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# PACIFIC UNION RECORDER

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

### Directory of Missionary Volunteer Secretaries in Pacific Union Conference

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Note.—The following articles are called for in the Gold Dollar Day program appearing on the last page of the "Church Officers' Gazette" for August. This program is intended for the young people's meeting of August 25. This is very special. At the close of the service the offering should be taken. We hope to average a dollar for each Missionary Volunteer. The young people in this union conference have set a goal of over six thousand dollars for the Philippines for 1917. This offering applies on the Twenty-cent-a-week fund.

B. E. Beddoe.

### The Union Conference Missionary Volunteer Enterprises for 1917 Our Mission Goals

The Missionary Volunteer mission goals for the conferences in the Pacific Union aggregate \$6355.50. This year our young people in this union are sending their mission offerings to the Philippines. Each conference in the Pacific Union bears its share of the union's goal, and is contributing to the support of certain workers or enterprises. The Missionary Volunteers in our conferences are carrying mission responsibility for 1917 as follows:

#### Arizona

Carromata (carriage) for the general work at Manilla....\$100.00

#### California

For publishing new books in native tongues .....\$600.00  
Marous Comiling (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 250.00

#### Central California

Bibiano Panis (Tagalog Evangelist) .....\$533.00  
For publishing new books in native tongues ..... 400.00

#### Inter-Mountain

Emilio Manalaysay (Tagalog Evangelist) .....\$400.00

#### Nevada

Expenses of M. V. Dept.....\$ 75.00

#### Northern California

Marcelino Pelejo (Tagalog Evangelist) .....\$170.00  
Augustine Panaga (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 230.00  
Victoria Javier (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 194.00

#### Northwestern California

For publishing new books in native tongues .....\$500.00  
G. Dionisio (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 260.00  
Francisco Cruz (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 230.00  
Victor de la Cruz (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 260.00  
Medical expense for Cebuan Mission ..... 75.00

#### Southern California

Isaac Enriquez (Tagalog Evangelista) .....\$230.00  
Juana Augustin (Tagalog Evangelist) ..... 194.00  
Leon Roda (Ilocana Evangelist) ..... 370.00  
Folding organ for Panayan Mission ..... 75.00  
Two Bible women at Panayan Mission ..... 280.00  
One native evangelist, Panayan Mission ..... 333.00

#### Southeastern California

J. H. Jarnadela (Iloilo Mission) .....\$260.00  
Wenceslao Rodriguez (Iloilo Mission) ..... 260.00  
Another evangelist ..... 150.00  
A Bible woman ..... 80.00

#### Our Mission Field

As stated before, the Missionary Volunteers of the Pacific Union have chosen the Philippines as their mission field for 1917. The development of our work in these islands is remarkable. Its brief history is intensely interesting.

Some paragraphs from reports written by Elder A. G. Daniells on the occasion of his recent visit to the Philippines give some idea of the progress of the message in that field.

Of those in charge of the field he wrote:

"Brother and Sister L. V. Finster, who are in charge of the field, are both in good health. They have been here eight years. There was not a believe: in our message in the islands when they came. Now there are eight hundred and forty-six baptized members. The blessing of the Lord has surely attended their efforts, but for a long time they have been seriously overtaxed. Our failure to send needed help as the work has grown has left them with burdens too numerous and too heavy."

Of his visit among the churches he reported:

"We have eleven organized churches in the Philippines. The total membership of these churches is eight hundred and forty-six. I was able to visit seven of the churches and a number of companies. In three places, Manila, Calumpit and Baliwag, we have chapels. In the other places our services are held in rented rooms or private houses.

The first Sabbath was spent with the Manila church, which has a membership of three hundred and eighty-eight. The program of the day was just about what it is in any of our

large churches or important centers on the Sabbath, in the States. The Sabbath school convened at 9:30 a. m., the preaching service began at 11, and the young people's meeting was held in the afternoon.

"That Filipino Sabbath school of three hundred members was a truly inspiring sight. The adults, the young people and the children were separated into the senior, intermediate, and primary divisions. These, in turn, were divided into classes of from six to ten. The teachers were in earnest in leading the classes in study of a lesson in the regular series of Sabbath school lessons. The usual review was given, and when all was finished, the records were taken, and the little envelopes were passed for the school offering. . . . .

"During the year 1916 Brother Guillermo Dionisio, assisted by Sister Victoria Javier, raised up a church of eighteen members at Calumpit. Nearly as many more are keeping the Sabbath and awaiting baptism. These believers are rejoicing in their new found faith, and are very zealous. They have already erected a neat nipa chapel for their services.

"In this church we found three remarkable old men. One of these, Brother Carlos Nabong, is one hundred and ten years of age, and received the message with an open and glad heart. He was baptized by Brother L. V. Finster. Although at such an advanced age, he is quite active, and is able to walk nearly a mile to church services. During his lifetime he has been a great reader, and is still able to read considerable without the aid of glasses. He remembers poems that he learned in younger days, and is very fond of repeating them. I think I never saw a Seventh-day Adventist manifest more joy in the message than does old Brother Nabong. He has a brother, Valentine Nabong, ninety years of age, who also is rejoicing in the message. This brother is robust, and in the best of health, and is very spry. According to Filipino custom, he waited on us at table, and moved about as briskly as a young man of twenty.

"There is still another old brother in this church, Hilario Tolentino by name, one hundred and five years of age. The change of views and con-

version and consistent Christian lives of these very old men, are a wonderful testimony to the transforming power of the message we are proclaiming."

Last December the first local conference organized in Asia was organized in the Luzon Island. Of this meeting Elder Daniells wrote for the "Review":

"When the general meeting convened, there were 250 representatives present. Every church in the Philippines was fairly well represented. Elder R. E. Hay brought a number of natives from the Ilocano mission, in the northern part of Luzon. Elder E. M. Adams brought a company from the Panayan mission, in the south, and Dr. Carlos Fattbert brought some from the island of Cebu. The great majority came from the churches near Manila. By agreement all were counted as delegates to represent the churches from which they had come."

Concerning the organization of this conference Elder J. E. Fulton reported:

"On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1916, at 2 p. m., there assembled in the new church building at the corner of Bambang and Oroquieta streets, Manila, a goodly number of believers from various parts of the Philippine Islands. In response to a call from the superintendent of the Philippine Mission of Seventh-day Adventists, two hundred and forty-two church members, representing eleven churches with a membership of eight hundred and eighty-three, were in attendance at this general meeting."

After careful consideration this unanimous action was taken:

"Voted. That the church members present proceed to organize themselves into a local conference embracing the central and southern portions of Luzon Island, with some adjacent territory."

Then in closing his report, Brother Fulton wrote:

"On the last night of our meeting, after a talk by Elder Daniells on the work of the gospel ministry, in the presence of a large congregation in the new church, three native brethren Bibiano Panis, Emilio Manalaysay, and Leon Rhoda, were ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. As the service was about to close, a re-

quest was made that on returning to America, Elder Daniells should take to the brethren and sisters in the home land the Christian greetings and brotherly love of the believers in the Philippine Islands. This request was approved by a rising vote of the entire congregation. Thus closed this interesting and important meeting."

#### Native Workers in Philippines

Elder L. V. Finster has just sent to the union office the following items in regard to certain of the native workers. These will be of peculiar interest since conferences in this union are supporting some of these workers.

**Bibiano Panis.**—Our First Evangelist. Soon after I landed in the Philippine Islands a little more than eight years ago, I became acquainted with several young men that were attending the high school who desired to improve their English and also study more about the Bible. So arrangements were made for some Bible studies. The young men soon became so interested that they told their parents about the things that we were studying and many times we would have as many old people to the meetings as there were young men, although they could not understand what was said in English. So Bibiano one evening offered to be my interpreter, if I so desired, so the old people could understand what was said. This was the beginning of his usefulness. The Lord greatly blessed him in this work, and soon calls were made from other parts of the city and we were out nearly every night holding cottage meetings.

"He continued his study at the high school and acted as my interpreter in the evenings; and after finishing the high school, he took one year in the law school. This was a very trying time for me, as I feared he would lose his interest in the work of God. His uncle offered to pay his way through the law school and every prospect was bright for him to be a successful lawyer. We prayed nearly every day for him and one day while he was at our house, we took the matter up personally with him and told him what it would mean if he continued his studies and also what it would mean if he forsook them and united himself with the

work of God. It was a great struggle for him to give up the greatest ambition of his life, but after some struggle, he made a decision and has been faithful to that decision ever since. He has been with me as Timothy was with Paul in all of my meetings from that time to this. The last few years, he has been holding meetings by himself and the Lord has made him a very acceptable laborer.

Last year with some Bible workers he took the tent to San Pablo. They had a most wonderful meeting there. People came in for miles from all around the city. Sometimes there would be twice as many outside the tent as there were inside. As a result, after six months' work there, a church of two hundred people was organized of some of the best people of the town. From this company, already we have a large number of canvassers and workers that are out in the field.

Brother Bibiano has also acted as assistant editor to our paper, and has translated nearly all of our books and tracts that have been issued in the Tagalog language. At our last general meeting he was elected as vice president of the Central Southern Luzon Conference, but since that time he has had many trying experiences. Soon his wife lost her mind. This has been a great trial to him, as her people are Catholics and look upon it as a calamity because she has become a Protestant. We hope that our young people will not forget to pray for Brother Bibiano and his wife that she may be healed and that they will be blessed of God in winning many souls for the Lord.

**Emilio Manalaysay.**—Brother Emilio was first a school teacher in Manila and happened in the room where I was holding a Bible study with another native teacher. He asked me many questions and soon became interested in the truth. After considerable study, he finally united himself with the church. Then came the trial of his life. His wife was also a teacher of the public school and they had good prospects before them for a happy future. When we asked Brother Emilio to leave his teaching and unite with the work of God, where he could not get the wages he was receiving in the school, his wife ob-

jected very much, and that it was a great trial to him to have to start on the way of serving the Lord alone.

The Lord greatly blessed him in his ministerial work. He has raised up churches in Santa Rosa, Ballwag and Bocaue; and this year with other helpers, a good church has been raised at Malabon. About two weeks ago we had the privilege of baptizing 71 as the result of a tent effort that had been held there for the past five months. Brother Emilio has also helped a great deal in translating work and articles for our paper.

The one longing cry of his soul from week to week is that his wife may accept the truth and unite herself with the people of God. We ask an interest in the prayers of our young people that these longings may be granted to him.

**Augustin Panaga.**—Augustin is a Cayagan boy, but came to Manila several years ago to study in the schools, and so has learned the Tagalog language and uses it quite fluently. He has talents for music, so always plays the organ and assists in the singing at our meetings. He has been connected with the others in the tent efforts most of the time, and so has not been alone to raise up individual churches. However, at the present time we are sending him to a new place to hold a series of meetings. Let us pray that the Lord will bless him with many souls.

Our evangelist holds courses of meetings just the same as we do in the states explaining the prophecies, doctrinal points and other parts of the Bible to the people. The people that they preach to are nearly always Roman Catholics and very superstitious. They know but little about God. They have heard more about the saints and their miracles than anything else. In fact, they believe and do the same things as the people do in heathen countries, only call it by Christian names. Most of the men and women smoke tobacco and chew beetle nuts and gamble at the cockpits. But there is power in the gospel to save people from all these evil ways. It is plainly seen in those that come out from the world and unite with the church. They are happier, cleaner and brighter in every way. I am sure it would

do your hearts good if you could go to some of our Sabbath schools and see our native people studying their lessons, taking part in the meetings the same as we do at home.

**Guillermo Dionisio—Guillermo** was a graduate of the Union Theological Seminary and had been an ordained minister in the Presbyterian church for a number of years. One day one of his members came saying that he had had a most remarkable dream the night before and asked him if he could give the meaning of it. He said: 'In my dream I saw the Ten Commandments, and around the fourth one, there was a great halo of light and a dove came down and rested on that commandment.' Brother Guillermo told the man that probably there must be light for them about the fourth commandment, and so they got their Bibles and began to read it, and the man said, you notice that the seventh day is the Sabbath, but we are keeping the first day of the week.' Brother Guillermo then took up a study of the question from the Bible and after satisfying himself that the seventh day was the Sabbath, I received a letter from him asking that he might come down and study with me in Manila. I invited him to come down to my house and spend a few days with me. After a weeks' study, he returned home a thoroughly convinced Adventist. From that time he united with one of our tent companies and learned more fully of the ways of presenting the truth. This last year the Lord has blessed his efforts in raising up a nice church in Kalumpit. His wife is also a good singer and is a great help to him. Let us pray that the Lord may keep him faithful."

B. E. Beddoe.

### The Duty and Privilege of Giving for Missions

The aim of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society is "The Advent Message to All the World in This Generation." Every Missionary Volunteer pledges to do "what I can to help others and to finish the work of the gospel in all the world." "What I can" includes giving of my means to support our missionaries. It means more, but surely can not mean less.

The beloved disciple wrote: "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1 John 3:17. Genuine love will express itself in every possible way. Giving money to send missionaries to our unfortunate brothers and sisters who are still in heathen darkness is one way of expressing our love for them. Every true Missionary Volunteer is constrained by the love of Christ to do all in his power to bring salvation to the lost, so every true Missionary Volunteer will give something, even though it may be but little, to carry the good news of salvation and of Jesus' soon return.

"Money is myself," said a speaker at a great missionary convention. Then he went on to show how that is. When you expend your energy in working and receive pay for the service, that money represents so much of your life's energy, it represents so much of yourself. One man goes and buys liquor or tobacco, thus spending himself to weaken and destroy his body and mind. Another man buys a beautiful picture to enjoy. He is spending himself for his own pleasure, and possibly the further development of his higher nature. But another invests that which represents himself in missions, and thus gives himself for the salvation of poor, lost brothers or sisters. How glorious the gift!

In John 3:16 we are told of the great love of God to us in that He gave His only begotten Son for our salvation. In 1 John 3:16 we are told that in view of the fact that God laid down His life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for others. That this **includes** the giving of our possessions is indicated by the next verse, which is quoted above.

It is evident, then, that it is our duty as Christians and as Missionary Volunteers to give to missions. And whatever is a Christian **duty** is a joyous **privilege**.

The Missionary Volunteer Department of the North American Division Conference has set as its goal for 1917 to raise \$35,000 for missions. A large sum, is it not?—No, not large when we think that there are over 15,000 Missionary Volunteers in this

Division, and many more young people that ought to be enlisted in this work.

The financial goal has been distributed to the various union conference Missionary Volunteer Departments, and by the union conference departments to the local conferences. The local conference Missionary Volunteer secretaries have usually distributed to each local society its portion of the conference goal. And it is the plan that the offerings shall equal \$3 for each Senior Missionary Volunteer and \$1.50 for each Junior. At the beginning of the year the budget plan of raising this money was suggested to all our societies. If, this has been worked up faithfully, we shall have little trouble in going away beyond our goal.

In order to give this fund a big lift, we have arranged for this special offering on August 25—"Goal Dollar Day." On this day we are considering the missionary enterprises assigned each conference and our duty and privilege to support them.

In "Testimonies," Vol. 7, page 295, we read: "The ardor of the youth is now needed. They should put away vanity and restrict their wants. I would urge upon them and upon all our people that the money usually

invested in unnecessary things be put to a higher, holier use."

Surely, we should give the money "usually invested in unnecessary things," but should we do no more? Now is the time of all times, it seems to me, for us to make a covenant with God by sacrifice. While the Saviour doubtless approved of the gifts of those who "of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God," He especially commended the poor widow who "cast in all the living that she had." (Luke 21:4). Word comes of young people who are saving the money usually spent for chewing gum, and other unnecessary things, that they may furnish literature to the soldiers, and of graduating classes that desire to give to missions what has usually been spent on display at the time of graduation. These are omens of good. Let us pray for the spirit of sacrifice which we must have to meet Jesus who gave all. Let everyone who possibly can do so give a dollar at this time, and those who are able to do so give more.

"Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord to Thee.  
"Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold."  
M. E. Kern.

## Messages from Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretaries

### California Our Aim

To have no aim or purpose in the society gives the enemy of souls an excellent opportunity to take possession of the aimless minds and control them—keeping them filled with things of little worth, while crowding out those things that are essential to the welfare of the soul. The very fact that a society has a goal or purpose incites in the heart of every member a desire to reach that goal, and subsequently to put forth an effort to reach it.

When the goal for the California Conference for 1917 was fixed, the Missionary Volunteers throughout the conference at once began planning to attain this standard. Especially have they put forth enthusiastic efforts to

reach the financial goal, which for the seniors is \$741 and for the juniors \$166.

The seniors have not yet reached the half-way mark. At the close of the second quarter only about \$182 had been raised. Last year the seniors exceeded their goal, and while it is a much larger amount this year, they will put forth a greater effort to reach it.

The juniors have distinguished themselves by the success that has crowned their earnest, self-sacrificing missionary activities. At the close of the first quarter of the year they had raised \$208, thus exceeding the goal by \$42. This money was raised largely by selling our books and periodicals before and after school hours.

We believe that the inspiration received from our "Rally Day" will arouse all to demonstrate what their loyalty to the cause of missions can accomplish before the close of the year.

Mrs. J. L. McElhany.

**Northern California  
Another Opportunity**

The fields are calling for help. friends, and are laboring in the Missions have left homes and fields abroad. The Lord is blessing their efforts, and the Macedonian cry is still sounding, calling for more means and men; thus it will be until the work is finished.

We are looking to our army of young people for recruits. August 25 affords another opportunity to give of our means for the advancement of the cause of God. In a time like this, should we not arise and do our very best? The King's business requires haste.

The goal for our conference is \$568.50. Offerings for the Philippines thus far reported amount to \$294.44. If every one of our 443 Missionary Volunteers would in reality make August 25 Goal Dollar Day, we would more than reach our goal.

What is your society goal? How do you stand? Let our rally cry be, "Every Missionary Volunteer a Dollar for Goal Dollar Day."

Mrs. E. H. Osborne.

**Northwestern California  
"Run, Speak to This Young Man"  
Zech. 2:4**

There never was a time in the history of the world when we needed to run and speak to the young men as we do now. The snares and pitfalls of the enemy are on every side, and now while he is surrounded by such formidable temptations, is the very time for those who profess to be the children of God to follow out the instructions to "Run" and speak to them. After Philip heard the call of God to "Go near," the record is that he "ran."

During the conversation the Lord had with Nicodemus, the question was asked, "How can a man be born when he is old?" This is a very pertinent question. It is possible to be saved

when you are an old man but it is improbable. The majority of people who come to Jesus are under 25, and as the age increases, the desire to accept the Lord seems to decrease. Prevention is better than cure. A fence at the top of a precipice is better than a hospital at the bottom. So if you will only follow out the instruction in this text, "Run, speak to this young man," you may place a hedge about him that will keep his feet from slipping over the precipice, and save him from the rocks below.

A short time ago I had occasion to spend a few minutes at Vallejo Junction while waiting for a train. There, just across the tracks from the depot, were the ruins of a saloon that had recently burned down. As I stood looking at the place and wishing that all like places were in the same condition, a young man spoke to me and said, that upon a metal cot, which could be readily seen in the ruins, a young man in a drunken stupor had been placed the night before the fire. Some time during the night, the fire broke out, and the young man lost his life. Life is very uncertain to the best of us, and "that young man," to whom you should speak, may be called to give up his when he least expects it. Have you done your duty?

I would that I could speak to all Christian young men who read this, and call them to entire consecration to Christ. In the words of the beloved apostle, "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong," and "The Master has come, and called for thee."

J. R. Dieffenbacher.

**Southeastern California  
Kept for the Massage**

Have you read in our papers, or heard Elder Daniells tell, of the old people in the Philippine Islands? Among our members there are a number 80, 90, even more than 100 years old. One is said to be up the thirties beyond the century mark. And all of them are full of zeal for the message of the soon-coming Redeemer. They hope and pray and give and work for the same cause that we love in favored America.

An idea has come into my mind which has set me thinking; it may be

a help to others. It is this: God must have had some special reason for keeping these people alive so long. I believe that He has lengthened their lives that we might give them the gospel that will save them.

But these men and women, hardy old patriarchs though they may be, can not live many years longer. Some time soon they will lie down for their quiet rest, after years and years and years of toil and waiting. Shall they go without warning of the destruction of all things earthly, all things that are tainted with the sting of sin? Shall they go without a saving knowledge of the Saviour of the world, the only Redeemer from the taint of sin?

Young people, it is our task and our privilege to do a large part in the work for these precious souls whom God has kept alive for us to save. Shall we do it? Shall we pray and give and go as the Lord of the harvest indicates? God so loved that He gave. If we love, we will give, but we shall receive in return a reward infinitely greater than we deserve. Let us not talk of sacrifice on our part; all that we can do or give is so paltry when compared with the princely gift of the Son of God for us.

Max Hill.

**Southern California  
A Living Sacrifice**

The following story is told by S. D. Gordon:

"A minister in a certain small town in an eastern state received from the home mission board of his church a letter asking for a special offering for a needy field in the West. With the letter was literature setting forth the need. The call appealed to him, and with a good heart he prepared a special sermon, calling the attention of his people to the great need.

"Sabbath morning came and he preached the sermon. But somehow it did not just seem to look in. The banker down there on the left looked listless, and yawned a couple of times behind his hand. And the merchant over on the right, who could give freely, examined his watch secretly more than once. And so it was with a little tinge of discouragement insistently creeping into his spirit that

he finished, and sat down. And he remained with his head bowed in prayer that the results might prove better than seemed likely, while the church officers passed down the aisles with the collection plates.

"Meanwhile something unseen by human eye was going on in the very last pew. Back there, sitting alone, was a little girl of poor family. She had met with a misfortune which had left her crippled. And her whole life seemed so dark and hopeless. But some kind friends in the church, pitying her condition, had made up a small fund and bought her a pair of crutches. And these had seemed to transform her completely. She went about her rounds always as cheery and bright as a bit of sunshine.

"She had listened to the sermon, and her heart had been strangely warmed by the preacher's story of need. As he was finishing she was thinking, 'How I wish I might give something. But I haven't anything to give, not even a copper left.' And a very soft voice within seemed to say very softly, but very distinctly, 'There are your crutches.' 'Oh,' she gasped to herself as though it took her very breath, 'my crutches? I couldn't give my crutches; they're my life.' And that strangely clear voice went on, so quietly, 'Yes—you could—and then some one would know of Jesus—if you did—and that would mean so much to them—He's meant so much to you—give your crutches.' And her breath seemed to fail her at the thought. And so the little woman had her fight all unseen and unknown by those in the church. And by and by the victory came. And she sat with a beautiful light in her eyes, and a smile coming to her lips, waiting for the plate to get to her pew.

"And the man with the plate came down the aisle to the end. It seemed hardly worth while reaching it into the last pew,—just little Maggie sitting there alone, with her one foot dangling above the floor. But with fine courtesy he stopped and passed the plate in. And Maggie in her childlike simplicity lifted her crutches, and tried rather awkwardly to put them on the collection plate. Quick as a flash the man caught her thought, and with a queer lump in his throat reached out and steadied her strange gift on the plate.

"And then he turned back and walked slowly up the aisle toward the pulpit, carrying the plate in one hand and steadying the crutches in the other. And the people commenced to look. And eyes quickly dimmed. Everybody knew the crutches. **Maggie giving her crutches!** And the banker over here blew his nose suddenly and reached for his pencil, and the merchant reached out to stop the man returning up his aisle.

"As the pastor stood with his eyesight not very clear to receive the morning offering, he said, 'Surely our little crippled friend is giving us a wonderful example.' Then the plates were called back toward the pews. And somebody paid \$50 for the crutches, and sent them back to that end pew. When the offering was counted up it contained several hundred dollars. And the little girl, crippled in body but not in any other way, hobbled out of church the happiest little woman in the world."

I am sure that every young person who has the spirit of sacrifice that Maggie had will be prepared to contribute a dollar on Goal Dollar Day.

Mrs. M. M. Hare.

#### NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

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#### Conference Items

Are you a reader of the "Recorder"?  
Subscription price, 25 cents a year.

Last quarter 9088 papers were used in missionary work in this conference, and 252 meals were provided.

Some have failed to renew their subscriptions to the "Review and Herald." Now is a good time to renew.

"We had the best mid-week crowd out last Tuesday night that we have had thus far," is the report that comes from the company at Dixon. They report that many who have attended the meetings are very much interested and so far have accepted the truth as it has been presented.

Elder Eugene A. Brown sent a request to the office for more song books and more chairs for the Covelo effort. Sunday, July 17, the tent was filled to capacity, and many stood

outside or drove up close to the tent and sat in their machines throughout the meeting. The tent company are using "Present Truth" in connection with this work.

Elder J. D. Alder reports that two more souls were baptized into the church at Eureka Sabbath, July 28. The work on the school building is going forward encouragingly, twelve of the brethren having put in a full day last Sunday and making a splendid showing. The business people of Eureka think well of our people.

S. Donaldson.

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

N. P. Neilsen, Pres. G. A. Wheeler, Sec.  
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#### Pencilgrams

Soon we will have the September examination questions for Standard of Attainment. How many are planning on taking one or both of these examinations? If you write me, I will arrange at any time that is most convenient for you. Let us see if we cannot double our goal on this point.

Is every Missionary Volunteer thinking and planning for Goal Dollar Day? Remember it is August 25. We are behind on our financial goal. This conference is to raise \$952.50. To date we have only raised \$99.11, which is \$77.14 less than half. Let usciety have a grand rally and sever make up the deficiency. If you are not sure of your goal, multiply your membership by \$3.00 and you will have your financial goal.

After a two weeks' vacation spent in the mountains, we are back at work with renewed health and strength. In looking over the mail, we find many encouraging words and some not so encouraging. A letter from Bakersfield states that Miss Attie Howe has resigned from her position there and is to take the nurses' course in Portland. We are very sorry to part with Miss Howe as a teacher, but if she makes as great a success as a nurse as she has as a teacher, we congratulate her patients.

While on our vacation, we read the senior and junior set of reading course books for this year and pro-

nounce them among the best that have ever been selected for our young people. No one can read "Life Sketches" without having his faith made stronger in this message. The two books on the life of Luther are splendid, and the two on missionary work in Arabia will certainly stir our young people to renewed consecration and determination to be ready for any call to these needy fields.

We hear that Central California has more teachers at the summer school than any other conference in the union. We hope our schools next year will be enough better to repay for our zeal. The Fresno intermediate room has secured the services of Brother Lindsay Semmens for the coming year. Brother Semmens is a graduate of the ministerial course of Pacific Union College, and is now under appointment for India, but wishes to get some experience in the home field before leaving. We are hoping for an enrolment in Fresno of at least 100 this year.

Alice Mina Mann.

**SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA**

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**Conference Items**

No doubt most of our readers are aware that Elder L. E. Brant had a very serious operation recently. We are glad to say that he is improving, and hopes soon to be able to take up his work again.

Dr. A. W. Truman has returned to Loma Linda, accompanied by a number of the members of the medical evangelistic class. A few of them will remain in San Diego to engage in nursing until time for the school to open.

Reports indicate that we have made a decided advance in our twenty-cent-a-week quota, but yet we are at a distance from the goal. Let the different churches study the figures which will shortly be printed. If your church is behind, lay plans to bring it up to the standard. It will not be long that we can use our money to advance the cause of God, so let us do what we can while it is day.

The Paradise Valley Sanitarium graduated a fine class of nurses this year, a number of whom will engage in the work of advancing the cause connected with our institutions. We trust that all may be a power for good wherever they may go.

The writer had the privilege of visiting the Southern California camp-meeting one day last week. The attendance was excellent, and they were having a good meeting. Elder Daniells said that on Sunday night there was the largest audience he ever saw at a camp-meeting.

The latest report from the Pacific Press shows that there are 3151 copies of the weekly "Signs" coming into our conference. Three other conferences in the union are ahead of us: Southern California, California and Northwestern California. We hope to see our quota materially increased.

Last Sabbath I spent with the San Pasqual and Escondido churches, speaking in the forenoon at San Pasqual and in the evening at Escondido. In the afternoon one sister was baptized at the latter place. Things seem to be moving nicely in that section of the conference. We are expecting a good delegation from there to the camp-meeting.

By the time this reaches the readers of the "Recorder," doubtless the Southeastern California camp meeting will be under way. We are expecting a large attendance. Already orders for tents have come in to exceed those of any previous year. Elder A. G. Daniells will be with us the first half of the meeting. Elder G. B. Thompson intends to remain during the entire time. We hope for a full attendance of our people. The plans are to have considerable instruction at camp-meeting on food conservation and the principles of health reform. This will be in charge of the workers from Loma Linda. No doubt it will be a great benefit to those who are present. There seems to be a good interest on the part of the people of Anaheim in the meeting, and we are expecting a large number of them to be present at the services. These are busy days in and around the conference office. The usual additional

work, incident to closing up the month, added to the preparations for the camp, keeps the workers busily occupied. We ask our brethren and sisters throughout the conference to pray that the Anaheim camp-meeting may be a good one and a great uplift to the work in our field.

W. F. Martin.

August 10.

**MISCELLANY**

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**BOOK WORK**

**Report of Book Work**

Agent	Hrs.	Ordrs.	Helps	Value
<b>Week Ending August 3, 1917</b>				
<b>Central California:</b>				
"Bible Readings"				
G. R. Kuhn*	30	10	\$11.10	\$58.10
J. W. Beardslee†	23		6.50	31.50
"Patriarchs and Prophets"				
Mary Gleason	20	7	8.50	36.50
Miscellaneous				
Mrs. C. Hollenstein				35.95
A. G. Joseph	12			17.90
5 Agents	85	17	\$26.10	179.95
Deliveries: *\$2.10; †\$1.50.				
<b>Inter-Mountain:</b>				
"Easy Steps"				
Forrest Sauder	27	7	\$1.50	\$35.50
J. L. Sauder	10			23.00
"Bible Readings"				
A. R. Robinson	27	8	7.75	46.75
3 Agents	64	15	9.25	105.25
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## Reading Course Prices

So far as we know all the tract societies in this union find it necessary to vary slightly from prices of Reading Course books for 1917-18 as advertised in the leaflets. On account of the distance from supply houses, the following prices are being put on these books here in the West: Senior Course No. 11, or Junior Course No. 10, postpaid or at camp-meeting, \$3.00; Primary Course No. 1, 75 cents.

B. E. Beddoe.

## ARIZONA

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615 North 10th St., Phoenix, Arizona.

## Conference Items

The president spent a few days the early part of last week with Brother Orno Follett, who is laboring among the Indians.

The Missionary Volunteer Society of the Phoenix Church is doing good work. This society is taking a club of 25 "Signs" which are sent out each week.

Brother L. B. Ragsdale will leave Arizona in a few days for Boise, Idaho. Returning he will spend a short time at the Pacific Union College, attending the teachers' institute.

Under date of July 22, Elder L. L. Hutchinson writes: "Today was a good day for the Prescott church. One family, consisting of father, mother and two children, was baptized. Three other young people were baptized at the same time, making seven in all. Others are interested.

We are encouraged to note that to date we have been able to dispose of 1849 copies of the "World War" in Arizona. This is equal to a little less than four copies for each member in our conference.

The results of the effort in Benson conducted by Brethren L. B. Ragsdale and E. E. Morrow, are encouraging. Ten are reported as having decided to obey the truth, and eighteen others are deeply interested.

"The 'World War' sells readily and is arousing quite an interest." The above quotation is taken from a letter from Brother Archer T. Shearer of Steins, New Mexico. His letter was accompanied by a good order.

Brother Reese was recently privileged to visit the ancient cliff dwellings, nine miles out of Flagstaff in Walnut Creek Canyon. On this trip he sold our books to ranchers, to the government agent at the canyon and also to tourists visiting this historic place.

Brother Reese writes: "After reading the book, 'World War,' a Mexican man came at 10 o'clock at night after a storm asking if we had a Spanish Bible. The Mexican people in and around Flagstaff have bought quite a number of our small books. Many others have asked for Bibles."

Elder J. E. Bond spent Sabbath July 28, at Cottonwood, Arizona. While there a company of eleven adults was organized. These individuals are members of the Conference church. Brother W. E. Freeman was chosen as leader; Sister Alice Hancock, treasure, and Sister Berray librarian. Sister Berray is selling our small books in this section.

Elder M. Serna reports the holding of house-to-house Bible readings in Tucson. Each Sunday services are conducted for the benefit of the prisoners in the Tucson jail. Elder Serna expects to leave in a few days for Safford, where he will remain until

after the camp-meeting. He asks your prayers in behalf of the work for the Mexican people in Arizona.  
Orley J. Bond.

## Will You Have a Vacation?

Whether you have a vacation or not, the August number of "Life and Health" is full of information which will be useful to you. It gives valuable suggestions for hot weather diet; how to preserve one's health during the summer; what to do in case of emergency, such as sunstroke, hemorrhage, drowning, etc. The cover design is especially fetching, being a water scene, full of life. Those who circulate "Life and Health" do good service. Send orders to your conference tract society.

"Unmistakable evidences point to the nearness of the end."

"Putting our trust in God, we are to move steadily forward, doing His work with unselfishness, in humble dependence upon Him, committing ourselves and our present and future to His wise providence, holding the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end, remembering that it is not because of our worthiness that we receive the blessings of heaven, but because of the worthiness of Christ, and our acceptance, through faith in Him, of God's abounding grace."

"Every day that passes brings us nearer the end. Does it bring us also near to God? Are we watching unto prayer? Those with whom we associate day by day need our help, our guidance. They may be in such a condition of mind that a word in season will be sent home by the Holy Spirit as a nail in a sure place. Tomorrow some of these souls may be where we can never reach them again. What is our influence over these fellow travelers? What effort do we make to win them to Christ?"

## Camp-Meeting Dates

Southeastern California - Anaheim - - - August 16 to 26  
Arizona - - - - - Safford - - - August 16 to 26