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Portion of a Letter Written by Elder A. G. Daniells, Feb- ruary 10, 1916

At the South Lancaster Academy during the week of prayer, Brother Sanderson told me of a great burden that pressed upon his heart to hold some public meetings in Portland. He said that they had been trying to follow out the instruction of the Testimonies regarding the work in that city and in the state of Maine, and that as far as they had gone in the matter, the Lord had signally blessed them, but he said that they had not gone as far as the Testimonies indicated they should. As he read the counsel he understood that they ought to make a special effort for the people of Portland, and he felt that the only way they could carry out that instruction would be to secure a good hall and endeavor to get before the public in a strong way.

He pressed me very hard to join them in this public effort, promising that if I would do so they would take the city hall and do everything in their power to secure a large attendance. He told me that this was one of the finest civic buildings in the United States; that it had one of the best pipe organs in the

world, and one of the acknowledged organists of the world. He was so urgent that I promised I would deliver the addresses if he would work up the attendance.

As soon as he returned to Portland, he took the matter up with Brother Carr, and they engaged the hall for January 23, 26 and 30. This gave us two Sunday nights and a Wednesday meeting. Then they went to work to advertise the meetings. They placed everything on a high plane. Their advertisements in the daily papers were good. The large cardboards that they placed in the shop windows were neat and creditable. The folders they sent out were good. Sister Morton, who is well known in Portland, sent out a general letter of invitation to her personal friends, and to others who knew her by reputation. In fact, they did everything they knew how in the very best way they possibly could. Then they sought the Lord most earnestly for divine help. The Sabbath before the first meeting they observed in Portland as a day of fasting and prayer.

At our first meeting there were about eighteen hundred people present. All of these, except about one hundred fifty of our own people, were persons not accustomed to attending our services. Everything went off well. Mr. McFarland, the organist, was very cordial, and did his best for us. It so happened that he was a choir boy under Professor Dexter of South Lancaster, thirty years ago. He got his first lessons in music from Brother Dexter. It was a great pleasure to these men to meet each other on this occasion. Professor Dexter rendered one of the best solos I ever heard him sing. Our collection was a little more than \$100. Everything passed off without a hitch,

and I judge the people went away pleased with the service.

While the Portland brethren felt a great burden for a large attendance, my burden was that the Lord would speak to the hearts of the people, and cause them to think. I prayed that they might think seriously after leaving the meeting, so that they would in some way be led to follow the matter up.

The next day Brother Sanderson received a telephone call from one of the business men, who asked if I would be willing to address the Business Men's Club that evening. I felt some hesitation about doing so, as I was not accustomed to speaking to that class of men in such a place, but I told Brother Sanderson that I would be glad to tell them about the educational, commercial and political awakening in India and China. He went down to see the parties who called him up, and when he told them the subject I proposed to speak on, they said that it was their desire that I should repeat the lecture I had given in the hall the night before. The editor of the *Evening Press* said that Mr. McFarland had been telling them of the rational and satisfactory solution I had given regarding the meaning of the great war now going on in Europe, and that they would be glad if I would repeat this to them. Of course I complied with their request.

I supposed that there would probably be forty or fifty men at the club, but when I arrived and went into the dining room, I found 250 men present. These were the merchants, bankers, lawyers, doctors, dentists, architects, and other business and professional men of the city. I had never met such a large company of the leading men of a city before. During the dinner I had a pleasant chat with the mayor, and

with the editor of one of the dailies. I found them very pleasant gentlemen indeed.

Strange to say, I greatly enjoyed addressing this gathering of men. When the chairman called the meeting to order, none left the room. All swung around in their chairs and gave me the closest attention. I devoted about two-thirds of my time to the political and historical side of the question; then I told them that I wanted to talk from the Bible standpoint. At this point their interest seemed to deepen. I told them that I did not know whether they took stock in the old Book or not, but assured them that I had unbounded confidence in the inspiration and divine origin of the Bible.

I told them that I believed that there was the closest possible connection between the prophetic outlines of that Book and the historical accounts given regarding the leading nations that had come and gone, and that I believed the present world struggle had been foretold by the ancient seers. Then I sketched the eleventh of Daniel from the Persian Empire down to the present situation in the near East. They followed me with the closest attention. The most of them were very familiar with the history to which I referred, and I could see that they were giving mental assents to the positions I was taking. When I came to the point of the removal of Turkey from Constantinople, the stillness in the room could fairly be felt. That is the way it seemed to Brother Sanderson and me. And it continued while I explained to them the statements of the prophet regarding the standing up of Michael, the time of trouble, and the deliverance of the people of God.

I shall never forget the splendid attention and the deep interest manifested by these men. I enjoyed the utmost freedom in addressing them. I felt no reserve whatever. I can not help but believe that the angel of the Lord stood by me. Really it was one of the most remarkable meetings I have ever held. At the close many came and thanked me for the address. A large number said that this was the most reasonable explanation of the present world-situation they had ever heard.

This meeting with the business men greatly pleased our brethren and sisters and made quite an impression in the city. On Wednesday night we had a congregation of about 1200 which was

excellent for the conservative people of Portland on a week night. The second Sunday night was a rather wet night. The people came with their umbrellas, but the attendance was almost as large as the first Sunday night. Looking at the audience from the platform I could not see any difference, but we could tell by a few empty chairs in the back part of the hall that there were perhaps two or three hundred less, but it was really a better audience in quality than we had the first Sunday night. The interest was deep. At the close of the service, a large number left their names and addresses, so that we might send them copies of the lectures when they are printed. Many purchased copies of the "World's Crisis." A letter just received from Brother Carr tells me that they have been receiving letters during the week from all parts of the city, containing names and addresses for the lecture, and ordering copies of the "World's Crisis." He also tells me that they are now planning for me to give two more lectures there. I was very sorry when our series that we had planned closed, that it was not possible for me to remain a month, holding meetings in the city. I believe we could have kept our audience, and I am sure it would have meant a great deal to the cause.

Now I hope I have not wearied you with this long account of the meetings in Maine, but I felt that you would be glad to get the details as I am able to give them. Our brethren and sisters in the old state are thoroughly aroused. After the first Sunday night some of the old believers came a hundred miles from their churches to attend the Wednesday and Sunday night meetings. They contributed freely to the support of the meetings. One brother said that he would stand by it if it took the last cow from his barn. It is really a wonderful work that is going on in the old state of Maine. The Lord is working for His people. A. G. DANIELLS.

"Strengthen the Hands of the Builders"

A Notable Meeting in Connection With the Founding of the Los Angeles Hospital and Dispensary

Some time ago there came to our medical missionaries the message that their hearts must be "knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgment of the mystery of God."

And again it was written that "the medical missionary work is sick, and needs the restoring power of the great Healer, before it can accomplish a work in harmony with His name."

A number of those engaged in our medical work have been led of late to realize more and more the truths contained in both of the above messages. Especially has this been true in Southern California, where there are probably more Seventh-day Adventist physicians gathered together than within any other radius of similar size elsewhere in the world. Many of these are not connected with our institutions, but are engaged in private practise.

Part of the work of the junior and all of the work of the senior classes of the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists is done in the city of Los Angeles. The instruction, to a very great extent, is given by these Seventh-day Adventist physicians, who support themselves by their private practise, and donate their services as teachers to our medical college.

Very shortly after it had been decided by the fall council at Loma Linda that the denomination would do all in its power to put the College of Medical Evangelists on its feet, and that to the Seventh-day Adventist women there should be given a commission to raise the \$61,000 for the building and equipment of a hospital and dispensary in the city of Los Angeles, an informal meeting of the Seventh-day Adventist physicians and dentists practising in Southern California was called.

This gathering convened in the office of one of our doctors in one of the principal office buildings in the city. Although the call had only been issued a couple of days beforehand, some thirty-five were present. This was a far larger attendance than those responsible for the call had dared to expect, and caused a feeling of courage and joy to pervade the assembly from the beginning.

Dr. Newton Evans, president of the College of Medical Evangelists, was chosen chairman, and the meeting opened with an earnest season of prayer. After this Doctor Evans related the divine providences which had been so manifest at the council at Loma Linda in regard to the medical school. He told of the deep perplexity of the brethren concerning the heavy indebtedness resting upon the institution,—how many feared it would be impossible

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FIELD TIDINGS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Conference Items

Elder T. H. Watson has been laboring at Concow, near Yankee Hill. He writes that "Souls are deciding for the truth."

The work is onward in the Northern California Conference. Since January 1 meetings have been held in Stockton, Placerville, Concow, and in other places.

Elder N. W. Kauble has opened meetings at Placerville. This is where one of our oldest churches in California was organized. The interest is good, and the prospects are encouraging. Brother Marion King has been assisting him.

Elder A. J. Osborne has labored in Sacramento this winter. His wife has found it necessary to leave her work for a time on account of her health, and is at the St. Helena Sanitarium. She has been doing well, and expects, with the Lord's blessing, to soon be in the field again.

About fifty have commenced to keep the Sabbath in our conference since January 1. We are glad that this is so. We have set no goal, but, with the Lord's guidance, we will do our best. One sister writes that at a popular revival effort, six have signified their intention to unite with the Seventh-day Adventists. At another place, "four are ready for baptism." Our people can do a great deal for those around them. Every soul has a place in the work.

Elder A. S. Booth's meetings in Stockton, have been well attended. The message has been given clear and plain, and a number have accepted. One great hindrance that turns many away under self-condemnation is, Where can we get work? Faith is tried, and with many, it fails, and they turn away. This will likely become more and more a testing question as we come to the close of the message. About thirty have signified their intention to keep the Sabbath. Elder George Sims has been with Elder Booth, but has not taken part in the public speaking. He has visited, assisted in the meetings, and carried a very necessary part.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Items

Talk the truth to others, and you will have less time to talk about others.

Two families living at Hardwick have united into a little family Sabbath school.

We are glad to report that Brother Roy Brown is improving after an operation for appendicitis.

Brother F. E. Painter is spending a few days in our conference in the interest of the book work.

We are glad to report that five persons were baptized by Elder E. H. Adams at Fresno Sabbath, February 26.

Let us keep our missionary fires burning brightly. We will grow spiritually cold if they burn low.

A missionary convention has been planned for Fresno, Sabbath and Sunday, March 11 and 12. We hope for a good attendance.

Elder J. R. Patterson baptized two persons at Rolinda last Sabbath. There are others at this place whom we hope will ere long follow their Saviour in this ordinance.

Our Sabbath School Worker subscription list is increasing. Teachers are beginning to realize the value of this help. Almost all our teachers now have this valuable magazine.

Remember that our conference goal for missions this year is \$13,863.20. You will be interested to know how much has been received on this to date. We will let you know from time to time. Talk about it. Watch for it.

The little family Sabbath school at Badger is so much interested in our missionary work, that the spirit has become contagious and outsiders have given \$9.30 to our missionary work, and have also pledged themselves to send a native woman of India to school for one year.

A sub-district Sunday school convention was held at Winton Wednesday, March 1, in which different churches were represented by their ministers or superintendents. By invitation, Sister Lida Ackley presented a paper on "The Point of View in Teaching God's Word." The paper was much appreciated and was well received by the convention. March 3. N. P. NEILSEN.

CALIFORNIA

List of Those Pledging on Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund for 1916

Per Week

\$1.00: Elders J. L. McElhany, C. E. Ford, R. S. Fries, A. Brorsen and James Taphouse; B. M. Shull, Mrs. Vesta J. Farnsworth, C. O. Erickson, S. S. Barnard, Peter Nelson, Mrs. Elsie M. Cople.

50 cents: H. B. Thomas, Miss Celia Green, D. R. Sperry, Miss Ida B. Hudson, Mrs. Ada LaFrance, L. C. Nelson, Mrs. E. E. Parlin, Mrs. M. E. Tarver, Mrs. G. H. Soilora, Harry I. Smith, Mrs. L. M. French, M. Ella Beddoe, Mrs. L. C. Nelson.

25 cents: Mrs. E. L. Williams, C. C. Morlan, Edith M. Barnes, Bulah Williams, Miss Emily Dobbs, George A. Johnson, William E. Barber, James Harvey, Ochiro Nomura, S. Inoguchi, Y. Watanabe. Atsugi Okado, Mrs. F. M. Grimmett, Mrs. Mary E. Hawley, Ernest E. Beddoe, Will H. Spicer, Mrs. Geo. A. Johnson.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Items

Dr. B. L. Dieffenbacher is preaching Sunday evenings at Boyle Heights church.

Elder A. Ritchie reports about twenty-five Sabbath-keepers now at Whittier.

Elder and Sister J. F. Blunt and Sister Edna J. Calkins are this week opening meetings at Redondo Beach.

Our secretary, Brother B. M. Emerson, has been in the northern part of the state the past month assisting Brother Conard in auditing.

Brother H. A. Hebard, our field missionary secretary spoke last Sabbath at the Boyle Heights church. At the close of the meeting the members ordered 125 copies of the pamphlet, "Armageddon."

Each Sunday evening the hall in which meetings are being held on Central Avenue is crowded to the limit of its capacity. That means over 200. The week night services are also well attended. Elder Scott and his co-workers are courageous and hopeful.

Last week Elder E. A. Brown was visiting with Brother J. R. Dieffenbacher in San Luis Obispo County. They are planning their summer's campaign.

They will probably hold meetings this season in both Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

The Bible and health institute is arousing a good interest. Meetings are held Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Among those assisting in the public work this week are, Elders G. A. Snyder and J. O. Corliss, Doctors H. F. Rand, D. D. Comstock and B. E. Fuller and Brother E. G. Fulton. Demonstrations of simple home treatments and the preparation of healthful appetizing food as presented in these meetings adds very much to the interest. The Los Angeles visiting nurses of the Glendale Sanitarium are also working in connection with the institute. This work is being conducted at Central Park Hall, 417 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

B. E. BEDDOE.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA Paradise Valley Items

The sanitarium has a good patronage.

Prof. R. B. Thurber and family from Burma are with us for a few weeks. Sister Thurber is a patient at the sanitarium.

Prof. I. C. Colcord gave a good lesson on the work of the church school last Sabbath. In the afternoon two were baptized by Elder Sharp.

Last year we collected for Harvest Ingathering \$137. This year we set a goal of \$2.50 per member making our total \$250. Some of the members wrote letters, and one letter brought a check for \$25, another \$5.00. We passed our goal and collected \$253. We could not have secured so much if we had not set a mark, and with the blessing of the Lord worked to that end.

B. E. TEFFT.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Sunday Closing and Postal Regulations

Thinking our people in the Pacific Union Conference will be interested in the Sunday bill recently introduced into the Senate of the United States by Senator Works of California, we are having it printed in this issue of the RECORDER. This was introduced Dec. 7, 1915, just a few days after the Sen-

ate convened in the sixty-fourth congress.

We are also having published a copy of the bill introduced by Mr. Buchanan of Illinois, in the House of Representatives.

The petitions attached to the "Free Press and Religious Liberty Extra" of the magazine *Liberty* are in opposition to the passage of these measures. It is to be hoped that all our people will send for a good supply of this *Liberty* extra, and circulate the petitions at once, and send them in to Congress. It would be well to send the petition against the Sunday bill introduced into the Senate to Senator Jas. D. Phelan, addressing him Senate Chamber, Capitol Bldg., Washington, D. C. Those that go to the House of Representatives should be sent to the representative from the territory in which each petitioner lives. The representatives who go from the territory of each of the California conferences are as follows:

California Conference: Julius Kahn, John I. Nolan, J. A. Elston, Everis A. Hayes.

Central California Conference: Denver S. Church.

Northern California Conference: John E. Raker, C. F. Curry.

Northwestern California Conference: William Kent.

Southern California Conference: Charles H. Randall, William D. Stephens.

Southeastern California Conference: William Kettner.

You will find also below a copy of the bill introduced by Mr. Fitzgerald of New York, entitled "A Bill to Amend the Postal Laws." This really brings about an abridgement of the freedom of the press, and if passed by Congress would endanger the circulation of our literature giving the truths of the message.

You will find also a blank petition against this measure in the *Liberty* extra. This should be circulated at once, and returned to the congressman from your district. We should be faithful in this, my brethren and sisters, and do all that we can to preserve the liberty of ourselves and our neighbors and friends, and to enlighten them on the principles of the message. I trust the Lord may bless you in this work.

In the Senate of the United States

Mr. Works introduced the following bill, which was read twice and referred to the committee on the District of Columbia.

A BILL

To provide for the closing of barber shops in the District of Columbia on Sunday.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person to open or allow to be opened or carry on business in any barbershop or place where the business of shaving, hair cutting, shampooing, or the like shall be conducted on Sunday in the District of Columbia; and any person or persons who shall violate the provisions of this act upon conviction shall pay a fine of not exceeding \$20, or in default thereof be imprisoned not exceeding sixty days, and for a second offense shall be imprisoned not exceeding sixty days.

In the House of Representatives

Mr. Keating introduced the following bill, which was referred to the committee on the District of Columbia and ordered to be printed.

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In the House of Representatives

Mr. Siegel introduced the following bill, which was referred to the committee on the postoffice and post roads and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

To amend the postal laws.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever a complaint in writing shall be filed with the Postmaster General that any publication making use of or being sent through the mails con-

tains any article therein which tends to expose any race, creed, or religion to either hatred, contempt, ridicule or obloquy, he shall forthwith cause an investigation to be made under his direction and shall within twenty days after receipt of such complaint, if the facts contained therein are true, make an order forbidding the further use of the mails to any such publication, but nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent the Postmaster General from restoring such use of the mails to any such publication whenever it shall be established to his satisfaction that the publication has ceased to print or publish such prohibited matter and given him satisfactory assurances in writing that there will be no further repetition of the same.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever it shall be established to the satisfaction of the Postmaster General that any person is engaged, or represents himself to be engaged, in the business of publishing any obscene or immoral books, pamphlets, pictures, prints, engravings, lithographs, photographs, or other publications, matter, or thing of an indecent, immoral or scurrilous character, and if such person shall, in the opinion of the Postmaster General, endeavor to use the postoffice for the promotion of such business, it is hereby declared that no letter, packet, parcel, newspaper, book, or other thing sent or sought to be sent through the postoffice by or on behalf of or to or on behalf of such person shall be deemed mailable matter, and the Postmaster General shall make the necessary rules and regulations to exclude such non-mailable matter from the mails.

W. F. MARTIN,
Sec. Pac. Rel. Lib. Assn.

World Federation

Six separate bills have been introduced in Congress for the purpose of having the United States lead out in the formation of a world court, world congress, and a world army and navy, in other words, a world federation of all the nations. What would this mean? Is this a sign? See the April *Watchman*.

EDUCATIONAL

Pacific Union College Missionary Activities—No. 1

Harvest Ingathering

The goal—\$400—has been reached! Everybody at the college is happy over the success of the campaign. We are thankful for the leadership and substantial help given this effort by the members of the faculty. The campaign was conducted between October 20 and December 22, and, fortunately before the regular rainy weather began. The exact amount of Ingathering money reported last was \$400.70, but this sum will doubtless be increased by donations expected by some of the students who have solicited aid through correspondence.

Foreign Missionary Band

This band was organized with the others at the beginning of the school year early in September. It has a membership of seventy-six promising young men and women who have definitely volunteered for service in the fields abroad. Others expect to join. Elder R. F. Cottrell of China, Prof. A. E. Hall and Brother Floyd Ashbaugh are fostering this department of the work. The members meet on Sabbath afternoons and are taking up a definite, systematic study of missions and missionary problems. We believe, with Elder Geo. F. Enoch, who recently bade us farewell, that "the winter spent by this class in prayerful consideration of the work that remains to be done before Jesus comes, and the methods we must follow to accomplish it, will be blessed of God, and that the class will be a real factor in the finishing of the movement." Let us remember this band of earnest students and volunteers in prayer.

The Prayer Bands

The chief purpose of these bands is to develop the prayer-life among the students. We are glad to report that the interest in this phase of our movement, indeed the very heart of it, is growing constantly. Miss Willeta Maxson has charge of this work among the young ladies, and Brother Chester Hoff is the leader of the young men's prayer band work. A single prayer band usually has three or four members. These little bands have their daily meetings, the young men in their two dormitories

and the young ladies in their one large dormitory. On the Sabbath day there is a general meeting of the ladies' prayer bands, and one of the young men's directly following the church service and just before dinner. About forty young ladies are active workers in their prayer bands, and some fifty young men are earnestly working in their department. Without doubt these bands have been the strong factor in deepening the prayer-life of the students this year, and to this work also may be traced the conversions of many young people. In a recent missionary meeting 105 Morning Watch Calendars for 1916 were passed out to those who had ordered them before the holiday vacation. At this service thirty extra copies were requested. These calendars will, in addition to the personal help they carry, give uniformity of study and prayer in the daily prayer bands.

ERNEST LLOYD.

BOOK WORK

Colporteurs' Items

Optimism is the word that seems to fit the outlook for the colporteur work in the Pacific Union this spring. This seems to be the spirit of all. The trend is upward, and we believe that the work will continue to rise.

Brother Hebard writes of encouraging prospects in the southern part of the field, and an institute is to be held there in the immediate future, probably at Fernando Academy, at which both students and those outside the school will be given a training for the work. The writer will join Brother Hebard in this effort.

A lady from San Francisco called on Sister Pearson, and found her making a canvassing bag preparatory to entering the field. Upon asking for particulars she was shown "Great Controversy," and ordered one of the \$4.00 binding, and also a leather "Steps to Christ." It sometimes costs money to be inquisitive.

A colporteur entered a business place and soon found an interested listener in the proprietor. After describing the book, the colporteur asked, "Well, candidly and truthfully, what do you think of it?" The merchant replied, "Well, candidly and truthfully that is

what I have been wanting for years." Many people feel that way when they hear a discription of our good books.

"We are certainly thankful for the success our colporteurs are having this present month (February). Both Brother Nelson and Brother Reese have reported quite a number of orders taken. Brother Reese's orders are nearly all delivered C.O.D., and he has not had more than four books returned in the last six months. He receives a deposit on almost every order taken."

—D. R. Sperry.

From Brother Reese: "I am fighting the enemy hard to be faithful, and thus place myself in the right relation to God and man. Then His work will advance, and I will prosper also. Do not praise me for staying with the work. It is the constraining and impelling power of Christ that keeps me up. May the glory be to Him. He gives me courage, and comforts me in time of trial and need."

A six-passenger Ford—that is what Brother Myers' car proved to be when four colporteurs, Brother Davis and the writer drove from Fresno to Sanger and spent the day canvassing, Brother Davis and I dividing our time among the four. The day's effort netted ten good orders for "Bible Readings" and "Great Controversy." Not a large record, but enough to make us all happy as we drove home in the evening.

The new Inter-Mountain Conference is at last fully organized and ready for earnest work. They have placed Brother J. L. Sauder, who for some time has been field secretary of the Utah Conference, in charge of the colporteur work, and the new conference has started off the year with the highest record of subscription book orders for the month of January. It is possible that an institute will be held in that field in the near future, although plans for it are not yet completed.

Recently Professor Beardslee and Brother Myers when canvassing together took an order from a lady, who became so enthused over the value of the book that she went down the street ahead of them, calling upon the people and telling them that these men were coming with the best book they ever saw, that she had bought one, and they ought to do likewise. They found the people "all waiting for them," and the result was five orders in succession.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 11, 1916

AGENT	BOOK	HRS.	ORDS.	HELPS	VALUE	DELIVERED
Central California						
F. O. Jensen	P. G.	39	12	\$ 3.75	\$ 57.75	\$ 9.00
Ruth Strever	B. R.	31	1	2.15	5.15	
E. J. Woods	B. R.	18	2		7.00	6.00
Ivy Garner	B. R.	31	2		6.00	
C. W. Pettis	P. G.	25	3		14.50	
Myrtle Pettis		25		7.00	7.00	
Mrs. Grabert	G. C.	12	2	.75	6.75	
J. W. Beardslee	G. C.	20	3		9.00	
Bert T. Myers	B. R.	26	4		12.00	
J. V. Pierson	S. P.	6	1		1.50	
10 Agents		233	30	\$13.65	\$126.65	\$15.00

Northwestern California						
M. A. Reese*	B. R.	22	5	\$1.70	\$17.70	\$146.00
* Delivery, 4 weeks.						

Inter-Mountain *						
D. T. Snideman	B. R.	60	19	\$ 5.50	\$ 66.50	
J. L. Sauder	B. R.	20	6	4.60	26.60	
A. R. Robinson	B. R.	67	25	10.75	121.75	\$36.50
G. H. Hewitt	B. R.	62	23	15.00	105.00	3.75
*2 weeks. 4 Agents		209	73	\$35.85	\$319.85	\$40.25

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1916

California						
W. Nelson	P. G.	20	10		\$52.00	
Chas. Morton*	B. R.	54	6	\$10.50	28.50	
3 Weeks. 2 Agents		74	16	\$10.50	\$80.50	

Central California						
F. O. Jensen	P. G.	39	11		\$ 47.50	\$16.00
Ruth Strever	B. R.	30	3		9.00	4.95
Iva Garner	B. R.	29	2		6.00	3.40
E. J. Woods	B. R.	19	1	\$.20	4.20	
J. W. Beardslee	G. C.	34	8		27.00	
Bert Myers	B. R.	34	5	.75	15.75	
C. W. Pettis	P. G.	32	8		30.00	
7 Agents		217	38	\$.95	\$139.45	\$24.35

Northern California						
Geo. W. Winn	G. C.	49	19	\$ 12.75	\$ 71.75	
G. H. Barbee†	B. R.	51	17	13.50	81.00	
J. A. Pearson	G. C.	46	14	7.00	55.00	
Geo. W. Winn*	G. C.	9	4	3.00	19.00	
John G. Lea		23		4.75	4.75	
† 2 Wks. * 1 Day. 4 Agents		178	54	\$41.00	\$231.50	

Northwestern California						
M. A. Reese	B. R.	37½	15	\$14.00	\$59.00	

Southern California						
F. W. Ross	B. R.	20			\$30.00	
Totals for Union: 18 Agents		990½	231	\$117.65	\$1004.65	\$225.60

Brother Mathieson met a lady who said that she had no use for any church member or so-called Christian. He ask her what the word "Christian" meant. When she said she did not know, he told her it meant "Christ-like," and if people were not Christ-like, it would not make them Christians by being church members. Then he told her that Christ is soon coming, that we must get ready, and in a few words explained to her God's plan of redemption. Brother Mathieson writes: "I know God's angels were there, for, with tears in her eyes, she ordered a copy of 'Bible Readings,' and as she had no Bible, also gave an order for a

\$3.50 Bible. I never knew the blessing there is in God's work till I entered the colporteur field, and I pray that He may use me in this wonderful message."

Brother Abbott writes: "I started Brother Johnson in at Woodland last week, and left him feeling fine. I stayed with him three days. We secured advance payments and sold a number of helps. I certainly believe that he will develop into a good worker.

"Brother Winn has had a \$70.00 week, as you will see by last report. Brother Pearson's was \$16.00, but he writes that he made up for it last Sunday,

when he sold \$12.50 worth." Thus it looks as though books can be sold six days in the week instead of only five.

"The meetings at Stockton have demonstrated that if we follow up the faithful colporteur, there will be a harvest of souls. There are thirty-five new Sabbath-keepers and others coming all the time. A large number to whom we sold books were followed up by Bible workers, who held studies with them.

"I spoke to the company at the hall in Stockton. Gave a canvass to 400 people from the desk for 'Great Controversy' and for 'World's Crisis.' We have a large book display in the hall, and are selling a fine lot of books."

Please pray for our faithful colporteurs, and do not forget that " fervent, effectual prayer will do more for the circulation of our books than all the expensive embellishments in the world."

F. E. PAINTER.

MISCELLANY

WANTED.—Experienced blacksmith and horse-shoer, who has recently accepted the truth, wishes employment where he can keep the Sabbath. Address J. F. Wadsworth, 341 E. Lodi Ave., Lodi, Cal. 31-33

WANTED.—To trade a good lot and four-room house within fifty yards of boulevard and near church school in Long Beach for property near Loma Linda. Call or address 2076 Hollenbeck Drive, Los Angeles, Cal., corner St. Louis Street. 31-32

FOR SALE.—Three hundred first-class stereopticon slides, mostly on prophecy. Will discount 25 per cent for cash. Address L.R. Hunton, 519 Crocker Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

FOR SALE.—Our 160-acre home at a bargain. Located in the grain belt of northeast Wyoming. Good water and timber and pasture; 120 acres to farm; all fenced; house, henhouse, cellar and other out buildings; one and one-half miles from railroad; two miles from Seventh-day Adventist church. Would exchange for small place in California. Address with stamp C. W. M. Reed, Laton, Cal.

FOR SALE.—400 acres in western Oregon. Sixty acres under cultivation, 300 fruit trees, ten-room house, barn 56x72 feet, twenty head dairy cattle, unfenced government range, all necessary farming machinery, two running streams across place, three million feet timber on slopes belonging to place, within three-fourths mile of Seventh-

day Adventist academy and church of over 100 members. If interested, please write for price and terms. Will sell part or all. Address A. D. Owens, Pacific Union College, St. Helena, Cal. 28-32.

"BOOK OF SERMONS" is just off the press, and 200 orders have been filled. Some of the Huntington Beach camp-meeting sermons did not return from speakers in time for book, and to fill the vacancy, other sermons of special interest and importance were carefully selected. This "California Jewel," consisting of twenty interesting and instructive sermons will be sent promptly on receipt of 60 cents. Stamps not desired. Club orders of twelve or more, 50 cents each, if received on or before March 12. Address E. L. Mellor, R. D. 4, Box 107F, San Diego, Cal. 30-31

College of Medical Evangelists Annual Meeting

The annual session of the constituency of the College of Medical Evangelists is called to convene at Loma Linda, Cal., at 10:00 A.M. March 22, 1916, for the purpose of transacting such business as may properly come before the meeting. E. E. ANDROSS, *President*,
S. S. MERRILL, *Secretary*.

Obituaries

FLETCHER.—Albert T. Fletcher was born November 4, 1851, and fell asleep January 17, 1916. The immediate cause of his death was heart failure. He died very suddenly. He was married to Miss B. H. Hall, in Michigan, March 7, 1880, and soon after they both joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He leaves a wife and one daughter. Brother Fletcher was laid to rest in Salt Lake City where he spent the last twenty-five years of his life. Services were held by the writer. W. M. ADAMS.

THOMPSON.—Clinton Olive Redus Thompson, *nee* Patterson, died at her home in Fresno, Cal., January 24, 1916, being 52 years and 11 months old. Sister Thompson accepted the message about twenty-five years ago and united with the church at Handley, Texas. Since 1902 she made her home in California, and was a member of the Fresno church at the time of her decease. During the last ten months she suffered much more than even her closest friends realized, being afflicted with a nervous affection of a peculiar and painful nature. Services were held in the Fresno church, conducted by the writer. Romans 8:20 formed the basis of remarks.

She sleeps in the Mountain View Cemetery, awaiting the call of her Lord.
E. H. ADAMS.

EVANS.—George Oliver Evans died at his home in Fresno, Cal., January 29, 1916. His age was 74 years, 10 months and 15 days. In 1899 Elijah Taylor, a colporteur, brought some literature to his home in Texas, which resulted in his accepting the truth and uniting with the Austin church, and was a member of the Fresno church at the time of his decease. Brother Evans suffered greatly with a cancer, by which he lost his physical sight but not his spiritual, whereby "he endured [his sufferings] as seeing Him who is invisible." We laid him to rest till Jesus calls him to enjoy a painless life. E. H. ADAMS.

"Strengthen the Hands of the Builders"

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to support the enterprise, with its growing needs and the constant demands of the medical authorities of the land for larger and more expensive equipment and facilities. He told how when the billows of perplexity were rolling the highest that men who, under God, had piloted this cause through many a stormy sea had been moved to exhort to courage and hope. He related how Elder George I. Butler, stalwart still beneath his increasing burden of years, had rallied his brethren to carry out the counsel of the sleeping prophet of the Lord; how Elder S. N. Haskell had cheered and encouraged those present with his ringing testimony that the counsel of the Lord would stand, and that our eyes would see Him do all His pleasure; and how that Elders Daniells and Evans had declared that we must set ourselves to carry out the instruction of God more now than ever before, and courageously meet this first great test since the passing of the servant of the Lord. Next Doctor Evans told of the progress being made in the medical school,—how the blessing of the Lord had attended our students; and how every one had been successful in his state board examinations.

Another speaker told of lessons he had learned from the Bible, and how that nearly all of its great men had passed through experiences which at first seemed destined to separate them from their chosen work, and how that God had wondrously used the very things which seemed to them calamities to carry out His greatest purposes for their lives. He referred to Joseph, and

told how he had called his firstborn son "Manasseh (forgetting), for God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house. And the name of the second called he Ephraim, for God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of mine affliction." Sorrow, trial and affliction are oftentimes heavenly guests in disguise through whose instrumentality God designs to draw us nearer to Him.

Doctor Wooster spoke in a most touching manner of the sadness which had filled his soul when he had understood that the medical college was to be closed up, and of the joy which inspired him when he learned of the final action of the council in voting to sustain it.

Dr. Roy Clarke told of some of the hard times which had come into his experience, but how he and his wife had decided that their lives, whether in institutional or in private practise, were the purchase of the blood of Christ, and that they would be true to the religious and medical faith which had been committed to this people, and how that God had blessed them in their work though separated from those of kindred faith.

Dr. Winegar Simpson from Long Beach, Cal., and Dr. Florence Keller from New Zealand, told of their hopes now that the work of the medical college was to go forward with new vigor. They felt a deep burden that many young women in our ranks would consecrate their lives to the work of the Christian physician. A number of others told of the wonderful workings of God's providence which had led them to their life calling, and how that they were resolved to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith they were called.

Towards the close of the meeting it was decided to perfect a society of the Seventh-day Adventist physicians of Southern California, having in view by this agency spiritual and scientific advancement, and the forwarding of the work of the College of Medical Evangelists. The Spirit of God came into the hearts of those present in a marked manner. A movement was set on foot to raise the sum of \$10,000 among the physicians of the denomination, and to present it to the women's committee, to cover the cost of the dispensary to be built in connection with the hospital in Los Angeles. There was a deep and consecrated enthusiasm to loyally assist in this matter. Two of the physicians present led off with a pledge of \$500 each, and one of these has since turned the cash into the treasury. Others

made liberal promises and steps were taken for a campaign to raise the money so that, if possible, the dispensary could be completed by the fall opening of the school.

The meeting closed with a feeling of joy in every heart, and a belief that God was burying past differences, drawing His people together, and stirring up hearts to offer willingly for the upbuilding of His cause.

PERCY T. MAGAN.

The "Instructor" Temperance Annual

The year 1916 will be marked by another strenuous campaign in behalf of prohibition for the state of California, and we feel confident that all our people are desirous of seeing the terrible curse of the liquor traffic wiped out from our fair state. There is a work for each one of us to do in this warfare on the demon drink, and we have prepared, an exceedingly useful weapon in the form of the *Instructor* Temperance Annual.

Brother Clyde Lowry, secretary of the Southern California Tract Society, has passed to us an encouraging letter which he received from Brother D. W. Reavis, of Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. We quote the following paragraphs, and commend them as a source of inspiration to our people in the Pacific Union Conference, to put forth a valiant effort in this Heaven-blessed movement for the upbuilding of our fellowmen:

"We very much appreciate your letter of January 21. Thank you for the order enclosed for 5000 copies of the *Instructor* Temperance Annual marked 'California.' We will have them all ready to send out upon your orders as they come in. We had previously marked and sent 5000 copies to Oakland. We expect to receive orders for as many as 5000 copies from the other California tract societies in the near future.

"Our good California friends must not overlook the fact that the Temperance Annual makes prohibition votes, just as the Anti-Saloon League secretary of New Jersey said a few years ago. He was telling his associate officers that if the League could get a copy of the *Instructor* Temperance Annual in the homes of all the people of New Jersey, they could go home and rest easily, and be assured that it would not be possible for the liquor traffic to

carry an election for license in that state for at least three years, for he said it was practically impossible for a sane man or woman to read a copy of the Temperance Annual and then deliberately vote for license law.

"Certainly Southern California alone ought to have this year, in view of the pending prohibition election this fall, at least 40,000 copies of the Temperance Annual. Were we not the circulators of the paper we would say 100,000, but that might appear to you as though we were overly anxious for the sake of the circulation of the papers. But if California as a whole would use 200,000 copies of the Temperance Annual this summer, the liquor traffic would gasp and die a natural death at the coming fall election without any other efforts being put forth to defeat the traffic."

And why should not this result be accomplished? What can you do to help? Think this over prayerfully.

Word reached us last week of the destruction by fire of the International Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, at College View, Neb. We quote below a paragraph from the letter of Brother J. R. Ferren, the circulation manager:

"We were just rising from worship at our usual Sunday morning chapel service when smoke was detected in the room. When the door to the stock room adjoining was opened, a blinding cloud of smoke rolled in. The entire basement in which the heating plant was located was filled with flames, and it was already coming through the floors. Even then, however, we thought it could be controlled. The local company was on the ground quickly. A little time was lost in getting the water through on account of ice. In spite of the best efforts of the fire company and one company from Lincoln, who were on the ground eight minutes after they were called, the entire plant was burned, and with difficulty adjoining buildings were saved."

We extend our sympathies to our brethren in this great loss; but they send us encouraging word that other branches of the Pacific Press have arranged to supply them with stocks of foreign literature such as books regularly carried in Danish-Norwegian, Swedish and German. Also the barn containing signatures of books in these languages, and possibly others, was not destroyed. All orders can, therefore, be promptly-filled.