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## The Death of Sister White

In the sunny upper chamber of her "Elmshaven" home—her "refuge"—in a sheltered, hill-girt valley near St. Helena, Cal., where our beloved sister had spent much of her time and done much of her writing during the last happy, fruitful years of her busy life, Mrs. Ellen Gould White fell asleep in Jesus as quietly and peacefully as a weary child going to her rest. The end came on Friday, July 16, 1915, at 3:40 P. M. Surrounding her bedside were her son, Elder W. C. White, and wife; her granddaughter, Mrs. Mabel White Workman; her long-time and faithful secretary-nurse, Miss Sara McEnterfer; her niece, and faithful nurse, Miss May Walling; one of her untiring bedside nurses, Mrs. Carrie Hungerford; her housekeeper, Miss Tessie Woodbury; her old-time companion and helper, Mrs. Mary Chinnock Thorp; and a few of her friends and helpers who had spent many years about her home and in her office.

Sister White was born in Gorham, Me., November 26, 1827, and at the time of her decease was aged eighty-seven years, seven months, and twenty

days. Her death was not unexpected, as the readers of this paper know from the bulletins that Elder W. C. White has sent out from time to time. Her physicians, Dr. G. E. Klingerman and Dr. B. F. Jones, of the St. Helena Sanitarium, had done all that medical science could suggest to make her comfortable; but from the time of her accident on February 13 of this year, they could give but little hope of her recovery. At her advanced age the very nature of the accident, an intracapsular fracture of the left femur, made the prognosis of the physicians very grave; and it was only through the mercy of God and the prayers of His people all over the world, together with the unwearied diligence of physicians and nurses, that the last weeks of the deceased were comparatively free from pain.

It is unnecessary to repeat at length the precious experiences that characterized the life of our dear sister from the time of her call to ministry in early youth, to the day of her death. But rich and varied as were the spiritual blessings that came to her through the seventy years or more of loving ministry, some of the sweetest and most abiding of all were those coming as the fruitage of physical suffering and personal trial. Whatever the cross she was called to bear, whether the sad misfortunes of early childhood, the bitter privations incident to pioneer life, the scathing ridicule and the scorings of a gainsaying public, the loss of her cherished babe and her firstborn, the unexpected and sudden death of her husband in 1881, or the long and painful sicknesses that came to her in strange lands and under most trying circumstances,—these all caused her to reach a little higher and to lay hold a little more firmly on the help of

heaven promised every trustful soul. Witness the noble sentiments traced by her own hand on the occasion of her miraculous restoration to health at Healdsburg, Cal., in 1882:

"I do not now expect to be lifted above all infirmities and tribulations, and to have an unruffled sea on the journey heavenward. I expect trials, losses, disappointments, and bereavements; but I have the Saviour's promise, 'My grace is sufficient for thee.' We must not count it a strange thing if we are assaulted by the enemy of all righteousness. Christ has promised to be a present help in every time of need, but He has not told us that we shall be exempt from trials. On the contrary, He has plainly informed us that we shall have tribulation. To be tried and tested is a part of our moral discipline. Here we may learn the most valuable lessons, and obtain the most precious graces, if we will draw near to God, and endure all in His strength.

"My sickness has taught me my own weakness, and my Saviour's patience and love, and His power to save. When passing sleepless nights, I have found hope and comfort in considering the forbearance and tenderness of Jesus toward His weak, erring disciples, and remembering that He is still the same,—unchangeable in mercy, compassion, and love. He sees our weakness, He knows how we lack faith and courage; yet He does not cast us off. He is pitiful and of tender compassion toward us.

"I may fall at my post before the Lord shall come; but when all that are in their graves shall come forth, I shall, if faithful, see Jesus, and be made like Him. O, what joy, unspeakable, to see Him whom we love, —to see Him in His glory who so loved

us that He gave Himself for us,—to behold those hands once pierced for our redemption, stretched out to us in blessing and welcome! What will it matter though we toil and suffer here, if we may only attain to the resurrection of life! We will patiently wait till our time of trial ends, and then we shall raise the glad shout of victory."

And after her long struggle of eleven months with a very painful form of neuritis, following her arrival in Australia, she wrote in December, 1892:

"All through my long affliction I have been most signally blessed of God. In the most severe conflicts with intense pain, I realized the assurance, 'My grace is sufficient for you.' At times when it seemed that I could not endure the pain, when unable to sleep, I looked to Jesus by faith, and His presence was with me, every shade of darkness rolled away, a hallowed light enshrouded me, the very room was filled with the light of His divine presence. I have felt that I could welcome suffering if this precious grace was to accompany it. I know the Lord is good and gracious and full of mercy and compassion and tender pitying love. In my helplessness and suffering, His praise has filled my soul and has been upon my lips."

All through the weeks and months of her last sickness, Sister White was buoyed up by the same faith and hope and trust that had characterized her life experience in the days of her vigor. Her personal testimony was uniformly cheerful and her courage strong. She felt that her times were in the hand of God, and that His presence was with her continually. Not long after she was rendered helpless by the accident that hastened her death, she testified of her Saviour: "I see light in His light. I have joy in His joy, and peace in His peace. I see mercy in His mercy, and love in His love."

In another interview she said: "My courage is grounded in my Saviour. My work is nearly ended. Looking over the past, I do not feel the least mite of despondency or discouragement. I feel so grateful that the Lord has withheld me from despair and discouragement, and that I can still hold the banner. I know Him whom I love, and in whom my soul trusteth."

Referring to the prospect of death, she said further: "I feel, the sooner the better; all the time that is how I feel—the sooner the better. I have not a discouraging thought, nor sad-

ness. . . . I have nothing to complain of. Let the Lord take His way and do His work with me, so that I am refined and purified; and that is all I desire. I know my work is done; it is of no use to say anything else. I shall rejoice, when my time comes, that I am permitted to lie down to rest in peace. I have no desire that my life shall be prolonged."

Following a prayer by the one who was making these notes of her conversation, she prayed:

"Heavenly Father, I come to Thee, weak, like a broken reed, yet by the Holy Spirit's vindication of righteousness and truth that shall prevail. I thank Thee, Lord, I thank Thee, and I will not draw away from anything that Thou wouldst give me to bear. Let Thy light, let Thy joy and grace be upon me in my last hours, that I may glorify Thee, is my great desire; and this is all that I shall ask of Thee. Amen."

Our sister's prayer was fully answered. Hers was the comfort that causes a child of the great Father of love and light to fear no evil, even while passing through the valley of the shadow of death. Not infrequently, during the earlier weeks of her illness, her voice was lifted in song:

"We have heard from the bright, the  
holy land,  
We have heard, and our hearts are  
glad;  
For we are a lonely pilgrim band,  
And weary, and worn, and sad.  
They tell us the pilgrims have a dwell-  
ing there—  
No longer are homeless ones;  
And we know that the goodly land  
is fair,  
Where life's pure river runs.

"We'll be there, we'll be there, in a  
little while,  
We'll join the pure and the blest;  
We'll have the palm, the robe, the  
crown;  
And forever be at rest."\*

Arrangements have been made for the holding of a funeral service at her home, "Elmshaven," near the St. Helena Sanitarium, at five o'clock Sunday afternoon, July 18. Elders J. N. Loughborough, Geo. B. Starr, and E. W. Farnsworth have been asked to officiate.

A memorial service will be held Monday forenoon, at 10:30, on the Richmond (Cal.) camp-ground, Elders E. E. Andross, E. W. Farnsworth, and others of the Pacific Union Conference, officiating.

\* In singing this hymn, Sister White always followed the phraseology of the hymnal published by her husband in 1849.

Interment will be at the Oak Hill Cemetery, Battle Creek, Mich., by the side of her husband, Elder James White. The Battle Creek services will be held in the Tabernacle on Sabbath-day, July 24; Elders A. G. Daniells and S. N. Haskell officiating.

Sister White leaves two sons,—Elder W. C. White, of St. Helena, Cal., and Elder James Edison White, of Marshall, Mich.; seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Of the countless hearts turned heavenward through her public ministry and through the influence of her writings, it is needless to say more than that during her last sickness her own heart turned in loving solicitude toward the thousands whose prayers in her behalf she knew were ascending to the throne of grace, and whom she hoped soon to greet in the blessed hereafter.

CLARENCE C. CRISLER.

## FIELD TIDINGS

### NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA Midsummer Offering

"Great changes are soon to take place in our world and the final movements will be rapid ones." Testimonies, Volume 9, page 1. Never in all the history of God's work has there been a time like the present. Every moment pulsates with importance, and each day is a giant's stride toward the end.

Great multitudes, hopeless without Christ, are moving toward the grave. Great nations in darkness are reaching imploringly for something—for light. Enlightened yourself, what are you doing to enlighten the world? Purchased yourself at infinite cost, have you laid all on the altar? What are you doing to help gather the precious sheaves before ruin overtakes the world?

Never was there greater opportunity to work in heathen lands than now. And never was there such a need for a large midsummer offering as there is this year. This offering will be taken Sabbath, July 24. Let every believer in the message arise to a sense of the needs of the mission fields, and make an offering that will testify to their faith in a soon-coming Saviour. "It should not be a lamented fact that there are increasing calls to give."

“Meet around the cross of Calvary in self-sacrifice and self-denial, God will bless you as you do your best.” Testimonies, Volume 9, pages 254-6.

J. ADAMS STEVENS.

**Santa Rosa Camp-meeting**

The Northwestern California Conference camp-meeting was held at Santa Rosa June 17 to 27. The camp was located in the town on a plot covered with large trees and the weather was ideal. One hundred ten family tents were pitched, and quite a number secured rooms near by.

Everything was in readiness for the first meeting, and the people came with an earnest desire to get a deeper experience. In this they were not disappointed, as the blessed Spirit was manifestly present from the beginning. Elder A. G. Daniells was at the meeting during the first four days and spoke at the eleven o'clock hour Sabbath. He gave a stirring account of the triumphs of the message in the Orient. As he presented the needs of the multitudes in heathen countries and emphasized that now is the opportune time to gather a glorious harvest, there was manifest a deep moving of the Holy Spirit, and almost the entire congregation consecrated themselves anew to finish the work.

Over 1000 persons were present at the last Sabbath morning service. Elder E. E. Andross made an earnest plea for all to surrender wholly to God. A large part of the audience came forward, and many gave themselves to God for the first time. Just as the Sabbath was closing, Brother C. S. Prout was set apart for the sacred work of the gospel ministry. Elder E. W. Farnsworth gave a short study on the sacredness of the gospel work, and offered the prayer. Elder Andross gave the charge, and the writer extended the welcome in behalf of the ministry.

Every phase of the work was presented and received appreciative attention. Those assisting in the meetings included A. G. Daniells, E. E. Andross, E. W. Farnsworth, J. L. McElhany, W. S. Holbrook, G. W. Reaser, F. E. Painter, Ernest Lloyd, Mrs. Vesta J. Farnsworth, and Petra Tunheim of Java.

The various calls for offerings received a generous response. The book-stand reports \$646.95 sales. Twenty-eight were baptized, and a good interest was aroused in the city. The evening

attendance ranged between six and eight hundred. This interest is now being followed up with a tent effort. Elder A. M. Hollister and the writer, assisted by Sister Belle Hickox and Brother Berger Johnson and wife, are in charge. The tent is located on a prominent corner on the main street, and the attendance is growing.

The people returned to their homes with a renewed determination to do their part in hastening the triumph of the message, and we believe that it is the beginning of an era of progress in every department of the work.

J. ADAMS STEVENS.

**Comparative Statement of Tithe  
Northwestern California Conference  
January to June**

Church	1914	1915
Arcata .....	\$ 79.60	\$ 282.88
Calistoga .....	68.68	16.06
Eureka .....	501.72	444.29
Ferndale .....	110.85	
Fort Bragg .....	70.85	97.50
Fortuna .....	321.45	321.95
Healdsburg .....	688.14	829.67
Kelseyville .....	19.40	40.35
McKinleyville .....	14.00	65.00
Napa .....		612.98
Pacific Un. College .....	1470.42	1788.07
Pepperwood .....	111.85	39.50
Personal .....		253.65

Petaluma .....	118.00	103.89
Petrolia .....		25.40
Sanitarium .....	3249.68	3421.35
Santa Rosa .....	115.78	231.23
Sebastopol .....	289.74	195.43
Sonoma .....	463.14	264.59
St. Helena .....	546.28	400.54
Ukiah .....	170.00	196.98
Vallejo .....	97.15	80.52
	\$8579.87	9711.93

The Macedonian cry: “Come over and help us,” or, send someone, with your means. Remember the midsummer offering July 24.

**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**

**Items of Interest**

Remember the midsummer offering for missions Sabbath, July 24, and let us all do our duty in view of the needs of the cause and the solemnity of the times.

While the attendance at the tent effort at Tulare is not so very large, the interest seems to be deepening, and some are beginning to take their stand for the truth.

The writer met with our people at Fresno last Sabbath forenoon, and with the West Park Sabbath-school in the afternoon. We were pleased to notice such a good attendance at the latter

**STANDING OF NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE ON THE  
Twenty-cent-a-week Fund for Six Months Ending June 30, 1915**

Church	Mem.	6 mo. Quota	Amount Paid	Over	Short	Av. per week per mem. 26 wk
Arcata .....	17	\$ 88.40	\$182.07	\$ 83.67		\$.410
Calistoga .....	33	171.60	22.15		\$ 149.45	.026
Eureka .....	63	327.60	149.57		178.03	.091
Ferndale .....	16	83.20	4.00		79.20	.009
Fort Bragg .....	30	156.00	72.57		83.43	.093
Fortuna .....	25	130.00	91.08		38.92	.140
Healdsburg .....	161	837.20	423.06		414.14	.101
Kelseyville .....	9	46.80	15.40		31.40	.064
McKinleyville .....	24	124.80	50.45		74.35	.089
Napa .....	82	426.40	123.41		292.99	.057
Pacific College .....	210	1092.00	812.93		279.07	.148
Pepperwood .....	13	67.60	68.88	1.28		.203
Personal .....			97.64	99.64		
Petaluma .....	10	52.00	88.66	36.66		.341
Petrolia .....	6	31.20	51.80	20.60		.332
Sanitarium .....	216	1123.20	919.35		203.85	.164
Santa Rosa .....	42	218.40	125.87		92.53	.115
Sebastopol .....	74	384.80	624.40	239.60		.324
Sonoma .....	49	254.80	126.29		128.51	.091
St. Helena .....	115	598.00	195.93		402.07	.065
Ukiah .....	43	223.60	100.62		122.98	.090
Vallejo .....	19	98.80	72.97		25.83	.147
Camp-meeting .....			89.35	89.35		
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>1257</b>	<b>\$6536.40</b>	<b>\$4508.45</b>	<b>\$568.80</b>	<b>\$2596.75</b>	<b>.138</b>

Net shortage \$2027.95.

place, where the school has recently been organized.

Remember the Educational day Sabbath, August 7. Our children and youth should receive a training that will prepare them to have a part in the proclamation of the third angel's message. Shall we not plan to give them this training? Can we afford to do otherwise?

The truth of God is onward in the earth; but are we keeping pace with it? No person can keep pace with the onward march of this message, unless he keeps in touch with the progress of the work. The best medium we have for keeping in touch with the progress of this message is the good old *Review*. Its weekly visits bring to us cheering news from our world-wide field of endeavor. No one who has ever known this truth can afford to drop out so near the end; but if we do not want to drop out, we must seek to "keep up" with the message; but in order to "keep up" we must be in touch with it—how then can anyone afford to be without the *Review*? We better subscribe to-day!

N. P. NEILSEN.

CALIFORNIA

Comparative Tithe Statement

California Conference S.D.A. 1914-1915  
January to June Inclusive

Church	Mem.	1914	1915
Alameda	79	\$ 898.00	\$ 944.69
Berkeley	129	907.62	945.85
Byron	14	53.50	53.65
Conf. church	8	306.75	102.95
Daly City	14	313.43	171.17
Fruitvale	164	854.72	1457.58
Hayward	17	155.71	172.15
Hollister	19		118.76
Los Gatos	20	96.09	113.65
Mission, S. F.	45	339.15	591.05
Monterey	38		89.96
Morgan Hill	28	150.35	151.44
Mountain View	289	2666.04	3194.06
Oakland	326	3138.45	3464.22
Oakland, Japan.	11	44.20	66.91
Richmond	20	397.47	289.89
San Francisco	216	1794.42	2766.92
San Jose	130	907.28	859.82
Santa Cruz	43	135.97	243.51
Soquel	11	74.30	31.85
Watsonville	5	94.05	54.50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1626</b>	<b>\$13327.50</b>	<b>\$15886.58</b>

Totals 1626 \$13327.50 \$15886.58

Sabbath, July 24, is the time for the midsummer offering. Let your offering bear the heart-felt inscription, "In God we Trust."

STANDING OF CALIFORNIA CONF. ON TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND  
For Six Months Ending June 30, 1915 at \$5.20 per Member

Church	Mem.	6 Mo. Quota	Amount Paid	Over	Short	Average per week Per Mem. 26 Wks.
Alameda	79	\$ 410.80	\$ 276.84		\$ 133.96	\$ .137
Berkeley	129	670.80	416.99		253.81	.124
Byron	14	72.80	163.42	\$ 90.62		.448
Conference church	8	41.60	119.19	77.59		.573
Daly City	14	72.80	31.94		40.86	.087
Fruitvale	164	852.80	465.91		386.89	.109
Hayward	17	88.40	116.94	28.54		.264
Hollister*	19	88.27	31.72		56.55	.075
Los Gatos	20	104.00	68.40		35.60	.131
Mission, S. F.	45	234.00	263.60	29.60		.227
Monterey*	38	164.54	35.48		129.06	.042
Morgan Hill	28	145.60	131.84		13.76	.181
Mountain View	289	1502.80	1058.88		443.92	.141
Oakland	326	1695.20	1022.66		672.54	.121
Oakland Japanese	11	57.20	33.65		23.55	.117
Richmond	20	104.00	130.49	26.49		.251
San Francisco	216	1123.20	1006.03		117.17	.179
San Jose	130	676.00	203.46		472.54	.060
Santa Cruz	43	223.60	104.15		119.45	.093
Soquel	11	57.20	23.00		34.20	.080
Watsonville	5	26.00	12.41		13.59	.095
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1626</b>	<b>\$8411.61</b>	<b>\$5717.00</b>	<b>\$252.84</b>	<b>\$2947.45</b>	<b>\$ .135</b>

Net shortage \$2694.61. \*These two churches have only been in this conference five months and are therefore reckoned on that basis.

STATEMENT OF TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

For the Southern California Conference for First Six Months of 1915

Church	Member-ship	Amount Due	Amount Rec'd	Amount Short	Amt per wk per member
Arroyo Grande*	29	\$ 150.80	\$ 73.88	\$ 76.92	\$ 0.098
Berean	25	130.00	10.00	120.00	.015
Boyle Heights	84	436.80	342.55	94.25	.156
Burbank	28	145.62	110.80	34.82	.152
Carr Street	357	1856.40	940.94	915.46	.101
Eastside	66	343.20	157.28	185.92	.092
Edendale	50	260.04	70.21	189.83	.054
Fernando	203	1055.58	599.12	456.46	.113
Florence Ave.	53	275.58	91.36	184.22	.066
Furlong	74	514.80	96.03	418.77	.049
Gardena	11	57.18	31.79	25.39	.111
Glendale	200	1040.04	792.07	247.97	.152
Glendora	16	83.22	52.80	30.42	.126
Graham	47	244.38	55.80	188.58	.045
Inglewood	27	140.40	69.67	70.73	.099
Long Beach	134	691.62	401.69	289.93	.115
Los Angeles, German	20	104.04	129.88		.249
Mexican	20	78.00	18.90	59.10	.036
Norwalk	54	280.80	180.67	100.13	.129
Pasadena	148	769.62	345.28	424.34	.089
Pomona	60	312.00	231.45	80.55	.148
Rivera	46	239.22	88.08	151.14	.056
San Pedro	44	228.78	110.39	118.39	.096
Santa Barbara	57	296.40	87.33	209.07	.058
Santa Monica	32	166.38	121.73	44.65	.146
San Luis Obispo*	6	31.20	22.62	8.58	.145
Sawtelle	63	327.60	187.22	140.38	.114
Southside	156	811.20	189.37	621.83	.046
Vermont Ave.	37	192.42	123.18	69.24	.128
Watts	16	83.22	14.94	68.28	.035
Personal			174.13		
*Arroyo Grande and San Luis Obispo	2128	\$11346.54	\$5921.16	\$5625.35	
with 35 members trans. in Feb. 1915	2163	\$ 5425.38		\$5425.38	
		\$ Amount over: Los Angeles, German	\$ 25.84		
		Personal	174.13	\$199.97	

Amount received per member for first six months of 1915 \$ 2.78 plus  
Am't rec'd per mem. per wk. for first six months of 1915 0.107

B. M. EMERSON, Treas. Southern Cal. Conf.

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TITHE FOR SECOND QUARTER 1914-1915**

**For Southern Cal. Conf., Showing Increase or Decrease from Each Church**

	APRIL		MAY		JUNE		De-crease	In-crease
	1914	1915	1914	1915	1914	1915		
Arroyo Grande	\$	\$ 36.55	\$	\$ 23.80	\$	\$ 60.35		
Berean		32.33		23.91		16.35		72.59
Boyle Heights	322.85	38.25	17.80	307.00	464.86	217.93	242.33	
Burbank		60.05	82.77	44.42	46.00	42.85		18.55
Carr Street	487.31	351.20	390.43	524.31	803.67	433.13	372.77	
Eastside	116.11	59.61	82.14	96.29	201.09	57.88	185.56	
Edendale	182.18	791.35	93.65	81.02	153.25	106.71		550.00
Fernando	702.25	258.30	9.15	234.17	229.98		448.91	
Florence Ave.	98.70	7.28	6.00	19.08	163.31	78.66	162.99	
Furlong		77.45	11.71	37.66	248.87	32.40	113.07	
Gardena	3.80	2.95	9.01		8.00	60.10		42.24
Glendale	332.61	252.80	236.06	491.00	883.55	547.35	161.07	
Glendora	54.45	35.71	40.45	37.00	84.35	35.47	16.12	
Graham	16.60	44.16	21.45	8.60	113.94	83.11	71.07	
Inglewood		40.05		3.55		20.15		63.75
Long Beach	205.03	4.74	103.90	495.38	474.68	161.92	121.57	
Los Angeles, Ger.	56.20	37.35	64.75	64.52	105.15	48.40	75.83	
Mexican	17.80		40.56	32.22	52.92	4.00	75.06	
Norwalk	32.07		103.00	133.92	156.33	61.18	96.30	
Pasadena	354.86	390.78		180.66	498.22	228.58	42.06	
Pomona	132.73	272.95	124.71	139.20	663.36	227.42	281.23	
Rivera	86.17	134.73			157.23		108.67	
San Pedro	42.94	36.90		50.47	90.02	48.75		3.16
Santa Barbara	82.80	95.85	6.00	270.07	208.93	127.75		195.94
Santa Monica	53.92	55.55	102.14	65.24	63.75	25.90		73.12
San Luis Obispo				5.18				5.18
Sawtelle	93.80	18.78	14.75	22.35	89.00	76.70	79.72	
Southside	178.62	163.98	237.39	164.30	257.05	189.66	155.12	
Vermont Ave.		95.22		72.17		49.72		217.11
Watts						23.90		23.90
Personal	128.03	41.76	75.33	94.45	111.63	98.00	80.78	
	3781.83	3436.63	1873.15	3708.14	6329.14	3128.77	2963.35	1252.77
Total tithe for second quarter, 1914					\$11,984.12			
Total tithe for second quarter, 1915					10,273.54			
Decrease					\$ 1,710.58			
Total tithe for June, 1914					\$6,329.14			
Total tithe for June, 1915					3,128.77			
Decrease					\$ 3,200.37			
Total tithe for first six months, 1915					\$19,822.57			
Total tithe for first six months, 1914					19,284.99			
Increase					\$ 537.58			

B. M. EMERSON, *Treas. Southern Cal. Conf.*

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**Tithes and Offerings**

A report of the tithes for the second quarter of 1915, also a report showing the standing of each church in the Southern California Conference doubtless will be of interest to the churches in this conference. We trust each member will study both of these reports and ascertain the standing of your church, especially on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. We find our conference for the first six months of 1915 has raised a trifle more than one-half of the amount that should have been raised during this time.

**Sabbath, July 24**

Sabbath, July 24, is the day appointed for the regular midsummer offering. This will apply on the twenty-cent-a-week fund, and we trust there will be a liberal offering in all our churches. Give as sensing the great needs in the fields beyond.

B. M. EMERSON,  
*Treas. Southern Cal. Conf.*

**Los Angeles Camp-meeting**

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong

a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the rank of truth."

The foregoing paragraph is taken from the Testimonies, Volume 6, page 38. From the next page, the following is taken: "Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege."

This instruction is timely. We expect to see a large attendance of our people of the Southern California Conference at this Los Angeles meeting.

**Date**

August 5 to 15 is the date. The first meeting will be 7:30 P.M. Thursday, August 5.

**Laborers from Other Parts**

The following are among those who will attend: Elder J. E. Fulton of the Australasian Union Conference, Sister P. Tuneheim from Java, Elders E. E. Andross and E. W. Farnsworth, and other representative men of the Pacific Union Conference.

**How to Reach the Camp**

Secure tickets to any of the main railroad stations in Los Angeles. Keep your baggage checks, and make transfer arrangements with a representative of the camp. To reach the ground take any Moneta Avenue car on Main or Spring Streets going south, getting off at Forty-first Place.

B. E. BEDDOE,  
*Pres. S. Calif. Conf.*

**SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA**

**Midsummer Offering, Sabbath July 24**

This offering for foreign missions has come to be an established custom among our people. To this, our foreign workers are looking to enable them to press the work out into new fields. It might be well, also to remind our people that all gathered in at this time will be applied on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. If our full quota on this latter is raised, it will also assist on the \$150,000 fund. Let us have a liberal offering. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." W. F. MARTIN.

# EDUCATIONAL

## The Educational Day Offering

The next Educational day appointed by the North American Division Conference is Sabbath, August 7. Sabbath readings are prepared by the department, and sent out to all the churches. It is hoped that all our churches will arrange for these readings to be given, as very important interests which all our people should consider are presented in these readings especially prepared for the Educational day.

At the recent Educational council held by the North American Division at Pacific Union College, a resolution was passed asking all our churches to contribute liberally for the educational work in all our schools. Churches conducting schools will retain one half of the amount given, for the purpose of providing necessary school equipment. The remaining half will be sent to the local conference office. Churches not having schools will send the entire amount to the conference office. One half of the amount received by the local conference will be retained to help needy schools in the conference, and the other half will be sent to the union conference office. The union conference will expend what it receives in helping worthy students to attend our higher schools, or use it in providing necessary equipment for these schools.

We believe that this Educational day may be made a great blessing to all our churches, and awaken an interest in the parents and the children in the great cause of Christian education. The means contributed will help greatly in strengthening the schools by providing much needed equipment in our church schools and assisting many of our young people to attend the more advanced schools. Let every church member do his part to make the Educational day a real blessing to the church and to the children and youth who are to be quickly qualified to act their part in the closing work of the message.

M. E. CADY,

*Pac. Union Conf. Edu. Sec.*

## A Story In Brief

"Last fall at the close of a tent effort I solicited subscriptions for the *Signs of the Times*, and in a very short time took seventeen six-month subscriptions at Holyoke, Colo. I just had the pleasure of hearing that some of the readers are now living the truth."

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 18, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>California</b>						
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Black	H.M.	23	3	\$0.75	\$ 6.75	
Lena Thorp	G.C.	23	7	.75	23.75	
Hazel Carmichael	Misc.	26½	3	.75	9.75	
Ruth Leininger	G.C.	25	5		19.00	
4 Agents		97½	18	\$2.25	\$59.25	
<b>Northwestern California</b>						
J. D. Brown	B.R.	35½	2		\$ 9.00	
Leeta Roberts	B.R.	18½	4		12.00	
2 Agents		54	6		\$21.00	

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>California</b>						
Earl Williams*	B.R.	87	16	\$4.50	\$ 51.50	\$10.50
Nels Johnson	P.P., F.	22	12		33.00	3.00
R. C. Black	H.M.	32	5		11.00	
Lena Thorp	G.C.	19	1	.75	5.75	
Ruth Leininger	G.C.	19	1	.75	5.75	
Hazel Carmichael	G.C.	34½	1	2.25	5.25	
V. Hamilton*	P.G.		23		94.00	
Santa Rosa Camp-meeting					646.94	
7 Agents. *3 weeks		213½	59	\$8.25	\$853.19	\$13.50
<b>Northwestern California</b>						
Joseph Bachman	H.M.	53	9	\$2.50	\$24.50	
J.D. Brown	B.R.	40½	9		36.00	
J.D. Johnston	G.C.	28	8	5.00	33.00	
3 Agents		121½	26	\$7.50	\$93.50	
<b>Central California</b>						
F. O. Jensen	P.G.	25	9		\$ 40.50	\$13.50
Vivian Stone	P.P.	24	1	\$ 9.75	12.75	
J. J. Schaefer	H.M.	35	8	2.50	21.50	
Mignon Bergstrom	G.C.	5	2	.75	6.75	
E. A. Vore	G.C.	14	3	.75	9.75	
Marvel Beem	C.S.	6		2.00	17.50	6.50
Chas. Newman	P.G., G.C.	58	21	6.25	80.75	8.25
H.G. Rowland	B.R.	28	3		10.00	
Chas. Pettis	B.R.		1	.25	3.25	
9 Agents				\$22.25	\$202.75	\$28.25

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR TWO WEEKS ENDING JULY 2, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>Arizona</b>						
J. D. Sanchez	P.P., F.	15	8		\$19.50	
I. T. Reynolds	P.P., F.	21	33		67.00	
3 Agents		36	41		\$86.50	
<b>Southeastern California</b>						
Nelson and Edwards	P.G.	32	50		\$203.00	
C. E. Nelson	P.G.	8	15		61.50	
S. Vallejo	P.G.	20			80.50	
<b>Southern California</b>						
Elvin, Field and Kamp					325.00	

### REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 1915

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
<b>California</b>						
Nels Johnson	P.P., F.	29	23		\$ 60.00	
V. Hamilton	P.G.		7		27.50	
Earl Williams	B.R.	23	5	\$0.25	19.25	\$6.75
Wirt Lucas	B.R.	4	5		17.00	
4 Agents		56	40	\$0.25	\$123.75	\$6.75

## BOOK WORK

### Our Colporteurs

As you will notice by the RECORDER, sales are being made by our bookmen in the field. Brother Reynolds and Brother Sanchez, in Arizona, are doing well. They have had some disappointment in securing books on time, but these experiences only tend to make us stronger.

Brethren Nelson and Edwards, two students from Loma Linda, are canvassing in Orange County. Their sales have been excellent, showing that the blessing of the Lord is with them.

Brother Ice, of Redlands, expects to enter the field this week with "Bible Readings."

Brother Camp, of Long Beach, is helping at the camp-ground at present, and will be there until camp-meeting.

Brother Urquhart expects to go to Arizona soon.

Brother Frank Ross, of Oceana, is of good courage, and we will hear from him later.

Some reports are also coming in from our home workers.

There are two times in the year when these books will sell,—before and after Christmas. Try it. H. A. HEBARD.

### Colporteurs' Items

Our report for the month of June was to close with the week ending July 2, but every conference in the union except one sent in their reports for that week too late to be included in the monthly summary which has to be mailed to the department not later than the 12th of the month. The one exception noted was the Northern California Conference. Moral: Be a little more prompt in getting reports into the office—and out again.

Not much has appeared in this paper concerning the work that is done at our camp-meetings in the interest of the colporteur work. This has been due to our native modesty, but we wish to state for the information of readers of this column that every effort is made at these gatherings to stimulate interest in this department of the work, and to properly instruct those who indicate a desire to enter it.

The camp-meeting sales of literature at Santa Rosa amounted to more than \$600. At the Oakdale meeting they were slightly higher, passing the \$700

mark. At both meetings several public sales were conducted from the platform.

At the close of the first meeting in the interest of the colporteur work held in the large pavilion at the Oakdale camp-meeting, several of the brethren and sisters came forward and offered to furnish free rooms, and in some instances, free board to any colporteurs who might wish to take up work in the vicinity of their homes; and one good sister voluntarily handed Brother Abbott \$10 with instructions to use it in helping convassers in time of need. At the tract sale held at a later meeting, two \$5 packages of tracts were purchased by the audience and donated to the colporteurs for free distribution.

The work in the Northern California Conference has been rather slow in getting started, but Brother Abbott feels that he now has a good line up with fourteen colporteurs either in the field at work, or ready to start at once. Let the prayers of God's people ascend for their success.

Four young ladies are canvassing in Sacramento. Two are handling "Practical Guide" and the others are handling "Bible Readings." They are having very fair success for beginners. One of them came in one day recently and reported that she had taken orders that day for two morocco bindings, and one half morocco—value \$15.50—and had collected \$5.75 in advance.

Brother Theren Lyman is working in the suburbs of Sacramento for "Bible Readings," thus making five colporteurs in that immediate vicinity. The four young ladies are living in the rooms in the rear of the church. On the blackboard in the schoolroom they had this motto, "When you feel blue, get color-blind—and forget it."

Brother G. A. Wheeler, secretary of the Central California Conference, writes: "Chas. Newman reports a 100 per cent delivery, which we think is pretty good for this year. Some of the boys have been changing to another book which seems better adapted for the territory they are working in. Brother Davis is working hard to make everyone succeed.

*Do not forget that \$10,000 gain!* How much will you do toward it next week? Every hour counts. More hours mean more books sold, more dollars in your pockets, and on the report, and last and most important of all, more souls saved from the darkness of error, to shine "as the stars forever and ever."

F. E. PAINTER.

## MISCELLANY

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—Improved land near the Pacific Union College for sale at reasonable prices, or will take in exchange unimproved land. Address St. Helena Sanitarium, Sanitarium, Cal. 50-51

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—A house of four large rooms, bathroom and basement. Near St. Helena Sanitarium and good church school of ten grades. Price \$650 cash, or \$700 on terms. A bargain. Address R. F. D. No. 1, Box 81, St. Helena, Cal. 48-50

FOR SALE.—Obliged to sell fifteen acres mostly in alfalfa at \$230 per acre: will subdivide into five acre tracts at \$235 if there are three parties desiring it. Joins Salida Seventh-day Adventist church and school of ten grades. First class neighborhood. Address S. F. Potts, Modesto, Cal. R. F. D. 4, Box 101. 50-1

FOR SALE.—Eighteen acres on the Hyman tract of 6000 acres of subdivided land five miles south of Arbuckle, Cal., in the Almond district. This land was donated for church purposes. The desire of the brethren is to build church and school. Write for particulars and map. Liberal terms will be offered. Address Geo. S. Wesner, Arbuckle, Cal.

FOR SALE.—One-half acre in variety of fruit. Two-room cottage with sleeping porch. Water piped in house; plenty of natural shade trees; chicken house and yard. One-half mile from St. Helena Sanitarium, four and one-half miles from Pacific Union College; one mile from intermediate school. For particulars address F. M. Newton, Arbuckle, Cal. 47-49

### Obituary

PLATZEK.—Died at Fowler, Cal., June 26, 1915, Sister Elsie M. Platzeck, aged fifty-one years, two months and twenty-five days. She leaves her mother, five sons, three daughters, four sisters and six brothers to mourn their loss. She was a faithful member of the Fowler church and loved the truth. She was reconciled to the Lord's will, and passed away with the assurance of a part in the first resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, and we laid her to rest until the voice of the Life-giver shall call her forth from the dusty bed. N. P. NEILSEN.



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THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1915

Although not altogether unexpected, it is nevertheless with sadness that we are called upon to record the death of one who has had perhaps more to do than any other single individual with the rise and progress of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination—Mrs. Ellen G. White.

From time to time since the accident several months ago which led to Sister White's last sickness, sketches have appeared in the RECORDER telling of her physical condition and her hope in the message which has sustained her for nearly three quarters of a century. Last Friday afternoon, July 16, at 3:40, Sister White fell peacefully asleep at her home at "Elmshaven," near St. Helena.

Sunday afternoon, funeral services were held at the home, and early Monday morning the body was conveyed to Richmond where the annual camp-meeting of the California Conference is in session, and appropriate services were conducted in the large pavilion at 10:30 A.M.

At three o'clock in the afternoon of the same day the body left Berkeley accompanied by Elder W. C. White, for Battle Creek, Mich., where Sister White will be buried beside her husband, Elder James White, who died in 1881.

Of Sister White, in a sense that it can be said of but few, she rests from her labors, and her works do follow her.

Quite a full account of her last sickness and death will be found in another column of this issue, and it is hoped next week to have a report of the funeral services which were held at Sanitarium and Richmond.

At 10:30 A.M., Monday, July 19, funeral services of Mrs. E. G. White

were held at the pavilion at Richmond camp-ground, the body having been brought earlier in the morning from St. Helena on its way to Battle Creek, Mich., for interment.

The exercises were opened by a male quartet, "Sweet be Thy Rest," after which Elder Farnsworth read the latter part of the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians and other appropriate scriptures. Elder J. N. Loughborough offered prayer, and Elder A. O. Tait read a sketch of the life of Mrs. White which had been prepared by Elder M. C. Wilcox.

Elder E. E. Andross gave a very impressive discourse based on Revelation 14:13, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

The quartet consisting of Brethren Ernest Lloyd, J. H. Paap, C. A. Shull, and Professor Lawrence, rendered a second selection, "We'll Never Say Good-bye in Heaven," and opportunity was given for all who wished to do so to view the body.

The pavilion had been very appropriately decorated for the occasion, and a large number of friends from the Napa and Santa Rosa Valleys, the Bay section and Mountain View were present.

### The Midsummer Offering

From a letter just received from Sister Bertha Selman, one of our missionaries laboring in China, I take the following:

"The work is moving forward in every land. Wonderful things are happening to the Asiatic field. Our meeting was a great blessing to all. We here are waiting, waiting for workers, and working day and night while we wait."

How long shall we keep these earnest faithful workers in the great mission fields of the Orient waiting for laborers to help in gathering in the fast ripening harvest? This question must be answered by our people generally. Workers cannot be sent out until sufficient funds are provided to send them forth into the fields. As soon as funds will permit, the workers so much needed in these great fields can be provided.

I would urge our brethren and sisters throughout this union conference to make the midsummer offering as large as possible. Do not forget that Sabbath, July 24 is the time for the taking

of this offering, and remember to give as freely as God has prospered you.

Let us also remember the Lord with a thank offering. When we think of the extremely large area now involved in the great world struggle, and of the fact that we in this country have escaped thus far, it should call forth deep gratitude on our part, and I believe a thank offering would be very acceptable to the Lord, and quite appropriate at this time. Let all come bringing their offerings to the Lord on the above date. E. E. ANDROSS,

*Pres. Pacific Union Conf.*

What might not the Lord accomplish with your abundant and cheerful gift for His cause? The midsummer offering will be taken July 24.

The annual camp-meeting for the California Conference is in progress this week at Richmond. While hardly as large an encampment as before the division of the field, yet a goodly number are staying on the ground, and many others are coming in day by day from the surrounding churches. There is also considerable interest to hear the truth by those living in the town, as a large number are coming to the services each evening. The meetings held by Elder Marchus and company in Richmond previous to the camp-meeting have directed many toward the message for this time.

A few figures of more than ordinary interest are gleaned from the statistical report of the Pacific Press Publishing Association for the first six months of the year. To enable our readers to fully appreciate these figures those of 1914 are given also, in parenthesis: Value of periodicals, including Lesson Quarterly, \$81,776.67 (\$59,746); copies of weekly *Signs* circulated, 767,962 (511,950), gain of 256,012 copies; copies of *Signs Magazine* circulated, 275,118 (117,500), gain of 157,618 copies; average monthly circulation, 45,853 (29,584); book sales, \$114,051 (\$94,742); total value of all publications, \$196,737 (\$155,735). We rejoice with the brethren at the Press over this heavenly prosperity.

### Camp-meeting Announcements

California, Richmond, July 15 to 25.  
Southern California, Los Angeles, August 5 to 15.

Utah, August 17 to 22.  
Southeastern California, Huntington Beach, August 26 to September 5.

Arizona, October 7 to 17.