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

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## Fitted for Service

Oh turn me, mould me, mellow me for use,

Pervade my being with Thy vital force,  
That this else inexpensive life of mine  
May become eloquent and full of power,  
Impregnated with life and strength  
divine.

Put the bright torch of heaven into my hand,

That I may carry it aloft

And win the eye of weary wanderers  
here below

To guide their feet into the paths of  
peace.

I cannot raise the dead,

Nor from this soul pluck precious dust,  
Nor bid the sleeper wake,

Nor still the storm, nor bend the light-  
ning back,

Nor muffle up the thunder,

Nor bid the chains fall from off crea-  
tion's long enfeathered limbs.

But I can live a life that tells on other  
lives,

And makes this world less full of an-  
guish and of pain;

A life that like the pebble dropped upon  
the sea

Sends its wide circles to a hundred  
shores.

May such a life be mine.

Creator of true life, Thyself the life  
Thou givest,

Give Thyself that Thou mayest dwell in  
me, and I in Thee.

—Horatius Bonar.

## Among the Churches And Institutions

Sabbath September 18, I had the privilege of meeting with the Oakland church. I enjoyed speaking to them on the question of the certainty of the Christian's hope, dwelling especially on the fact that in these times of extreme

peril we may have certain knowledge of the truth that God has committed to us, and that this will give us confidence in the hour of trial that is before us.

Following the morning service Elder C. E. Ford baptized nine candidates. Among these was one family consisting of the father, mother and three children. To see these all baptized together was indeed a beautiful sight.

At three o'clock in the afternoon I enjoyed the privilege of meeting with many of the new Sabbath-keepers who have recently responded to the truths that have been presented at the large tent by Elders J. W. McCord and R. S. Fries and their associate workers. There were perhaps 150 present at this service, and most of these were people who have either taken their stand for the truth during the series of meetings, or those who were deeply interested in the message. A few members of our churches in Oakland were present, but not a large number.

Following the service at the tent we all went to the Oakland church after a short talk by Elder Fries and the writer. Elder Fries baptized seventeen candidates. It is truly encouraging to see so many taking their stand for this truth. The Lord has greatly blessed the workers in their efforts in the large tent meeting in Oakland this summer.

But His blessing has not been confined alone to this effort. From the reports that come to me from the various parts of this union conference, it is apparent that we have never enjoyed more of the blessing of the Lord in our efforts to get the truth before the people than now. The various conferences of this union have done as much as possible in their efforts to get the truth before the people this summer, and generally excellent results have followed these efforts.

In company with Elder E. W. Farnsworth, I left Oakland evening after Sabbath for Fallon, Nevada. We arrived there Sunday noon. Elder C. L. Taggart, the superintendent of the Nevada Mission field, joined us, and we held a meeting with the Fallon church Sunday evening. Elder Farnsworth spoke, and following his discourse we considered the interests of the intermediate school that is being established about a mile and a half from Fallon, on ten acres of very rich alfalfa land donated to the school by Brother William Harmon.

Prof. A. W. Russell, of Southern California, has been at work this summer erecting a school building on this property. They now have a very nice building that will easily accommodate seventy-five students, and expected to open their school in a few days following our visit. They were waiting for seats to arrive from San Francisco.

After a profitable visit at Fallon, Elder Farnsworth and I returned to St. Helena, and met with the sanitarium board Tuesday afternoon. We found this institution prospering. The Lord has greatly blessed it during the past year. Plans are now being perfected for the erection of a much-needed treatment room building. More will be said of this later. The sanitarium is enjoying a good patronage, and some are embracing the truths of the third angel's message.

Wednesday morning we went on to Pacific Union College, where we met with the students at the chapel hour. Several of the representatives of the union conference committee were in attendance at this meeting. This was the first time many of us had had the opportunity of meeting with the students since the college opened, and it was greatly appreciated. We found a

very fine class of young people assembled in the chapel. Almost every available seat was occupied, and we feel very much encouraged with the prospects for the work at the college this year.

After a very pleasant and profitable meeting of the board and of the available members of the union conference committee, Thursday morning we returned to Oakland where we met with the members of the California Conference and Northwestern California Conference committees, and that evening took the train for Los Angeles. Altogether I feel that we have much reason for encouragement over the progress of the work throughout the union. The Lord is surely blessing His people and preparing their hearts for the closing of this message. E. E. ANDROSS,  
Pres. Pacific Union Conf.

### Why Was the Sabbath Changed?

In the *New York Tribune*, bearing date of Feb. 23, 1878, the following questions and answers concerning the change of the Sabbath appeared:—

“1. When did they change the Sabbath from the seventh day of the week to the first day? 2. Why did they do so?”

“1. The first observance of Sunday that history records was in the fourth century when Constantine issued an edict (not requiring its observance, but simple abstinence from work), reading, ‘Let all the judges and people of the town rest, and all the various trades be suspended on the venerable day of the sun.’ At the time of the edict, Constantine was a sun-worshiper; he refused to unite with the church until on his death-bed (337).

“At the church council in 536, the religious observance of Sunday was recommended, but very little attention was paid to it. In 780, Alcium, an English prelate, became the spiritual adviser of Charlemagne, when, for the first time, it was formally declared that the fourth commandment covered the first day of the week; but this declaration was observed by comparatively few, and for eight centuries thereafter Sunday was observed more as a day of sport and festivity than as a religious one. The English Parliament sat on Sundays, and English courts were held on that day, down to the reign of Elizabeth.

“In 1593 D. Nicholas Bound, of Suffolk Co., England, published a work called ‘The True Doctrine of the Sabbath,’ in

which he maintained, not that Sunday was divinely appointed as a Sabbath, but that the obligation to observe a Sabbath was divine. It was as late as the opening of the seventeenth century when the Puritans in England began the practice of calling Sunday the Sabbath.

“2. There never were, and are not now, any satisfactory reasons given for the calling and observing of Sunday as the Sabbath day.

“Says Bishop Porter: ‘Their [the Puritans] warrant for what they did [with reference to the observance of Sunday as the Sabbath], whether we look for it in the pages of the New Testament or in the traditions of Catholic Christendom, was neither substantial nor sufficient.’”

*In Atlantic Union Gleaner.*

### Enthusiastically Beginning the Ingathering Campaign

Our Harvest Ingathering work is starting off very encouragingly. In a letter from the Pacific Press, dated September 8, we are told that at least three conferences have already ordered more than twice as many papers as they used last year in the entire campaign.

One conference conceived the idea of presenting in each church the suggestion that every member, after carefully and prayerfully considering what he would be able to do, write on a slip of paper the goal he set for himself. Some chose one amount, some another. We believe this is an excellent plan. Everyone places for himself the mark he means to strive to reach, by the blessing of the Lord. “Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind,” is the word of Scripture for it.

By the above mentioned date, more than 260,000 papers had been sent out. Orders are received by wire, some marked “rush.”

There is a “sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees,” and the indications are that this will be the best campaign yet in behalf of missions, as we go out among the people this autumn with the beautiful *Signs Missions Special*.

We hope all the church treasurers will be prompt in reporting, and in sending the Harvest Ingathering money received to their conference office, so that it shall reach there by the close of each month. As soon as the figures reach Washington from the union

treasurers, a compiled statement by unions and conferences will be gotten out.

God’s choicest blessing will rest upon all who, in love for the Master and perishing souls in distant lands, go out in faithful service for Him with the Ingathering *Signs* to solicit a gift in behalf of missions. Let us not fail to receive the blessing awaiting us.

T. E. BOWEN.

*Washington, September 16.*

### Worrying All the Time

“Yes’m, she’s pretty well, mother is,” said the old man, pausing with his foot on the wagon wheel to answer an inquiry concerning his wife, “pretty well, if only ‘twasn’t for worryin’ about the children. ‘Lizabeth’s up to Conway this season, and mother’s all the time afraid she’ll be took sick away from home. Samuel’s got a good place at Tanfield, and he’s doin’ well, but his boardin’ place is across the river. Sometimes he goes by skiff, and mother, she can’t get over the feelin’ that he’s likely to be drowned. The two younger ones is home yet, but she says she’s anxious about the time John’ll be wantin’ to strike out for himself, and she’s always been afraid we’d never raise Car’line.

“No’m there’s nothin’ special the matter with any of them now, and the farm has done fine this year. Mother hain’t had a touch of her rheumatism all summer, and she’d be pretty well off if it wasn’t for worryin’. Christian? Bless you, yes, this forty year! She ain’t afraid but what the Lord will take care of her and all the rest of the world, but seems like she ain’t got faith to b’lieve He’s to be trusted with the children.”—*Wellspring*.

“There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave,  
There are souls that are pure and true.  
Then give to the world the best you have,  
And the best will come back to you.”

“The King’s business requireth haste.”—Bible. “Our business in life is not to get ahead of other people, but to get ahead of ourselves; to break our own record; to outstrip our yesterdays by to-days; to do our work with more force and a finer finish than ever. This is the true idea—to get ahead of ourselves.”

## FIELD TIDINGS

### NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

#### St. Helena Sanitarium

It seems to me that God is at work in a very marked manner at the present time, and is sending to us for treatment those whom we can help spiritually as well as physically. It is a source of encouragement to us as nurses, to feel that God expects of us all the help we can give Him in His work of bringing souls to a clearer knowledge of His love and power to heal disease.

Never before in my life have I felt the nearness of God in my work as I have these last few weeks, and it is with joy that I feel the presence of the Holy Spirit guiding in all ministrations to the sick, and filling my soul with a longing to be of more real worth in the service of God and man.

The case I have in hand at the present time is a source of encouragement and cheer to me and my associate nurse because of the marked working of God in healing the disease. Two weeks ago a boy of twelve years was brought in suffering from intestinal trouble which caused periodic hemorrhages. He had been to some of the best city hospitals in hopes of a cure. Then returned home to the town doctor without relief, and steadily growing weaker, until at the time of his arrival here, he was a very sick and weak boy.

My companion nurse and I put the case before God in prayer, and confidently looked for an answer to our prayers. Nor were we disappointed, for the pain from which the poor boy was suffering so constantly began to lessen until in a day or two it entirely disappeared, and the boy is now gaining strength every day and is certainly a dear little fellow. It has been our custom to pray with him morning and evening and although he is a Roman Catholic he has become absorbed in our Bible readings to him, and so much so that if we seem to be forgetting to read to him, he will ask for us to do so, and also prays with us himself.

The "Life of Jesus," the "Youth of David" and God's blessings and protection of him seem to hold him almost spellbound until he exclaims, "God is good, isn't He!" and "Jesus is good to heal the sick!" Then he says, "Jesus is healing me too, isn't he?"

He is happy that Jesus loves him, and feels that God sent him here because he was pleased to dwell with us more than with the city institutions. And so the work goes on, and we feel confident that this boy will gain such a deep impression of the love of God and Jesus that he will prove a messenger of truth to his own family on his complete recovery and return to his home.

He has "Sabbath Readings for the Home Circle," and thinks our books are very nice.

We ask for the prayers of all in such cases as these. God is blessing us with a very busy season, for we have our hands more than full all the time and depend on divine strength constantly.

All we can say is that "The work of the Lord is honorable and glorious." Psalms 111:3. Glorious indeed it is to have a part with Jesus in this work of saving lives and souls.

GEORGE S. O'BRIEN.

### Missionary Volunteers

A strong missionary volunteer society was organized at the Pacific Union College last Wednesday morning during the chapel period, with a membership of 110. This doubtless will increase to more than 200 by the middle of the year.

The importance of a *model* society at this educational center, organized after the latest General Conference Missionary Volunteer department plans, was realized by faculty and students, in view of the fact that the ideals of such work, formed in a school of this repute, will be carried into the church work in the fields to which these students go. The commendable cooperation and hearty response on the part of faculty and students give evidence of a most fruitful year for this society.

Following the signing of membership pledges, Elder E. J. Hibbard conducted the election of officers, the following being unanimously voted in: Leader, Ernest Lloyd; assistant leader, Floyd Ashbaugh; secretary-treasurer, Esther Whalin; assistant, May Holt. These assistants are to be changed every six weeks, thus giving opportunity for others to develop along these lines. The working bands and leaders are: Prayer and personal work, Chester Holt; gentlemen; Wiletta Maxson, ladies; foreign mission, Elder R. F. Cottrell, A. E. Hall, and Floyd Ashbaugh; literature and correspondence, Chas. Wenigar and Mariam Clark.

The executive committee, for the purpose of planning programs and working for the general interests of the society, consist of the above named officers, in conjunction with the church elders and missionary secretary. This will also constitute the missionary committee.

After this election the 1915 goal was presented and proportioned to the society. Professor Hughes showed the feasibility of working the reading course books in with the English and composition classes, telling how this was accomplished in the Keene Academy, over 100 certificates having been issued. It was also shown by another how the standard of attainment could be worked in with the Bible doctrines and denominational history classes. The issuing of the General Conference certificates would be an incentive to the students.

The writer felt very grateful for the privilege of being present and will, in harmony with the sentiment of all, solicit the prayers of everyone in the union conference for the success of this important work, that God's Spirit may be ever present in the wheels of this large organization to give life to the work. And it is believed that the influence of these workers will be felt not only in the school, but in the home churches whence these young people come.

At the close of this meeting Prof. C. W. Irwin briefly stated the determination of the school for the accomplishment of their share of the Harvest Ingathering apportionment. School will be closed one day, and it is believed by all that a very successful time will be experienced.

Definite plans for junior work were considered by the teachers of the normal department. A very pleasant meeting was conducted with them, and each one seems anxious to develop the junior work in the normal.

C. S. PROUT.

### Missionary Work

A missionary secretary of one of our churches writes: "This is Sabbath P.M. but I cannot resist the temptation to write and tell you of the enthusiastic missionary meeting we have just had. I took up the *Signs* club which expires this month. We have been taking five, but we increased it to (just think of it) twenty. Then we took up the *Review* and secured six subscriptions for it, and a club of five for the *Watchman*. Then we districted the country for work

with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and the zeal manifested was great. We set our goal for \$100 at least, and we will call on every house in — and four other adjoining towns. We also expect to have a Harvest Ingathering program Thanksgiving time. Do you wonder that I feel enthusiastic? To the Lord be all the praise. There is no neutral ground to be taken now, for we must either be workers or drones, and drones do not last long in these shaking times."

Another secretary writes: "Our missionary meetings started out splendidly, and everyone seems interested. One man said he did not know there were so many opportunities to do missionary work until the missionary spirit got into the church and he kept it in mind all through the week."

C. S. PROUT.

### The Marvelous Outpouring of an Unseen Power in the Canvassing Work

I can only report hope, cheer, and faith in this grand work of selling our good books. The Lord's name is only to be praised. He is good and His mercy endureth forever.

After a season of earnest prayer, of seeking help from on high, I was blessed in getting orders where before it seemed all but out of the question. One young man who practically refused to order any book, and who seemed to be in the hand of an unseen power, struggling with him, suddenly swung around and gave an order for "Practical Guide to Health" in the full leather binding. Then he asked to see again the "Great Controversy," and readily gave his order for it in the full leather cover. Both of these books were in the German language. A few minutes later I met another German in another room. The first young man was there also. He could scarcely say enough to his German friend in favor of the book to induce him to order also. This he readily did, placing orders for "Practical Guide to Health" in half leather, and "Great Controversy" in half leather, also in German. So here was nearly \$20 in orders from these two men in a few minutes, all in the face of the cry of hard times, shortage of work, low or cut wages, etc.

The last week I canvassed, in five short days, as on Friday I had to travel and prepare for Sabbath, I was blessed with about \$130 in orders for "Practical

Guide," "Great Controversy," "Ministry of Healing" (relief edition), "His Glorious Appearing" in the foreign languages, outside helps, etc. In one room I received three orders in almost no time for "Great Controversy" in the Swedish. I am now busy filling these orders and have been blessed with pronounced success. I scarcely lose an order. Besides, I sell enough extra for cash, or get enough new orders to make it good, or more than make up for what I lose.

I pray that many may be won for Christ's kingdom as a result of these vitalizing seeds of gospel truth sown. Now is our golden time to work! Soon it will be forever too late.

WALTER HARPER,

Metropolitan, Humboldt Co., Cal.

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Conference Items

The Lodi Academy opens its doors September 28. Plan to be there the opening day if possible, and while you are coming bring some one else with you that ought to come. Lend a helping hand.

We invite the conference workers and church elders to encourage the young people to persevere in raising their quota of \$2.50 each for the work in the needy mission field of Africa. Educate, agitate, and accumulate for the Ingathering fund.

The last week has been a busy one in the conference in the starting of our church schools. Nine of our schools are now in operation, and the others will be in a short time. Reports are not in so we are not informed as to the strength of the attendance for the year.

Attention is being called to the Harvest Ingathering work throughout the conference. The conference laborers are to assist the churches in planning for the work. Already a schedule has been made out so that every church will have some assistance.

Our young people's secretaries will be on the lookout for the funds that are collected by the young people. It counts on our goal and on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Not only assist in the Ingathering, but keep track of the amounts that should be accredited to your society.

Prof. J. W. Rich met with the church at Sacramento last Sabbath in the

interests of the school work. While there eight persons resolved to take the senior reading course this coming season. Others are not debarred, by their doing so. Really, why do you not take the course?

Some good orders are coming into the office for school books. Our church schools are on the high way to success. Are your children going to be in one of these schools this year? If not, why not?

Conference Office, September 17.

### CALIFORNIA Conference Items

Sabbath, September 18, four were buried with their Lord in baptism by Pastor J. W. McCord at Laguna Street church, San Francisco.

The large effort being held in the tent at Fourteenth and Franklin Streets, Oakland, will close Sunday night, October 3. The results thus far from this effort are most encouraging. Pastor J. W. McCord baptized 17 Sabbath, September 4; in the forenoon service Sabbath, the 18th, Pastor C. E. Ford baptized 9, and the afternoon of the same date Pastor R. S. Fries baptized 17. Nearly all of these are becoming members of the Oakland church. Some, however, are joining the Fruitvale and Richmond churches.

On Sabbath, September 18, the writer met with the Laguna Street church in San Francisco and with the church council following the service. In this meeting the following plans were laid for the Harvest Ingathering campaign with the *Signs of the Times*: First, all church members, old and young, are to have a part. Second, they plan to use an average of ten papers per member. Third, they are making a large chart containing 216 squares (their church membership) at \$1.54 per square, and as the funds come in from week to week, they will mark off the amount in squares. Fourth, they will district the territory, and have a campaign of one or more days till the desired goal is reached. Fifth, the church school will be closed one day and the children given an opportunity to help in the Harvest Ingathering work. Sixth, a committee was appointed to draft a letter to wealthy friends, this to be copied by each individual church member and sent to those whom they know. Seventh, that persons of experience visit their

business friends, and solicit from them. Eighth, that an amount equal to \$1.54 per member be raised by the church before the campaign is closed. What a grand thing it would be if all the churches in the California Conference would organize their Harvest Ingathering campaign in the substantial way that the Laguna Street church has done!

H. B. THOMAS.

## CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

### Items of Interest

Elder E. H. Adams came to Fresno this week to take up work in this place.

Remember the Harvest Ingathering work. Plan to have a part in it. Let us all lift.

One person united with the Fresno church last Sabbath on profession of faith and former baptism.

The Porterville tent company held their first meeting last Friday evening. We understand that the tent was crowded, many had to stand up, and others went away for lack of room.

Elder J. N. Loughborough spoke in the Fresno church last Sabbath. There was a large attendance. His instructions on the manifestations of the gift of prophecy and the providence of God in connection with the rise and progress of this movement were much appreciated.

Harvest Ingathering papers have been mailed to every church, together with instruction leaflets and solicitor's cards. Should anyone fail to receive them, write to our office at once. Let everyone take hold of this work in earnest. We must all do our best. Heaven expects us to do our duty. Let us hear from you.

### Special Meeting

The Lord willing, Elder J. N. Loughborough will be at Armona Sabbath, October 2, and will speak to our people in the forenoon and also in the afternoon. He expects to speak on the gift of prophecy as manifested through Mrs. E. G. White. We believe it will not only be interesting, but very instructive. It would be well if a goodly number from the surrounding churches could attend these meetings.

September 24. N. P. NEILSEN,

Pres. Central Cal. Conf.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Definite Responsibility

For the remainder of this year definite responsibility has been assigned ministers and others in labor for the churches. The conference committee has invited the following persons to take charge of the churches opposite their names:

J. H. Miller and J. R. Dieffenbacher—San Luis Obispo and Arroyo Grande.

E. A. Brown—Santa Barbara and Ventura.

J. F. Blunt—Fillmore.

F. R. Shaeffer—Sawtelle and Santa Monica.

B. E. Beddoe—Watts.

S. Swinson—Edendale.

H. H. Johnson—Inglewood.

F. I. Richardson—Long Beach, Florence and Graham.

C. E. Andross—Glendora.

H. G. Lucas and H. S. Prener—San Fernando.

C. Castillo—Mexican.

G. A. Snyder—Carr Street and Pomona.

Dr. V. H. Lucas—Pasadena.

Dr. A. Parsons—Vermont Avenue and Boyle Heights.

A. Ritchie—Whittier and Rivera.

G. A. Rauleder—Los Angeles, German.

I. C. Colcord—Glendale.

B. M. Emerson—Eastside.

J. L. Ireland—Furlong.

C. Lowry—Gardena, Norwalk and Artesia.

C. F. Marvin—San Pedro and Burbank.

Dr. B. L. Dieffenbacher—Southside.

These workers are asked by the committee to take a special watchcare over the churches assigned them. They will work and plan with the local elders for the Sabbath-day services, the Harvest Ingathering campaign, the Week of Prayer services, the twenty-cent-a-week fund and all the regular as well as special interests of the church work.

Our first duty is to organize for the Harvest Ingathering campaign. This organization should be perfected by Sabbath, October 2. The campaign begins October 3. Let every believer be lined up for service. This is the definite responsibility which has been placed upon these workers.

B. E. BEDDOE,

Pres. S. Cal. Conf.

"Things cannot be expected to turn up of themselves. We must, in a measure, assist to turn them up."

## SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA Huntington Beach Camp-meeting

The first camp-meeting in the Southeastern California Conference was held at Huntington Beach, August 26 to September 5. The buildings, grounds and tents belonging to the Huntington Beach Tent City were secured for the meeting. From the first it was manifest that this was to be a good sized meeting. Two or three days before the opening date people began to arrive. This continued till more than 275 tents were filled. The weather during the meeting was ideal. Throughout, there was an earnest spirit of seeking the Lord on the part of the campers. One pleasing feature was the large number who attended the early morning meeting, both in the auditorium and at the young people's tent. A number of laborers were present from abroad who rendered efficient help and brought a blessing to the meeting. Many times it was remarked by those in attendance that this was the best camp-meeting they had ever attended. A sweet spirit of cooperation and Christian love as well as earnest seeking the Lord was manifest on the ground. Two baptismal services were held at which thirty-four persons were baptized. While the outside attendance was not large, yet a deep interest was manifested on the part of a number and a most excellent impression made on the people of the town. A worker was left at Huntington Beach to follow up the interest. Since camp-meeting a good Sabbath-school has been organized. We feel very thankful for the good blessing of the Lord upon our camp-meeting.

W. F. MARTIN.

What a grand thing it would be if the menace of war could be destroyed! Will it be done eventually? Efforts to that end are being energetically put forth by many noble men and women. Sound doctrine on this much discussed question will be found in the November *Signs Magazine*.

Incredible, isn't it, that ministers of the gospel of love and peace should be among those who give it as their opinion that war against the Turks is justifiable? Under the title, "The Battle of Armageddon," in the *Signs Magazine* for November, consideration of what this would mean to the world is fully set forth. Another reason why you should get a copy of that magazine.

## MISSIONARY

### Attention

What are the children and young people in your church reading? How many church elders and Sabbath-school superintendents can answer that question? The question of reading should not be left entirely for the parents to wrestle with. It is sufficiently important to merit the studious attention of every church officer and every church member who is interested in the salvation of the children and youth.

You cannot love young people and be indifferent to their reading; for reading is one of the strongest influences for good or ill in the life of a young person. If you love your young friends, you will be doing all that you can to interest them in reading that will help to fortify them against the temptations about them, and help them to be strong, earnest Christians. The Missionary Volunteer department wishes to cooperate with you in giving our children and youth a desire for good wholesome reading, in supplying them with good books at the lowest cost, and in reading them systematically during spare moments.

The missionary volunteer reading courses conducted by the department begin about October 1. The books may be obtained from your tract society. If you have a missionary volunteer society, will you not help its officers to obtain the largest possible enrollment! Let as many older people take the courses as possible for the encouragement of the children and young people. If you have not a missionary volunteer society, will you not write to the conference missionary volunteer secretary for information, and lead out in this important work?

The books in both courses should have a place in your church or missionary volunteer library, and so far as possible one or both sets should be in the library of every home. The books in the junior course cost \$1.75, postpaid. Those in the senior course can be obtained for \$2.35, postpaid.

Do not let any child that is in your church, old enough to appreciate the junior course, miss it. If a child is too small to comprehend the books alone, urge the parents to read them with him. What a rare opportunity to give a child early in life a taste for good

reading! The first book in the junior course is a thrilling story about Livingstone's work in Africa; the second acquaints the reader with the children of the Bible; and the last book will cause every boy and girl who reads it to take a new interest in nature and learn many things from this wonderful lesson book. No junior can afford to miss this excellent series.

The senior course is equally important. The first book in the course is one of the most interesting and urgent appeals for India that ever came to our American youth. The second book unearths to one the false foundation on which Sunday-keeping rests, and equips one with historical facts concerning the observance of the true Sabbath in the early Christian era, through the dark ages, and down to the present century. The third book is the story of the man who had courage to declare in the face of the ridicule of the world his belief in the soon return of our Lord. Let not one young person within the sphere of your influence fail to read these books if you can interest him in them.

### Tracts

Our people will be interested to know that our tracts are undergoing a thorough revision. Every tract is being carefully examined, the clear comprehensive ones are being retained, others are being revised, and new ones are being prepared. Soon we expect to have the finest list of tracts ever published, covering all points of truth, and providing something to meet the questions which are commonly asked in regard to this message.

This is one side of the question. But what use will the finest tracts be if they lay on the shelves of the publishing houses?

During the first six months of 1915, the sale of tracts have been less in a great part of the North American Division territory than they were in the first half of 1914. As tracts have proved to be one of the most fruitful kinds of literature in bringing souls to a knowledge of the truth, it is a serious matter for the circulation of them to be lessened.

If every church member would plan to circulate an average of one tract a day for the rest of this year, it would bring about a large increase in the sale of tracts all through the field. One tract a day—who could not do that? The cost would average from ten cents to two dollars a quarter, according to

the size of the tracts used. This would be no heavy burden on anyone, yet it would circulate more than three times as many tracts as have ever been used in the same length of time in this field.

Why not buy one hundred tracts and go fishing for souls with them?

E. M. GRAHAM.

## MISCELLANY

FOR SALE.—Treatment rooms. Business well established. Sanitarium doctor attends once a month. Write for particulars to Box 146, Glendale. 3-8.

FOR SALE.—155-acre relinquishment in Honey Lake Valley, Lassen Co., Cal. In 40 or 80 acre tracts; with or without improvements. Address E. M. Glass, Stacy, Cal. 8-11.

WANTED.—Good Christian girl who is interested in sanitarium work. Experience not absolutely necessary. Address 726 E. Adams Street, Los Angeles Cal. 8-9

WANTED.—A child to board. Anyone wishing to find an Adventist home in which to board a child where he can have good church and church school privileges please write to Box 52, Glen Ellen, Cal. 7-8

WANTED.—Address of any individual in Huntington Beach, who has become interested in the truth by attending the recent camp-meeting held here. Please send name and address to O. O. Tichenor, Huntington Beach, Cal.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Five acres; improved; three miles from Mt. Vernon, Wash.; near Forest Home Academy. Will sell or trade for property near Lodi Academy. Will take a good second-hand automobile as part payment. For particulars, address John Schoenwald, Acampo, Cal. 6-8

FOR SALE.—Alfalfa honey, light color and fine flavor. Five-gallon cans f. o. b. station, \$3.50. One-gallon cans by parcel post, first and second zones, \$1.10, one-half gallon, 65 cents, postpaid; other zones add additional postage. Address, M. S. Dickinson, Ingomar, Cal. 2-28-16

WANTED.—Stenographer who will take more than ordinary interest in the work. Prefer Sabbath-keepers. Good church here. Could use Sunday-keepers

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**Obituaries**

**ADAMS.**—May A. Booton, born in Virginia, June 22, 1833, died August 27, 1915, at Healdsburg, Cal. In early life she moved to Sigourney, Iowa, where she was married to Jacob L. Adams. Here a family of seven children were reared, and here also the message found her in the '50's, thus being one of the pioneers.

In 1883 they came to California, her husband dying in 1907. Of the seven children, four are left to mourn, two daughters, Mrs. Alice Smith, and Mrs. Rose Jurd, at Healdsburg, Cal., two sons, James at Greenfield, Iowa, and Asa at Montrose, Colo.

Services were conducted by the writer at the home of Mrs. Jurd in Healdsburg. M. A. HOLLISTER.

**JOHNSON.**—Archie Benjamin Johnson, the fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, was born at St. Edwards, Neb., June 15, 1897, and died at his home in Armona, Cal., August 24, 1915.

His death is the first in the family, and is mourned by father, mother, four brothers and two sisters. At twelve years of age, he came with the family to Armona. Here they purchased the home of Mrs. E. C. Gray, where they have since resided. From his birth, Archie was surrounded by the influences of a Christian home. At the age of sixteen he was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. To the day of his death, he held to the faith of this people. During his sickness, he was careful to make every possible wrong right. A few dollars tithe remained unpaid. He especially requested his father to place this in the

treasury. So far as human mind can measure, he will meet his Master with a clear record. Like a tired child at close of day, he fell asleep in perfect confidence that he would come forth at the first resurrection, clothed with immortality, to look upon the face of his blessed Redeemer.

“So live that when thy summons comes to join  
The innumerable caravan which moves  
To that mysterious realm where each shall take  
His chamber in the silent halls of death,  
Thou go not, like the quarry slave, at night,  
Scourged to his dungeon, but sustained  
and soothed  
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave  
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch  
About him and lies down to pleasant dreams.”  
B. L. HOWE.

**REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 17, 1915**

California					
W. Nelson	P.G.	33	10	\$2.00	\$38.00
Northwestern California					
M.A. Reese	B.R.	32½	4	\$.45	\$12.45
E. Aubrey Brown	B.R., P.G.	56		9.00	34.50
2 Agents		88½	4	\$9.45	\$46.95
Northern California					
G.H. Barbee	B.R.	31	10	\$ 5.75	\$ 37.75
Mrs. M. L. Barbee	B.R.	14	5	2.50	20.50
Mrs. G.M. Price†	B.R.	60	8	22.40	46.40
F.A. Johnson	G.C.	1	1		3.00
† 2 weeks. 4 Agents		106	24	\$30.65	\$107.65

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	SIGNS	HEALTH-TEMP	WATCHMAN	PROTESTANT	LIBERTY	TEMP. INST	CHINESE	JAPANESE	SPANISH	EDUCATION	GERMAN	LIFE-BOAT	ITALIAN
Miss Lydia Johnson			235										235
Mrs. Lamb	200		50										250
Mrs. Groves	100												100
Mrs. Wetzell	44	36	72		3								155
Miss Cushman	262	21	133		14								430
Mr. Rasmussen	8	4	56	22									90
Mrs. Barnes Myers	85	10											95
H. P. Lovejoy	20		20										40
Mrs. O. A. Adams	75	5	50										130
Ruth Crane						200							200
Mrs. Anna Grose	150												150
Sanitarium church	319												319
Alpha Newgard	35		45										80
R. Blackwood	10	2		5									17
J. R. Reed	45	5											50
M. M. Hust	15												15
H. A. Kenison	18	2											20
W. B. Tucker	20		100										120
	1406	85	761	27	17		200						2496

D. R. SPERRY, Tract Soc. Sec'y.



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1915

This being the last issue of the RECORDER prior to the beginning of the Harvest Ingathering campaign, I take this opportunity of calling the attention of all who are interested in the progress of this message to the great necessity of every one doing his utmost to gather in funds for the prosecution of this blessed work. The decision of the judgment in your case will not depend as much upon the great things that you have done as upon your faithfulness in the performance of the little things that come to you day by day, and upon your readiness to respond to the call of duty at such a time as this.

In some cases sickness or enfeebled health may prevent active labor in the campaign, but you can, even in such cases, encourage others to go. You can also pray for those who go, and you may be able to send through the mail copies of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* to friends, with a request that they help in this good work by forwarding to you a liberal contribution. Do you want to hear from the lips of the Saviour the words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant?" If so, do your best just now.

Soon the opportunity of helping on the \$150,000 fund will be past. Have you had any part in this good work? If not, you should seek an opportunity of helping to raise the full amount of this fund. About \$132,000 has been subscribed, leaving about \$18,000 still to be raised before Jan. 1, 1916. Let every member of the church have some part in this work ere it is too late.

E. E. A.

"The Sun of Righteousness has risen upon the church, and it is the duty of the church to shine."

## A Few Mission Facts and Figures

Our list of outgoing missionaries in 1914 was not quite so large as in 1913, one hundred and three, not including the children, being sent to distant fields; while during the years 1901-1914 inclusive, 1267 missionaries were sent out.

Seventh-day Adventists were supporting in foreign fields, outside the United States and Canada, at the close of 1913, 2884 missionaries. These are all engaged in evangelistic work, as ministers, Bible workers, and colporteurs.

The total income from all sources last year for missions, received by our Mission Board treasurer, amounted to \$614,877.23. This does not include mission money received by the European Division treasury, nor the Australasian Union field, for carrying on missions under their direction.

For the twenty-five years up to and including 1911, the offerings to missions in our Sabbath-schools totaled a trifle over one million dollars; while from January 1, 1912, to December 31, 1914, the offerings amounted to \$1,945,495.95.

The largest offering for any object by our Sabbath-schools upon one day, was made Sabbath, December 26, the next day after Christmas, 1914, when \$21,792.06 was given to missions.

One hundred thirty periodicals are issued by the denomination; while publications of all kinds, including books and tracts, are printed in eighty-seven different languages, in its work throughout the world.

The following list of five Protestant denominations shows the number of foreign missionaries supported by each in strictly mission territory, in what are termed non-Christian and non-Protestant countries, as listed by all mission boards:

Presbyterians .....	1155
Methodists .....	844
Baptists .....	697
Congregationalists .....	611
Seventh-day Adventists .....	599

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Many of us know what "Questions and Answers" is—a most interesting and helpful cloth bound book of almost 300 pages and over 250 answers to the most perplexing and difficult questions on Bible texts and subjects.

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## Arizona Conference Corporation Legal Meeting

According to adjournment the next meeting of the Arizona Conference Corporation will be held at Phoenix, Ariz., Monday, October 11, 1915, at 10 A.M., for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

J. ERNEST BOND, *President*.

## Arizona Conference S. D. A. Annual Meeting

The fourteenth annual session of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in Phoenix, Ariz., October 7 to 17, 1915, to transact any business pertaining to the work in the field. The first business meeting will convene 9 A.M., Friday, October 8.

J. ERNEST BOND, *Pres.*

CLAUDE CONARD, *Sec'y.*

## Camp-meeting Announcement

Arizona, October 7 to 17.