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Southeastern California Conference Session

The first annual session of the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists met in San Diego Cal., August 1-11, 1916, in the camp-ground on Logan avenue between Crosby and Dewey streets. The first meeting was called at 7:30 Tuesday evening, August 1, at which time sixty-eight regularly elected delegates from the churches responded to the roll call. Twenty-seven ministers and general workers were present. With the exception of Corona, every church in our conference was represented.

By request the churches of Rialto and Brea were received into the conference, each with a membership of eighteen.

The working committees of the conference were selected by the executive committee, assisted by six

others representing the four districts of our field and our two institutions. The following persons served on the standing committees of the session:

Committee on Plans: J. A. Burden, R. S. Owen, G. W. Reaser, Dr. A. W. Truman, F. W. Gardner, J. C. McReynolds, H. A. Hebard.

Nominations: C. F. Folkenberg, E. W. Farnsworth, Albert Logan, Dr. S. A. Smith, C. McReynolds.

Credentials and Licenses: E. E. Andross, W. M. Healey, W. F. Martin.

Pastoral: W. F. Martin, E. E. Andross, R. S. Owen.

Seating of Delegates: Frank Lane, W. L. Black.

Baptisms: L. H. Proctor, Mrs. L. H. Proctor, L. E. Brant.

The following officers and boards were selected for the ensuing term: President, W. F. Martin; secretary-treasurer, John C. McReynolds; executive committee, W. F. Martin, J. A. Burden, R. S. Owen, C. F. Folkenberg, L. E. Brant, Dr. Newton Evans; M. V. Downing; board of directors of the Southeastern California Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, W. F. Martin, J. A. Burden, W. M. Healey, John C. McReynolds, S. S. Merrill, M. V. Downing, C. F. Folkenberg.

Credentials and Licenses

It was voted that the following persons should receive papers from the conference:

Ministerial credentials—W. F. Martin, F. M. Burg, R. S. Owen, J. A.

Burden, W. M. Healey, C. F. Folkenberg, L. H. Proctor, W. A. George, M.D., W. J. Johnson, M.D.; L. E. Brant, G. B. Starr.

Honorary ministerial credentials—W. L. Black, W. W. Sharp, D. H. Oberholtzer, J. W. Adams, C. McReynolds, Luther Warren, D. D. Lake.

Ministerial licenses—C. L. Snodgrass, Henry Zutt, Harry McWhinny, John T. Knox, R. G. Schaffner, A. W. Truman, M.D.

Missionary credentials—John C. McReynolds, Mrs. Luther Warren, Olive E. Adams, H. A. Hebard, Frank Lane, Mrs. John Knox, L. M. Bowen, Newton Evans, M.D., T. J. Evans, M.D., F. W. Gardner, Mrs. W. L. Black, Myrna C. Lee, Frank Brainard, Myrtle McGill, O. L. Ice.

Honorary missionary credentials—Walter Harper, Rebecca Hannaford, Mrs. Josephine Gotzian, Mrs. W. W. Sharp, Mrs. M. S. Boyd.

President's Address

"To the delegates assembled in this first annual meeting of the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, greetings.

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ." "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faith-

It is poor policy to train men and women as we do for years, and then let them suffer and die through overwork in the mission fields for want of needed help. The Lord help us—you and me—to rally to their assistance in the coming Ingathering Campaign. It begins Sabbath, September 16.

ful is He that calleth you, who also will do it."

It is my pleasant lot to present to you this report at the first annual meeting of the youngest conference in the Pacific Union. The South-eastern California Conference was organized at a special meeting of the Southern California Conference, held in the city of Los Angeles, February 18 to 23, 1915. At this time the counties of San Bernardino, Riverside, Imperial, San Diego, and Orange were separated from the mother conference, organized and given the name of the Southeastern California Conference. Your speaker was chosen as president of the new conference, and John C. McReynolds, secretary and treasurer. I, however, did not arrive in the field until some weeks later, having been called from work in the North Pacific Union. The telegram announcing the fact of my having been elected to this position reached me at Boise, Idaho, on a Sunday morning, and the following Saturday night I left for this field.

It might be well to state at this juncture that, although many perplexities have arisen incident to the organization of the conference and planning with the laborers for aggressive work, the last fourteen months have been very pleasant, and full of many blessings. First, I wish to thank the workers and the people throughout the fields for their splendid cooperation, without which it would not have been possible to have carried on the work of the conference.

Statistics show that there are in the neighborhood of 325,000 souls living within the boundaries of this conference. San Diego is the largest city, but we have a number of thriving smaller cities and a prosperous country. These constitute a splendid and fruitful field for labor. At the time of the division there were reported to be in the newly organized conference 1652 members, composing 27 churches. In the allotment of workers at that time there were placed in this conference 13 ordained ministers, three licensed ministers, and five Bible workers. Added to these were other laborers, such as medical missionaries and office workers, making a total of 23. Not all of these laborers were on full pay, some of them

being employed in our institutions, and others drawing from the sustentation fund, this amount being supplemented by the conference. There are also a number of workers who have spent their lives in the cause, but who through failing health, or the infirmities of age, have retired from active labor, and are being supported entirely from this fund. We are glad to have these tried and true men and women in our midst, and appreciated more than we can tell their ripe counsel and assistance.

At a meeting of the conference committee, held at Loma Linda March 23, 1915, it was decided to locate the conference headquarters at Santa Ana, the county seat of Orange County. At present our force of laborers consists of 18 ordained ministers, seven of whom hold honorary ministerial credentials, six licensed ministers, 12 missionary licentiates, and six honorary missionary licentiates, and 15 medical missionary licentiates, making in all 57 persons to whom our conference grants papers. All are not, however, in active labor, nor do all draw support from the tithe paid into the conference treasury.

In 1914 the churches which, in the division were allotted to this field, paid tithe to the amount of \$35,339.86. In 1915 we received \$36,937.46, an increase over the previous year of \$1557.60. For the first six months of 1916 the tithe was \$18,471.44. Under the circumstances this is very encouraging. We had hoped that in 1916 the tithe might reach \$38,000, but, as you know, the most disastrous floods ever known in Southern California occurred late in January this year. The Southeastern California Conference bore the brunt of these floods. A number of people suffered serious damage. As may readily be seen, this materially affects our tithe for the year. We do not understand why this calamity was permitted, and yet we are willing to say that the Judge of all the earth doeth right. Notwithstanding this serious handicap, by careful management we have been able to conduct the conference up to the present without a deficit, and I trust, with the good hand of God, that this record may be maintained until the work is done.

During 1915 there was received on

the twenty-cent-a-week fund, \$13,150.53, being an average for each church member of 16½ cents. If each member in our conference had given 20 cents a week for missions, we should have received \$16,244.80. However, we were short \$3094.47. For the first six months of 1916 we have received \$5447.14, making an average of 13½ cents per member. We hope, however, with the midsummer, harvest ingathering, and annual offerings, to raise this to the amount required.

During the school year of 1915-1916, we had 15 church schools, employing 18 teachers, with a total enrollment of a little over 400. In addition to these church school pupils, we had 24 students in San Fernando Academy and 20 more in Pacific Union College. It is a most excellent thing to have these children and young people in training under Christian teachers. Plans should be made at this meeting to strengthen and enlarge our school work, and to enroll all the children and young people in our conference either in the church school, the academy or the college. It is our sincere desire that these young people and children may be taught of God.

Thus far the Southeastern California Conference has conducted its tract society work through the office in Los Angeles. We have, however, in our employ a home missionary secretary who is doing good work. Not all his time is taken up with this work, as in addition to this he is the field secretary and canvassing agent. We will not speak of his work further, as he will make a report to the conference. Neither will we speak of the Sabbath school and young people's work, more than to say that we have the departments well organized, and the details in the hands of competent workers, who will also render reports at this meeting.

Two sanitariums are located within the limits of our conference, one at Loma Linda, which, although a General Conference institution, holds more or less relation to the local conference, and the other at National City, the Paradise Valley Sanitarium. We are glad to have these institutions, with the devoted men and women connected with them, in our midst. They were established by direction of the Spirit of Prophecy,

and are a blessing to the work in our field. Our conference should plan for a close cooperation with the work of these institutions, both by helping them to carry their financial burdens, and in arranging work for the young men and women who receive training under their directions.

San Fernando Academy is conducted jointly by the Southeastern and the Southern California conferences. God is blessing the work there. Two young men from this school are now engaged in the ministry in our field.

A review of the evangelistic work this year brings cause for much encouragement. It has been our endeavor to carry this work in as strong a manner as possible. Two or more meetings for those not of our faith have, nearly all the time, been in continuous operation. God has seen fit to bless the work of our faithful laborers in a rich harvest of souls. Reports of those who worked in this field reveal the fact that in 1915 342 persons were received into the church, 277 of whom were by baptism and 65 on profession of faith, composed of those who had previously been baptized, and also some by letter. We have not been able to answer all the calls for hall and tent meetings that have been received, as our force of field laborers has been limited. Careful plans should be laid by the incoming conference committee to push the work in new fields.

It is always interesting to know how our workers spend their time, so the following items have been collated from the reports for the last three quarters of 1915: 319 baptisms, 1088 sermons, 2779 Bible readings, and 4541 missionary visits. We shall have two churches to present to the conference, one at Rialto, organized with 18 members, and the other at Brea, also having 18 members. These were both organized during 1915. We are thankful for these tokens of the prospering hand of the Lord, and feel to humble ourselves before Him, and to seek for a continuance of His blessing.

During the first six months of 1916, the Lord has blessed the work, and a good number have taken their stand for the message. These are stirring times in which we are living. Men and women everywhere are asking

what these things mean. "Men's hearts" are "failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." As a people who know the times, we should be very diligent in spreading the light of the message and lifting up a standard for the people. God's message of truth, culminating in the coming of the Son of man, is the one thing that will solve the great problem before the world and bring peace to the souls of men.

The delegates assembled at this meeting should plan carefully for aggressive work in the new fields in our conference, and to hold the interest created where we have companies and churches. We should carefully plan also to utilize the splendid help that can be secured from our young men and women who have been attending the college, the academy, and who have been training in the sanitariums. Attention should be given how best to further the interest of the church school work in our field. The children should be trained carefully not only in what the world terms education, but in the fear of the Lord. Careful plans should be laid for our Missionary Volunteer Department.

I am persuaded that not all our people are bringing a full tithe into the storehouse. Thus they are robbing themselves of the blessing promised to those who are faithful in returning to the Lord His own. Let each diligently inquire of himself, Am I a faithful steward? All the tithe is needed in order to answer the many calls for laborers. A number of our churches are making a splendid record this year on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Notwithstanding this, however, it will take quite an effort to reach the mark. The committee on plans should give this careful attention.

Of almost supreme importance is the instruction given to us that every member of the church should be a missionary. This message will never reach the place that it should until every believer works diligently to spread the truth for this time. This matter also should receive careful study.

The Lord is blessing the faithful canvassers who are working diligently, and yet we would like to see many more endeavoring to place our

books in the homes of the people. This line of work should be carefully considered.

These things are to be done with one great end in view; that is, that we may help to send on the message into all the world, and also that the work in the Southeastern California Conference may be finished on time, that when the hour strikes for the work to close, it may be said of us, "Well done."

Trusting that the Lord may guide in the deliberations of the conference, and in the camp-meeting that shall follow, and that the coming year may be a prosperous one, the conference committee now submits the work into the hands of the delegates.

W. F. Martin.

Recommendations Adopted

The committee on plans and recommendations brought in twenty-four resolutions covering plans for definite work in the various lines of our conference as follows:

Gratitude

Whereas, The Lord has signally blessed our conference during the past year as manifested in preserving the health and lives of our workers, and giving them a large number of souls for their labor, and in putting it into the hearts of the people to give of their means to support the work at home and abroad, we hereby render to Him a tribute of thanksgiving and praise, and pledge ourselves to more consecrated service for the coming year.

Conference Officers

We recommend, That the officers and committees of the conference be elected for two years, and that the Constitution be amended to conform thereto.

Medical Missionary Campaign

Whereas, Our world is fast becoming a vast lazar house, thus emphasizing the need of more diligent gospel medical missionary effort; and

Whereas, This kind of ministry has been especially emphasized in connection with the work in Southern California and facilities have been provided here for doing efficient service in these lines; and,

Whereas, The blessing of God has signally attended such efforts in the past; therefore,

Resolved, That definite plans be laid at this meeting to carry forward and strengthen the work already begun, and to inaugurate plans for a thorough homeworkers medical missionary campaign throughout the Southeastern California Conference.

Home Missionary Work

Whereas, The work of God in the earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of the ministers and church officers; therefore,

We Recommend, That all our church members avail themselves of every agency outlined by the Home Missionary Department for the purpose of working in a definite way for their neighbors and friends.

Colporteurs

Whereas, we are told in the spirit of prophecy that, were it not for the efforts of the colporteur, many would never hear the words of truth for this time; therefore,

We Recommend, That suitable persons be selected and encouraged to engage in this self-supporting, soul-winning work.

Missionary Volunteer Department

Whereas, The Missionary Volunteer Department's methods of enlisting our youth in soul-winning service are being demonstrated as effective and successful; therefore,

We Recommend, That our young people take a more active part in the Missionary Volunteer Society meetings; that we more faithfully study and employ the volunteer methods in an effort to save, enlist and hold our young people; that we encourage our youth to faithfully observe the Morning Watch, read the Bible through each year, pursue the reading course if possible, and become members of attainment, training and holding our youth in this message.

Resolved, That since our 1916 Missionary Volunteer goal for the mission field applies on the twenty-cent-a-week fund, we encourage our young people and children to give liberally to the mission fund through the Missionary Volunteer Society.

Whereas, In the providence of God our educational institutions have been established for the education and

training of our children and youth, thus qualifying them to act their part in giving the last message of truth to the world; therefore,

We urge that all parents recognize and appreciate God's plan of education by making the sacrifices necessary to provide their children with a Christian education.

Whereas, We have been instructed that as church schools are established, the people of God will find it a valuable education for themselves to learn how to conduct the school on a basis of financial success, in which all are to share in the expense; therefore,

We Recommend, That our church school boards, after adopting a reasonable graduated tuition for the various grades, supplement the church school funds by regular monthly subscription from all church members not paying tuition.

Whereas, Our church schools in many places are in need of better equipment; therefore,

We Recommend, That a conference fund be created for the purpose of assisting needy schools by taking up collections in our churches on the two educational Sabbaths of the year.

Sabbath School

We Recommend, That every officer and teacher in the Sabbath school fit himself for greater efficiency in the Sabbath school by taking the Teachers' Training Course prepared by the General Conference Sabbath-school Department, and by the daily study of the Sabbath school lesson.

We Recommend, That vigorous efforts be put forth to secure every church member as a member of the Sabbath school, either personally or as a member of the Home Department.

We Recommend, That the local schools put forth earnest efforts to secure all isolated members who cannot attend church regularly as members of the Home Department.

We Recommend, That we make our goal for mission offerings \$10,000 for 1916, and that our churches be encouraged to bring a larger share of the amounts that have been pledged to the twenty-cent-a-week fund as their Sabbath school offerings.

Resolved, That we devote one Sabbath each year as a rally day in all our churches, when the church services shall be devoted to the consider-

ation of the interests of the Sabbath school work and the securing of new members.

We recommend, That every officer and teacher study the "Sabbath School Worker," and supply himself with literature that will give information as to how to do better service in the Sabbath school.

Religious Liberty

Whereas, The fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty are being overridden through the enactment of compulsory Sunday observance laws that abridge the free exercise of the individual conscience in religious matters; therefore,

Resolved, That we continue to defend the inalienable rights of man, and protest against the enactment of laws for the compulsory observance of Sunday, or any other religious enactment which tends to unite church and state, and make the different sects unequal before the law, as being a subversion of the Gospel plan of free choice and a departure from the fundamental principles of the American Republic.

Resolved, That we continue to protest against the enactment of laws by Congress for the abridgement of free speech, a free press, and the freedom of the mails beyond existing statutes.

Whereas, The "Liberty Magazine" is doing very effective work among state legislators, executive officers, and judges of the state supreme courts, in molding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws; therefore,

Resolved, That our conference continue to supply the "Liberty Magazine" to the members of the state legislature, the governor and his cabinet, and the state supreme circuit court judges, and that the necessary expenses involved in this item be taken out of the annual collection for the local religious liberty work.

Temperance Question

Whereas, The temperance question is before the people of California for consideration at the November election; and,

Whereas, "The advocates of temperance fail to do their whole duty unless they exert their influence, by precept and example, by voice and pen and vote, in behalf of prohibition and total abstinence;" therefore,

Resolved, That we urge our people to register as voters without delay and thus be prepared for effective action when the opportunity is granted to vote against the liquor traffic, and that our people be encouraged to continue the circulation of our splendid temperance literature.

Conference Corporation

Whereas, A legal conference corporation for the holding of church property, institutional, and other property that may be intrusted or donated for conference work is not only convenient, but necessary for the careful and safe handling of the property belonging to the cause; therefore,

Resolved, That the conference committee are hereby instructed and empowered to incorporate a legal conference corporation after the usual form of our conference associations for the holding of church, institutional, and other property intrusted to the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Medical Missionary Work

In view of the importance of the medical missionary work and in harmony with Resolution No. 3 (Medical Missionary Campaign),

We Recommend, That institutes be held throughout our conference in which definite instruction and training may be given to our people in methods of labor in these lines, and that Dr. Truman and his associate laborers be given opportunity to illustrate this instruction and training during the continuance of this meeting; and further

We Recommend, That suitable persons be selected and encouraged to take training at Loma Linda, not only to fit themselves so to labor, but also to prepare to give instruction to our churches.

Publishing Work

Whereas, The "Signs of the Times" is one of the most effectual agencies in winning souls to the truth; and,

Whereas, The spirit of prophecy has especially spoken of workers being trained to secure subscriptions for our periodicals; therefore,

Resolved, That we ask our field secretary to secure and properly train agents to visit the homes of the people to induce them to subscribe for the "Signs of the Times" and other

periodicals, as the circumstances may indicate.

Tract Society

We recommend, That for the closer supervision of our missionary, book, tract, and periodical work, we authorize the conference committee to create a tract society in connection with our conference headquarters not later than January 1, 1917.

Resolved, That we hereby express to the San Diego "Union," "Sun," and "Tribune" our sincere appreciation of their liberality in publishing reports of our conference proceedings and excerpts of addresses, and we hereby request our secretary to communicate to the managing editors of these newspapers our hearty thanks.

Southeastern California Conference Revenue Account, 1915

Income

Tithe (for year)	\$36928.46
Donations.	164.91
Interest accrued	134.56
Refunds from Association .	68.01
Hall rent, etc, L. A. Office .	54.37
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	\$37350.31

Expense

Laborers' salary(9 mos.) ..	\$10376.85
Laborers' expense (9 mos.) .	2950.94
Loma Linda appropriation ..	838.40
Paradise Valley Sanitarium'	
Bible worker	328.00
Departmental expense	162.24
Office rent	112.50
Light, heat telephone	78.02
Postage and stationery	168.05
Autumn Council expenses. .	126.76
General expense	121.50
Educational convention and	
summer school	379.75
Loma Linda students	213.30
Taxes Association property	67.73
Insurance	37.03
Stereopticon maintenance ..	45.00
Relief of poor	39.19
Operating expense, salary,	
etc., first quarter 1915	4219.43
Special donation	50.00
Tithe to Pacific Union Conf.	
for year, 10%	3692.84
Part tithe to Pacific Union	
Conf. for year, 5%	1846.42
N. American Div. support	
20%	7385.69
Sustentation fund	2215.70
Tent loss, California Conf. .	56.92

Depreciation—

Tent property	\$791.51	
Warehouse	13.32	
Camp Equipment ..	144.79	
Office furnishings..	23.28	
Property furn. (L.		
A. office)	23.12	
Assn. property	43.60	\$36551.88
Operating gain year 1915 ..	798.43	
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Southeastern California Conference Financial Statement, Dec. 31, 1915

Assets

Cash	4032.08
Cash on hand	\$ 115.06
Certificate of deposit	2500.00
F. & M. National Bank	1282.46
F. & M. Nat. Bank (int.)..	134.56
Southern Cal. Assn.	4851.29
Southern Cal. Conf.	68.47
Southern Cal. San. Assn. ..	22.67
Advances for stereopticons.	242.29
Loma Linda tent	288.14
Tabernacle Imperial Valley.	145.25
Foreign Miss. Board	125.00
Personal Accounts	348.46
Inventories—	
Tents	3166.05
Camp-meeting equipment ..	830.87
Furnishings	729.39
Furnishings So. Cal office..	131.01
Warehouse	208.73
Books Miss, Vol. Dept.	41.18
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	\$15230.88

Liabilities

So. Cal. Tract Society\$	55.16
So. Cal. Assn. current	47.07
Tent & camp-meeting fund.	450.56
Canvassers' relief fund86
Emergency church school	
fund	6.40
Old People's Home	21.80
\$150.00 Educational fund ..	25.50
Religious liberty	3.41
General fund	204.55
Worthy students' fund	51.85
Mission trust	100.00
Due laborers	288.28
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Total liabilities	\$ 1255.44
Present worth	\$13510.55
Less rent adjustment	333.54
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	\$13177.01
Net gain for 1915	798.43
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	\$13975.44
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Total	\$15230.88

Comparative Tithing Statement, Foreign and Special Offerings

	Tithe		Foreign Offerings	Local Offerings
	1914	1915		
Church membership 1546				
Anaheim	\$ 593.10	\$ 541.68	\$ 209.72	\$ 32.31
Beaumont	72.80	798.77	163.36	35.00
Brawley	854.19	1046.99	882.74	68.50
Centralia	382.02	318.47	110.86
Colton	533.55	440.43	140.06	1.22
Corona	53.47	122.11	52.64
El Cajon	337.30	507.62	178.32
El Centro	511.58	447.70	125.44	33.00
Escondido (English)	849.29	1016.26	247.96	3.13
Escondido (German)	593.84	266.63	207.99	1.00
Garden Grove	508.63	652.42	194.09	35.00
Hemet	566.10	564.14	215.43	2.00
Hinkley	174.65	353.90	149.14
Holtville	220.68	179.64	122.18
La Mesa	139.24	105.40	100.44	5.52
Loma Linda	12288.96	12034.33	3407.91	53.55
New River	434.36	520.05	145.87
Ontario	1251.95	842.97	205.22	15.50
Orange	697.09	733.36	281.72	36.50
Paradise Valley	2641.12	3033.60	1639.05	497.54
Redlands	1673.59	1782.43	788.98	60.83
Riverside	1243.30	1190.99	313.70	38.62
San Bernardino	671.18	544.75	135.74	15.41
San Diego	3559.81	3989.18	1668.84	341.05
San Pasqual	565.72	380.74	247.43	54.99
Santa Ana	1161.36	1336.48	511.20	25.00
University Heights	1968.40	2800.28	548.91	77.50
Personal	698.12	377.14	343.29	17.00
Total	\$35245.40	\$36928.46	\$13338.23	\$1350.17

Mission funds are made up as follows:

Young People's Missionary	
Volunteer Societies	\$ 154.31
Annual offering	1377.03
Harvest Ingathering	968.02
Midsummer offering	382.06
Mission offerings	1670.84
Sabbath school offerings	8315.48
Miscellaneous	470.49

\$13338.23

John C. McReynolds,
Treasurer.

Auditor's Statement

To the Delegates and Members of the Southeastern California Conference, S. D. A.

This is to certify that the accounts of the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists have been examined, checking the book entries with the receipts and vouchers produced, for the fiscal period ended December 31, 1915. I believe that the Revenue Account and Financial Statement here given show the standing of the Conference on the

date mentioned, as disclosed by said books of account.

Claude Conard,
Auditor.

San Diego, Cal., July 30, 1916.

Constitution of the Southeastern California Conference S. D. A., as Amended August 2, 1916

Article 1—Name

This conference shall be known as the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Article 2—Territory

The territory of this conference shall embrace that portion of California known as the counties of Imperial, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Riverside.

Article 3—Objects

The objects of this organization are to constitute a representative body of said people in the above named territory, and to secure a systematic and united effort to disseminate the light of the everlasting gospel.

Article 4—Membership

The membership of this conference shall embrace the members in good standing in all the churches of the Seventh-Day Adventists in the above described territory.

Article 5—Meetings

Sessions of this conference shall be held biennially for the transaction of business, and for the election of officers, the time and place of these meetings to be determined by the executive committee. Notice of the same shall be published at least two weeks prior to the holding of such meetings, in one or more of the denominational papers in general circulation in said conference.

Article 6—Representation

The members of the conference executive committee, ordained ministers in the employ of the conference, the secretary and treasurer, the superintendent of church schools, the president, medical superintendent, and business manager of each denominational institution in the territory of the Southeastern California Conference, and any representative present from the General, North American Division, or the Pacific Union Conference, shall be delegates at large, while each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each twenty members or major fraction thereof.

Article 7—Quorum

A majority of the delegates enrolled at any session shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article 8—Officers

Section 1.—The officers of the conference shall be president, secretary, treasurer and an executive committee of seven members, including the president.

Sec. 2.—The auditor of the Pacific Union Conference shall be the auditor of this conference.

Sec. 3.—The conference shall elect a managing board for each unincorporated institution of the conference and shall nominate a board of managers, trustees or directors for such conference institutions as shall be provided for in their articles of incorporation or by-laws.

Sec. 4.—The executive committee,

together with any one of the local boards, shall constitute a counsel of advice and appeal on any question relating to the institution under the management of the local board, and may be called at the request of any two members of either committee.

Sec. 5.—The duties of the president, secretary, treasurer and the auditor shall be such as usually pertain to such offices.

Sec. 6.—It shall be the duty of the executive committee: (a) To take the general supervision of all labor of the conference; (b) to appoint such departmental committees, secretaries, and other officers, agents and employees as the needs of the cause may require from time to time; (c) to appoint eight persons who have not been in the employ of the conference during any part of the preceding year who together with it shall constitute an auditing committee to examine and settle at the end of each year all accounts of laborers; (d) to fill all vacancies which may occur in the offices in the interim between the sessions of the conference; (e) to remove any employee of the conference when it shall be necessary to do so.

Sec. 7.—It shall be the duty of the managing board of each institution to take full charge of the finances of the work of the institution over which it is placed.

Article 9.—Funds

Section 1.—The funds of this conference shall consist of tithe and offerings.

Sec. 2.—It shall be the duty of each church through its proper officers to receive, collect, and monthly to transmit these funds; and likewise to receive, collect, and monthly to transmit to the conference all trust funds for denominational enterprises outside the conference territory.

Sec. 3.—The tithe shall be disbursed by the treasurer under the directions of the conference president.

Article 10.—Duty of Churches

Section 1.—It shall be the duty of each church through its clerk to make a written report every quarter to the conference secretary of its standing, its additions and losses, and the amount of its tithes.

Sec. 2.—When any church or scattered brethren desire labor in their

vicinity their call should be made to the executive committee.

Article 11.—Laborers

Section 1.—Credentials and licenses shall be granted by the conference at its regular biennial session to all its approved laborers, and during the interval between the sessions, by the executive committee.

Sec. 2.—It shall be the duty of all laborers in the conference to send a report to the secretary of the conference of the labor performed during the month together with all receipts and expenditures.

Article 12.—Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the conference, by a two-third vote of the members present, provided that such amendment shall not conflict with the constitution of the Pacific Union Conference.

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The text-book in Prophetic History written by Max Hill and also published by him was used during the past year with great satisfaction on the part of many teachers and students. This year the book should have a much larger circulation in our schools. Brother Hill will be connected with the San Fernando Academy the coming year, and all those desiring copies of his book should address him at San Fernando, Cal. We believe this book is filling a very important place in the Bible instruction given in our church schools. Please do not delay in placing your orders promptly for this book, as the students should have them in hand at the very beginning of the year.

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prayer for the Ingathering program on the following Sabbath, the 16th. Have a meeting of all the leaders of companies at the close of the morning service. Sabbath, September 9. On Wednesday evening, the 13th, conduct a meeting for instruction in methods of presenting this work to the people. Sabbath, the 16th, is to be our "high" day. Let enthusiasm and courage radiate in the service. Talk hope and success. Suggest a special season of prayer at close of program. On Sunday evening, the 17th, have the second meeting for instruction and study before starting out on the next day, Monday. Items of news, reports and experiences in connection with the Ingathering campaign will appear in the "Recorder" each week. —Earnest Lloyd

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1916

Remember Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital Day, Sabbath, October 14, 1916.

Four were baptised recently at Ventura and two at Long Beach. Faithful service as a Bible worker has been rendered by Brother Peter Vandenburg at Ventura.

Brethren Ernest Lloyd and F. E. Painter returned to Glendale late last week from the Salt Lake camp-meeting. They report a spiritually helpful meeting, with some interest on the part of the public.

Recent word from Brother C. F. Inris, a former laborer of the Arizona Conference, states, "We are well and enjoying the blessing of the Lord, for which we are thankful." They are now located at Guatemala City, Central America.

Elder E. E. Andross, writing from Tacoma, Wash., where he has been attending the camp-meeting of the Western Washington Conference, says: "There is a good attendance. About 200 tents are pitched. It is one of the most beautiful camp-grounds I have ever seen."

Material for the Harvest Ingathering program for Sabbath, September 16, will not appear in the "Pacific Union Recorder," as previously suggested, but is being mailed direct to the church elders. We trust that each elder will definitely arrange to carry out this program in harmony with the action of the Pacific Union Conference Committee. The Ingathering "Signs," instruction leaflets, and solicitors' cards have been mailed, but

if for any reason churches or companies are not supplied, address your tract society at once.

Redondo now has a church of 22 members, lately organized. Eight were baptised recently, seven united on profession of faith and former baptism, and seven transferred their membership from other Adventist churches to the new one. The officers are: Elder, A. Dimock; deacon, Clyde Thomas; deaconess, Mrs. Clyde Thomas; church clerk, Mrs. J. M. Benedict; Sabbath school secretary, Mrs. C. M. Satariano. Elders J. O. Corliss, F. I. Richardson and J. F. Blunt organized the new church, the converts being the fruit of labor by Elder and Mrs. Blunt and Mrs. E. J. Calkins. At present, the meetings are held at 407 Camino Real, at 2:30 P. M. on Sabbaths, and on Sunday and Tuesday evenings.

Suggestions for Ingathering Campaign

The way in which the Lord helped one California church last year in a successful Ingathering campaign may be of sufficient practical encouragement to our church leaders to be briefly outlined. In this church the burden of the campaign rested heavily upon the elder and the missionary leader, and some indifference they had met made them somewhat fearful over the situation. True, we all felt helpless, absolutely so. But, an earnest season of prayer brought faith. Courage was talked, and light began to dawn. Before that little council was over, we had planned a meeting of a committee to include the leaders of the departments of the church. When this meeting was held, a program for work was arranged something as follows:

1. At the next Sabbath forenoon service time should be given to the consideration of the Ingathering program for the following Sabbath morning, and special prayer offered for its success and the success of the coming campaign.

2. Persons to lead in companies to be formed should be selected and requested to meet at the close of the forenoon service next Sabbath.

3. Two evening instruction meetings should be arranged, and well announced,—one to take place on Wed-

nesday evening, the second on the Sunday evening preceding the opening day of the campaign.

4. The opening day of the campaign should be set and announced.

The details of such a program meant some faithful, personal work, but this was cheerfully performed, and it proved a success. The Sabbath meetings were blessed seasons, resulting in many volunteering for service. The meeting of company leaders began the organization for systematic work, and the assignment of territory. The instruction meetings were simple and practical, short canvasses were suggested, and methods of presentation studied. There it was planned for the timid, especially among the young women, to go out two and two. The plan for men and their wives to visit the homes together was suggested. In the actual work this proved very successful, and the days were filled with pleasant missionary visits.

Now the real struggle in that campaign did not come in the actual work itself, but in gaining the faith and courage to undertake it. The enemy would have gladly beaten us out of the victory, and the soul-refreshing experiences and financial assistance that came in doing the work.

Those same battles must be fought, and the same victories must be won, in the campaign this year. By the Lord's help they can be. The enemy's barriers, some in the form of Indifference, Lack of Faith, Business Cares, Home Cares, Fear, and others, can be beaten down if we take hold unitedly in the strength of Him whose work it is, and even greater success may accompany the work this year.

During the rebuilding of the great wall under Nehemiah the enemy first threatened, next ridiculed, and finally resorted to compromise. But the men, women and children—with weapon in one hand and with the other to the work—labored shoulder to shoulder, and the work was accomplished. So let it be with us in the present crisis.

The above suggestions, numbering 1, 2, 3 and 4, will be helpful to us in this year's effort. Let us give some time in the Sabbath service, September 9, to definite planning and

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