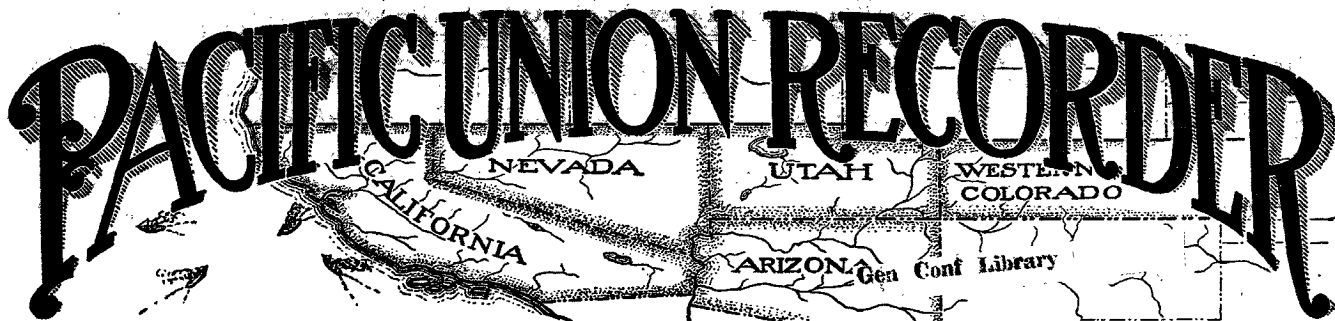


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God Calls Us to Advance

Another year has passed into eternity, and we now find ourselves on the threshold of the year 1918. As we review the experiences of the past year, we find that we have much for which to praise God. Through all the perils of the past God has preserved His people, and to-day the doors are more widely extended for the proclamation of this gospel message than at any time since this great movement began.

While it is too early to present a report of the work for the past year, from the reports that have come to us, we are confident that the greatest advancement that has ever been made in a single year, has marked the progress of this message during 1917. This is true in our own union conference. A large number have been baptized into the faith, and also a larger amount of tithe and offerings have been brought into the treasury than during any previous 12-month period. For this we are profoundly thankful.

We have reason to believe that the Spirit of God is being poured out upon God's people, and that they are

really preparing for the end. And yet, the advancement which we have made is not as rapid as the times demand. We are approaching the end. Never in the history of the world were the signs of approaching peril so ominous as now. Never did the clouds hang so low as at this moment. And yet, never was there a time when God was more ready to hear and answer prayer in behalf of His people than now.

"Men are training in disobedience, and are fast approaching the limits of God's forbearance and love, and God will surely interfere. He will surely vindicate His own honor, and repress the prevailing iniquity. Will God's commandment-keeping people be carried away with the prevailing iniquity? Will they be tempted because universal scorn is placed upon the law of God, to think less of that law which is the foundation of His government both in heaven and in earth? No. To His church His law becomes more precious, holy, honorable, as men cast upon it scorn and contempt. Like David, they can say, "They have made void Thy law. Therefore I love Thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold. Therefore I esteem Thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way.'"

Again I read, "Jesus sees His true church on the earth, whose greatest ambition is to cooperate with Him in the grand work of saving souls. He hears their prayers presented in contrition and power, and Omnipotence can not resist their plea for the salvation of any tried, tempted member of Christ's body."

Shall we not now re-dedicate ourselves to the work of saving the lost? Shall we not put forth greater effort during the year 1918 to bring this glorious gospel of the blessed God to

every one that is placed within the sphere of our influence? Shall we not make greater effort in personal visitation among our neighbors in scattering the printed page, and in every possible endeavor to bring the light of this gospel message to those who sit in darkness?

During 1918 a responsibility, heavier than we have ever borne before, rests upon us to make it possible to send this light to the heathen world. To-day doors are still wide open and the angels of God are holding the winds of strife in the heathen lands, in order that this gospel may be carried to them. Shall we not also dedicate our substance to God, bringing to God's treasury the tithe of all our increase, and also contributing more freely of the nine-tenths which remain to the work of rescuing the perishing?

The goal for mission offerings during 1918 has been set at 25 cents per week per member, instead of 20 cents, as heretofore. But it has already been demonstrated that it is possible for us to raise this full amount without imposing hardship upon any, and we trust that our churches will every one resolve that for this year they will reach the standard set for us in mission offerings, and thus make it possible for us to carry out the plans that have been laid by the Mission Board, and thus hasten the glorious consummation—the coming of our blessed Saviour to end this dark night of sorrow and of suffering, and quickly bring the glorious morning of deliverance.

E. E. Andross.

Christianity is a religion that will not keep; the only thing to do with it is to use it, spend it, give it away.—Henry van Dyke.

The Sufferers of Asia Minor

The supreme test by which the true follower of our Lord Jesus Christ is distinguished is the fruit borne in the life. The Saviour says, "By their fruits ye shall know them." The apostle James declares, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

When the Saviour comes in His glory, attended by all the heavenly host, when He is seated upon the throne of His glory, and before Him are gathered all nations, it has seemed to me that that which will thrill the hearts of the redeemed host more, perhaps, than any other thing, will be the words of never-ending blessing which will fall from His lips, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me." Matt. 25:31-36.

Never, perhaps, in the history of the world, have the opportunities for revealing the fruits of the Spirit been so abundant as in this present moment. We are told by those who have carefully investigated the tragic situation existing in Western Asia, that "at least one million Armenians and Syrians in Turkey have perished during the past two years from massacre, deportation, exposure, starvation, disease. Over two million are now homeless and in dire distress. Thousands of Greeks deported from the sea coast of Asia Minor are now in danger of starvation.

"Four hundred thousand of those in need are orphans. Little children scarcely able to feed themselves live absolutely alone in deserted homes. Seventy-five thousand children under 12 years of age are starving in Syria and the Lebanon alone. Sufferers in the Lebanon district recently were dying at the rate of 1000 a day. Five hundred thousand refugees have fled the Turkish dominions and in their temporary homes cry for help."

The North American Division Conference Committee recently gave con-

sideration to this terrible situation confronting the world at this time, and decided to request our churches everywhere to take up an offering for the benefit of these sufferers, Sabbath, January 12. The Pacific Union Conference Committee gave consideration to this request, and approved of it.

I would urge our church officers throughout this union conference to place this matter before the churches on Sabbath, January 12, and urge that a very liberal offering be taken for this purpose. This terrible situation should appeal strongly to the hearts of our people, and this should result in a very liberal offering being taken upon this occasion.

We could not express our gratitude to God for the wonderful blessings bestowed upon us so freely during the past year in any better way than by responding liberally to this appeal. If our own loved ones were among the sufferers in Western Asia at this time, we would be willing to sacrifice to any degree in order to relieve their anguish. We are told by those who are in charge of this situation that \$5.00 per month, or 17 cents per day, will save a life in that country. It is also declared that every dollar contributed goes for relief, none for expenses.

All offerings taken should be sent through the regular channels to the conference treasurer, and they will be sent on to the headquarters in New York. E. E. Andross.

"The church of Christ on earth was organized for missionary purposes, and the Lord desires to see the entire church devising ways and means whereby high and low, rich and poor, may hear the message of truth. Not all are called to personal labor in foreign fields, but all can do something by their prayers and their gifts to aid the missionary work."

"God has called human agencies to be laborers together with Him in the work of salvation. He uses men encompassed with infirmities and liable to err. Then let us not censure those who have been so unfortunate as to make mistakes. Let us rather seek to be so transformed by the grace of God as to become compassionate, touched with human woe. This will cause joy in heaven."

FIELD TIDINGS

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

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Conference Items

And now it's 1918! What does the new year mean to you? The year just closed was the most successful in every department of our work since the conference was organized. We believe this year will be even more successful.

An action of the Fall Council sets apart Sabbath, January 12, as the day upon which an offering will be taken in all our churches for the Armenian Relief Fund. A program is being sent to all our churches for that day, and the offering should be a liberal one.

Elder M. A. Hollister has been assisting in the effort at Ukiah. Considerable opposition has developed, but apparently this has deepened the interest. A baptismal class has been formed, and quite a number are expected to go forward in this ordinance soon. The Ukiah church has been refinished in the inside and appears thoroughly up-to-date.

Elder J. D. Alder reports the reorganization of the church at Ferndale, which took place November 25, 1917. A full corps of officers were elected, and we feel sure an era of progress has begun at Ferndale. This is one of the oldest churches in that section of the state. This makes the third church that has been reorganized during the past year, Smith River, Vacaville and Ferndale.

Owing to the steady increase in the cost of practically everything that makes up our publications, it has been found necessary to increase the subscription price of most of our periodicals February 1. This extension of time has been granted to enable our people to provide themselves with a supply of papers at the old, money-losing rates. Accordingly, we have planned an interesting program for the service, Sabbath, January 19. This will be known as "Signs Day," and we expect that all

our churches will provide themselves with a liberal club.

A few items from the office will be of interest to all. Incomplete figures indicate that over 150 persons have united with our churches by baptism or profession of faith during the year just closed. Three new churches have been organized. In financial growth, the conference has made a remarkable showing. Our missions offerings slightly exceed an average of 27 cents per member for the year, the total amount being \$18,211.89, or \$3,839.09 over the twenty-cent goal. Ten churches gave an average of 25 cents or more per member. The tithe for the year amounted to \$35,399.20, an increase over last year of \$9440.45. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes. May we not believe that the Lord is ready to do even greater things for us as we give ourselves wholly to Him for the finishing of His work.

January 4. J. Adams Stevens.

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Statement, January to December, 1917

Church	Quota	Amt. Rec'd
Arcata	\$ 53.60	\$ 375.90
Calistoga	301.60	74.82
Conference	62.40	44.57
Eureka	988.00	721.98
Ferndale	31.20	27.50
Fort Bragg	239.20	254.06
Fortuna	124.80	92.68
Healdsburg	1768.00	1065.93
Kelseyville	93.60	105.01
McK'ville	291.20	83.69
Napa	998.40	2607.48
P. U. College.....	2433.60	3092.61
Pepperwood	166.40	144.00
Personal		1050.13
Petaluma	52.00	102.52
Petrolia	135.20	174.43
Sanitarium	2558.40	3964.50
San Rafael	93.60	125.82
Santa Rosa	572.00	726.40
Sebastopol	676.00	473.94
Smith River	156.00	237.31
Sonoma	447.20	714.46
St. Helena	769.60	778.52
Ukiah	551.20	481.10
Vallejo	353.60	606.64
Willits	156.00	85.89
	\$14872.80	\$18211.89

Comparative Tithe Statement, January to December

	1916	1917
Arcata	\$ 609.38	\$ 510.09
Calistoga	203.83	575.36
Conference	587.38	94.05
Eureka	1549.35	1613.47
Ferndale	10.00	121.00
Fort Bragg	160.83	249.22

Fortuna	637.61	667.26
Healdsburg	1720.40	2369.47
Kelseyville	176.40	267.45
McK'ville	101.51	77.20
Napa	3952.48	6508.93
P. U. College	3952.48	6508.93
Pepperwood	169.56	231.37
Personal	464.91	732.42
Petaluma	163.68	200.35
Petrolia		144.14
Sanitarium	8126.42	10478.35
San Rafael	190.21	274.32
Santa Rosa	764.03	1201.92
Sebastopol	928.72	771.01
Smith River	-	276.32
Sonoma	662.60	682.79
St. Helena	1325.02	1614.12
Ukiah	989.76	783.83
Vallejo	465.87	1592.14
Willits	281.72	217.72
	\$25958.75	\$35399.20
	S. Donaldson, Treasurer.	

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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Sabbath School Convention Postponed

We are sorry to report that Sister Lida Ackley has been feeling very poorly of late, and the physicians have advised her to undergo an operation. So it has been thought best to postpone the date of the Sabbath school convention, appointed to be held at Visalia, until some future date, with the hope that Sister Ackley will be able to meet with us and assist in giving the instruction. We know that our people will remember her in their prayers that her life may be spared, and that she may soon recover to take up her work again.

N. P. Neilsen.

Begin at Once to Plan

The third angel's message is moving forward with great rapidity in foreign lands, and urgent demands for men and means are coming from every land. We would not want it otherwise, for we long to see the work finished; but these demands tax our mission treasury to the very limit, and the mission board has felt it necessary to call for \$1,100,000 for missions during 1918. Our brethren and sisters have been asked to raise an average of 25 cents per week per member for this year. Is it too much?—No; it can be done; but let us begin at once to plan for it. Soon the work will be finished and we will go home to Father's house.

N. P. Neilsen.

Officers' and General Meetings

It has been decided to hold an officers' and general meeting at Fresno, January 17 to 20. We expect Elders E. E. Andross, E. W. Farnsworth and B. E. Beddoe will be with us a part or all of the time. We hope to see a good attendance of our people from the surrounding churches. We would especially urge that all our church elders plan to be present, as far as possible, the duties of the church elders in connection with the other officers of the church will be carefully considered and we feel sure that our church elders will be glad to receive the instruction that will be given. A heavy responsibility has been placed upon the church elders, and to a large extent we must look to them to mould our churches and lead them in carrying out the plans and policies of the conference during the year. We greatly appreciate the faithful efforts of our church elders. They need our prayers and our support.

Following the recommendation of the union conference committee, the biennial session of our conference will doubtless be postponed until after the general conference session and hence it will be very opportune for our people, and especially our elders, to meet together near the beginning of the year to seek the Lord and counsel together regarding the church work. Plan to come. Remember the date, January 17 to 20.

N. P. Neilsen.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

C. Santee, Pres. Verah MacPherson, Sec.
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Conference Items

The Sacramento church members are considering the enlargement of their place of meeting. So many have been added that their present church will not hold them. The Lord is blessing and additions are being made to the membership in nearly every church. We thank the Lord.

For the year 1918, we have been asked to raise 25 cents per member per week for foreign missions. I can hear, in this increase, a call to definitely commence to place our means in the cause, preparatory to leaving all

and going to another country. Many will not be ready when the work shall be ended.

The writer spent Sabbath, December 29, with the newly organized church in Indian Valley. The ordinances were celebrated, and the afternoon service was closed with a social meeting in which nearly all joined. Brother F. M. Butterfield has been asked to make Indian Valley his field of labor for the winter.

E. H. Abbott, our field missionary secretary, visited the church at Camino Sabbath, December 29. He found three there who are preparing for the canvassing work. We have no greater treasures in this world than the books the Lord has given us to take to the people. They are indeed "silent messengers" of life. While God is in a marked way holding back the storm that has gathered so black in other parts, there should be many going from house to house with these leaves that are to help in the "healing of the nations."

The New Year has come in, but the usual rains have been delayed. Farmers and stockmen are getting anxious. It seems that with every change, men's hearts are "failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." In the great war problems this is doubly true. God's children, expecting these things, can look confidently to the One who has said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Shall we, as many of us would do, worry and begin to lay up for ourselves now, for fear of coming years of possible famine? The person who lays up his treasure in this closing message, will claim the promise that "bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure."

Elder N. W. Kauble and Brother M. J. King are starting a meeting at Sutter City. They at first rented a hall, paid a part of the rent, and billed the town and surrounding country. Then, just as they were ready for the first meeting, the owner notified them that they could not hold a meeting there. (The one minister in the place, they were told, had objected.) They asked for the one meeting to tell the people why they were not to continue, but were told, "You can not

hold any meeting." A non-professor kindly offered them a vacant store room, and significantly said, "I am not a church member, but when I give my word, I will not go back on it." There are many in the world today, because they see no higher ground in the churches than they occupy. They are honest at heart, and their word is sacred. God will find the gold and bring it into His treasury.

Clarence Santee.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. J. H. Weak, Sec.
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Let Us "Press Toward the Mark"

The activities of the New Year are now beginning. In viewing the record of the past, we can see in many ways where a higher standard might have been reached.

As we allow the searchlight of God's Word to cut its way into our individual experience, and hear the still small voice speaking, some of us are made to realize that we have come far short of doing all that God has required. We can see the unused opportunities that might have been improved. We are conscious that if we had been more careful to deny self, we could have given more to the cause of missions. We see possibly where we have not been honest with God in tithes and offerings.

We believe this message in theory. We know it is the only movement in this world that will ever triumph, but we are so burdened with the cares of the world, that when we stop to consider our experience, we are conscious that, to some degree, we have failed to live the Christ life. We lock back to count the souls we have been instrumental in bringing into a knowledge of the truth, but again we see that we have not done very much,—not what we might have done.

O, dear remnant people, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" God holds us responsible for more than any other people in the world. If we fail in one thing, it means that we shall never see the inside of the Glory Land.

Let us determine NOW that during 1918, we will win at least one soul to Christ. Let us firmly resolve that we will not be found guilty of robbing God in tithes and offerings.

May every member of the Inter-Mountain Conference be active in every good work during 1918. The sin of doing nothing will keep many out of the kingdom.

January 2. H. E. Lysinger.

Salt Lake City Notes

Sister Matilda Lyon of Winnemucca, Nevada, has been with us for a few weeks.

The writer was called to Grand Junction Monday to attend a meeting of the conference committee.

A good interest is manifested in the Sabbath school. The thirteenth Sabbath offering amounted to \$66.00.

Brother U. F. Mowrey, our faithful church treasurer, was ill a number of days last week, necessitating his absence from work.

Miss Hilda Jensen, who for some time has been nursing at the St. Helena Sanitarium, spent the holiday season with her parents at this place.

Joseph Jensen and family of Burley, Idaho, has been enjoying a pleasant visit in Salt Lake City during the past week. He reports the little company of believers at Burley as prospering in the work of the Lord. New members are added from time to time to this faithful band of believers.

The congregation stood and sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" last Sabbath, as the mercury in our Harvest Ingathering thermometer went over the top. The last report brings the total amount collected up to about \$320. The campaign has been a blessing to all who have taken part in it. Many who felt that they could do nothing to help out in this work have proved the most successful in gathering funds.

January 3. W. M. Andress.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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A Real Sacrifice for Missions

The following letter with \$100 enclosed for missions has just been received, and believing it will be of interest to the readers of the "Record-

er," we pass it on with the hope that it may help us to make greater sacrifices:

"Dear Brother:

"At our last camp-meeting I handed in a small paper stating that I would send you \$100 for missions by Jan. 1, 1918, that there would be no name signed, but asking you to give the — church credit for it." After stating that every dollar of this money was earned by hard, manual labor, the individual concludes the letter thus: "Wish I were able to give another hundred."

Thank God this spirit of sacrifice for missions is growing among His people, and may it continue to grow. God does not take into consideration so much what we give to the cause as He does what we have left after we are through giving. May Heaven's richest blessings be poured out upon the donor of this gift and upon every one who is making sacrifices to this cause.

C. C. Morlan.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

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Conference Items

Sister E. C. Cushman has been an energetic superintendent of the Sabbath school at Hemet. On a recent Sabbath I had the pleasure of being with them, and presenting temperance pledges to the young people. They responded nobly and enthusiastically. Our prayers are with them that they will be true to their pledge.

The thirteenth Sabbath was a red letter day at Riverside. Sister W. F. Martin presided over a splendid program given by the children. Their songs and dialogues were well given, as several confessed that they gave more than they had intended to give because of the appeals of the children. The goal for the quarter was exceeded by \$17.00.

The Redlands church sang their jubilee two weeks before the close of the year, the hands of the clock having passed the goal. Their young people's society is under the direction of Brother Arthur Dagleish, who is basing his plans on the lessons from the "Gazette." The church school building has been turned around and made more attractive inside and out. Redlands discouraged? I should say not. Max Hill.

The Holidays at Loma Linda

Early Christmas morning the patients were awakened by songs of a company of nurses who made the rounds of the halls. Begun thus with praise, the day was pleasant throughout. In the evening the patients were entertained by Dr. Mary McReynolds who told Van Dyke's fine story, "The Other Wise Man." The students and faculty spent a delightful evening in the assembly hall.

On New Year's eve a musical program was given in the chapel by Mrs. B. E. Grant, Mrs. W. G. Wheatley and Miss Nellie Martin. The instrumental numbers were on the new three-manual organ, and were fully appreciated, as were also the vocal selections.

New Year's day was a jubilee. A large number of the friends of the institution, including physicians, conference workers, relatives of students and others, came from all the near-by cities, to rejoice with Loma Linda over the return of the medical students to complete their courses. The re-rating of the college means much to the work and is an encouragement to all, especially to those who have worked so hard for the upbuilding and success of the work.

Dinner was served to the visitors on the lawn near the laboratory. January 1 was like a summer day, on the Hill Beautiful, not the suggestion of cold brought discomfort; and flowers, green lawns and fruit-laden orange trees added much to the festive occasion.

Led by a company of soldier boys in uniform, the student body filed into the chapel for the services of the afternoon, the nurses, medical evangelists, and medical students occupying the seats on the floor of the auditorium. On the rostrum were representative conference and medical workers.

Following short talks by Elder E. E. Andross and Dr. Newton Evans. Dr. P. T. Magan told of some of the recent providences of God in behalf of Loma Linda, setting forth also some striking evidences of the place of the spirit of prophecy in the establishment and conduct of the institution. Dr. George Hare, of Fresno, in a practical paper, presented some problems that lie before students and faculty. He urged that

all make full use of the wisdom which God promises to add to human efforts when His people rely on Him.

Elder J. A. Burden, the first business manager of Loma Linda, told of early struggles and victories, and presented the need of devotion and loyalty to God and His truth. He also called upon the boys, who have returned from the army, to tell of their experiences. Not a word of complaint or discouragement comes from any of them, but instead courage and assurance of success. Their testimony is that they are ready to do the work of God in whatever capacity He may call them to labor.

A large offering was made in the interests of the buildings and work in Los Angeles,—a gift of practical praise to God who has brought His people through another year with His blessings multiplied and His love manifested by deliverance at a time of severe trial and crisis. A splendid male chorus, "Praise Ye the Father," gave vocal expression to the thankfulness felt by all.

Max Hill.

Loma Linda Church Items

The Loma Linda church passed its twenty-a-cent-a-week goal the last Sabbath of the week of prayer, giving as their annual offering over \$551.

A musical program is to be given in the chapel New Year's eve. A number of selections will be rendered on the new Estey pedal organ recently installed.

Four young men were baptized last Sabbath as the result of special effort made during the week of prayer; also two sisters from the San Bernardino church.

At a recent joint meeting of the church council and the Missionary Volunteer executive committee, it was voted to organize a coordinate young people's society for those of the church who are not students of the medical and nurses' training school. This society will hold its meetings in the valley schoolhouse every week.

Words of deep gratitude have been received from the ten young men from Loma Linda now in the army training camps, for the little Christmas gifts

sent them by the members of the home church. A prayer band meets every Friday evening to pray for these and many other young men of our faith, that they may be noble, true to principle, and loyal to God and their country.

The Sabbath school has done excellent work the past year. Over \$1400 was given in regular offerings, and more than \$645 in thirteenth Sabbath offerings. Dr. Alfred Shryock, the superintendent, has employed various original devices to interest the members to more liberal giving. One Sabbath the amount of the donations of the previous Sabbath would be shown through electrically illuminated figures inside a box. The last thirteenth Sabbath offering was announced to the school by means of a large, black cog wheel with red arrow indicator. One circuit of the wheel indicated \$100. When the currency was poured into the hopper, before the school, the machine automatically began to move, and the wheel carried the arrow twice around, much to the delight of the children. The kindergarten division lighted their candles, one for each dollar, and the primary division produced an orange tree laden with oranges,—one for each dollar.

Dec. 30, 1917.

W. A. Nary.

BOOK WORK

Central California

The Fresno colporteurs' institute has been set for February 16 to 18. This institute bids fair to be the largest one ever held in Central California. Union conference help has been arranged for, and Fresno and surrounding country afford ample room in which to demonstrate their institute theories.

A number have dedicated themselves to the Lord for the finishing of the work in this generation. Surely the angels are holding the four winds until the servants of God are sealed. And what a privilege to have a part not only in the triumphant song, but in guiding precious souls to the goodly land!

The past year has been a favorable time in which to sell our large books,

as many are deeply moved over the world's greatest problems. The message of Isaiah 6:8 addressed to this generation, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" is to be answered by volunteers,—willing service, inspired by the love of Jesus. Nothing else will enable us to leave our homes and go from house to house, bearing His reproach.

Our goal for 1917 was \$6000 worth of subscription books. This mark was passed on December 1 by more than \$100, and we worked only a small portion of our territory.

We invite you, at the family altar and in secret prayer, to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth reapers; and if the lot should fall on you, gladly respond and come with us. We invite liberal correspondence from all who have any burden for the colporteur work.

C. L. Davis.

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Notice of Annual Meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Association

Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that the annual meeting of the members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, a corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of California, will be held at the office of the association on Villa Street, in the town of Mountain View, county of Santa Clara, state of California, on Monday, the 23th day of January, A. D. 1918, at ten o'clock A.M.

The election of directors for the ensuing year, the advisability of amending, repealing, or adopting new by-laws, or such other business as may be necessary or proper to be transacted, will come before the members of the association.

By order of the directors.

C. H. Jones, President.
H. G. Childs, Secretary.

The 15-Cent Price

"I am sure," said a certain tract society secretary, "that the new 15-cent price will affect sales. For this reason you had better reduce our standing order for 1000 'Signs Magazine' to 500." We intended to carry

out his instructions, but for some reason failed to do so and sent him 1000 of the January number as usual. After about a week he wrote as follows: "Our agents do not seem to be experiencing any difficulty in selling the new "Signs Magazine" at 15 cents. About 600 of our 1000 copies have been sold already." A second letter, which followed after a few days, contained an order for 300 more. "Sold out," he said. And so it goes. A sister in Montana sold twenty-eight copies of the January number in two and one-half hours. Another down in New Mexico says, "I find as ready sale for the 15-cent magazine as for the 10-cent one. The January number is fine." Good though the January number is, the February issue will be even better. Compare the two and see for yourself.

will be the means of reaching tens of thousands of homes that otherwise would never be reached with this message.

The writer would be glad to give

any desired information that interested readers of this little article should desire. Address Foreign Department, Brookfield, Illinois.

Steen Rasmussen.

Week Ending December 21, 1917

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Arizona						
W. H. Spicer	P.G.	25	15	\$2.10	\$66.10	\$ 19.10
G. F. Knapp	B.R.	15	3	1.00	14.25	21.00
R. C. Vazquez		5				20.00
Mrs. Helen Roquier	H.W.	20	50		34.85	
Mrs. Anna Silver	H.W.	5	10		4.50	
Mrs. Melor	H.W.	10	20		15.35	
Mrs. C. Morgan	H.W.	4	10		6.75	
F. M. Owen	H.W.	30	75		47.45	
Miscellaneous	C.K.	38	22		78.00	253.50
8 Agents		152	205	\$3.10	\$267.25	\$313.50

Central California *						
M. L. Chowder	G.C.	50		\$30.50	\$62.50	
J. W. Beardslee	G.C.	11		3.25	11.25	
M. O. Adams	B.R.	84		40.30	64.80	
W. E. Whitmore	B.R.	10		.85	4.35	
Mrs. C. Hollenstein	Misc.				25.55	
5 Agents *2 Weeks		155		\$74.90	\$168.45	

Southeastern California						
H. E. Farmer*	B.R.	51	17		\$100.40	
G. H. Reese	Misc.				32.85	
Mrs. L. McPherson	H.W.				125.00	
Mrs. F. W. Merrell	H.W.				15.00	
Mrs. DeHaan	H.W.				10.00	
H. S. Anderson	Misc.				192.00	
H. A. Gober						86.00
Miscellaneous					9.90	
7 Agents *2 Weeks		51	17		\$485.15	\$86.00

Inter-Mountain						
F. H. Jenks						\$325.75
1 Agent						\$325.75

Southern California						
F. B. Desmarests	ElRey	34	29	\$1.10	\$66.60	
Cora I. Dunham	H.W.	10			8.20	
Miscellaneous					11.00	
2 Agents		44	29	\$1.10	\$85.80	

Book Report, Week Ending December 28, 1917

California						
D. J. Adams	G.C.		8		\$48.00	
L. M. Overholt	B.R.	34½	9	3.00	42.50	
Clyde House*	B.R.	32½	9	4.00	41.00	
K. Nazaka	Misc.				63.00	
I. Noroma	Misc.				57.00	
Miscellaneous					7.75	
5 Agents *2 Weeks		67	26	\$7.00	\$259.25	

Northwestern California						
M. A. Reese	Misc.	33½	9	\$4.35	\$32.35	
1 Agent		33½	9	\$4.35	\$32.35	

Southeastern California						
Agnes Smith	H.W.				\$21.75	
Mrs. Ella Barr	H.W.				15.00	
Mrs. T. S. Nightingale	H.W.				25.00	
Alicé Bond	H.W.				17.00	
Florence W. Merrell	H.W.				21.00	
Mrs. Emma Dunson	H.W.				3.75	
G. H. Reese	G.E.S.				10.50	
H. E. Farmer	Misc.				38.95	
B. E. Tefft	B.R.				12.00	
9 Agents					\$164.95	

A FACT AND A SUGGESTION

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to endure hardships and inconveniences of which most Christians have no conception. He makes just as good and loyal a member of the remnant church as any, and in the kingdom to come he will compare equally well with any of his more favored brethren.

In the work that we are carrying on, among the foreigners, we have found this to be true: Among twelve of the above mentioned nationalities, we have gained approximately three hundred new members during the past year. This is more than one hundred in excess of the gain during 1916, and more than two hundred better than the record for 1915. While the work of the Lord is fast closing, these neglected souls must have a chance. More and better literature must be prepared. Young men and women out of their own ranks must be established. But while all this is important, and will come in due time, we believe it is just as important that the members of our churches take a deeper interest in these people than heretofore.

We have a fair supply of literature in several of these languages. Our foreign publishing house, the International Branch of the Pacific Press Association, in Brookfield, Illinois, is putting forth a tremendous effort to meet some of the great and crying demands for the truth in printed form in these many foreign tongues. Twenty periodicals are now issued in twelve languages. At least \$10,000 will be needed during the coming year with which to put into operation the recommendations passed at the late Fall Council in Minneapolis, with reference to foreign literature. A series of small books similar to the "World's Crisis" and the "World Event Series" is in preparation. These books will cover practically all of the leading features of present truth. We believe that they

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1918

Brother Ernest Lloyd is spending a few weeks in the Pacific Union Conference territory in the interest of the "Signs of the Times," and brings a splendid report of his labors among the churches in the east.

Meetings will be held as follows:

Sabbath, January 12, at Loma Linda in the forenoon, and Riverside in the afternoon, with evening appointments during the week at various churches in the Southeastern California Conference.

Friday, January 18, at Paradise Valley Sanitarium.

Sabbath, January 19, Elder L. E. Froom will join Brother Lloyd in the meetings at the two San Diego churches.

Sabbath, January 26, Elder A. O. Tait and Brother Lloyd will conduct the service at the Carr Street church, Los Angeles.

During the "Signs" campaign, the subscription list has grown from 20,000 to 60,000. But you must hear Brother Lloyd tell his good story!

Do It During January

When he was but a boy, the parents of one of our conference presidents in the Pacific Union accepted the truth through reading the "Signs of the Times." This worker, now in the full vigor of manhood, is doing noble work for God both as an executive in his conference and as a writer for the "Signs" itself. A faithful lay member in California delivered a copy of the "Signs" every week to a widow who for months showed absolutely no interest in it, but the word in season aroused her curiosity. She read, was convinced, and took her stand with us. That was 30 years ago. Her son, a mere boy

at the time, is now serving on the circulation staff of this soul-winner. You no doubt have heard of that church that was raised by means of a copy of the "Signs" that was sent to an interested party in the old country, who after reading it, mailed it to a relative out here in the West with the result mentioned.

Stories such as these could be told all day long, and still the supply would not be exhausted. What better evidence that God is using the weekly "Signs" in a big way could anyone wish for? Its influence is greater than any one imagines. It goes where the living minister can not always go—right into the home. It is ready to deliver its message when those who receive it read its columns. "Instant in season, out of season," truly!

Many because of prejudice or lack of time will not attend our public hall or tent meetings. The "Signs" is just the thing for such persons. This, all agree, is the best season of the year for the circulation of our periodicals. In view of the record of the "Signs," and the interest that there is now in the things which it teaches, and its ability to perform work that can be done in no other way, you surely will wish to renew your personal club before the first of February when the price will be raised. Perhaps after carefully considering the matter, you will wish to increase its size. Thank you.

Ernest Lloyd.

A Fact and a Suggestion

Seventh-day Adventists stand face to face with many tremendous tasks. One of the greatest of these is the giving of the message to the millions of foreign-speaking people here in the home field. The presence of these people is a challenge to our faith, our loyalty, our devotion and our zeal. The accomplishment of it will mean more than the ingathering of a few souls right here. Thousands in the home land, too, will be influenced thereby.

A few up-to-date figures regarding the influx of immigrants to our country since 1910 are very striking and appealing. From 1910 till the close of 1916, the various European nations sent their representatives in the following numbers: Greeks, 234,000; Hebrews, 537,000; Italians, 1,252,000;

Hungarians, 151,000; Poles, 595,000; Russians, 164,000; Ruthenians, 139,000; Lithuanians, 103,000; Slovaks, 134,000; Croatians and Slovenians, 162,000; Roumanians, 67,000; Syrians, 37,000, etc. All together during these seven years more than 5,000,000 people were admitted to our country and this notwithstanding existing war conditions since 1914.

The question therefore is not, Shall the immigrants come? They have come. They are coming still in large numbers and they are going to come still stronger when the war closes. The question that is of most interest to us is, What shall be done with and for them while they are here? How will Seventh-day Adventists respond to this challenge?

When we consider that a little over 2,000,000 immigrants returned to their home lands during the ten-year period, 1905-1914, the question comes to us, What did Christian America, and what did we as a people give these 2,000,000 to take back? Undoubtedly some of them brought material wealth, yet we fear that very few brought any greater spiritual riches than these they possessed when they first came. This returning population ought to be made a missionary force, but this will never be done as long as we do not fully realize the great opportunity presented in their presence with us, and neglect our individual duty and responsibility.

As these people return to their home country, they need not spend long years in studying the language, or get used to the ways, customs, and habits of the people among whom they settle. They are already one with their own kindred, and can go right into the homes and live among them and present the precious truths that they received while with us.

We must learn to take greater interest in the foreigner. We must learn to know him better, learn to appreciate that his soul is just as precious as that of any other. We must have kindled within our hearts a true flame of love and neighborly sympathy and realize that all men are created equal. The foreigner is patient, long-suffering, and persevering. He is teachable, anxious to learn, glad to sacrifice and willing

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