

PACIFIC UNION RECORDER

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

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Open Doors

During our late Council held at Minneapolis, the workers assembled were profoundly impressed that we should enter upon a larger, stronger, more persevering campaign both in the home and foreign fields. The calls from other lands for recruits seemed imperative, and all the workers assembled were one in heart and resolve, and determined to meet these crying demands both for men and means.

Must not the church accept as the call of God His many opening providences in heathen lands? What mean these open doors in this generation which for 19 centuries have been closed to the gospel, if the church is not to march on to conquest and service? Does the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us," mean to the remnant church what it meant to the Gentile apostle? If so, no sacrifice is too great for it to make, no call for help can remain unanswered. These heathen lands must remain a challenge to the church till it does its full duty in giving to these perishing souls the gospel as we know it in Christ.

There are three things we need to

press together on, and to unite in accomplishing:

(a) That we bring forth more fruit here in the home land. This is the base of supplies, both in men and means. It must long remain such. We must therefore labor most earnestly to bring the truth to all, and to greatly increase our membership. This calls for hard, persistent, prayerful work. An increasing constituency in the home land means courage and victory to the entire field. We should labor in faith and prayer, believing the Holy Spirit will be our helper.

(b) We must have more workers to send to these distant, needy fields. Truly the fields are "white unto the harvest." Reapers must be secured. If ever the church prayed the prayer commanded by the Master, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest," that prayer should now be in every heart. Young, well-trained workers are generally required for these heathen lands. We can all help by encouraging our young people who are already in training to give themselves to this work, and by persuading our young people not in our schools to qualify themselves for service. Our schools are not filled to their capacity, and too large a per cent of our young are growing into maturity without proper training. We urge you to unite with us in helping our young people to attend one of our schools. It is to those who come from these schools that we must look for recruits to the mission fields.

(c) At the Council, we voted to undertake to raise our mission offerings to 25 cents per week. This means a steady, hard pull for 1918. But the great pressing needs of our

world field demand a mighty effort on the part of God's people to-day.

We greatly desire your help in rallying our people to support this advance move. The appropriation by the General Conference was one million dollars for 1918. This is a great advance over any previous year. Can we reach the goal? We are confident we can if we early unite in encouraging our people to systematically and perseveringly give. Each month should see the full quota made good by churches and conferences. Let us unite our strength as never before and make 1918 a record year in the progress of the work.

Yours in the finishing of God's work,

A. G. Daniells,
 I. H. Evans.

Does It Pay?

Thousands upon thousands of tracts and papers containing special light for the world in these last days have been circulated; and many more thousands must be placed in the hands of people far and near before the end comes. Sometimes we ask ourselves if our efforts have really paid; and the answer comes that the souls won to Christ through the medium of the printed page are indeed a handsome reward for the effort expended.

In addition to our truth-filled publications, the Lord has given our workers another means of reaching the great outside world. Our heavenly Leader has so arranged it that thousands of boys in all our large cities, and scores of lads in the smaller towns, make daily trips to the doors of the people, conveying to them the world's news in printed form. God has made this great and complicated system of news

distribution available for our use. More than that, much of this service, which is worth actual dollars and cents, is without cost to us, and the Lord has told us, through the "Testimonies" of His Spirit, to make judicious use of this means of reaching the people whenever possible. "Let every advertising agency be employed that will call attention to the work," we are urged. "This should not be regarded as nonessential. On every street-corner you may see placards and notices calling attention to various things that are going on, some of them of the most objectionable character; and shall those who have the light of life be satisfied with feeble efforts to call the attention of the masses to the truth?" See Volume 6, page 37.

Again, on page 129 of the same volume the admonition is given, "By pen and voice, knowledge should be imparted which will be meat in due season, not only to the young, but to those of mature years also." We have the promise that as we work, heavenly angels will labor with us. "Thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand," we are told, are "waiting to cooperate."

The newspapers themselves are anxious for news, and will gladly give space to sermon reports if these are written in news style, are not too long, and are handed in early. Occasionally a newspaper publishes a plea like the following, which appeared in a Glendale paper not long ago:

"This is 'Booster Week,' . . . and one of the ways we would like your help in boosting is to send us news. We want the news OF you as well as FOR you, and we need your assistance. To make an interesting paper, which pictures the life and activities of the community, we must have stories of what each and all are doing. . . . We want to know and tell others about the good times you have.

"If you are back after a visit elsewhere, let us know so that we can tell of it and let your friends know through our columns. To have a really 'newsy' newspaper we must tell about all the people all the time, not part of the people some of the time. We want to represent the most cosmopolitan interests possible. Every

little thing is of interest to us because it is of interest to your friends, to whom we tell it."

The world is in sad need of the truth we have. Crippled with sin, it lies helpless at our feet, begging, as it were, an alms. Let us, as workers, place the truth before the public in the newspapers at every opportunity, and thus say, as did Peter to the paralytic, "Such as I have give I thee." Somebody will be better and happier because we did it, God's truth will be exalted before men, and the coming kingdom hastened. We will find it has paid.

Frank A. Coffin.

FIELD TIDINGS

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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Pencilgrams

Burrough church was the one visited since my last report. While I did not get to see the school at work, I did visit the schoolroom, and noted in particular its very neat appearance and the way the walls are decorated. The seats had been cleaned and newly varnished, and the whole atmosphere of the place is an inspiration to good work on the part of the pupils. A neat, cheerful schoolroom will always help in discipline. We hope every teacher will note this carefully.

Shafter school was also visited. Mr. Schneider has 31 pupils enrolled, and all grades are represented except the eighth. He realizes that church school work is not a place where one can take a much needed rest. But he is throwing all his energies into the work and praying for success. The children are interested in their studies and are making progress. We expect to see this one of our largest and strongest schools. Hearty cooperation on the part of parents and all to work together for the children's salvation, will bring results we little dream of sometimes.

Brother C. L. Davis handed me the following item about one school: Dr. Myrtle and Miss Mae Hudson organized a Harvest Ingathering campaign for the Hanford school. They secured a glass bank for the money so

the children could see it after it was deposited, and this aroused much enthusiasm. They could see the pile grow. They have already secured \$45 towards their goal of \$50, and will reach the full amount before stopping. After this campaign, they will enter on another with the health books. They have ordered 100 copies of "The Food Question" to be sold in this campaign. Other schools take note of how missionary work may be done.

Mr. Schneider divided his school into several auto loads and one day they went to surrounding towns which they canvassed thoroughly. The result is, they secured nearly \$30 towards their goal. In fact, their first goal was \$15, as they are out in the country. They reached that so quickly, they raised their goal to \$35, and they will soon reach that. Mr. Schneider visited a colony of Chinese and Japanese, with whom he had become acquainted during his summer's work, and found them very liberal. None gave less than one dollar and one man gave three dollars.

Our hearts were saddened to-day to learn of the death of Brother Alfred Bischoff, who was one of the first of our boys to be drafted and sent to camp. He went first to Camp Lewis, but was later transferred to Camp Cody, New Mexico. We have not the particulars of his death at this time. Elder G. A. Grauer went to Anaheim to conduct his funeral services. Alfred was one of our most faithful boys. He started a church school at Tulare last year, bearing most of the financial burden of it, although not privileged to attend as much as he had planned on doing. He was leader of the young people's work there, and was always active in all church work. His greatest desire was to be in some part of the Lord's work. We feel that we shall surely meet him in the first resurrection if we are faithful.

Most of the teachers have been prompt with this period's reports, although some forgot to enclose the Junior report. This must come every time, and we should take hold of this work more earnestly. Some of the schools have written about their preparation for the week of prayer, and we feel that this season will be a great blessing to them. . . . When the

call was made in the ninth and tenth grades of the Fresno school for those who wished to join the prayer bands, every member of the room responded and organized at once for earnest work. We hope to see grand results from this work everywhere among the schools.

December 7. Alice Mina Mann.

Siftings

Prof. M. E. Cady is spending the latter part of this week of prayer visiting some of our church schools and churches.

We trust that all our churches will do their "very best" to reach their 20 cents per week before the end of the year. Let us plan for it in a definite way.

We are pleased to have Elder G. W. Reaser with us during the week of prayer. He met with the Fresno church last Sabbath and Sunday, and with the Armona and Selma churches during the week.

We understand that six persons have already commenced to keep the Sabbath and several others are deeply interested through the effort conducted by Brother C. Castillo at Hanford for the Mexican people.

There is still a short time left for the Harvest Ingathering work. Have you done your part? Have you reached your goal? Has your church reached its goal? Let us all take hold at once and finish the work.

We are sorry to report that Brother Lindsay Semmens, one of our teachers in the Fresno church school, had to undergo an operation this week for appendicitis. We should pray that he may speedily recover, so he may be able to take up his school work again.

What joy it brings to us to hear that a company of Sabbath-keepers have been found "away in northwest Kan-su, north of Tibet, in the very heart of Asia." Wonderful indeed is the way this message is going. Let us support it with our means. There is no better investment.

Elder A. S. Kellogg left for Baltimore, Maryland, this week to answer

an urgent call that has come from that field for help. We pray that the blessing of God may continue to rest upon His servant as he takes up the work in that great center. Let our prayers go with him that he may have success in winning many souls to the Lord.

A few days ago Elder W. D. MacLay came to our conference to connect with our force of workers in giving this message to our people in our territory. He spent the first part of the week of prayer at Bakersfield. We are sorry to receive word, however, that on account of severe throat trouble, he finds it necessary to go to Glendale. We hope he may soon recover.

It is with sadness we chronicle the death of Brother Alfred Bishop of Tulare. He was among the first of our boys who went to Camp Lewis for training in the service of our country, and he was the first one from our conference to pass away. Brother Bishop enjoyed a good Christian experience. Elder G. A. Grauer was asked to conduct the funeral services.

Our conference tithe for the first 11 months of this year is \$38,163.45, which is an increase of \$12,621.18 over the same period of last year. It is more than double the tithe for the first eleven months of 1915. We thank the Lord for this good increase and take courage. Let us all be faithful in returning to the Lord His own. It will surely pay. Our spiritual blessings will be measured by our faithfulness.

Excellent reports come to us from the different parts of our conference, showing that the Lord is greatly blessing His people during the week of prayer. Souls are being converted, backsliders are being reclaimed, and our people are reconsecrating themselves for service. According to these reports, good work is also being done for our young people and children in the church schools. Some are giving themselves to the Lord for the first time. Let us pray that the good work which has begun may continue throughout the year.

December 14. N. P. Neilsen.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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Some More Evidence

Several weeks ago I sent Brother Potts, of Modesto, a list of names of interested people, to whom he was to send the "Signs" weekly for a time. Following are copies of some letters he has received which show encouraging results:

"I want to thank you for sending me the 'Signs of the Times.' I enjoy reading them so much, and they have been a great help to me. The one message I enjoy most of all is the second coming of our blessed Lord. I have been getting two copies a week; one that you are sending and also one direct from the publishers, so would ask you to send the glad tidings to some one who does not take it."

Following are three letters from another individual, and these are given in the order received by Brother Potts:

"Dear Sir:

"I am pleased with the 'Signs of the Times' you have been so kind to send to me. The prophecies as explained are wonderful, and show the Bible to be true in every detail. I am certainly going to take the paper, and thank you most heartily for bringing this splendid paper to my attention."

"I received a copy of the book, 'The World's Crisis,' and suppose you sent it. I can not thank you enough for same, as it has given me a new light on the universe. The seventh day is from now on my Sabbath, and I am going to prepare to meet my Lord. I enclose 50 cents to pay for the book, and also would thank you to send me another copy, as I wish to send it to my sister. Thanking you again greatly, I remain."

"Dear Friend:

"Received book and paper (evidently the Harvest Ingathering 'Watchman') for which thanks. I enclose \$1.00. Please see that the same is given for missions.

"Yours for the early coming of Christ."

How would you feel, dear reader, if you were the recipient of these letters? Surely it would encourage you

to double your club of the "Signs" weekly for 1918. But if you have not received such letters, this does not prove that the papers you have been using have not been reaching the hearts of the people. Then, too, let us use more of these little books in our missionary work.

Before you forget it, or through procrastination fail to do it, why not send in your order for a club of the "Signs" to use as our brother has been doing—and DO IT NOW. Place your order in time to receive the benefit of the old price. If you want these sent direct from the publishers to some friend, and you order a club of five, the cost will be but 85 cents each per year. It will be noticed from one of these letters that just as soon as this man found the truth, he wanted to send it on to his sister. Do we all have enough of that spirit? Order a club of the "Signs" now.

C. C. Morlan.

Long Beach

At camp-meeting it was decided that I should return to Long Beach with a view of continuing work there. After looking over the ground, it was deemed best to open meetings at Zafena, a station in the suburbs, about three miles from the site of Elder J. W. McCord's effort. At first the interest was very small, but it grew till some nights we had to turn people away. Opposition developed early, and the enemy imported Mr. S. W. Gamble, author of "Sunday the True Sabbath of God." It became necessary to reply to him, Elder A. Ritchie spending one evening and the writer two in presenting God's truth in opposition to his sophistries. God gave a glorious victory, and 14 souls have united with the remnant church. Pray that they stand firm to the end. Others are deciding.

The Long Beach church gave loyal support throughout, especially the singers. Many were drawn to the meetings by the consecrated music. The same church furnished \$50 worth of literature for the effort. Five thousand Present Truth Series were distributed, 2000 tracts given out, 250 magazines given away and 30 books sold. The effort was self-supporting. Brother O. M. Kittle and Sister Rachel

Jenkins were associated with the writer, and we feel to thank God for His work here.

W. H. Bradley.

Have You Ordered Yours?

There is now on hand a large supply of the 1918 Morning Watch Calendar. This is something that should find a place in every Seventh-day Adventist home. Why not begin the new year right? The cover design is very attractive and would make an excellent New Year's gift for your relatives and friends. Price 5 cents.

Be sure to send in your renewals for the various periodicals, now and take advantage of the old rates. Even though your subscriptions do not expire until some time next year, they may be renewed now at the old rates. On January 1 practically all the periodicals will advance in price. If ordered after that date, the new prices will be charged.

The 1918 Art Scripture Text Calendars have arrived. Fifteen cents in stamps will bring one to your home by return mail. We only have a limited number at this price, so send for yours today.

"Help On the Food Question."—There is already a big demand for this new book. One purchaser stated he would not take \$5.00 for his copy if there were no more obtainable. Many other testimonials of a like nature have been received. Send for a copy and receive the information you have been looking for on this important question.

C. L. Cyphers.

Sec. So. Cal. Tract Society.

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

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Important

"We are to give the last warning of God to men, and what should be our earnestness in studying the Bible, and our zeal in spreading the light! Let every soul who has received the divine illumination seek to impart it. Let the workers go from house to house, opening the Bible to the people, circulating the publications, telling others of the light that has blessed their own souls. Let literature be distributed judiciously, on the trains, in the street, on the great ships that ply

the sea, and through the mails." Volume 9, page 123.

If we are to follow this instruction, it will be very necessary that we supply ourselves with our periodicals; and, that the greatest amount of good may be done with the money the Lord has given us to use in this way, we should renew our clubs for missionary purposes at once. The first of the new year all our papers will have increased in price, and by renewing now we thereby increase our opportunities for missionary activities.

Clubs renewed now will begin at the expiration of your present club. Let us all immediately renew our subscriptions, and thus increase the speed with which the message is going.

December 14.

S. Donaldson.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

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Items

The "Signs Magazine" for January, 1918, has been received. Have you received your supply?

Brother H. B. Meeker of Delta received a check for \$150 for Ingathering in response to a letter.

Brother F. H. Jenks, who has been canvassing at Salina, Utah, spent the week of prayer with the Salt Lake City church.

Brother J. L. Sauder spent the first half of the week of prayer at Paonia, and the last half in and around Grand Junction.

We have a good supply of Ingathering papers at the office, and wish to have them used. Send in your order at once.

Elder C. L. Snodgrass reports a good interest at Colby, Colo., and states that several are desirous of joining the church.

Many orders are coming into the office for home workers' books. Have you been making use of your opportunities as you should?

Have you renewed your subscription to the "Review"? The price is still the same, but will be \$2.50 after the first of the year.

Elder H. G. Gjording writes, "The Brigham church today handed me \$20.70 for Ingathering." This passes their goal. Who will be next?

One brother writes, "I have spent two hours with the Ingathering papers, and have received \$5.50. This was my first experience in this good work, but not my last."

The largest remittance ever received from the Delta church came last week. It was for over \$450, of which \$325 was for Ingathering. This is the largest single remittance received thus far.

F. S. Chollar spent the week of prayer with the church at Green River. Much of the time was spent in the Ingathering work, with the result that the Green River church has now raised its goal.

Elder H. E. Lysinger left Grand Junction December 11 for Salt Lake City to spend the last half of the week of prayer with the Salt Lake church, then will go on to California to attend the committee meeting of the union conference.

Have you paid your pledge to the Rulison school? These pledges were due November 1. Most of them have been paid, but a few have not. This is also true with reference to the mission pledges made at camp-meeting. Please send in the amount of your pledge before the end of the year.

J. H. Weak's.

Salt Lake City Church Notes

The Harvest Ingathering funds continue to come in, and there seems to be a determination to stay by the work until the goal of the church is reached.

Some of the Harvest Ingathering workers have found it comparatively easy to get donations of canned fruit. This is readily sold, and the proceeds turned to missions.

Brother A. R. Robinson enlisted this week in the regular army. He takes up work in the hospital corps at Fort Douglas. For a number of years he has been engaged in the colporteur work in this conference, and his efforts will be missed in this department of the work.

The church enjoyed an interesting address delivered Sabbath afternoon by Sister Welch, of Denver, Colorado, as she was passing through the city. She told of her experiences while laboring as a self-supporting worker among the mountain districts of Virginia. Quite an interest was awakened in this needy section of the South.

W. M. Address.

Practical Pioneer Home Missionary Work in Utah

While in Uinta Basin in January, the writer greatly enjoyed a visit with the little family of Brother and Sister A. C. Kinnison, of Red Cap. They had leased Ute Indian land and put in wheat, corn, potatoes, etc., before fencing or building, and the Indians' horses, range cattle and neighborhood hogs had preyed upon their crops. Pilifers had also annoyed them. However, they had gathered sufficient supplies for winter. Although unable to finish their house, and forced to live in one small room, they were faithful in paying tithe, keeping Sabbath and kindred practices, and determined to disappoint those who were expecting them to give up the battle. The following extracts from a letter shows that their prayers and alms are come up for a memorial before God:

"Living the Christian life before these people is beginning to count for good. Some of the Mormons are wondering why their people do not try as hard to live right as those 'Advents' do, and they have come to us with questions. One Mormon lady met with Brother and Sister Badgley and us yesterday (these believers have located at Midview lately) and enjoyed our Sabbath school. Before long we hope to have a worker here. We wish you to bear us in mind and do what you can in favor of it. Perhaps we are not quite ready for a worker, but we aim to work and get the people ready.

"We have raised a good crop this year, considering the machinery and horse power we had to do with. We will have to hold our produce for better prices in order to get out of debt, and really to get what it is worth. We have 1500 pounds of beans, 75 bushels of potatoes, 48 bushels of wheat, lots of corn, besides carrots,

turnips, onions, beets and popcorn. I pledged one-half of my popcorn crop for missionary work. Will have a nice lot of it to sell.

"I am enclosing 25 cents for the 'Pacific Union Recorder' and 25 cents for the pocket package of tracts No. 5."

These are the kind of missionaries our conference voted to ask the Pacific Union Conference to encourage to settle and establish missionary centers in Utah.

J. L. Humbert.

NEVADA MISSION

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Fallon

After assisting Elder and Sister C. W. Fuller in a series of tent meetings at Winnemucca, I was asked to locate at Fallon to follow up an interest started by the brethren and sisters of the local church.

Soon after arriving every evening found some family eagerly listening to the truths of this message and asking questions that had been puzzling them for some time.

The "Seal of God" and other testing subjects have been presented to some, and they are in the "valley of decision" spoken of by Joel.

As this is a farming district, the evening is the only time people can meet for Bible study, so it has been impossible to study with all those who are interested. Truly this is the "harvest time," and the Lord has much wheat ripening; while on the other hand, Satan is seeing to it that the tares will be fully ready for the great harvest of the world. "The prayers of the righteous avail much," so remember this work in your prayers.

Wilbur Holbrook.

Elko

After more than six weeks of meetings in the tent, we closed September 9, and since that time we have been holding cottage meetings in our home and also in the homes of the more interested ones. We have been averaging seven cottage meetings a week aside from the Sabbath services and other visiting.

While our anticipations have not been realized, we have had some results. Two are keeping the Sabbath and others are fully convinced, but not convicted as yet. One lady who is keeping the Sabbath is the widow of a Presbyterian minister, well known in Elko County, and she is a very substantial member. One man is fully satisfied that he ought to keep the Sabbath, but he does not see how he can make a living and do so. Two ladies are more than ordinarily interested, and are accepting the truth so far as we have gone in the studies, even that the Sabbath day is the day taught in the Bible and should be binding to-day. We have reached the "Seal of God and Mark of the Beast," and are hoping and praying that the truth contained in this subject will convict them of their duty.

Remember the work at Elko in your prayers.

H. Lyle Wallace,
Bessie A. Wallace.

Church Schools

The Nevada Mission has four church schools in operation at the present time.

Mrs. May L. Hanley taught four children for awhile at Calneva. The school has been discontinued, as the children have been moved to other localities.

The school at Fallon was late in getting started, but under the guiding hand of Mrs. Nellie Wilkinson, the pupils are making up for lost time, and will be able to make their grades in the spring.

The teacher at Bishop has been emphasizing the hot-bed idea, and it has proved to be a success financially as well as educational. Miss Edith Bedford is in charge of the school.

The Reno school is doing nicely under the supervision of Mrs. Orva Hammersmark. She is trying to impress the children daily with high ideals, and is helping them to build character for eternity. A good spirit among the children is manifested during this week of prayer. All are taking part in the prayer and social exercises.

One new school was organized this year, and we hope it will be a permanent addition to the town of Win-

nemucca. Miss Ione Cochran is in charge. The patrons of this school are delighted with the system of education carried out in our schools. Two Catholic boys are attending this school. They left the public schools, where the teacher was a Catholic, and asked permission to attend our school. Elder Fuller made the standard of deportment high, but the boys said they wished to come to our school, and they have given the teacher no trouble at all.

Missionary work is made prominent in all the school, and we hope that each boy and girl will be so thoroughly imbued with the missionary spirit that they will never get away from it. Mrs. M. E. Holbrook,

Edu. Supt. Nevada Mission.

Red Cross work, helped the Armenians, and various other enterprises, they still had some to give to the needy Foreign mission field. Altogether I have received \$119 for missions for which I praise my Saviour. If any one wants a live experience, just go Harvest Ingathering.

George L. Wilkinson.

EDUCATIONAL

Lodi Academy

Our school work continues to progress satisfactorily. If one of our number drops, there always seems to be another to take his place.

Our crops are all harvested, and



DOMESTIC SCIENCE CLASS, LODI ACADEMY

Collecting for Missions

In the early part of the summer I went to Elko to distribute literature, visit the people, and do Bible work. Most of the people received our literature readily.

After camp-meeting Brother and Sister H. L. Wallace came to Elko, and we held a series of lectures with a fair attendance. Brother and Sister Wallace are remaining in Elko to follow up the interest.

This fall I have had the privilege of spending a couple of weeks in the Harvest Ingathering campaign in the town of Ely, where the Lord enabled me to collect over \$100. Although it was just before pay day when I worked the town, and they had purchased Liberty Bonds, contributed to

just now the students are beginning to prune the orchard and vineyard. This year we sold \$1043.69 worth of table grapes.

Recently we had the privilege of hearing several lectures on Palestine by Dr. Moore, F. R. G. S. These were not only interesting, but also instructive. One of these lectures was given in our academy chapel. Some members of the school very much enjoyed a lecture by Montraville Wood, the scientist. In this lecture the gyroscope as applied in modern science was explained, also the effects of the ultra violet rays, and the advancement being made in the development of the marvelous hearing torpedo.

Last Sunday evening Prof. Frederick Griggs gave us a stereopticon lecture

on his travels in the Orient, and on Monday at chapel an inspirational talk. These were fine. We have also been addressed by Elders W. S. Holbrook, W. W. Kauble, C. Santee, J. W. Rich and Professors M. E. Cady and C. W. Irwin.

We request our people to remember the work here that many laborers may be prepared to enter the needy harvest field.

J. H. Paap.

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Wanted.—To correspond with Seventh-day Adventists who would like to work truck garden on shares. Now is the time to start the garden. House, water and wood free. Seventh-day Adventist school located near. Reference needed. For particulars write A. M. Davis, Esmeralda, Cal. 3t

Beautiful Songs

1. Footsteps that Never Come.
2. Homeward.
3. The Sea of Life.
4. The Paradise Home.
5. A Light in the Window up There.

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The "Watchman Magazine" is making at this time some very attractive subscription offers at savings of 88 cents on single subscriptions to \$4.50 on clubs. See the January "Watchman" now ready, for full particulars, or write to your tract society.

Obituary

Downey.—Mrs. Laura Elizabeth Downey was born in Detroit, Mich., Sept. 30, 1830, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Chard, at Paicines, Cal., Nov. 26, 1917. She had been a Christian for over 70 years, having joined the Methodist Church when eight years old. Later she joined the Christian Church, as she wished to be immersed. In 1876 she was convinced that her Lord was soon to return, and joined the First-day Adventist Church, to which she belonged until convinced that she should keep all the commandments,

and joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1896, and has been a faithful member. She expressed her willingness to rest until Jesus came. Her two children are comforted to know that she sleeps in Jesus, and if faithful they may soon meet her where there will be no more heart-aches. In the presence of many loving friends we laid her to rest in the Hollister cemetery.

W. F. Hills.

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that they may have opportunity of examining each number as it comes out, and thereby to know whether it will be adapted to immediate needs in their local missionary work.

The extremely low rate of seven subscriptions for \$1.00 is made to encourage our people to send large numbers of the paper to friends by the year, the plan that has brought most gratifying results in the past.

Book Report, Week Ending December 7, 1917

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Arizona						
W. H. Spicer	P.G.	46½	34	\$18.00	\$141.00	\$83.60
Northern California						
James Sims	Misc.	39		\$15.65	\$15.65	
Mrs. J. Gallion*	Misc.	26½			70.00	
2 Agents *2 weeks..		65½		\$15.65	\$85.65	
Central California						
L. M. Crowder	G.C.	18½	5	\$16.25	\$38.25	
J. W. Beardslee	G.C.	9	5	5.25	25.25	
E. E. Brant	G.C.	8	4	4.00	21.00	
M. O. Adams	B.R.				15.50	
W. E. Whitmore	B.R.	16½	2	5.25	12.25	
Mrs. C. Høffenstein	Misc.				19.40	
6 Agents		52	16	\$30.75	\$131.65	
Southern California						
F. B. Desmarests*	ElRey	32	27	\$1.75	\$59.75	\$51.50
Mrs. J. J. Jarboe	H.W.	10			17.00	
Mrs. N. DeGroot	H.W.	7			6.50	
Miscellaneous					10.00	
3 Agents		49	27	\$1.75	\$93.25	\$51.50
Southeastern California						
G. H. Reese	W.C.	66	126		\$30.00	
Alice Bond	H.W.	7	16		12.75	
Mrs. Agnes Smith	Misc.		17		18.25	
3 Agents		73	159		\$61.00	
TOTALS		347		\$68.80	\$615.70	\$144.25

Week Ending November 30, 1917

Southern California						
F. B. Desmarests	ElRey	26	34	\$2.65	\$ 70.65	\$9.15
Cora I. Dunham	W.C.	35			32.50	
2 Agents		61	34	\$2.65	\$103.15	\$9.15

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Literature Work in West China

With the opening of the work here in 1914, it was decided that we try to make our literature as nearly self-supporting as possible. Instead of the Chinese being paid wages for selling papers or given nearly all the proceeds from the sales, as was being done in other provinces, our men were started out on a fifty per cent basis.

Some said that we could not take subscriptions to the Chinese "Signs" out here, as we were too far from Shanghai where the paper is published. They said that individuals would refuse to pay down the price of a subscription and then wait two or three months before receiving their first copy; and again, that people in this place were different from others, and they would not give their money to strangers, receiving in return only a small slip of paper (receipt). But now it has been demonstrated that they will, for during the first nine months of this year almost 5000 persons did this very thing.

Perhaps 80 per cent of these 5000 subscribers never heard a sermon on Christianity. They are mostly of a class who are seldom found attending chapel meetings, even when they have a chance. Most of the subscribers are officials, wealthy merchants, postmasters, telegraph operators, and government school teachers. An official or postmaster usually heads the list from each city or town.

It is possible for one subscription to have great influence in giving this message. Every official has a large number of copyists, accountants, and other assistants who no doubt have the privilege of reading the paper each month. With the shops the possibilities are even greater, for it is not uncommon to see from 15 to 20 men employed in one shop, representing almost as many families, and here in China several families are often grouped into one compound. One can easily see how one paper could be the means of giving several hundred individuals a knowledge of "this gospel of the kingdom."

This work is done without the use of mission money, as the canvassers are self-supporting. Now the price of the "Signs" has been increased and the canvassers retain only 40 per cent, and yet they are averaging four times the wage they could earn anywhere else.

Some may ask: Why then this call for a special offering for the publishing work? Look at the world war. It costs \$100,000,000 a day, but only a small per cent of that it spent at the front. The munition plants and shipyards are using most of the money. Our colporteur work is self-supporting out on the firing line, but we need more money invested in the munition plants. We feel it out here at the front when the supply of ammunition runs short, but we never feel like criticising the brethren at the press, for we know they are doing the best they can with their limited capital.

Do you feel that the money you are giving for this work is being wasted? We KNOW that it is not. Now is the time to give. Why not think of this thirteenth Sabbath offering as a Liberty Loan? It will be the means of liberating thousands who are now in heathen darkness. Is 3½ per cent interest to be compared with the returns your money will bring if invested in the publishing work of the Asiatic Division?

Merritt C. Warren.

Chungking, Szechwan.

Subscriptions Increase Ten Per Cent

Not the subscription price, but number of subscriptions is meant. During the month of November 275 persons in the Pacific Union Conference subscribed for the "Review." Now the number of "Review" subscribers in our territory is 2394. There are still quite a number not receiving our church paper, and there are quite a number of others whose subscriptions will expire within a few weeks. See the following paragraphs:

Two Reasons

There are two important reasons why those whose subscriptions to the "Review" are expiring should renew now:

1. By renewing now they save 25 cents, as the price will advance to \$2.50 a year on February 1.
2. A complimentary copy of each issue of "Present Truth" for 1918 will also be sent.

Three Reasons

There is a third reason why those who do not now receive the "Review" should subscribe now:

The paper will be sent free for the two months of December and January. This gives a 14 months' subscription for the yearly rate.

B. E. Beddoe.

"Present Truth"

Beginning January, 1918, "Present Truth" will be changed to a monthly and the subscription price reduced to 15 cents, or seven subscriptions for \$1.00.

While the series thus far published can always be had in any quantities for regular missionary work at present wholesale prices, the 1918 issue will cover different subjects, and be furnished in bulk at the regular quantity prices.

One copy of each issue of the 1918 series will be sent free to all United States "Review" subscribers, in order

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If the Lord prospers the many who have promised to pay their pledges before the end of the year, the first of January will show about \$10,000 added to the present cash receipts on our \$150,000 Fund.