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Pacific Union Conference Committee

I am very pleased to report a most excellent meeting of our union conference committee, held at Glendale, December 6 to 10. The Lord was with us from the beginning. I think nearly every member of the committee expressed himself as greatly pleased with the results of our meeting. It was manifest from the first that the Spirit of the Lord was with us in our endeavors to plan for the enlargement of our work. As we sat together from day to day, seeking the Lord, and endeavoring to plan for larger things in this work, the Spirit of the Lord seemed to open up before our minds the possibilities of growth along new lines, and to a much greater degree than we have ever known in the past. This encouraged our hearts, and we feel confident that as a result of our meeting great good will come to the work in this field.

We are surely living in strenuous times, and the demands that the work is now making upon us are extraordinary. The only possible way for us to meet the demands of truth and righteousness now being made upon us is by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which

we long for so much, and we are assured of the fact that the Lord is waiting to bestow this precious gift upon His faithful laborers and upon all His people.

There can be no question but that the week of prayer, upon which we have now entered, is the most important season we have ever known, and that God is waiting to baptize His people with the power of His Spirit to enable them to go forth with increased strength to accomplish His work. Let us earnestly pray that He will baptize His workers, that His ministers may be clothed with salvation, and that His saints may rejoice in goodness.

My own heart longs for more of the power of God's Holy Spirit. I am very sure that this longing is more intense now than ever before, and I am greatly burdened in behalf of God's people. With the prophet Isaiah I am constrained to say, "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, till the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."

We are surely living in perilous times, when every soul is tried to the utmost. Every wind of doctrine seems to be blowing. The enemy seems to be working harder than ever before to bring in confusion and separation among the people of God. This, too, emphasizes our great need of help from above at this time. I sincerely trust that God may pour upon His people "the spirit of grace and supplications."

E. E. ANDROSS,
Pres. Pacific Union Conf.

Whosoever would be sustained by the hand of God, let him constantly lean upon it; whosoever would be defended by it, let him patiently repose himself under it.—Calvin.

Latest Relative to a Weekly Rest

Word from Elder A. J. Osborne, who is located in Sacramento, brings an interesting item. He says that the secretary of the Sacramento church federation called him by telephone, and asked him what form of law for a weekly rest day would suit the Seventh-day Adventists. By way of explanation he said that the present law intended to prevent employers from working employees seven days in the week appears to be a "dead letter," and should be amended in the interest of the laboring man. He further informed Elder Osborne that the commissioner of labor intends to introduce into the legislature a bill looking to a remedy of the situation, but *without any Sunday in it*.

It would seem from this that the church federation people have had their eyes anointed by the late overwhelming majority of 167,211 against their favorite initiative measure of "One Day of Rest in Seven." More than that, they begin to see that the points of argument used, and the efficient work done by this people in the recent campaign, have proved an effective barrier to the passage of any such drastic measures as they so fondly hoped to see become law by the voice of the people at large.

Now, before drafting a bill to meet what they believe to be essential to the public welfare, they are willing to learn what the Adventists will not oppose before formulating it for consideration by the legislature. This is a compliment in no way deserved by our people; for they have but advocated God-given principles in all their opposition to the Sunday measures presented in legislatures and before the people in general.

But in view of all this, one is almost tempted to believe that the present trend is toward the fulfillment of Rev.

3:9-11; as a drawing measure to lead people to see with whom God has intrusted the presentation of His truth to the last generation of men. Let no one therefore become lifted up in his own estimation, but as a servant of God, manifest the meekness and quietness of the Lord Jesus. —J. O. C.

Annual Offering

Our last opportunity for making up the full quota for 1914 on the 20-cent-a-week fund will soon be past. Next Sabbath our annual offering is to be taken, and we are expecting larger things than ever before of our people at this time.

The world is waiting for the last message of mercy. God is waiting for His people to give it to them. All over the world there are earnest, anxious hearts, looking for light, waiting for some one to bring them the message of mercy, and we have been commissioned of God to carry this message to them. In order to accomplish this task, we must provide funds to send forth the messengers. While we may not, possibly, go ourselves, we can provide means to send others forth into the fast-ripening harvest field.

Just a little longer will we have the opportunity of contributing toward this work, of helping it forward. Then all will be over. The work will be finished. The wrath of God will fall upon the despisers of His grace, and those who have been faithful stewards of the Lord's goods will hear from the lips of the Master the blessed words, "Well done, good and faithful servants."

We must not forget the words of the psalmist, when speaking of the coming of the Lord: "Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence. A fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that He may judge His people. Gather My saints together unto Me, *those that have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice.*" Surely this does not mean that we will give of our abundance alone, but that we will give until we really feel the sacrifice that we are making. Jesus gave all for us. Shall we not give freely for Him?
E. E. ANDROSS.

There is no true blessing without sacrifice. He who never receives and nothing gives is the most miserable of men. He may enjoy life as a brute, but not as a man. If he is not miserable, it is because he lacks the capacity of being miserable.

Will It Pay?

I have just received a few lines from India that I am sure will be of interest to the brethren and sisters of the Pacific Union. Professor Salisbury, our India superintendent, writes: "I feel proud of our mission board in America. While the boards of other denominations are cutting salaries, letting go in some places all their Indian helpers, closing schools and stopping all new missionaries, calling off all furloughs (all with their large endowments and large and wealthy constituencies), our mission board with its small constituency has said nothing yet about cutting down salaries or letting Indian helpers go, but on the other hand are sending us new workers right in the face of the war. While others are not able to support their missionaries, our board has sent pay in advance for fear the communications might be cut off. So we are pulling right on, trying to do more than ever before, and trying to economize at every turn that the mission board may have money to send to the European missions. We pray for our poor brethren in Europe, and thank God that He is giving us this time of prosperity."

He further says: "I do not think the war will interfere with our plans unless there are new complications which do not yet appear. At present we are having the best interest everywhere that we have ever had, and I am very much pleased with the advancement our vernacular work is making in almost every part of the field."

Concerning that hospital for which the money had just reached India when I left, and for which we had been praying for several years, and which was to be the training center for our brightest and best young people in India, he writes: "Of course we have been told by the mission board that we cannot build now, so Dr. Mann cannot have his hospital for the present. I have written for them to rent a house in Lahore for a year (about forty miles from the place where their work is), and work out from there."

I am glad to pass on these good words of cheer and resignation from the workers in the disturbed colonies. But I want to appeal to our brethren on the Pacific Coast once more before the year closes. If the 20-cent-a-week fund is not made up, we will have to close our schools and dispensaries in India and discharge some of our Seventh-day Adventist native workers whose families are dependent upon them for support,

and whose salaries are from \$5 to \$15 per month only. Our denomination is winning golden opinions from the natives of India because up to the present this has not been done. Will it pay, my brethren, to allow December 31 to come and all the 20-cent-a-week fund not be made up, and thus lose years of labor because of enforced retrenchment?

Does It Pay?

One more question, Does it pay? I have several letters the last few days with such statements as these: "We are planning for the hardest, most successful campaign in India during this cool season in the history of the work. In Rangoon Brother Hamilton is preaching to crowded meetings. There are more coming than there are seats to give them. He has just had one baptism and plans for another before the general meeting in December. I am sending Brother Mead to Calcutta to help Brother Comer, and they plan to get the large theater for Sunday nights. The church there has raised the money, or we could not do it in war time. Dr. Menkel has baptism in Simla next Sabbath, and they are working for more before the meeting. In the native work also there is steady progress."

About fifteen have been baptized in Bombay, and they expect to have another baptism soon. In my two mission stations, Kalyan and Panvel, they have had baptisms recently, some coming right out of heathenism. One sister writes: "Please do try and send more workers, for Elder Pettit is really fagged out alone here in Bombay. He has so many interests and more to do than his time and strength will allow."

I can assure the brethren that it does pay. The good warm Christian letters that we are receiving from those who accepted the truth under our labor in India, and the knowledge of what this message has done for them in their great need and hunger, makes us feel repaid a thousand-fold for what little strength we have put in the work, and would make you feel the same, could you but see it.

The Last Chance

Now the annual offering is the last chance of the year 1914 to make up that offering full and overflowing. In Jesus' name I appeal for a last great effort, accompanied by real sacrifice that a large offering may roll in at this time. Some day the last moment of probation will have passed away, then woe to those who have neglected to do what they could. GEO. F. ENOCH.

Importance of Reporting

In every phase and department of any great movement or undertaking, it is absolutely essential to ultimate and permanent success that more or less detailed information be preserved and furnished to the directors at headquarters. The above statement is broad enough to comprehend our great missionary campaign. There are a great many who say they do not believe in reporting. They quote, "Let not your right hand know what your left hand doeth," in support of their position. We plead for a truer interpretation of the text.

If we are working with singleness of purpose, not with eye service as men pleasers, but doing God's will from the heart, the right hand will know something about it. "Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him. And it came to pass that, when Jesus was returned, the people gladly received Him; for they were all waiting for Him." Luke 8: 39,40. The sentiment and attitude of a whole hog-raising community was changed consequent upon the report and life of this once demon-possessed soul. We rejoice in the report even at this late hour. We want you, dear laborer together with Christ, to go and do likewise.

From Genesis to Revelation the Bible is more or less a series of interesting reports. We see what great things God hath done, or purposes to do for men and through men. If we should take from the Bible everything in the nature of a report, everything showing what great things God has done for men, what would we have left? "And the apostles, when they returned, told Him all that they had done." Luke 9: 10. We find about one-tenth returning to give God the glory. "Where are the nine?" We can glorify God by returning to report just as well as by doing the work. Our influence for good is easily doubled by reporting properly all work done.

"And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through Thy name. And He said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstand-

ing in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." Luke 10: 17-20.

We wish that we might say something that would arouse all our dear people to do a perfect work, reporting included. You cannot report if you do not work. We do not want you to work so as to have something to report. We want you to work for precious souls,—work patiently, wisely, considerably with the tender ministry of love, and then you cannot help reporting. You will report to His glory. You will have results. Your report will arouse others and inspire them to greater activity. We earnestly solicit your cooperation. F. W. PAAP.

Skipping Hard Things

Some people have the habit of skipping everything that is difficult. This habit begins in childhood in school. Easy lessons are learned because they need no great effort. But when a hard one comes in the course, it is given a half-hearted trial.

When reading a story, the hard word is skipped over, not mastered. The habit thus allowed to start from childhood easily finds its way into all the life. The boy does the same in the playground. When the game needs no special exertion, he gets through it very fairly. When the game is hotly contested and the victory can be only won by a struggle, he drops it. He does not have the persistence for a great effort.

The girl who lets her school lessons master her, who leaves the hard words unread and the hard problems unsolved, soon begins to allow other hard things to master her. The home tasks that are disagreeable, or that require special effort, she leaves unattempted, or to her sister.

And so at last the habit of doing only what is easy and pleasant, and skipping what is hard and disagreeable, pervades the whole life, with the result that nothing brave or noble is ever accomplished, and the person never rises to anything above the commonplace.

This habit of leaving and shirking hard things damages our character. The difficult things are put in our way, not to stop us in our course, but to call out our strength and develop our energy. If we never had any but easy things to do, things that require no effort, we should never get strong. If

we timidly give up whenever we come on something hard, we shall never outgrow childhood.

The Indians say that when a warrior slays a foe, the strength of the conquered man passes into the victor's arm. This is true of the difficulties and obstacles which we master. We get the strength of each victory into our own hearts.

The skipping of hard things, and leaving them behind, has a hurtful influence also on the future.

The lesson is: Be thorough; go to the root of things. Anybody can conquer when the conflict is easy, when the opposition is feeble, and the enemy is cowardly. There is nothing noble or brave in doing what everyone else can do.—*Selected.*

MISSIONARY

"A nameless man, amid a crowd that thronged the daily mart,
Let fall a word of hope and love, unstudied from the heart:

A whisper on the tumult thrown a transitory breath—

It raised a brother from the dust; it saved a soul from death.

O germ! O fount! O word of love! O thought at random cast!

Ye were but little at the first, but mighty at the last."

In a recent meeting one of our brethren who lives on a ranch told of his experiences in gathering something over \$13 for missions among his farm acquaintances.

A sister who was unable to get away from her home related how she determined to speak to callers and tradespeople about the mission needs, and at the time of this meeting she had gathered in \$1.95.

One of our enthusiastic church school teachers spoke of the good work her boys and girls had recently done with the *Missions Review*. More than \$12 had resulted from their efforts.

The rancher, the busy mother, the teacher and all others can have a part in this noble work of gathering means for our suffering missions. Let us watch for the opportunities in our own circle.

Sister Augusta Bainbridge recently visited the First Presbyterian church in Los Angeles and decided to send the *Signs of the Times* to the pastor, Dr.

John Balcum Shaw. In his letter of thanks to Sister Bainbridge, the noted preacher stated that he had no time for extra reading, but that he was impressed with "this paper"—the *Signs*—and would "follow it with interest." Correspondence work with the literature brings results. Let us be faithful. We shall reap in due season, "if we faint not."

"Canvass the Whole Town"

A recent order from the Beaumont society, calling for 2400 tracts, costing \$30, came to the office attached to a stirring little note from the missionary secretary which contained this sentence: "We are planning to canvass the whole town with these tracts." Here is a practical demonstration of the sort of missionary endeavor that many other societies in Southern California could well be doing during these winter months. Nothing is more vital to the growth and efficiency of the missionary society than a steady and organized effort in personal work, and personal work with present-truth literature.

—E. L.

Home Missionary Department

We feel so greatly encouraged over the improved conditions throughout the field that we must pass on the good word to all the toilers in the vineyard of the Lord. We are actually seeing to-day what the servant of the Lord saw years ago in visions of the night: "A great reformatory movement among God's people. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. Vol. 9, p. 126.

From day to day we are receiving most encouraging reports from the various conferences, and one by one they are pursuing a more aggressive policy. Home missionary secretaries are appointed, and almost without exception where they have conference home missionary secretaries the growth and prosperity is the greatest. Our *Signs of the Times* circulation list has increased by over 17,000 and shows no idea of halting.

This great awakening is going to noticeably increase our offerings to missions. The Harvest Ingathering campaign is going strong. We are looking

for a large increase. The writer has noticed with great pleasure the determination evidenced by so many to reach the \$5-per-member goal. A full consecration with earnest endeavor, stickability, stick-to-it-ive-ness, if you please, accomplishes wonders. We trust that every believer in this great movement must get under the load, take up his cross and follow Him who said, "I must work the works of Him that sent Me while it is yet day; the night cometh when no man can work." John 9: 4. We must do the will of Him who hath sent us, and "finish the work."

We know it is hard for some to break away from inborn inclinations. It costs us something to put on the armor and go forth to the warfare. We must deny self and take up the cross and follow Christ. This is a science that must be mastered by all who stand the test of the judgment. "It is a science as much deeper, broader, higher than any human science as the heavens are higher than the earth."

We are rejoiced in what God is doing in all the earth, and feel to urge all who are still halting to give themselves wholly to Christ, that He may possess them with His Holy Spirit, and send them into the camp of the enemy to proclaim His boundless mercy; yes, to rescue the perishing, to bring the wanderers to Jesus. This is a blessed ministry, and we are everyone called to bear a part. None are excused; none who know Him want to be excused. If we are faithful, "in a little while we are going home."

F. W. PAAP.

Volunteers Needed

The daily reports of the great European war bring many thoughts to our minds in connection with the still greater war being waged between Christ and Satan. This war is reaching its great crisis, in the final struggle that takes place just before Christ comes back to this world. To meet this crisis, the Lord has sent forth a great cry over all the land for volunteers to enlist in active service for Him. This call is made through this home missionary movement, for the interest that is taken in it, and the attention that has been turned to it, in so many parts of the world, shows that the movement is inspired by the Holy Spirit.

The question is, How many will respond to the Lord's call to service?

Many are doing so, and it is inspiring to read the good missionary reports in the union conference papers. But not all are yet working, and perhaps some who are working can do more.

There is one very important thing about this call to service, and that is that the Lord tests the love of His followers by the work they do for Him. "Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not unto Me." Matt. 25: 45. He said to this class, "Depart from Me." Are we really followers of Christ? If we are, every call to service will be to us another opportunity to show more of our love to Jesus. We will welcome it as giving us another outlet for the warm love we have in our hearts. Just as Christ has poured out His love for us, so we will want to pour out our love for Him. As we do this, it will come back to us in fresh evidences of the Saviour's love for us.

One call to service is the plan to circulate an average for every member of two weekly *Signs of the Times* each week. The first eight weeks of the campaign brought in additional subscriptions to the number of 17,605, but while we are very thankful for this increase through the efforts of some loyal disciples, it does not seem a very great work for 71,000 believers. We feel sure you can do better than that, for of this number alone one sister sent in 137 subscriptions.

Here is the situation: On one side is the Lord, looking longingly, yearningly, at the souls whom He died to save, who do not know Him. He has only one plan for reaching them, and that is through the work of those who do know Him. He is depending on them to do it, but they are so slow, and time goes so fast. On the other side are honest hearted people, longing and groping for something, they know not what. They are unsatisfied, craving for that alone which will help them,—the saving power of Christ.

Who will bring these together? Every Sabbath-keeper may have a part in doing this, and there is no better way than by circulating our literature. Just now special efforts are being made to build up the circulation of the *Signs*, because it has proved again and again to be a very effective instrument for soul-saving. Are there not more who will take at least two copies of this paper each week. They cost only 5 cents a week, or \$1.20 for the two copies for six months, if ordered with the church club.

They will sell readily, as they are full of the very things the people are interested in just now. Those who do not care to sell them can give them away, or mail them to friends and neighbors. The method of circulating them is not so important, as it is to get them into the hands of the people in some way, that the Holy Spirit may have channels through which to work.

The Lord is depending on you, and He has no other plan. You will not disappoint Him, will you?

E. M. GRAHAM.

TEMPERANCE

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "Dry" Campaign Echoes

The Spirit of Prophecy has said that God's people should be the head and not the tail in all reform movements.

The recent "dry" campaign which swept California in an effort to drive the liquor demon from our borders, afforded an excellent opportunity for God's people to prove this true, and claim the promise of the hundred-fold blessing upon their efforts.

In San Diego, about two weeks prior to election, at a meeting of the precinct captains of the Dry Federation, a call came for more workers to serve as precinct leaders for the distribution of literature. Few responded to this urgent call. At last one of our local elders introduced himself as a Seventh-day Adventist, and pledged the help of fifty to 100 from our church.

The next day, Sabbath, Mr. Miller, chairman of the local executive committee of the Dry Federation, attended our regular eleven o'clock service. Elder Healey preached a stirring sermon on religious liberty. This served as an impetus to the distribution of tracts on the subject, the church going out in a body that afternoon to cover the city.

The members, upon being informed of the pledge made the night before at the meeting of temperance workers, nobly responded with from seventy-five to 100 names to serve upon call.

The visiting committee chairman made a few remarks and paid a worthy tribute to our people by saying, "If all Christians were Seventh-day Adventists there would be no question about California's going 'dry.'"

Through his influence, our local elder became a member of the executive

board of the federation, and was asked to address the First Presbyterian Sunday-school the following day to draw workers for the campaign. In response to the stirring appeal, thirty or forty volunteered. Mr. Miller then arose and forcefully described the meeting in the Adventist church the day before when he had seen nearly the entire church volunteer for the work, and concluded by saying, "For enthusiasm, for zeal, for organization and a willingness to work, I never saw their equal."

The local Dry Federation published a paper entitled *Public Welfare*, and were unable to get anyone to distribute it in the business district. Our elder with twenty of his workers came to the rescue, covering the territory and distributing 10,000 handbills advertising a week of temperance rallies. These rallies were held in our large tent opposite the court house where a series of meetings had just closed.

On the Friday before the election, another issue of *Public Welfare* was ready for distribution and thousands of temperance tracts at the federation headquarters were still waiting for distribution. How was this material to be scattered?

A church officers' institute was booked for our church the following Sabbath and Sunday with all-day meetings. How could we meet the demand? On Sabbath, at the close of the three o'clock meeting, a statement of conditions was made and more than 100 responded. The service was cut short and this company, marching two abreast, walked from our church to the Dry Federation headquarters and into their assembly room.

Several minutes were occupied by various speakers, but before we dispersed for our work, Brother Clyde Lowry, secretary of the tract society, offered a fervent prayer asking God to bless our efforts in the distribution of this literature. Within an hour thereafter, every part of the business section was systematically covered and all remaining literature placed.

One last demand was quickly filled by the Adventists, when the night before election one precinct was found without workers. Within a short time our ready elder had captain, watchers and helpers supplied.

On election day we scattered throughout the city using our efforts for California "dry." Truly God has been good in giving us this opportunity to prove ourselves for temperance. We

are confident that the people will never again class us with the saloon element.

The next Wednesday evening at prayer meeting we had an inspiring experience service. Let us go forth in the good work, realizing that God will bless our efforts and bestow upon us great blessing.

DR. VIOLA TINDALL.

FIELD TIDINGS

A Word from Uruguay

In a letter just received from Brother J. T. Thompson, recently field agent of the California Conference but now secretary and treasurer of the Uruguay Mission, is the following paragraph that will be of general interest:

"So much has taken place and so many changes have come since I last wrote you that we seem almost to have past into another age; in fact, from the present outlook it will not be long before we *shall* do so. We have been made to feel the effect of the European war as perhaps nothing in the past has done here. For a time business was completely paralyzed, and the condition of the poor in the city has been most distressing. The summer season has opened now and is relieving things somewhat, but they are far from hopeful; and the end is not yet. Sometimes I think we may not have any changes to speak of, but that we have come to the time when all that which has not been done in times of prosperity will have to be done under the most distressing circumstances.

"Times are hard. To relieve the financial situation I have resigned my work in the conference office, and am devoting all my time to field work. The brother who is working in the office told me to-day that when he has paid off all the workers for October there will be an empty treasury. We have no source of income except from the field, as this mission has been self-supporting for some time. However, we are not worrying, but we may have a little taste of what is before us in the future when we shall have to depend upon the Lord to supply all our needs, when there is no visible supply. Economy is the watchword, not only in our work, but in all lines of business as well. We shall have to confine ourselves to the bare necessities of life."

This is the same word that has come to us from nearly every part of the

earth. There is no nation but is greatly affected in some way by the present awful war. The situation in many places is distressing. While this is very true of almost every nation on earth, yet this country feels it about as little as any. Certainly our lot is cast in comparatively pleasant places for the present. This, however, throws greater responsibility upon us in supporting the world in one last strong effort. This last week of the year we must all be faithful in one last strong effort to raise our full quota of the 20-cent-a-week fund for the missions.

B. E. BEDDOE.

Comparative Tithe Statement

California Conference S. D. A., 1913-1914

January to November

Church	1913	1914
Alameda	\$ 1268.38	\$ 2016.33
Arcata	203.13	205.84
Berkeley*	1942.37	1805.32
Byron	307.50	276.95
Calistoga	266.93	116.14
Daly City	687.32	663.03
Eureka	828.52	857.93
Ferndale	113.15	135.85
Fortuna	379.52	401.15
Fort Bragg	34.25	132.57
Guerneville	104.07	96.89
Hayward	172.34	245.81
Healdsburg	1178.17	1441.06
Japanese church		118.85
Kelseyville	85.75	102.15
Los Gatos	282.35	192.11
McKinleyville	75.80	62.01
Melrose	1925.66	1965.80
Morgan Hill	497.30	277.95
Mountain View*	5876.39	4805.64
Napa	958.99	854.63
Oakland	4478.77	6089.27
Pacific College	2008.17	2568.26
Park S. F.	529.38	592.52
Pepperwood	95.78	235.49
Petaluma	461.40	192.82
Petrolia		75.30
Richmond	561.95	579.82
St. Helena	1353.57	1302.00
San Francisco*	5237.76	4241.53
Sanitarium	6305.32	6215.40
San Jose	1654.95	1497.28
Santa Cruz	413.28	432.90
Santa Rosa	678.84	286.18
Sebastopol	307.98	456.22
Sonoma	407.31	748.52
Soquel	69.55	384.55
Smith River	6.30	22.30
Ukiah	431.68	430.20
Vallejo	111.39	181.90
Watsonville	159.25	126.00
Personal	1307.93	1048.54
Totals	\$43768.45	\$44481.01

Churches with * had windfalls last year.

H. B. THOMAS, Treas.

A Week-End at Lodi

The writer had the pleasant privilege of spending the week-end recently at Lodi, staying in the school home over the Sabbath. I was glad to meet the students in their Friday evening meeting, and hear so many of them testify of that which Jesus is doing for them, and renew their consecration to God and the finishing of the work. On Sabbath we held a very impressive consecration service, at which almost the entire Sabbath-school made a most solemn consecration of all to God.

The hearts of the brethren and sisters were stirred as they thought over that which God has done in the world through this great message, and many renewed their vows. A donation for missions of \$169 was taken up. At night we had a crowded church to a stereopticon lecture on India. We trust that our brethren and sisters there, can as a result, enter more into the joys and sorrows of these dusky brothers and sisters across the sea, and that there will be a deeper consecration of our young people and our means to the finishing of the work as a result.

I hope to see a foreign mission band organized at Lodi. Our band at the Pacific Union College now numbers 100 members, and we are all trying to do steady, systematic work along the line of mission study and mission preparation. This class is one of the bright spots of my life and I am thoroughly enjoying our studies together.

GEO. F. ENOCH.

BOOK WORK

It Can Be Done

Yes, *it can be done*. What?—Our books can be sold in spite of war or hard times, for our faithful workers are demonstrating it.

One brother writes: "Am sending you report for last week. In regard to my delivery will say that the Lord was certainly with me, as I lost only two orders; but sold two extra books, so I came out even." Yes, the Lord was with him, that is the reason our colporteurs can succeed.

Another canvasser says of his delivery: "I delivered \$45 worth, lost one order, and delivered one conditional order."

Those of our home workers who have been out with the small books have met with success. Only those who have not

been out are the ones who have not sold books this year. Have you been out?

One report for the home workers' books shows \$35 worth of orders in thirty-three hours. Others are very good, but not many hours of work represented.

It may be possible that some of our people do not realize that people are looking for such books. Many who bought books of some of our workers last year will look for some one from whom they can purchase good books this year.

The other day we received an order for the home workers' prospectus from Rev. J. L. Tatum of Phoenix, Ariz., a minister there. This shows that the people know the value of our books. Will it be necessary for the Lord to call upon some one else in your community to sell these books? It must be done by some one. "Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

Our workers in Arizona, although few in number, are doing faithful work. Since Brother C. F. Innis left that field for Cuba, Brother G. H. Reese has been our only regular worker. Others have devoted some time to the sale of books and magazines. Two boys, who are attending church school, have been spending their spare time working with the small books. In about twenty-three hours they have sold \$20.50 worth of books. Yes, the Lord can use the children. Brother I. T. Reynolds, who because of poor health, has been compelled to be out of the canvassing field for some time, writes that he will soon be able to spend some time in canvassing. He is now located in Phoenix, Ariz. Let us pray that Brother Reynolds will be able soon to enter the colporteur work again.

Brother Gann has also done faithful work in Arizona for some time, from whom we hope to have some more good reports soon.

As was announced in a previous issue of the RECORDER, a canvassers' institute will be held in Los Angeles from December 27 to December 31. We trust that the Lord will impress upon the minds of several strong young men, the present needs in the canvassing field, and that they may avail themselves of this opportunity. We should have at least ten new canvassers to enter the work the first of the year. The Lord is soon coming, and we have but a short time to work. Who will volunteer?

C. C. MORLAN.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 4, 1914

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
Arizona						
G. H. Reese	P. P. F., El Rey	28	31		\$47.50	
Will and Titis Frazee	H. W.	22	17		20.50	
W. D. Frazee					2.50	
4 Agents		50	48		\$70.50	
California*						
Mrs. H. M. Hansen	H. W.	7	8		\$ 6.50	
A. E. Taylor	C. O. S.		10		7.50	
Mrs. A. Carter	H. W.	4	9		8.00	
Bessie Wheeler		4	10		9.25	
*2 weeks. 4 Agents		15	37		\$31.25	
Northern California						
K. Nozaki	Misc.	28	91	\$15.90	\$ 65.40	\$65.40
Mrs. Fred Brink	H. W.	25	25	19.75	19.75	
M. A. Reese	B. R.	16	3	1.70	10.70	6.90
Mrs. L. E. Morris	P. G.	5	1		3.50	
W. E. Whitmore	H. M.	7	1	.60	2.60	
5 Agents		81	121	\$37.95	\$101.95	\$72.30
Central California						
Geo. E. Barnes	P. G.	7	3	\$5.25	\$15.75	\$ 7.75
A. R. Martin	D. R.	11	4	.75	12.75	
E. A. Primrose	H. M.	31	6	1.70	19.20	
Leland Gilstrap	H. W.					9.00
4 Agents		49	13	\$7.70	\$47.70	\$16.75
Utah						
L. R. Ackerman	E. S.	24	12	\$3.75	\$49.75	
J. L. Sauder	E. S.	26	5	.75	16.75	\$16.00
2 Agents		50	17	\$4.50	\$66.50	\$16.00
Southern California						
H. E. Farmer	C. and S.	5	5		\$ 10.00	\$16.00
L. A. Bartlett	Misc.	33	32		48.95	
Frank W. Ross	Misc.	15	18		23.20	
H. E. Jennings	Heralds	24	9		15.00	
C. E. Urquhart	Misc.		5		17.00	
C. E. Nelson	P. G.				9.00	
C. C. Morlan	P. P. F.	40	25		51.00	
E. A. Brown	H. W.	33			35.00	
H. A. Williams	H. W.	15			2.70	
Miscellaneous					6.50	
9 Agents		165	94		\$218.35	\$16.00

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 20, 1914

Northern California						
Louis Skadsheim	H. M.	8	13	\$.50	\$26.50	
E. J. Moore	H. M.	32½	7	6.70	23.70	\$ 2.60
M. A. Reese	B. R.	31	5	1.85	16.85	13.20
Mrs. F. Richards	H. W.	12	8	6.75	6.75	
Miscellaneous		25	39	23.85	23.85	
4 Agents		108½	72	\$39.65	\$97.65	\$15.80

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 27, 1914

Utah						
L. R. Ackerman	E. S.	23	13	\$14.25	\$ 64.25	
Paul Moore	Heralds		2	2.25	6.25	
J. L. Sauder	E. S.	33	22	9.75	87.75	
3 Agents		56	37	\$26.25	\$158.25	

MISCELLANY

FOR SALE:—Estate of 400 acres, 100 acres of valley land under cultivation; balance woodland pasture. All under fence. Five acres orchard and vineyard. Improvements cost \$3000. Spring water piped to house and barn. Placer gold in bed of stream running through the ranch. Price, \$15,000; terms. Address A. M. Davis, Esmerelda, Calaveras County, Cal.

"Beyond the Shadow"

—is a booklet of original verse (96 pages), dedicated to "shadowed lives" or those "knowing sorrow." It is just the thing for the shut-in, the mourner, the disconsolate one and the one who is weary and heavy laden. It shows how the shades of night flee away before the morning's golden glow; how troubles are forgotten while "looking forward;" how disappointments are but the "change of key"—the "prelude to sweeter strains, diviner melody." Although this little book contains many minor chords, there is not one but what gives way to notes of praise and victory. It would be a beautiful entering wedge to go before our other books and papers into closed and darkened homes. Prices: Leather, \$1.25; cloth, 75 cents; paper, 45 cents. Makes an attractive gift. Address Miss Pearl Waggoner, Hinsdale, Ill. 17-4

The January *Worker* is just from the press. The following are features in it that are especially nice: An attractive New Year's motto which may be reproduced on a chart and used during the quarter. The first of the five-minute exercises on the commandments, to be used in connection with the new ten commandment cards. The words and music of a song especially appropriate for the children. The new feature of the lesson helps to be used in connection with the study of Matthew, are the "Eye-gate" pictures, one for each lesson; a table scene showing the use of blocks and sticks in illustrating. A wealth of information, pictures and drawings, is given in connection with each lesson, which will be helpful to the teachers of all divisions. Full information concerning the plans for the training course beginning in February. The last page is worthy of careful reading. When you have read it, you will know exactly what to do next. Every teacher not having access to the *Sabbath School Worker* during 1915, will miss that which is of vast importance. It may be just what you need to win your pupils to Christ. The price is only 35 cents each for a club of two or more.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1914

Since Brother C. F. Innis has left the Arizona field for Cuba, Brother C. C. Morlan, state agent of the Southern California Conference, has been asked to look after the canvassing interests in that territory.

The state-wide prohibition measure was lost at the November election by a majority of 159,245, 365,536 votes being cast in its favor, and 524,781 votes against the measure. The amendment asking that no more prohibition elections be held for eight years received 355,394 votes in its favor, and 435,701 votes against. Already the Dry Federation forces are reorganizing for an active campaign for 1916.

One of the matters which received careful consideration at the committee meeting last week was the \$150,000 educational fund which is being raised in the Pacific Union Conference to relieve the school indebtedness, and to make much needed improvements. Already nearly \$60,000 has been subscribed, besides considerable property to be disposed of, and the proceeds turned in this direction. We believe God is helping His people to roll away this reproach of debt.

The Pacific Union Conference executive committee was in session at the Glendale office for several days the past week. The members in attendance at this meeting were Elders E. E. Andross, E. W. Farnsworth, F. M. Burg, B. E. Beddoe, C. L. Taggart, J. E. Bond, W. M. Adams, J. A. Stevens, M. E. Cady, Brethren C. H. Jones, C. W. Irwin, Dr. D. D. Comstock and Claude Conard. A number other of the local brethren and department secretaries were also present at most of the meetings.

Brother C. F. Innis, who for a number of years has been connected with the book work in Arizona, has been called by the General Conference to go to Cuba to place our literature in that island field. He left Arizona several weeks ago, and through the *Southern Union Worker* we learn of his visiting the mission work in Louisiana while waiting for the steamer to sail for Cuba. Brother Innis has acted as state canvassing agent in Arizona for about two years, and has proved an acceptable worker, as he has a good knowledge of the Spanish language. His wife and little daughter accompany him to his new field.

Plans are being laid for an exhibit of our work at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco in 1915. A good assignment of space has been secured in the liberal arts section of the Palace of Machinery, and the contract has already been let for the construction of a booth, and other arrangements are in progress. The Pacific Press Publishing Association has been asked to take the oversight of the preparation and the management of the exhibit. Some very unique features will be introduced which it is believed will result in drawing the attention of many people to our message of truth in its various phases.

The official announcement was made last week of the votes polled for and against the various amendments submitted to the people of California at the November election. As has already been reported through the RECORDER, the Sunday measure was defeated. The vote in favor of this Sunday rest bill was 290,679, and against it were 457,890 votes, a majority of 167,211. This negative vote was the fourth largest polled either for or against any of the forty-eight amendments submitted at this election. This would seem to indicate that the people of California are not yet ready for a Sunday rest measure of this type at least.

Reports submitted at the recent Pacific Union Conference committee council show a marked advancement in tract society sales in several of our fields. Cash and charge sales in the California Conference territory have been \$11,359.04 for the first ten months of 1914 as compared with \$9642.61 up to the same date in 1913,—a gain in 1914 over 1913 of \$1716.43. In the Southern California field the eleven months' re-

port from January 1 to November 30 shows an increase of \$2404.62 in counter and merchandise sales this year over last. The report from the Northern California Tract Society contains the following: "In comparing our tract society work, we find the record the best of any previous year. For the year 1913 our total sales were \$10,846.77, and for the first nine months of 1914 our sales were \$11,327.13, showing a gain of \$480.36 in the sales of the first nine months of this year above the total sales of twelve months of last year. The actual cash receipts for book sales and bills, less the discount, for the months of October and November, 1914, are \$1272.77." The report of books sold into the Pacific Union Conference territory from the Pacific Press publishing house shows \$35,401.05 for 1914 as compared with 1913 at \$40,597.10, a decrease this year in book sales alone in the whole territory of \$5196.05. In some parts of the field, a much larger number of magazines and other periodicals have been sold than heretofore, which at least in part helps to explain the seeming discrepancy in the publishing house loss in book sales in this territory, while several of the conferences show good gains in their entire volume of business. The conditions in the world make people eager to obtain literature that tells them the meaning of these things. Let us do our part in giving them what they are searching after.

The truth of the necessity of the laid down life is beautifully set forth in a paragraph in "The Spirit of Christ," by Rev. Andrew Murray. He writes, "It was not until Jesus had died that the Spirit of Life could break forth from Him. The life of Jesus was born out of the grave; it is a life out of death. It is as we daily die, and bear about the dying of Jesus; as flesh and self are kept crucified and mortified; as we have in ourselves God's sentence of death on all that is of self and nature,—that the life and Spirit of Jesus will be manifested in us. And this is the Spirit of faith, that in the midst of weakness and apparent death, it counts on God that raiseth the dead. And this is the ministry of the Spirit, when faith glories in infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon it. It is as our faith does not stagger at the earthiness and weakness of the vessel, as it consents that the excellency of the power shall be, not from ourselves, or in anything we feel, but of God alone, that the Spirit will work in the power of the living God."—*Selected.*