schools. Considerable money has been given to foreign work, literature has been distributed, and there has been growing activity in the church school gardens. In her report Miss Hale urged a higher standard for the church schools, and appealed to the people to spend more money in necessary equipment.

Church Missionary Work

Brother W. D. Fleming gave an interesting report of activities in the church missionary work, and especially in the sale of magazines. He referred to several persons who have lately begun the sale of our magazines, and who are succeeding and doing good work. There is a growing interest in the circulation of our literature among the churches. Our lay members are sowing the seed and are having rich blessings in their work for others. Sales of the various kinds of literature appear in Bible House report.

Missionary Volunteer Department

By Rosamond Ginther, Secretary

At the time of the division of the conference, there were fourteen young people's societies in this conference, with a membership of 347. While some societies have been discontinued, the membership has increased, until December 31, 1911, there were eleven societies, with a membership of 547. Reports of missionary work indicate that these societies are working to extend a knowledge of the truth. Hundreds of letters have been written, and thousands of pages of literature used, and \$618.36 has gone out from these societies for mission work. Thirteen young people are completing the senior reading course this year, and five the junior. Our greatest need is efficient leaders, and the cooperation of church officers and older brethren and

sisters. We need more godlike homes, more power in the church, and a disposition on the part of all our workers to give earnest attention to the development and salvation of our children and young people.

Sabbath-School Department

Facts Given in the Report of Secretary of This Department

In the forty-five Sabbath-schools in this conference, 2,064 persons are enrolled. These schools have given in offerings, during the year 1911, \$4,657.40, of which \$4,618.97 was sent out for the work in foreign lands. Four schools, Alcatraz, San Rafael, East Oakland, and Daly City, were added during the year. The gain in offerings over the year before has been \$778.43. The offerings from the state Home Department are \$58.47. Sixty are reported as having been converted and baptized during the past year, through the influence of the Sabbath-schools. The secretary urged the matter of larger membership in the Sabbath-schools. The conference has in it almost 2,600 church-members; and but 2,064, including many who have not church-membership, are members of the Sabbath-school. The smaller churches show the largest attendance in proportion. The larger churches show a weakness in the matter of Sabbath-school membership. Sister Ginther made an earnest appeal for greater effort to increase the membership in the schools. To those living away from Sabbath-schools, or unable, for any reason, to attend, she extended hearty invitation to become members of the state Home Department. A supplemental report for the first quarter this year gave the following information:

Membership, 2,244 (increase of 180 over previous quarter); average attendance, 1,785, or a little over 79%; offerings, \$1,371.78, or an increase of \$417.33 over the same time last year; offering to India on 13th Sabbath, \$270.56. California is on the "Roll of Honor." Every school that quarter gave all its donations to missions. Ten conversions have been reported, and eighteen baptisms, during last quarter. Six of these are boys in the intermediate division in one of the Sabbath-schools.

Proceedings of California Conference

Summary of the proceedings of the forty-first annual session of the California Conference of S. D. A., held at Santa Rosa, California, June 20 to 28, 1912.

The first business meeting of this conference was held at 10:30 A.M., Thursday, June 20, 1912. Meeting was called by President E. W. Farnsworth, and roll-call showed that fifty-seven delegates were present. This number had increased to eighty-one at the third meeting. The following churches of the conference were represented:

Alameda, Arcata, Berkeley, Calistoga, Daly City (later admitted), Eureka, Hayward, Healdsburg, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Napa, Oakland, Pacific College, Park Street (San Francisco), Petaluma, Richmond, San Francisco, Sanitarium, Santa Cruz, St. Helena, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Ukiah, Vallejo, Watsonville, and Sonoma.

Reports from ministers regarding their field efforts occupied the larger part of the first service. Standing committees were appointed as follows:

Nominations: E. E. Andross, E. E. Parlin, B. M. Shull, Dr. Ira Wheeler, H. McDowell, H. E. Chapman.

Plans: C. H. Jones, W. E. Whalin, Claude Conard, J. Cornish, J. F. Blunt, Martin Baumgartner, Z. Thorpe, A. J. Sanderson, Katherine Hale, G. A. Snyder, Mrs. M. D. Utt, S. T. Hare, Nella Steele, C. Christiansen, I. F. Stemm.

Credentials and Licenses: A. Brorsen, G. A. Irwin, J. R. Reed, A. Nelson, C. L. Taylor.

The succeeding meetings of the conference were held at 10:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. daily.

The newly organized Daly City church was presented for admittance into the conference, and by unanimous vote accepted. This church has twenty-two members.

The annual report given by Elder E. W. Farnsworth shows that substantial progress has been made during the year. There have been 201 baptisms in the conference. There are now thirty-eight churches, with a membership of 2,573, paying in tithes last year \$46,288.07, as against \$40,498.57 during the previous year from the churches in the same territory. The full report published reveals many interesting items concerning the year's work.

The treasurer's report shows the receipts and disbursements from the treasury department during the year. This was graphically presented by means of a large chart. A supplemental report comparing the tithe for the first five months of 1912 with the same period for 1911 was encouraging. While in 1911 from January 1 to May 31 it amounted to \$12,365, for the same period in 1912 it has reached \$14,847, which is a gain of almost \$2,500. The report further showed that the expense of operation has been decreased so that, notwithstanding the fact that this year twenty-five per cent of tithe has gone to foreign fields, instead of fifteen per cent, as was the case last year, the amount paid out for the same period this year is \$18,607, as against \$19,250 for the corresponding period last year. These facts were received with considerable satisfaction by the delegates, who later, in regular session, approved of the appropriation of twenty-five per cent to foreign work.

With another chart the treasurer showed that the conference has fallen behind on the fifteen-cent-a-week fund. The record should have been \$8,362 paid in since the first of the year, while the amount actually received has been but \$3,186, or less than half what it should be. The discussion accompanying this report evidenced that a strong effort would be made at once to change this tendency to fall behind.

RESOLUTIONS

Following is the list of recommendations brought in by committee on plans and passed by the conference:

Gratitude

Whereas, In the infinite mercy and love of God we have been helped hitherto, and spared from calamity and death; and—

Whereas, Prosperity, peace, and good will have been our happy portion; therefore,

Resolved, That we gratefully recognize the good hand of God upon us in all our work for Him, and consecrate ourselves and our all anew to His service this day, to be used in more efficient and effective endeavor to finish the work He has given us to do, and hasten the coming and kingdom of our Saviour.

(A standing vote was taken, in which all present took part.)

Religious Liberty

Whereas, God in His providence has ordained the civil power as a means of maintaining the liberties of mankind in the earth, and has not delegated to the

state any authority whatever over the religious opinions or ceremonial practises of His servants; and—

Whereas, The observance of a weekly day of rest is due entirely to the divine precept, whereby the seventh day of the week was divinely established as an eternal memorial of God's limitless power, exemplified in the creation of all things; and—

Whereas, It is now proposed to submit to the voters of California, by recourse to the initiative, an ordinance requiring the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week, as a day of compulsory rest, binding upon all citizens, whether in agreement with their religious views or not;

1. *Resolved*, That such an enactment would be a most flagrant interference with the inherent rights of citizens, an unwarranted usurpation of authority in religious things, subversive of the liberties of mankind, vouchsafed by the Creator and safeguarded by the basic laws of the state and nation in which we live.

2. *Resolved*, That the proposed enactment of a Sunday law in California should be opposed most earnestly by every one who values freedom of conscience and who does not believe in religious coercion of his fellows under cover of civil law.

3. *Resolved*, That we recognize the necessity for a state-wide campaign in defense of the principles of religious liberty, and hereby pledge our most earnest endeavors to the promulgation of the truth, that the voters in this state may learn the true nature of the law of God, and its binding obligation upon the human family, as well as the folly of human enactments for either the enforcement or the alteration of the divine law.

Whereas, The present movements for religious legislation call for a thorough campaign of education among the voters of the state, to the end that all may understand the significance of enforcing religious observances by civil law;

We Recommend:

1. The systematic distribution of small leaflets, setting forth in a concise and striking manner the true principles of liberty;

2. The holding of public meetings wherever the situation seems to demand the same;

3. That our churches put forth still further effort to place the special six-week Religious Liberty Series of the *Signs of the Times* in the hands of voters who have not yet received it;

4. That we at this conference provide, as far as possible, clubs of these papers for the use of our companies of workers, and for single subscriptions to voters far removed from any of our churches.

Missionary and Publishing Work

The "Signs"

Whereas, Our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, is now presenting, every six months, the great phases of the threefold message of truth, and at the same time keeping pace with the great world movements and the omens of our Lord's coming; and—

Whereas, It is constantly being demonstrated more and more that the paper is bringing souls to the truth, and is therefore an economic and efficient helper in giving the truth to the world; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge our people to use this messenger of truth, and therefore suggest its use in the following ways:

- In clubs for personal neighborhood and correspondence work;
- In individual subscriptions to our friends;
- In furnishing clubs to our ministers and workers in the development of local fields both home and foreign.

"Review"

Whereas, The *Review and Herald* is essential to our members in keeping them in close touch with the rapid development of our world-wide message, and in providing them with that spiritual food which sustains them in earnest Christian endeavor and qualifies them for better service as individual representatives of the great work of which they have become a part; therefore,

We Recommend, That our ministers and other workers keep the importance of the *Review* constantly before our churches, both officers and lay members, and that they make the placing of the *Review* in the homes of the people one part of the work of the officers of the church.

"Youth's Instructor" and "Little Friend"

Whereas, There are many influences in this age which tend to lead our youth and children from the right way, and in view of the fact that we have papers, the *Youth's Instructor* and *Our Little Friend*, which have for their special aim the counteracting of these evil influences and the strengthening of the work of character building and Christian service by directing attention to high ideals and true principles of life; therefore,

We Recommend, That earnest, constant effort be made by the elders and officers of every church in this conference in arranging for every young person in every church to have access to these papers, either through personal subscription or Sabbath-school club.

Liberal Seed Sowing

In view of the wonderful way in which the constant liberal seed sowing of our tracts, pamphlets, small books, and periodicals is reaching people with this truth,

We Recommend:

- That we engage in a continuous personal use of these agencies;
- That conference and church officers work to strengthen the church missionary work in every way possible; and—
- That we here assist in supplying a quantity of our tracts for our ministers to use in connection with their public efforts.

City Work — Evangelistic

Whereas, The Lord has indicated through the spirit of prophecy the urgent necessity of immediate and con-

tinuous work in the large cities; and—

Whereas, The next few years will present special opportunities for service in the bay cities, because of the vast influx of visitors, causing a rapid increase and continual change of population,

We Recommend, That the incoming conference committee plan for more thoroughly organized aggressive evangelistic work in the great centers of population. As one of the means toward this end, we further recommend the establishment of a training school for workers in one of the bay cities, where consecrated young people may receive the necessary instruction and experience to fit them for service.

Subscription Book Work

Whereas, It has been demonstrated that the circulation of our literature is one of the most effective means of getting the truth before the people; therefore,

We Recommend, That a united effort be made by our conference laborers and church officers to seek out and to encourage men and women to engage in the sale of our message-filled books as a permanent work.

We also recommend the approval of the following recommendation passed by the Pacific Union Conference at its last session:

a. That regular colporteur's credentials be granted to permanent canvassers who have demonstrated their faithfulness and consecration to the satisfaction of the conference committee or committee on credentials and licenses, in counsel with the field agent, and to students who have declared their intention of making this their permanent work, and have spent at least two vacations canvassing.

b. A colporteur's license to be issued to those who have had less experience, but who have given evidence of becoming successful laborers in this branch of the work.

c. While granting of these formally recognizes the recipient as a conference laborer, neither the credentials nor the licenses carry with them financial support.

Magazines

Whereas, It has been demonstrated that the sale of our ten-cent magazines is a profitable line of employment, and that many people are brought to a knowledge of the truth as a result; and—

Whereas, Our magazines are recognized as being the best literature to be had, and the demand is continually increasing; therefore,

Resolved, That we approve of the work already done in this direction, and that a strong and continuous effort be put forth to secure suitable persons to take up this line of work, and that they be encouraged to continue in this work. Further, that efforts be made to put this branch of our work on a systematic basis of development of workers, such as are at present being made to advance the book work.

Educational Church Schools

Whereas, Inspiration has so plainly presented to believers in present truth the work that should now be done in the education of children in schools of our own; and—

Whereas, The object of the church school is to "provide places where the younger members of the Lord's family may be trained according to the Lord's plan of growth and development;" therefore,

We Recommend, That, in order further to encourage and extend this line of work in our churches, an educational campaign be planned and conducted during the coming year throughout the churches of this conference, and that the trumpet call to "Gather in the Children," and to "Educate, educate, educate," be sounded aloud throughout the field; and—

Whereas, "It is the purpose of God that through the excellence of the work done in these schools, the attention of the people shall be called to the last great effort to save the perishing;" and—

Whereas, It is true that the attention of the state educational department is already being directed to this work;

We Recommend, That in the opening and continuance of the work in our churches, a definite standard of scholarship and financial support be maintained locally, and that the policy and plans of the organized work be carried out, to the end that this work be lifted higher and still higher as long as time shall continue.

To the same end, we also recommend that the attendance requirements of the state be fully met and maintained in the church schools of our conference.

Recognizing the earnest effort that is being put forward by the churches carrying church schools, for the better equipment of those schools, in order that they may do a more representative work at this time;

Resolved, That we approve of all that has been accomplished in this direction, and that our conference further encourage the adequate equipment of the church schools by arranging this year for a semiannual offering in all of our churches. Where there is a local school, let it be understood that one half of this offering be applied to the local equipment fund in their church, and that the remainder be sent to the conference office as a general fund for church school equipment.

Liquidating College Debt

In harmony with the plans adopted at the church elders' council held at Pacific Union College, January 16 and 17, 1912, we hereby endorse the same, and recommend that earnest efforts be put forth without delay by all of our conference laborers to enlist the cooperation of all our people in the plan of making free-will offerings at least equivalent in amount to one half of their tithe for two years, beginning January 1, 1912, for the purpose of liquidating our

portion of the obligations incurred in our educational work.

Young People's Work

Whereas, The Missionary Volunteer societies are, and rightly should be, a branch of the general church organization; and—

Whereas, The Missionary Volunteer department of the General Conference has provided a leaflet entitled "organization," in which are set forth the principles and plans for organization of local Missionary Volunteer societies; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge all churches to assist in organizing Missionary Volunteer societies in accord with these principles and plans, and that we encourage our young people to put forth every possible effort to enlist the cooperation of church officers in their society work, and to strive earnestly to keep their societies in close touch with the churches of which they are a part.

Foreign Missions

Harvest Ingathering

Whereas, The General Conference Committee has recommended that the week ending October 4 be set apart for the annual Harvest Ingathering campaign this year; therefore,

Resolved, That we approve of this recommendation, and that all of our churches and isolated brethren and sisters be urged to engage in this campaign with energy and zeal, to the end that the truth may be brought before the people and liberal donations secured for the purpose of carrying on and extending our work in foreign mission fields.

Fifteen Cents a Week

Whereas, The rapid development of the work in the regions beyond has demonstrated that ten cents a week per member is inadequate to meet the growing demand; and—

Whereas, The General Conference has recommended that beginning January 1, 1912, the quota per member be raised to fifteen cents a week; therefore,

We Recommend, That we adopt the fifteen-cent-a-week plan, and pledge ourselves to carry it out to the best of our ability. We further suggest that in order to facilitate this plan, each church should use the title and offering cards to be prepared by the union conference.

Twenty-Five per cent of Tithe to Foreign Work—Five per cent More to Union

We Recommend, That this conference pay throughout the year to the General Conference for its mission work an amount equal to twenty-five per cent of the tithe receipts, and five per cent to the union conference for its mission work, in addition to the usual ten per cent for union conference administration.

Temperance

Whereas, The cause of temperance is dear to our hearts, and the open saloon is a constant menace to the peace and happiness of society; and—

Whereas, It has been repeatedly demonstrated that ninety per cent of the

criminality with which our courts have to deal is due directly or indirectly to indulgence in intoxicating drinks and soul-destroying drugs;

Resolved, That we again declare our undying hostility to the policy whereby this evil of intemperance is perpetuated in the land by the system of public license, and at this time express our earnest desire for the abolition of the saloon traffic, and for the adoption and enforcement of a law by means of which the sale of intoxicating liquors and harmful drugs may be strictly confined to use in the arts and manufactures, and to the filling of prescriptions honestly issued in the medical treatment of disease, and we hereby pledge our united support in every consistent effort to secure this desired result.

Election of Sabbath-School Officers

Resolved, That we approve of the General Conference plan "that Sabbath-school officers be elected by the church," and suggest that the church nominating committee appointed for this purpose, present its report at the regular church service or Sabbath-school.

Conference, and Conference Headquarters

Resolved, That we approve the plan of holding the conference in connection with the camp-meeting; and—

We Recommend, That the next conference session be held in connection with the annual camp-meeting.

Whereas, There is a probability that some change will soon be made necessary in the location of our conference offices;

We Recommend, That a representative committee composed of the following named persons be authorized to take this whole matter under advisement, with full power to act either in renting, leasing, or purchasing any reasonably priced property agreed upon by the entire committee. Names of committee: E. W. Farnsworth, E. E. Andross, A. Brorsen, J. J. Ireland, A. Nelson, L. M. Bowen, C. L. Taylor, G. A. Snyder, C. H. Jones, W. E. Whalin, C. W. Irwin, W. E. Johnson, E. E. Parlin, C. E. Frisbie, Claude Conard.

Annual Meeting of Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association

Whereas, The work of the St. Helena Sanitarium involves many questions of vital interest to the whole people, and particularly calls upon us to devote our very best young people to the work of caring for the sick, and thus, of necessity, in all its departments, should be brought into closer touch with our entire membership; and—

Whereas, The most successful way of accomplishing this end seems to be to hold the annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association in connection with the annual meeting of the California Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That we invite the board of management of the St. Helena Sanitarium to consider the advisability of calling a special meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent As-

sociation at an early date for the purpose of so amending the articles of incorporation as to permit the holding of the annual meeting of the association in connection with the annual meeting of the California Conference; and further,

We Recommend, That the constituency of the association be made to include all the regular accredited delegates of the conference.

Thanks

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the favors granted us by the press in giving space to the reports of the proceedings of our conference and camp-meeting.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to Prof. G. S. Sweet for his kindly consideration in vacating these grounds for our use during the encampment.

Declaration of Religious Liberty Principles

Unanimously was the following declaration of principles passed by the conference and camp-meeting:

We, the delegates and representatives of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, do hereby state our attitude on the question of religious legislation, and hereby protest against any effort toward the enactment of religious measures by the civil powers:

1. They wish to express their grateful recognition of the religious liberty and freedom of worship vouchsafed by God and granted by the Federal Government and by the Commonwealth of California;

2. They believe that the union of church and state, or of religion with the state, or the civil enforcement of religious dogmas, ordinances, institutions, or laws, has proved a curse both to the state and the church, and a reproach to the cause of Christ.

3. They believe that the inherent power of divine sanction and promise in the Sacred Scriptures by the Holy Spirit is sufficient to propagate the gospel, win souls to righteousness, and maintain Christ's church in the world, without any aid from the civil power.

4. They believe that a civil government rightly formed and administered is a government for all within its jurisdiction, irrespective of religious, or society, or party, affiliation, and should hold all citizens equal before the law.

5. They view with apprehension the movements now operating to unite church and state, to foist religious legislation, through a Sunday law, upon the State of California, under the pretexts of temperance measures, police regulations, legislation for the working man, etc.

6. Therefore, as citizens of this great commonwealth, they protest against all legislation and attempts at legislation by the legislature of the state, or direct by the people, which would constrain the individual in his personal relation to God, and against all laws regulating in any way the religious observance of dogmas.

**California Conference of S. D. A.
Revenue Account for Year Ending
December 31, 1911**

LOSSES	
Expense	\$1,073.86
Educational Dept.	\$ 50.40
General Expense	932.76
Missionary Vol. Dept. ..	31.03
Sabbath-School Dept.	59.67
Salary	32,815.18
Laborers' Salaries and Expenses	\$30,476.96
Japanese School	962.02
Pacific Union College	
Teacher	938.56
Southern Laborers	219.14
Lodi Normal Institute	
Teacher	218.50
Depreciations	249.32
Office Fixtures	\$106.91
Office Furniture	35.80
Property (Tents, etc.) ..	106.61
Pacific Union and General Conferences	18,935.53
Mission Support	\$7,640.49
Sustentation Fund	1,869.12
First & Second Tithe	9,425.92
Free Literature Fund	78.55
Oakland Camp-Meeting	938.30
Rent	693.50
Teachers' Institute	441.00
	\$55,225.24
GAINS	
Donations	\$ 462.89
Students' Transportation	
Refund	19.15
Tithe	51,788.21
	\$52,270.25
Net Loss December 31, 1911..	2,954.99
	\$55,225.24

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 31, 1911

ASSETS

Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$12,402.94
Central Nat'l Bank	\$6,490.91
Crocker Nat'l Bank	772.56
Certificates of Dep.	5,000.00
Coin in Office	139.47
Inventories	3,771.38
Expense	\$ 86.22
Office Fixtures	106.92
Office Furniture	330.00
Property (Tents, etc.) ..	3,248.24
California Bible House	4,218.41
India Book Fund	104.10
Pacific Press Publishing Assn.	24.80
Undivided Assets (Real Estate, etc.)	2,939.70
	\$23,461.33

LIABILITIES

California Rel. Lib. Assn.	\$ 274.56
California Temperance Assn.	1.38
"Christ's Object Lessons"	2.50
Misc. Deposits and Funds	1,217.34
Ship Mission	100.00
Orphans' Fund	51.10
Salary Provision	213.62
	\$1,860.62
Undivided Real Estate and Property	2,939.70
Surplus December 31, 1911..	18,661.13
	\$23,461.33

Surplus January 1, 1911	\$41,734.22
Bills Receivable	
Released	\$2,000.00
Div. Central Cali- fornia Conference ..	7,331.91
Div. Northern Cal- nev. Conference ..	7,846.49
Undivided Real Estate and Property	2,939.70
Net Loss for 1911.....	2,954.99
Surplus December 31, 1911..	18,661.13
	\$41,734.22

Claude Conard, Treasurer.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Tithes and Offerings from Churches — Comparative Statement 1910 and 1911

	Tithes		Offerings	
	1910	1911	1910	1911
Alameda	\$1,525.40	\$922.31	\$398.07	\$693.81
Alcatraz Company		13.75		465.59
Arcata	586.55	318.15	120.10	69.90
Berkeley	751.66	708.84	642.56	366.06
Calistoga	338.68	430.72	107.99	121.49
Eureka	662.82	832.38	242.60	335.74
Ferrdale	292.55	256.50	36.10	69.55
Fortuna	462.53	355.13	52.56	61.67
Guerneville	92.80	92.55	43.31	21.28
Haywards	177.65	183.00	77.74	87.57
Healdsburg	1,810.13	1,660.23	656.18	643.88
Kelseyville	398.70	193.30	55.06	22.01
Los Gatos	395.86	295.79	146.40	187.97
McKinleyville	75.65		38.56	
Melrose	1,805.94	1,640.03	615.28	337.75
Morgan Hill	777.56	931.50	172.64	279.27
Mountain View	4,924.06	5,728.93	1,372.53	2,155.12
Napa	1,039.14	963.72	226.82	424.39
Oakland	4,386.89	5,145.88	1,319.64	2,505.91
Pacific College		1,417.83	569.84	935.12
Park, San Francisco	17.61	398.20	25.34	141.15
Pepperwood	109.35	198.40	32.63	69.96
Petaluma	265.62	198.41	106.93	88.33
Richmond	328.00	403.47	59.51	143.55
Saint Helena	1,663.40	1,944.65	623.41	635.04
San Francisco	3,813.59	3,881.21	1,199.26	1,836.46
San Francisco, Special		3,100.00		
Sanitarium	6,549.72	7,303.85	1,530.53	2,482.02
San Jose	1,736.20	1,443.07	382.03	267.94
Santa Cruz	666.18	860.66	193.76	244.08
Santa Rosa	439.20	326.01	125.15	312.67
Sebastopol	895.77	642.07	186.42	301.90
Smith River	25.00	10.00	.40	.20
Sonoma		432.88	25.64	69.81
Soquel	63.30	39.95	18.45	34.94
Ukiah	626.80	302.65	208.78	250.63
Union Street, San Francisco		464.67		169.99
Vacaville	22.98	5.00	5.10	1.00
Vallejo	245.85	305.90	75.75	70.75
Vista Grande		76.20		75.12
Watsonville	258.09	533.09	85.27	123.84
Personal	1,182.77	1,327.19	1,182.69	2,639.80
Total	\$40,498.57	\$46,288.07	\$12,961.03	\$19,748.26

Tithe received in churches outside of territory now comprising California Conference for January and February, 1911, when the field was yet undivided \$5,500.14
Tithe from churches in present California Conference territory for entire year 1911 .. 46,288.07

Total tithe 1911

The amounts in the "Offering" column for 1911 given above are made up of the following funds received from the churches:

Annual Offerings	\$1,839.80
Blind Work	142.75
Free Literature	30.65
India Book Fund	16.00
Ingathering	1,340.94
Jewish Work	26.75
Midsummer	682.75
Miscellaneous, Foreign	1,184.26
Miscellaneous, Home	291.20
Missions	1,262.83
Orphans	157.53
Religious Liberty	176.08
Sabbath-School Offerings	4,312.95
Southern Work	894.77
Swedish School	72.92
\$300,000 Fund	7,290.58
White Memorial Church	25.50
	\$19,748.26

The following amounts on the different funds were received by the churches outside of the present territory of the California Conference during January and February, 1911, when the field was in the undivided state:

Annual Offerings	\$258.32
Blind Work	37.85
Free Literature	6.50
Ingathering	135.12
Miscellaneous, Foreign	39.74
Missions	455.17
Orphans	2.80
Religious Liberty	147.86
Sabbath-School Offerings	523.55
Southern Work	21.90
\$300,000 Fund	11.00
	\$1,639.81

Offerings received by the churches in the present California Conference territory during 1911

Total offerings for 1911 .. \$21,388.07

ing of the business as on the 31st day of December, 1911, as disclosed by said books of account.

J. J. Ireland,

Auditor Pacific Union Conference.
Dated April 17, 1912.

Report on Credentials and Licenses

For Credentials

B. E. Beddoe, A. Brorsen, E. W. Farnsworth, S. T. Hare, A. Nelson, G. W. Rine, G. A. Snyder, J. A. Stevens, C. L. Taylor, J. Taphouse, H. A. Washburn, D. E. Robinson.

Auditor's Report

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have made a careful examination of the books of account with the vouchers produced of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and also of its missionary department, the California Bible House, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1911, and find that the revenue and financial statements submitted present the stand-

CALIFORNIA BIBLE HOUSE

**Revenue Account for Year Ending
December 31, 1911**

LOSSES	
Expense	\$1,055.24
Free Literature	35.15
Insurance	60.51
Labor	479.68
Pacific Press	15.76
Property Depreciation	67.80
Scholarships	6.00
Suspense	151.73
	<u>\$1,871.87</u>
GAIN	
Merchandise	\$1,597.74
Net Loss for Year	274.13
	<u>\$1,871.87</u>

**Financial Statement
December 31, 1911**

ASSETS

Church Societies Owing Us ...	\$1,216.21
Personal Account Owing Us ..	1,608.87
Institutions Owing Us	256.61
Inventories	4,793.91
Expense	\$ 269.98
Insurance	33.29
Library	45.75
Merchandise	4,030.94
Property	413.95
	<u>\$7,875.60</u>

VOLUME OF BUSINESS HANDLED 1911

Class of Literature	Cost to House	Cost to Agents	Retail Value
Subscription Books	\$2,372.74	\$2,965.90	\$5,931.80
Trade Books	969.85		1,293.25
Educational Books	372.05		465.05
Bibles	493.35		822.25
Magazines	1,898.35	2,119.10	5,314.00
Periodical Subscriptions	4,213.60		4,681.77
	<u>\$10,319.94</u>		<u>\$18,508.12</u>

MAGAZINE SALES IN DETAIL, 1911

Name of Magazine	Cost to House	Cost to Agents	Retail Value
"Life and Health" 19,800 copies at 10c	\$712.80	\$792.00	\$1,980.00
"Signs Monthly" 13,177 copies at 10c	474.38	527.08	1,317.70
Temperance "Instructor" 9,850 copies at 10c	354.60	394.00	985.00
"Watchman" 7,863 copies at 10c	283.07	314.52	786.30
Chinese "Signs" 1,400 copies at 10c	25.20	42.00	140.00
Japanese Paper 1,500 copies at 5c	37.50	37.50	75.00
"Life Boat" 300 copies at 10c	10.80	12.00	30.00
	<u>\$1,898.35</u>	<u>\$2,119.10</u>	<u>\$5,314.00</u>

Honorary Credentials

H. A. St. John, Isaac Morrison.

Ministerial License

R. S. Fries, G. A. Hamilton, L. L. Hutchinson.

Missionary Credentials

Claude Conard, Mrs. E. W. Farnsworth, W. D. Fleming, Celia Green, Rosamond Ginther, Katherine Hale, G. A. Kuhns, Mrs. G. A. Kuhns, Mrs. Bertha Moler, Laura Morrison, Mrs. Alma McKibbin, Mrs. E. E. Parlin, Mrs. E. Swift, J. T. Thompson.

The committee recommended that worthy college students having the min-

istry in view be given encouragement by the incoming administration, and that all other names be referred to it.

Officers Elected

Following is list of officers whose names were presented by the committee on nominations, which was accepted and unanimously voted by the conference:

President, E. W. Farnsworth;
Secretary and Treasurer, Claude Conard;
Executive Committee: A. Brorsen, C. L. Taylor, Andrew Nelson, C. W. Irwin, C. H. Jones, E. E. Parlin.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

The sixteenth session of the California Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists was held Monday, June 24, at 9 o'clock, with President G. A. Irwin in the chair. After prayer, the legal call for the meeting was read by the acting secretary, and statement was made to the effect that all regular conference delegates are members of the Conference Association. It was voted that the chair appoint the committee on nominations, whereupon Elder Irwin appointed the following members:

E. E. Andross, E. E. Parlin, C. A. Smith, Dr. I. A. Wheeler, H. McDowell, H. E. Chapman.

The financial reports were read by the acting secretary.

REVENUE STATEMENT

**California Conference Association of Seventh-Day Adventists
Dec. 31, 1911**

Gains	
Interest Received ...	\$5,088.50
Losses	
Annuities	\$ 482.73
Expense	111.75
Interest Paid	4,112.16
Western Normal Edu. Fund	3.08
	<u>4,709.72</u>
Gain for year 1911	\$ 378.78

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**California Conference Assn. S. D. A.
December 31, 1911**

Resources	
F. & M. State Bank	\$ 1,691.67
Bills Receivable ..	101,567.24
Miscellaneous ...	\$ 7,742.18
Cent. Cal. Conf. ..	19,475.23
N. Cal.-Nev. Conf. ..	11,543.91
California Conf. ..	49,011.99
Pacific College ..	13,793.93
Misc. Accounts	10.70
Interest Accrued (owing us)	454.84
Real Estate (Healdsburg Col.) ..	10,000.00
Educational Assn. accounts (in liquidation)	15,098.24
	<u>\$128,822.69</u>

Liabilities	
Bills Payable	\$ 85,838.18
Annuity Bonds	10,550.00
Davis Educational Trust	1,345.58
Personal and Trust Funds	2,597.87
Healdsburg College Current	542.31
Interest Accrued (we owe)	2,075.50
Expense Provision ..	50.00
Total	<u>\$102,999.44</u>
Surplus	
Educational Assn. in Liquidation ..	\$25,098.24
Conference Assn., Regular	725.01
Total Surplus Dec. 31, 1911....	<u>25,823.25</u>
	<u>\$128,822.69</u>

The auditor's report was given by H. H. Hall.

This is to certify that I have examined the books of account and vouchers of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1911, and find the statement submitted to be correct.

Dated this 12th day of May, 1912.

H. G. Childs, Auditor.

Memorandum of Real Estate*

A list of the property held by the California Conference Association was read, and discussed by the members. Following is the statement:

Ukiah, block 1, lot 9, Ukiah No. addition sold.
 Mountain View, lot 1, Titus subdivision.
 Mountain View, lot 2, Titus subdivision.
 Mountain View, portion of lots 7, 8, 9, Pacific subdivision.
 Burrough, lot 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ x13 rods.
 Lodi, block 7, lot 7, East Lodi addition.
 Lodi, block 7, lot 140x140, Lodi Barnhart tract.
 Arroyo Grande, lot 40x132.
 Susanville, block 40, $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 2—50x250.
 Woodland, lot 60x144.
 Soquel, lot 34x129.
 Arcata, block 257, lot 50x50.
 Alameda, block 196, lot 33, Encinal Park tract.
 Ferndale, block 13, lot 8.
 Blue Lake, lot 60x120.
 Pepperwood, lot 30x67.
 Eureka, block A, lot 3 and 10 feet of lot 4, Foster's addition.
 Madera, Wallace District, lot 10x16 rods.
 Selma, block D, lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.
 Crows Landing, block 48, lots 11, 12, 13, and fractional lots 14, 15, 16.
 Morgan Hill, block 60, lots 10, 11, Haler addition.
 Red Bluff, block 102, lot 526, Scott's addition.
 Bakersfield, block 49, lot 8, Lowell addition.
 Lemoore (in trust), block 69, lots 1, 2, Ukiah, block 42, lot 32x65.
 Santa Cruz, front half subdivision of lot 1, Smith estate.
 Los Gatos, block 7, lot 53, Nott subdivision.
 Petaluma church and church school, portion lot 195.
 Melrose, Oakland, block L, lots 53, 54, Hemphill tract.
 Island, 1 acre, Kings County.
 Lodi, Lodi school, lots 10, 11, 16, 17, Lodi Barnhart tract.
 Le Grand, block 7, lot 8.
 Angwin school, 1,500 acres.
 Fresno, lot adjoining S. D. A. church,

*Church officers or others having charge of their church or school property are requested to notify the secretary at 2201 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, California, if any properties now held by the association have been omitted from this list, or if description is incorrect.

block 134, rear 25 feet lots 30, 31, 32. Sacramento, west half lot 8 in block between J and K and 23d and 24th streets.

Hughson, block 7, lots 1, 2, map by F. E. Quail.

Modesto, block 34, lots 31, 32.

Sonoma, 17 acres.

Table Bluff, near Fortuna, Humboldt County, lot 158x88.

Turlock, lot in Anderson's addition.

Sebastopol, reported last year by some one, but no deed has been received.

Chico, reported last year by some one, but no deed has been received.

Questions relating to church and church school properties at Reno, Placerville, Vallejo, Sonoma, Richmond, and Blue Lake, were raised. Note of these was made by secretary.

Transfer of Church Properties

Elder J. O. Corliss presented the following resolutions:

Whereas, The Central California Association of the S. D. A. has been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of California for the purpose of acquiring and holding the title to church property within the territory of the Central California Conference of the S. D. A.; and—

Whereas, They have requested that transfer be made to said corporation of all the church property in that territory, the title to which is now vested in this association, a list of which is as follows: Island, Lemoore (deed in trust), Selma, Madera (Wallace), Burrough, Arroyo Grande, and the Bakersfield churches; therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby authorize and request the incoming board of directors of this association to take any and all steps necessary to transfer legally to said corporation the title of the property so held in trust for them by this association.

Question was called on this resolution, and voted in the affirmative.

Next the resolution relating to the transfer of the Northern California-Nevada properties was presented, and unanimously adopted. This is as follows:

Whereas, The Northern California Conference Association of the S. D. A. has been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of California for the purpose of acquiring and holding the title to church property within the territory of the Northern California-Nevada Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists; and—

Whereas, They have requested that a transfer be made to said corporation of all the church property in that territory, the title to which is now vested in this association, a list of which is as follows: Lodi Normal, and the Le Grand, Woodland, Lodi (English), Lodi (German), Red Bluff, Stockton, and Susanville, churches; therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby authorize and request the incoming board of directors of this association to take any and all steps necessary to transfer legally to said corporation the title of the property so held in trust for them by this association.

Mountain View Property

Voted, That this constituency authorize the incoming board of directors to dispose, by sale or lease, of the office property at Mountain View, being lots 1 and 2, Titus subdivision, of the town of Mountain View.

The committee or nominations reported as follows:

For board of directors: E. E. Andross, E. W. Farnsworth, J. J. Ireland, C. H. Jones, C. W. Irwin, L. M. Bowen, E. E. Parlin.

The secretary was instructed to cast the ballot in favor of the nominees, which was done, and nominees were declared elected.

Minutes of this meeting were read and approved by vote. On motion duly made and seconded, meeting adjourned *sine die*.

Claude Conard,
Acting Secretary.

G. A. Irwin,
Chairman.

Santa Rosa Camp-Meeting

This meeting, in attendance at which there were about 750 of our people, is now a thing of the past, but I am sure that its influence will live in the hearts and minds and homes of the people. The meeting from beginning to end was characterized by a deep spiritual mold. To my mind it is the best meeting that has been held in the California Conference for some time. The business sessions during the earlier part of the session were interspersed with sermons and Bible studies that paved the way for the good spiritual meetings that followed. The preaching was of a nature calculated to arouse the people to a realizing sense of the times in which we are living, and the need of a deeper work of grace in all hearts. The Sabbath days were days of special blessing. The Lord witnessed to the words spoken, and many individuals came forward, many to renew their covenant vows with the Lord, and others returning from a backslidden condition, while still others were giving themselves to the Lord for the first time.

The meetings conducted for the young people were exceptionally well attended and interesting; and those in charge reported that every young person who attended, professed conversion. Fifty-five persons were baptized on the last day of the meeting.

Each line of work received its due

share of consideration, and plans were laid for an extension along all lines. In connection with missionary resolutions, more than \$150 worth of tracts were purchased for personal work and use by the conference workers in tent efforts; also \$60 worth of small books and pamphlets were taken for personal work. The book stand sales netted just about \$1,000. The educational interests of the conference received careful consideration, one meeting being held in the interests of the work of the Pacific Union College, which does the academic work for the conference. The Sabbath collection taken on the "13th" Sabbath, for the school in Africa, amounted to \$190.

One meeting was given the representatives of the medical college at Loma Linda, to present the needs and importance of that school. A good impression was made upon the minds of the people, and some means were secured to help to equip the college more fully.

Prof. H. R. Salisbury, of the General Conference, was present during a portion of the meeting, and assisted especially in the educational and foreign missionary lines of work. The ministerial help consisted of Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Pacific Union; Elder E. W. Farnsworth and his local ministers; Elders J. O. Corliss, W. M. Healey, M. C. Wilcox, C. L. Taggart, J. H. Behrens, and the writer.

Taken as a whole, the meeting could be said to be a decided success. Elder Farnsworth was unanimously reelected president of the conference. He seems to have the entire confidence and support of both his workers and the people, and we can confidently expect to hear good results from the work of the laborers the coming season.

G. A. Irwin.

Book Work

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Field Notes

What one of our faithful canvassers found: "Thursday I met a woman who ordered a copy of 'Object Lessons' of me last year, and when I delivered it she ordered three more copies. At that time she professed no religion; but after she read that book and 'Great Controversy,' she began to take Bible readings, and now she is an Adventist. She ordered

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 14, 1912

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Arizona						
J. A. Kindsman	B.R.	8	9		\$ 27.00	
W. O. James *	C.K.& H.M.	46	39	\$39.50	109.50	
2 Agents		54	48	\$39.50	\$136.50	
* Two weeks' work.						

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 21, 1912

Southern California						
Reathel Jenkins	Heralds	35	17		\$42.50	
Luella Ashbaugh	Heralds	26	19		41.00	
G. C. Brown	D.& R.	33	9		11.50	
Harry McWhinney	D.& R.	31	4		14.00	
Mrs. C. N. Young	P.G.	17	4		16.00	\$7.00
Miscellaneous			10		22.35	
			63		\$147.35	\$7.00

Central California

Tressa Belvail	G.C.	25	16	\$2.50	\$51.00	
Average sales per hour, \$2.04						

Northern California-Nevada

Hazel Mack	Heralds	15	9		\$25.00	
Lottie M. Cates	Heralds	9	7		23.00	
Theodore J. Clark	Heralds	26	7		18.50	
W. S. Brown	G.C.	20	4		12.00	
Byron E. Baker	G.C.	21	3		12.00	
5 Agents		91	30		\$90.50	

a 'Heralds' of me this time, and two more 'Object Lessons' from Miss Ashbaugh." How would the reader like to have some experiences like this? It is possible for every one to have such experiences as this if they will follow the instruction of the Lord and enter this line of work.

Another girl who is working with "Heralds" writes: "I canvassed one man on his front porch, and when I had finished and stated the price, he said: 'I am not an Advent.' 'Well,' said I, 'I did not expect you to be.' He said, 'I don't believe as that book teaches, just the same!' 'You don't believe the prophecies of the Bible, then,' I answered. 'Yes, I do believe all the Bible; I am a ——— minister,' he said. I told him that I did not see how he could help believing what the book says, and I showed him different prophecies and their fulfilment, and before I left he wanted one of the books for himself."

These are some of the blessed experiences the workers are having here in the city. Surely these experiences are worth all they cost. How blessed it will be for these faithful workers to meet some of these dear souls over on the other shore, and know they are there because

of the book that they sold them which contained the gems of truth! It will mean stars in their crowns. "Will there be any stars in your crown?"

May the Lord of the harvest send forth many more reapers into His field! We want more all-round men and women in this work—that is, men and women who work all the year around. Reader, are you willing to enlist for life?

C. C. Morlan,
Field Agent So. Cal.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Canvassing Notes

While we have been somewhat backward in getting hold of the work this year, nearly all are now ready, and we hope soon to start a movement that will not let up until the day before the schools open for the next year.

Brother Westphal, our stand-by, has left us for the time being, and we shall miss his regular reports. When figuring up the work that he did here I was pleased to note that his average sales for all the time, including deliveries, bad weather, crippled feet, etc., amounted to \$40.30 a week. When we take into ac-

count that some of these weeks represent only from ten to fourteen hours' work, the average is very good; and then when we consider that this is his first experience in the book work, and that he is not a youth of twenty-five or thirty years, we are led more than ever to conclude that the work is of God, and that there are many others who could make a similar success. One day's work in the field, with such an experience as the writer had with one of our faithful canvassers yesterday, would convince the doubter that no other work affords such advancement of our spiritual growth as does the book work.

Why not taste, and see that the work is good?

J. W. Rich.

Our Work

On the occasion of the annual outing of the employees of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, Brother H. H. Hall was asked to make a short address on the work represented by this institution. He said in part:

"Our work is to print and to assist in the circulation of gospel and health literature. That this work has ever proved a mighty factor in all moral and religious reforms is recognized by all candid observers and students of history.

"Luther's Tribute to Printing

"The art of printing was discovered only a few years before the birth of Luther, 'the friend of the booksellers,' as he was called. His appreciation led him to say, 'Printing is the latest gift by which God enables us to advance the things of the gospel.'

"Our Territory

"Our territory in Canada stretches from Port Arthur, on the north of Lake Superior, to Vancouver Island, on the Pacific. In the United States it includes everything west of the Mississippi, except Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

"Organization

"The agencies through which we operate in this country consist of twenty-six conference tract societies, employing forty workers, twenty-four agents, and five union agents. We have three branch offices, located in Kansas City, in Portland, and in Calgary, Canada, all of which now occupy buildings of their own, which serve as supply depots for their respective territories.

"Sales

"Our records show that in 1875 the as-

sociation supplied to the field literature valued at ten thousand dollars. The year that has just closed records a circulation of over four hundred thousand, or forty times as much as in 1875. Our sales by five-year periods are as follows:

1875-1879	\$ 127,346.00
1880-1884	313,255.00
1885-1889	670,878.00
1890-1894	981,367.00
1895-1899	1,050,672.00
1900-1904	1,304,874.00
1905-1909	1,491,388.00
1910, 1911	840,759.00
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	\$6,780,539.00

"Thus far this year our sales show a monthly gain of \$2,000 over the same period of 1911. The shipments from our book department have aggregated seventy tons, as compared with fifty-two tons last year. Our tract sales were twenty-two million pages. This record is being upheld this year, and only last week we had one order for more than a ton of tracts in five dollar package form to one of our depositories.

"Five years ago we undertook the publication of text-books for use in our church schools, of which we have sold sixty-five thousand copies, or a little over 1,000 copies a month.

"To Foreign Lands

"In recent years our institution has been publishing a series of subscription books in German, Danish, Swedish, Spanish, Dutch, and French, which bring to us markets only limited by the organization and activities of these foreign countries in their work of extending a knowledge of the third angel's message.

"This was so in the days of the first Reformation, and is so stated by D'Aubigné, as follows:

"'If we except Switzerland, and even France, where the gospel had already been preached, the arrival of the Wittenberg doctor's writings everywhere forms the first page in the history of the Reformation.'

"This is entirely in harmony with a statement I heard Elder O. A. Olsen make recently: 'To my certain knowledge, the printed page has pioneered this message in every foreign field.'

"As an indication of the immense development of this class of business, you will be interested to know that there are now more than twenty tons of books out on the Atlantic and the Pacific, hastening to our gospel colporteurs in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, the West Indies, the Philippines, and other islands. No wonder that in publishing some of the

facts presented at the Reedley camp-meeting the other day, the editor of the Fresno *Republican*, the leading newspaper in Central California, headed the item: 'Tons of Literature Shipped by Adventists — Speaker Tells of Enormous Traffic.'

"General

"This denomination now controls twenty-eight publishing houses, in which the investment amounts to \$1,176,092. These employ 610 workers, which, together with the 1,697 canvassers, brings up the number engaged in the manufacturing and selling of our publications, to 2,307. Our publications are issued in sixty-seven different languages. The entire sales since we have records amount to \$14,222,689. The tithes paid by the denomination during that time amount to \$14,817,295.

"Every One a Part

"Brethren and sisters, the wonderful growth of this department of our work is not due to the efforts of men, nor groups of men, primarily. God is in this work. His hand has been set to see it finished, and the gospel is to be 'published' in all the world. Furthermore, this marvelous development has been occasioned by the interest all our people are taking in missionary endeavor. They have learned that our publications do bring people into the truth, hence their desire to sow them with a liberal hand."

The Field

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Orders are already coming in from the canvassers who have taken hold of the work so vigorously in the field.

Prof. J. A. L. Derby will assist Dr. W. A. Ruble in a medical institute at the Fernando Academy.

We were glad to welcome Dr. R. A. Buchanan at the office the other day. It certainly seems good to see him out again.

Prof. H. A. Grauer, formerly of the German Seminary at Clinton, Missouri, spoke to the German church at Lodi on Wednesday evening, June 26.

After a short stay at the sanitarium, Brethren J. D. Alder and W. A. Johnson will proceed to Modoc County, and open a tent effort at Cedarville.

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, will be the address of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Taylor for a few weeks. They have gone there until the opening of school, for a visit with relatives and friends.

Other tent meetings starting and soon to open are: Winnemucca, Nevada, in charge of Elder J. S. Harmon and Brother A. L. Philbrick; another tent near there in charge of Elder F. Brink and B. E. Baldwin; Sacramento, with Elder F. D. Gauterau in charge, assisted by B. T. Myers and Miss Wilma Landis; and Camino, where Elder A. J. Osborne and Brother E. J. Urquhart will labor. Let us pray for these efforts. Some of the fields are new, in others there is considerable interest now.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Riverside Sabbath-School Convention

More than three hundred persons were in attendance at a union Sabbath-school convention held at Riverside on Sabbath, June 8, in which were represented the schools of Riverside, Loma Linda, Redlands, San Bernardino, and Colton.

The day was exceptionally fine, and the occasion was marked by a cordiality and happiness which gave extraordinary grace to the whole proceedings. Sister Bertha Shryock, the Riverside Sabbath-school superintendent, presided. Professor Salisbury, of Loma Linda, and Professor Lucas, of Fernando Academy, were present, and their assistance was greatly appreciated.

The convention opened with the chorus, "Breast the Wave, Christian!" and after a period of silent prayer, "Work for the School" was sung. Professor Salisbury offered prayer. Then followed responsive Scripture reading, and solo, "Hold Thou My Hand," by Sister Shryock; remarks by Professor Salisbury; and duet, "I Belong to the King." A paper, "The Relation of the Sabbath-School to the Church," was read by Sister Hazel Baldwin, of Colton, and it called out a general discussion. Next came a duet, "God Will Take Care of You;" a recitation by Sister Zetta Jaeger, of Riverside; "How I Study My Sabbath-School Lesson," by Sister Feldcamp, of Loma

Linda; "Discipline in the Sabbath-School," by Sister Nellie Rice, of San Bernardino; "The Influence of the Teachers' Meeting," by Brother Trott, of Redlands; "The Children's Department," by Sister Reavis, of Loma Linda; "The Intermediate Department," by Brother Jones, of Loma Linda; and a song by the Loma Linda quartet.

Brother Harrison, of Loma Linda, then read a paper, "The Social Side of the Sabbath-School," which was followed by remarks by Sister Clafin, of Riverside, and others, and another song by the Loma Linda quartet.

Two-minute talks were then given upon the following topics: "Prayer in the Sabbath-School," "The Importance of Variety," "How the Secretary Can Make the Sabbath-School Interesting," and "The Use of the Lesson Quarterly," by Sister Tremaine, Brother Lawrence, and Sister Lillian Jaeger, of Riverside. Then came the chorus, "Great Is the Lord."

Brother Prout, of Loma Linda, read a paper on "The Sabbath-School Consecration Service," which elicited remarks by Sister Jensen and others. Sister Bessie Hoyt recited "Are All the Children In?" Sister Tremaine called her class, and gave a very interesting and entertaining exercise. Sister Ruble, of Loma Linda, having been assigned to read a paper on "Music in the Sabbath-School," and being absent, Sister Bertha Shryock read a carefully prepared paper on the subject. After appropriate comment thereon, the morning exercises closed with a chorus, "Dare to Be a Daniel."

The afternoon session opened with that grand old chorus, "Jerusalem, My Glorious Home," silent prayer, and another chorus, "The Better Land." Brother Mourer, of Redlands, read a paper on "The Duties of Sabbath-School Officers and Teachers," to which Brother Blosser, of Riverside, responded, giving a personal experience in a most happy and instructive manner. A male quartet, "Walking with Thee, My God," followed. Sister Vera Thurston, of San Bernardino, read a paper on "The Home Department," on which remarks were made by Brother Brauer, of Riverside. "A Year at His Feet" was rendered by Sister Lottie Jaeger, of Riverside, followed by a chorus, "Nearer Home."

Two-minute talks were given by Brother Carr, of Loma Linda, and Sister Faulkner, of Riverside, on "Sabbath-School Workers' Training Course" and "The Trained Teacher's Reward;" and

"Extracts" by Sister Lottie Cole, of Riverside. After this, followed a ladies' song, "Brightest and Best." Brother Walter Owen, of Colton, then gave a talk on Sabbath-school missions, or "The Incentive for Giving;" and Brother Dickson, of Loma Linda, on "A New Plan." Then followed a duet by Sister Lottie Jaeger and Brother Brauer, entitled "O, It Is Wonderful." A paper was read by Sister V. Nightingale, on "The Teaching of the Lesson." Valuable suggestions were made by Brother Tremaine in commenting upon this paper. Brother John Asker took up the subject of "The Review of the Lesson," with new and original thoughts concerning the same, which were supplemented very intelligently and instructively by Sister S. Ella Barr, of Riverside.

The closing song, "Sweet By and By," left in the memory of all, joyous reminiscences, and the hope that this will not be the last convention of the kind; and upon the benediction being pronounced by Professor Lucas, the convention closed, considered by all who were present, one of the best of its kind, and by some experienced ones, the very best.

T. S. Nightingale.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Notice

The thirteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on the camp ground at Glendale, California, August 5 to 18. Commencing with the evening of the 5th, at 7:30, and daily until the evening of the 8th, these meetings will be devoted entirely to the transaction of conference business. The session is called for the purpose of electing the officers of the conference for the ensuing year, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

All churches in this conference are entitled to a delegate representation at this session on the following basis: one delegate to represent the church organization, and one additional delegate for each twenty-five members or fraction thereof.

The camp-meeting proper will commence August 8, at 7:30 P.M.

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Some excellent reports are held until next week's RECORDER in order to give space for the full proceedings of the California Conference. These are greatly appreciated, and will appear so that all may have them.

For Sale

Having been called to work elsewhere, I offer for sale our beautiful little home in Mountain View, located in good residence section, three blocks from the Pacific Press and church school. House of five rooms, modern conveniences; lot 70 by 140, with bearing fruit-trees, berries, etc. H. B. Thomas, Mountain View, California.

Southern California Association of Seventh-Day Adventists

Notice

The thirteenth annual session of the Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on the camp ground at Glendale, California, August 5 to 10, in connection with the annual meeting of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The first meeting of the session will convene August 5, at 7:30 P.M. At this time officers will be elected, and all other business pertaining to the annual session will be transacted.

E. E. Andross, *President*.
Frank Lane, *Secretary*.

Sanitarium Association of Seventh-Day Adventists of Southern California

Notice

The fifth annual session of the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California will be

held in connection with the annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at Glendale, California, for the purpose of electing the officers of the corporation, and transacting such other business as may come before the body. The first meeting will be held at 10 A.M. Tuesday, August 5, 1912.

E. E. Andross, *President*.
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Wanted

By the Paradise Valley Sanitarium Training School for Missionary Nurses, twenty consecrated young men and women who are willing to devote their lives to the Master's service.

This school affords a most thorough and up-to-date training in all departments. Its location is ideal. Its climate is the very best, warm and sunny in winter, and cool in summer. New commodious home for nurses just completed. Class begins October 1, 1912. Write at once for illustrated booklet.

Superintendent of Training School,
Paradise Valley Sanitarium,
National City, California.

Faithfulness in Tithe Paying

When I was visiting one of the churches in our conference, the treasurer handed me a letter received from a friend, who, although he is not a member of the church, is faithful in sending month by month his remittance of tithe. The following is a copy of the letter:

"Dear Friend: I suppose you will think I had forgotten my duty. We got our pay Friday evening, and I did not go to town until Monday, and that makes it a few days late. I just received a couple of magazines, *Liberty* and *Life and Health*. I suppose you sent them. I have not read them yet, although I am always thankful for such reading-matter, and thank you just the same.

"Enclosed you will find a check for \$11 for tithe. Hoping you will excuse the delay, I remain,

"Yours most sincerely."

And previous to this last remittance, he has sent for March \$25, for April \$25, and for May \$14, showing that tithe paying is a part of his experience and evidently his religion.

May it not be that the faithfulness of this individual, who is not a Sabbath-

keeper, will be a means of admonishing those of us who may be amiss in this all-important duty?

J. H. Behrens.

Southern California Camp-Meeting

After some delay, we have secured a location for our camp-meeting at Glendale. It is located on Broadway and Central Avenue, one block from the Glendale station on the Pacific Electric line. This is a very central location, and we believe it will be in every way suitable for our large camp-meeting. It will be close to the sanitarium—only about five or seven minutes' walk.

We are expecting the largest camp-meeting that we have ever held in Southern California, and without doubt it will be the largest camp-meeting held anywhere in the United States this year. I trust that all our people will plan on attending this meeting.

We are drawing nearer the end of time, and our opportunities for labor will soon be over. We need fitting up for efficient service, such as we have never yet had. The Lord is waiting to bestow His Spirit upon people in larger measure than ever before, and this camp-meeting is one of the Lord's appointed opportunities for the receiving of the Holy Spirit to equip us for service.

We expect efficient help from outside our field, but can not say yet just what this will be.

A series of tent meetings is now in progress near the grounds, under the direction of Elders E. J. Hibbard and H. G. Thurston, assisted by other workers. Quite an interest is manifested. We hope that large results may follow this summer's effort in Glendale.

I would urge both old and young throughout our churches to prepare to attend this meeting. It will be held from August 5 to 18. The first three days will be devoted exclusively to the business interests of the conference, and ten days to the camp-meeting proper. The first business meeting of the conference will be called Monday evening at 7:30. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday will be devoted to the business, and we trust that all delegates elected by the churches will be in attendance at the first meeting.

Come praying for the blessing of God upon the business as well as all other interests of the camp-meeting.

E. E. Andross.