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## The Church

### Shall We and Our Children Attend Picture Shows?

[The following article is taken from the "Australasian Record," dated September 1, 1913.]

"I believe that theater-going destroys your influence, even if you go to so-called good plays. I want to tell you how I had my eyes opened:

"I had an assistant superintendent of a Sunday-school, a very promising young man, who seemed to be very happy in the work. A star actor came to the city, and he went to see him. I knew nothing of it; but the next Sunday, when he came into the Sunday-school, all over the building they cried out, 'Hypocrite! hypocrite!'

"The perspiration stood out of every pore of my body. I thought they were

looking at me. I said to the little newsboys, 'Whom are you calling a hypocrite?'

"They mentioned the assistant's name. I asked the reason, and they said, 'We saw him going into the theater.'

"I had never said anything about the theater to those children; but they saw that man going in, and called him a hypocrite. He lost his influence entirely, withdrew from the school, and after a while gave up Christian work altogether. He was just swept along with the tide in Chicago and was lost. Consecration means separation. If you want power, you can have it, but it may mean that you must give up a great many things. Any one can go with the world, but it takes strong character to go against the current. A disciple in the world is all right, but the world in a disciple is all wrong. A ship in the water is all right, but water in the ship will sink it."—*Moody.*

One of the worst snares of Satan in these last days is the picture show which we find in almost every hamlet in the land. People who would not think of attending or allowing their children to go to the theater, frequently permit them to attend a picture show, not realizing that if we allow our children to frequent these places, they soon lose all relish for the ways of God.

If going to these places becomes general among Seventh-day Adventist young people, it will soon prove the death of piety.

At these picture shows, murderers and other criminals are shown as heroes. Crime and lasciviousness are frequently pictured in glowing colors. Every evening, ludicrous and indecent pictures are

shown, because that is what the worldly-minded enjoy. Therefore the harlot, the debauchee, and the lower element of society, whose morals are at a low ebb, are attracted. The Lord says, 'Come out from among them, and be ye separate.' Who can suppose amusements surrounded with the seductions of vice and crime to be fit recreation for the pure minds of Seventh-day Adventist boys and girls?

When manners are growing every day more lax and licentious, shall we lower the standard of our lives? God has said, 'Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.'

If there ever was a time when we might relax our rigidity, it surely is not now, when the very air is tainted with pollution, and the 'imagination of the thoughts' of the heart of man is 'only evil continually.'

I think it is Augustine who tells a story of a young friend of his who had the greatest horror of everything connected with the Roman amphitheater. A heathen friend tried to persuade him to enter the Colosseum; and as he was very hard pressed, and was under some obligation to that friend, he determined to go just once, but to keep his eyes and ears closed all the time. It would seem to be a very small risk to sit there as one who was blind and deaf; but in the middle of the sports, the people so loudly applauded a certain gladiator who had pleased them, that the young man opened his eyes to discover what it was about. From that moment, he was spellbound. He looked on, and enjoyed the sight; and though, before, he could not bear the very mention of it, he came at last to be a regular frequenter of the

cruel sports, and a defender of them, and after a short time he abandoned his profession of Christianity. Beware of the leaven of worldly pleasure, for its working is silent but sure, and a little of it will leaven the whole lump.

Keep up the distinction between a Christian and an unbeliever, and make it clearer every day. Have you never heard of the minister who complained of the devil running off with one of his church-members? The fiend replied, "I found him on my premises, and therefore I claimed him."

Avoid the appearance of evil. "But," says one, "are we to have no enjoyments?" The enjoyments for Christians are many and great, but they are not such as savor of sin and folly. Spurgeon has said: "I have seen the farmer carrying out great pails of hogwash for the swine, and I never grudge them their dainty meal. I never protest against their having a full trough twice over. But do I partake with them?—Not I! Not I! I have no taste that way. Do I therefore deny myself?—Certainly not! It never struck me that there was anything desirable in their rich mixture. I have no doubt that it has a fine flavor to the creatures for whom it is prepared; at least, it is very strong, and seems to be highly appreciated. So, when persons can enjoy the pleasures of the world and sin, let them have them. Poor souls, they have nothing else to enjoy. They have no Paradise for their hereafter."—*Morris Lukens.*

## The Field

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Harvest Ingathering

Were it not that I believe there is a great blessing for our people in their engaging in this Harvest Ingathering campaign, I would not continue calling attention to it. The more our people work, the closer they will be drawn to the Lord and to each other.

I am glad to report that most of our churches have ordered quite a few *Reviews*, and some have already had remarkable success. Last week nearly one hundred dollars was gathered in

Stockton. Some of the students from the Lodi Normal Institute, together with members of the Lodi and Stockton churches, had a part in this work. A campaign is arranged for October 28, at which time a special car on the Central California Traction line will carry students and members of the Lodi church to Sacramento. There will be several automobile loads as well that will go. These automobiles will be used on the ground, to carry the people to their various parts of the city. It is to be hoped that we will have some good returns from this effort.

How evident it is that the Lord is going before us in this work! These papers are going to do the people good. We hope none of these good journals will remain stacked away in the churches or in our homes. We should have a blessing from this work, the people should have the reading-matter, and the Mission Board should have the funds that the people are ready and willing to give.

We feel sure that many of our churches and isolated brethren and sisters have ordered only for a beginning. Anticipating this, we have ordered over six thousand more *Reviews*. Now we are ready to pass these on to you at your request.

We wish you could hear all the good reports that are coming to us. Churches have divided their territory. Men have been selected to wait on business men with whom they have had considerable dealing, and they are giving good sums.

We would suggest that papers be mailed to friends. Show them that you expect something by sending along in your letter a stamped envelope addressed to yourself. Let us work in every way possible just now to bring our work throughout the world to the notice of the people. Let them see what the church to which you belong is doing in all these lands. Heaven's blessing will, I am sure, be upon you in this Harvest Ingathering campaign.

We want to know what you are doing. We want the names of every one engaging in this work, and the amount each receives. Already we have upwards of one hundred who are busy recorded here at the office. We want one thousand.

C. L. Taggart,  
*President.*

## CALIFORNIA

### St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

Miss Edith Oakes, of Lodi, a church school teacher, will act as clerk at the sanitarium store during the absence of Miss June Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Peterson, of College View, Nebraska, are recent additions to the sanitarium family. Mr Peterson will act as head cook in the restaurant.

Mr. R. Rose, of the Sanitarium Food Factory, accompanied by his daughter, Miss June Rose, is planning to visit friends in the East, and will be absent about six weeks.

The enrolment at the church school is about seventy. Several bees have recently been held there, and one of the things accomplished was the building of a new porch 8 x 40 feet. As a part of their manual training, the larger school boys are now roofing this porch.

Dr. Geo. Thomason was recently called to Sacramento to attend Miss Rose Paulus, who was quite ill in that city. The doctor decided that it was best to bring Miss Paulus to the sanitarium, where she could have treatments. Her friends will be glad to know that she is improving.  
M. B. H.

### Work

Married man (Seventh-day Adventist) seeks position as manager on farm with fruits, alfalfa, stock, etc. Can also undertake gardening in any of the institutions, or as instructor in farming, keeping of books or storeroom. Apply F. Richards, Los Molinos, Tehama Co., Cal.

### Pacific Press Notes

Four tons of "Practical Guide" are going forward to-day on S. S. Canada Cape to Australia.

Our book department sales during the last nine months have amounted to \$260,602.88, which is a gain of more than \$15,000 over the same months of 1912. Taking into consideration the fact that this is General Conference year, and many conference and book men were away from their field for a month or more, this gain is certainly an excellent one.

A little over a year ago, we published 1,000 copies of new Home Workers' Prospectuses. They are all gone, as well as 650 copies of another edition of 1,000 which has been manufactured since. In all probability the remaining 350 copies will be used before the year closes. Surely these little books are interesting our people, and our people are interesting their neighbors in them as well.

For more than three years, we have been at work on the translating and typesetting of "Great Controversy," Spanish. It is finally completed, and makes a volume of almost 900 pages, containing a chapter on the "Reformation in Spain," and special illustrations adapting it to the needs of our Spanish fields. It sells at the same price as the English book. Our list of Spanish publications now includes:

Gospel Primer  
Christ Our Saviour  
New Testament Primer  
Steps to Christ  
Home and Health  
Coming King  
Patriarchs and Prophets  
Glorious Appearing  
Great Controversy

Some of our readers may have noticed the following Associated Press despatch which appeared in the newspapers recently:

"Lima, Peru, October 4.—Peru in future is to enjoy religious tolerance. Heretofore the exercise of any religion other than the Roman Catholic has been prohibited.

"The chamber of deputies to-day adopted by 66 votes to 4 an amendment to the constitution dealing with this subject. The amendment had been approved already by the senate.

"In spite of the constitutional prohibition, the government some time ago permitted the building of a number of Protestant churches and mission schools in various parts of the country."

The story of how this change in the constitution came about is an interesting one. An Indian brother, Camacho by name, who lives away up in the high Andes of interior Peru, became an Adventist a few years ago. Through tremendous hardships, including imprisonment and confiscation of some of his property, he has continued faithful and has conducted a school for the native Indians. While Brother Stahl was absent in Argentine, the Catholic bishop shut

up Brother Camacho's school. Brother Camacho at once went to Lima, the capital, and laid the matter before the governor. He had an interview with the president, who recognized the good work he was doing, and paid his fare, and that of the brethren who accompanied him, back to his home, and gave each a pound sterling in cash. As a result of this interview, the bill above referred to was introduced, and has been passed by an overwhelming majority of 66 to 4.

Verily the Lord still lives and reigns.  
H. H. Hall.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Hemet

Nearly two years ago, I came here to engage in Bible work and hold public meetings as the Lord might open the way. At that time, there were about eighteen of our people in the valley, who were trying to hold up the banner of truth. These were all gathered together, with some others, and organized into a church of twenty-one members by Elder Andross, December 2, 1911. Since then, there has been a steady and healthy growth, until we now have a church-membership of sixty-two, and the Sabbath-school numbers more than seventy.

As the attendance became too large for the hall where the meetings were held, and no larger place could be secured, we were forced to enlarge our borders by building a meeting-house and a church school building of our own.

The school building was completed just before our last camp-meeting, and was opened September 15, with an enrolment of sixteen pupils. To this number some have been added since. Sister E. C. Cushman is the teacher, and is doing faithful work with the children. All seem to be well pleased with the school.

The new church building is a cement block structure, 30 x 45 feet, with cobblestone foundation, and is of mission style—a very neat and attractive building, with a seating capacity of about two hundred. The church and the school building are on the same lot, and will be a substantial monument to the truths of the third angel's message.

Since camp-meeting, we have been favored with the labors of Brethren F. R. Shaeffer and J. H. Miller, who have been helping to finish the new church and binding off the work here before going to Beaumont, where we are to be-

gin a series of tent meetings about October 25.

We have greatly appreciated the faithful labors of these servants of the Lord. There have been public Bible studies three evenings a week, with an attendance averaging about thirty, for more than a month; also private studies in the homes of the people. The church has been greatly strengthened; and those who in the past have been studying the truth, have been brought over the line of obedience. It was my happy lot to baptize eleven honest souls Sabbath afternoon, October 11. These were all taken into the church the same day, and took part in the celebration of the ordinances of the Lord's house.

The church here are all of good courage, and striving for higher ground in the Master's service.

L. E. Brant.

### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA East Bakersfield

We began meetings in this place the 27th of last month, in a tent. The attendance has never been very large, but has been fairly good from the first. Thus far we have held sixteen meetings, several persons coming every night. The Lord has blessed in the presentation of the signs that point out the soon coming of our blessed Redeemer.

We are soon to present the precious Sabbath. Some are already planning to keep it, though nothing has been said on the question, from the desk. Pray that they may not be of the class of hearers represented in the parable by the stony ground, and also that many others will hear and recognize the last call to the great supper.

E. H. Adams.

R. R. Breitigam.

October 13.

That the State Federation of Labor refused to adopt the barbers' Sunday rest bill, is noted by the following quotation from the Fresno *Republican* of October 12:

#### "Rest Bill Falls Through

"The Sunday rest bill, that was introduced during the week by the barbers, following their state convention, asking that the delegates endorse their measure, was defeated on the floor of the convention by a vote of 15,770 to 11,143.

"The majority of the delegates are in favor of one rest day in seven, but do not believe that Sunday should be specified as the day on which all workers are to rest.

"On account of present-day commercialism, they believe that such a proceeding would be an impossibility, especially so regarding public service corporations.

"The resolution was really a Socialistic measure, it being said that they wanted to take another fling at public service corporations."

### Special Call for a Meeting of the Central California Conference Association

A meeting of the Central California Conference Association is called to convene in connection with the special session of the conference at Laton, California. The regular delegates to the Central California Conference (unincorporated) are the constituency of the Central California Conference Association. The first meeting of the association is called to meet on Wednesday, November 5, at 10:30 A.M.

J. H. Behrens, *President*.  
G. A. Wheeler, *Secretary*.

### Call for a Special Session of the Central California Conference

At a joint meeting of the Central California Conference committee and Armona school board it was voted "that the future policy of the Armona Academy and equipment be submitted to a special session of the conference to be called in connection with the coming camp-meeting, October 30 to November 9, 1913."

In harmony with the above action, a special meeting of the Central California Conference is therefore called to convene at Laton, California, October 30 to November 9, 1913, for the transaction of the above named business and any other business as may seem best to the regular delegates and people in conference assembled. The first session of the conference is called to meet on Monday, November 3, at 10:30 A.M.

By order of the conference committee.

J. H. Behrens, *President*.  
G. A. Wheeler, *Secretary*.

## Missionary Work

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA Church Missionary Work

Some recent experiences during visits to more than a dozen of the churches in the Northern California Conference evidence that wherever our people are at work, interesting those about them in present truth, the Lord's Spirit is drawing near. We found an excellent interest in the Harvest Ingathering work. More persons in every church, it seems, are taking hold in this effort this year than ever before.

In the country places—for example, the Merced Colony near Winton, and the great irrigated ranch section surrounding Salida—for miles the territory has been districted, and every home will be visited. Some of these sections have in them small towns as well as scores of ranches. Where the work has already begun, there is an encouraging response. The treasurer of the Merced church had used four papers and had received \$3.00; the librarian of the Salida church had given out her first paper and received for it \$1.00. These were only beginnings. We joined with the few members at Merced for a day's campaign, and the Lord blessed in the gathering of almost \$15. The business district will be worked by members who are acquainted with the business people.

We met scores of kind Christian people, who showed an interest in the work we are doing in other countries. One lady said: "Why, I didn't know anything about Seventh-day Adventists until last year, when a young man brought a paper like this here. I found it interesting, and I said to my friends at our missionary society, 'Why aren't we going out from house to house to interest people in our missions as the Adventists are?'" She asked about some points of truth, gladly took the paper this year, and gave a donation. Such experiences show the educational value of these missions campaigns. May the Lord stir every believer to want a part in this year's campaign, and to do something. In several instances, we have met those who were timid and fearful, but who, with the Lord's help, went out, and returned with a blessed experience.

It is encouraging to find many of our lay members busy improving their missionary opportunities. One brother at Chico mentioned one or two calls for Bible readings, and told how, during his trips out peddling vegetables, he is sowing the seeds of truth. On a recent trip, a lady picked up his Sabbath-school lesson quarterly, and asked what it was. When he explained to her the plan of the lessons, she said, "That is the very thing I would like to have to help study the Bible." She told him if it were possible, to secure a copy for her, and she would gladly pay for it. He took her this number, and the two preceding ones.

We found some faithful home missionaries away up in the Sierras at Placerville and Camino. Although busy, the believers up there are "sounding out the word of truth." During a canvass of the people found between Placerville and Camino—seven miles—we found scarcely any one but who were acquainted with our work. Earnest work has been done with our tracts and periodicals and books, and results have been seen. Thus seed sowing is going on, and we believe much more will be done during this fall and winter.

One line of missionary work in which Sacramento is leading out strongly is that of giving Bible readings. Even before the organization of a Bible readings class, a number of the members have been giving Bible readings. One brother who has been in the truth only about a year, and who is a busy man, reported having given three readings on the second coming of Christ during the week. Many other reports of literature distributed, visits made, and other missionary work, were reported at the meeting held in the afternoon of Sabbath, October 11. Meetings at the jail and at the hospital were announced. There is a healthy activity manifested among the believers in the capital city. Shall we not pray earnestly for the work in that important center?

In working among the churches in the San Joaquin Valley, which is rapidly being settled by a class of substantial people, we were impressed that the missionary program outlined in Volume 9, page 35, is particularly applicable. The instruction is:

"In many states there are settlements of industrious, well-to-do farmers, who have never had the truth for this time.

Such places should be worked. Let our lay members take up this line of service. By lending or selling books, by distributing papers, and by holding Bible readings, our lay members could do much in their own neighborhoods. Filled with love for souls, they could proclaim the message with such power that many would be converted."

We are thankful to find persons in these little missionary meetings who had been won to the truth through just such effort. Less than a month ago a gentleman and his wife were baptized into one of our churches that we visited, who had come to a knowledge of the truth through reading our books. An Adventist family living near lent them "Daniel and the Revelation," "Bible Footlights," and one other of our books. They are happy in the truth, and are planning to engage in carrying it to others.

In almost every one of the churches visited on this trip, we found one or more persons who will take up the sale of our small books, such as "Best Stories," "Steps to Christ," "Our Paradise Home," and "His Glorious Appearing," between now and the holidays. Truly this is the harvest-time of the year for these books, and it is encouraging to see so many recognize the wonderful opportunities there are in this line of missionary work just now. We shall be very glad if others will decide to get the Home Workers' prospectus and take hold of this work.

Generally speaking, our churches are active, but much more could be accomplished. Our leaders should not weary in forming plans whereby every person will have some definite work to do. During this fall and winter, we should plan earnestly for carrying the truth in some more systematic ways to every family within reach. The purpose of the church should be kept before the members, and all encouraged to help extend a knowledge of the truth.

"At this time — a time of overwhelming iniquity — a new life, coming from the Source of all life, is to take possession of those who have the love of God in their hearts, and they are to go forth to proclaim with power the message of a crucified and risen Saviour. They are to put forth earnest, untiring efforts to save souls. . . . Intense earnestness should now take possession of us. Our slumbering energies should be aroused to untiring effort. Consecrated workers

should go forth into the field clearing the King's highway, and gaining victories in new places."— *Volume 9, page 44.*

J. W. Rich,

*Miss. Sec. N. Cal. Conf.*

J. R. Ferren,

*Miss. Sec. Pac. Union Conf.*

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Ingathering Campaign in Motion

It is truly gratifying to see the enthusiasm and the earnestness that many of our loyal members are giving to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. With glad and prayerful hearts they are going from door to door through our cities and towns, telling the story of the King's business in foreign lands.

The following message from the leader of a small company illustrates the spirit that will bring success to this present campaign: "We are having good success in our work. The Lord is blessing us. Every night but two, last week, we gathered at the church and thanked the Lord for what He had done, and prayed that He would prepare us to do the work faithfully, and prepare the hearts of the people to give. He has heard our prayers.

"We have, at present, about \$76. Our aim is to gather \$100. We are few (about a dozen), but I am thankful that all are willing to work for the Master."

Nearly 25,000 copies of the *Review* were sent to our churches. These are now being distributed rapidly among the people. Additional orders amounting to nearly 5,000 copies have been filled during the past ten days.

One of our earnest sisters sent us this message: "Send us one hundred more Ingathering *Reviews*. The Lord has truly opened the hearts of the people to give. I believe there will be souls saved through the efforts now being put forth." No doubt about it, sister.

Near the bottom of page 14 of the leaflet entitled "Experiences of Those Soliciting Funds During 1912," we read these lines: "A gentleman found a copy of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* in a station rack near Los Angeles. His interest in the contents led him to inquire for and find the Adventist people. Since then he has been studying with one of our brethren." Now, praise the Lord, he has united with the church. O, we can not estimate the eternal value that will surely come as the result of distributing this paper and collecting funds

for our toiling missionaries. Let us go forward, dear workers, attempting greater things for our Master.

Ernest Lloyd.

### Small but Powerful

A tract is a small thing, yet many times it has been a powerful agency for saving souls.

There are many ways of using tracts. One of the most simple is that known as the "envelope plan." An envelope of strong paper is secured, large enough to take several of our tracts without folding. On this envelope is some appropriate printing, showing who furnishes the literature, and stating that it is simply loaned and that it will be called for at an early date. The price of the packet is also marked on the envelope in case the individual should desire to buy it. This suggests the idea at once that while the literature is loaned, at the same time it would be willingly sold to those desiring to purchase.

Thus equipped, the worker starts out with a number of these packages, leaving one at every house in the street assigned to him as far as the packages will go. The following week the ground is gone over again, these packages taken up, and others left in their places.

On the first visit not much time is spent in talking to the individual, the package being simply handed to him, and his attention called to it. In calling the second time the individual may be asked if the tracts have been read, and this may lead to conversation on the topics in them. It is usually, however, advisable to get in several packages before attempting much conversation, but if the individual shows a spirit of inquiry, be sure to make the most of it. This can generally be done by introducing other literature on the same subject.

Before any package is loaned a second time, the tracts should be carefully examined, and if at all soiled should be replaced by fresh ones.

The tracts should be carefully selected. Not more than three should be used at a time, as a general rule. With doctrinal tracts put some on practical subjects. Use the subjects least likely to create prejudice first, and use the Sabbath tracts last in your series. The series may consist of from fifteen to twenty packages, according to the interest roused.

As the work is continued, openings will be made, where there is an interest to

read, to introduce the *Signs of the Times*, *Watchman*, and other magazines, also pamphlets and other publications. The work should not be left when the series of packages has been loaned, but should be carefully followed up in some way. If possible, arrangements should be made for Bible readings to be given. If meetings are being held in the vicinity, invitations to attend should be given.

This is a simple plan and yet a very effective one, one that has been fruitful in saving many souls. We are told by the Lord, through the spirit of prophecy, that "the very simplest modes of work should be devised, and set in operation among the churches. If members will cooperate with such a plan, and perseveringly carry it out, they will reap a rich harvest. Their experience will grow brighter, their ability will increase through exercise, and souls will be saved through their efforts."—"*An Appeal to Home Missionary Work.*"

The promise that souls will be saved is a very definite one. Let it encourage all to take hold of the work.

E. M. Graham,

Sec. Gen. Conf. Home Miss. Dept.

### Just What Your People Want to Know

#### Logical, Consistent, and Successful Ways of Using the "Signs"

There are many ways of using the *Signs*. The most helpful way seems to be to call at the homes and leave a copy of the paper, directing special attention to some particular article. The Outlook Department, at this particular time, would be a good one for this. But there are some who would appreciate those articles by Sister White. This would be left to your impressions of your prospect. Call again a week later with another copy, and make inquiry regarding the former copy. Insist that they read some particular article, and inquire especially regarding that. Follow this method for a few weeks. Some who receive the first copy will decline the second. In that event, you will of course look up a new reader. We are confident that before you have carried this on very many weeks, your readers will begin to make inquiry. In fact, it has been demonstrated that this is usually the case. Then you know just where to commence your studies with them, it being best sometimes to commence in different ways with different individuals.

This also places them on the side of the inquirer, and you know in just what line they are interested, and how their minds are running, and just what studies to bring before them to get their full confidence. You appreciate the fact that it is not always necessary to commence your studies with "God's Word and Its Authority." Neither is it essential to carry on these studies in just the same order each time. But with the *Signs*, you can commence your studies at just the place where the prospect is interested, which you appreciate is the only logical thing to do. Then you can go to these other studies as you feel the situation warrants.

Another splendid way is to deliver the first copy of the paper, soliciting subscriptions for one month at 15 cents each. At the end of the month have the subscription renewed for another month. Continue this for two or three months, and then endeavor to get a three-month subscription. At the close of the three-month subscription, try for a six-month subscription, and then have the name placed on our regular mailing list.

As to using it in homes where it is desired that your denomination be not made prominent, that is one of the strong points of the *Signs*. Why, we have known of individuals all the way from working people to business men of strong influence, and professional men, reading themselves right into the third angel's message and Seventh-day Adventism through the *Signs*, without even knowing it. In fact, we could call your attention to cases that we know of where influential men have, after reading the *Signs* two years, commenced paying tithes to this office. They were at once referred to our conference organization, and immediately joined the church. So one need have no fears regarding that feature, as the *Signs* is demonstrating every day its ability to reach hearts and bring them into the truth in just the way a pioneer should do.

#### Wanted — 500,000 Subscriptions

The last issue of *Liberty* had a circulation of 35,000, but the *Menace* had a circulation of about 750,000 a few weeks ago. The *Menace* says it has over 40,000 subscribers who are working to boom its circulation each week. Their average increase is from 15,000 to 20,000 subscriptions each week.

I was surprised, as I visited the field

this summer, to find scores of our own brethren working for the *Menace*, and sending them large clubs of subscriptions, while they were doing practically nothing for the *Liberty* or *Protestant* magazines. I believe that our magazines deserve a larger patronage. Our brethren ought to build up the *Liberty* subscription list equal to that of the *Menace*. I do not see why we can not increase the *Liberty* circulation from 35,000 to 500,000. If we only had 25,000 workers in the field, and each secured a club of 20 subscriptions, at only four dollars, it would swell the subscription list to 500,000. Can it be done?—Yes, easily. We have about 70,000 believers in America; and if only about one out of every three became a club worker, it could be done in a few weeks.

A United States senator recently sent in a \$2.00 check for a club of ten *Liberty* subscriptions. He said that the magazine ought to be sent to every family in the United States. Prominent men are writing us splendid letters of commendation for the dignified way in which we deal with these important questions of the day, and thanking us for standing so nobly by the principles of civil and religious liberty.

We are not opposing Roman Catholics with Roman Catholic methods. There is a wrong way of doing the right thing. The only successful way of meeting Roman Catholics and Protestants who are seeking a union with the state, is to meet them with God's word in a dignified, Christian way, and by being true to principle ourselves.

The current issue of *Liberty*, just off the press, is largely devoted to the American principles of the separation of church and state as promulgated by the founders of our republic. It contains many articles and important quotations which you will want to paste into your scrap-book for permanent preservation and future use. It is a great prejudice killer, and is soul-inspiring from beginning to end. Note the striking cartoon on the last cover page. It is a great sermon in itself.

Get your neighbors to subscribe, and send in a club of ten for \$2.00, as the United States senator has done. The regular subscription price is thirty-five cents, but a club of ten subscriptions costs only \$2.00, or twenty cents for each subscription. If you wish a sample copy to use in securing subscriptions, write us, and we will gladly mail you one free.

Let us wake up, and do as well as the *Menace* workers, for we have a more important message to give than they are giving. It is time to work. Delay is costly. Let us buckle on the armor, and enter the battle for truth and right.

Fill out the "petition to Congress" against the Sunday bill before Congress, on the last inside page of *Liberty*, and send the petitions to one of the United States senators from your state. This Sunday bill will come up for consideration as soon as the regular session of Congress opens in December.

C. S. Longacre.

## Obituaries

**MURCH.**—Mildred May Squier-Murch was born in Gary, Minnesota, October 17, 1881, and died of typhoid fever, October 11, 1913. When she was a child, her parents moved to Pine Island, Minnesota, where she was reared. At the age of twenty-one she was married to Mr. Frank A. Murch. To this union three children were born. She leaves father, mother, four brothers, four sisters, three children, and husband, to mourn her loss. She was a devoted mother and companion, and her faithfulness to God and the third angel's message was shown by a consistent Christian life. She was greatly loved by all who knew her.

The funeral services were held in the new Seventh-day Adventist church one block from her home. A large circle of friends and relatives attended the funeral. Words of hope and comfort were spoken from Rev. 14:13 and 2 Tim. 4:7, 8, by the writer.

C. F. Folkenberg.

**WHITE.**—John Randolph White was born September 8, 1872, at Osceola, Clarke County, Iowa, and died of consumption, at the home of his only sister, Mrs. C. M. Bussing, San Jacinto, California, September 2, 1913, being 40 years, 11 months, and 24 days old. Brother White was graduated from the Knoxville high school at the age of eighteen. He afterward was graduated from the normal, and engaged in teaching till he moved to California.

Two years before he died, his sister,

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 3, 1913

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
<b>California</b>						
Mrs. C. Bornecke	H. W.		1		\$ .25	
Will Gerrans	P. G.	18½	7		28.50	
C. L. Harrell *	P. G.	46½	4		17.00	\$18.00
Phebe Tyler	H. W.	4½	8		7.85	
Miscellaneous	H. W.		1		1.00	
4 Agents	* Report for two weeks.		21		\$54.60	\$18.00

### Utah (Supplemental)

A. C. Walgamott	B. R.	35	34		\$129.00	
Mrs. Cora Walgamott	B. R.	37	26		95.00	
2 Agents		72	60		\$224.00	

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 10, 1913

<b>Utah</b>						
Paul Moore	Heralds	26	10		\$ 28.00	
A. C. Walgamott	B. R.	31	27		104.00	
Mrs. Cora Walgamott	B. R.	37	25		94.00	
3 Agents		94	62		\$226.00	

### Southern California

H. E. Farmer	B. R.	24	10		\$39.25	\$27.00
C. Egner	P. G.		13		46.10	
W. R. Stevens	P. G.	12	3		13.50	
W. O. James	H. & H.	15	16		40.50	
L. H. Johnson	B. F. L.	6	2		2.00	
William Keele	B. S.	9	11		8.25	87.25
May Keele	B. S.	3	5		3.75	11.25
E. Hilliard	H. W.		83		40.25	
B. K. Cotton	H. W.	8	14		7.50	
Mrs. G. E. Smith	H. W.	14	18		11.50	
10 Agents			175		\$212.60	\$125.50

### California

Mrs. C. E. Bornecke	H. W.	1	2		\$ 1.10	
C. L. Harrell	P. G.	31½	8		38.00	
Mrs. E. D. Mills	P. G.	20	6		27.00	
Ruth M. Reid	P. G.	9½	2		7.00	
Phebe Tyler	H. W.	9	12		8.55	
Mrs. P. H. Widen	H. W.	6	8		7.25	
6 Agents		77	38		\$88.90	

### Central California

F. O. Jensen	P. G.	12	2		\$ 7.00	
A. R. Barnes	P. G.	28	12	\$ 1.70	43.70	
D. A. Morton	P. G.	20	6	11.70	32.70	
3 Agents		60	20	\$13.40	\$83.40	

upon passing through Los Angeles, was surprised at his appearance, knowing the dread disease had fastened itself upon him. She pleaded with him to give up his work and take a needed rest.

Three months later, when tired nature could go no further, he gave up, and went to the home of his sister, who with her husband did all that loving hands could do for his comfort until he closed his eyes in death, awaiting the voice of the Life-giver. He suffered much toward

the last, but was hopeful to the end.

The deceased died a firm believer in the third angel's message, and, we believe, with the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection.

His last words were, "Be faithful to the end, and stay by the truth."

He leaves a wife, three children, and a sister to mourn his loss.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, from Job 14:1, 2.

L. E. Brant.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1913

Sabbath, November 1, is to be Educational Day in all the churches of Southern California Conference. An interesting program, with material for the same, has been arranged by the church school superintendent, Prof. I. C. Colcord.

Wanted—S. D. A. family to work farm on shares. Everything furnished. Buildings all first-class. High state of cultivation. Plenty of water. Close to town. S. D. A. church privileges. An exceptionally good proposition for the right man. Write for particulars. O. F. Campbell and Son, Le Grand, California.

From the last comparative report, dated October 10, of the Harvest In-gathering, sent out by the periodical department of the Review and Herald, we note the following for the Pacific Union Conference:

	1913	1912	1911
Arizona	970	1,185	2,053
California	17,005	15,022	22,298
Cal.-Nev.	6,270	8,485	8,031
Cent. Cal.	4,945	6,925	6,890
S. Cal.	28,525	32,215	27,320
Utah	3,650	1,515	1,070
Total	61,365	65,347	67,662

"From Eden to Eden" is something new in the way of tracts. It is different in size from our established tracts, being seven by nine and a half inches, which is the same as the page of the regular ten-cent magazines. The type is large and easily read. The front cover is a very beautiful one, with an engraving representing the new-earth state, showing a child leading a lion

and a lamb. The last cover has a photograph of rocky Sinai, on which the law was given. The tract is on the Sabbath question, and is got out in response to the following recommendation, passed at the last General Conference:

"Resolved, That we request our publishing houses to furnish a series of tracts with attractive covers, covering the principal features of our message, at prices which will enable them to give the colporteurs sixty per cent discount, and that an effort be made to encourage the lay members in our churches to engage in the sale of our tracts."

It is No. 7 of a new series, to be called "Our Times Series," the remaining numbers of which will treat upon other important doctrinal points and will be published this winter. It contains sixteen pages. Price, 5 cents each, or \$2.50 a hundred, post-paid.

## Advanced Shorthand Course

We have completed arrangements for giving an advanced course in shorthand. This will be especially helpful to stenographers desiring to become more proficient. After entering active work, many stenographers fail to apply to the work in hand the principles of abbreviation which they should. A little help at this point would be of great benefit to them. This advanced course will enable the writer to apply the principles of abbreviation in matter that is specially difficult to most stenographers who are beginning—the writing of phrases and proper names. There is also given a thorough review, by practical work, of word-signs, contractions, shorthand numerals, and the most helpful expedients which a stenographer should have who is determined to succeed. A special drill in speed writing is also given, that is of great benefit to any stenographer, enabling him to do the best work of which he is capable. This course is conducted by H. E. Rogers, the veteran stenographer and statistical secretary of the General Conference. Matriculation fee, \$1.00; tuition for the course, 20 lessons, \$7.00. If you are interested in such a course, or know of any stenographer who would be glad for the opportunity of taking it, please correspond with us at once, and further information will be furnished. Address Fire-side Correspondence School, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

## Great Blessings Canvassing in Nevada

After returning from General Conference and home missionary labors at my old Kentucky home, I was so depleted physically that I hastened to Humboldt County, California, to build up health and strength. Through God's blessing and kindly ministrations of dear ones up there I gained rapidly, and by the last week of September I was hurrying off to begin canvassing again in the sage-brush state—Nevada.

The first day of October found me busily engaged in placing the truth-laden pages. The Master blessed from the first day. I seek the Lord much in prayer, and He does hear and answer. Ps. 9:10, 12, 18.

I see numberless tokens of the Saviour's loving care, and marked answers to prayer. Often I am alone in a wild, rocky cañon, or away in the hills or woods, seeking for a closer walk with God, for more power in my work, and a renewal of my hold on things above. I know that many of my dear brethren and sisters remember me at the throne of grace, and these petitions are regarded in heaven. How precious it is that we can remember one another before God! He loves to hear us and bless us graciously. Ps. 65:2.

Last week, in Eastern Nevada, the Master granted me over \$263 in orders for books, outside helps, etc., including "Ministry of Healing" (relief edition) for Loma Linda Medical College. Besides this, I lost nearly half of two days last week. It was \$110 in two days. Yesterday—Sunday, too—it was \$45.50 for books, helps, etc., and with the "Ministry of Healing" it was nearly \$50. This was from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Then I had to take a local train fifteen miles back to my quarters. All the honor, glory, and praise are the Master's only. He surely grants it all. Left to ourselves, poor, frail, weak humanity will soon come to naught. Ps. 145:7.

My leading books are now "Practical Guide to Health" and "Daniel and the Revelation," in connection with "Ministry of Healing." This is my first trial canvassing for "Practical Guide." I believe the Testimonies state that the medical and the religious books should be combined by the canvasser, or taken together. This is the first time I ever did it thus. Heaven seems to bless the plan signally. Walter Harper.