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Ground Broken for Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles

Ground-breaking ceremonies of the Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital were held at the site in Boyle Heights December 1, and work on the first of the buildings commenced early this week. The exercises consisted of addresses by Elders W. F. Martin and J. O. Corliss, Dr. A. W. Truman and others. Elder C. McReynolds offered the dedicatory prayer. The block bounded by Boyle, Bailey, New Jersey and Michigan avenues has now been definitely set apart for the Lord's use. In the buildings to be erected upon it, medical missionaries will be trained to carry to the world the good news of healing by the Great Physician both for body and soul.

The new hospital will consist of the hospital quarters proper, sanitarium, nurses' home, dormitories and chapel. It will be used as an auxiliary to the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, and will mean the centralization of the students' work. At present those in training as physicians are forced to study at

several locations, chief among which in Los Angeles is the present dispensary at 941 East First street, now being operated under the supervision of Dr. A. H. Larson.

Dr. Newton G. Evans, president of the college, presided at the dedication. He said that while we have sanitariums throughout the world, yet the new hospital will have the added distinction of being a new preparatory school for those who have dedicated their lives to the work of carrying the gospel message to foreign lands. The hospital proper, he added, will accommodate about 300 patients, including the department devoted to clinical work. This department will treat cases free, and will be able to handle about 100 patients daily. Members of the senior and junior medical classes, and of the senior class of medical evangelists were present at the ceremonies.

Among Our Missionaries

Brother W. W. Fletcher, connected with the Australasian Union Conference, has accepted the invitation of the General Conference Committee to take the superintendency of India, and left Sydney September 14 to spend a little time in Melbourne and West Australia on his way to his new field of labor. Brother Fletcher will be welcomed by the workers in India who have patiently waited for the vacancy caused by the sudden death of Brother Salisbury to be filled.

Sam Konigsmacher, whom some will remember having visited through the States here while on furlough last General Conference time, has pushed on up into northern Rhodesia, South Africa, opening a new

mission 100 miles or so beyond the Barotse land Mission. The first of September Brother and Sister Konigsmacher, with their little boy, were temporarily camping in native huts while he was prospecting for a desirable site and waiting permission from the government to locate. They were experiencing plenty of hardships, but cheerful and happy in doing so because of their love for the Master and perishing souls in such need of the light. Pray for them.

September 15, 1874, 42 years ago the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary, Elder J. N. Andrews, left Boston for Switzerland.

In the "True Missionary," a periodical published by our people at that time, this was said regarding the leaving of Brother Andrews for foreign field work:

"This is a day significant in the historic annals of the Seventh-day Adventists. It was signalized by no flourish of trumpets or martial parade, ushered in with no loud acclamations, and passed away without any public demonstrations. It witnessed what is to a casual observer only a spectacle of daily occurrence, only a ship freighted with its wealth of merchandise and human life, to set out on its voyage across the ocean.

"There were parting salutations and good-bye blessings. But to some there was more. How much more, who can tell? Among the throng, towering above the rest, stood a noble harvester going forth into the white fields of the Master, from home and friends, from familiar scenes, to labor in the cause he had served long and faithfully in this western world, away to far-off Switzerland. This was our dear Brother J. N. Andrews, accompanied by his

son and daughter, and gathered about him to bid a last fond adieu were his friends.

"His farewell words were as confident and hopeful as ever. But why linger? The hour had come, the noble vessel plumed itself for its ocean flight, the signal was given and hurrying feet bespoke the parting moments. Calm and collected, with tenderest words of comfort and condolence, he blessed the friends he left behind. Who can paint that parting scene?"

"To the Boston Seventh-day Adventist Church, the day will be a calendar day not to be forgotten. Many heartfelt prayers for Brother Andrews' safe passage across the Atlantic ascended to Him who hears the thoughts even when no word is spoken."

This year, 42 years later, on August 1, the largest party of missionaries ever leaving on one boat, over 40, bid tender farewell adieus as they started in the other direction for the Orient, among whom was the grandson of our first missionary, Dr. J. N. Andrews, with his wife, Dorothy Spicer-Andrews, daughter of our Mission Board secretary, going out as a missionary to western China. These sailings between grandfather and grandson represent a great expansion in foreign missionary work, with many farewells by departing missionaries, and still the waiting fields beckon us on. Our pioneer missionary sleeps, but a splendid band of recruits are following in his footsteps by leaving their homes and going out to the ends of the earth in search of the lost.

T. E. Bowen.

Harvest Ingathering Items

Brother Lee placed a paper with a man who proved to be a backslidden Adventist. The man took the paper to his room, and read a part of it, and became so deeply impressed that he had to bow before the Lord in repentance. A short time after he came to the writer and requested baptism. We had a long talk and study. The next evening he was baptized and is now rejoicing anew in the truth. Thus we see some immediate fruit of the Harvest Ingathering work.

I have found it a good plan to carry Harvest Ingathering papers with me much of the time to improve opportunities that may present themselves to place a paper and secure an offering.

I set my goal at \$10.00. I reached it and then placed it at \$15.00. I reached it; then set it at \$20.00. I have now passed that, and do not intend to stop before I secure \$25.00. I have not decided to stop when that amount is reached. I believe the \$100,000 goal can be reached, if we keep at it in the fear of God.

The Testimonies tell us that when the members put forth efforts in missionary lines, the meetings will be interesting, for they will have good experiences to relate. This has been demonstrated in the Harvest Ingathering work here in Sacramento.

We should not pass the Japanese and Chinese by in the Ingathering work, for they will help if the matter is presented to them. I have had good success with these people.

A. J. Osborne.

Since our last report, 18,750 papers have been ordered. This necessitates the printing of another edition of ten thousand, making the total printing order to date one million twenty thousand copies.

The total number of papers sent out,—977,140,—does not include papers in the foreign languages. Also the number ordered to date, appearing opposite the names of the conferences does not include papers in the foreign languages. Some have become confused on account of this, thinking that these total figures include the foreign sales as well as the English.

James Cochran.

Harvest Ingathering at Pacific Union College

The Harvest Ingathering enterprise, as usual, met with an encouraging response from the students of Pacific Union College, and could the goodly number of volunteers have had territory which they might have worked, doubtless their earnest spirit would have brought in far greater

financial returns than has been possible under existing circumstances. At best, the college is well removed from territory for missionary work, and when Napa Valley is assigned to the churches in the immediate vicinity, and our students must go to a distance, only a comparatively small number can engage in the effort, except by correspondence.

Careful instruction was given by Professor Robbins to those interested in doing what they could by correspondence, and as many of the students as could do so, with one of the teachers, visited some of our towns and cities. While we have not secured an equal amount of donations as last year, the average amount obtained by those who engaged in the work is greater, notwithstanding their work was almost wholly among people whom they had never before met.

It seemed as though all brought back enthusiastic reports of blessings gained in meeting the people, again making it evident that those who hold back from engaging in this enterprise lose a blessing which God designs for them. Not only were there encouraging experiences in securing donations, but also in seeing the Lord's guidance to souls hungering for truth, thus finding unexpected avenues for missionary work in coming days. One company, after making a long journey to the town which was assigned them, and after districting their territory and making all preparations, opened their packages of papers, to find them all Temperance "Instructors." Adapting themselves to the situation, they promptly changed their plans and did a good work in behalf of the temperance cause, selling all their papers.

The total amount of donations received to date is \$307.25, leaving \$69 yet to secure in order to reach our goal.

H. A. Washburn.

November 28.

War restrictions have hindered the Harvest Ingathering work in England, by preventing the papers sent from here to that country from leaving the Port of London.

Soul Winning—How They Do It

A missionary thus describes some of the methods of personal work used by the Korean Christians: "Soon after my arrival I was assigned to visiting in certain homes, and a little book was given me containing the names of each believer. On each page was a second name, and when I asked what that meant, I was told that was the name of the unbelieving woman for whom this believing woman had promised to work and pray until she became a Christian. As soon as she had become a Christian, her name was transferred to another place, and the first sister would select another for whom she would work and pray."

Pretty definite personal work, don't you think? About as definite and systematic a work as that recorded in the last verse of the fifth chapter of Acts—carrying the message from house to house. And "they ceased not" until they had visited "every house." Then came the increase of souls. "In those days" Acts 6:1-3—the number of the disciples was "multiplied," and the message of salvation went to the world in a short time. The last message will go likewise—when we wholeheartedly give ourselves to the work as did Paul, saying, "As much as in me is, I am ready." Rom. 1:15.

Ernest Lloyd.

A Testimony

Readers of the "Pacific Union Recorder": I greet you with a heart filled with the love of God. Although so feeble that I can scarcely walk without assistance, I am happy to say that the blessed hope grows sweeter and more precious and glorious as the days go by. I often feel to say, how can the Lord be so good to one so unworthy? But He gives me the blessed assurance that He loves even me.

Dear brethren and sisters, be earnest and faithful in sowing the good seed and in lifting up Jesus in your thought and life, word life and deed life, which will be in your whole life, and then you will soon see Jesus, and by Him be lifted up first to immortal life, then to immortal glory, then to an immortal home

with Jesus, amid the glories of that city that far excells our highest conceptions of loveliness, beauty and glory. Soon the gates of pearl will be opened and the redeemed of the Lord will enter in with songs and everlasting joy on their heads.

H. A. St. John.

Pacific Coast Laborers Abroad

The Asiatic Division Conference committee held a meeting in Shanghai recently, at which plans were laid for the work of the many missionary recruits who recently sailed to the Orient. Elder E. J. Urquhart formerly of Lodi, was asked to labor in Southern Korea. Elder S. G. White, formerly of California, was asked to work in Gospel Village Shensi. F. A. Allum is to become the principal of the Chinese Training School. Brother Carl E. Weaks at one time field missionary agent in the Pacific Union Conference, was asked to take the secretaryship of the publishing department in the Asiatic Division, and also to carry the missionary and home missionary departments. O. F. Sevrens, of Pacific Union College, will labor in the Philippines, as will also I. A. Steinel. Brother W. E. Gillis, recently in California on furlough, and formerly manager of the Shanghai press will be secretary and treasurer for Central China.

Our Yiddish Neighbors

A kerosene lantern is said to have set the great Chicago fire. The throwing of a switch sets in motion the great dynamos of Niagara. One truth-bearing tract, placed before a darkened mind, may light a whole community. Who knows?

Some of our people are using our foreign leaflets and magazines with good results. One of these, in a personal letter, says:

"I do not suppose you will see anything extraordinary about this nickel (5 cent coin enclosed), but I can assure you that I feel it represents an idea in our future work for the foreign population of this country. Some of you good brethren sent me a sample copy of the new Yiddish magazine, and the other day

when I was going to San Jose I noticed a man sitting across the aisle whom I thought could read that language, and pulled this copy out of my satchel and gave it to him.

"He assured me that he could read it, and thanked me very politely three times for having handed it to him. After we had passed a few stations he got up to leave the train and in doing so said he noticed the price of the magazine was 5 cents and handed me this same nickel.

"This shows to me that a very earnest and energetic work can be carried on among our foreign population with even greater success perhaps than we have had in the American missionary work for a year or two past."

Thirty-five hundred copies of the Yiddish magazine have been sold since its announcement three weeks ago. Order of your tract society. \$5.00 a hundred.

Tinguian Pagan Tribe Calling for the Truth

Worshippers of stones on the island of Luzon are calling for the truth, according to a letter from Elder L. V. Finster, given in the "Asiatic Division Mission News." He says:

In the mountain province of Abra. in the northern part of Luzon, there lives a large pagan tribe who have always resisted the efforts of the Catholic Church to convert them to their faith. They are raw pagans worshipping stones. Four times a year they gather at certain places and offer a pig in sacrifice to these gods. Last month Pastor Hay and Brother Leon Roda visited a Tinguian who has accepted the truth, and held some meetings with the people of the town. They are calling for someone to come and teach them the truth. Pastor Hay wrote the following concerning his visit:

"I had a very interesting time at Lumaba, the town where Brother Abawag lives. We held two meetings there, and had a number of Bible studies with the brothers of Lumaba. Every Tinguian town has a stone before which they offer sacrifice. They say that this stone is an evil spirit, and they offer sacrifices to him so that it will keep the evil spirits from other towns from doing them harm. After we had visited the stone and the synagogue where they eat their sacrificial feast, we

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FIELD TIDINGS

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

J. A. Stevens, Pres. S. Donaldson, Sec.

Conference Items

Since Elder W. M. Adams has been laboring in Mendocino County, he has baptized four dear souls into the truth. Two of these were at Ukiah, and the other two at Fort Bragg. Elder Adams reports that the work is onward and many interested ones are learning of this truth.

The brethren who conducted the effort at Vallejo report that through the labors of the company, the Vallejo church has seven new Sabbath-keepers added to their number. While Vallejo is a hard field to work, a good interest was manifested in the meetings, and workers are still laboring in Vallejo with those who are interested.

We feel encouraged that the Harvest Ingathering shows a total collected to the end of November of \$1158.66. Five churches in the conference have reached their goal. Since the books were closed one church has reported sufficient funds on hand to reach its goal, another church lacks but fifty cents and still another but eight cents of reaching it. From now until the end of the year let everyone strive with all his might on the Harvest Ingathering work.

The remodeling of the Napa church is practically completed. The church auditorium has been made larger; three small rooms have been added to the church for Sabbath school classrooms and other purposes; the building has been painted and tinted, and some large windows add to the attractiveness of the building. The brethren at Napa took hold financially and otherwise in a very pleasing manner, and have just cause to feel enthused over the appearance of their church. It is hoped that the remodeled building may be dedicated with a short series of meetings.

The Santa Rosa school is entitled to credit for the excellent program prepared under the supervision of the teacher. The program was presented to the public Monday evening, November 27. The church school was assisted in the presentation by Sabbath-school children not connected with the church school, some members of the church, Elder J. A. Stevens, president of the conference, Brother Frank A. Coffin from the Pacific Union Conference

office, and the writer. The school received very hearty congratulations for the good work done in preparing and presenting the program, and the audience expressed its appreciation in a very material way by a liberal offering. This offering, together with the canvassing that the church school has done in Harvest Ingathering work, nets the church school \$17.55. The school has set its goal at \$20.00 and is determined to reach it. S. Donaldson.

Northwestern California Conference Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

January to November, 1916

	Mem.	Quota	Amt. Pd.	Over	Short	Ave.
Arcata	27	\$ 253.80	\$ 374.62	\$120.82		.295
Calistoga	29	272.60	94.89		\$177.71	.069
Conference	4	37.60	737.88	700.28		3.925
Eureka	80	752.00	426.18		352.82	.113
Ferndale	16	156.40	44.15		106.25	.058
Fort Bragg	28	263.20	141.96		121.24	.108
Fortuna	27	253.80	79.57		174.23	.063
Healdsburg	126	1184.40	671.23		513.17	.113
Kelseyville	9	84.60	4.20		80.40	.010
McKinleyville	27	253.80	66.18		187.62	.052
Napa	62	582.80	405.72		177.08	.139
Pacific Union College	237	2227.80	2124.14		103.66	.190
Pepperwood	17	159.80	81.88		77.82	.102
Personal			601.36	601.36		
Petaluma	7	65.80	113.35	47.55		.344
Sanitarium	234	2199.60	1717.30		482.30	.156
San Rafael	13	122.20	110.50		11.70	.180
Santa Rosa	61	573.40	445.87		127.53	.156
Sebastopol	77	723.80	312.14		411.66	.086
Sonoma	58	545.20	346.60		198.60	.127
St. Helena	65	611.00	427.28		183.72	.139
Ukiah	53	498.20	661.26	163.06		.265
Vallejo	20	188.00	212.86	24.86		.226
Willits	18	169.20	88.58		80.62	.105

Comparative Tithe Statement

January to November

	1915	1916
Arcata	\$ 437.30	\$ 568.53
Calistoga	129.43	189.86
Conference	570.38	570.38
Eureka	961.27	1422.86
Ferndale	18.80	10.00
Fort Bragg	104.30	103.45
Fortuna	670.00	567.21
Healdsburg	1624.12	1382.48
Kelseyville	119.43	131.20
McKinleyville	77.60	90.46
Napa	927.17	1385.61
Pacific Union Col.	3312.13	3331.18
Pepperwood	87.30	101.46
Personal	713.99	382.06

Petaluma	211.74	143.68
Sanitarium	6442.01	7290.15
San Rafael	170.28	170.28
Santa Rosa	682.75	626.10
Sebastopol	619.94	841.52
Sonoma	560.71	615.15
St. Helena	1000.10	1212.71
Ukiah	678.35	913.20
Vallejo	249.48	346.97
Willits	257.87	257.87

\$19627.92 \$22654.37

S. Donaldson, Treas.

“How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through thy precepts I get understanding.”—David.

Twenty-cent-a-week Fund in Central California Conference

January to December 7, 1916

Church	Amt. Recd.	Total For yr.	Lacking	Over
Armona	\$ 492.69	\$1237.60	\$ 744.91	
Bakersfield	735.91	832.00	96.44	
Barstow	260.61	291.00	30.59	
Burrough	72.88	156.00	83.12	
Chowchilla	89.12	301.60	212.48	
Clovis	64.67	156.00	91.33	
Coalinga	72.79	218.40	145.61	
Conference	40.81	145.60	104.79	
Dinuba	590.25	499.20		\$ 91.05
Dinuba German	398.23	270.40		127.86
Dos Palos	154.77	62.40		92.37
Exeter	277.00	447.20	170.20	
Fowler	37.92	186.40	148.48	
Fairmead	64.63	131.60	67.27	
Fresno	2358.18	3463.20	1105.02	
Hanford	484.57	790.40	305.83	
Island	338.89	766.00	437.11	
Laguna	129.88	124.80		5.08
Laton	133.96	208.00	74.04	
Le Grand	126.86	124.80		2.06
Le Moore	194.86	769.60	574.74	
Lindsay	144.04	332.80	188.76	
Merced	170.31	228.80	58.49	
Porterville	162.30	364.00	201.70	
Reedley	90.15	93.60	3.45	
Rolinda	166.60	239.20	72.60	
Selma	255.77	540.80	285.03	
Shafter	151.18	135.20		15.98
Tulare	139.33	301.20	162.27	
Visalia	230.55	239.20	8.65	
Wallace	7.24	104.00	96.76	
Winton	93.95	270.40	176.45	
Personal	491.82			491.82

G. A. Wheeler, Treas.

neighbor lady had some time before started to conduct a Sunday school in her home for the benefit of the children of the village. Upon the "Larsons" coming to this place, the children were soon made welcome in the Sunday school. When asked if they would not come regularly, Gertrude, who is 11 years of age, frankly stated to the superintendent that they were Seventh-day Adventists, and that they kept the Sabbath instead of Sunday. "Why, child," said the lady, "Sunday is the Sabbath." "We do not think so," answered Gertrude, "we think Saturday is the Sabbath." The woman then had a good laugh, and said she did not understand how that could be, but was assured by Gertrude that even though she could not explain it, her mother could.

The Larson children went to the Sunday school a little early the following Sunday, but took along the tract, "Which Day Do You Keep and Why?" This was immediately handed to the superintendent, who, upon noting the title, received it eagerly, and read it through before opening the school. After finishing, she came back to Gertrude and said, "I can now see where you are right, and I am going to keep the Sabbath too." About the middle of the week she sent word to the neighbors to the effect that there would be a Sabbath school at her house at 3 o'clock the following Saturday. This Sabbath school has been continued ever since. For several months the superintendent, together with her husband and 16-year-old son, has been faithfully observing the Sabbath, and diligently studying and accepting other phases of the truth. They have expressed their desire for baptism at an early date. The mother of this lady and also her sister, after a short visit in the home, decided to observe the Sabbath of Jehovah, and are faithfully walking in the light.

This experience is related that it may be the means of helping others of our children and youth, as well as those older, to see the importance of witnessing for the truth by scattering the printed page.

W. M. Andress.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

E. A. Curtis, Pres.

J. F. Gaster, Sec.

Won by a Girl of Eleven

During the evangelistic effort put forth in Salt Lake, Utah, one year ago last summer, a mother and her children were quietly walking to a service of one of the churches in the city, when a handbill, lying on the walk before them, was noticed. The first word to attract their attention was "COME," in bold type. After reading the announcement, the mother felt impressed to turn about and go to the meeting thus advertised by Elder A. S. Booth. Upon reaching the place, the meeting was found to be of such an interesting character that she and the children

attended frequently. They became interested to the extent that the mother and two older children were baptized and taken into the church at the close of the effort.

The father being a dispatcher in the employ of one of the railway companies, was later located with his family in a cozy section house several hundred miles from Salt Lake City along the line of his company. As soon as they were well settled the mother and children thus isolated from others of like faith, organized themselves into a little home Sabbath school, and from week to week studied the lessons to learn better the truths they had so recently embraced.

This little town being without a church of any kind, a Christian

NEVADA MISSION

W. S. Holbrook, Supt.

Harvest Ingathering

Although I dreaded the Harvest Ingathering work at the beginning of the campaign this year, I found that the blessings which come to one after engaging in the work richly repay for all effort expended.

I received two \$5.00 offerings. One lady who had just given a son \$1000, who was gambling it away as fast as he could, gave me \$5.00, stating that she would put that where she knew it would do some good.

Another lady who made a 50 cent offering, handed her paper to a neighbor, recommending the paper, and stating that it might do her some good to read it. She also said she thought I was in a grand work, and wished she could give me \$5.00.

The Lord has enabled me to collect \$312 already this year, and I expect to receive more. I praise His name for the blessings received.

George L. Wilkinson.

BOOK WORK

Report of Book Work

Agent Hrs. Ordrs. Helps Value

Week Ending December 1

Arizona

"Bible Readings"

J. G. Waugh	22	5	\$10.50	\$ 31.50
I. T. Reynolds*	78	35		163.50
2 Agents	100	40	\$10.50	\$195.00
*3 Weeks				

California

"Bible Readings"

J. E. Roberson*	24½	1	\$ 4.25	\$ 7.25
H. Emmerson	28	10	.25	28.00
Harold Drew	21½	3	.50	12.00
L. M. Overholt§	50	19	10.50	76.50

Home Workers'

Bessie Patrick				6.00
5 Agents	124	33	\$15.50	\$129.75
*Delivery \$2.50; § 2 Weeks				

Inter-Mountain

"U. S. in Prophecy"

J. L. Humbert	36	8	\$ 9.85	\$ 25.85
"Easy Steps"				
J. L. Sauder §	30	21	6.00	91.00

"Bible Readings"

F. H. Jenks*	3	1	1.50	4.50
D. T. Snideman	19	6		19.00
G. W. Hewitt	25	4	2.25	17.25
5 Agents	113	40	\$19.60	\$157.60
Delivery: *			\$127.75	

Northern California

"Bible Readings"

L. A. Reynolds	21	10	\$10.40	\$44.90
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Northwestern California

"Practical Guide,"

R. A. Jorgensen†	26	2	\$ 2.00	\$ 10.00
W. Lucas	20	5	1.00	22.50

"Bible Readings"

M. A. Reese*	42½	22	8.50	79.50
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Home Workers'

Mary Bullock				3.00
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4 Agents	88½	29	\$11.50	\$115.00
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Delivery, *\$8.00; †\$4.50.

Southern California

"Bible Readings"

F. W. Ross	11	14	\$2.00	\$ 45.50
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Mrs. G. M. Dannells	3		.75	9.25
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"Practical Guide"

Ottie W. Smith	12	3		11.50
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Home Workers'

Miscellaneous				41.25
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3 Agents	23	20	\$2.75	\$117.50
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Totals, 469 172 70.25 759.75

Deliveries, \$142.75.

Colporteurs' Items

The ten months' summary of book sales recently sent out by the Pacific Press shows that the Pacific Union sold subscription books to the value of \$36,542.55, and the total sales including tracts, but not including magazines, were \$48,165.80. This is more than \$15,000 higher than the record of the same period last year. This shows good work on the part of our field secretaries and their bands of faithful colporteurs, and some of the home workers, but more than all else it shows the good blessing of our God. To Him be the praise.

The colporteurs' institute recently held in Los Angeles resulted in several new workers in the field. Some of them are already sending in good reports. Watch for the new names in the list. Brother C. C. Morlan reports still others who are entering the work, and the prospects are good for the work in Southern California.

After a brief vacation, Brethren Jensen, Myers and Beardslee are once more on the firing lines in Central California, and the Lord is giving them success. It is faithful and substantial men like these who form the backbone of our colporteur work in every conference, and we thank the Lord for them, but we have room for more of the same kind.

Recently, while on a recruiting trip in the Central Conference, Brother Davis and the writer found a number of people who are preparing for the work, and an institute is soon to be held in that field. The date will be announced later.

Under the able leadership of Brother Barbee, the work is making headway in the California and the Northwestern California conferences. Several new workers have entered the field recently. Brother Barbee writes: "I have four men working here in Oakland, and we took \$170 worth of orders this week. Two of them were out for their first week. One of the boys, who is only 17 years of age, was told that he is quite too young to be engaged in such a line of work. But his answer was, "I am not as young as the Saviour was when He started out!"

From the Inter-Mountain Conference comes a number of interesting items, among which are the following: "Brother Jenks is pushing right ahead, and the Lord is blessing him. He has sent in four reports. One of them was \$101.50; another \$91.00. He says, "Thanks for the help received at the camp-meeting!"

"Brother Humbert traveled more than 50 miles during the past two weeks taking orders for \$85.55 worth of books, and having some good experiences presenting the truth to people in districts that are very seldom visited by anyone on an errand of that kind. He tells how he providentially missed his way, and thus found a house which he would not otherwise have seen, where he remained over night, and talked the truth to them until midnight, and they seemed eager to learn of the truth of the Bible."

Brother Sauder sends in the fol-

lowing recommendation for "Bible Readings":

"To Whom It May Concern:

"Especially busy parents and Sunday school teachers, 'Bible Readings for the Home Circle' contains the most precious scriptural gems, and the shortest route to comprehension of the Bible of any book I have seen. It should be in every library.

(Signed) "George Irvin Baldwin,
"St. Luke's Church, Park City, Utah."

We have had occasion to thank the Lord many times during the past year for the strong and earnest men who have rallied around Brother Abbott in the Northern California Conference, and have helped to make such a splendid record in that field. God is not unrighteous to forget their labor of love, and He is giving them souls as the crown of their faithful work.

The following extracts from Brother Abbott's letter will be of interest: "Brother Winn writes, after he has seen two dear souls baptized as the result of the work that he and Brother Morrison are doing in Modesto: 'I am of good courage and the Lord is blessing me. I have never enjoyed myself so much in all my life. I am canvassing during the day and giving Bible studies in the evenings. I feel that the Lord has blessed me much in coming to Modesto. Surely the Lord is good.'

"Brother Overholt sold an 'Armageddon' to a lady in Reno, then later met her husband after he had read the little book, and sold him 'Bible Readings.' This man drives the trash wagon in Reno, and he first found 'Heralds' in the leather binding in a garbage can and took it home. They were deeply interested in it, as it was the best book they had ever read. This, you see, prepared the way for 'Armageddon' and 'Bible Readings.'"

Brethren Nelson and Hansen, two of Brother Hebard's successful colporteurs, recently started for an auto trip back to Kansas and Nebraska to visit their relatives, but have promised to return and again take up the work in this field. But in the meantime Brother Hebard will be glad to have some others to take their places and keep the work moving.

Brother W. F. Mayers has been doing good work in the Southeastern California Conference, and has been meeting with success, working largely among the Spanish-speaking people. Brother Mayers is a bookman of experience, and is one of the men who helped Mexico to make such a good record before the recent turmoil made it necessary for nearly all our workers to leave that troubled country. F. E. Painter.

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went to visit the old man who always offers the sacrifices and makes the prayers before the stone. The oldest man was sick, but another who was but a few years his junior—perhaps about 80—consented to talk with me about their customs. Brother Abawag was with me. The old man instructed me to come to the home of the older man who was sick. We found him lying on his mat on the floor. As we came in he sat up, brushed his long hair back and adjusted the bark which was tied around his head to hold his hair in the true mountain style after the fashion of his ancestors who were headhunters. He did not know how old he was, but said that when the town was established he was a small boy. That was over 80 years ago.

"For more than an hour the old man talked away, telling me of their traditions and customs. The sun dropped behind the mountains, but he still talked on. A small smoky lamp was brought and by its light I saw the doorway packed by his tribes-people who were listening in an adjoining room. After he had finished telling me of the sacrifice, how they offer a hog four times a year, and how they always rest from one to three days after the offering, I spoke to them in Ilocano, as they all understand that, although they speak Tinguian in their own homes. I told them of a greater God than Pinag-ing (their town god) or Cabunyag or Cadacalan (general God over all)—the great God who created all things, and how sin entered and made necessary the supreme sacrifice of the Son of the great God. I also told them of the Sabbath rest which helps us always to remember the great God who created all things. Every point, as it dawned on the mind of the old man, was met with an explanation of approval, and when I shook hands all around before leaving, they asked that I come again and tell them of the great God and how His Son had come to this earth.

"This meeting has stirred me, and I feel that we must make a decided effort for those people. We have not asked enough in our budgets by one-half for what ought to be done for those people. The people that I have come in touch with are good material, and I believe that they will make as good a showing as the Hicanos. Most of them own their little farms, and they are much more diligent than the lowland people."

In another letter Brother Hay urges that we start our work for this tribe at once, and not wait until 1917, when our appropriation arrives for this field. We desire to

begin this work, but of course we do not have the money at hand. We pray that the Lord in some way will raise up workers and money to carry the gospel to this needy people. Brethren, pray for these that still sit in darkness, but are stretching out their hands for the light of the gospel.

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the lightning struck, was in no way harmed, although the bed was strewn with plaster, splintered wood and glass. Truly our heavenly Father will show Himself strong in behalf of those whose hearts are perfect toward Him.

Sister Florence Shull, formerly of Mountain View, has been conducting a successful Bible institute at Shanghai with the assistance of Sister B. Miller. Thirteen Chinese women were admitted to church fellowship by baptism at the close of this institute. Had sickness not prevented, several others would have been baptized. The "Asiatic Division Mission News" says of the work of these missionaries: "These dear sisters are untiring in their efforts to reach the women of China, and their efforts are not without results. Last year a nice class of women was baptized, all of which are remaining faithful, and some of them are making good Bible women."

Brother J. R. Ferren, who many of our readers will remember as our former missionary secretary, is now energetically pushing the circulation of our foreign publications. He writes that a faithful German sister, of Toledo, Ohio, who came from Catholicism, has a great burden for the Hungarians, and as a result of earnest labor has just had the pleasure of seeing her first convert baptized. The new "Signs of the Times" quarterly magazines in Bohemian, Italian and Yiddish are proving a wonderful help in reaching those who speak these languages. Brother Ferren says, "Magazines in still other languages are planned. Your tract society is in touch with these supplies, and will gladly give you any help possible in your work for your foreign neighbors. Everything indicates that this work should be carried forward strongly now."

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Only a voice, my Master,
Speaking for Thee—
Giving Thy thought.
Nothing but this, my Master,
Seek I to be.
I would say naught
Save Thine own words, believing;
Knowledge and truth receiving.

Only a light, my Master,
Showing Thy way—
Where Thou hast trod.
Lit by Thy hand, my Master,
Make me a ray,
Leading to God;
Ever in Thee abiding,
Lost ones to Jesus guiding.
—Ernest Wesley.

Brother and Sister Roy Mershon write that 15 souls in Borneo are ready for baptism.

Our people are building a new church near Arbuckle. It will be on the Hyman tract.

We believe the week of prayer has been a great blessing to our people everywhere. May we with renewed courage and zeal do valiantly for God and His cause.

Utah and Western Colorado hope to be able to report an annual offering of \$1700. Brother J. F. Gaster, the secretary, says the largest single donation thus far reported is for \$300.

St. Helena Sanitarium is planning to install a refrigerating plant this winter. It probably will be in operation before another season. The

institution is enjoying an excellent patronage.

The Glendale, Cal., church raised \$250 in cash when the annual offering was taken last Sabbath. Sister E. L. Learned, the treasurer, reports that this is the largest annual offering ever given in Glendale.

Some of our ministers holding evangelistic meetings, or conducting Sabbath services in our churches, are making good use of the newspapers. Write-ups of their discourses appear in the daily and weekly papers from time to time. Thousands are thus reading about the message.

Oregon has repealed her ancient Sunday blue law. Elder H. W. Cottrell writing for the "North Pacific Union Gleaner," says the majority vote when he wrote was 32,163. Our brethren there used 101,600 copies of the Religious Liberty number of the "Signs" and 216,000 special tracts. The people, when rightly educated, do not want Sunday laws. Our duty is to educate them.

Elder N. P. Neilsen, president of the Central California Conference, in sending out Ingathering Bulletin Number 8, under date of December 7, mentions that some of the churches already have reached the goal, but that others are far behind. In amounts collected Fresno stands first with \$281.14. Bakersfield church collected \$120.29; Hanford church, \$117.20, and Dinuba (German) church, \$93.80.

"Hot-hearted brothers, quickly come to this place and establish a church, because there are those here who have the same heart as do I, who have a place which we wish to give for your use." In these words a Chinese appeals to our workers to plant a new light in the midst of heathenism. "Please all foreign brethren quickly come, quickly come, and finish God's work," he urges. Thus the calls come constantly for more workers and more means with which to send them.

The Pacific Union Conference Committee is in session this week at Pacific Union College, St. Helena. Elder E. E. Andross and Brother

B. M. Emerson, president and secretary of the union field, had been in the northern part of California for about two weeks when the meeting began last Sunday. Elders G. W. Reaser and B. E. Beddoe, and Brother Ernest Lloyd left Los Angeles last Saturday night to attend the meeting. Many important matters affecting our work in this field will be considered.

Seventh-day Adventist young people in Nashville are endeavoring to increase their offerings to missions by the sale of mistletoe. They are gathering this in large quantities, and plan to ship to all parts of the country the week before Christmas. They desire to obtain orders as early as possible. They will ship postpaid to any address on receipt of price, which is as follows: One to three pounds, 75 cents per pound; more than three pounds, 50 cents per pound. Orders should be sent to Paul N. Pearce, 2119 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

Elder W. H. Anderson, from Northwest Rhodesia, South Africa, inspired his hearers with new zeal for the great unworked mission fields when he told last Sabbath, at the Glendale church, how natives are urging our workers to teach them the truth, and how the missionaries, already overworked, are obliged to turn hundreds away from the schools. Yet, when the General Conference was asked to send five missionaries, they decided at a recent meeting to send only two, because the funds in the treasury are not sufficient to keep pace with the insistent calls for help which come repeatedly from every mission field of the globe.

God, in a special way, is protecting our faithful missionaries. Elder F. A. Allum, telling of the work in Szechwan, China, says lightning recently struck the chimney of his house, splintered the attic door, sending some pieces 37 feet, and traveled down the brick wall, disturbing the plaster. His dog, lying on the front porch, was instantly killed, but the baby, asleep in an iron cot, within one foot of where

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