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Religious Liberty

State Legislature Adjourns Without Passing Either of the Eleven Sunday Closing Bills

"Mr. President, Mr. President, I am horrified, I am shocked, I am grieved, I, I, I don't know what to say. The very idea is abhorrent. What? The great senate of the great state of California going to meet on the sabbath to pass laws? Why, Mr. President, it is the worst thing I ever heard of in all my life; but if you say you are bound to do it, I guess I will have to be here too, for I yet have several bills pending that I am deeply interested in. All right, all right, all right, I, I, well, I'll sit down, and then the senators fairly roared."

This direct quotation from Senator Anderson, appearing in the Sacramento

Union, May 11, is significant as indicating how completely the Sunday closing proposition collapsed in the state legislature. Not only were the eleven bills and substitutes for bills, intended to compel the observance of Sunday, or some other weekly rest day, permanently set aside, but the entire legislature engaged the last Sunday of the session in active legislation, in a frantic attempt to save pet measures before final adjournment.

Mr. Anderson had told Elder Healey and me, on the occasion of our first interview, that we could talk to him for a year and we could not change his mind, for he was of the opinion that we ought to have a Sunday law, and that dissenters ought to be compelled to observe the day. And here, at last, Mr. Anderson, though wildly protesting, was constrained to join his fellow legislators in their ungodly use of the "Christian sabbath"!

But Senator Anderson was not alone in this atrocious disregard of the modern fetish. There behind the desk, presiding over the deliberations, was Lieutenant-Governor Wallace, himself a retired minister of the Methodist Church, who has lost no opportunity to advocate Sunday closing regulations, with severe penalties for non-observance, Senator Kehoe was there to share in the debate and roll-call; and even Mr. Tufts himself, persistent champion of Sunday laws, hustling around as usual, and watching the trend of legislation from the gallery of the senate, where perforce he was obliged to take his stand, on account of recent rulings adverse to the admission of lobbyists to the privileges of the floor.

Over at the other end of the state capitol the assembly was in session; and there Mr. Benedict, co-sponsor with Mr. Kehoe for the original Sunday bill,

which made the most of the disturbance, was patiently sharing with his fellows the burdens of legislation. And to all outward appearance this active body of lawmakers was quite indifferent to all that had been said in favor of compulsory Sunday observance. Had they not engaged in Sunday hearings in committee all along during the session, when time was not so pressing? And should they hesitate, then, when there remained upon the files scores of important bills, awaiting their determination? Surely the legislature of 1913 displayed commendable zeal in the effort to dispose of the business in sight, so that they could finish the work at noon Monday, or by the usual subterfuge of stopping the clock, reach adjournment sometime during the ensuing afternoon or evening, and lend due respect to their concurrent joint resolution.

Only one of the "rest day" bills had been endorsed by either house, and that merely purported to extend to state employees the right to a weekly respite from their labors, like other people. But so averse were the legislators in the other house to even an interference with the prerogatives of citizens, that the bill, coming over from the assembly, had been shunted off to the finance committee by unanimous vote. The two real Sunday closing bills, the Kehoe-Benedict bill and the amended Regan-Lyon bill, both of which contained drastic provisions, heretofore outlined in these columns, had previously been sent to the same committee, merely to rid the files of their presence; and together these three bills, still in committee, expired with the closing of the session.

The committee substitute proposed for three bills introduced in the assembly, was on the files of that body when the end

came to the consideration of assembly bills, and all the time was devoted subsequently to other measures. Three other bills, of similar character, had been left in committee, or withdrawn at the instance of the authors. Thus the decks were cleared of the mass of proposed legislation whereby it was sought to constrain the natural right of citizens, guaranteed by state and national constitution, to decide for themselves in respect to religious things, without interference from the state of California.

It was a strenuous session. Extraordinary conditions prevailed; but the good sense of party leaders, stimulated by administrative tonics, prevented any of the numerous Sunday "rest" bills from obtaining a place upon the statutes. All honor is due to the sturdy friends of civil and religious liberty in both houses, who withstood the fanatical demand for a law that could have been used for persecution of dissenters.

The public press, as usual, was very liberal. Many newspapers commented again and again adversely to the Sunday bills, and their editorials and news reports helped to clarify the atmosphere. Should any attempt be made hereafter to secure such a law by recourse to the initiative, they can be relied upon to oppose the proposition vigorously.

While the persistent effort to secure a Sunday law in California calls for active opposition, involving much labor and some expense, the issue never is presented without affording rare opportunities for the promulgation of truth, and the absurdities and inconsistencies of the measure serve to remind the people of the true Sabbath, ordained of God, and forever binding upon mankind, without respect to human enactment.

One of the astounding developments of the closing days of the campaign just ended was the surrender of the pretense that Sunday laws are wanted in the interest of temperance. Mr. Tufts himself urged the adoption of a substitute bill, presented personally by him, whereby the sale of liquor all day Sunday would be permitted, while innocent labor and legitimate business would be punishable by severe penalties. Failing to secure any endorsement for this perspicuous measure, he finally offered to support the substitute bill, later presented, in which Sunday was not specifically mentioned. The idea apparently was, if the state could be induced to enact a law for one day's rest in seven, with drastic penalties for non-observance of the day any

individual might select, the system of espionage thus established might be turned, by later enactments, to serve the desired purpose. Happily, the hypocrisy of the principal advocates of the "rest day" bills was discerned, and the session ended at last without such legislation, or the setting up of an inquisition, to determine men's fidelity to creed, or their attitude regarding the spurious sabbath. The love of liberty is strong in California, and every campaign only serves to strengthen the conviction that the observance of Sunday at all is wholly without authority of the Scriptures.

J. F. Blunt.

Sacramento, May 12.



The Field

ARIZONA

Gila and Graham Counties

On April 2 I left Phoenix to labor in the southeastern part of Arizona. After visiting for a day with our church at Tucson, I came to Globe, Gila County, to assist in ceiling their nice little meeting-house. This little church is now completed, having a baptistry and electric lights installed. The church has had no regular laborer since Elder J. E. Bond left Arizona, which has been almost two years; yet the church is growing in membership. This is largely due to the faithful labors of its members.

One dear sister informed me that she had been a member of the Episcopal Church for years, and had worn out two Bibles before she found the truth. Although not in the best of health, she is constantly studying the message. Her influence as a church worker in the past among the people of Globe has been valuable, and now, as she meets her friends, she tells them how God opened her eyes to this last closing message. We believe she will become an efficient worker in our church there.

Elder W. L. Sims joined us here May 6, and after a few days' stay in Safford, visited the Globe church. He presented the Eastern question while there, and found a deep interest among his hearers. The city papers asked him for a synopsis of the sermon, which he gladly furnished them, thus giving an opportunity for many to become enlightened upon this important subject.

We are now laboring in Safford and the Artesian district, Graham County.

At the request of Elder G. W. Reaser, our president, Elder Sims will visit our Mexican church in the latter place from time to time, to present, through an interpreter, the deceptions of Mormonism.

We expect to commence a series of meetings in Safford just as soon as our tent arrives from the Kansas City factory. We are meeting a number here who are willing to study the message, and the people in general are receiving us gladly.

Remember, brethren, we are in a hard field, where the majority of the people are of the Mormon faith. We are looking for a harvest of souls here, and we solicit your earnest prayers in behalf of the efforts put forth. I. P. Dillon.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Conference Notes

Elder H. C. Basney reports a good interest at Laton.

Richard Breitigam is continuing the work at Bakersfield and vicinity while Elder Adams is at General Conference.

Elder J. R. Patterson and Brother George Truesdell will conduct a tent effort at Monterey. Elder Patterson writes encouragingly of the prospects.

The canvassers' class at Armona, conducted by our wide-awake agent, C. L. Davis, has been a success. Several of the older students will enter the field at the close of school, and two of the teachers will take up the work during vacation.

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Fresno Church School

Work and study in missionary geography has been very interesting and full of enthusiasm. Pupils have a broader view of the fields beyond.

Much work has been done by the pupils with our literature, both selling and giving away. Thirty-one dollars earned by school gardens, making hammocks, selling papers, sacrifice offerings, and offerings at weekly missionary meetings in the school, goes to buy an organ for China.

Several have taken their stand for their Saviour. Three were baptized, and several others are ready for baptism.

One hundred Missionary Special *Little Friends* were sold, and the proceeds go to child widows of India. Pupils are anxious to get more. Most of the pupils have a good solid Christian character,

and feel the responsibility of preparing for a part in the closing message.

Five pupils complete their preparatory work. Some plan to enter our sanitariums, some our higher schools. The Lord has been very near us all through the year, and harmony and cooperation to the utmost have existed between parents, teachers, and students.

May the Lord fit many to take up the work of leading the young hearts and minds to the Saviour.

Mr. and Mrs. Berger Johnson.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Elder A. J. Osborne arrived in Lodi the first of the week to assist in the closing work of the Lodi Normal.

Brother Stein, of Walla Walla, Washington, spent a few days the past week with friends in Lodi and vicinity.

Elder D. T. Fero conducted the funeral services of Brother Ed. Horning Wednesday at the Lodi church. The remains were laid to rest in the Lodi cemetery.

Elders C. M. Gardner and F. De Witt Gauterau arrived in Stockton Wednesday, the 14th, to make arrangements for opening a tent effort at that place. They spent a few hours in Lodi Wednesday evening.

Elder Henry Shultz, who with Elder Brink has been holding a series of meetings at Los Molinos, reports the work progressing at that place. They will soon close the work there, and we trust that much good has been accomplished through the efforts that have been put forth.

Merl Horton.

Placerville

We are still at work with the tracts. While we find many indifferent, some are willing to read. From time to time the missionary worker meets experiences in his work that encourage him to continue.

A short time ago I placed package No. 1 with an elderly lady. She read it with interest, and at my next visit expressed her appreciation of the literature. She told me of having read "Great Controversy," a recent present to her from her son. I prayed with her. The other day I called with package No. 3. Her son was

home in another part of the house sick. He called to her, and when she returned from answering his call, she gave me a dollar as a token of his appreciation of my house-to-house work. The mother invited me to her son's bedside, where we had a short study of the Word and prayer. He is a prominent member of another church and a business man of the town. This case is quite different from some of the other church-members we meet in the tract and periodical work.

We have held a few special meetings in the church here the past week. The attendance has been small.

A. J. Osborne.

Modoc County

We arrived here in Cedarville the 6th of March. As soon as we were located, we began preparing for meetings, which opened the 12th. Cedarville is the largest town in Surprise Valley, located near the center of the middle north and south. As it is a high school town, and many families move in for the school year, we found the winter much the better time to present the truth here.

We rented a hall, and fitted it up with seats and other furnishings, making a very neat meeting-place, which seated about a hundred. Our audience most of the time was fairly good, running from sixty to one hundred persons.

For some time before we arrived, the people had been warned against us from the Methodist pulpit, so we had only a few good Methodists in attendance, but it only served to draw others to the meeting.

One Sunday night recently the minister preached against the Sabbath, his talk proving to be nothing more than a review of Gamble's theory. The following night it was reviewed at the hall, to the entire satisfaction of the regular attendance.

The people here were much quicker to grasp the truth and begin to live it than we have found in other parts of Modoc County, the reason for this undoubtedly being the faithful tract work done by Brother Johnson last year. Before three weeks of meetings passed, a number had begun to keep the Sabbath, and now we have fourteen Sabbath-keepers here in Cedarville. We have an interesting Sabbath-school, with an average attendance of thirty-two. We also have a Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society, which meets every Sunday afternoon.

As Brother Dayton and wife have recently been called to go to Yuba City, we give a brief summary of the work. The following numbers have accepted the truth since we arrived in Modoc the second day of last July:

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|----------------------|----|
| New Pine Creek | 12 |
| Fort Bidwell | 6 |
| Lake City | 10 |
| Cedarville | 14 |
| Total | 42 |

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Camp-Meeting

The giving of the last message of mercy to a perishing world is our mission from now on until the "end comes." Those fitting themselves for certain lines of work, take a course of training in order to follow that calling successfully. No pains are spared in drilling that they may do the work thoroughly and with perfect ease.

What would you think of a man who knows nothing about a locomotive, taking the place of an engineer, in whose hands are entrusted the lives of the "people? The eternal interests of men depend upon our services. We all have a life-work before us. We need all the help we can obtain. The camp-meeting to be held at Stockton July 10 to 20 will afford a great opportunity for additional preparation for the work before us. We do not ask you to come to this meeting simply that you may be entertained. Come praying for a fitting up for greater service.

We hope to make missionary work a leading feature of this gathering. We want to devote one hour or more each day to reports of work being done and for laying plans for future work. *We would like to request that all our people everywhere make June a model month in missionary enterprises. See how much good you can do in thirty days by putting forth a little extra effort. Make this month what you would like to make every one following. Write down your items, and bring them with you to the camp-meeting; and if there are any who can not come, they might send their items of interest. Many, no doubt, can find a few hours in which to sell some books and magazines which will meet their expenses. Some of the meetings on missionary work will be under the auspices of some of the near-by churches. All will have an opportunity to relate their experiences. What a blessed time we will have! Begin right now to plan to attend. See if you can not come up*

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FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 1913**

a little on your labor for the Master. Do something extra good during the month preceding camp-meeting, and then for our mutual good let us hear about it. We will have excellent help. General Conference will be over, and I am quite sure we can have missionaries from abroad with us. We will have more to say about this later. C. L. Taggart.

Appointments

LODI—
May 31, N. W. Kauble;
June 14, C. M. Gardner;
June 21, F. Gauterau;
June 28, D. T. Fero.

STOCKTON—
May 31, C. M. Gardner;
June 7, F. Gauterau;
June 14, I. C. Colcord;
June 21, E. D. Sharpe;
June 28, C. M. Gardner.

MANTECA—
May 31, F. Gauterau;
June 28, I. C. Colcord.

SALIDA—
May 31, I. C. Colcord;
June 7, N. W. Kauble;
June 28, F. Gauterau.

HUGHSON—
May 31, D. T. Fero;
June 14, N. W. Kauble;
June 21, J. W. Rich.

TURLOCK—
June 7, I. C. Colcord;
June 28, N. W. Kauble.

WINTON—
June 14, F. Gauterau;
June 21, C. M. Gardner.

SACRAMENTO—
June 7, C. M. Gardner;
June 14, A. J. Osborne;
June 21, D. T. Fero;
June 28, Mina Mann.

WOODLAND—
May 31, A. J. Osborne;
June 7, E. D. Sharpe;
June 14, D. T. Fero;
June 21, Mina Mann;
June 28, E. Urquhart.

CHICO—
May 31, Mina Mann;
June 7, E. Urquhart;
June 14, F. Brink.

LOS MOLINOS—
June 7, F. Brink;
June 21, F. Brink;
June 28, F. Brink.

RED BLUFF—
May 31, F. Brink.

YUBA CITY—
May 31, W. P. Dayton.

GALT—
June 7, D. T. Fero;
June 28, E. D. Sharpe.

FALLON—
June 14, Mina Mann.

RENO—
June 7, Mina Mann.

PLACERVILLE—
June 7, A. J. Osborne;
June 21, A. J. Osborne;
June 28, A. J. Osborne.

| School | Mem. | Attend. | Regular Offerings | 13th Sabbath | Total | Average per Mem. per Sab. |
|-----------------------|------|---------|-------------------|--------------|---------|---------------------------|
| Alameda | 47 | 39 | \$48.09 | \$ 6.38 | \$54.47 | \$.088 |
| Arcata | 21 | 17 | 9.71 | 2.10 | 11.81 | .04 |
| Banner | 23 | 16 | 9.69 | | 9.09 | .032 |
| Berkeley | 130 | 108 | 164.33 | 64.17 | 226.50 | .151 |
| Byron | 20 | 19 | 46.89 | 21.54 | 68.43 | .263 |
| Blue Lake | | | No report | | | |
| Calistoga | 30 | 22 | 7.15 | 3.28 | 10.43 | .026 |
| Eureka | 87 | 64 | 43.12 | 26.89 | 70.01 | .062 |
| Ferndale | 6 | 6 | 5.95 | .80 | 6.75 | .083 |
| Finley | 11 | 11 | 2.80 | 1.00 | 3.80 | .027 |
| Fort Bragg | 23 | 20 | 11.36 | | 11.36 | .038 |
| Fortuna | 10 | 6 | 5.70 | 1.80 | 7.50 | .058 |
| Guerneville | 4 | 4 | 6.00 | 1.11 | 7.11 | .137 |
| Haywards | 25 | 15 | 13.45 | | 13.45 | .04 |
| Healdsburg | 108 | 79 | 43.51 | 5.71 | 49.22 | .045 |
| Kelseyville | 4 | | 3.09 | 3.25 | 6.34 | .12 |
| Lakeport | 3 | 2 | 1.50 | 2.35 | 3.85 | .097 |
| Los Gatos | 26 | 18 | 18.07 | 3.70 | 21.77 | .065 |
| McKinleyville | 20 | 16 | 4.12 | | 4.12 | .017 |
| Melrose | 124 | 98 | 65.48 | 13.04 | 78.52 | .057 |
| Miranda | 6 | 6 | 2.01 | 12.30 | 14.31 | .183 |
| Morgan Hill | 17 | 16 | 12.68 | 3.20 | 15.88 | .072 |
| Mountain View | 212 | 176 | 208.42 | 85.51 | 293.93 | .106 |
| Napa | 69 | 53 | 34.54 | 5.20 | 39.74 | .044 |
| Oakville | 12 | 11 | 3.80 | 4.80 | 8.60 | .055 |
| Oakland | 248 | 215 | 234.57 | 42.92 | 277.49 | .086 |
| Pacific Union College | 167 | 142 | 63.90 | 17.97 | 81.87 | .037 |
| Park, S. F. | 24 | 18 | 28.63 | 15.07 | 43.70 | .14 |
| Pepperwood | 22 | 12 | 3.73 | .45 | 4.18 | .017 |
| Petaluma | 15 | 13 | 6.98 | .50 | 7.48 | .038 |
| Petrolia | 13 | 12 | 16.35 | 5.00 | 21.35 | .126 |
| Richmond | 27 | 16 | 16.15 | 3.16 | 19.31 | .056 |
| Sanitarium | 133 | 109 | 122.33 | 71.22 | 193.55 | .11 |
| St. Helena | 144 | 109 | 57.80 | 10.16 | 67.96 | .036 |
| San Francisco | 87 | 67 | 94.62 | 24.54 | 119.16 | .105 |
| San Jose | 74 | 47 | 21.86 | 5.82 | 27.68 | .029 |
| Santa Cruz | 38 | 27 | 17.71 | 8.28 | 25.99 | .05 |
| San Rafael | 8 | 7 | 12.89 | 2.85 | 15.74 | .15 |
| Santa Rosa | 52 | 41 | 25.82 | 4.28 | 30.10 | .044 |
| Sebastopol | 96 | 68 | 35.98 | 7.30 | 43.28 | .034 |
| Shively | 13 | 11 | 6.58 | .84 | 7.42 | .043 |
| Sonoma | 67 | 57 | 39.94 | 10.33 | 50.27 | .057 |
| Soquel | 8 | 4 | 3.20 | 2.10 | 5.30 | .05 |
| Vallejo | 24 | 9 | 4.98 | 2.00 | 6.98 | .022 |
| Vista Grande | 38 | 40 | 35.75 | 10.00 | 45.75 | .097 |
| Ukiah | 38 | 30 | 36.79 | 5.52 | 42.31 | .085 |
| Willits | 11 | 6 | 6.20 | .30 | 6.50 | .045 |
| Conference Home Dept. | 27 | | 11.75 | 10.20 | 21.55 | .06 |

Notes

1. The approximate average contributed each Sabbath per member is given in cents and mills.

2. Byron again leads in giving the largest amount per member, its average being \$0.263. Miranda comes next, with an average of \$0.183; while Berkeley is third, its average being \$0.151. Many of the schools have made splendid gains over the last quarter, ten having given over \$0.10 per member weekly, and seventeen gave \$0.05 or more. The average for the whole membership has increased during the quarter nearly 2 cents each Sabbath. It is now \$0.092 per member.

3. The increase in the thirteenth Sabbath offering is \$134.35. The total increase in offerings over last quarter is \$482.21.

4. Twelve are reported converted during the quarter, and fourteen baptized.

5. Nearly all the schools were exceptionally prompt in reporting, and only one failed to report at all.

6. Conference Home Department members are increasing, and we have received very encouraging letters and liberal contributions from them.

Vesta J. Farnsworth,
Cor. Sec. S. S. Dept. Cal. Conf.

Report of Evangelical Work for One Year at the Healdsburg Medical and Surgical Home

We are a happy family, and every one connected with the home (for such it is) seems to be in the height of his enjoyment when laboring for the comfort of others. At a quarter past seven in the morning, we assemble in the dining-room to break the fast; and when all are through with this part of our work, we repair to the little parlor, where all are invited to join in the study of God's word, for another half hour. This is the most enjoyable part of the program for the day. Nearly every member of our family is always present on these occasions, and it is our purpose to make these studies so interesting that no one will wish to absent himself from them.

We have made it a rule to follow out the plan of the "Family Bible Teacher" in our studies, not leaving out any of the important subjects of which this message is composed. At first we were in doubt as to the wisdom of this course; but after trying it for more than a year, we are fully convinced that there is no other plan that offers greater results, and at the same time stimulates less opposition to the truths brought to light, than does this plan. In fact we have not heard one person take exceptions to our methods of teaching. Our patients that are able to attend these meetings, do so without urging.

While we have not accomplished all that we have desired in this work, we have seen eight dear souls follow our Saviour down through a watery grave, and a husband and wife are ready for that ordinance as soon as the wife is well enough. Besides these, there are two gentlemen awaiting baptism, and more than a score of others that have expressed their intentions of living out all the truth for this time. These have all gone to their homes, but our prayers are still offered daily in their behalf, and as far as possible we are trying to keep in touch with them by correspondence, or through the personal efforts of some one of our Bible readers who may chance to be working in the vicinity of their homes. With most of the patients who come here, these truths are new, of course; but the greater portion of them are anxious to learn more than can be made clear to them in the morning meetings. This causes them to ask for special studies, and they are thus led on

from one point to another, until they have all points of our faith.

We praise God for these opportunities, and to Him be all the glory. In many other ways He has blessed our little home, and it is our greatest desire to be found ready to meet our Lord when He comes in the clouds of heaven, with all the holy angels. We would ask the prayers of all God's children for the prosperity of our work.

Dr. Ira A. Wheeler.

Dr. J. M. Bond.

Missionary Volunteers

Seed Thoughts for the Missionary Meeting

The power of God is promised to those who undertake the program of God. "He is able."

"A living organism must grow or die. The genius of Christianity is expansive. The church that is not missionary will die."

We believe our faith to be true. That conviction prompts us to give it to all who do not possess it. Propagation is a law of spiritual life.

All men need to know the great message. We are under obligation to convey our knowledge of it. The fact that we can carry light to others is sufficient reason why we should. And "the love of Christ constraineth us."

Every professed follower of Christ who lacks the power to bring others into Christ's service is a barrier to the kingdom on earth. A life-insurance representative who never succeeded in convincing any one that his company was the company to insure in would be a heavy drag on that company's welfare."

Whoever comes to understand the call of Christ to evangelize the nations, must understand, at the same time, his duty to pass that call on to others right around him.

Divine Master, give us the grace of continuance in reaching out for others, and may we each find our greatest joy and satisfaction in "working, O Christ, with Thee."

Ernest Lloyd.

"Angels are listening to hear what kind of report you are bearing to the world about your heavenly Master."

CALIFORNIA

Union Service in Oakland

Bombay, India, a city of 776,000 souls, with only two workers, and without another Sabbath-keeper within a radius of thirty-five miles is soon to have help, at least in a financial way. This is the cheering word the young people of California are able to pass on to our loyal pioneer workers. At the young people's rally held at the Oakland church Sabbath, May 10, \$55.14 was contributed to the Bombay treatment rooms. The total reported from the California Conference to date is \$82.92, but more than this has been raised. It is hoped to raise \$625 to open up these rooms.

That they are sadly needed is apparent when we learn how superstitious "doctors" in that benighted country try to cure fever by burning a hole in the head of the victim with a red-hot iron, in order to drive the devil out. What a contrast to the treatments of hydrotherapy practised by our physicians and nurses!

The young people's societies of Alameda, Melrose, and Berkeley joined with the Oakland society in a union service on May 10, two sessions being held. Brother H. B. Thomas, secretary of the young people's work in the California Conference, acted as chairman in the afternoon. The feature of this service was the symposium given by representatives of the four societies. Brother Charles Wenegar, president of the Oakland society, told of two prayer bands that have been organized. These two bands seek the Lord every Sabbath ten minutes before the time for the young people's meeting. The Oakland society is visiting the county jail each week, is placing the *Signs* in the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., and other reading-rooms of the city, and has distributed a large number of the *Temperance Instructor*. Forty-five school-teachers were visited by members of the society, and this valuable temperance paper placed in their hands.

J. T. Thompson, president of the Melrose society, told of large numbers of the *Signs* Leaflets which that society has distributed in Melrose. The members visit the county infirmary every week. They are also doing considerable toward the distribution of literature and tracts.

Brother Leo Brower, representing the Berkeley society, spoke of this as being among those recently organized. Several libraries are being supplied with the

Signs Magazine and *Watchman* by these young people. Like the Melrose society, they distributed large numbers of Signs Leaflets. They also helped greatly in the distribution of advertising matter which increased the attendance at Sunday night meetings recently held in that church.

The Alameda society has been endeavoring to organize a Bible study class by bringing in the children found playing in the streets and on vacant lots on the Sabbath. Surely such efforts should be commended. Under the leadership of Brother Thomas, the young people of the city will soon have some of our magazines in the Oakland public library and all its branches.

Elder A. O. Tait, speaking on "Another Year of Progress," remarked that 15,000 of our young people are in training, that they are rapidly entering the work, and that some are sure to be called to work in foreign fields. He emphasized the point that "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached," and also that it is to be preached in *all* the world. The membership of the societies throughout the world has increased 1,000 in the last year. The young people have doubled their work with literature. Tracts to the number of 1,500,000 were loaned by them last year.

The Atlantic Union young people are raising \$750 for the Canary Islands and the Inca Indians. The Lake Union is raising \$1,000 for India. The Northern Union is raising from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for a training school in China. The Pacific Union has undertaken to raise money for the sanitarium work in India. As Brother and Sister George W. Petit, our two workers in Bombay, are from Portland, Oregon, on this coast, it is appropriate that we here should have a part in this work.

Two solos, one a barytone solo, "Work On," by Charles Giddings, the other, "The Lord of Love My Shepherd Is," by Miss Ulah Leavitt, were rendered during the afternoon. Two readings were also given. "The Spirit of the Missionary Volunteer Movement" and "Cooperation the Basis of Success" were the subjects. The first was read by Miss Hazel Frisbie, the other by Frank A. Coffin. W. E. Johnson read the scripture, Isa. 52:1-10.

Elder Tait preached the sermon at the morning service. The house was crowded. The text was, "They that be wise [or teachers] shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many

to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." A few of the thoughts presented were as follows:

The sun is so bright it blinds us. Yet many of the stars shine with a hundred-fold more glory. Those who are teachers of righteousness shall shine with the glory of the stars through eternity.

New Jerusalem shall be lighted with the glory of God and of the Lamb. The inhabitants will have no need of the sun, for the glory of God will far outshine it. His servants shall serve Him, and they shall see His face. Weak, human eyes will be immortalized. Now the sun blinds us. To behold God is to die. Think of the physical strength required to stand in the presence of God, and see His face. The danger is, we will treat these living realities as ordinary tales. Satan is flooding the world with pleasures, so the minds of men will be completely occupied, that they may fail to grasp the realities of the Book.

The wicked will finally plunge this world into a state of anarchy such as it has never seen. Yet if we are true to God, we shall march through this time of trouble, for "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them." Great men have their body-guards, but Christians have a better one. We pray. Like a flash our angel is before God's throne. The request is made. The answer comes. In an instant the angel returns. The needed help comes. Christians understand these things. The wicked can not.

Trouble will soon be all about us. "At that time shall Michael stand up, that great Prince which standeth for the children of thy people." And then, while this dark world is in the throes of war, and plagues, and floods, and earthquakes and pestilence—then shall the end come. F. A. Coffin.

May 3

Missionary Volunteer Day at Sanitarium was full of interest and profit. On Friday evening, the regular time for the young people's meeting, Brother H. B. Thomas gave a study along the line of "The Christian Privileges," followed by an earnest praise meeting in which nearly all took part.

At the Sabbath morning service, Elder B. E. Beddoe, speaking on the general topic of the needs of the young people and what the church can do for them, used as a basis for his sermon Matt.

18:1-14. The thought made prominent was that the best way to help young people is to help them before they become "young people." Our young people will be just what they are trained to be before they grow up—while they are children.

Our system of education—in a word, our church schools—holds the key to the situation; in our schools our young people will be trained to carry the message to the world. Cooperating with the home, they may be a power for God and His work in the earth. Make the right impression in childhood, and the life will be determined. The duty of parents and teachers is to make sure of the early impression, not giving up or slacking their efforts while the children are under their care and control.

In the afternoon, the Sanitarium society was joined by the college and St. Helena societies, completely filling the chapel. The program outlined in the *Review* was given by Elder D. E. Robinson, of the St. Helena society, C. E. Andross, of the college society, and Elder B. E. Beddoe.

The college orchestra assisted with special music, which added much to the services. A male quartet consisting of Brethren H. E. Randall, Myron Ly-singer, S. T. Hare, and Leon Robison, sang the stirring song, "Volunteers, to the front."

The spirit of the occasion was excellent. The societies feel drawn nearer together and nearer to the Lord, realizing better their duty in the great work that lies before us. Cheered by the reports of progress in the past, and encouraged to press to new victories in the future, they have in their hearts the feeling that all the young people must be faithful to the trust committed to them of the Lord, "the gospel to all the world in this generation."

A liberal sum was collected to apply on the fund for the Bombay treatment rooms, an enterprise that especially appeals to the members of the Sanitarium society. The hearts of God's people everywhere are tender in behalf of the needy fields beyond. It is a privilege to give to every line of the work, to advance the cause of Him who gave all for our redemption. Max Hill.

Out of the Old Notebook

"Science investigates, the gospel propagates."

"The authority of the Bible is the

authority of the telescope against the naked eye."

"The way of salvation is not through Harvard, nor Yale, nor Oxford, not through Shakespeare, nor Plato, but over an old-fashioned hill called Calvary."

"Great truths are found in the sacred books of nations outside. Wherein, then, lies the merit of the Christian religion? I'll tell you: It is a river, not a reservoir. There is not an essential thing outside of the revelation."

Let Us Not Sleep

(1 Thess. 5:6)

The other day, I read about a farmer who fell asleep while plowing in a field, and losing control of himself for a moment, he also lost control of his horses, and they ran away with him. The lines became entangled around his feet, and he was dragged over the ground and fatally injured.

Not many farmers fall asleep while plowing. But there are many in the religious field asleep at their plows. They took hold of the plow handles and started on the furrow, but now they are asleep on those handles. Instead of being alert, they are indifferent.

They go to church, and are thinking about business or pleasure or something else all the time. Or they stay away from the Sabbath service "for a change," or to go for a ride. They never think of the mid-week prayer and missionary service unless they hear it announced from the pulpit. They are not concerned for the people about them. They know there are unchurched and sinful men and women living in their neighborhoods, and yet they are insensible to these calls of responsibility.

They are church-members, but they are not Christians. They are in the gospel field, behind the plow, but asleep on their jobs. They are dying. Sleep caused the poor farmer's death. So the stupor of the indifferent, self-centered church-member will sink down into the sleep of death.

If Christ pronounced as unfit for His kingdom the man who put his hand to the gospel plow and looked back, *what would He say of those who pretend to plow the gospel field and fall asleep at their task?*

"And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62. Ernest Lloyd.

Southern California Conference Magazine Sales April, 1913

Signs of the Times

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| Mrs. A. M. Althaus | 200 |
| Mrs. Eliza Allen | 100 |
| Miss Helen Huntington | 185 |
| Miss Lydia Johnson | 850 |
| Wm. J. Keele | 50 |
| Mrs. C. Riehli | 50 |
| Mrs. Isabelle Richmond | 25 |
| Will Strickland | 5 |
| Mrs. Chas. Williams | 100 |
| Glendale Y. P. S. | 100 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 129 |
| Total | 1,794 |

Life and Health

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|----------------------------|------------|
| Mrs. A. M. Althaus | 10 |
| Mrs. Eliza Allen | 70 |
| Mrs. D. W. Frazier | 25 |
| Miss Helen Huntington | 50 |
| Miss Lydia Johnson | 418 |
| Mrs. C. Riehli | 30 |
| Will Strickland | 110 |
| Vegetarian Cafeteria | 50 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 17 |
| Total | 780 |

Watchman

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| Mrs. A. M. Althaus | 100 |
| Miss Helen Huntington | 10 |
| Miss Lydia Johnson | 150 |
| Mrs. Isabelle Richmond | 15 |
| Will Strickland | 4 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 25 |
| Total | 304 |

Temperance Instructor

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| C. E. Grey | 100 |
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| Miss Helen Huntington | 75 |
| Miss Lydia Johnson | 150 |
| Will Strickland | 281 |
| Glendale W. C. T. U. | 100 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 389 |
| Total | 1,095 |

Protestant

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| Mrs. Isabelle Richmond | 30 |
| W. S. Ritchie | 110 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 40 |
| Total | 180 |

Liberty

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| Mrs. Eliza Allen | 50 |
| Mrs. Isabelle Richmond | 50 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 25 |
| Total | 125 |

Japanese Magazine

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| Mrs. C. Riehli | 25 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 15 |
| Total | 40 |

Chinese Magazine

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| Miss Lydia Johnson | 25 |
| Mrs. C. Riehli | 25 |
| Miscellaneous Office Sales | 15 |
| Total | 65 |

Spanish Magazine

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| Miss Lydia Johnson | 100 |
| E. W. Snyder | 100 |
| Santa Barbara Society | 25 |
| Total | 225 |

Life Boat

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| Mrs. Ethel Bond | 200 |
| Grand Total Sales | 4,808 |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 1913

| Agent | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Helps | Value | Delivered |
|----------------|---------|------|-------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Arizona | | | | | | |
| C. F. Innis | H. & H. | 30 | 27 | \$3.30 | \$81.30 | |
| G. M. Martin | G. C. | 35 | 2 | 33.00 | 39.00 | |
| 2 Agents | | 65 | 29 | \$36.30 | \$120.30 | |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 2, 1913

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| Arizona | | | | | | |
| C. F. Innis | H. & H. | 30 | 28 | \$1.25 | \$87.25 | |
| G. M. Martin | G. C. | 41 | 8 | 55.50 | 81.50 | |
| 2 Agents | | 71 | 36 | \$56.75 | \$168.75 | |

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 9, 1913

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|---------------------------|-------|----|----|--------|----------|--------|
| Central California | | | | | | |
| F. O. Jensen | H. | 43 | 25 | \$2.10 | \$52.10 | \$6.10 |
| A. R. Barnes | P. G. | 29 | 9 | 1.50 | 36.00 | |
| J. E. Krieger | G. C. | | | 3.60 | 54.00 | |
| 3 Agents | | | | \$7.20 | \$142.10 | \$6.10 |

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| California | | | | | | |
| E. A. Hamilton | B. R. | 21 | 3 | | \$9.00 | |

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| Northern California-Nevada | | | | | | |
| W. S. Brown | B. R. | 16 | 8 | \$7.85 | \$40.60 | |
| M. A. Reese | G. C. | 31 | 1 | 6.25 | 9.25 | |
| 2 Agents | | 47 | 9 | \$14.10 | \$49.85 | |

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THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1913

Any one knowing the address of Mrs. R. L. Pollard, kindly forward information to John B. Dymot, 1809 Harvey Avenue, Fresno, Cal.

The four cars of delegates and friends that started for Washington May 6 from the coast reached their destination in due time. It was a very pleasant trip over both the Southern Pacific Sun-set and the Santa Fe.

Brother James Harvey, of 1729 Grove St., Oakland, Cal., wishes any of our papers and tracts sent him for missionary work there. Papers and tracts in German, Swedish, and Spanish are especially desired. Brother Harvey is doing a good work in distributing literature, and we trust this call will meet with substantial help along this line.

The daily program of the General Conference will be about as follows:

- Morning meeting6:00 A.M.
- Bible study8:30 "
- Conference10:00 "
- Conference2:30 P.M.
- Departmental meetings4:30 "
- Preaching7:30 "

The new tent, 100 x 150 feet in size, that has been made for the Southern California Conference, is used as the pavilion tent at this conference. It is nicely seated with about 2,500 new folding chairs.

Among the many friends at Washington, there are a few that formerly labored or lived in the Pacific Union, that we have had the privilege of meeting. Among these are Elder E. W. Webster, formerly of the Arizona Conference, but now the chaplain of the Washington Sanitarium at Takoma Park; Elder and Mrs. E. C. Boger, who are

in charge of the work in British Guiana, and formerly of the St. Helena Sanitarium and the Arizona Conference. Brother Boger reports the work in his field as prospering. From Jamaica we see Brother A. F. Haines, who has charge of the printing work for the West Indian Union Conference. Brother Haines formerly was connected with the Pacific Press Publishing Association at Mountain View, and went from there to the Canal Zone, where he was stationed until the burning of the printing plant. From Spain we find Elder Walter Bond, who has been in that field for many years. The island of Porto Rico is represented by Dr. Elmer F. Otis and wife. Brother Otis will be well remembered by the old students of Healdsburg College.

A Sabbath-School on Wheels

Train No. 10 on the Washington Sun-set route was just crossing the line from Texas into Louisiana on Sabbath morning, May 10, when the delegates and friends *en route* to the General Conference assembled for Sabbath-school. Rarely does a Sabbath-school gathering represent so many schools and conferences. Thirty-six persons, representing thirteen different Sabbath-schools, were present. Eleven of these schools are in California, one in Portland, Oregon, and one in Honolulu.

Conference boundaries were not thought of, although we could not help but notice that here were represented the California Conference, the Northern California-Nevada Conference, the Southern California Conference, Western Oregon, and the Hawaiian mission field. The California Sabbath-schools represented were: Salida, Lodi, Sanitarium St. Helena, Melrose, Oakland, Mountain View, San Fernando, University-Heights (San Diego), San Diego, and San Francisco.

It was voted, by the members gathered, that Brother C. H. Jones act as superintendent of the school. Elder M. C. Wilcox, in commenting upon this, referred to Brother Jones's long and enthusiastic service in the Sabbath-school. Mrs. J. R. Ferren was chosen secretary.

The school was divided into two divisions, senior and primary. The following were asked to teach in the senior division: Elders M. C. Wilcox, E. J. Hibbard, C. L. Taggart, and B. E. Beddoe, and Prof. J. A. L. Derby. Sister Holser took charge of the three little folks — Tommy Whitelock, Stella Ricka-

baugh, and Rosebud Brown. We had an intensely interesting Sabbath-school. Our songs rose above the noise of the train; and so interestingly did the teachers go into the vital points of the 2,300 days prophecy, that we were oblivious to the passing scenes outside.

The superintendent did not fail to remind us that the Sabbath-school donations go for missions. \$7.15 was the amount of the offerings given. After the closing song, the secretary's report was rendered, and the Sabbath-school dismissed, all feeling thankful for the blessings of the Sabbath-school.

Mrs. J. R. Ferren,
Secretary.

"Our Little Friend"

Announces an Advance in Subscription Rates, Effective July 1, 1913

Single subscriptions advanced from 60 cents a year to 70 cents a year. Clubs advanced from 50 cents a year to 60 cents a year. An advance of 10 cents a year in each case. All subscriptions or renewals sent in by the tract society before July 1 will be entered at the old rates. Those leaving the tract society on or after that date will be entered at the new rates. Get your renewals in early.

Wanted — Housekeeper

Seventh-day Adventist woman capable of managing the house and doing general housekeeping. Will pay good wages for good help. Address G. M. Harmon, Fallon, Nevada.

Wanted

Two good men for work in steam laundry. Send your recommendations with application. Address St. Helena Sanitarium, Sanitarium, Cal.

For Sale

Will sell, or may trade for property near church school — modern seven room house near Lodi Normal. Address owner, B. T. Myers, 337 East Walnut St., Lodi, Cal.

Wanted

A thoroughly competent hygienic cook for the school cafeteria for next school year. Woman preferred. State experience, wages expected, and give references. San Fernando Academy, San Fernando, Cal.