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here, and we believe that they have not been disappointed as they have seen the definite plans that have been laid for the rapid advancement of the third angel's message until it shall have reached every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

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light and those who are still in darkness, that on the least reflection we are startled and almost alarmed that our progress in personal preparation and in sounding the last warning message to the world has been so very slow.

The past year has been unparalleled in its momentous happenings throughout the world. These events have come in such rapid succession and have been of such startling character as almost to precipitate the world's inhabitants into frenzied bewilderment. The alarm of war has been heard in many places, and the people have feared. Tens of thousands have poured out their blood in the desperate fray, and the end is not yet. Even though there have been occasional intervals of quiet, the cessation of hostilities and the lull in the conflict has been portentous, only proving to be a presage of a more desperate clash of arms and a bloodier carnage. The hearts of the bravest men are failing them for fear. All attempts to avert the horrors and ravages of war by diplomacy seem unavailing.

The momentum with which the nations are rushing forward under arms to the appalling slaughter in the battle of Armageddon increases with each passing month and year, despite all efforts and cherished hopes to bring an era of peace among men.

The tension is so strained in international relationships, and so delicate is the balance among the great powers, that the bravest-hearted diplomats stand in trembling apprehension every passing moment.

The prophet describes the times just before the inhabitants of our sin-cursed world as follows:

"Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitants of the earth."

In the verses just preceding this, Isaiah portrays the awful situation among men everywhere, when the voice of mirth is hushed, the cry for wine has ceased, the sound of music has departed, because of the fear, the dread, and the anguish that possess the hearts of men. And thank God, brethren and sisters,

"When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, there

## Southern California Conference

An unusually large number of delegates from the forty-six churches of Southern California attended the various meetings of the thirteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference, which convened the evening of August 4, at Chesterfield Square, located in the southwestern portion of the city of Los Angeles. Elders I. H. Evans, R. C. Porter, and E. E. Andross, besides the departmental secretaries of the union conference, were present, and participated in the deliberations.

This meeting was held in connection with the camp-meeting, which was the largest gathering of our people ever held in the state of California. Upwards of 500 tents were filled, and nearly 2,000 persons were in daily attendance. The Sabbath attendance exceeded 2,500.

Throughout the deliberations of the conference and the daily camp-meeting services, there was manifested a large degree of the Spirit of the Lord, which tended toward the strengthening and up-building of the work. Many of our people came to the meeting expecting that the same spirit that was present at the General Conference would be manifested

To the delegates and believers assembled in this the fourteenth annual session of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, grace be unto you, and peace, from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

The first thought forced upon our attention, as we meet again in conference session, is that the years are passing one by one, and at an almost startling rate we are speeding forward toward the last assembly that God's people will hold on earth before our Lord's return. At the best, only a few more such meetings can be held while our time of probation lasts. The light that is thrown upon our times by the word of prophecy precludes any possibility of doubt or uncertainty as to where we are in the world's history and in this great advent movement.

The meaning of current events in the world everywhere is so obvious in the light of the messages by God's ancient seers, and they are so freighted with consequences to both the children of

shall be as the gleaming of grapes when the vintage is done. "They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the Lord, they shall cry aloud from the sea."

God will have a faithful people in this time of awful distress and trouble among men, who, though "an afflicted and poor people," will "trust in the name of the Lord." They shall "feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid." Thus Zephaniah has beautifully described the remnant church:

"In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack.

"The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save, He will rejoice over thee with joy; He will rest in His love, He will joy over thee with singing.

"I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

"Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee; and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame.

"At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the Lord."

The people as here described, who "do know their God," are being gathered out from among the nations in response to the call that is sounded everywhere by the people represented in this assembly. There is a meaning to this gathering, and to all other such meetings, as well as to all the other activities of this denomination, which should stir our hearts to their depths. To be sent to a world that is reeling to its doom, blinded with sin, drunken with pleasure, and sated with gluttony, to give the last call that mercy will ever make to the lost, is tremendously solemn. Does it appeal to us as it ought, that such a trust as this is given to us? To think that the nations will so soon have filled up their cup of wickedness to the full, and will thus provoke the bolts of Jehovah's wrath in the judgments so long since described by the prophets, should be enough to incite us to a degree of diligence in the work committed to our hands that we have never known before.

The work of this annual session should be directed with reference to the responsibility that is properly ours as a part of the great work of God for these last days.

With a degree of pleasure I now present to you a brief review of the work done in this conference during the fiscal year just closed.

### Our Evangelical Work

This feature of our conference work is of the greatest interest to our people who are so faithfully paying their tithe into the treasury. Nothing inspires more courage in the hearts of our brethren and sisters than to see our field workers reaching hearts with this message, and gathering fruit for the kingdom of God.

Our force of field workers during the year has been as follows:

23 ordained ministers  
11 ministerial licentiates  
22 missionary licentiates  
6 other workers.

Some of these ordained men have been connected with our institutions, but none the less have had a splendid field for their services. The "other" workers mentioned were chiefly young men who, having had a training in our Fernando school, were invited to connect with the tent companies for the summer to get an experience before continuing their school work further. Some of the workers in the list have been in the field only a portion of the year, a few having, for different reasons, withdrawn from conference employ, while others have answered calls to other fields. Among the latter should be mentioned the following names:

Elder J. W. Adams to Salt Lake City; Elder W. M. Adams to the presidency of the Utah Conference; Elder E. J. Hibbard to Pacific Union College, as Bible teacher; Elder H. G. Thurston to the Western Oregon Conference; Elder J. W. McCord to labor in the city of San Francisco; Brother M. A. Hollister to labor in Arizona; Brother Kenneth Wood to China.

Some have joined our corps of workers during the conference year, coming to us from other fields.

Elder E. W. Snyder came to us by invitation from the West Indies to labor for the Mexican population. Elder W. H. Saxby was invited by the conference committee to act as pastor of the Carr Street church, Los Angeles. Elder F. R. Shaeffer returned to us from Alaska; and Brother Eugene A. Brown came to our field from Arizona on recommendation of the union conference.

It will be of interest to the delegates to note the following figures which are taken from the report passed in by these laborers:

Sermons preached	2,695
Bible readings held	3,779
Other meetings held or attended	6,950
Number baptized	299
Added to church (previously baptized)	258
Missionary visits	19,322
Calls made	8,733
Subscriptions to papers	388
Pages literature distributed	226,011

### In Memoriam

We are called upon to record the death of the servant of God, and our beloved fellow laborer, brother, and friend, Elder G. A. Irwin, who was so suddenly cut down by the grim reaper during the time of the General Conference.

The following action appears in the records of the first meeting held by our conference committee after his decease:

"In tender memory of our beloved brother and fellow member, Elder G. A. Irwin, we recognize the break which has come in our circle by his recent decease.

"We acknowledge the great loss which we sustain by his removal from us, and place on record our sincere appreciation of the faithful and efficient service that our dear brother rendered to this conference during his stay with us.

"We hereby pledge ourselves to more devotion to the work that still re-

mains in our hands, and we hope by the help of God to carry into action the deeper incentive to faithfulness which is inspired in us by the memory of his life and work.

"We would not forget our brother's bereaved family in this hour of their sorrow and loss, and extend to them our sincere sympathy in this great trial."

And so we all, while filled with grief, bow our heads in submission to Him who doeth all things well.

### Evangelistic Meetings

The work done during the year has been almost wholly in places where organized churches already existed; hence the results do not show in newly organized churches, but rather in additions to churches already established. This has greatly strengthened these churches. Nineteen series of meetings have been held in the following places during the past year:

Boyle Heights, Central Hall, East Side, Santa Monica, Sawtelle, San Pedro, Long Beach, Downey, Norwalk, Tropic, Glendale, Santa Barbara, San Diego, University Heights, Lemon Grove, Hemet, Huntington Park, Orange, Holtville; and in every instance several persons have been won to the ranks of believers. The largest results in added members has been in the city of Los Angeles, where three series of meetings were held during the year, resulting in about seventy-five additions to the churches of the city.

At five places only have meetings been held where a church was not already established. Companies of Sabbath-keepers were left in each of these cases.

### Church Buildings

The new house of worship at University Heights, San Diego, has been finished and dedicated during the year at a cost of \$2,000. Boyle Heights has remodeled and enlarged their church at an investment of \$1,000. This has added very much to the comfort of the company in that part of the city. The report has come from Hemet that a new church is in process of building there, to cost about \$2,000. A church school building is also being erected on the same lot with the church. A lot has been bought by the East Side church in Los Angeles, and steps are being taken toward securing a building there. Anaheim and San Pedro have plans in formation to provide new buildings in which to worship. The Glendale and San Bernardino churches have succeeded in paying off the indebtedness on their church buildings, and others are making good progress in the same direction.

The following figures will be of interest:

Number of churches in conf.	48
Membership of churches and organized companies	3,578
Isolated Sabbath-keepers	35
Total number of believers	3,613
Gain in membership during year	213
Number of church buildings	39
Aggregate value of church buildings	\$86,000

### Financial

Of no less interest than the foregoing will be the figures which I am able to

present relative to the finances of the conference. We have no boasting to do, but we must acknowledge our gratitude to God for what we feel is a token of His kindness to us in the following encouraging figures:

Tithe received during year..	\$75,662.85
Gain over previous year .....	10,162.32
Tithes paid in per capita .....	22.11
Mission offerings .....	24,369.68
Per capita mission offerings .....	7.12
Per capita mission offerings .....	per week .14
Total funds in tithes and of- ferings rec'd during year..	107,511.42
Total amount of tithe sent to union and Gen. Conf. ....	26,481.88

This does not include the money raised for local churches, church schools, and home missionary work. Surely God has been good to Israel, and especially do we feel so when we recall the backset that our part of the state had during the year, caused by the freeze of last winter.

Our surplus as shown by the report from the treasurer can be regarded as a very conservative figure. Large depreciations have been written off our inventories—our warehouse, mission home, tents, etc.; and some old accounts heretofore carried and distributed over a series of years have been charged against the surplus and written off.

### Departments

**Sabbath-school.**—Our department secretary furnishes us the following figures:

Av. membership for the year .....	3,187
Regular offerings .....	\$ 7,603.62
Thirtieth Sabbath offering ..	1,722.17
Camp-meeting S. S. offerings..	714.47
Total S. S. offerings .....	10,040.26
Per capita offering .....	3.14 plus
Per capita offerings per week .....	.06 plus

Number of schools organized during the year were five, as follows:

Whittier, membership .....	7
Beaumont, membership .....	17
Inglewood, membership .....	21
Lancaster, membership .....	14
San Ysidro, membership .....	14

Five schools have been dropped.

### Young People's

Our young people's secretary reports as follows from the past year's work:

Number of societies .....	25
Present membership .....	666
Letters written .....	1,359
Letters received .....	483
Miss. visits (personal work) ..	3,505
Bible readings or cottage meet- ings held .....	705
Subscriptions taken for peri- odicals .....	338
Papers sold .....	4,696
Papers mailed, lent, or given away .....	52,339
Books sold .....	1,053
Books lent or given away .....	918
Tracts sold .....	3,897
Tracts lent or given away .....	46,144
Hours of Christian help work ..	5,101
Offerings for foreign missions ..	\$271.55
Offerings for home missions .....	\$243.78
Offerings for local society work	\$307.95
No. conversions of young people	14

He further says:

"The following are places where conventions have been held during the year: Escondido, Santa Ana, Loma Linda, Pasadena, East Side, Los Angeles, San Fernando.

"These conventions have been well attended by both old and young, and have proved a real spiritual uplift to our young people. . . . Several have

taken their stand for the truth and been baptized."

### Church Schools

The work of Christian education has been blessed and prospered in this conference during the year. The following figures are furnished by the superintendent of the department:

Number of schools .....	24
Number of teachers .....	34
Number of pupils enrolled .....	761
Salaries paid to teachers .....	\$11,712.00
Average salary per week .....	10.03
Highest grade taught .....	9th
Number pupils finishing 8th grade .....	51
Number pupils taking 9th grade work .....	19
Number church school build- ings separate from churches	14
Estimated value of school buildings .....	\$18,500.00

The department superintendent says:

"The outlook is very encouraging indeed. We have a good list of teachers, and the work is well organized as far as courses of study and text-books are concerned."

### The Book Work

The director of this work in Southern California furnishes the following figures for this report:

"Number of canvassers during the year, 60, besides about 15 home workers part of the time, or a total of 75. Average number, including home workers, 10. Aggregate hours of work, 6,432. Average hours per canvasser, 85%. Total sales for year, as reported by canvassers, \$10,837.85. Three canvassers' institutes were held during the year, one at San Fernando, one at Loma Linda, and one at the close of our last camp-meeting. An aggregate of 90 were in attendance. From these institutes, seventeen workers went into the field, some of them going into other conferences."

Our field agent says:

"The present outlook is encouraging, and we hope to have a large number of workers in the field soon after camp-meeting. One canvasser in this field reached the one hundred dollar mark for a week's work."

These figures are not discouraging, when we consider the financial reverses our territory has had during the year, occasioned by the freeze. It will be of interest, though not mentioned in a boastful way, to state that the Southern California Conference stands at the head of the twenty-eight local conferences in the Pacific Press territory, in the total book sales from January to June, 1913, the total sales for this six months amounting to \$3,867.30.

### Tract Society

A very encouraging showing is presented to us by the secretary of our tract society. The increase of the volume of business done through the office indicates that our people are being stirred, and are lining up more and more for action in this great missionary movement. The seed-sowing will turn the captivity of God's people "as the streams in the south." And for their great joy and gladness the heathen will be led to exclaim, "God hath done great things for

them." This joy is a foretaste of that fuller measure after the sowing is over and the harvest is gathered, when the children of the kingdom come with rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them.

The total cash receipts as reported for 1912-13 are: \$20,354.62, a gain over the preceding year of \$1,603.81. The total merchandise sales for the year were \$19,443.37, a gain for the year of \$2,163.88. This shows a grand total increase in cash receipts and merchandise sales of \$3,767.69.

The following figures will be noted with interest:

	Sub. and home workers' books	Trade books	Bibles	Educational books	Tracts	Sub. to periodicals	Gain
	\$8,995.60	3,331.52	1,411.06	1,231.02	1,668.52	6,943.13	\$855.36
							382.32
							778.32
							491.07
							714.60
							2,181.13
							\$5,402.80

The increase in the sale of ten and five cent magazines was 10,143. Gain in Harvest Ingathering *Signs* for the year, 13,025; and as previously noted in this address, the total receipts at the last camp-meeting, in cash and charges, was \$2,517.42. The full financial statement of the society for 1912-13 shows a net gain of \$1,217.84, giving a present worth of \$4,263.92. This, though not all we would desire to see, is encouraging to those who have worked hard for the success of this department, as it will be also to you who have had a part in the seed-sowing.

### Home Missionary Work

Our field missionary secretary writes as follows concerning the home missionary work in the conference:

"Reports of encouraging home missionary experiences are constantly coming to the office. These represent quite a range of activities, including Christian help work among the poor and the sick, the loaning of books, writing missionary letters, holding Bible readings, the care of reading racks, and the general distribution of our tracts and papers. There has never been a time when our literature has been used in doing a greater work than at the present. That which should warm our hearts to the influence of this literature, and deepen our personal interest in its circulation, is the positive assurance that this material is putting people in touch with the message. More than one has joined our ranks during the past year whose interest was first aroused by the message of some little tract or paper. We are glad to report that evidences of a forward movement in general missionary endeavor are showing in many places through our conference. Wherever our people are letting the light shine out, there the interests are springing up.

"During the past year, more than one hundred and thirty-three thousand copies of religious liberty and Eastern question tracts were distributed by our people in Southern California. Thirty-nine thousand back numbers of our magazines were given away."

## Religious Liberty

Elder Healey, our religious liberty secretary, writes as follows:

"The blessing of God has attended the religious liberty work. The effort to obtain a Sunday law through the initiative, and the demand on the legislature, by certain labor elements, for a 'weekly day of rest' law, has made the work of this department the most strenuous of any year since the campaign for the repeal of the Sunday law.

"Our liberty secretary, associated with the union conference secretary, spent the winter in Sacramento and Utah, opposing religious legislation, and promulgating the principles of liberty. Marked success crowned these efforts.

"Our people throughout the conference donated liberally to the purchase of many thousand leaflets and other literature, in opposition to civil government legislating upon and enforcing religion. Commendable efforts were put forth in the distribution of this literature among the people, and the fruit of this work has been seen in all parts of the field."

## Institutions

The prospering hand of God has been upon the institutional work in Southern California during the past year. The following items are furnished by our medical institutions respectively:

**Glendale Sanitarium.**—The management reports a total of fifty-four taking training in the nurses' course,—twenty freshmen, twelve juniors, and twenty-two seniors. The institution employs four physicians, and a total of one hundred helpers. The patronage during the year, as compared with last year, is much better, especially during the summer months. The receipts to the institution from patients have been \$66,250.93; from "Ministry of Healing" sales, \$350. Charity work is reported to the amount of \$2,000.

Some improvements have been made during the year, among which may be mentioned the completion of a sanitary tank and sewage system, an outdoor gymnasium, a water-tank, a pressure pump, and an assembly room in the basement.

It is safe to report an encouraging net gain for the year, although the exact figures can not be given on account of the auditor's unavoidable delay in his work.

**Paradise Valley Sanitarium.**—This institution reports a total of nineteen in the nurses' classes,—ten in the freshman year, two in the junior, and seven senior students. Three physicians are connected with the institution; and in all, forty-one helpers are employed, exclusive of the nurses in training. The total charges against patients for the year, less discounts, has been \$49,391.16. The average number of patients in the buildings has been thirty-three, with an average length of stay of four and one-fourth weeks. There has been an average weekly charge per patient of \$29.07. The total receipts for the year have been \$80,427.83.

The net gain reported during the year

from patronage has been \$1,198.37; from "Ministry of Healing," \$182.88; from donations, \$230; or a total net gain of \$1,611.25. The amount of charity to the credit of the institution is \$169.75; discount to workers, \$446.85.

Some substantial improvements have been made during the past year, among which may be mentioned an addition of several rooms to the dormitory, a remodeling and refitting of the men's bathroom, an addition to the patients' kitchen, besides other minor improvements. Those who are connected with the institution feel that the year has given evidence of the prospering hand of God in all the work.

**Loma Linda Sanitarium and Medical College.**—No detailed report has reached us as yet from the Loma Linda Sanitarium, hence the following figures only can be presented. These items were furnished by the president of the medical college: Total number of medical students, sixty-two,—seventeen in the first year's work, eighteen in the second, twenty in the third, and seven in the fourth year. Number of nurses in training during the year as reported was fifty-two,—twenty-four in the first year's work, ten second year nurses, and eighteen in the third year. The institution reports two graduates with the degree of bachelor of arts, and eighteen from the nurses' training course.

The Lord has blessed the workers in these institutions, and in many ways the outlook for the future is encouraging. The sanitarium becomes one of the most important agencies for reaching the people with our message. The ministering that is done to relieve the suffering of the patients in these places often opens the way to their hearts, so that the truth of God may be planted there. In many cases, full fruition from the seed-sowing brings to the worker a taste of that highest joy, known only to the winner of souls.

The conference is paying the equivalent of three ministers' salaries to pastoral laborers in our Southern California sanitariums. The result will be seen in the final Harvest-home, where none shall ever say, "I am sick."

**Fernando Academy.**—The Fernando school has had a good year. This is said despite the reverses that have occurred. We regret that an epidemic of scarlatina got into the school, which necessitated a short break in its work, and, to an extent, a lessening of the attendance during the latter part of the school year. Naturally, this affected the finances of the institution, cutting off a portion of its resources, besides entailing quite an additional expense. This loss to the school will be recognized at once as unavoidable, and our people will be glad to come to the relief of Fernando by covering its deficit.

Notwithstanding all this misfortune, the school year was a good one, the results following its work being the standard by which to measure it. A class of thirty-one young men and young women was graduated this year: from the aca-

demie course, eleven; from the normal course, twelve; from the ministerial training course, two; from the preparatory medical course, four; and from the business course, three. Of these, fourteen are now actively engaged in the Lord's work, five of them in connection with our evangelical efforts, looking forward to the ministry. One hundred and twenty-five were enrolled during the year.

It will be of interest to report the installation of a septic tank for the disposal of the sewage, at a cost of \$500.

Steps are being taken to install a heating equipment for the ladies' dormitory, an improvement that is very much needed. Other improvements have been made, among which was the installation of a seven thousand gallon elevated water-tank. The cafeteria plan for serving has been adopted, and is giving general satisfaction. We look for a good future for this school, under God's continued blessing.

## Miscellaneous

In addition to the foregoing, the following will not be lacking in interest:

**Camp-Meeting for 1912.**—The meeting of a year ago will be recalled as a time of much blessing to our people in Southern California. The attendance was the largest of any similar meeting ever held in this field, four hundred tents being on the ground, and in all twelve hundred people in regular attendance. The only thing that militated seriously against the attendance was the unfortunate infantile paralysis scare, which necessitated the removal of all children from the grounds, and, of course, some of the parents with them.

The financial showing of the meeting was as follows:

Raised in cash for various enterprises .....	\$2,462.29
Sales at bookstore .....	2,517.42
Deficit on running expenses of camp-meeting .....	406.00

The campers were saddened by the intrusion of man's grim enemy. Death claimed two of our fellow believers during the time of the meeting.—Sister Corliss, beloved wife of Elder J. O. Corliss, who was with us at this meeting; and Brother J. E. Hart, so well known and greatly loved by the believers in Southern California. Through the overshadowing pall, the eye of faith, though dimmed by tears, sees beyond the "fair morning of a better life."

**Tents and Equipment.**—During the year, we have purchased three new pavilions, one 50 x 70, one 60 x 90 for field work, and this large pavilion, 100 x 156. In addition to these, forty family tents, with flies and floor cloths, have been purchased. This investment occasioned an expense of approximately \$4,400, and, added to our inventory, increases the amount to \$10,900 invested in tents, etc.

This heavy expense naturally affected our resources for the employment of field workers. Any one who feels led to do so, is invited to make special gifts toward this enterprise, so that the regular funds of the conference may not be drawn upon so heavily. Several of our

field tents are nearly worn out, and will have to be replaced soon, which, of course, will mean additional expense for equipment. Any offerings for this purpose will be very gratefully received.

To avoid extending this report unduly, several items that would be of interest to the delegates are omitted.

**Remarks**

As our treasurer's report will show, we have a balance, at the close of the fiscal year, on the right side of the ledger. This is made possible by the splendid tithe income with which God has blessed us.

A reason for this financial prosperity should not pass unnoticed. It lies in the characteristic philosophy that obtains in every operation of God's plan to save men, and that is, if we become self-centered in our activities and interests, we will wither and die; conversely, if we unselfishly devote ourselves and what we have for the highest good of others, we have life more abundant. And so it has been in this conference, and in each conference, since the policy was adopted of sharing liberally our funds with the fields outside of our own. The figures in our conference show, since this change in policy, a gradual increase in tithe receipts of from five to fourteen thousand dollars each year over the previous one, our increase this year over the last being \$10,162.32.

**Some Things for Consideration**

Some things should have special consideration at this conference session.

*The Church School Work.*—What can be done to deepen the interest of all our people in this work on behalf of the children among us? What should be done to give the school work more permanency and stability, and to assure the weaker churches a share in this much needed blessing for their children?

*The Twenty-Cent-a-Week Plan.*—How may we secure the concerted activity of all the churches in this splendid forward movement on behalf of missions, and in the interests of our institutions? This plan, which was submitted in our late General Conference, calls for most thorough consideration during this session. This naturally involves the question of our Sabbath-school offerings, our regular annual offerings, and the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

*Increase of Tithe Receipts.*—How can this be brought about? While the tithe income has been encouraging, and is steadily increasing, yet many are not sharing in the special blessing that is promised where the Lord's sacred portion is faithfully returned to Him.

*More Missionary Activity in Our Churches.*—Our churches should be stirred to greater diligence in the circulation of our literature. One great requisite to spiritual life is to labor unselfishly for the welfare of others.

*Higher Plane of Spiritual Life.*—That with many the standard of life that a

Christian should aim to reach is far below what it should be, is apparent in many places. The demand is imperative that we "cry aloud," and show "the house of Jacob their sins." We should not be afraid to "use great plainness of speech," instead of "putting a veil over our face," as Moses did. A definite message is needed relative to simplicity in dress, proper relationship with the world, and loyalty to God in eating and drinking. May this conference and camp-meeting mark a decided step forward and upward for God's people in Southern California.

*Recruiting Our Evangelical Workers.*—This cause needs many recruits to its ranks of ministers and Bible workers. These two classes of workers are singled out, because the first demand upon this denomination is for men and women who will devote their lives to the specific work of teaching the third angel's message. All other workers should correlate with this group, cooperating with them to the one great end.

Should we not adopt and follow a policy in our conference administration that will keep a constant file of evangelical workers passing through this little field on toward the great unworked fields of the world?

Ought we not to conduct continually a Bible workers' training-school in this city, where splendid opportunities are afforded for this line of training? This latter question is submitted for special attention.

Space will not permit mention of matters that should be considered. The regular committees will bring recommendations before the delegates that should receive attention.

**Conclusion**

And now, my brethren and sisters, whom I love and whom I serve in the Lord, I place in your hands the affairs of this conference. It is with a sense of relief that I do this, for the work has been strenuous enough to tax severely a man with greater capacity than that of your unworthy servant. I thank God that His sustaining grace has brought me to this hour with as good a degree of strength as I have. I thank you all for your splendid cooperation during the year, and for your forbearance and patience with me in all the failures and the shortcomings which have been apparent in my work. F. M. Burg.

**Wisdom**

He serves his Creator best who gives to humanity the influence of a life devoted to its uplift.

If you believe in a hereafter, begin to live for it to-day; to-morrow will be a part of it.

Character is the gold left in life's smelter after the fires of experience have burned themselves out.

**REVENUE STATEMENT  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA S. D. A.  
CONFERENCE YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 1913**

INCOME	
First tithe .....	\$75,662.85
Donations .....	1,650.47
Hall expense .....	76.25
International Mission .....	1.48
Religious liberty .....	168.28
	\$77,559.33

EXPENSE	
Labor .....	\$32,578.91
Laborers' expense .....	8,186.90
Office rent .....	905.00
Expense (includes office, freight on tents, moving, and all department expenses except Tract Society) .....	1,681.35
Interest .....	64.72
Church school expense .....	106.52
Ministerial institute .....	3.33
City mission .....	156.08
Camp-meeting fund .....	406.00
Second tithe .....	1,352.34
Teachers' institute .....	971.09
<b>Tithe:</b>	
Sustentation Fund, 5% .....	3,788.14
Pacific Union Conf., 15% .....	11,349.42
Mission Board, 15% .....	11,349.32

DEPRECIATIONS:	
Property .....	\$ 291.95
Furnishings .....	171.22
Warehouse .....	30.00
Tents .....	1,204.57
Personal & other accounts .....	124.78
Net gain .....	2,842.69
	\$77,559.33

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
OF S. D. A. JUNE 30, 1913**

ASSETS	
Cash on hand and in bank ..	\$17,171.82
<b>Bills Receivable:</b>	
Loma Linda San. \$28,450.00	
Glendale San. ... 30,083.50	
Fernando Acad. ... 10,000.00	
Treatment Rms. ... 1,075.00	
Paradise Val. San. 1,000.00	
Miscellaneous ... 4,971.09	75,579.59

<b>Interest Receivable:</b>	
Loma Linda San. \$ 140.16	
Glendale San. ... 150.42	
Paradise Val. San. ... 15.00	
Fernando Acad. ... 192.35	
Sanitarium Assn. ... 83.33	581.26

<b>Church Accounts:</b>	
Santa Monica ... \$ 268.41	
Riverside .....	18.00
Gardena .....	240.00
Edendale .....	74.93
	601.34

Fernando open account .....	158.30
Vegetarian Cafe .....	47.14
Escobedo property .....	968.48
Personal accounts .....	382.90
Accrued interest .....	222.91

\$95,713.74

LIABILITIES	
Bills payable .....	\$63,769.75
Southern California Conf. ...	13,285.56
Accrued interest .....	1,336.24
Annuity bonds .....	11,200.00
Vegetarian Cafeteria surplus ..	36.73
Glendale San. open acct. ....	27.35
Sanitarium Assn. open acct. ....	776.47
Treatment Rooms open acct. ....	34.62
Florence Avenue church .....	47.77
Southside church .....	237.32
Pomona church .....	12.45
Deposit accounts .....	4,658.38
Annuities accrued .....	119.82

\$95,542.46

171.28

\$95,713.74

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA S. D. A.  
CONFERENCE JUNE 30, 1913**

ASSETS	
Southern Cal. Assn. S. D. A. . . . .	\$13,332.97
Suspense acct. (cash advanced on elevator) . . . . .	400.00
Treatment rooms . . . . .	119.67
Personal and other accounts . . . . .	492.41
Dolgeville property . . . . .	1,179.10
Inventories:	
Property . . . . .	\$2,462.00
Furnishings . . . . .	1,875.94
Real estate . . . . .	3,836.00
Warehouse . . . . .	554.30
Improvements . . . . .	59.45
Tent property . . . . .	6,509.00
33d Street property . . . . .	17,502.91
	<b>\$33,027.06</b>
LIABILITIES	
Bills payable . . . . .	\$ 791.43
Personal and other accounts . . . . .	1,026.67
Tent rent . . . . .	5.00
Fernando Academy . . . . .	442.06
Glendale ward . . . . .	118.97
Paradise Valley Sanitarium . . . . .	78.87
Religious Liberty . . . . .	336.56
Surplus June 30, '12 \$27,384.81	
Net GAIN for year 2,842.69	
Surplus June 30, 1913 . . . . .	<b>\$30,227.50</b>
	<b>\$33,027.06</b>

Surplus June 30, '12 \$27,384.81	
Net GAIN for year 2,842.69	
Surplus June 30, 1913 . . . . .	<b>\$30,227.50</b>
	<b>\$33,027.06</b>

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT SHOWING FIRST TITHE FOR SIX YEARS**

1907-1908	1908-1909	1909-1910
\$31,265.50	\$36,667.13	\$41,993.59
1910-1911	1911-1912	1912-1913
\$55,322.12	\$65,500.53	\$75,662.85
1912-1913		
Tithe per capita . . . . .	\$20.94	
Foreign Missions Offering per capita . . . . .	6.71	

**REVENUE STATEMENT  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRACT  
SOCIETY JUNE 30, 1913**

GAINS	
Merchandise sales . . . . .	\$3,650.55
LOSSES	
Labor . . . . .	\$1,128.55
Office rent . . . . .	360.00
Expense . . . . .	828.36
Provision for bad accounts . . . . .	100.00
Depreciation on property furn. . . . .	15.80
Net GAIN . . . . .	<b>\$1,217.84</b>
	<b>\$3,650.55</b>

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRACT  
SOCIETY JUNE 30, 1913**

ASSETS	
Cash balance . . . . .	\$ 131.58
Personal accounts . . . . .	1,765.26
Society accounts . . . . .	894.39
Hall effort . . . . .	59.15
Huntington Park effort . . . . .	19.20
Santa Barbara effort . . . . .	18.29
Inventories:	
Merchandise . . . . .	\$3,208.63
Furnishings . . . . .	187.65
Improvements . . . . .	51.77
	<b>3,448.05</b>
	<b>\$6,335.92</b>
LIABILITIES	
Purchase accounts . . . . .	\$1,240.26
Missionary societies . . . . .	21.00
Personal accounts . . . . .	159.37
Merchandise . . . . .	463.68
Provision for bad accounts . . . . .	217.69
Surplus June 30, '12 \$3,046.08	
Net GAIN for year 1,217.84	
Present worth . . . . .	<b>4,263.92</b>
	<b>\$6,335.92</b>

**STATEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE S. D. A. FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1913**

	Member-ship	Tithe	Foreign Offerings	Local Offerings
Anaheim . . . . .	22	\$ 461.26	\$ 112.38	\$ 7.63
Boyle Heights . . . . .	100	2,295.01	551.51	43.37
Burbank . . . . .	20	631.85	205.61	17.25
Bishop . . . . .	10	649.27	228.39	16.70
Brawley . . . . .	11	738.02	229.90	30.54
Colton . . . . .	18	134.77	84.30	18.21
Corona . . . . .	20	90.17	116.20	20.25
Centralia . . . . .	29	442.13	212.36	34.95
Eastside . . . . .	57	1,179.12	271.95	38.96
Escondido . . . . .	76	1,047.98	492.04	98.26
Edendale . . . . .	72	1,356.52	543.76	46.62
El Cajon . . . . .	19	419.38	92.30	13.00
Fernando . . . . .	246	2,856.30	679.80	304.40
Furlong . . . . .	78	1,524.57	323.87	56.19
Florence Avenue . . . . .	80	675.40	239.65	23.10
Glendale . . . . .	175	5,189.35	1,071.26	174.20
Garden Grove . . . . .	63	546.17	139.03	40.63
Graham . . . . .	33	383.88	245.09	37.57
Gardena . . . . .	11	137.31	82.34	10.00
Escondido (German) . . . . .	59	770.46	314.95	56.20
Los Angeles (German) . . . . .	23	879.58	206.93	31.00
Glendora . . . . .	16	379.56	87.66	13.00
Hemet . . . . .	46	417.75	145.56	8.61
Hinkley . . . . .	16	377.86	20.01	3.35
Holtville . . . . .	20	343.21	43.39	9.00
Imperial . . . . .	10	388.95	93.33	7.30
La Mesa . . . . .	13	142.55	35.05	0.00
Los Angeles, Carr Street . . . . .	296	7,251.62	2,938.41	1,045.10
Long Beach . . . . .	117	2,270.77	550.19	170.24
Loma Linda . . . . .	399	12,670.58	1,970.53	1,249.16
Monrovia . . . . .	2	26.40	15.10	0.00
Mexican . . . . .	26	139.88	27.92	0.00
Norwalk . . . . .	25	480.93	167.85	33.25
Ontario . . . . .	71	1,406.51	235.25	20.43
Orange . . . . .	43	591.61	132.36	29.64
Pomona . . . . .	90	1,893.87	358.12	161.17
Pasadena . . . . .	138	2,744.57	1,339.24	334.79
Paradise Valley . . . . .	85	2,974.48	1,497.31	72.01
Personal . . . . .	15	1,234.20	2,027.52	920.68
Riverside . . . . .	103	1,274.57	287.32	47.87
Redlands . . . . .	53	1,198.48	455.96	81.32
Rivera . . . . .	24	470.82	180.02	62.40
San Diego . . . . .	264	5,268.02	1,326.58	204.66
Santa Ana . . . . .	80	951.76	298.85	91.64
San Basqual . . . . .	50	749.31	139.21	94.45
San Bernardino . . . . .	54	823.54	241.38	24.40
Santa Barbara . . . . .	56	852.42	223.50	17.24
Sawtelle . . . . .	42	514.40	217.87	34.03
San Pedro . . . . .	17	711.69	330.33	29.36
Santa Monica . . . . .	44	1,054.81	539.92	185.55
Southside . . . . .	128	2,790.76	457.12	52.38
University Avenue (San Diego) . . . . .	47	858.46	239.89	48.05
Camp-meeting Collections and Pledges . . . . .			1,153.31	1,308.78
	<b>3,613</b>	<b>\$75,662.85</b>	<b>\$24,369.68</b>	<b>\$7,478.89</b>

**Report of Auditor**

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have examined carefully the books of account, with the vouchers accompanying same, of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, including its missionary department, the Southern Cali-

fornia Tract Society, for the past fiscal year, and I find the revenue statements and balance-sheets submitted to be correct reports of the present condition of the business as at the close of June 30.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. J. Ireland,  
Auditor.  
Dated this 1st day of August, 1913.

**Officers Elected**

The following individuals were elected as officers of the conference for the ensuing year: president, F. M. Burg; secretary and treasurer, Frank Lane; executive committee, F. M. Burg, A. G. Christiansen, J. A. Burden, H. G. Lucas, A. S. Booth, J. E. Bond, T. J. Evans, M.D., E. G. Fulton, V. H. Lucas.

Officers of the Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists: president, F. M. Burg; secretary, Frank Lane; board of trustees, F. M. Burg, A. G. Christiansen, J. A. Burden, H. G. Lucas, A. S. Booth, E. G. Fulton, V. H. Lucas.

The officers of the Sanitarium Associa-

tion of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California are as follows: president, E. E. Andross; vice-president, F. M. Burg; secretary and treasurer, Frank Lane; board of trustees, E. E. Andross, F. M. Burg, D. D. Comstock, M.D., T. J. Evans, M.D., Charles E. Rice, H. W. Lindsay, J. A. Burden.

**Credentials and Licenses**

The report of the committee on credentials and licenses was adopted as follows:

For ministerial credentials: F. M. Burg, J. W. Adams, W. M. Healey, R. S. Owen, A. G. Christiansen, J. A. Burden, H. G. Lucas, F. I. Richardson, Clarence Santee, A. S. Booth, J. E. Bond, D. A.



Parsons, W. H. Saxby, L. H. Proctor, G. A. Snyder, E. W. Snyder, Silas Davis, C. F. Falkenberg, C. L. Taylor, Dr. W. A. George, Dr. W. T. Johnson, Dr. H. F. Rand.

For ordination and credentials: Eugene A. Brown, B. M. Heald,

For honorary ministerial credentials: J. H. Rogers, Oscar Hill, S. Thurston, F. R. Shaeffer, G. A. Rauleder.

For ministerial license: C. Castillo, Phillip Knox, I. C. Colcord, L. E. Brant, John Knox, E. E. Morrow, H. E. McWhinney, C. L. Snodgrass, Ernest Lloyd, J. H. Miller, George J. Oliver.

For missionary license: Henry Zutt, Jennie L. Ireland, Mrs. L. A. Parsons, Mrs. M. E. Hoyt, Frank Lane, Belle F. Hickox, Mrs. Florence Merrill, Clyde Lowry, C. C. Morlan, Mrs. Amy Temple, Mamie E. Allen, Mrs. J. R. Leadsworth, Mary M. Lester, Elizabeth Carter, Olive E. Adams, M. P. Acosta, Mrs. Luther Warren, Mrs. F. R. Shaeffer.

Honorary missionary credentials: Miss R. Hannaford, Mrs. Josephine Gotzian, Walter Harper, Edmund C. Jaeger.

Medical missionary credentials: W. A. Ruble, T. J. Evans, J. R. Leadsworth, D. D. Comstock, Belle Wood-Comstock, Mrs. Rand, G. K. Abbott, Julia A. White, Frank Abbott, A. Winegar-Simpson, Lillis Wood-Starr, Alfred Shryock, B. E. Fullmer, A. W. Truman, Dorothy Harbaugh, E. C. Bond.

(Signed)

E. E. Andross,  
J. O. Corliss,  
R. S. Owen,  
F. I. Richardson,  
J. E. Bond.

**Resolutions Adopted**

**Gratitude — Consecration — Sympathy**

*Whereas*, The signal blessing of God has been upon the work of this conference during the past year in adding many believers to our churches through the public ministry of the Word; in giving unprecedented success to the personal labors of our missionaries; and also in uniting in active labor for souls the rank and file of our membership; and —

*Whereas*, The advance of the third angel's message in all parts of the world has been more marked during the past year than in any previous year, and we are thereby admonished to prepare for the soon coming of our Lord;

*Resolved*, That we hereby express our thanks and gratitude to God for His truth and mercy manifested through this message to the children of men, and resolve through His help to be more earnest, humble, and Christlike in character and work.

*Whereas*, The manifest blessing of God has preserved from the hand of death, and from severe illness, the laborers of our conference, and given them the added blessing of the Spirit's promptings, be it therefore,

*Resolved*, That we hereby express our grateful thanks to the God of all truth

for His manifested mercies, and pledge ourselves by His help to be more earnest, humble, and Christlike in all our witnessing for Him.

*Whereas*, The providence of God has removed from our midst, by the hand of death, our beloved brother, Elder G. A. Irwin, whose faithful ministry and devotion to this message endeared him to the hearts of all our people; therefore,

*Resolved*, That while we humbly bow to the will of Him who doeth all things well, we acknowledge our loss in his removal by death, and express our appreciation of his faithful labors by consecrating our lives anew to the cause he loved, and that we express to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy, and commend them to God, and the word of His grace, which is able to sustain them and to give them an inheritance among all who are sanctified in Christ Jesus.

**Medical Missionary**

*Whereas*, Medical missionary work is in no case to be divorced from the gospel ministry; and —

*Whereas*, Without this union neither part of the work is complete; therefore,

*We Recommend*:

(a) That for the purpose of strengthening medical evangelistic work, all our nurses' training-schools make practical evangelistic work a part of their regular training, and, where necessary, strengthen their courses of study in the Bible, in hygiene, and in health and temperance principles.

(b) That all our conference officers be asked to give careful consideration to the advisability of employing our graduate nurses in connection with conference efforts.

(c) That all our evangelical laborers make diligent study of the gospel plan of combined medical and evangelistic work as revealed in the life of Christ and emphasized in the Testimonies, and seek to make the plan a reality in our evangelistic labor.

**Missionary Volunteer**

*Whereas*, The Missionary Volunteer movement has for its aim, "The advent message to all the world in this generation"; therefore,

*Resolved*:

(a) That we endeavor to reach every young person of Adventist parentage in our field, by means of the local societies and the Missionary Volunteer secretary.

(b) That we interest them in self-improvement by encouraging them to attend one of our schools.

(c) That we help them to form a taste for good literature through the medium of reading courses, and to study for Standard of Attainment membership.

(d) That we interest them in work for other young people.

(e) That we endeavor to inspire them with the dignity and importance of our work, and arouse their interest, by means of Missionary Volunteer conventions.

**Publishing — Tract and Missionary**

*Whereas*, Our publishing work is rap-

idly increasing year after year to such an extent that many calls are coming for strong, capable men of experience and mature judgment to act as leaders in the book work in the home field, and to pioneer the colporteur work in foreign fields; therefore,

*We Recommend*, That men of mature years who are engaged in secular pursuits be especially encouraged to enter the colporteur work and thus prepare to answer some of the many calls.

*Whereas*, Our experiences in the sale of home workers' books the past year have demonstrated that a great and good work may be accomplished in this way, and that it is a work which both old and young can do successfully; therefore,

*We Recommend*, That our lay members everywhere be encouraged to take hold of this work with a will, canvassing their neighbors and friends and others as they can find time and opportunity.

*We recommend*, That immediately after this camp-meeting, definite plans be laid for a special campaign with these books, that arrangements be made whereby help and instruction may be given in the churches, and that our ministers and other conference laborers be invited to join heartily with the tract society secretary and field agent in encouraging our people to take up this work.

*Whereas*, Worthy canvassers often need financial assistance in connection with their canvassing work;

*We Recommend* The raising of a fund from which loans can be made to those in need of help, said fund to be disbursed under the direction of the conference president, the treasurer, and the field agent.

*Whereas*, The spiritual life of the church depends largely upon the missionary activities of its members;

*We Recommend*, That our conference officers take advance steps in planning for the promotion and the sustaining of such missionary activities:

(a) By the thorough instructing of missionary society officers in their duties, either at their respective churches, or by means of conventions held at convenient times and places; and —

(b) By the holding of such interesting and practical missionary institutes in our churches as will give inspiration to the members, and bring strength to all lines of home missionary endeavor.

*Whereas*, Our message-filled tracts, carefully but liberally sown, are putting hundreds and thousands in touch with this message,

*We Recommend*, That our people generally be encouraged to "sow beside all waters" more constantly and liberally than ever before, using the "pocket" plan, the reading rack, the circulating library, or other methods adapted to their opportunities; and —

*We Recommend Further*, To encourage this that each of our churches install a suitable rack or cupboard to serve as a place of supply within easy reach of all the members.

*Whereas*, Our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, gives the

truth in a systematic, continuous way, and is therefore one of the most effective agencies for all our people to use in their missionary work;

*We Recommend*, That our conference and church officers take special responsibility in keeping the value of the *Signs* before our people, and that they unite in getting every church to using effectively large clubs.

*Whereas*, Our attractive ten cent magazines may be used in self-supporting missionary work in reaching thousands in our cities and towns with some features of the message for this time;

*We Recommend*, That our conference officers, ministers, and church officers take a special interest in the circulation of the magazines, and unite in selecting and encouraging persons who ought to enter this work.

### Sabbath-School

*Whereas*, The Sabbath-school is the one great school for the whole denomination, we would urge the strengthening of its work:

(a) By the study of the weekly lesson more faithfully on the part of parents, young people, and children.

(b) By holding consecration services and conventions at proper intervals.

(c) By the introduction of prescribed courses of memory work adapted to the children in the different departments of the Sabbath-school.

(d) By increasing the efficiency of our workers through the Training Course and the *Sabbath School Worker*.

(e) By encouraging our brethren and sisters throughout the conference largely to increase their Sabbath-school offerings and aim to reach an average of twenty cents a week for each church-member.

### Religious Liberty

*Whereas*, God in His providence has signally blessed this republic, whose foundations were laid upon the broad principles of civil and religious liberty; and—

*Whereas*, California still maintains the freedom vouchsafed by the Creator in religious profession and worship, notwithstanding persistent efforts to curtail the natural rights and constitutional liberty of citizens by the enactment of unjust laws, notably for the exaltation of Sunday;

*Resolved*, That we once more express our appreciation of the divine favor, and of the consistent attitude of our California lawmakers, whose refusal to interfere with the religious belief and conscientious observances of citizens reveals their intelligence and statesmanship.

*Resolved*, That we renew at this time our devotion to the principles of civil and religious liberty, and pledge ourselves anew to do all in our power to persuade men to embrace the Christian religion, and to conform to all of God's commandments, of their own volition, and not by force of human enactment.

*Whereas*, Extensive aggressive movements among religious and semi-religious organizations are at present threatening to subvert religious freedom, and one

evidence of this fact is manifested by the introduction of more than eighty Sunday rest bills in various legislative bodies of the United States during the past year; and—

*Whereas*, The *Liberty* magazine is designed to disseminate right principles and thus safeguard the liberties of the people; therefore,

*Resolved*, That this conference furnish the *Liberty* magazine to each member of the legislature representing the territory of this conference.

*Resolved*, That we give as extensive a circulation to the *Liberty* magazine as possible among court and municipal officials, school-teachers, and others, and for that purpose secure at this conference and in the home churches subscriptions in clubs of ten or more at twenty cents a year.

*Resolved*, That during the winter of 1913-14 a lecture campaign be conducted in the largest cities of this conference, under the direction of the president and union and local religious liberty secretaries, and that addresses be delivered on the principles of civil and religious liberty and upon the fundamental truths of the gospel from the standpoint of the threefold message; and that one or more short institutes be held just prior to this lecture campaign.

### Temperance

*Whereas*, The saloon liquor traffic is productive of the worst evils, and the license system lends apparent governmental endorsement to a business destructive of morals, and the direct cause of criminality;

*Resolved*:  
(a) That we protest against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors for use as beverages by state or national sufferance.

(b) That we continue aggressive campaigns of education by liberal use of our specially prepared temperance literature, and cooperate diligently with all temperance workers in all legitimate efforts for the suppression of intemperance.

*Whereas*, The use of tobacco, especially in the form of cigarettes, is a most pernicious habit; and—

*Whereas*, Many poisonous drugs are commonly used for medical purposes, to the great injury of the human system;

*Resolved*, That we renew our efforts for the abatement of these evils, by the systematic circulation of literature clearly explaining their injurious effects, and by precept and example seek to enlighten all as to their true nature and effects.

*Resolved Further*, That we request the secretary of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department to organize our young people for aggressive campaign work against tobacco in all its forms, and that to this end there be prepared an anti-tobacco pledge to be signed and circulated by our Missionary Volunteer members.

### Mexican Work

*Whereas*, The Mexican element is nu-

merous in many of the important centers of this conference;

*We Recommend*:

(a) The cooperation of our American churches in giving the message to this nationality.

(b) That suitable persons from churches located in the vicinity of Mexican colonies be encouraged to take up the circulation of our Mexican *Signs of the Times*;

(c) That the conference committee arrange for a special Sabbath collection to be taken for the purchase of Spanish literature.

### Educational

*Resolved*, That we approve of the resolutions adopted by the members of the Educational Council held in December, 1912, at Pacific Union College, looking to the end of building up in this union conference a united, harmonious educational system.

*Resolved, Further*, That our people in the local conference send students of academic grades to the San Fernando Academy, and those of college grades to the Pacific Union College.

*Whereas*, The church school work is an important branch of the third angel's message, and needs to be carefully and systematically conducted; therefore,

*Resolved*:

First, That in any church where there seems to be a demand for a church school, the matter shall be brought before the church for action.

Second, That if such action be favorable, a church school board, consisting of three or five members, shall be selected by the church, whose organization and duties shall be as follows:

(a) The board shall have a chairman, secretary, and treasurer, and shall meet at regular intervals of not more than six weeks, the dates of meeting being filed beforehand with the church school superintendent.

(b) The secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings, and report regularly to the superintendent.

(c) At each meeting, the treasurer shall make a report of the financial standing of the school to date.

(d) The board shall have power to act for the church in conducting the church school, selecting one or more teachers, and signing the contracts.

*Resolved Further*:

(a) That no teacher shall be engaged or dismissed without first conferring with the superintendent.

(b) That the school term shall consist of nine school months, or thirty-six weeks.

(c) That there shall be two days' vacation at Thanksgiving, one week during the Christmas holidays, and two days' spring vacation in March, the teachers receiving their full salary for these vacations; but any other time taken out of the school term by the teacher shall be made up by continuing the school longer in the spring.

(d) That schools having one teacher give grades one to eight only.



Whereas, In the present plan for the maintenance of our church schools, there is no provision made for assisting churches in which there is need of a school, and which they are not fully able to finance;

*We Recommend:*

(a) That an emergency fund be created:

(1) By offerings taken in the churches of the conference at such intervals as the conference committee may deem necessary.

(2) By special donations solicited from individual members, including wills, legacies, and annuities.

(3) By receiving second tithes.

(b) That this fund be disbursed only upon recommendation of the church school superintendent, after advising with the conference committee.

(c) That this fund be used:

(1) To assist needy schools in paying teachers' salary and providing necessary equipment.

(2) To defray expenses of summer school or institute.

(3) To pay transportation of teachers from institute to place of labor.

### Hymns and Tunes

*Resolved,* That we recommend the use of "Hymns and Tunes" in our church services.

### A Conference Church

Whereas, We have those who are isolated in the conference, who do not have church privileges and its benefits; and—

Whereas, Some of our churches throughout the conference have on their records names of non-resident members who live at a distance from any church, and hence are not in touch with any organization;

*We Recommend,* That a conference church be organized, and that where it is consistent, these isolated and delinquent members be requested to join the conference church.

### Twenty Cents a Week

Whereas, The greatest missionary campaign ever inaugurated by any people is now being carried on by this denomination, and in addition to the hundreds of missionaries now in the forefront of this great battle, one hundred and fifty new recruits are being sent out to the various stations and fields; and—

Whereas, Our schools, sanitariums, and publishing houses are most helpful and necessary facilities for carrying forward this great work; therefore, in harmony with the action of the General Conference in its recent session,

*We Recommend,* For the support and maintenance of this great army of workers, and the purpose of liquidating the liabilities of these institutions, that the standard of offerings to missions be raised from an average of fifteen to an average of twenty cents a week a member, with a division of fifteen cents for mission work and five cents for institutional aid; and—

*Further Resolved,* That we, as dele-

gates and representatives of the churches in this conference, hereby pledge ourselves and the churches we represent to give our hearty support in the effort to raise an average of twenty cents a week for each member of our churches.

### Territory

Whereas, We believe that the territory of this conference east of the Sierra Nevada Mountains could be more rapidly developed if it were operated as a mission field under the direction of the union conference; and—

Whereas, The Northern California-Nevada Conference has expressed its willingness to release its territory east of the mountains whenever the union conference is ready to occupy it; therefore,

*We Recommend,* That the incoming executive committee transfer to the union conference the counties of Inyo and Mono in the state of California, and the counties of Nye, Esmeralda, Lincoln, and Clark in the state of Nevada, whenever the union conference determines that it is ready to operate same as a mission field.

### Loma Linda Hospital

Whereas, The new Loma Linda Hospital will meet a long felt want for the medical care of those of limited means; therefore,

*Resolved,* That our church-members call the attention of those in need to the advantages offered by this institution.

### College of Medical Evangelists

*Resolved,* That we recommend the College of Medical Evangelists to those desiring a combined medical evangelistic or evangelistic medical training.

### Change of Constitution

*Resolved,* That article 6 of the conference constitution be amended by inserting the words "North American Division" after the word "General," making the article read as follows:

"Article 6. *Representation.* The members of the conference executive committee, the ordained ministers in the employ of the conference, the secretary and treasurer, the superintendent of church schools, the president, medical superintendent, and business manager of each institution, any visiting members present of the executive committees of the General, North American Division, and Pacific Union conferences, and the departmental secretaries of the Pacific Union Conference, shall be delegates at large, while each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization, and one additional delegate for each twenty-five members or fraction thereof."

*Resolved,* That article 8 be amended by inserting the word "nine" in the place of "seven," making it read as follows:

"Article 8. *Officers.* Section 1. The officers of the conference shall be a president, secretary, treasurer, and an executive committee of nine members, including the president."

### Invitation

*Resolved,* That we extend an invitation to the North American Division Confer-

ence to hold its sessions in Los Angeles in 1915, assisting them with our camp-meeting equipment.

### Harvest Ingathering

Whereas, The Harvest Ingathering campaigns have been inaugurated for the purpose of interesting the people of the world in our foreign mission work; and—

Whereas, The efforts of the past have been productive of great results spiritually and financially; therefore,

*Resolved,* That we encourage every Seventh-day Adventist to take a part in the coming fall campaign with the *Review* and *Herald*.

### Thanks

*Resolved,* That we extend the gratitude of this conference to Mr. R. D. List, superintendent, and Mr. Thomas, assistant superintendent, of Chesterfield Square, for their kindness in giving us the free use of their property, and for other favors kindly granted us; and also to the city commissioners for the free use of City Park.

*We Hereby* express our appreciation for the courtesy extended to us by the press of Los Angeles in publishing reports of our meetings.



## The Field

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

#### Conference Items

Elder C. L. Taggart visited the camp-meeting in Southern California.

Elder Fred Brink states that the attendance at the tent-meetings at Grindley is growing, and that many of those attending are Mormons.

The Lodi Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society is collecting a fine library, among which is at least one copy of each book that has been used in the reading courses.

From Brother J. Archie Wiley we learn that two at Lincoln have decided to keep the Sabbath, and that two others in Sacramento seem to be nearly ready to take their stand.

One of our canvassers hands us a card from a Presbyterian minister in Northern California who is trying to deliver a "Great Controversy" for this young friend. The minister informs him that

he has called on the lady twice, and will do so again in the near future. It is certainly encouraging to know that Presbyterian ministers are assisting us in the delivery of "Great Controversy."  
Secretary.

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### Oak Park, Sacramento

At the time of the camp-meeting at Stockton, it was arranged that together with Brother W. P. Dayton and his wife I should conduct a tent effort at Sacramento, or follow up the interest at Yuba City which Brethren Dayton and Urquhart left when they sent their tent to Stockton to be used at the camp-meeting.

I spent Sabbath, August 2, with the company at Yuba City. But in the meantime Brother Dayton had decided to connect with the Pacific Union College, which left me without help to conduct a tent effort at Yuba City or Marysville.

I returned to Sacramento, and with the hearty assistance of the brethren and sisters of Oak Park, pitched our tent, and began meetings Friday evening, August 8.

The tent was well filled the first evening, with more in attendance the following Sunday evening. The attendance has not been as large since, but some are regular and appear deeply interested. Excellent attention was given last evening to the subject, "Heaven, Where Is It? What Is It?" presented by Mrs. Osborne.

We believe we shall see some results from the meetings at Oak Park. We are gratified and greatly helped by the willing spirit and hearty cooperation of the brethren and sisters of the Sacramento church.

Remember us at the throne of grace.

A. J. Osborne.

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### Lodi Normal Institute Items

Our young peach-trees are yielding their first marketable crop this year. Besides berries, tomatoes, and sweet corn, we are selling our first crop of muskmelons and watermelons.

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A most famous Biblical commentary has just been added to our library. It consists of fifty-one volumes. One especially valuable feature of this work is, that in addition to the exegetical material, each chapter of the Bible is treated from the sermon-making stand-

point. This will be particularly helpful to persons preparing for gospel work.

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A new plan has been adopted in regard to advertising the school. Instead of merely issuing a catalog as usual, containing year after year practically the same material, covering the history of the institution, description of the grounds and buildings, regulations, etc., we have decided to issue several bulletins. These, coming to the notice of our constituents several times during the summer, will serve as a new reminder, whereas a catalog is once looked over and then laid away and forgotten.

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The corps of workers at the Normal, nine in number, is going busily forward on all parts of the buildings and grounds. The office and kitchen have already been freshly painted, more flowers are being planted in the garden and about the buildings, the latter are being renovated, and everything is being made as convenient and attractive as possible to meet the promising outlook for a large attendance. In the meantime, the management is seeing to it that all available soil is kept under profitable cultivation.

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A certain feature of our program for the coming year should attract a large number of our young people. In view of the stress laid on agriculture by the spirit of prophecy, we are glad to announce that we have been promised eleven lectures on the most important phases of the subject mentioned. These lectures are to be given by men from the State University. They will fall in the first school term, soon after school begins. Students should start to school when it opens, October 1, in order to be sure of getting the benefit of this instruction.

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A scholarship for one term is to be given away in connection with the lecture course by the university men. This is to go to the pupil making the best set of notes on the lectures.

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Join the Missionary Volunteer reading circle. Send your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary your name and address and tell him or her which course you wish to take. The *Instructor* for September 30 contains the first weekly assignments and helps.

## CALIFORNIA

### Conference Notes

Preparatory to engaging in a tent effort at Petaluma, Elder J. A. Stevens is spending a little time in Humboldt County. He went to Eureka on the boat a week ago last Sunday.

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Elder A. S. Marchus, who has been connected with the work in San Jose since coming to the California Conference, left for Southern California last Thursday night. He returned early this week. We understand that he is planning to move his family from San Bernardino to San Jose.

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The interest is increasing in the meetings at the tent in San Jose. The average attendance during the past week has been above four hundred. On Sunday, Wednesday, and Saturday nights, between six and seven hundred were present. A short stereopticon lecture is held in connection with the services on Wednesday and Saturday nights. The tent is located right in the center of the city of San Jose, at the corner of Second and San Antonio streets.

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Several church schools in the California Conference opened Monday of this week, August 18. Among these we can name Oakland, Melrose, Berkeley, and Vallejo. The school work in the bay section is making considerable advancement this year over last. New, model schoolrooms have been fitted up in connection with the Oakland church on Twenty-fifth Street, and two teachers have been employed. The Melrose school is starting with one teacher, and a new school has been opened at the Berkeley church, with one teacher.

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Sailing from San Francisco, at one o'clock Sabbath, August 16, on the steamer Shinyo Maru, was one of the largest companies of Seventh-day Adventist missionaries that ever passed through the Golden Gate. The company numbered fourteen, consisting of the following: Elder R. C. Porter, who goes to take charge of the work in the Asiatic Division of the General Conference, and his wife; J. P. Anderson and wife, returning from furlough, to Wai Chow, about one hundred fifty miles from Canton, China; Bernhard Peterson and O. J. Grunset and their wives, to Manchuria; A. L. Ham and wife, Merritt C. Warren

and wife, and H. J. Doolittle and wife, all to China. At Honolulu, the company will be augmented by Elder J. E. Shultz, wife, and three children, who have preceded them to that place by a few weeks. These also go to China. Many in California remember Brother Merritt Warren of Chico, and his young wife, formerly Miss Wilma Landis, also of that place. Although the partings for the present may seem sad, yet our hearts rejoice at the rapid development in this cause which makes possible the sending of such a strong corps of self-sacrificing workers into the great regions beyond. Many prayers were offered by friends at the boat, and by other of our brethren, for the safe passage and favorable reception of these missionaries.

August 17. Claude Conard.

**Reward**

You gave, on the way, a pleasant smile,  
And thought no more about it.  
It cheered a life that was sad a while,  
That might have been wrecked without it;  
And so for the smile and the fruitage fair,  
You'll reap a crown sometime — somewhere.

You lent a hand to the fallen one,  
A lift in kindness given.  
It saved a soul when help was none,  
And won a heart for heaven;  
And so for the help you proffered there,  
You'll reap a joy sometime — somewhere.

You spoke one day a cheering word,  
And passed to other duties.  
It warmed a heart, new promise stirred,  
And painted a life with beauties;  
And so for the word and its silent prayer,  
You'll reap a palm sometime — somewhere.

— Selected.

**For Rent**

My sixty acre dairy and fruit farm, including stock and implements, two miles from town. Church and church school privileges. Applicants will kindly state experience, and furnish references as to responsibility, etc. Address,

L. M. Bowen, Hughson, Cal.

**Engineer**

An engineer of over twenty years' experience in mechanical, electrical, steam, civil, and hydraulic engineering wishes a position or work where he can keep the Sabbath. Address Engineer, 1076 Twelfth St., Oakland, Cal.

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 18, 1913**

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
<b>California</b>						
Glenn Adams				\$ .25	\$28.25	

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 25, 1913**

<b>California</b>						
Glenn Adams	B. R.	33	5		\$16.00	
Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Gonter	B. R. & P. G.		14	\$7.05	57.55	
3 Agents			19	\$7.05	\$73.55	

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 1, 1913**

<b>California</b>						
Glenn Adams	B. R.	13½	3	\$1.00	\$14.00	
W. A. Gonter	P. G.	28	5		18.50	
2 Agents		41½	8	\$1.00	\$32.50	

<b>Southern California</b>						
H. E. Farmer <sup>1</sup>	B. R.	40	14		\$51.85	\$110.30
Pernal Anderson	B. R. & C. K.	42½	23		41.00	
A. B. Chase	B. R. & C. K.	36	25		50.10	
G. G. Brown	B. R.	30	5		17.35	
D. Sackuth & H. Block	B. R.	61	26		96.35	
D. Nesty	B. R.	24	10		36.00	
L. D. Andrews	B. R.	33	8		30.00	34.00
Adam Ratzlaff		6½	6		6.60	92.00
John Livingston	C. K.	33	36		55.50	
Wm. Keele	B. S.	17	16		14.70	
W. O. James	H. & H.	6	4		10.00	
D. G. Edwards	P. G.	34	14		51.00	
13 Agents	<sup>1</sup> 100% delivery	363	187		\$460.45	\$236.30

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 8, 1913**

<b>California</b>						
W. A. Gonter	P. G.	23	10		\$39.00	
Mrs. A. M. Gonter	P. G.	24½	11		42.50	
2 Agents		47½	21		\$81.50	
<b>Northern California-Nevada</b>						
H. R. Miller	P. G.	36	26		\$111.00	
G. B. Morrison	P. G.	38	25		102.50	
E. D. Slosson	D. R.	21	2		7.00	
3 Agents		95	53		\$220.50	

<b>Central California</b>						
F. O. Jensen	H.	34	10	\$29.30	\$49.30	
V. Ryder	P. P. F.	9½	8	11.60	31.60	
A. R. Barnes	P. G.	25	6	7.00	28.00	
H. Bonde	P. G.	17	7		28.50	
4 Agents		85½	31	\$47.90	\$137.40	

<b>Arizona</b>						
G. H. Reese	P. & P. Sp.	15	11		\$68.50	\$47.50
C. F. Innis	P. & P., H. & H.	15	22		69.25	61.50
2 Agents		30	33		\$137.75	\$109.00

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 1913**

<b>Arizona</b>						
C. F. Innis	H. & H., P. & P. Sp.	18	24		\$67.00	
G. H. Reese	P. & P. Sp.	20	36		103.50	
2 Agents		38	60		\$170.50	

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## Church Missionary Bands

To do the most effective work, a church needs to be organized. Otherwise some members will be overlooked, and some will work to little advantage.

A good way of organizing is to divide the church-members into bands of six to twelve, with a leader over each band, whose duty it shall be to get each member to engage in some line of missionary work.

The bands should be grouped with some regard to where the individuals live. The leaders should be selected first from the church officers, and after from the most consecrated and active members. Once a month the elder or chairman of the church missionary committee should meet with the band leaders for counsel over their work.

The duties of leaders of church missionary bands are as follows:

1. To become thoroughly acquainted with the best methods of work, both by study and by practise.
2. To plan for the work of the band so that each member will be encouraged to engage in some definite and systematic line of work for the Master.
3. To be prepared to do personal work from house to house with any member of the band who may need special help and encouragement.
4. To meet with the members of the band each Sabbath for a short time, for prayer and counsel concerning the work.
5. To see that each member of the band reports to the church missionary secretary, at the close of each week, all work done.
6. To give careful study to the circumstances and adaptability of each member of the band, in order to be pre-

pared to suggest such lines of work as will prove most suitable and congenial.

A leader of a band has heavy responsibilities to carry and an arduous work to do, but the Lord has spoken many words of encouragement to those who are willing to carry burdens for Him.

"All are to be employed in Christ's service. In becoming His disciples, we surrender ourselves to Him with all that we are and have. These gifts He returns to us purified and ennobled, to be used for His glory in blessing our fellow-men."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 328.

"The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man and woman who will cooperate with divine power. All the requisite talents, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on."—"Cavassers' Manual," page 68.

"But in order to accomplish this work, we must follow His example of faithful, conscientious attention to the little things. This is the secret of success in every line of Christian effort and influence."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 358.

"As the will of man cooperates with the will of God, it becomes omnipotent. Whatever is to be done at His command, may be accomplished in His strength. All His biddings are enabling."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 333.

Gen. Conf. Home Miss. Dept.,  
E. M. Graham, Secretary.

## Successful Book Deliveries

We will soon take up our work in Clifton. Sunday I finished my delivery here, and put out four more good books. Out of eight orders on one little hill, I delivered seven. The other family had moved away. This was in New Town. Brother Reese also had three orders there, and delivered them all. On one hill, I had ten orders in three houses; and with the Lord's help, I delivered them all. In one of these houses, I had five orders, and delivered the five books, and took another new order in the same house.

I was unable to see one young man, but finally left the book with his mother. When I returned two days later, he was there, and paid me gladly for the book. The most of my delivery this time was for "Patriarchs and Prophets," Spanish. Remember us in prayer as we go to Clifton. C. F. Innis.

Morenci, Arizona, August 10.

## Utah Conference

The next annual session of the Utah Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Ogden, Utah, September 10-14, 1913. The meetings will be held in a tent located on the corner of 24th and Jackson streets. At this session, the officers will be chosen for the ensuing year, and other business transacted which may properly come before the conference. Each church is entitled to "one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for every five members of its membership." There will be no tents for rent, but rooms can be secured at a reasonable rate. Those desiring rooms should write immediately to Elder J. D. Alder, Ogden, Utah, 2941 Washington Ave., stating just what you want. The first meeting will be held at eight o'clock Wednesday evening.

W. M. Adams, President.  
J. F. Gaster, Secretary.

## Utah Association

The next annual session of the Utah Conference Corporation of S. D. Adventists will convene at Ogden, Utah, in a tent located on the corner of 24th and Jackson streets, September 12, 1913, at ten o'clock A.M. All business pertaining to the association will be transacted, and the officers for the coming year will be elected. Each local church is entitled to "one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for every five members."

W. M. Adams, President.  
J. F. Gaster, Secretary.

## For Sale

4.71 acres three miles from Sebastopol, Cal., one fourth mile from electric car station. Near church school and public school, stores, electric power, and lighting. House, well, 140 fruit trees, berries, etc. For price and further information, address C. W. Peter, Ukiah, California.

## Wanted

Handy man for work about sanitarium and grounds. Seventh-day Adventist Swede preferred. No family. Address Garden City Sanitarium, San Jose, Cal.

## Addresses Wanted

Any one knowing the address of P. Hesselund or Miss Laura McClelland will confer a favor by notifying at once the California Bible House, 2201 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, California.