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Missionary Work

The Relation of the Church Missionary Society to our World Missionary Movement

W. A. SPICER

(Extract from a talk given at a missionary meeting at the Stockton, California, camp-meeting, July 15, 1913.)

The great work that is being accomplished is simply the multiplication of the one missionary society. There is nothing to it, except that wherever there are believers they are doing something. Thus, forty-six years ago a little band of believers over in Middleton, Connecticut, gathered around a little pile of papers on the floor. It was the first copy of the first periodical ever printed by this denomination. That little company of believers—the entire number was perhaps less than there are to-day in

this tent - knelt down around that little pile of papers. With tears they dedicated it to God, and asked God to bless those periodicals as they sent them out - the first paper bearing the last message to the world. How we love to think of those simple things now when our presses around the earth are running all the time! Brethren and sisters, it all grew out of that little company's dedicating with tears the periodicals, and then sending them out among the people. From that day to this, that has been what makes the work grow - the efforts of the little companies, of the families, and of the churches. As the churches have spread through the earth, the effort has spread through the earth. That is the way the thing is done.

While we are watching the message go through all the earth, it is necessary that we must not forget what the work is. Just as long as there are souls unsaved around us, let us do the same thing. The next heart to be impressed with the truth may be the one next to your door. Who knows but what it is for some one to take a tract or a paper to that home? Isn't it wonderful the means God has given us to send this truth? Our mark in the sale of publications is now two millions of dollars a year. I sometimes think we ought to be willing to pay the world two millions a year to read our truth. But the Lord has reversed that; and the Lord is bringing the means to us. Let us scatter the publications. Our presses, established in the order of the Lord, are throwing them down like the leaves of autumn. In all the land these presses are running. These papers are dropping. Who is to put them out among the people? - The Seventh-day Adventists are. A few Adventists are putting out what seems to be a large number of publications. What would be done if all would get to work? The thing to do is for all to be loaded, even as is the hunter who goes out for game.

I well remember, while in London, carrying tracts to the large waiting station where cars were leaving every few moments. When the room was cleared I would go around and put tracts on all the seats. The crowds coming in would pick up my tracts, and soon go on, leaving the seats clear for more. Then I would pass around quietly and again "bait the hooks," to again have the pleasure of seeing the tracts picked up by the people and carried onto the trains. One man found one of those tracts in London, and he had fifty thousand of the same tract printed, and scattered them himself. We do not know just where there is some one waiting for us. Let us arm ourselves.

The Bible in the Old Testament gives us a picture of a certain band of warriors, each of whom could use both his hands. When they went into battle they put both hands at it. They could shoot the arrows or throw stones with the right hand and the left. Brethren and sisters. God has given us the means to load up and fight with all our power. With the tracts, papers, and books, we can work with the right hand and with the left. Let us arm ourselves. I like to think of our tracts and periodicals as musketry, and of our books as the héavy If the whole denomination artillery. just went at it, what a wonderful work would be done up and down this earth! The only way to get every one into it is to get the church into it. Let us get your church at it,

Over in Austria where they are not allowed to preach in public, our workers go out with the health journals and other periodicals from house to house. One day one of these colporteurs showed the health journal to a lady. "No," she said, "this is not the one. I am waiting for a paper from Hamburg, but this is not the one." Then she told the colporteur of how when she was a little girl she had a dream. In it she was told that if she wished to know the way of salvation she should wait for people to come from Hamburg and bring her a paper. This had impressed itself on her mind for years, so much so that she went to the priest. "Don't you trouble about that," said he. "You get your salvation through the church." But she had waited all the years, and had watched the registers of hotels to try to locate the people from Hamburg who would bring her the paper, but in vain. O, brother, sister, maybe some one is watching you and wondering if you are going to say something about salvation. It is too bad to pass by one who is looking at you for help. Well, that day our colporteur called, this sister seized that health jour-"No, that is not it." "But," said the man, "I have another." And he drew from an inside pocket their religious journal. A look of disappointment crossed her face as she saw the postmark, Vienna, Austria. He soon explained that it was printed in Hamburg, and showed her the mark inside. She took the paper, began receiving Bible readings, accepted one thing after another, and soon was rejoicing in the Sabbath of the Lord. God had been preparing her heart. I do not suppose He intended her to wait so many years. How many souls ready in California are waiting? We need now to quickly scatter the publications among the people. Let us do it by the grace of God.

Other Mission Features Librarian's Report

Following Elder Spicer's inspiring talk on church missionary work, Mrs. G. E. Henton, the librarian of the Lodi church, gave a paper on the "Church at Work," treating the subject from the librarian's standpoint. In this she emphasized the need of cooperation on the part of the elders with the librarian in leading out in the activities; and gave a most interesting recital of how the activity is being cultivated among the members. Two

little girls have been assisting her in passing out the report blanks at the meetings and gathering them up. The number of reports handed in is increasing. They are making special efforts to get all the church-members enlisted in some line of service. Those who are working are enjoying some excellent experiences.

An Example

A member or the Lodi missionary society, one situated as are scores of housewives busy with their home work, gave a report that ought to encourage many to undertake some work among their neighbors. She said that when approached by one of the church workers who suggested that she distribute some copies of the Family Bible Teacher, she felt very timid and shrank from it. Finally she concluded to try. She arranged her home work so as to spend a little time, and in one week just before the campmeeting she had visited forty homes, given out 640 pages of literature, sent out 150 pages, and had loaned several books, among them "Steps to Christ" and "Great Controversy." This sister had become so intensely interested in this work that she said she plans to continue it, and made a strong appeal that others would do likewise and enjoy the blessings that she has found.

Methods of Gaining Access to the Homes for Bible Readings

A most helpful presentation of the best methods of gaining the confidence of persons with a view to interesting them in Bible study was given at a missionary meeting at the Stockton, California, camp ground, by Sister J. A. L. Derby of Lodi. Since her regular Bible work some years ago, Sister Derby in her work with the missionary society has kept her experience fresh, and she entered into this feature of the program with enthusiasm.

Her presentation was as follows:

"When we first began to seek for Bible readers the plan was to go out and solicit subscriptions for the Signs of the Times. We would work for yearly subscriptions, six months, and three months. Our plan would be to deliver personally the papers on the shorter subscriptions, in order to meet the people from week to week and inquire as to the interest, call attention to certain articles, and in that way gain acquaintance. So often persons would say, 'I am so glad you

came. I believe God sent you to me.' This would open the way for prayer, and we would continue to deliver the paper week by week.

"Another method of getting acquainted is the use of tracts. One sister said to me one day, 'I wish you would teach me how to do tract work, that 1 may enter the homes and do Bible work.' 'Well,' I replied, 'let us go out this morning, and we will take your first neighbor.' We called with a package of tracts. I believe the Lord went before us. When calling we asked her if we could leave her some tracts, calling attention to some of the subjects. She said, on seeing one on the subject of Christ's coming, 'I am interested in that.' We left the tract on the second coming with her. The next day I felt impressed to go to this home again, and I took with me the pamphlet, 'Matthew 24.' She read that, and asked for more literature. This was at Christmas time. When our spring camp-meeting came in May, that woman, her mother, and her sister, were in the truth, and came to the camp-meeting.

"Another method of opening the way for Bible readings is in caring for the sick. I am glad that I was trained for the Bible work in the days when we were drilled in Christian help work. We were taught how to give fomentations, and other simple treatments. A neighbor of mine was sick, and I went two or three times a week to give her some help. She had come in touch with Spiritualism, and did not know how to meet it. 'What does your church believe in regard to Spiritualism?' she inquired one day. There was no better opportunity for me, so while I was giving her a treatment I gave her a Bible reading. 'I wish you would write those texts down for me,' said she. That illustrates how we all may through simple, kindly ministry to others open the way to study with them.

At the Door

"Here is a little canvass I use in going out among the homes. I will give you some of the conversation that I remember particularly on one occasion not long ago, in meeting a lady at her door.

"''Good morning, I am working in the interests of those who are interested in Bible study. I called to see if you were not interested in this, and perhaps explain my work more fully to you."

"''O, is that what you do? I have seen you pass by, and wondered what you are doing. But I was just preparing to go out this morning, and do not see how I could spend the time just now.'

"''Very well, if you are busy now, you allow me to come next week, and we will have perhaps one Bible study showing you just the method we use in taking up these studies.'

" 'All right. You may.'

"At the time appointed the next week, I went. This is the little Bible study as nearly as I can remember the texts:

"Ps. 119:11. The word keeps from sin.

sin.

"Ps. 17:4. When we are tempted to do something wrong we have this promise. Do you know the Lord Jesus Himself by the word was kept from sin?

"Deut. 8:3. When Jesus was tempted Satan said, 'If Thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.' Christ replied, 'It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone.' There is power in God's word to keep us from sinning.

"1 Peter 1:23. We are born by the word of God.

"John 6:63. The word then must be the spiritual nourishment. When an infant is born into the world, you would not expect it to live unless you feed it. You are born spiritually. You must have the word of God to feed you spiritually.

"Jer. 15:16. This again emphasizes the need of feeding on the word of God, and the results.

"So, by these texts we see how we are born by the word, how we may feed upon the word; and when we take that spirit and that life into our hearts it makes us spiritual, lively Christians, and that is the Christian who works.

"At this point the lady said, 'I want to be that kind of Christian.' She had been a Christian nominally, but this took hold of her heart, and step by step she studied further, and accepted the truth. She met opposition from her husband, a business man. He said, 'You go to church on the best day I have for my business.' She decided to stand firm, believing she could thus be of greater help to him. Her husband was present when she was baptized, and it made a deep impression upon him. He became interested, read 'Great Controversy,' and is now in the truth and leader in one of our churches.

"I trust these experiences in entering homes may be of help to others. I believe the Lord has given us a way to enter homes. He will go before us and open the way. Every one who takes up this work will be richly blessed."

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Monterey

After returning from the General Conference, the writer was asked to come to Monterey, where Elder Patterson and Brother George Truesdell and wife are engaged in a tent effort, that I might work into the place that will soon be made vacant when Elder Patterson takes his departure from the Central California Conference to labor in the North Pacific Union Conference.

The regular meetings closed in the tent on June 30, and the company truly had great reasons for rejoicing, for the good Lord had come very near to them, as was manifested in a marked manner among the hearers, in gaining victories over self and years of unsubdued habits. Last Sabbath day will long be remembered by the Monterey church. At the close of the eleven o'clock service, a call was made for a complete surrender, and to follow the Lord in baptism. Several quickly responded; however, there was one dear old gentleman who had for years boasted of his infidelity, still struggling to get the consent of his mind to give up to the truth which he was now fully convinced was from the God of all the earth, and at the close of a special season of prayer he came to the front, weeping as he came, stating that he was so unworthy.

At the appointed hour the company gathered upon the rocks on the bay shore, where Elder Patterson administered the rite of baptism to seven dear souls who left all their past deeds in the watery grave and came forth to walk in the new life. Among them was a man of middle life who had not attended a religious meeting, before the tent arrived, in thirty years.

In the afternoon the young people rendered a program which had been prepared as a farewell to Elder Patterson and wife. This was given in the open air, amid the beautiful tall pines on the hillside, overlooking the Pacific to the west and the bay to the north. Truly we were close to nature, as was mentioned in the fitting remarks of Brother Truesdell in his opening address. Much credit is due Sister Virgin for the planning and service she gave to this program.

A location has just been secured in Pacific Grove, on the corner of Seventh and Spruce streets, where the tent will be pitched and another effort will begin in a few days. In this new effort the company is desirous that those who read this sketch will pray that the Lord will continue to work in this place that still other souls may be gathered out.

F. E. Brown.

Laton

We came May 6 and started meetings the 8th and continued for nine weeks. We have had a good attendance all through the effort and experienced many of the blessings of God.

Last Sabbath, the 12th, we organized a church of eighteen members. Nine were baptized. Four others have signed the covenant whom we hope will soon unite with the body.

H. C. Basney, C. W. Fuller.

UTAH

Young People's Work in Utah

During the last three months, according to an excellent report just received from Brother W. A. Johnson, the young people in their missionary work in Utah have done three times as much as they did in all of the preceding twelve months. In their three societies located at Salt Lake, Ogden, and Provo, there are forty members. Some of the items in their quarterly report are: letters written, 58: missionary visits, 972; Bible readings, 60; subscriptions for periodicals, 274; papers sold, 1,115; books sold, 274; tracts distributed, 408; hours of Christian help work, 139; offerings to foreign missions. \$28.72; for local society work, \$16.53; for home work, \$7.50.

Brother Johnson adds to his report to his young people:

"Let us double this report during the next three months. We can do it if we observe three great essentials:

- "1. Search the Scriptures -food.
- "2. Pray without ceasing breath.
- "3. Go work to-day in My vineyard exercise."

A few postage-stamps are all you need,—and you can get all of them you want at your post-office,— to secure copies of the August Signs Magazine. And that is the very number you want. The tract society office can supply you. Five cents a copy if you take five or more to forty, and only four cents a copy for fifty or more. Order now. They are ready for mailing.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Temperance "Instructor" at the International Christian Endeavor Convention

The twenty-sixth International Christian Endeavor Convention was held in Los Angeles, July 9-14, at Fiesta Park. Nearly ten thousand young people attended this notable gathering.

The managers of the convention allowed the Woman's Christian Temperance Union the use of a large booth as a distributing center of temperance literature. This was located at one of the main entrances. Our good Sister Bainbridge was requested by the president of the county W. C. T. U. to assist in the work at this booth. Sister Bainbridge quickly secured permission to give out copies of the Temperance Instructor with the other literature. Generous friends met the cost of these papers.

In speaking of this effort, Sister Bainbridge remarked, "The National W. C. T. U. sent several thousand leaflets and tracts. These with the Youth's Instructor and our own temperance tracts, made a very attractive package. But the Temperance Instructor was the leading feature. The many interested friends who had seen it in other states were glad to see it again.

"One Pullman dining-car waiter was delighted, and recognized the 1912 issue at once. He asked for an extra copy, as he needed them to use in answering the many questions that were being asked about the use of liquor since none is now served on the diners. 'I bo't one in Ogden, an' I mos' used it up. May I have a few mo'?' 'Yes, how many could you use?' 'O, I could use a heap; 'cos the other boys talks about it, too.' 'Could you use fifty?' 'Yes, lady, I could, an' be mighty glad to get 'em. Thank you, lady,' and away he went with a big 'watermelon' smile stretching across his happy face.

"Several Sunday-school teachers asked for enough to place among the boys in their classes, remarking on the excellence of the articles on the use of cigarets.

"One pastor from Connecticut had seen both the 1912 and 1913 issues, and was very glad of a bundle to use among his class of one hundred boys, as a text-book for study along these lines.

"One pastor's assistant said, 'May I have some to use in our prayer-meetings? We have temperance topics on hand, and

I do not know where to obtain such good material as this.'

"A lady from Toronto recognized the Instructor, and called to a friend, 'See, here is that Seventh-day Adventist young folks' temperance magazine that I told you about. May I have five or six?' and offered a dollar in payment. She was given a supply."

A newspaper reporter was among the callers. "We are having quite a temperance agitation in our town, and the school-teachers are coming to me for information." After retiring a little distance, and looking over the two issues of the *Instructor* carefully, he returned with: "May I have fifty of each of these? I know where I can use them with telling effect among our teachers." So it went on all through the convention days.

It was our privilege to distribute sixteen hundred and fifty Temperance *Instructors* and twelve hundred tracts among the Endeavorers.

These opportunities are all about us. Let us watch and be ready—and don't hesitate too long. Ernest Lloyd.

Southern California Camp-Meeting Further Information

Will our people throughout the conference take particular note of the following information which is given in addition to that which was sent in a former letter to the churches?

Location of Camp Ground

The meeting will be held in Chester-field Square, on Fifty-fourth and Gramercy streets, in the city of Los Angeles. This beautiful tract is laid out in city blocks, with cement sidewalks and graded streets. It gives us all the advantages of water, electric lights, gas (if wanted), and sewer connections. Grounds are amply large for our camp, and in most ways are nicely adapted to our needs.

How to Reach the Camp

Those coming into the city over the Southern Pacific road, take a West Fifth Street car (yellow car) in front of the Arcade depot, and take transfer for Main Street South at Fifth and Main to the Monita Avenue and Fifty-fourth Street car, and get off at Denker Avenue where the car stops. From this point, walk west on Fifty-fourth to the grounds.

Those coming by the Santa Fe roads go north from the depot to First Street and take car going west, transfer at Main and First, and take same car as above to the camp ground; or transfer at Broadway to the Grand Avenue-Mesa Drive car going south; get off at Fifty-fourth Street and Second Avenue and walk east to the grounds.

Any one coming on the Pacific electric cars to the Pacific electric depot at Sixth and Main, take Monita Avenue and Fifty-fourth Street car going south on Main as mentioned above. Any coming into the Pacific electric station at Fourth and Hill streets, walk east on Fourth or Fifth to Broadway, and take Grand Avenue-Mesa Drive car as above mentioned.

Camp-meeting representatives wearing badges will meet all incoming trains.

Baggage

Hold your baggage-checks until you reach the ground, and there place them with the baggage-master at baggage headquarters. This suggestion is very important, that confusion and delay in getting baggage to the ground may be avoided.

Reduced Rates on Railroads

The Southern Pacific, the Atchison-Topeka-Santa Fe, and the San Pedro-Los Angeles-Salt Lake railroads have offered the usual one and one third fares for this meeting. This is on condition that fifty or more attend.

On the Southern Pacific roads this arrangement holds good from all points on their lines in Southern California as far north as Santa Barbara and Mojave, and south to the Colorado River, including branch lines.

On the Santa l'e roads the offer covers all points in California south of Mojave. This will include their Johannesburg branch, and will extend to Needles, California. On the San Pedro and Salt Lake road the offer covers all their stations in California.

When you purchase your ticket, be sure to take a certificate from the agent. This is necessary if you expect the one and one third fare for return trip. Hold this certificate until you come to the camp ground, and there pass it to the conference secretary for his signature. When he has signed the required number, he will give notice to the railroad companies, and they will grant the one third fare for return trip.

The time for purchasing tickets under this special arrangement is from July 25 to August 17, inclusive, to the meeting; and from August 4 to August 22, for return trip.

Furniture for Campers

Do not fail to send your orders at once for the furniture you may wish to use during the meeting. This is necessary if you expect to be supplied. The committee can not order articles indiscriminately from the furniture houses.

Tent Rents

As mentioned in a former issue of the RECORDER, the rent of tents will be as follows: the 12×17 tent, including fly and floor cloth, \$5; the 10×12 tent, with fly and floor cloth, \$3.50. Furnishings for tents will be extra, and only as ordered by the campers.

Cafeteria and Store

Meals will be provided on the cafeteria plan. The best service that long experience in the business can give, is promised to the campers. A lunchcounter and grocery store will be run in connection with the cafeteria, where foodstuffs can be bought, or light lunches served.

Ministers Who Will Attend

Besides the ministers and the workers in our own conference, we have assurance that the following laborers will be present: Elders E. E. Andross, I. H. Evans, J. O. Corliss, J. N. Loughborough, E. W. Farnsworth, R. W. Munson (missionary from the East Indies), H. R. Johnson, J. S. James (from India), Walter Bond (from Spain), G. A. Grauer, Meade McGuire (of the Young People's Department of the North American Division).

In addition to these names, we have some hopes of Elder T. H. Okohira's attending our meeting, and possibly a representative from the editorial staff of the Signs of the Times.

We could hardly ask for more help than this. With God's blessing attending the labors of these brethren among us, we can expect a most excellent meeting. Come to be present at the first session of the conference on Monday evening, August 4. F. M. Burg,

Pres. S. Cal. Conf.

Norwalk

May 18 we began tent meetings in this place. We were favored in being able to obtain permission to locate on the railroad right of way, next to the good reads, in a beautiful, shady spot. We were also favored with a liberal attendance right along from the start, until the testing truths were presented, when some stepped out. Others are still in the valley of decision.

There is an interest now in three towns,—Downey, Artesia, and this place,—all lying within a radius of eight miles, and new Sabbath-keepers in or near all of them.

Sabbath afternoon meetings are still held in Downey, and cottage meetings have been held at Artesia for the specially interested.

Brother W. H. Bradley, Miss Dessie Eyer, and Myrtle Rombaugh, although not in conference employ, have been giving very faithful and efficient service in connection with the effort.

In the absence of Mrs. Mary Fitch, who is taking a nurses' training at Glendale, and Mrs. Knox, who has undergone a serious operation at the same institution, we have greatly appreciated the help of Mother Fitch. She has unselfishly spent much of her time in ministering to the physical wants of the company, who have taken their meals in one family.

We have reason to look for a harvest of souls as the result of this effort.

D. D. Fitch.
P. L. Knox.

Annual Meeting of Southern California Sanitarium Association

The sixth annual session of the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California will be held in connection with the annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Los Angeles, California, for the purpose of electing the officers of the corporation, and transacting such other business as may come before the body. The first meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 5, 1913.

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

Annual Meeting of Southern California Conference

The fourteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on the camp ground in Los Angeles, California, August 4 to 17. Commencing with the evening of the 4th, at 7:30, and continuing daily until the evening of the 7th, these meetings will be devoted entirely to the transaction of conference business. The session is called for the purpose of electing the officers of the conference for the ensuing year, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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

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

F. M. Burg, President. Frank Lane, Secretary.

Annual Meeting of Southern California Conference Association

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

F. M. Burg, President. Frank Lane, Secretary.

Wanted! — Quickly — Please!

We need literature—lots of it—for our faithful distributors in the cities, at the beaches, and for our scores of tract racks. Kindly send me your old Signs magazines and weeklies, your Reviews, your Instructors. *Keep what you need for your own neighbors, and then send all you can spare. Any of our magazines, papers, and tracts will be appreciated, I assure you. Please gather up this material as quickly as possible. We need it—now! Thank you.

Ernest Lloyd, 417 W. 5th St., Los Angeles.

California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists Legal Meeting

The seventeenth annual meeting of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the forty-second session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at San Jose, California, July 23 to August 3, 1913, for the election of a board of seven trustees for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. The first meeting will be called at 3 p.m., Thursday, July 24, 1913.

E. E. Andross, President. J. J. Ireland, Secretary.

The World's Christian Citizenship Conference

The second World's Christian Citizenship Conference, which after a week's session in Portland, Oregon, closed Sunday night, July 6, has accomplished much in extending the popular sentiment that Christ's kingdom is soon to be established in the earth. In harmony with the oftrepeated belief that religion is intended to bring heaven down to man, instead of furnishing man a "ticket" to heaven, speaker after speaker throughout the conference urged such recognition of Christ in the home; the church, and the nation, as will indeed establish Christ's rule in the affairs of men, and bring the kingdom of heaven to earth.

Perhaps no religious meeting in modern times has been so extensively adver-For two years the leaders of the National Reform Association, whose direct auspices the conference was held, have been in the field getting speakers, and laying plans, for this meeting. Dr. Henry Collin Minton, president of the National Reform Association, and chairman of the conference throughout, in an early meeting told of how he had gone to all the leading countries of the world, and visited prominent and influential men in its behalf. These men. said he, indorsed the plans; and from a number of countries he secured excellent speakers for the conference. Among these were:

F. DeRougemont witzerland; the Rev. John Lamond, Scotland; Dr. Chas. Mene d'Aubigné (son of the famous historian), France; Prof. Theophil Mann, Germany; James A. McDonald, Canada; Signor David Bosio, Italy; Ng Poon Chew, China; the Rev. Robert J. Patterson, Ireland; the Rev. Joseph S. Motoda, Japan; Prof. Bernt Stoylen, Norway; Dr. Wm. Hay, New Zealand; and Prof. A. Haigazian, Turkey.

In all their speeches, these men from abroad seemed to catch the spirit of the National Reformers, and pleaded for the enthronement of Christ in the governments of the world. The progress of Christianity in their respective countries was emphasized primarily. Japan, declared its representative, is now a Christian nation all ready for the rite of baptism to be administered. Italy, said Mr. Bosio, now has religious freedom, is not dominated by the Catholic Church, has a Sunday law, and the Bible is read in the schools. So, he feels that great strides toward Christianity are being made in Italy. Ng Poon Chew, China's

representative at the conference, a man of high education with a broad, sympathetic vision of China's needs, told impressively of his own rescue from heathenism, and of the influence of Christianity upon his people. He recognizes it as the only really building influence, and urged the forces of Christianity in America to lose no time in taking up a more aggressive campaign in China. He deplored the teaching of "Christian nations" in China, that might is right, and that money rules; referred to the shameful way in which China had been cursed by opium, introduced by a "Christian" nation; and pleaded with this conference to bring to their nation the real principles of the teaching of Christ instead.

In addition to these speakers from other countries, Mr. Minton, the president of the National Reform Association, Mr. J. S. Martin, its superintendent, and quite a number of the general state secretaries of the association, took a leading part in the program. There were also a number of speakers among prominent ministers in the West, as well as several college men, and one or two judges and attorneys on the program. Among the latter was Judge McKenzie Cleland, of Chicago, whose subject was "Prison Reforms;" and Dr. Walter Laidlaw, of New York, who presented the subject of "The Relation of Emigration and Immigration to the Moral Progress of Nations."

The large general meetings of the conference were held in the Multnomah Stadium, with a seating capacity of ten thousand people, on the Multnomah Athletic Field. This was used for the afternoon and evening services, and throughout the day of the Fourth of July, when there was held a great parade of Sundayschool children.

The conference divided into "sectional conferences" during the forenoon of each of the other days, meeting in divisions in three or four of the prominent churches of Portland. A program for each of these division meetings had been planned, and at these were taken up the subjects of "Capital and Labor," "The Family," "Peace," "Religious Instruction in State Educational Institutions," "The Bible in the Public Schools," "Prison Reform," "Intemperance," "Social Purity," "Immigration," "The Sabbath," "Mormonism."

In these sectional conferences, where speakers presented these topics, one got the real spirit and the real purposes of those leading in the National Reform movement. For the bringing to this conference of reports concerning plans of action on each of these several subjects of reform, there had been appointed commissions at the session two years ago, and these commissions brought in their reports at these meetings. In addition to the reports, leading speakers took part, and time for very brief discussion was given.

Here could be strongly felt the growing sentiment that the solution of all the great and apparent evils the world is facing, is the moralizing and Christianizing of the state. Evangelism, personal religion in the home, and greater church activity, were advocated; but this alone, they urged, is not sufficient. The government as such, they asserted again and again, is a moral being, responsible before God: and hence its laws should incorporate the recognition of God and the rulership of Christ, and the law of the Ten Commandments should characterize its law. In harmony with this, the conference put itself on record as favoring the teaching of the Bible in the schools. They do not favor sectarian teaching, but believe in reading it, and some went so far as to favor the plan now followed in some countries, of allowing ministers of the various denominations to enter the schools at regular periods and teach the children of their parishioners.

The question of Sabbath laws received enthusiastic consideration. So far as their explanations are concerned, while widely differing among themselves with reference to why Sunday should be kept, they generally clamored for Sunday laws. In their program as outlined and generally distributed, they hold for simply one day in seven; but in the discussion of the subject by representatives of the Lord's Day Alliance in Canada, and the leaders in the United States, they made a straight appeal for laws which would protect the Sabbath (Sunday), allow the working man a chance to worship, and provide quiet for the worshipers. "Of all the institutions that bless our land, the greatest is the Christian Sabbath," declared the gentleman who presented the report of the commission. He quoted Isa. 58:12, 13, as did several of the speakers who followed. All the blessings of the Sabbath day were enumerated, and then the duty of the state to protect the day was strongly urged. Countries now having Sunday laws were lauded, and it was mentioned frequently that there is a world-wide sentiment in favor of "Sabbath" legislation. At the close of this discussion a resolution was introduced, calling for a definite campaign to be carried on with national congresses and state legislatures for the providing of a rest day for all the people, and asking "all friends of the Christian Sabbath to throw their influence on all occasions to the observance of the Christian Sabbath."

The sectional conferences dealing with the questions of intemperance, the family, capital and labor, and other subjects of vital importance, were of special interest. Able and earnest speakers presented facts concerning conditions, and plans were laid which will stimulate activity in the effort to decrease crime and save the youth. These sectional conferences were fairly well attended, yet the evening program at the stadium drew the largest crowds. From six to ten thousand people were in attendance at the Sunday evening meetings, and at the close there was an audience of about twelve thousand.

Throughout this conference there was an earnestness shown that could not help but impress those who were present. Strong men, recognizing the evils of the day, are seeking to bring about a better condition.

A number of the speeches given would have formed foundations for the strongest kind of sermons on the second coming of Christ. But, instead of the establishing of the kingdom of Christ when the subjects for that kingdom are gathered out, as the Scriptures teach, these men are expecting that Christ's kingdom shall be set up in the earth. The one great thing accomplished by that conference was to give popularity to this belief, and to give publicity to the National Reform movement.

Other of our papers will report this meeting, and draw lessons with reference to its significance, hence this deals more with the conference in a general way. However, just a word with reference to the missionary inspiration such efforts should give to those of us who believe in the near coming of our Saviour. Surely our efforts to help others socially and spiritually should not be less than these popular organizations. They recognize the influence of the word of God and the law, and are pleading for their embodiment into all forms of human government. While recognizing the failures in this propaganda, shall we not see more clearly the real needs of the world, and in loving ministry work as never before to bring the real help the people need -

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Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
California						
Glenn D. Adams	B. R.	19	6		\$21. 00	
Arizona						
C. F. Innis	P.& P., H.& H.	28	21		\$58.00	
G. H. Reese	P.& P., H.& H. P.& P., H.& H.	$21\frac{1}{2}$	10		27.50	
2 agents	-	49½	31		\$85.50	
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Utah						
A. R. Robinson	B. R.	28	8	\$5.90	\$ 37.90	
Paul Moore	$\operatorname{Heralds}$	13	10	0.00	20.00	
L. R. Ackerman	B. R.	22	22	3. 00	100.00	
Mrs. Cora Walgar		$\frac{38}{30}$	39		138.00	
A. C. Walgamott	B. R.		41		186.00	
5 agents		131	120	\$8.90	\$481.90	
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H. Bonde	P. G.	28	15		\$58.5 0	
Mrs. H. Bonde	P. G.	8	2	\$.50	7.50	
Harold Miller	_В. к.	23	6	9.25	27.25	
F. O. Jensen	Heralds	20	13	3.60	29.60	\$2.7
A. R. Barnes	P. G.	14	8	4.20	33.20	
5 agents		93	44	*\$17.55	\$156.05	\$2.7
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John Livingston	B. R., C. K.	$35\frac{1}{2}$	26		\$64.55	
L. D. Andrews	B. R.	35	12		42.00	
Elton Samis	B. R.	31	14		53.50	
A. B. Chase	B. R.	30	10		35.50	
Pernal Andersen	B. R.	31	9		35.25	
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V. B. Payne	Heralds	$\frac{32}{26}$	$\frac{10}{14}$	2.10	30.70	
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W. O. James	H.&H.	$\frac{12}{12}$	$\overset{\circ}{5}$		12.50	
C. T. Adams	P. G.	30	7		32.50	
Timothy Martin	P.G.	42	1		3.50	
R. I. Hall	P. G.		6		21.00	
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the third angel's message? The leaders in our work can not do this alone. The truth must go now in a large measure by the united efforts of all the believers. Through faithful service in distributing our literature, in the holding of Bible readings, in conversations, and in letters, we can all have a part in telling the world the true way in which Christ's kingdom

is soon to be established. The great popular movements toward Christianizing the world as a whole are gaining influence. This should influence every believer in the third angel's message to study to know where he is, and be in that position where he may render the most efficient service in God's closing work.

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Fireside Correspondence Course

Twenty-four courses are prepared, in which three hundred and ten pupils took work last year. Courses in public speaking, Latin, and Hebrew will be added in September. The "Mothers' Normal Department," long contemplated, will then begin its work under the direction of Mrs. C. C. Lewis. Two courses will be offered at first, one for young mothers, covering the care and training of the child until five years of age; the other giving specific directions to mothers for conducting kindergarten and first grade work during the fifth, sixth, and seventh years. If other grades are now needed, write us about it. The new descriptive catalog giving full information about courses, method, terms, etc., will be ready in July. All who are interested should write for a copy at once, addressing The Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

C. C. Lewis, Principal.

Missionary Precepts

Thou shalt have no other interest before that of the missionary work.

If other appointments have been made for the night of the missionary meeting, thou shalt not allow them to hold the attention or interest until thou hast discharged thine obligation to the missionary society, of which thou art a part. Else thou wilt not be held guiltless.

Thou shalt not make any image or likeness of any excuse for not doing missionary work, for only to the faithful will the "well done" be said.

Six days shalt thou labor for others, and on the seventh send in a good, stirring report.

Honor good literature. Fill thy mind with good things which will fit thee for

the society of angels, and make thy days long upon the new earth where the fruits of thy labor will soon appear.

Thou shalt not kill time that was given thee for telling the good news of salvation to others.

Thou shalt not steal by hiding thy talent and depriving sinners of the warning needed for their redemption.

Thou shalt not bear false witness by professing to love thy neighbor as thyself-and then deny thy responsibility to him

Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbor's, much less his talent, because it might be a worse fit than Saul's armor on David.

G. E. Henton.

The San Jose Camp-Meeting Location and How to Reach the Grounds

The location of the San Jose camp ground is on the east side of South First Street, just inside of the city limits. From the Southern Pacific railway station, take the street-car going south through town, marked "Cottage Grove," or any car that goes clear out First Street to the city limits. The camp ground is at the end of this South First Street car line.

Time

Wednesday, July 23, will be the first day of the meeting. The camp-meeting will continue until Sunday, August 3. The first three days will be given up largely to conference business, in which all our people have an interest, whether they are regularly appointed delegates from the churches or not. There will be preaching each evening. The first service of the camp-meeting will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 23.

Railroad Rates

The Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe, and the Northwestern Pacific railway companies have all granted the usual reduced rate of one and one third single fare for the round trip, provided there are fifty or more persons in attendance at the meetings, who in going have paid a full fare of 25 cents or over. These tickets will be on sale from July 13 to August 3 for going, and July 23 to August 8 for the return. Stop-overs may be secured on the going trip, but not on the return.

When purchasing ticket, each one must be sure to ask the agent for a receipt for the amount paid, stating to him that you are going to attend the Seventh-day Adventist camp-meeting at San Jose. This receipt, when signed by the secretary of the meeting, will entitle the person who secured it to buy return ticket at one third the rate paid in going to the meeting. This reduction in the return fare CAN NOT be secured if a receipt has not been obtained when the first ticket is purchased.

Baggage and Reception

It is quite probable that during the first few days of the meeting a member of the reception committee will meet each of the principal incoming trains. Also some one appointed by the conference to look after the baggage will see that all trunks are delivered at the camp. If the conference baggageman is not at the depot when you arrive, take all baggage checks to the camp, and leave them at the Book Tent. The baggage will be delivered as soon as possible.

Prices for Tents

The usual rates of rent will be charged for tents as follows:

12 x 17 tent	. \$3.50
12 x 17 fly	75
12 x 17 burlap	75
10 x 12 tent	. 2.50
10 x 12 fly	50
10 x 12 burlap	50

Tent orders should be mailed at once to the conference office at 2201 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, or to Elder A. Brorsen, Care S. D. A. Camp Ground, South First Street, San Jose, Cal.

There will also be some furniture for rent, such as spring mattresses and cots, bed ticks, tables, etc., but the price can not be stated at the present time. Straw to fill the ticks will also be on the ground for sale.

Claude Conard.

Wanted

Before the first of August, six good ironers for the St. Helena Sanitarium steam laundry. Electric irons used. Seventh-day Adventists only need apply.

Mrs. Julia Harvey of Springville, California, desires clean copies of the Signs weekly, Protestant, Life and Health, and Liberty sent post-paid to her for use in missionary work.