"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another."

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The Sublimity of the Present

There can be no doubt in the minds of Bible students about our having arrived at the period denominated "the last days." Then, too, if one has discernment of the times, he is forced to conclude that these same last days are already far spent. The appalling history now being made in Europe, the state of society in both the old world and the new, together with the demands of semi-religious organizations upon the franchises of the people, all go to show that we are living in a great and awful time.

Indeed, there never was a time when men were losing courage more evidently than now in view of the rapidly recurring events that tend to the destruction of life, and the prostitution of manhood to degrading acts. The only question, under the circumstances, that need call for anxiety on the part of the Christian is. Will I be able to withstand the great temptation that I am sure to face sooner or later? It is now the time, if ever, to "cling to the Mighty One," even to Him who has promised to keep all in this hour of trial, who keep the "word of His patience."

On the other hand, to those who are

lukewarm now, the warning is that they will be "spued" out of the mouth of Jehovah; that is, their names will not be in His mouth for good, because they seem to feel in need of nothing, while heaven's record adjudges them to be wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked. To all these indifferent ones the Lord counsels the purchase from Him of pure gold, and white raiment; and above all, to annoint their eyes with His eyesalve, that they may more clearly see their needs, in the trying time in which they live. The Lord then adds: "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if any man will hear My voice," that is regarding the counsel given in the Laodicean message, "I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me." Rev. 3: 14-20.

This is a wonderful promise. Just think! Whatever the believer is called on to partake in his experience, the Master says He will be present to sup it with him. That must indeed greatly soften any of the rough passages in life, and almost make them desirable. Why then, can we not all begin the work of sinking out of self, and into God? By this we will learn the lesson of such great value of letting go of the world, and finding the true comfort of faith in God. See Ps. 46: 10. -J. O. C.

A Mighty Awakening

Now that our annual camp-meetings are past and we have had a little time to reflect and take a general survey of the field, we can but take a hopeful view of the situation. Yet there are on the horizon of our great commission, problems of the greatest magnitude. As we look at the greatness of the enterprise in which we are engaged, as we contemplate the exhaustless resources of our unseen, heavenly allies, and become more and more persuaded regarding the infinite, limitless, almighty power of our great Leader, we must have increased faith. We must show an unflagging zeal and devotion to the great responsibilities assigned us.

"The gospel message is to ring through our churches, summoning them to universal action."

"There is before the church, the dawn of a bright, glorious day, if she will put on the robe of Christ's righteousness, withdrawing from all allegiance to the world." Vol. 8, pp. 11, 12.

We have passed resolutions at our camp-meetings; and that is right. We must now see to it that these are fully carried out. This is possible, but it means thorough, organization, good leadership and constant hard work. "As we go forth to labor, accompanied by holy angels and possessed with divine power, we are bound to have good success. To every one who offers himself to the Lord for service, withholding nothing, is given power for the attainment of measureless results." Vol. 7, p. 30.

"The Church of Christ is God's agency for the proclamation of truth; she is empowered by Him to do a special work; and if she is loyal to God, obedient to His commandments, there will dwell within her the excellence of divine power. If she will honor the Lord God of Israel, there is no power that can stand against her." Vol. 8, p. 11.

Just think of these wonderful statements, brethren: "We can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us." "He will save to the uttermost." We certainly have reached the time in our work when we must put on the whole armor. We must go forth willing to do and dare for God. "Set the churches to work. Not one one-hundredth part has been done, or is being done by the members of the church that God requires of them. The very simplest

modes of work are to be devised and set in operation among our churches." We must take hold wherever we see that there is work to be done. "Whether you are rich or poor, great or humble, God calls you into active service for Him." See "An Appeal." "God has given to every man his work. Those who have the spiritual oversight of the church should devise ways and means by which an opportunity may be given to every member of the church to act some part in God's work. Too often in the past, this has not been done. Plans have not been clearly laid and fully carried out, whereby the talents of all might be employed in active service. There are but few who realize how much has been lost because of this."

"The leaders of God's house, as wise generals, are to lay plans for advance moves all along the line. In their planning they are to give *special* study to the work that can be done by the laity for their friends and neighbors."

"There should be a well organized plan for the employment of workers to go into all our churches, large and small, to instruct the members how to labor for the upbuilding of the church, and also for unbelievers." Vol. 9, p. 117.

"Our churches need organizing into missionary bands, and instruction in practical methods of doing missionary work."

These are God's plans, and we must be careful not to substitute our own. The great awakening that is taking possession of God's people is one of the greatest causes for rejoicing. It means everything. "And then shall the end come" When?—Not until we have done our duty. Let us hasten that glad day.

With our truth-filled literature, books, magazines periodicals and tracts, we are to go forth to the warfare. Well-drilled, well-organized, spirit filled, with a message of life to our friends and neighbors, let us no longer delay, but rather now enter into this great home missionary campaign. It is a soul-winning campaign. Eternity alone will reveal the blessed results.

We want every member to become responsible for a definite territory. We want that you shall use the Signs Weekty, the Berean library, tracts, etc., and while you labor, pray earnestly that God will bless your efforts. Do not fail to keep a record, and pass in a full and perfect report of all work done.

Let this prayer ascend from every heart: "O God, send a revival! O God, send a revival! O God, send a revival, and let it begin in me!" He longs to do it. He wants to give life to the dry bones. He longs to see His people drinking from the sparkling streams of Lebanon. He wants that their joy shall be complete. Nothing is so we'll calculated to bring these blessed results as consecrated, untiring, disinterested labor for precious, perishing souls.

F. W. PAAP.

Be True to God

One test of loyalty enjoined upon ancient Israel was, that, when the nation faced great issues and more supporters of the work were necessary, the people were urged with emphasis to be faithful in tithe-paying and in rendering free-will offerings. One instance of this nature is cited from the season of Israel's Babylonian captivity, or rather of the time just after that people returned to Jerusalem. Tithe-paying had fallen into decay, and what little funds were brought in were absorbed by one Tobiah, who had taken charge of the former treasure house. Consequently the Levites and the singers had left their religious callings and gone to the fields for compensation in honest toil. At once the call was made for the tithes to be brought forward, when the work assumed its aforetime aspect. Neh. 13:

Again as the time drew near when a new and spiritual era was about to dawn upon that people, and the need of special preparation was forced upon them, the word was again brought forward that God was robbed in tithes and offerings, thus bringing low the food in God's storehouse, which was so absolutely necessary to meet the workers' demand of that time. This resulted in the backsliding of the people so that they were ready to say that God's service was unsatisfactory, and that it was useless to attempt to carry the work against such odds as faced them. Mal. 3: 1-14.

Now as God's people are nearing the close of their earthly work, and are contemplating the great purifying change incident to the second coming of the Lord, the challenge for great things to be done increases with the passing days, when tithes and offerings are more in demand as the work enlarges and opportunity looks every worker in the face. The times are certainly ominous. National faction in the old world, and strenuous political differences in our own country, indicate that we are rapidly nearing the goal to which our

eyes have been turned for so many years. But in view of this we are reminded that the message we bear has not fully met its design, yet measures are being taken to force us into active operations against certain issues, in doing which the full truth will be brought to the fore.

The Pacific Union Conference has attempted to finance the present campaign in religious liberty which calls for hundreds of dollars beyond its regular income. Why should not every reader of this take this matter under consideration, and forward at once to Claude Conard, Box 146, Glendale, Cal., a generous offering—one that will give satisfaction to the donor as a servant of God? Will you do it? Why not?

-J. O. C.

MISSIONARY

Keeping Up With the Message

Word recently came to the office about a church that takes pride in keeping up with the different phases of the message. That is a proper kind of pride which it would be well if every church had. A church that has this pride does not let its mission clock run slow, but keeps it well up to time,—a little fast if anything, to be on the safe side.

Such a church has a good Sabbathschool. It takes pride in having well studied lessons, and a well managed school. Every member feels a responsibility for making the school all it should be.

It has good Sabbath services, for the members gather to feed upon the word, and to learn how they and their church may come nearer to God's ideal.

It has good missionary prayer meetings, for the members know that they can not keep up with the message without prayer and work. They take pride in taking an active part in every campaign and plan for work in God's cause. In such a church the leading thought is not,—how little may be done and the church be clear? but,—how much can be possibly accomplished for the Lord?

Such a church as this is a solid support to the conference, as it may always be depended on to advance as the message advances. In a church like this the Lord Himself takes pride, for He sees it is wholly following Him. Why should not every Seventh-day Adventist church take pride in keeping up with the message?

E. M. GRAHAM.

"A Million Copies in Twenty Days"

"September 2 was a 'red-letter' day in the history of our publishing work," writes Brother Reavis of the Review and Herald office. "On that day, just twenty days from the date of the announcement of the issuing of the Review War Extra, the orders for the extra totaled 1,000,000 copies. That is the largest circulation ever reached with any one issue of any paper our people publish, though some special issues have continued for a long time. We are working day and night. The orders average 25,000 to 30,000 a day. How long this is going to keep up, is hard to guess." We hope, Brother Reavis, until this God-given literature is actually "scattered like the leaves of autumn."

"Forty Tons in Thirty Days"

An encouraging letter from Brother Hall of the Pacific Press brings the remarkable news of forty tons (lacking 314 pounds) of literature shipped from the Press during the month of August. We understand that this is the largest record for any month in the history of the Press. What does it all mean? In Brother Hall's letter, reference was made to a quotation from the Springfield Republican, appearing in the Literary Digest of August 29, which says: "Writers who can tell a stupified world what this fearful portent means. who can throw light on the great fundamental problems of the race, and can give some hint as to its destiny, will have an attentive and even anxious hearing." This is just what our literature is doing. Requests for our papers and tracts from people of the world are coming from every direction. What a time for service! "The end is near! God calls upon the church to set in order the things that remain. Workers together with God, you are empowered by the Lord to take others with you into the kingdom. You are to be God's living agents-channels of light to the world, and around about you are angels of heaven with their commission from Christ to sustain, strengthen and uphold you in working for the salvation of souls."

"Signs" Instead of a Hall

This is how a conference president expresses and shows his appreciation for the October Signs Magazine:

"We have the October number of the Signs Monthly. Say, all you have to do to get a big circulation is to continue

to get out issues like that one. It is the best that I have seen. If possible, I am going to push it among our people and give it a wide circulation. I was in Missoula the other day and they wanted to hire a hall and have me speak on the Eastern Question. We had only one or two days to advertise.

The hall rent would be \$5. I told our people I thought that they could do more good to order 100 of the October Signs, and if they could not sell them, to give them away. The hall would have held 250. If we had had an attendance of 200, we would have thought we were doing well. Counting on an average that five people will read each magazine, we would, through this 100 Signs, reach 500 people. There are at least three sermons in each magazine which would be 1500 sermons. people could hear the sermons twice if they were not satisfied the first time. We did not have the lecture, and I am sure that the Signs will be used."

The first increased edition was all sold September 14. Another edition of 15,000 copies is now going out rapidly. Send in your orders. Double them up. Send in second orders.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance Notes

Virginia Votes "Dry"

Virginia joined the "dry" states of the nation September 22, by giving a majority of more than 25,000 for statewide prohibition. The state becomes "dry" on and after November 1, 1916.

Win One

Every earnest "dry" voter ought to win at least one doubtful or "wet" voter. There are 4453 precincts in California, and if only ten doubtfuls or "wets" are won in a precinct, that would mean 44,530 votes. Brother, sister, do your part in your own precinct, with your own neighbors. Do not worry about other precincts and districts. "Thou art the man" for thy neighborhood.

"The End is in Sight"

A recent issue of the Kansas City Star offers this encouraging prediction: "There is a transformation of public sentiment going on all over the United States. The liquor business is doomed. It may last ten years longer. But the end is in sight. National prohibition is on the way." Let us hope and pray

that we may witness the passing of the awful traffic within much less time than that suggested by the *Star*.

Keep This Paragraph

We suggest that you cut out this paragraph and keep it for election day. Mark "X" after "Yes" in the case of the prohibition amendment, No. 2 and No. 39, and "No" in the case of the Royal Arch amendment, No. 47. Many people will vote wrong unless instructed, especially those who have been in the habit of voting "dry" under the Wyllie law, under which the "drys" vote "No." Let us remind you again to vote "YES."

Paradise Valley Sanitarium

The workers at the Paradise Valley Sanitarium are enthusiastically helping in the "dry" campaign at National City. With over 1000 copies of the temperance number of the Signs and several thousand tracts, they are working the territory systematically and in cooperation with the local Dry Federation. The missionary leader writes: "We expect to finish this work this week, and be ready to go over the same territory with the religious liberty tracts a little later."

Nine states now have prohibitory laws. Virginia will be the tenth. Sixty per cent of the area of the United States is "dry." Forty million people live where the saloon is outlawed. The army canteen has been abolished. No liquor can be sold in immigrant stations nor in the Capitol in Washington, D. C. There is a law forbidding the sale to Indians. All liquor has been prohibited on naval vessels, navy yards and stations. These accomplishments and many others, encourage and warrant us in hoping for success in the campaign for California "Dry."

"The Great Destroyer"

In his great temperance address, "The Great Destroyer," pronounced the most complete arraignment of the evils of drink ever uttered, Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, pro-hibition champion at Washington, concludes one of his paragraphs as follows: "Weighed in the balance of the cold, hard facts, with the truth uncolored, this historic curse, criminal of the ages, stands guilty of undermining the economic prosperity of the nation; guilty of slaughtering, killing and wounding our citizens 10,000 times more than war; guilty of blighting the progeny of the nation, flooding the land with a horde of degenerates; guilty of striking deadly blows at the very life of the race; guilty of reversing the very purposes of the Almighty." Congressman Hobson will tour California during the month of October in the interest of California "Dry." Hear him. —E. L.

THE FIELD

Mountain View Church School

Thinking that it might be of interest to our RECORDER readers, we give a brief account of the new school building recently erected at Mountain View. One has been needed for a long time. The old building erected in the time of stress has been outgrown by our increasing school. Last year it was strongly talked of. Perhaps that was the best year to build it, but it was left over until the present year.

First of all, it was felt by the church that the work to be done was to raise pledges for the \$250,000 school fund, and therefore about \$4500 was pledged for this purpose. Immediately following that, plans were made for the new

garten; one 8x23, for laboratory, library and consultation room.

A large hall runs through the building from west to east, nine feet wide at the main entrance, seven feet at the rear entrance. All rooms are lighted by electricity, and the building is heated by a hot air furnace donated by the Pacific Press. All available space on the walls is taken by the blackboards, built on the wall, work done by Brother-D. N. Harlow; and the builder went far beyond the original specifications in donating both labor and material. The electric wiring was also donated.

The new building complete with furnace and electric lights, shades, etc., is valued at \$2500 and is insured for \$1600. It was dedicated November 10, free from debt with a balance on hand of \$38.35. Brother H. G. Childs is chairman of the finance committee.



New Church School Building at Mountain View, Cal.

school building, costing, not to exceed \$1575. The task seemed forbidding in view of the other demands upon us, but the church met it heroically. Committees were appointed and contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, Brother Carl Lindholm.

The building is forty-one feet wide, sixty-one feet long, main entrance on Mountain View Avenue. Floor is two feet above the ground. There is a very substantial concrete foundation. Sides are resawed rustic. Floors are of the best quality vertical grain Oregon pine. Roof is of patent composition known as Flexi-tile. It has modern casement windows, windows that swing as the doors.

The floor space of the building is 2624 square feet, divided into five rooms as follows: Two rooms 20x27 each, used by grammar and academic grades; one room 20x33, used by primary grades; one 12x23, a general utility room to be used by the deaconesses of the church at present, but if desired, as a kinder-

An interesting program was given suitable for such an occasion, including report of finance building committee, acceptance of building, dedicatory address and prayer, dedication hymn by C. A. Smith, and response in song by children written by L. A. Wilcox, one of the church school students.

The merchants of the town helped materially in the erection of the building, and quite a number were present at the interesting program and dedication. One interesting feature was the response of the children in song composed by one of the students. All who have seen the building count it a model building, and with the excellent teachers at the Mountain View church school now, we expect the year will be the best in the history of the school. It opened last Monday with an attendance of sixty-seven, thirty-seven in the primary, twenty-one in the grammar, and nine in the academic grades. More are expected. Several of these pupils are from without.

M. C. WILCOX.

CALIFORNIA Mendocino County

Brethren W. P. Dayton and C. E. Andross, students from the Pacific Union College, held a tent meeting in Ukiah, commencing June 21, and closed; in the middle of August. The effort proved a success. There was a fair attendance from the town people. Quite a number heard the truth. Six dear souls were added to their number. We baptized them in the Russian River Sabbath, August 22. It was a beautiful day, made impressive by the presence of the Lord by His Holy Spirit.

The Ukiah church received a blessing during the tent effort, by advertising the meetings, inviting their neighbors and attending the services themselves. They have bought land for a church school, and a new building is now under erection. They expect to open the school in the near future. A teacher is on the ground, waiting to commence work.

I visited the church at Fort Bragg, held some meetings and assisted in preparation for a church school in beginning its second term. Some of the members have moved away. This has reduced the membership of the church and school. Those remaining are of good courage in the Lord. One promising young man started for the Pacific Union College while I was there.

ANDREW BRORSEN.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA Conference Notes

Last Sabbath Elder N. P. Nielsen met with the Dinuba church. One was baptized by him during the morning service.

From Elder A. S. Booth we have word that he will be in Bakersfield Sunday, September 27. Elder E. H. Adams will precede him two or three days. The date set for beginning the meetings is October 4.

Sister Ada Bond, who was called home a month ago on account of sickness of her mother, has again taken up Bible work. She has gone to Bakersfield to join the company now assembling for an effort there.

Five were baptized Sabbath, September 19, at Clovis by the writer. It was a source of encouragement to the believers there. Brethren Fuller and Truesdell will continue work there for a time. Others will be prepared for baptism in a few weeks.

A further report comes from Elder F. E. Brown, writing of a recent Sabbath at Lindsay; he says: "I held a cottage meeting in the afternoon, also one in the evening. Two more good honest souls, for whom we have been working, yielded themselves to the truth. Both were adults. That makes seven as a result of the effort. There are three more keeping the Sabbath, of whom we have great hopes. I baptized one Sabbath."

Sunday evening, September 20, a short series of meetings was commenced in the Fresno church by Elder Nielsen and the writer. This seemed necessary in order to properly meet the stirring issues just confronting us. This week four of the prominent Fresno pastors are assisting in our meetings in dealing with the temperance issue. Next week we must give attention to the proposed Sunday law. One quarter of the population of our conference in the valley is in Fresno. The Fresno papers, which have a large circulation all through the valley are daily reporting the sermons. B. E. BEDDOE.

Pacific Union College

As announced in the calendar, the fall term of the Pacific Union College opened Tuesday, September 8. Several students had remained during the summer to assist on the farm, in the lumber business, building operations, or (as in case of the ladies) in canning fruit and performing other duties necessary to the comfort of all for the year to come.

Besides these, quite a number of others came early, so as to become settled and ready for school on the opening day. And, as we had anticipated, there was a large increase over the opening day of last year. The registrar informs me that the actual increase was sixty. So that at this writing, September 25, there are present in the academic and collegiate departments 250 students.

We can also report to the friends and relatives of these students that each individual person gives evidence of studious habits and an earnest Christian purpose. There is a splendid atmosphere pervading the entire student body. They also tell me that they feel well satisfied with what the college is giving in each of its departments.

You will also be pleased to know that most of them are taking deep interest in the study of the Bible and of good music, the two features especially emphasized as being found in the ancient schools of the prophets. Our student carpenters are hastening the store build-ing to completion, that the young men who now are tenting (actually, in conference tents) on the first floor of the building may have their comfortable quarters ready before cold weather

We believe you are praying for the students and teachers here, as you are praying for other schools. We know also that God hears prayer, and that if all are sincere, both you and we, God will hear and help. E. J. HIBBARD.

Comparative Tithe Statement

California Conference, S. D. A., 1913-1914 January to August Inclusive

Church	1913	1914
Alameda	\$ 865.83	\$ 1446.25
Arcata	89.64	171.32
Berkeley	1543.47	1286.30
Byron	_ 266.00	106.50
Calistoga	. 206.99	90.86
Daly City	433.51	445.78
Eureka	. 626.43	550.25
Ferndale	84.55	110.85
Fortuna	270.67	321.45
Fort Bragg	-	70.85
Guerneville	56.25	73.14
Haywards	. 104.19	188.16
Healdsburg	. 835.87	768.83
Japanese church	_	61.95
Kelseyville	48.10	38.55
Los Gatos	_ 200.20	151.38
McKinleyville	61.05	45.00
Melrose	. 1443.50	1311.74
Morgan Hill	400.95	150.35
Mountain View	3695.12	3210.57
Napa	$_{-}$ 634.52	631.91
Oakland	2794.91	4320.31
Pacific College	1219.06	1812.34
Park S. F.	350.64	432.11
Pepperwood	_ 76.80	174.56
Petaluma	_ 306.29	169.52
Petrolia	-	41.80
Richmond		428.60
St. Helena	851.64	937.17
San Francisco	4074.73	2871.88
Sanitarium		4451.67
San Jose	1058.03	1211.28
Santa Cruz	278.31	229.70
Santa Rosa	513.97	157.78
Sebastopol	252.67	289.74
Sonoma	_ 267.03	568.39
Soquel	_ 50.45	118.70
Smith River		6.00
Ukiah	_ 241.15	267.55
Vallejo	_ 64.95	123.24
Watsonville	_ 124.58	107.60
Personal	_ 1163.13	848,44
Totals	\$29789.79	\$30800.37

H. B. THOMAS, Treasurer.

-0 Announcement

Feeling impressed from the scores of letters that are reaching us every day inquiring for literature, that the situation would best be served by producing an issue of the Signs of the Times in which the present conditions can be placed before the reader in their various phases, all correlated in one number, we are making this announcement:

War, Peace and Prophecy Number

The Signs of the Times weekly will devote its issue of November 3 to a careful survey and graphic portrayal of the terrible conditions now existing in Europe, with the opening of these countries for the progress of the gospel, the great prophecies outlining the conditions and their meaning, and kindred truths of the message. A real "signs of the times" number of this journal.

The Literary Digest of August 29 quotes from the Springfield Republican as follows:

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who can throw light on the great fundamental problems of the race, and can give some hint as to its destiny, will have an attentive and even anxious hearing.'

That is what we can do, it is what you can do, with this number of the Signs. It is to be a well rounded out number, covering all these questions in an intelligent way, and will be the most valuable issue of the paper that has appeared for many years.

Following is an outline of the initial number of the series:

1. Armageddon and the Demons of War

a. Comment on Rev. 16: 12-16.
b. Quote what influencial men are saying in regard to Armageddon and the invisible forces that are stirring up strife.

-L. A. Reed.

2. The War-Mad Nations—A Portent a. Comment on Rev. 11: 15-19.

b. The Judgment in session.
c. The opening of the ark of God's testament, showing that the law of Ten Commandments is the rule in the Judgment.

3. "Wake Up the Mighty Men"

a. Comment on Joel 3: 9-17. b. Show how the mighty men, representing the

mighty nations, are stirred up.
c. Show how even the weak nations, like Belgium, and the litt'e Balkan powers, as Servia, are showing themselves mighty factors in the field of war

4. "My Heart Maketh a Noise in Me" a. Comment on Jeremiah 4.

a. Comment on Jeremian 4.
b. Briefly outline the terrible instruments of destruction to fight on the sea and under the sea and on land and in the air.
c. Terrible scenes of slaughter indicated by the anguish of the prophet.

5. The Last Stand of the Turk

a. The Turk driven out of Europe.b. Takes his stand at Jerusalem.

c. The standing up of Michael -E. E. Andross.

6. Mistaken Peace and Sudden Destruction

a. The peace societies.
b. The prophecy of the holding of the winds.
c. Agencies in holding the winds.
d. The danger of being deceived by mistaken peace.
e. The destruction that awaits those who are so

deceived.

—A. O. Tait.

7. The Power of the Word and the Definiteness of Prophecy
—M. C. Wilcox.

8. He Will Come Again

The direct promises of His coming.

-W. A. Spicer.

9. "Ye Must Be Born Again" -A. G. Daniells.

10. What Would Christ Do?—Sabbath -Charles Thompson. Question.

11. The Bible in the Home

-Mrs. Loper.

13. A good article to be selected, in consultation with others, from the writings of Mrs. White.

This is the first of the home missionary series of twenty-five numbers, the campaign for which was launched at our camp-meeting this summer. Our aim, you know, is an average of two copies a member.

This first number is designed to be sold at 5 cents a copy, and will be a harvest for agents. Prices: up to tencopies, 3 cents a copy; ten to 1000 copies, 2½ cents each; 1000 or more, 2 cents each. Order at once through the tract society. Ready to mail October 7.

BOOK WORK I

Off the Shelf

"It is true that some who buy the books will lay them on the shelf or place them on the parlor table, and seldom look at them. Still God has a care for His truth, and the time will come when these books will be sought for and read."—"Manual for Canvassers."

With many, that time has arrived. Millions, perhaps, are wondering what present-day conditions portend. Many of those who bought our books and magazines and shelved them after giving but a superficial and hasty reading, are now bringing forth those same dusty volumes in their earnest search for the true meaning of the situation. Does not the following letter indicate that this is so?

"Butte, Mont., August 20, 1914:-Will you please send a recent copy of the Signs of the Times Magazine, for which I enclose 10 cents? I will probably send a year's subscription shortly. I have an old copy for September, 1913, which was given to me by a friend. Would you kindly tell me where I could procure a copy of a work, much valued, and lost in a fire two years ago, with publisher's name, too? It is a book by Uriah Smith, I think, 'Daniel and the Revelation,' published somewhere in Michigan. I would like a recent edition. This was bought some fifteen years ago."

No doubt that great question mark which is in the minds of people nowadays accounts for the sale of 50,000 of the October Signs Magazine, and for the great number of single subscriptions to both the weekly and monthly Signs of the Times which have been received for the past three or four weeks. The November issue, full of Bible prophecy regarding wars in the last days, will be found equal to your demands for missionary use. Sell it. Take subscriptions for it.

The Last Crisis

"We are living in the time of the end. The fast-fulfilling signs declare that the coming of Christ is near at hand. The days in which we are living are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the un-

settled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude.

"The agencies of evil are combining their forces, and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones." Vol. 9, p. 11.

The foregoing message, sent by God to His church, should stir every believer in the third angel's message to action as never before. In the light of present-day events, this message should mean more to us than ever in the past. We have reached the time when the "great changes" are taking place. The world is stirred from center to circumference with the spirit of war. What do these things mean? That is what the world wants to know. How eagerly men and women are scanning the daily papers to know what the next turn of the great kaleidoscope will reveal. The newspapers are pressed to the limit to supply the demand for "war extras." Every one is reading these days. An army of men, women and boys throng the cities and towns laden with the "latest edition" paper. scarcely board or leave a car without being confronted by one of these live, active agents.

What an object lesson to those who have "understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do." The news contained in the daily papers is very unsatisfactory at best. It is out-

of-date before the printer's ink is dry. God's message, contained in our books, papers and tracts, is the most up-to-date war news obtainable. They are never out-of-date. Their messages will be timely now until the work is finished. We are told that "as long as probation continues there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work." Present-day conditions are but selling points for literature. "Great Controversy," "Daniel and the Revelation," "Heralds of the Morning," etc., should sell as never before. And they are selling. I just picked up a paper containing a report of where three boys in one conference each passed the hundred-dollar mark for one week with the book "Heralds of the Morning."

Such chapters as "Heralds of the Morning," "Prophecies Fulfilled," "The Impending Conflict," "The Time of Trouble," etc., in "Great Controversy." are needed now as never before. There should be an army of consecrated men and women enlisting for service now. "Who will go forth now with our publications?" "A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work. He calls for volunteers.' "Manual for Canvassers," p. 70.

Are you, reader, one of those whom the Lord is calling to this work? If so, write to the field agent without delay, and prepare to enter the field while opportunities are so favorable.

C. E. WEAKS, Gen. Miss: Ag't.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 18, 1914

AGENT BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
Southern California					
H. E. Farmer	28	6		\$ 23.35	
Ray MillettP. G.	16	2		9.00	
Frank W. Ross P. P. F.	36	17		37.00	\$ 6.00
W. O. James	17	15		37.50	
H. E. Jennings Heralds	32	6		12.00	6.00
Silas Davis (tent effort)Misc.				28.00	
R. W. Maker					65.75
E. Birkenstock					82.30
8 Agents	129	46		\$146.85	\$160.05
Northern California					
K. NozakiSteps, G. A.	40		\$14.40	\$ 34.35	\$ 34.35
W. D. OwenH. M.	10	9	•	23.00	21.50
M. A. ReeseB. R.	25	$rac{4}{5}$		18.00	61.75
L. SkadsheimH. M.	28	5	5.25	15.25	1.50
W. E. WhitmoreH. M.	28	- 3	3.05	9.05	
Miscellaneous			2.25	4.10	
5 Agents	131	21	\$24.95	\$103.75	\$119.10
Central California					
Marvel BeemH. M.	23	25	\$4.00	\$57.00	\$4.00
Myrle BeemH. M.	12		-	19.00	
2 Agents	35	25	\$4.00	\$76.00	\$4.00

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WANTED:—A single man wants work on a ranch or dairy with Seventh-day Adventist. Would like to have steady work in California or Nevada. Satisfaction will be given. Address G. H. Brandengurger, Route 1, Box 142, Reedley, Cal. 7-3t

Wanted:—Women to train as nurses at the Burnley Sanitarium, 140 Ocean View Avenue, Santa Cruz, Cal. Also a man to work on the grounds. Must be sound in the truth. References exchanged. Address Burnley Sanitarium, Santa Cruz, Cal.

For Sale:—New three-room cottage; large porch on two sides. Lot 100x100. Within five minutes' walk of the St. Helena Sanitarium and church school. Beautiful location. Price only \$650. For further information, address T. E. Amann, Berkeley, General Delivery, Cal.

FOR SALE:—A good home of twenty acres in bearing fruit and alfalfa; large barn and other buildings; ditch water; two wells; pumping plant. Sole reason for selling is to locate near a church school. Might trade for small home near church school, and convenient residence for canvasser. Address L. Skadsheim, Winton, Merced County, Cal. 8-3t

FOR SALE:—Delicatessen store with bakery in connection. Good location near State University. High class trade; established reputation; doing good business; closed Sabbaths. Home interests demand my attention. Complete outfit, including ovens, mixing machinery, etc. Bargain if taken at once. Call on or address Mrs. M. Ella Beddoe, 2435 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal

FOR SALE:—Six acres of land, one and one-half miles from St. Helena—three acres in prunes and almonds, and three in family orchard; six-room house with bath, pantry, two large porches; barn, sheds and two-room cabin; well and windmill. Price \$4000, including furniture, wagons, farm implements and one driving horse. For further information, address Mrs. H. Hansen, R. F. D. 2, St. Helena, Cal. 5-3t

Obituary:

William H. Gardner was born in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, March 15, 1833, and died August 25, 1914, in Modesto, Cal., aged eighty-one years, five months and ten days. In 1872, together with his companion, he united with the Seventh-day Adventist church of Osceola, Iowa.

Being born in the year of the falling of the stars, he considered himself as belonging to the generation that will see the coming of Christ, and hoped to witness this glorious event without seeing death, but the Lord has seen best that it be otherwise.

Five sons and two daughters, together with a host of friends, are left to mourn for a little while, but not without hope, we believe.

In a very marked way his works follow him. He has one son, Dr. Gardner, who is a physician, and C. M. Gardner and E. E. Gardner who are ordained ministers, actively engaged in the work.

C. L. TAGGART.

Obituary

TAPHOUSE.—Died of cancer, at the Garden City Sanitarium, San Jose, Cal., September 9, 1914, Sister Gertrude Emma Taphouse, wife of Elder James Taphouse, in the fifty-eighth year of her age.

Sister Taphouse was born in Ionia County, Mich., September 1, 1856. Her husband, a son and daughter, one brother and three grandchildren are left to mourn her loss.

Sister Taphouse, with her husband, united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1880, under the ministry of Elder G. K. Owen and wife at Richmond, Macomb County, Mich., after which they moved to Battle Creek and connected with the sanitarium, where they worked for twenty-one years.

As long as her health permitted, Sister Taphouse was a faithful and untiring worker for the salvation of others. and her faith in the divine message and its final triumph increased with the lapse of time. The doors of her home in British Columbia were always open to receive and instruct those whom she had interested in this blessed, soul-saving message. No sacrifice on her part seemed too great when it involved the salvation of souls. She was a devoted mother to her children, and will be greatly missed by them, and also others whose lives have been blended with her ówn. She has been a great sufferer for a number of years, but her sufferings are over, and she sleeps in Jesus. The funeral was held from the Place Undertaking Parlors at Los Gatos. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from John 6: 39, 40.

A. E. Place. (Pacific Union Gleaner please copy.)

Arizona Conference and Corporation

The next meeting of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the camp-meeting at Phoenix, Ariz., October 8 to 18, 1914. At this time also will be held the annual meeting of the Arizona Corporation. The first meeting of the corporation will convene at 9:30 A. M., October 12, 1914, for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

J. ERNEST BOND, Pres.

"The Cross and Its Shadow"

To those who are especially interested in the sanctuary question, we would announce that the work upon which Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell have been working for some time, is now off the press. "The Cross and Its Shadow" is the title of the new book. It is receiving a hearty welcome. Before the advance copies were ten days out of the bindery, over 3000 copies of the work were sold. One conference president speaks of it as follows: "I have examined your book, entitled, 'The Cross and Its Shadow,' and consider it the best work on the great question of the sanctuary that I have ever seen. The feature that excels is the practical application that is made of the various types and figures of the Bible to the needs of the sin-sick soul. It would be difficult to conceive how any thoughtful mind could read this work and not recognize that Christ and the everlasting gospel are contained in the Old Testament scriptures. For this reason, if for no other, the work should be placed in the hands of all who have been taught to believe that the Old Testament scriptures are Christless and obsolete. The many original illustrations it contains are also a most valuable feature in making clear to the reader the deep spiritual truths that it contains. The plain, bold type with which it is printed makes it a pleasure for those with dim and defective eyesight. The workmanship and the fine quality of paper upon which it is printed greatly add to the value of the book.

"I take pleasure in recommending the book to those who desire a better knowledge of the one great subject in the Bible around which all others center—the Sanctuary."

The book is published by the Bible Training School, South Lancaster, Mass. Full cloth binding, \$1.50.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1914

Brother James Harvey, of 1729 Grove Street, Oakland, Cal., is again requesting literature for missionary work in that city. Any one who can supply denominational papers will do well to send them to Brother Harvey.

Elder A. E. Place of San Jose, Cal., sends us the following item: "Am pleased to say that the Lord is blessing in the work here in San Jose. Sabbath, September 5, I baptized eleven candidates, all adults but one. Three were rebaptized. I feel confident of seven more soon. There seems to be an excellent spirit in the church. Am holding Sunday night services, which are well attended."

Consider these striking titles: "Russia, "Turned Back' (by Japan?) and Brought Forth' (in this war?); The Call of the Hour;" "Austria's Fate in the Present War;" "Demons Stirring up War;" "Our Times Fortold;" "How This War is Fulfilling Prophecy;" "Is the Anglo-Russian Alliance Fortold in Prophecy?" "Devil Worship in London." The articles in the November Signs Magazine are as good as the titles are striking.

Time is speeding rapidly. Soon our work in behalf of religious liberty will be done so far as the present Sunday measure to be voted on is concerned. It is therefore greatly hoped that our brethren everywhere will not allow the time to pass without having put forth good and strong work in getting leaflets that are in their hands before the voters. It may not be out of place to say here that this matter is considered so good by the members of the Chamber of Commerce in Los Angeles that they have asked for 25,000 of these leaflets to distribute among the chambers of commerce throughout the state as very strong campaign matter against the Sunday bill. These have now been placed in their hands. We hope that our own people will be just as earnest and even more so, according to their faith, as these people of the world who only see in this a social matter. believe that it has much to do with the closing up of the third angel's message. Let us then be up and doing while the day lasts.

From the Danish Conference

We left New York June 13 on the steamer Oceanic of the White Star line. We had a very pleasant trip across the ocean, crossed England in the daytime from Plymouth to Harwich, going through London, and reached Vejle, Denmark, the morning of June 22. This was where the yearly meeting and conference was held.

Many of our people had arrived and a canvassers' institute was in progress. Elder N. Z. Town was present, and took the lead in these meetings. We have a large class of earnest and faithful canvassers, who are meeting with success, and doing a good work.

The thirty-fifth annual session of the Danish Conference opened the morning of June 24. Elder Conradi was present, and rendered valuable help, which was much appreciated. We had a good and profitable meeting, and our people returned to their homes encouraged and strengthened for the trials before them.

We are now located in Aalborg. We have rented a large hall, where we expect to conduct meetings through the winter, beginning in October. Until then we will be very busy visiting our churches.

August 3.

A. G. CHRISTIANSEN.

Quick Work Needed

After consultation with some of our leading brethren, it has been decided to set aside Sabbath, October 10, as "Religious Liberty Field Day." Much of the literature against the proposed Sunday law has not yet been distributed to the voters. It is of the utmost importance that this be distributed at once, for if the bill is to be defeated at the polls, as it ought to be, the public must be educated.

We have never had a campaign like this before. This is the first time this Sunday question has been submitted to the voters under the initiative, and it is feared if all do not do their duty now, the proposed law may pass. If it does pass, it will mean loss to our work in many ways. Our publishing house and sanitariums will be hampered continually, for the law tends to increase the operating expenses of our institutions.

Why can not all our people devote Sabbath afternoon, October 10, to the distribution of this religious liberty literature? Then let those who can do so, continue the work. It was of religious liberty literature that the expression, "like the leaves of autumn," was used, in speaking of its circulation. Let us scatter the leaflets far and wide during this campaign. Do not wait! Act now!

J. O. CORLISS.

From Pacific Press

The following is part of a pencil note from Brother Morlan, dated at San Diego after the Sabbath. It gives such a vivid glimpse of the activities of a representative book man these days, as well as the willingness of our people to work, that we hasten it on:

"I was at the G Street church here to-day and took a few minutes at the eleven o'clock hour. I told them a little of what we are doing in the book business, giving them the information contained in the 'yellow' letter I received Friday. Then I showed how they could have a part, as many did last year, with home workers' books. Well, we took orders for eight, and fifteen more arose saying they already had prospectuses. So that will make twenty-three for this one church. I have arranged to meet the interested ones to-morrow, and will give some instruction, pass out the supplies, extra fillers, etc. Next Sunday we hope to get the home workers in Los Angeles rounded up. I leave here to-morrow night for Escondido to give Brother Farmer a lift on 'Practical Guide.' Monday night I go on to Los Angeles and get some books, and on to Santa Maria the next day to make a delivery for a Loma Linda student. On my return will stop off at Oxnard to help our Spanish boy, Jose Leon."

All classes of literature are doing their work these days as witness the following from an Oklahoma attorney:

"I am greatly interested in your publication, Signs of the Times. Your October number came to my office today, giving a number of articles on the present European war. Enclosed find \$1 for which please send me at once 100 copies of your pamphlet, 'Have We Come to Armageddon?' Any other tracts or publications touching this great and important Eastern Question you may care to send me will be greatly appreciated, and I will promptly distribute the same among my friends and neighbors. I have believed for years that the end of this present world would come as predicted in your publications,'

And here is another: "Accidently one of your pamphlets, "The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast," fell into my hands, and I read it and reread it. It is the most complete explanation of the Bible and the past and present times according to my idea I have ever seen. When I had read it, I felt as if I would like to put one in the hand of every person in the United States. I am sixty-two years old, but vigorous and would love to scatter these dear little books broadcast before it is too late, if it is not already."

How fortunate that it is not yet too late, although we can not say how soon it will be. What a time this is to "persuade men" to circulate subscription books, home workers' books, magazines, and even the little tracts. May the Lord help us all to take advantage of it.

H. H. HALL.

September 16.