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## Pacific Union Conference S. D. A. Directory

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Healdsburg College debt . . . .	\$28,702.48
Lodi Normal Institute debt. . .	25,967.45
Pacific Union College debt. . . .	32,829.80
	\$87,499.73

This amount apportioned to and assumed by the different conferences stands as follows:

California Conference . . . . .	\$48,010.21
Northern California-Nevada. . .	20,412.05
Central California . . . . .	19,077.47

Each of the above conferences has given its note, bearing interest at five per cent, to the California Conference Association for the amount herein stated. Now the plan that has been recommended for us to meet this obligation is as follows: That all our people in the conference be asked to adopt a system of payment equal to five per cent of their income from January 1, 1912, the same to be paid as other funds, through the church treasury; or that each church be invited to become responsible for a portion of the debt equal to the amount of tithe paid by its members during the year 1911, and together the respective churches endeavor to raise this amount within two years.

These recommendations were formulated by a council of elders from the various churches, and conference workers, held at the Pacific Union College, January 16 and 17, 1912, and approved by the Pacific Union Conference at their biennial session held in Los Angeles, March 21 to 26, 1912; and the following resolution was passed at our conference and camp-meeting held at Santa Rosa, June 20 to 30, 1912:

"In harmony with the plans adopted at the church elders' council held at the Pacific Union College, January 16, 17, 1912, we hereby endorse the same, and

recommend that earnest efforts be put forth without delay by all 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."

We have thirty-eight churches in this conference, with a membership of 2,573, and we are all responsible in this obligation. We have received the goods. The Pacific Union College is in operation, doing a splendid work, which the record will show. The property is worth much more to-day than at the time when we bought it.

We have adopted the plans and acted on the resolutions, so let us all take hold—as one man. The blessing comes by doing, and it will be accomplished.

"The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the Lord, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the Lord had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses." Ex. 35:29.

Andrew Brorsen.

## The Field

### CALIFORNIA

#### Our Legacy and Obligations

At the conference held in Fresno, February 9 to 19, 1911, the California Conference was by unanimous vote of the delegates divided into three conferences, and the school debt was apportioned to each conference according to the membership at that time. The following statement taken from the minutes of that meeting shows the exact amount of the aggregate note indebtedness January 1, 1911, that had been assumed by the California Association for these three fields, after crediting all money received on pledges:

#### Conference Current

Elder C. L. Taylor, of the St. Helena Sanitarium, spent several days in San Jose and vicinity last week.

Brother J. W. Bressie from Fort Bragg, writes of his interest there in an encouraging way. He is beginning, however, to find it cold in that section for evening meetings in the tent.

Last Sabbath, Brother J. R. Ferren, of the Pacific Union Conference, and Brother F. A. Coffin, recently appointed secretary of the tract and missionary department of the California Conference, met with the Melrose church.

Brother J. R. Ferren, general missionary secretary for the Pacific Union Conference, is spending some time in the conference office, helping to plan for the Harvest Ingathering campaign and for other phases of our missionary work. We certainly appreciate the assistance which Brother Ferren is giving both in the office and in the field.

In a letter dated September 1, from Elder J. A. Stevens, the following is of interest regarding the situation at Petrolia: "As a result of the effort, seven took a definite stand to obey the truth. One of these was baptized, three others will be baptized in Eureka in the near future, and I hope to baptize others at Petrolia the next time I am there."

A letter just received from Brother Charles W. Peter, who is laboring from house to house in Willits and vicinity, states that he is finding considerable interest in the study of the truth. Several have decided to keep the Sabbath. Brother Peter works with "The Family Bible Teacher," lends and sells our books, and gives Bible readings and studies wherever there are openings.

Brother H. B. Thomas, recently appointed field missionary secretary of the California Conference, has moved his family from Mountain View to Oakland, and is now in the field for business. He will also assist the Sabbath-schools by counsel and encouragement in his visits among the churches. For several years Brother Thomas has had charge of the shipping department at the Pacific Press.

Elders Taphouse and Washburn write encouragingly of their tent work in San Jose. A letter dated September 5, from Elder Taphouse, contains the following: "We began meetings here on the corner of Eighth and Williams streets, Sunday, August 25, with an attendance of fifty-nine, and our average attendance up to date has been about forty-three. Last evening there were fifty-one present. There seems to be a good interest among those who attend, and we are of good courage in the Lord."

Elder E. W. Farnsworth attended the annual session of the Utah Conference, which closed the first of this week.

A week ago last Sunday, Elder G. A. Snyder and wife, who have been connected with the work in the California Conference and the bay section for a number of years, left for Loma Linda, where Elder Snyder will connect with the school as Bible teacher. The many friends of Elder and Mrs. Snyder regretted to see them leave this part of the state, and prayers follow them for the new work which they are taking up.

Plans are being laid throughout the field for the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Some good orders are already coming from the churches in this conference for the special *Signs Magazine* which is to be used in the solicitation of funds for needy missions. September 30 to October 4 is the time set apart for this special work, although the campaign in its general aspect will extend to the close of the year. Orders for papers and solicitors' cards should be sent to the conference office at once. The papers are furnished free to those who will make use of them in soliciting mission offerings.

Claude Conard.

### To Church Librarians

The reporting of the missionary work in your church will greatly help in building up our tract and missionary work in this conference. The many missionary acts, though small, when reported and grouped, serve to stimulate us all in a special way. They encourage us to be more faithful in giving out tracts, sending forth our papers, making missionary visits, and doing the many other things that help to extend a knowledge of the truth.

Will you not assist in carrying out a simple system by which every month the work done by our lay members in this conference may be reported in the RECORDER?

Here is the plan: On the Sunday after the last Sabbath in the month, make out a monthly missionary report, either from the weekly missionary report blanks you have passed out and had returned, or from your general knowledge of the work the

church has done. Make this on the regular monthly missionary report blank, and send it to me. If you have not this blank, we will gladly supply you on request. If you will do this, and all will do it, a full report for the month may appear in the RECORDER.

We are arranging for this monthly report to be published, and shall begin soon, giving a list of the churches from which reports are received. Please send report for September, and feel free to write me about your work.

Remember the joy and courage we all find in the reports of our Saviour's works found in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

H. B. Thomas,

Miss. Sec. Cal. Conf.

### Comparative Statement of Tithe Received up to August 31

	1911	1912
Alameda	\$ 489.93	\$ 628.43
Alcatraz Company		227.40
Arcata	261.35	207.77
Berkeley	321.47	1,074.31
Calistoga	190.03	192.22
Daly City		326.15
Eureka	441.69	461.60
Ferndale	115.20	94.90
Fortuna	355.13	449.15
Guerneville	51.60	109.10
Haywards	76.00	129.10
Healdsburg	731.11	707.92
Kelseyville	96.65	94.92
Los Gatos	184.95	119.44
McKinleyville		42.70
Melrose	930.50	1,425.56
Morgan Hill	171.70	395.79
Mountain View	3,142.87	3,917.89
Napa	378.27	488.25
Oakland	2,185.12	2,475.87
Pac. Union College	744.02	1,281.06
Park, San Francisco	230.98	236.74
Pepperwood	100.00	99.15
Petaluma	97.98	250.60
Richmond	268.40	245.97
St. Helena	1,014.58	1,113.34
San Francisco	2,552.01	2,142.34
"    special	3,100.00	
Sanitarium	4,167.62	3,993.82
San Jose	648.86	1,494.82
Santa Cruz	563.00	365.00
Santa Rosa	181.35	219.96
Sebastopol	264.98	336.41
Smith River	10.00	16.10
Sonoma	74.48	233.57
Soquel		50.90
Ukiah	97.35	151.50
Union St., S. F.	275.02	39.54
(Discontinued March 1, 1912)		
Vacaville		10.90
Vallejo	132.95	63.83
Watsonville	475.37	122.80
Personal	917.27	820.54
	\$26,039.80	\$26,857.36

Claude Conard,  
Treasurer.

REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 1912

School	Member-ship	Attendance	Regular Offering	13th Sab.	Total	Average per Mem. per Sab.
Alameda	55	41	\$39.95	\$ 3.50	\$39.45	\$.055
Arcata	14	12	6.67	1.19	7.86	.043
Banner	25	21	7.92	2.17	10.09	.031
Berkeley	73	56	59.62	26.50	86.12	.090
Blue Lake	6	5	3.60	1.30	4.90	.062
<sup>1</sup> Byron	4	4	6.00	C. M.	6.00	.11
Calistoga	37	28	7.95	5.68	13.63	.028
Eureka	72	62	26.35	12.86	39.21	.041
Ferndale	13	8	10.60	2.15	12.75	.075
<sup>3</sup> Fortuna	13	9	5.35		5.35	.031
<sup>1</sup> Guerneville	4	4	6.45	C. M.	6.45	.13
<sup>2</sup> Haywards	16	10	7.50		7.50	.066
<sup>2</sup> Healdsburg	103	79	42.26	C. M.	42.26	.034
Kelseyville	7	4	2.10	1.50	3.50	.039
Los Gatos	23	18	16.96	7.16	24.12	.080
McKinleyville	19	15	2.99	.11	3.10	.012
<sup>1</sup> Meirose	104	77	42.86	3.71	46.57	.034
Miranda	10	9	1.20	.60	1.80	.013
Morgan Hill	22	21	15.15	5.17	20.32	.071
Mountain View	174	156	147.69	53.00	200.69	.088
Napa	52	45	29.62	2.70	32.32	.047
Oakland	252	213	134.59	17.17	151.76	.046
<sup>4</sup> Oakville	16	14	5.00		5.00	.024
Pacific College	144	120	53.28		53.28	.028
Pepperwood	No Report					
Petaluma	28	19	19.40	2.95	22.35	.061
Petrolia	10	10	5.00	3.00	8.00	.061
<sup>1</sup> Richmond	26	16	11.20	.36	11.56	.034
St. Helena	110	94	55.32	5.55	61.37	.043
San Francisco	83	75	55.19	9.00	64.19	.059
San Francisco, Park	22	19	16.00		16.00	.055
Sanitarium	179	138	89.30	16.22	105.52	.045
San Jose	75	56	27.26	5.15	32.41	.033
San Rafael	6	6	10.50	1.25	11.75	.15
Santa Cruz	38	29	16.21	6.80	23.01	.047
<sup>1</sup> Santa Rosa	52	36	14.17	C. M.	14.17	.020
<sup>1</sup> Sebastopol	99	52	15.71	C. M.	15.71	.014
Shively	13	13	8.09	2.10	10.19	.060
<sup>1</sup> Sonoma	47	40	31.19	C. M.	31.19	.055
Soquel	8	3	5.32	1.50	6.82	.065
Ukiah	29	25	21.94	3.80	25.74	.068
Vallejo	28	14	4.36	1.00	5.36	.014
Vista Grande	36	27	26.15	4.80	30.95	.066
<sup>1</sup> Watsonville	10	10	4.66	C. M.	4.66	.038
Willits	7	7	3.30	.50	3.80	.041
State Home Department	24	20	13.70	14.46	28.16	.090
Camp-meeting			75.51	193.85	269.36	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2186</b>	<b>1740</b>	<b>\$1207.64</b>	<b>\$418.76</b>	<b>\$1626.40</b>	<b>\$.052</b>

<sup>1</sup>Most of the members of the schools indicated by figure 1 were in attendance at the camp-meeting on the thirteenth Sabbath, and their offering is included in the camp-meeting offering for that day.

<sup>2</sup>For seven Sabbaths only. School discontinued the rest of the quarter.

<sup>3</sup>No school held on the thirteenth Sabbath.

<sup>4</sup>Last quarter's membership and attendance. School did not report. Financial report taken from conference treasurer's books.

Rosamond D. Ginther,  
Sabbath-School Secretary California Conference

was conducted by Brother H. L. Wolfson, and each one was called upon to give a testimony of the past week's effort of personal victory. All spoke encouragingly, although complete victories were few, yet all agreed to continue trying. The song 'Beautiful Flowers' was sung for the children, as their cards illustrated the rain falling on flowers as the Holy Spirit falls upon us."

Merl Horton.

August 25 we started our meetings at Battle Mountain with a fair attendance for a town with three stores and thirteen whisky shops. The principal of the school and his wife attended regularly. There is also a Catholic Spanish merchant attending. He seems to be deeply interested. After talking with him, I took out my watch and remarked, "We have been talking for one hour." He said, "It seems not more than two minutes to me." His expressions of kindness and gratitude show love for the truth, and deep interest. Others are interested, and we are hoping and praying that souls may be brought into the light of present truth. The way looks bright. Where sin abounds, grace much more abounds. The bright jewels taken from among the sin-polluted, prove this true.

B. E. Baldwin.

We began meetings in the tent in Camino June 30, and continued each evening for a time, then discontinued three evenings in the week. We have not had a large attendance, probably an average of about thirty. The donations here, and of the brethren and sisters of Placerville, have covered our expense of transportation and of conducting the meetings. We have tried to help the Placerville church, besides some other places where help was needed. Three weeks ago we organized a Sabbath-school of nineteen members, which has increased to thirty-five. Last Sabbath fifteen signed the covenant, and yesterday ten followed their Lord in baptism, and one other was to have gone forward but was prevented by illness. We hope for others, and thank the Lord of harvest for His blessed Spirit to lead souls to obey the truth. We feel that we have had the prayers of our brethren and sisters, and still desire that we shall be remembered at the throne of grace, that others may become fully obedient to the Word.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Osborne.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Urquhart.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Teachers and students are already arriving, to be ready for the opening of the normal September 23.

Some of our church schools have opened, and we look forward to a prosperous year for both the teachers and the students.

Elder C. L. Taggart was recently called to Chico to conduct the funeral service of Brother E. J. Urquhart's infant child.

Brother and Sister W. B. Taylor returned from their Eastern trip Thursday night. Their many friends welcome them again to Lodi.

Elder N. W. Kauble spent a few days the past week with the little company at Camino, assisting Elder A. J. Osborne in the tent effort at that place during the absence of Brother E. J. Urquhart.

An educational rally was held at Turlock Sabbath, September 14. Elder C. L. Taggart, Prof. I. C. Colecord, J. W. Rich, and Mrs. Mina Mann, from Lodi, attended and assisted in the exercises.

Concerning the small company at Colfax we have the following taken from the report of the Sabbath-school secretary: "We came to Sabbath-school thinking our lesson subject ('The Holy Spirit') and our first song ('Speak to My Soul') very appropriate. Brother Fred Wolfson asked God's blessing to fall upon us according to our faith. The review

## Sacramento

August 25 found the writer and J. A. L. Derby beginning an effort in the downtown district of this city. We pitched our tent on the corner of Thirteenth and Kay streets, in the business section, and opposite the large brick Westminster Presbyterian church.

Our tabernacle is beautifully shaded with tall trees on both sides, the foliage overhead presenting a lovely setting for the clean white canvas tinged with red. The location is ideal for advertising subjects, etc., as there is a large traffic.

We wrote an article for one of the papers—a brief of the sermon for the first Sunday night—"The Millennium." The editors made use of nearly all of it, heading the article, "Down-Town Revival in Monster Tent." This appeared with large capitals at the top of the second column of the first page. Over 200 people heard that evening, and a good impression was made.

The first week, the attendance was excellent. Then came the rain, dampening their ardor, but not ours. We rallied our forces, and are now gaining this third week.

We persist in writing extracts of sermons for the papers which we think will be received, and the editors have been very generous.

Next Sabbath will see a number of new Sabbath-keepers. We have a fine interest. One man stepped up to us last evening and said that he had made up his mind, and wished to become one of us. This brother has read many of our works, but never before heard the living preacher. He has been superintendent of a Sunday-school a long while.

Our expenses have been more than met already by collections.

May the Lord continue to bless His work here, to whom be all the praise.

F. DeWitt Gauterau.

September 12.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

### Santa Ana

Sabbath, August 31, was a good day with the Santa Ana church. The church building was well filled, there being a good attendance, at both forenoon and afternoon services, from the Orange church, and some from Garden Grove.

At the forenoon service, Dr. H. F. Rand, of the Glendale Sanitarium, gave an interesting and timely talk on obedience to

God and the principles of healthful living. The afternoon services consisted of a union program on education, by the Orange and Santa Ana Young People's societies. The articles read by the young people were well filled with good thoughts along educational lines, and in the discussion following, in which several took part, the importance of our young people's now securing a good education was emphasized.

After the rendering of the program, the order of the meeting was changed, and nine willing souls were buried by baptism in the baptistery of the church, by Elder Oscar Hill. Seven of these united with the Santa Ana church. Two were candidates for rebaptism, being already church-members.

Harry Blackburn.

## CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

### Conference Notes

Elder J. H. Behrens baptized two at Reedley recently, and a Sabbath-school was organized.

Miss Miriam Clark, of the California-Nevada Conference, has accepted a position as teacher at Kaweah.

J. W. Rich made a successful delivery of books last week, losing but one order out of more than \$300 worth.

Elder J. H. Behrens, C. L. Davis, and Miss Mable Noggle are holding general meetings with the coast churches this week and next.

Mrs. T. D. Robison will spend some time in Los Angeles and vicinity, taking a much needed rest before again taking up conference work.

Elder F. M. Burg, president of the Southern California Conference, spoke in the Fresno church last Sabbath. We will be glad to have him come again.

The educational convention that was called for Armona Sabbath, September 7, was postponed on account of the funeral of Brother T. D. Robison at Lemoore.

Brethren Patterson and Brown write from New Monterey that the priest has commanded his people to remain away from the tent. While some have obeyed

the priest, others are still coming, and it is hoped that some may yet obey the call of the Spirit.

G. A. Wheeler.

## Oceano

We began meetings here in Oceano August 6 with a fair attendance, which continued for five weeks. We met with some opposition, which only made the truth shine the brighter. Four good, substantial souls have decided to obey, and are awaiting baptism. There are several others who are convinced, that we believe will decide a little later.

C. W. Fuller.

A. J. Stevens.

## ARIZONA

### Conference Notice

The eleventh annual session of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held upon the camp ground in the city of Phoenix, October 24 to November 3, 1912. The first meeting of the conference session will be held at 9:00 A.M. on Friday the 25th inst. The special purpose of this session is to elect officers for the coming year, and to transact such other business as naturally pertains to the operation of the conference.

All churches received into our organization are entitled to delegates on the following basis; namely, one for each local church, and one additional for each seven members or fraction thereof. All churches should elect their delegates and alternates at an early date, and forward their names to the secretary of the conference.

This will be the first camp-meeting ever held by our people in this conference. We have the assurance of the presence of the following laborers: Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Pacific Union Conference; Elder G. A. Irwin, vice-president of the union; Elder F. M. Burg, president of the Southern California Conference; Elder Luther Warren, and Dr. T. J. Evans, superintendent of the Loma Linda Sanitarium. We also expect the presence of Brethren A. A. Cone and C. C. Morlan, prominent book men of California. More than all human help, we are confident of the presence of the Lord, by His Spirit, according to His promise. We trust that all our people in Arizona, if possible, will attend this feast of tabernacles.

We have a limited number of tents to

rent, nearly all of which are 12 by 17 feet in size. These tents are all provided with canvas flies, or shades, and burlap carpets. Price for tent complete, without furniture, \$5.00. The prices for furniture will be as follows: double wire bed-springs, 60 cents; folding chairs, 15 cents each; small tables, 35 cents; gas-line stoves, 75 cents. All who desire tents and furniture should send in their orders to the conference office early, as we will need to have more tents made if we do not have enough on hand to supply the demand.

All should bring their own bedding, including straw ticks. Baled straw will be supplied as cheaply as possible on the ground. For the benefit of those who desire to be relieved of the trouble of bringing cooking utensils and doing their own cooking, staple dishes of hot foods will be supplied at very reasonable rates, but no regular restaurant will be maintained on the ground. Any who are not accustomed to the living conditions which prevail at our camp-meetings, should feel free to address questions to the conference office.

In order to be sure of getting reduced rates over the railways, and thus giving all of our people in the conference the most favorable possible opportunity to attend, it has been decided to hold our camp-meeting at the time when the half-fare rate is in force on account of the state fair. The actual date of the fair this year is October 28 to November 2, but the rate will be in effect for one or two days both before and after the actual time when the fair will be in session. As it is desired to hold a ten days' camp-meeting, we will begin on Thursday night, October 24, and close Sunday night, November 3. The first meeting, to organize the conference and to appoint committees, will be held on Friday, the 25th, at 9:00 A.M., after which all business proceedings will be held in abeyance until Monday, the 28th, which will give time for all delegates to reach the camp. To reach the meeting at the earliest possible date on fair rates, the thing to do is to learn from your local ticket agent the exact date when the fair tickets are on sale, and then, availing yourself of the rate, reach the meeting as early as possible.

The camp ground will be located at the corner of Tenth and Pierce streets. Those coming over either the Santa Fe or the Southern Pacific can reach the ground most easily by taking the street-car on the street just west of the Santa

Line at the corner of First and Washington streets. This car will take you direct to the camp ground in ten minutes time. One five-cent fare will be sufficient if you ask the first conductor for a transfer to the Brill Line. The Brill cars leave First and Washington at ten minutes and at forty minutes past the even hour.

While the question will confront some, "Can I afford to go?" perhaps a more important question ought to be taken into consideration; namely, "Can I afford to miss the blessings which are sure to be poured out upon those who will attend this convocation?"

G. W. Reaser,  
President.

### Conference Items

Elder W. L. Sims recently spent a few days in Phoenix in getting his family located, so that they might have the benefits of our conference school. He then returned to follow up the interest at Prescott. This plan will release Brother James from the work in that place, and he will again go into the canvassing field, beginning his fall campaign by working Kingman.

Elder G. G. Sims recently returned with his wife from Glendale Sanitarium, where the latter had been receiving treatment for the past three months. Sister Sims is much improved in health, and we trust that she will soon regain full strength. Brother and Sister Sims both speak in terms of the highest praise of the attention, skilled medical care, and excellent nursing given at the institution named.

Three adults have recently been baptized and added to the Buckeye church. These were all earnest Christian people, and we believe they will add to the working force of that church. They are the fruit of missionary work done by the church, a little effort being added by conference workers to help them over some critical points. Still others at Buckeye are deeply interested; and with the hope that these may be established in the truth, we expect soon to hold a series of meetings in that place.

Some of our Arizona families are still following the well-beaten trail to Southern California. In all, we have counted some thirty-nine of our people who have

during the past year taken up their permanent abode in California. Nearly all these families go away so that their children may enjoy the advantages of more advanced educational work than our conference is prepared to supply at the present time; and the more our membership is thus depleted, the more difficult it becomes to gather and hold a constituency which will enable us to carry on larger institutional work. While we regret to lose any of our people by removal to a conference that is already so large and strong, yet we can not blame parents for desiring to give their children every possible advantage for preparation for service in the cause of God. However, the facts before stated make it almost an impossibility for this conference to gather and hold a constituency which will make it self-supporting. Our increase in membership this year will not equal our losses in removals to California.

G. W. Reaser.

## Young People's Corner

### Can the World Do It?

Can the world give to Seventh-day Adventist children and young people the training necessary to make them successful workers in God's cause?

Please notice the wording of the question: "Can the world do it?" Is it possible for it to do it? Has it the power?

The great, pulsing, busy world of today has accomplished great things in all lines, and as time continues it will certainly multiply its achievements. Every one with open eyes is able to see that unwittingly, the great men of earth are daily adding to the list of the nearly marvelous things that mark this time as the day of God's preparation. All must admit that the great inventions of our day are matters of providence, and that they are primarily designed to aid in bringing the work to a speedy close.

But while the world has thus so remarkably contributed to the providing of means for carrying forward gospel work, it has continued in its great march downward, and, morally speaking, is farther away from God at this time than ever before. That it does not appear more evil and more worthy of being shunned, is because (using another's thought) sin is capable of a high polish, and is now

so embellished and burnished that the thoughtless observer mistakes it for righteousness. We may thoroughly credit the statement of God's word that the "perilous times" of the "last days" are here, and that the world, notwithstanding all its accomplishments, is almost ripe for destruction.

There is no question about the fact that the world has done great things in the matter of education. So far as the world itself is concerned, its schools have proved and are proving a great help in preparing the children for citizenship here below. It is impossible to deny, even were one disposed so to do, that the teaching of any science whatsoever, by any person whatsoever, must to an extent remove ignorance, and thus enable the one taught to become of greater usefulness. And undoubtedly God has overruled in the development of the great educational systems of the world, to the end that the world may be made susceptible to the truth of the gospel of Christ.

Let no one think, however, even for a moment, that what God has given to the world, as a help to the world, He has given to His people. The worldly system is the best that He can find for the world, and His blessing will attend it to the world; but it has *not* been given to the church, and His blessing will not attend it to the church.

And right here is the crucial point of the matter. We are not to reason that because the worldly system proves a blessing to the world, it will prove a blessing to us. God has provided some better thing for us, and His Spirit is to use only this better thing for our work. When we were ignorant of the better way, God forgave and helped us to escape many pitfalls; but now that we see and know the truth, He expects us to change all our plans, and make them after the order of the truth.

If God ever spoke to Seventh-day Adventists regarding one matter more than another, it has been concerning this one of education. He has told us to establish our own schools, to develop a new order of things, to take our children away from the world and its teaching. He has been divinely in earnest with us. He expects us to heed His instruction. And now that He has spoken, it will be a deliberate sacrifice of our children and youth to continue them in worldly schools, because when we disobey, God can no longer place around them, as He would, the mantle of His protection. Pre-

sumptuous disregard of His will, in large measure cuts us and our children off from His blessing.

In this great work of education, the blessing of God is paramount.

At the very best, the spirit of the worldly school is antagonistic to that of God's great message for to-day. Just as the spirit or mind of a wicked author goes always with the bad book, and transforms the mind of the reader into the author's likeness, so the spirit of the worldly school attends all its work, and imperceptibly steals over the minds of those who are taught, making them like the world. The worldly spirit takes possession, and becomes the controlling element of the life. Attendance upon the worldly school can not do otherwise than to mold the child into worldly form.

On the other hand, daily contact with the spirit and plan and purpose of the message, which accompanies the work of our own schools, molds the student into right form. He becomes shaped for service. And while he has studied many of the same things taught by the world, he has been subject, all the time, to the influence of that unseen Presence which is able to make the most common subject of study a spiritual uplift. It makes all the difference in the world whether or not we are studying definitely to please God.

Of necessity the worldly school, at its best, must be only neutral in spiritual things. It can not of right teach the word of God. And yet what is an educational system that has in it no Bible teaching? Think of it—the Book of all books left out! And then think further, and consider that the teaching of the Bible is the only thing that can give true character to all other subjects. God's plan is that every science, of whatever nature, shall find its true place in our life through its association with the direct truth of the Bible. How, then, can the worldly school educate our children, even in the common studies, to fill useful places in the Lord's work? And how can it do anything at all for them when, by the very law of right, it can not give them the Bible?

Daily study of the word of God is the only course that fits one for service for God in the message of to-day.

Dear young friend, while you are planning for school, think these things over. I tell you, the world has nothing for you. You may say, Well, I want to attend a school that the world recognizes, and

whose credits it will accept. But why? Please remember that our own educational system is the only one that can ultimately prepare you for the Lord's work, and it surely will accept its own credits. Dismiss the very thought of any further or future connection with the worldly system. Let us all together pray and work to the end of perfecting God's plans of education.

C. L. Taylor.

### Experiences in Africa

Brother E. C. Silsbee, a former conference Volunteer secretary in Southern California, and well known among our sanitarium workers, wrote us recently regarding the outlook in South Africa, where he and his wife are laboring among the Basutos. One of the experiences related in his encouraging letter will be of interest to the RECORDER readers, many of whom are acquainted with Brother Silsbee. He writes:

"After accepting the call to superintend the work in Basutoland, I went over to view the field, get an idea of what was to be done, and plan the work for a few weeks to come, when we expected to be there permanently.

"The train stopped up among the mountains where there was not even a depot, and I got off, and into an ox cart that had come to take me to the Emmanuel Mission. After traveling till midnight, we reached the mission.

"Brother and Sister Homer Olinstead, who were both students in Fernando Academy, have charge of the work here. While here, the greater part of the time was spent in the saddle. Brother Olinstead secured a couple of Basuto ponies, which compare favorably with Mexican mustangs, and we would ride out in one direction one day, and in another the next, returning each night to the mission. In this way I became acquainted with some of the country surrounding the mission, and saw many, many 'kraals,' or villages, teeming with natives who know not the gospel. And I prayed, 'O God, give us grace, and wisdom, and understanding, for the great work of telling all these hundreds of thousands of souls of Thy soon coming.'

"Upon arriving at a village, we would ask for the chief of that village. If he were home, we would salute him, tell him of our work and our mission among his people, listen to his expressions of gratitude, wish him well, and ride on to the

next kraal. In each instance, without exception, these chiefs would give us a hearty welcome.

"Sabbath and Sunday were given to preaching services for those who came to the mission from the villages near.

"After several days at this mission, I took the train for Kolo, another of our mission stations, situated in the southern part of this field.

"Here Brother and Sister Emmerson, of Washington, are in charge, and Brother Emmerson met me at the station, and together we rode nearly two days and a half before arriving at the Kolo Mission. Of this time we spent some in visiting another station, where we have a native convert as teacher in charge. We also stopped at the village of the paramount chief.

"Arriving at this chief's village, we were instructed to wait in a house near while one of his head men went to tell the chief we were there. This man soon returned to tell us to wait until the chief should call us.

"After a while Brother Emmerson was called, having met the chief before, and I was left to my own meditations. The chief seemed in no hurry. None of the people of this country, either white or black, seem to be 'speed crazy.' And here I had no alternative but to wait the pleasure of this black prince.

"After a time the 'induna,' or counselor, appeared and said, 'The chief would see you.' Instead of conducting me into the council chambers, as I expected he would, the induna took me into the bedroom of the chief, where we found him in bed, with rheumatism. There he had been for nearly a year.

"After greeting me and asking about our missions and plans of work, he mentioned to us something of his affairs, and of the national council or parliament of the Basuto nation that was in session at that time, and said that he was sorry that he could not be present, as there were some important questions to come up that he would like to hear personally.

"We expressed our sympathy for him, and Brother Emmerson told him of our methods of water treatments, and that I was trained in that particular work. He then asked the chief if he would like a treatment. I must say that I was completely abashed at this sudden suggestion to the chief without more preliminaries, but the word was said now, and I anxiously awaited the answer.

"For a time the chief seemed to ig-

nore the suggestion entirely, and we were speaking on some other subject, when, in a lull in the conversation, he told his interpreter to tell us that he was ready for the treatment.

"He had waited so long that I had begun to wish he would not take a treatment this time, for two reasons. In the first place, I was afraid that any treatment that I might give him might not please him; and then it was getting late, and we had several hours' ride, over a rough country, before us, in order to reach the mission that night.

"But now there was nothing left for me to do but to proceed, so I proceeded.

"The chief sent his servants to heat water and make preparations for the treatment as we directed, and in due course of time I had given him a thorough treatment, including fomentations and a full massage.

"After I had finished, the chief sat up in bed, and called upon those present to witness what the treatment had done for him. The interpreter then explained to us that the chief had not been able to sit up in bed before for nearly nine months. The result of this experience is as interesting as the experience itself.

"The Union Conference had asked this chief for a place for a mission, and he had delayed giving his answer, until it began to be questioned whether it would be favorably given or not, while the Church of England (the leading church of this country) and the Catholic Church had asked for more mission stations, and had been flatly refused, the chief telling them that his country had quite enough missions already. But after the treatment, he told us that he was only too glad to give us the station we had asked for, and that he also had in mind two other places where he would like to have us start missions, for he believed we were there in his country to do him and his people good instead of to take their money from them. Thus the medical missionary work again proved to be the 'right arm' of the message.

"It is needless to say that when we bade the chief farewell and galloped away, we felt well repaid for the time spent.

"Thus the Lord blesses every effort of each worker to the advancement of His cause. And now for laborers for each of these new mission stations. And all those who can not come themselves, we would earnestly ask that they would

pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the harvest."

Brother Silsbee sends hearty greetings to the Missionary Volunteers in California, and earnestly requests the prayers of God's people in behalf of needy Africa. Any one desiring to write Brother E. C. Silsbee may address him at Don Don, Basutoland, care of Kolo Mission, South Africa.

Ernest Lloyd.

### Oakland Young People's Convention

The efforts put forth by the San Francisco young people to reach the inmates of the San Francisco jail were described by Mrs. K. Gutman at the young people's convention of bay city churches, held in the Oakland church, Sabbath, August 24. She said the greatest need is for some place where those who are converted can have work. Elder G. A. Snyder suggested that Judge Ben Lindsay's plan be followed, and that the names of business men willing to employ converted persons just out of jail be secured. W. E. Johnson told of the jail work in Battle Creek a few years ago, and said that good results had been obtained by leasing a large tract of land and putting the men at work on it.

No work has yet been done for the women in the San Francisco jail, but it is planned to take this up soon. It is expected it will be more difficult than that for the men, ninety-five per cent of the women there being confined for drunkenness.

Joseph Stouter told of the wonderful healing, a short time ago, of a Chinese leper who was confined at the leper camp of the county hospital. The healing was in direct answer to prayer, which was continued for a week. The Chinese was also converted. He has now secured a certificate of health.

At the morning session, Pastor B. E. Beddoe presided, and at the afternoon session Prof. George W. Rine. Elder E. W. Farnsworth spoke in the morning on the need of our young people in the closing work. He urged the young people to have a definite aim, to set their aim high, and to secure a thorough education for their life-work.

Pastor B. E. Beddoe followed with a short talk on "Not Hearers Only, but Doers." He urged all to remember their Creator in the days of their youth, remarking that "an ounce of formation is worth more than a ton of reformation."

"The gospel can save a man after he has made shipwreck of life," he said, "but its grandest work is to save men in their youth for lives of service."

"Inactivity is an awful thing," he continued. "By inactivity we not only misrepresent God, but actually oppose Him. Corrosion sets in. Sin is sure to come. No truly converted person can remain inactive in the Christian life. Reformation must begin in us. Then we may pass the blessing on to others. It is by direct contact with men and women in this world that we are to raise them from the depths to which they have fallen. What would your life be to-day were the power of God not exercised in your behalf? Multiply that by the number in your city, and by the number of cities in the world, and you have a ghastly picture. God looks upon that scene constantly. 'Ye are the salt of the earth.' Let us come in touch with those who need our help."

Harold Williams, of the Oakland society, told of jail work in that city soon to be started.

Elder J. O. Corliss told of the crisis in our religious liberty work, and Elder Snyder followed with a talk on "Our Young People in the Crisis." He urged thorough preparation and well-laid plans for aggressive missionary work. Claude Conard and Frank A. Coffin engaged in the discussion. Brother Conard told of David's preparation to meet Goliath, and of the wonderful deliverance of Israel which followed.

Greetings were brought from the San Francisco society by A. S. Scott, from Fruitvale by Claude Conard, and from Mountain View by Harriett Maxson, who read a letter from Wallace McBain, written to the convention.

Others who took part were: Harold Hare, Gladys Harrell, Evelyn Silsbee, Miss Ulah Leavitt, Miss Atha Gutman. D. P. Decker led the music.

### The Reading Courses

You are cordially invited to join the reading course circle. The courses for 1912-13 begin in the *Instructor* of October 1. We heartily recommend these courses to you. The books, selected by a large committee of workers, are among the very best published. The workers chose those books which they believed to contain valuable information for you, and to be particularly useful in helping you to equip for more efficient service in the great army of Prince Immanuel. The

books to be read in the courses are as follows:

#### Senior Course No. 6

1. "The Uplift of China," by Arthur H. Smith, thirty-five years a missionary in that field, is dedicated to "Christian Young People of America." Every page contributes something of special interest. The author's intimate acquaintance with the field and his rare gift as a writer enable him to present in an exceptionally interesting manner the most important facts concerning the social system, the religions, and other things about this new republic. Price, 50 cents.

2. "Patriarchs and Prophets," by Mrs. E. G. White. Make a close companion of this book. It will throw new light on the Old Testament, and help you better to enjoy and appreciate the sacred pages of the Book of books. Do not say, "I want something new, I read that book long ago." This is a book which, like the Bible, we can reread each year with profit. Aside from the valuable information its pages contain, the contents will be an inspiration to higher living and to more zealous efforts for the salvation of others. Price, \$3.00.

3. "The American Government," by Frederic J. Haskin. Where is the American young man or woman who does not wish to know something of the land of "the stars and stripes"? Surely every intelligent young person should be acquainted with the fundamentals of our national government. As you read the book, I think you will feel that you are taken through the various departments of governmental affairs by a guide who is an expert at the business, and who points out the most important things in a way that helps you to see, to understand, and to remember. Regular price, \$1.50; special reading course price, 75 cents.

#### Junior Course No. 5

1. "Winning the Oregon Country," by John T. Paris, will hold the reader's interest to the very last page. The author weaves into a thrilling story the hardships, the loneliness, and the privations suffered by those brave men and women who gave their all to tell the Indians of the Northwest about the Saviour from sin. The chapter telling how a few Indians tramped two thousand miles through the wild unknown to secure a copy of the Bible must constrain the reader to appreciate the Bible more, and it seems that the book as a whole must lead to deeper consecration to the great work of saving souls. Price, 50 cents.

2. "Pilgrim's Progress," by John Bunyan. Since the day that John Bunyan lay in Bedford jail, a prisoner for his devotion to his Lord, young and old have read and reread the story of Christian's pilgrimage from the City of Destruction to the New Jerusalem. Its pages, so full of hope and courage, are still helping its readers through the Slough of Despond, on to the foot of the cross, where the heavy burdens of sin fall from tired hearts. No one can read "Pilgrim's Progress," with its story of practical Christian living, built upon promises from the word of God, without receiving fresh strength for life's battle, and renewed courage to endure to the end. Price, 50 cents.

3. "Daybreak in Korea," by Annie L. A. Baird. Surely those who read this book, and see something of the wrongs of Korean womanhood, see how Korea is steeped in superstition, and realize to some extent the sorrow and suffering resulting from these conditions, will become more eager to give prayer, means, and service for the salvation of souls in the Hermit Kingdom. Price, 60 cents.

Order all books and the *Youth's Instructor* from your tract society.

Missionary Volunteer Department.

### Obituary

ROBISON.—Thomas De Witt Robison died September 5, 1912, at Lemoore, California, of tuberculosis. He was born at Humphrey, Nebraska, November 4, 1884, and was therefore 27 years, 10 months; and 1 day of age. September 13, 1907, he was married to Miss Grace O'Neil, and with her engaged in teaching in our denominational schools. Soon after their marriage, it was discovered that he was afflicted with that dread disease. They were obliged to give up their school work, and traveled to various places in hopes of recovering his health, but all to no avail. In the spring of 1911 they moved to Fresno, California, where Mrs. Robison was engaged as educational secretary of the Central California Conference. Various physicians and remedies were tried during the last year. The instructions of James 5 were followed, and Brother Robison faithfully met the requirements of the Bible to have his sins forgiven, believing fully that God had for Christ's sake accepted him. The influence of his sojourn with us at Fresno and Lemoore will live while he sleeps in Jesus. Suffering seemed to bring both him and his



REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 23, 1912

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
<b>Northern California-Nevada</b>						
G. B. Morrison	P. G.	42	19		\$93.50	
Fletcher Morrison	Heralds	17	11		26.50	
W. R. Nelson	P. G.	31	15		56.50	
George Wilkinson	P. G.	37	14		55.00	
H. R. Miller	P. G.	37	13		52.50	
M. A. Reese	G. C.	36	9		28.00	
A. E. Webb	G. C.				93.00	\$163.00
7 Agents					\$405.00	\$163.00

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 30, 1912

<b>California</b>						
C. O. Blincoe	P. G.	43½	23		\$90.50	
Harold Lewis	P. G.	30	10		43.00	\$46.50
L. D. Trott	P. G.	19	9		31.50	
R. W. Paul	P. G.	30	5		19.50	
Mrs. H. Bonde	P. G.	18	5		17.50	3.50
B. E. Rice	G. C.	34	4		17.00	
H. Bonde	P. G.	39	2		7.00	
Charles Brooks	Heralds	25	11		25.00	
8 Agents		238½	69		\$251.00	\$50.00

**Southern California**

Harry McWhinney	D. & R.	40	11	\$11.90	\$45.90	\$ 1.80
George Oliver	Heralds	24	3		8.50	15.50
Darling Nesty	B. R.	20	14		38.00	
Miscellaneous					17.05	
				\$11.90	\$109.45	\$17.30

**Central California**

J. W. Rich	P. G.	33	11		\$51.50	
Mrs. E. Saylor	Heralds	4	1		2.00	
E. L. Spencer	Heralds	21	12		28.50	
Tressa Belvail	G. C.					
	Heralds	18	42	\$0.50	\$106.00	
4 Agents		76	66	\$0.50	\$188.00	

**Northern California-Nevada**

H. R. Miller	P. G.	35½	14		\$58.00	
George Wilkinson	P. G.	36	12		49.00	
W. R. Nelson	P. G.	35½	12		45.50	
Fletcher Morrison	Heralds	35	17		36.50	
G. B. Morrison	P. G.	42	8		36.00	
W. S. Brown	G. C.	2	3		11.00	
G. N. Morton	G. C.		3		12.00	
George Theis	G. C.		10		32.50	
Hazel Mack	Heralds		4		9.50	
Goldie Fisher	Heralds		3		7.50	
M. A. Reese	G. C.		10		30.00	
Miscellaneous	C. K.				30.50	
					\$358.00	

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 6, 1912

**California**

H. Bonde	P. G.	29	13		\$51.50	
O. H. Shrewsbury	Heralds	41½	17		35.50	
Harold Lewis	P. G.	24	7		30.50	
B. E. Rice	G. C.	24	8		30.00	
Charles Brooks	Heralds	16	10		23.00	\$21.00
L. D. Trott	P. G.	8	6		21.00	
Mrs. H. Bonde	P. G.	7	2	\$1.00	8.00	18.50
R. W. Paul	P. G.	4	1		3.50	
8 Agents		153½	64	\$1.00	\$203.00	\$39.50

loved ones nearer to God, especially during his last days. When, after much suffering, the end came, he was fully resigned to rest till Jesus comes. A mother, two brothers, and two sisters are left to mourn. Services were conducted in the Lemoore church by Elder E. H. Adams and the writer. J. H. Behrens.

**Gain in Book Sales**

The total amount of literature sales, including books and magazines, by our denomination for the month of July amounts to \$188,135.33. During the month of June — four weeks — the sales of books alone by our colporteurs amounted to \$137,800, \$2,000 greater than during June last year — five weeks.

Brother B. N. Brown, formerly of the United States army, is carrying on a missionary work with the men of the army. Through his Army Book Fund, which is cared for by the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, he is able to supply men in the army who are seeking for light with such books as "Great Controversy" and "Daniel and the Revelation." One young man at the Presidio at San Francisco, who through the reading of our literature and personal work is now coming to a knowledge of the truth, received a copy of "Great Controversy" a few days ago from Brother Brown. He is delighted with it, and is studying it. This brings especially near to us the good work that may be done through the Army Book Fund and Brother Burton N. Brown's work. Contributions to the Army Book Fund may be sent to Treasurer, Southern Publishing Association, 24th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee.

The six numbers of the *Signs of the Times* in the Religious Liberty Series issued in May and June have been bound for permanent reference, and for special use as a religious liberty document. The cover is of durable manila paper, with neat title and the analysis of the proposed Sunday law printed on it, with other appropriate quotations and notes. This is brought together in connected form some of the most excellent religious liberty literature ever issued. When introduced in a service at the Glendale camp-meeting, seven hundred copies were readily taken. It is appreciated for home reference, and for use as a missionary document. Single copies, 25 cents; special price on quantities. Address your tract society.

## Central California

Tressa Belvail	G. C. Heralds	42	54	\$1.75	\$136.25	\$500.00 335.00
J. W. Rieh						
2 Agents			54	\$1.75	\$136.25	\$835.00

### Triumphs with "Ministry of Healing"

I can see many tokens of God's loving care, remarkable answers to prayer, in selling the jewel casket of truth "Ministry of Healing," in connection with my regular canvassing work or as a part of it. It has been my privilege now to connect the sale of the relief books "Ministry of Healing" and "Christ's Object Lessons" with my regular canvassing work the most of the time for about nine years. I have tried it in nine different states, and met with success in each one. The Master has blessed in selling hundreds of these priceless works. For all this I am thankful to God.

On a recent trip to Arizona, I was favored in delivering nearly \$150 worth of "Ministry of Healing," besides my other regular work. O that some of our dear, good, successful canvassers, brethren and sisters, young and adults, would only take along one of these good relief books, and take orders for one or more a day, as missionary work for the Lord! There is a triple blessing in doing this — a blessing to our schools and sanitariums, and a blessing to those who buy the books, as well as to the canvasser. It seems as if it is a guarantee of the success of the regular canvassing work.

One day I secured orders for twelve "Object Lessons" in three hours, and have gone as high as six or eight or ten "Ministry" in one day, besides all my other regular work. Sometimes, when started on this "relief work," one can scarcely stop. I take "Ministry" on one trip and "Object Lessons" on the next trip.

Walter Harper.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Does It Concern You?

The readers of the RECORDER can not but notice that there are fewer canvassers in the field than there were a few weeks ago, because of the fact that some of the students are dropping out to get ready for school. Does this concern you? Did it concern you, dear reader, when you saw the call from

Brother Davis to "fill up the ranks"? The spirit of prophecy says: "This [the canvassing work] has not of late had the life infused into it which was once given by the agents who made it their specialty. Canvassers have been called from their evangelistic work to engage in other labor. This is not as it should be." Does it concern you when you read this? Is it anything to us when we read from the pen of the Lord's servant that "if we knew what is before us we would not be so dilatory in the Lord's work"?

Are we concerned as we should be about the many souls who are going down to destruction without a knowledge of this truth? Surely we are not concerned about the matter as we should be, or we would see one hundred canvassers in the field where we now see but one, as the Lord has told us it ought to be. And when we see this work cut short in righteousness, we shall see it that way. But did it ever occur to us that the work will never be cut short in righteousness until God's people are willing to lay hold upon His promises and take up the work just where they are? The psalmist says, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power." Are we all willing now — willing to canvass? If so, we are in the day of God's power, and in the day when we will see this work cut short in righteousness. Are we willing, or does it concern us?

Our workers who have been in the field this summer have had a blessed experience. Besides bringing the light of present truth to many hungering souls, they have made a success of the work from a financial standpoint.

We received a report a short time ago from one of the girls who is working here in the city, which shows that she took \$95.00 worth of orders in 35½ hours. The other canvassers here in Los Angeles have been doing well, and have proved that we can make a success of this work, if we will be as industrious in it as we would be expected to be in any secular work. And why should we not? The Lord's business is great, and demands haste.

Again we call your attention to the great expanse of territory here in Southern California, where thousands of peo-

ple are living, waiting for some one to bring our truth-laden books to them. They want the truth. God has entrusted us with talents to give it to them. Does it concern us?

At the camp-meeting a few meetings were held in the interest of this branch of the Lord's work, and a few responded to the call, and are now making preparations to enter the work. They intend to stay in the work until it is finished. That is the kind of volunteers the Lord is calling for. But He wants many more to "go work to-day" in His vineyard. We long for the time to come when we can all go home to glory; but Jesus can never come until the work has been finished here in the earth, and it will never be finished until we are "willing" to say, "Here am I; send me," when the Lord asks, "Who will go work to-day in My vineyard?" Does this concern you, dear reader? If so, ask the Lord what He would have you do this fall and winter.

We will be glad to correspond with any who are interested in the work or wish to ask any questions concerning the work.

C. C. Morlan,

Field Agent Southern California.

### Book Work in Central California

We have reached the time for our fall campaign in the book work. The rush of the summer is about over, and we believe there are those who will respond to the call of the hour, and go out with the printed page, bearing the message of the Prince of Peace, announcing the great judgment day.

There is a growing demand for our books and papers, and the faithful canvasser is well paid in Central California, many portions of which might be said to flow with milk and honey. Pray, brethren, for the Lord to raise up laborers. Then ask, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" And when the Lord speaks, say, "Here am I; send me." Surely the work will soon close; and will it not sound good to have some one say, "You helped to save me"? There will be no starless crowns there. The Word says, "I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

C. L. Davis.

"My early and invincible love of reading, I would not exchange for the treasures of India."—Gibbon.

**The October Collection**

Our readers will remember that the annual offering to support the work among the colored people in this country, is taken the first Sabbath in October. This year it comes on the fifth.

The General Conference has made a liberal appropriation for this work, but it depends upon the liberality of our people whether they are able to send on the funds to pay the workers.

The Lord is greatly blessing the efforts of our faithful workers. Hundreds are accepting the truth. Those who are reading the interesting reports in the *Gospel Herald* will not need more to convince them that the Lord is preparing the hearts of the colored people for the reception of the message.

In "Testimonies for the Church," volume 9, pages 225, 226, we read: "Let us thank God, dear brethren and sisters, and take courage. God is laying bare His arm to do a mighty work in this mission field within the borders of our own land. He is now giving His people unusual opportunities to extend the message rapidly in the South. Especially should we reveal a spirit of beneficence at the time the yearly offering for the support of the colored work is taken up. God has reposed confidence in us by making us stewards of means and of His rich grace; and He now points us to the poor and suffering and oppressed, to souls bound in chains of superstition and error, and assures us that if we do good to these, He will accept the deed as though done to Himself. 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren,' He declares, 'ye have done it unto Me.' Matt. 25:40.

"Thousands of colored people in the South may now be uplifted, and become human agents to help their own race, if they can receive the help God is calling upon us to give them."

"My dear brethren and sisters, Christ is now saying to you: 'Lift up your eyes and look on this Southern field; for it needs workers — sowers of the seed, and reapers. It needs your means for the maintenance of these workers.' The grace of Christ is unlimited, it is God's free gift. Then why should not this neglected people have some hope and courage and faith brought into their lives? There is sunshine in the heart for all who will accept Christ."

We have had to drop some of our workers this year on account of a lack of means. This has been very hard for us

to do when the Lord was blessing their efforts and so many calls were coming in for help. What we shall be able to do in the future, depends upon what our people do October 5.

May the Lord impress you all with the needs of this work, at this time, and help you to make a liberal donation.

A. J. Haysmer,  
Sec. North America Negro Dept.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1912

Brother James Harvey, 1729 Grove Street, Oakland, California, wishes a continuous supply of clean papers and tracts to use in his personal city missionary work.

Special effort will be made throughout the union conference to make this year's Missions Ingathering occasion the most successful yet undertaken. Over \$101,000 has been gathered in these campaigns during the preceding years, and this should encourage us to throw our energies into the campaign this year as never before. Since a year ago, world movements have opened great countries more widely to the gospel. Our slender forces are pushing forward nobly, but are almost overwhelmed at times by the tremendous work to be done and the openings on every hand. The story of this work is thrillingly told in the beautiful *Missions Signs* to be used in the Ingathering work this year. Sabbath, September 28, has been named as a day for a special *missions* program preparatory to going out with the paper. The program suggested for that day is in the *Review* of September 12. We know that our people are going to enter upon this work with enthusiasm. Nothing so thrills us as a knowledge that God's work is advancing in the fields beyond, and we earnestly hope that such faithful work may be done in this year's campaign as to give the foreign work a great impetus at this time. Let every one have a part. Orders for papers should be sent at once to your tract society.

Eight missionary recruits sailed for India on the steamship Nile Sabbath, September 7. They were: Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Peugh, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Wood, Master Guild Wood, Della Wood, Mrs. A.

Ruoff, and Miss Wilson. Miss Sarah E. Turner, *en route* to Shanghai, China, accompanied them. Sister Turner will visit her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Horne. A company of the brethren and sisters from Oakland and San Francisco, including Elder E. W. Farnsworth, were at the dock to wish the new missionaries Godspeed. The waving of handkerchiefs commenced when the tug started to tow the vessel, stern foremost, out into the bay, and continued until after the ship was under her own power, and those on deck could be seen no longer. The day was a pleasant one, and we trust the weather will continue such until the company reaches its destination. Sister Ruoff has gone as a self-supporting missionary, having accepted an invitation from Dr. Ollie Tornblad, located in the South Shan States, Burma, to join her. She will go to Calcutta by way of Hongkong. A council of the brethren in India is to be held soon after the little company which just left San Francisco reaches Lucknow. At this meeting the distribution of labor is to be made. It is only about a month since Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Hoffman, of Kent, Washington, sailed for Japan on the steamer China. They will study the language, preparatory to engaging in evangelistic work. Brother Hoffman was ordained to the ministry in Seattle, Washington. Our foreign mission work has almost doubled in the last ten years. In 1901, \$134,705.19 was contributed to foreign mission work. Last year, according to the statistics given in the *Review* of August 15, the mission contributions went over the \$300,000 mark.

## Sabbath, September Twenty-Eight

A great privilege is given to the Sabbath-schools in the home land on September 28. It is the privilege of providing mission homes for our workers in China. It is estimated that these homes will cost on an average of one thousand dollars apiece. How many homes can we build with this one day's offering? The Sabbath-schools will answer this question.

Four cottages have already been erected in China, and one in Korea. Of these Elder I. H. Evans writes:

"We are indeed grateful that we have been able to make a beginning in providing homes for our workers in the East. To be sure, it is only a beginning, but it gives promise of better days for our workers, and longer service in the cause of God. The price of these homes will soon be more than saved in the extra time

the laborers can remain at their work each year. Other homes will be provided as soon as funds are available. Our workers are pleased with their homes, and are most grateful to our brethren and sisters in the home land, who by their self-sacrifice have supplied means with which to erect the building."

Remember the date.

Remember to *plan* to give liberally.

Remember to report correctly the amount, and the purpose for which it is given.

Mrs. L. Flora Plummer,  
Cor. Sec. Gen. Conf. S. S. Dept.

## The Equipment of Our Church Schools

Sabbath, September 21, has been set apart as the day when all the churches in the California Conference will make an offering for the better equipment of our church schools. We speak for a generous offering. Let the ten dollars, and the fives, and the ones, come in. Let it be remembered that when a church has a school, one half of the offering will go to the benefit of their own school, and the rest goes to create a fund from which the educational secretary and conference committee can draw in time of need for the benefit of small, struggling schools.

We hope the elders will bring this matter before their respective churches the Sabbath before the offering is to be taken. Call the attention of the brethren and sisters to it, and invite them to be ready when the time comes.

That part of the offering which goes into the general fund should be sent to the conference treasurer.

E. W. Farnsworth.

At a meeting held at Dinuba, August 26, plans were completed for the opening of a church school the coming year. One brother made his offering toward the school by agreeing to furnish land and erect a school building which shall be at the disposal of the church so long as it shall be used for school purposes. The call for subscriptions toward the teacher's salary met with a generous and ready response, and the financial outlook for this year is very bright. A school board was elected, with Dr. A. N. Loper as chairman, and the carrying out of plans for the school will be pushed forward rapidly. Miss Sidney Smith, of Keene, Texas, has been secured as teacher, and we predict a good year for the Dinuba school.