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Homeward Bound

There never was a time when the truth of the following statement was more manifest than now:

"There is no need to doubt, to be fearful that the work will not succeed. God is at the head of the work, and he will set everything in order." Mrs. E. G. White.

The year 1917 has been an eventful one, filled with sorrow, trouble and perplexity, and yet from every part of this union conference come reports of progress that have been unexcelled. We have every reason to believe that God has set His hand to finish this work, and that it will soon be completed. It is yet too early to report definitely on the number of baptisms during the year, or the number of additions to the faith, but our financial report is before us, and indicates very marked progress both in the mission offerings and in the tithes.

As will be seen by the article from our union treasurer, Brother B. M. Emerson, there has been an increase during the past year in mission offerings above the year 1916, of \$43,977.67, and an increase in the

per capita offerings for the year, of 5.97 cents per week per member. The increase in the tithe for 1917 over 1916, is \$78,045.30. What this increase in tithes and offerings will mean to the progress of this work we are not told now, but the judgment will reveal it.

We feel that we are under obligation to our people for this splendid showing. It could not have been made had not the leaders in our churches throughout our conferences responded nobly to the efforts put forth by the presidents of our conferences to inspire our people to greater faithfulness in service and greater devotion to the cause of God in this great crisis. We wish to thank our people everywhere for the blessed response that has been made in providing funds for the advancement of this cause during the year 1917, and now, as we enter upon a new year we invite your further co-operation in raising the 25 cents per week per member for missions, and we earnestly pray that every soul may be faithful in the payment of the tithe into the treasury of the Lord.

The nearer we come to the end of the journey, the greater will be the demands made upon us in carrying this gospel to all the earth. But we can well afford to put all that we have into this glorious message of salvation to the lost, with the assurance that if we do make a complete sacrifice in our efforts to reach those who are now perishing, we shall, in a little while, hear the words from the lips of the Master, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." We must now heed the counsel given to us through the spirit of prophecy, as follows:

"We must keep close to our great Leader, or we shall become bewildered and lose sight of the Providence which

presides over the church and the world, and over each individual. There will be profound mysteries in the divine dealings. We may lose the footsteps of God, and follow our own bewilderment, and say, 'Thy judgments are not known;' but if the heart is loyal to God, everything will be made plain."

Again I quote from Testimonies, Volume 8, page 253:

"The Lord is soon to come, and we must be prepared to meet him in peace. Let us be determined to do all in our power to impart light to those around us. We are not to be sad, but cheerful, and we are to keep the Lord Jesus ever before us. He is soon coming, and we must be ready and waiting for His appearing. O, how glorious it will be to see Him, and we be welcomed as His redeemed ones! Long have we waited; but our hope is not to grow dim. If we can but see the King in His beauty, we shall be forever blessed. I feel as if I must cry aloud, 'Homeward bound!' We are nearing the time when Christ will come in power and great glory, to take his ransomed ones to their eternal home."

E. E. Andross.

What Co-operation Has Accomplished

In this issue we are pleased to present to the "Recorder" readers the last statement for 1917 on the twenty-cents-a-week fund. All will rejoice over the most excellent showing which this statement presents. Each conference shows a good gain over their standing one year ago, and seven out of the nine conferences passed the goal. This is the best financial report ever presented from the Pacific Union Conference. In the past, one or two, or perhaps three of the fields

have raised the entire amount of their goal, but never before have such a large number of our conferences, as well as the union, attained the goal. Surely the Lord hath wonderfully blessed the work in our territory during 1917, not only in funds raised, but in additions to the faith as well.

During 1916 there was received from the Pacific Union Conference territory, for missions, \$101,400.89, and during 1917, \$145,378.56, or a gain in favor of the latter year of \$43,977.67. There was received and passed on to the treasurer of the North American Division Conference, from the same territory, during December, 1917, \$34,301.58, or a per capita per week offering of 67.98 cents, almost 68 cents.

Our foreign mission board, in studying the mission fields and the calls for additional help, has been compelled to ask our people at the base of supplies to donate an amount equal to 25 cents per member for 1918. In view of the splendid record made during 1917 by the Pacific Union Conference, our goal for the present year should be reached without fail. However, this cannot be done without each one doing his part, and it is none too early to begin now.

Let us attempt even greater things for God during the present year, and with His help and blessing, achieve them.

B. M. Emerson.

A Message from Elder Evans

A letter just received from Elder I. H. Evans regarding the present campaign in the interest of the weekly "Signs of the Times" contains the following encouraging statement and appeal:

"I do wish that during 1918 the denomination could use 100,000 copies of this splendid missionary paper. Within the last few months I have received several letters from different individuals assuring me that they had found Christ through the "Signs," and had never understood the plan of salvation as they understand it by reading that good paper.

"The times in which we are living, the nearness of the end, and the importance of helping men and women to find Christ should come home to us all in a new way as we start out with the year 1918."

The "Signs of the Times" has come

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund in Pacific Union Conference for Twelve Months Ending December 31, 1917, Compared with December 31, 1916

Conference	Amount Due	Amount Received	Amount Short	Cents per mem. per week	
				1917	1916
Nevada Mission	\$ 1,809.60	\$ 3,084.49	\$ 1,274.89*	.34-10	.23-95
Southern California	22,058.40	31,336.00	9,277.60*	.28-41	.18-11
Northwestern California ..	13,468.00	18,211.89	4,743.89*	.27-04	.19-61
California	18,189.60	22,408.40	4,218.80*	.24-63	.20-42
Southeastern California ..	19,032.00	23,007.87	3,975.87*	.24-17	.18-29
Central California	15,870.40	17,995.33	2,124.93*	.22-67	.18-89
Northern California	17,971.20	18,634.49	643.29*	.20-73	.15-00
Inter-Mountain	7,716.80	6,518.96	1,197.84	.16-89	.14-47
Arizona	4,971.20	4,181.13	790.07	.16-82	.13-60
Pacific Union Conf.....	\$121,087.20	\$145,378.56	\$24,291.36*	.24-01	.18-04
*Amount over	\$26,279.27				
Amount short	1,987.91				
	\$24,291.36				

Net Amount Over 1917 Goal.

B. M. Emerson.

to be one of the leading agencies in heralding the truth for these days. It is now daily bringing souls into the light. Many of our churches are increasing their clubs for the greater needs of 1918. Over 6000 new subscriptions received during the past two weeks. Why?—Because an increase in the "Signs" club means an increase in souls. What about your club? "Do it during January." Price goes up February 1.

Succeed?—Of Course

"I've tried twice, and failed both times!" lamented a Missionary Volunteer, with a look of discouragement upon his face.

"Failed? In what? inquired his friend, sympathetically.

"Why, in the denominational history test for the Standard of Attainment. I feel like giving up; for though I've made an earnest effort to master the subject, I don't seem to succeed."

Listen, friend! Don't give up the ship just as help is arriving. Here is some good news for you. We have just what you need to guide you in your study and to help you to succeed. It is a new leaflet containing 125 questions on denominational history, and giving the pages in "The Great Second Advent Movement" where these are answered.

On this list of questions future examinations will be based. Doesn't this encourage you? When you have mastered the information called for in this leaflet, you will be well informed on the history of our denomination.

Order from your tract society. Leaflet No. 57, price, 1½ cents.

Let us make this the banner year for the Standard of Attainment by the close of 1918, without fail. Succeed?—Of course you can!

M. V. Dept.



INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. J. H. Weeks, Sec.
122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

Items

Elder E. A. Curtis made the office a call last week. We are glad to report that he is feeling quite strong again.

A general meeting, to be held at Salt Lake City, February 7 to 10, is being planned. This will be a very important meeting, and we expect a large attendance.

Brethren F. S. Chollar and F. A. Lashier are now beginning an effort at Redvale. Let us pray that God's power will be manifest in these meetings that many will accept the third angel's message, and a church be organized in this place.

Elder C. L. Snodgrass reports the organization of a new Sabbath school at Colby, near Cedaredge, with 13 adult Sabbath keepers. News of this kind brings greater joy than anything else that comes to our ears. Remember our workers in your prayers.

We began our work for 1918 with

new courage. Our Harvest Ingathering goal for 1917 was reached, and we believe that the Inter-Mountain Conference will raise 25 cents per member per week for missions for 1918. We expect to send out a statement of the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund every month, showing the standing of every church. Let us begin now to keep paid up on the fund. For every one to unite in meeting this great call of the hour means spiritual prosperity for this field. We cannot afford to miss the blessing.

January 9.

H. E. Lysinger.

Salt Lake City Church Notes

The quarterly meeting service was well attended last week.

A new church directory is being prepared, which gives the names and addresses of the members of the church. This will greatly aid in the visiting work.

Sister Laura Tyroff, who for a number of years has been located at Garfield, Utah, is moving this week to the city. We are glad that Sister Tyroff and her family will be more accessible to the church.

Sister Emma Harris, our missionary volunteer leader is taking up the work of the year with a good degree of enthusiasm. The young people are determined to make this a banner year in missionary activities.

Brother F. H. Jenks, who for some time has been canvassing in and around Salina, Utah, returned to Salt Lake City last week, after having made a successful delivery of his books. He reports practically a 100 per cent delivery.

Some interesting reports come in from time to time from those who are distributing the "Present Truth" series. Some excellent homes are being reached, and we are encouraged to expect that a number of honest souls will be brought to a saving knowledge of the message.

January 10.

W. M. Andross.

"The greatest achievement of a Christian teacher is to make himself disappear, in order that only Christ may be seen by his hearers."

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

N. P. Neilsen, Pres. G. A. Wheeler, Sec.
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Siftings

The conference committee met at Fresno last Tuesday evening and laid plans for the conference work.

Remember the officers' and general meeting to be held at Fresno, January 17 to 20. We hope to see a good attendance, but are especially anxious to have our church elders present, as far as possible.

The conference auditing committee met at Fresno last Tuesday, and audited the accounts of the conference laborers for the past year. We were glad to enjoy the presence and counsel of Elder E. E. Andross.

The majority of our church school teachers attended the teachers' institute held at Hanford, January 4 to 6. Prof. M. E. Cady, the educational secretary of our union conference, was present and assisted in giving the instruction. We believe our teachers found the institute very helpful.

Let us get used to the expression, "twenty-five cents per week" and then let us seek to make it that in our conference month by month, from the beginning of the year. We would not want the calls from our foreign fields for men and means to cease. We are glad the work is advancing, but we must step into the opening providences of God and do our part. Remember the call is for twenty-five cents per week on the average per member. We can easily make it so if we all do our part.

January 11.

N. P. Neilsen.

Pencilgrams

Eleven quarterly reports have been received from the Missionary Volunteer societies. These are good reports, and we hope that every one will be sent in this week so we can send our report off early. The teachers' period reports are due to-day. Let these come very promptly as Prof. M. E. Cady wishes our report before February 1. Those who attended the institute will remember that much was said about junior work, and the need of junior period reports. We must certainly organize this work thoroughly, and see

that it is carried forward with zeal. Some of the schools are doing splendid junior work.

Hanford is planning for a new school building and three teachers for the coming year. Island is planning the same. Barstow has already added a room, and if the school grows as it gives promise of doing, two teachers will be needed next year. Armona has one teacher this year. The school is larger than had been anticipated at first, and if more come, two teachers will doubtless be employed again next year, so we see no cause for discouragement unless it shall be to find teachers. Many young people are needed in training to take up this very important branch of the work. Who will respond and plan to start a course this coming year?

Miss Carr, of Winton, was obliged to go home on account of illness, and Miss Amy Rich has been secured to finish the term. This school has grown from a membership of six or seven, for the two previous years, to an enrollment of 16 this year. We expect it to become one of our strong schools, and it will, if there is a hearty cooperation between parents and teacher. It will take the united efforts of parents, teacher and church members, to save the children. If one of this trio fails in its duty, then the children have lost one third of the help they should have. We are thankful for the spirit of helpfulness shown in our schools, and hope this will increase until not the slightest rift will be found. Study the Testimonies regarding the work of our schools, and then all will work more intelligently.

The past week I visited the Dinuba church school, where there is one of the finest school buildings in the conference. A building for woodwork, 16x20, well lighted, and with work benches on three sides, has just been completed. Individual lockers and a cupboard for general tools, is now being put in. This will make the first building of its kind in this conference, but we hope it will only be the beginning. Every church school should have a manual training room in order to do good work. The school work seems to be going very nicely at Dinuba. The teachers put forth every effort to bring it to where it should

be. The principal, Mrs. Lena Morris, is one of our faithful teachers, this being her eleventh year in this conference. It is certainly good to visit with such faithful workers, and see their courage and interest in the work.

January 11. Alice Mina Mann.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

M. M. Hare, Pres. W. L. Mecum, Sec.
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A Soul-Winning Campaign

At a recent meeting of the conference committee when some plans for our work in 1918 were considered, it was advised that a strong home missionary effort be put forth during the first half of the year. At no previous time in our experience has the demand for such an effort seemed more imperative. Strangely solemn events are now happening every day and to even the most optimistic there is an uncertainty connected with human things. Of this fact we are assured. Soon the days of human probation will have gone, "the harvest, past; the summer, ended;" and some souls unsaved. Shall we not in this year of opportunity and privilege do our best, individually, that we each may be the means in God's hands of saving at least one soul from the fearful fate of the lost? Think what it will mean to those we may save, and then think, too, what it will mean to us, by-and-bye, when star-gemmed crowns are placed upon the immortal brows of the soul-winners! Let what we might wish for ourselves at that supreme moment be the desire that will urge us to service now. Why should not 1918 be our banner soul-saving year?

Possibly we have noticed that the advance in the price of the "Signs" weekly which was to have become effective January 1 has been postponed until February 1, 1918. In view of the foregoing this extends to us an opportunity of securing either single subscriptions or clubs of this soul-winner for use in just such a soul-winning campaign as would seem to be consistent with the demands of this hour.

January 26, the monthly home missionary Sabbath, and the last Sabbath when old subscription rates on the "Signs" weekly may be secured, it has been suggested that a special

effort be put forth to encourage our people throughout the Southern California Conference to order a supply of the "Signs" for their home missionary efforts during the year. In other words, for the various reasons suggested, let us make January 26, 1918 "Signs" Campaign Day throughout our field.

M. M. Hare.

A Splendid Record

Probably the most of our church members have had some facts brought to their notice during the last week that indicate the prosperity which has attended our conference work during the past year. The closing of the books in our office brought a surprise to us in the form of some achievements quite beyond our expectations.

The labors of our workers during the past year have been fruitful. Quite a good number have accepted the message, and united with our churches. Later we will report more definitely. Our tithe exceeded that of 1916 by \$16,238.14, or a total for the year 1917 of \$64,905.

The twenty-cent-a-week fund averaged 28.4 cents, an increase of more than ten cents per week per member over 1916.

Our 1917 Harvest Ingathering campaign returns overreached our goal of \$4288 by \$678.90, while the increase in Sabbath school offerings is probably \$2500. In our tract society there was also a good showing made. The gain in retail value of business over 1916 was \$6494.60 for the Southern California field.

These items are encouraging. They speak of progress, of devotion on the part of a loyal people, yes, and of a reconsecration of hearts and of means. God has been with us. He has blessed our efforts.

And shall not these blessings of the past encourage us to attempt still greater things for God during 1918? We have stepped across the threshold of the new year. Already have its problems begun to be ours. But it is with strong hearts and courageous spirits that we address ourselves to them. In the spirit of a more complete surrender, and a deeper and fuller consecration, let us yield ourselves to Him who has blessed us, that under His hand we may accomplish greater things for Him.

M. M. Hare.

Long Beach

The following statement from G. H. Taylor, treasurer of the Long Beach church, shows a splendid report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1917:

Tithe	\$ 8584.59
Harvest Ingathering	1034.89
Sabbath school offerings ..	822.37
Annual offering	630.18
Foreign missions	472.95
Midsummer offering	336.18
Literature	2462.59
Missionary society	1070.00
Church expense and Misc. ..	900.00
Church school	654.55

\$16968.20

Brother Taylor reports also that the present membership is 182, 23 having been added to the church during the year by baptism. He says, "Our Harvest Ingathering goal was passed. We have been blessed of the Lord, to Whom be all the praise."

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

W. F. Martin, Pres. J. C. McReynolds, Sec.
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Items

"World Problems" is now ready in Danish-Norwegian, German and Swedish. "World War" also can be secured in Spanish and Korean languages, at 30 cents. Order of your tract society.

We are glad to report that our sales for the year ending December 31, 1917, amounted to \$16,394.84, which is a gain of \$4,503.39 over the sales for the previous year. Our December 1917 sales amounted to \$2,499.61, while the December sales of the previous year were only \$1,095.90.

During the past four and a half months, \$735 worth of "Testimonies for the Church" has been sold. We are glad for this, for surely it is time as never before that we should study the Testimonies. Have you purchased your set yet? If not, write us for special prices.

W. R. Goss,

Sec. Southeastern Cal. Tract. Soc.
January 10.

Upland Tent Effort

The tent meetings which have been conducted by Brother Harry McWhinney and myself at Upland, California, have been transferred to a hall. A good interest continued throughout the effort. The attendance at the hall

is smaller, including only the interested persons. Elder C. H. Edwards of Ontario, has assisted us by giving a stereopticon lecture each Sunday night. We greatly appreciated his help.

Last Sabbath ten persons united with the Ontario church, eight of whom were baptized, the other two received on their former baptism. Several others are keeping the Sabbath and will doubtless unite with us soon.

Since the Ontario effort which began last June, eighteen persons have united with the Ontario church as the result of the meetings. Ontario and Upland being only two miles apart, these efforts might be considered as one. There being no church organization at Upland, all have united with the Ontario church. Pray for the work here that others may accept God's message for this time, and be numbered with His people.

L. H. Proctor.

Schools and Young People

New River scores first in an important matter, having just completed the first teachers' home in the conference. It is a neat little building, on good land near the school. The brethren are studying plans for a larger house, and talking intermediate school in a way that makes us look around for a principal next year.

One of the soldier boys writes expressing the appreciation of all the boys for the supply of reading matter furnished by the liberality of the conference. The home folk have an important duty to keep these representatives of truth before the throne of strength. Also letters from friends are a bright spot in their lives.

Sister W. F. Martin is gathering books for the libraries at Camp Kearny. These are "bread cast upon the waters." God is responsible for the promise in the text. News comes of two converted by one of our nurses at Camp Cody. Some of the boys who returned to Loma Linda say they really were sorry to leave the young men who are opening their hearts to the truths of God's word.

One of our young men took to heart the suggestion that all plan to give some product of labor to missions. He gave a picking of tomatoes, nearly 400 pounds. Cannot the young

people and children throughout the conference do something of like nature? Sabbath eggs, a calf, the penies received in change, old iron and other things that might be sold,—do not these suggest a source of money around your place?

Even the smallest church has a few young people. It would greatly help if one of these could be appointed to receive reports of the missionary work of the others,—the money given to missions, and such items, which could be sent in at the close of the quarter to the conference secretary. This would help us to reach our goal, and it would encourage activity in the church.

Our older brethren and sisters should not report their work through the young people's society, but through the church society. If there is no church society, report through a missionary secretary or the church librarian. Those advanced in years should not be members of the young people's society. It is perfectly proper for them to encourage the young people's meetings by their presence and offerings.

The object of our missionary volunteer financial effort for 1918 is to help in the Philippines again. The items include the following: The support of Brother E. Manalaysay, \$520; to help build a girls' dormitory at the new Philippine academy \$500; supplies for this academy, \$50.00; to help advance the young people's work in Central Southern Luzon Conference, \$50.00; to apply on a vacation fund for European workers, \$75.00. This totals \$1195. Let us do all we can to reach this phase of our goal.

If you have reason to believe that no report of young people's work has been sent from your church, you are hereby appointed to act as reporter, or to see that some one else does report, whether there is a society in your church or not. Blanks are sent to each church and a report is expected.

Max Hill.

A 1911 "Watchman" Still in Service

A woman in Hecla, South Dakota, writes: Please send me a sample copy of your publication, "The Watchman." I came across a copy of June, 1911, and if you still print the magazine, I would like to subscribe for it." Many subscriptions could be obtained if church members were alive to the opportunities afforded by our magazines.

BOOK WORK

Colporteurs' Institutes

Arrangements have been made for a series of colporteurs' institutes to be held in the union conference as follows:

Fernando Academy, January 26 to February 6.

Fresno, February 16 to 26.

California and Northwestern California, March 2 to 12.

Lodi Academy, March 13 to 23.

Pacific Union College, May 6 to 16.

Suitable arrangements will be made for the entertainment of those who wish to attend any of these institutes, and I trust that a large number will avail themselves of this privilege.

F. E. Painter.

Our Great Opportunity

A meeting of bookmen was held in Mountain View, January 6 and 7, which I am sure will have a far-reaching influence upon our work. It was attended by the field secretaries of all the conferences in California,—Brethren C. L. Davis, H. A. Hebard, C. C. Morlan, G. H. Barbee, and E. H. Abbott; together with Brethren H. H. Hall, J. M. Rouse, James Cochran, R. J. Leo, and Floyd Jones of the Pacific Press Pub. Assn. Brother I. T. Reynolds, field secretary of Arizona, and Brother J. L. Sauder, field secretary of the Inter-Mountain Conference were not present, owing to the great distance they would have to come.

Very definite and aggressive plans were laid for the 1918 "canvassing campaign." It was felt that this year we will have the most favorable conditions we have ever known, or probably will ever know for the sale of our good books, and that we should be prepared to improve this opportunity to the utmost. The Lord has awakened in the minds of the people a great spirit of inquiry as to the meaning of these great events, and they are turning to us for the answer. Plans were laid for greatly strengthening our force of both regular and student colporteurs, and in this connection a series of colporteurs' institutes was planned for. Announcement of the dates of these in-

stitutes will be found elsewhere in this issue. I trust that many who have been hesitating for a long time about entering this work will avail themselves of the opportunity of attending one of these institutes, and secure a training for service. Write the field secretary of your local conference about it.

It was decided to make a special effort this year with some of our important books, such as "Great Controversy," "Daniel and Revelation," "Bible Readings," and the new book by Elder W. A. Spicer,—"Our Day in the Light of Prophecy,"—which is just off the press. This book sells for \$2.00, \$3.00, and \$4.00. It is beautifully illustrated, very attractive in appearance, and we believe it will prove an exceptionally easy seller. Best of all it contains the truth which the world needs, presented in Elder Spicer's own inimitable style.

We are living in the day of God's power, and everything in the universe calls upon us in clarion tones to arise, and make haste to finish our work.

F. E. Painter,
Field Miss. Sec. Pac. Un. Conf.

"World Problems" in Four Languages Now Ready

The latest book in the "Current Events" series, entitled "World Problems," discusses in a very candid, helpful, interesting style some of the most vital present-day conditions. It tells the meaning of these portentous events and gives the solution—the only remedy.

"World Problems" in English has had a large sale during the short time since it was published, and is now ready in German, Danish-Norwegian, and Swedish. The leading topics discussed are "The Industrial Conflict," "War," "The Bible or Tradition," "Can the Dead Talk to Us," and "The Remedy."

Never before have so many problems, so many new demands been thrust upon men and women for consideration and action. The rapidly changing events of the last few months have developed and forcibly emphasized some of these world problems, and in many people's minds rises the insistent query, "What is the solution?"

In these thrilling days, when industrial conditions are so ominous; when "the nations are angry" and war has engulfed the world; when people imagine that spiritualism offers the only source of comfort for dear ones struck down by death, shall not the people who know the "patience and comfort of the scriptures" proclaim, with intense earnestness, by the printed page, and by every proper means, that message of salvation which the God of heaven, foreseeing this time, prepared for His servants to give at this very hour in earth's history?

"World Problems" is well printed, and has a striking cover design in colors. The price is 25 cents and the quantity rates the same as on the English books in "Current Events" and "World's Crisis" series. Order through your tract society.

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Brookfield, Ill.

Are You Reading the Testimonies?

Years ago, when a young girl in one of our schools, I talked with one of the teachers about reading the Testimonies. To me they seemed dry and uninteresting, and I could not see why they were necessary.

"Suppose we do not argue about it," the older woman said; "but I should like to have you notice one thing about it. Those who read the Testimonies, most, and try most faithfully to live out their instructions, are those who enjoy the happiest and brightest Christian experience. While those who talk against them, and neglect them, soon lose their hold on this truth, and finally drift away into the world."

Many times since then I have thought of that conversation, and have had occasion to verify its truth. The desirability of reading the Testimonies is not a question that can be decided by argument; it is shown by the fruit that it bears in the life. Do you desire to enjoy a deeper Christian experience during the years to come? One of the helps provided for you is very likely in your home library—perhaps unused and unprized. Take down the Testimonies, read them carefully, and mark the sentences and paragraphs that are especially helpful; you will be surprised, as you

read, to see how much there is that seems especially fitted to your special need. **A. B. E.**

Something for You

It will give you a good thought each morning.

It will lead you to the Bible.

It will guide you in systematic Bible study.

It will teach you what the Christian life is.

It will teach you how to live it.

It will admit you to a world-wide prayer circle.

It will invite you to pray.

It will give you a place to record your daily missionary work.

It will tell you when the sun sets each Friday.

It will be a friend worth having.

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Five cents brings it to you.

M. V. Dept.

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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 28th day of January, A. D. 1918, at ten o'clock A.M.

The election of directors for the ensuing year, the advisability of amend-

ing, 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.

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Wanted.—"Steps to Christ" in the thin, "vest pocket," limp edition of six years ago. I need it in my work helping the patients. Will buy if in good condition. Reply direct to Elder R. W. Munson, Glendale Sanitarium, Glendale, Cal.

Notice

In order to meet the increasing demand for nurses, the Loma Linda Nurses' Training School will begin a new course on March 10, 1918.

The privilege of applying for this course is open to earnest, Christian young men and women who are over 19 years of age and who have completed 10 grades of regular school work.

Write for calendar and application blank to Supt. of Nurses, Loma Linda Sanitarium, Loma Linda, Cal.

Obituaries

Hopkins.—William Cary Hopkins was born in Iowa, Oct. 16, 1850, and died of heart failure near Standish, Cal., Nov. 25, 1917. He accepted the Saviour at the early age of 16, uniting soon after with the Seventh-day Baptist people, and remained with them until he was asked to circulate some literature against the Seventh-day Adventists. This led him to investigate the truth, which he gladly accepted. He was a faithful member until death called him.

His early life in this message was spent in Roseburg, Oregon. To-day a church remains as a result of his efforts there. He came to this valley about 12 years ago. Much of his time was spent in nursing the sick, in which line of work he was very successful. His unselfish life caused all to love him, and several in this valley were led to accept the blessed hope.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from John 11:25.

Geo. G. Sims.

Harmon.—Lizzie L. Ricks was born in the state of Ohio, Jan. 21, 1850, and came to California in 1870. In 1875 she was united in marriage to F. V. Harmon, who died May 8, 1904. It was in 1875 that Brother and Sister Harmon accepted the truth under the labors of Elder J. N. Loughborough, being baptized the following year. She was one of the pioneer believers in California, and Elder and Sister White often made her home their abiding place in the early days of the work on the Pacific Coast. She passed away Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1917, at her home in Santa Rosa, Cal., aged 67 years, 9 months, and 15 days. Excepting an adopted son, she leaves no near relatives, but many of the older members of our faith and a large number of friends mourn her decease. She requested that Second Timothy 4:7, 8 be used for the funeral service, and she rests in hope of a part in the first resurrection.

J. Adams Stevens.

Homes.—Jewel Homes, nee Lillard, was born in Springtown, Texas, March 3, 1883, and died at her home in Vallejo, Cal., Nov. 26, 1917. During her childhood she was baptized and

united with the Baptist church in Santa Rosa, Cal. In the year 1904 Elder A. Brorsen held special meetings in Vallejo, and at that time she took her stand for the truth of the third angel's message. While the world has since held out many attractions, yet she was faithful till the end. In her last sickness the Lord came very near, and took away all pain and fear of death. We enjoyed many special seasons of prayer together, and her desire was that God's will might be done.

Funeral services and interment took place in Vallejo, Cal. S. T. Hare.

Wolf.—Henry A. Wolf was born in Two Bridges, Germany, and was killed in a runaway accident near his home at Chowchilla, California, December 20, 1917, aged about sixty-six years. He accepted the truth, and was baptized by Elder A. G. Christiansen about eight years ago at Escondido, Cal. About two years ago he came to Chowchilla, of which church he was a member at the time of his decease. He leaves no relatives in this country, but a large number of friends to mourn. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

N. P. Neilsen.

Book Report, Week Ending December 21, 1917

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Arizona						
G. F. Knapp	B.R.	20	3	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$45.00
W. H. Spicer	P.G.	14	13	9.00	58.15	23.45
2 Agents		34	16	\$21.00	\$70.15	\$68.45

Week Ending December 28, 1917

California						
Dr. Barbour	F.Q.				\$22.50	
Southeastern California						
J. E. Lovell	H.W.				\$27.00	
Estelle Layton	H.W.				3.00	
Mrs. Mary Bullock	H.W.				26.65	
3 Agents					\$56.65	
Inter-Mountain						
C. L. Roberts *	B.R.	48	6	\$11.25	\$39.25	\$49.25
F. H. Jenks	B.R.	10	7		32.00	
J. L. Sauder		12			28.25	
Emma Harris	C.E.S.	9			10.00	
A. R. Robinson						55.25
5 Agents *2 Weeks		79	13	\$11.25	\$109.50	\$104.50

Week Ending January 4, 1918

Central California						
M. O. Adams *	B.R.	53	9	\$21.00	\$58.00	
L. M. Crowder		18	6	9.50	29.50	
Mrs. A. H. Johnson	C.E.S.				29.25	
Mrs. May Mark	Misc.				22.25	
Mrs. W. O. King	Misc.				21.45	
5 Agents *2 Weeks		71	15	\$30.50	\$160.45	

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1918

Elder G. W. Reaser, field secretary of the Pacific Union Conference, visited San Jose and Mountain View this week.

Miss Lou Ellen Watts, of the Pacific Union Conference office, is attending the meeting in Fresno this week.

Elder E. C. Sillsbee, who recently returned with his family from South Africa, spoke at the Carr Street church in Los Angeles last Sabbath.

Elder W. F. Martin, of Riverside, president of the Southeastern California Conference, called at the union conference office in Glendale last Sunday.

Elder B. E. Beddoe attended the workers' meeting of the Northwestern California Conference at St Helena last week, and the council of home missionary secretaries at Fresno this week.

Miss Edith M. Graham, home missionary for the North American Division Conference, arrived in Glendale from Washington, D. C., last week, and plans to remain in California until the time of the General Conference. She was accompanied by Miss Sandberg, who is doing her stenographic work.

A National City (Cal.) newspaper publishes this item: "Miss Marcia Thompson, of the Flower Shop in San Diego, has made our library a gift of a most interesting small book, 'The World War, Its Relation to the Eastern Question and Armageddon,' by Arthur G. Daniells. The book is written from the standpoint of the Seventh-day Adventists." Every public library in the Pacific Union Conference territory ought to have a copy of this book.

Papers for Soldiers

Each week the Missionary Volunteer Department of the Pacific Union Conference is mailing out copies of the "Review and Herald," the "Youth's Instructor," and the "Pacific Union Recorder" to all our soldier boys from this union whose addresses we have. Since the addresses of soldiers in training are changing so frequently, we have found it necessary to receive these papers in quantities at the union office and remail them. In this way our boys may receive papers every week if they keep us informed regarding changes in address.

We wish that every registered young man liable to service would take special note of two things:

First, if he desires to receive the above mentioned papers weekly, he should write to the Missionary Volunteer Department, Pacific Union Conference, Box 146, Glendale, Cal., giving his camp address the **very day** he is located in an army camp.

Second, he should also keep the department posted regularly regarding any changes which may occur in his address.

Persons desiring to assist in meeting the expense of sending out these papers thus, will kindly send contributions to their local conference treasurer, labeling same "Soldier Boys' Literature Fund."

B. E. Beddoe.

A Splendid Accommodation

We certainly do appreciate the willingness on the part of our publishing houses to accommodate the field. We have been pushing our Harvest Ingathering campaign with all our might for some time, and no doubt will continue to do so for several weeks. This of necessity has prevented our doing what we desire to do with our pioneer missionary paper, the "Signs" weekly.

We started out to reach a 100,000 weekly circulation, but we are considerably behind. If we could have a good, full, free month to devote to this interest, we feel confident that all our people will rally, and we shall make a record.

The Pacific Press in replying to our request for an extension of time writes as follows: "It means quite a little to us in the way of dollars

and cents when we have to make concession of this kind, but we are glad to accommodate the field, and we believe that it will be appreciated by our people to the extent that one of the biggest campaigns we have ever waged will be carried on **during the month of January.**"

This means a great deal, and we do appreciate it; and with the old prices remaining till February 1, 1918, shall we not grasp this another wonderful opportunity of getting the truth before the people before it is everlastingly too late.

Hundreds of our people should take clubs of ten, which will cost \$8.00 a year, and hundreds more should take clubs of five, which will cost \$4.00 a year. Let every church take a club, and those already taking a club might increase it. The "Signs of the Times" does bring people into the truth, and that is the all-absorbing question with Christ's followers. "The Christian is moved by an inexpressible desire to win souls to Christ." Now is the time to work. "Those who reject the privilege of fellowship with Christ in service, reject the only training that imparts a fitness for participation with Him in glory." Education, page 264. We fondly hope that this exceptional opportunity in this extremely perilous time will be fully improved. "Do it during January."

F. W. Paap.

Watchman in Demand

A business man in Baltimore, Md., writes: "Please advise me if there is any news dealer in Baltimore, Md., from whom I may procure 'The Watchman' for the months of October, November and December, 1917, and **thereafter.** I received from a friend a copy of your September issue, and as it in great part agrees with my recent religious instructions, I would gladly hear more of the same." Let our people everywhere become responsible for a few magazines each week.

❖ SABBATH, JANUARY 26— ❖
❖ "SIGNS OF THE TIMES" DAY ❖
❖ Read Elder Evans' message in ❖
❖ this issue regarding the "Signs" ❖
❖ weekly and its influence. ❖
