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Systematic Service Needed

In these days of peril, every believer needs all the spiritual culture Christ has provided for His church. We should be vitalized with the Spirit of God. A cheap, superficial experience will not qualify us to cope with the delusions of this age nor to stand without a mediator when probation closes, so we must seek for a deep inward piety which is obtained only by daily study of God's Word, sweet communion in prayer and full co-operation with the Holy Spirit in carrying the message to all the earth.

If we were fully aroused to a true sense of the rapidly passing events in the world, and appreciated the nearness of Christ's coming, we would permit no trivial thing to hinder us from Bible study as well as prompt and regular attendance at Sabbath school and church, and we would gladly make proper use of all our books, tracts and periodicals. Every effort possible would be made to place the message of truth in a favorable light and systematic manner before our neighbors and friends. Thus our own hearts would be warmed and

made tender, the church would be greatly strengthened, and a marvelous spiritual transformation would be seen among all the believers.

If every church would organize for definite and systematic work with our literature, and each member would co-operate in the plan, how quickly every town, hamlet and family in our conference would be given an opportunity to know something of the truth! Some can sell the home worker's books, others dispose of our tracts, still others can sell our periodicals, but the whole church could with profit heartily join in a systematic work with "Present Truth." This is the most inexpensive literature we have. It can be purchased at our Bible house in bulk orders of 1 to 20 copies, each 1 cent; 25 copies, 20 cents; 50 copies, 35 cents; 100 copies, 60 cents. There are about thirty subjects and each topic is arranged logically and in order with the special thought of teaching the truths of the message in a connected, clear and forceful manner.

May the dear Lord fill us all with His blessed Spirit, and lead us to prompt, decisive and systematic service in His vineyard, for by so doing we will surely gain glorious triumphs; while delay, neglect, haphazard service, result in loss, failure and dishonor to God.

Why not, every church officer, seriously, wisely and earnestly endeavor to lead the entire church membership into a united, continuous and systematic circulation of our literature. There should be no delay in this important work. Let everyone cheerfully do his part.

G. W. Wells.

"It is possible to sacrifice many virtues on a cross temper."

Quit Smoking

Everywhere, seemingly, every man, boy, and sometimes women are smoking or using tobacco in some form. Why are they doing it? Many are using tobacco because of its sedative effects, and they do not know that it is injurious. Would they quit if they knew? Many would do as the three men who are referred to in the following report, just received from one who is circulating the Instructor Anti-Tobacco Annual:

"You may be interested to know that I gave a copy of the Instructor Anti-Tobacco Annual to a prominent gentleman who smoked. He read it, and has not smoked since last September (a year). His son, a Cornell student, read it and quit. An uncle, past eighty years of age, also read it, and has not smoked since. Each one quit without consulting the other and all three have not smoked since they read the Anti-Tobacco Annual. I am ordering an additional 50 copies."

This shows that the Instructor Anti-Tobacco Annual contains enough facts against tobacco to lead men to stop using it. The following illustrates the interest of many W. C. T. U. workers in the circulation of the Anti-Tobacco Annual:

"I just had a call over the phone from one of our county officers, who said: 'I think the Anti-Tobacco Instructor is the best I ever read. I am going to see how many boys will be in attendance at the college this year and will see that each one has a copy. Please send me 100 copies and I will be responsible for the \$4.00.'"

Let all remember that the health and temperance work is "the right arm of" and "the entering wedge to" the great advent message, and that it is hard to plant the message in the hearts of men through the fumes of tobacco.

HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN

Pacific Union Conference Goal, \$37,335

	Campaign Began	Reported to Date	Goal
Arizona	Sept. 1	\$ 826.48	\$1658.50
California			5353.38
Central California			5797.22
Inter-Mountain	Sept. 1	435.50	2187.90
Northern California			5014.60
Northwestern California	Sept. 1	897.45	4155.58
Southeastern California			5173.74
Southern California	Sept. 1	2600.00	7257.24
Nevada Mission	Sept. 1	250.00	786.50

WE CAN DO IT IF WE WILL

"I CANT'?" OR "I CAN?"

"God expects personal service from every one to whom He has entrusted a knowledge of the truth for this time. Not all can go as missionaries to foreign lands but all can be home missionaries in their families and neighborhoods." Testimonies, Vol. 9, page 30.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign offers one of the greatest opportunities for soul-saving work. Eternity alone will reveal this glorious fruitage of our effort in the important part of our missionary endeavor. There are many in heathen lands rejoicing in the knowledge of the truth who might never have heard it if it had not been for the workers supported by the money gathered in the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

And now we are in the midst of another Ingathering effort. We have never entered a campaign that gave such promise of success as does the one this year. Some hindrances have arisen, but surely we are not of the kind who give up because a few obstacles appear. Our success will be all the more a matter of rejoicing if we win, notwithstanding the perplexities. Our goal is none too high. Many have already exceeded it several times. A sister reports more than \$100 received, and she is still at work. A brother sends word that he has gathered \$115 in a section where the influenza is a serious obstacle.

"Somebody said that it couldn't be done,

But he, with a chuckle, replied, "That maybe it couldn't," but he would be one

Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.

So he buckled right in, with a trace of a grin

On his face. If he worried, he hid it.

He started to sing, as he tackled the thing

That couldn't be done, AND HE DID IT."

"Remember that you will never reach a higher standard than you yourself set. Then set your mark high, and step by step, even though it be by painful effort, by self-denial and sacrifice, ascend the whole length of the ladder of progress. Let nothing hinder you. Fate has not woven its meshes about any human being so firmly that he need remain helpless and in uncertainty. Opposing circumstances should create a firm determination to overcome them. The breaking down of one barrier will give greater ability and courage to go forward. Press with determination in the right direction, and circumstances will be your helpers, not your hindrances." "Christ's Object Lessons," pages 331, 332.

Remember the Apostle Paul's battle-cry, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13. God is calling us to victory. Let us refuse to entertain a thought of defeat. Set your goal high—and reach it.

A Divine Plan

"Nehemiah did not depend upon uncertainty. The means that he lacked, he solicited from those who were able to bestow. And the Lord is still willing to move upon the hearts of those in possession of His goods in behalf of the cause of truth. Those who labor for Him are to avail themselves of the help that He prompts men to give. These gifts may open ways by which the light of truth

shall go to many benighted lands. The donors may have no faith in Christ, no acquaintance with His Word, but their gifts are not on this account to be refused." "Captivity and Restoration," page 634.

If there are those whose minds have been confused as to the propriety of soliciting funds from those not of our faith to aid in carrying forward the message in all the earth, the above quotation ought to clear up the matter, and inspire us to continue our work in the Harvest Ingathering campaign with renewed energy and zeal.

Many of our people deemed it advisable to refrain from soliciting when the Liberty Loan drive was on, and without doubt in some places the influenza epidemic has hindered, but it will be necessary for us to be watchful and guarded lest the time pass and we have failed as a church, and as individuals to do our part in this worthy cause. Let us carefully ponder our ways and seek for an opening to solicit funds for the great needy mission fields.

G. W. Wells.

"Save America and you save the world. Through immigration the United States is in a unique sense the most foreign country and the greatest mission field on the globe. 'All peoples that on earth do dwell' have here their representatives, gathered by a divine ordering within easy reach of the gospel. Through them the world may be warned in turn. Every foreigner converted in America becomes directly or indirectly a missionary agent abroad, spreading knowledge of the truth among his kindred and tribe. The greatness of the opportunity is the measure of the obligation. God's message to this nation has been thus interpreted: 'Here are all these people; I have taken them from overcrowded countries where they were living and sent them to you, that you may mass your forces and lend a hand to save them.' No such opportunity ever came to a nation before." Aliens or Americans.

"Much time should be spent in prayer, that our garments of character may be washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb."

FIELD TIDINGS

NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA

G. W. Wells, Pres. S. Donaldson, Sec.
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Church Officers, Notice!

No doubt the readers of the "Recorder" in our conference have noticed the legal call for the special conference session to be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, 539 Twenty-fifth Street, Oakland, California, November 18 and 19. The first meeting will be called November 18 at 2 p. m. We greatly desire every church to have their delegate representatives at this meeting.

This meeting will be of great importance, as it is contemplated that some changes will be made in our conference work and lines. In view of the serious time in which we live, and the need of conserving both men and means, the union conference committee has recommended that we favorably consider uniting our conference and the California Conference. If this is done, it will be necessary for new officers to be elected and such other business to be transacted as may be needful. So we hope each church will see that the matter of the election of the delegates is arranged for at the earliest possible date.

G. W. Wells, President.

Monthly Needs For Missions

In view of the epidemic of influenza our churches have not been able to meet, therefore we have been greatly handicapped in securing our regular amount for mission offerings for October. It is imperative that this matter be not overlooked. We must bear in mind that many of our dear missionaries are likewise enduring hardships, privations, and dangers, and they must not be forsaken at such a time as this.

Our churches have by their constant liberalities shown themselves entirely sympathetic with this great missionary movement, and I am confident that in this emergency all that is necessary is to simply remind them of the needs and the money will be forthcoming.

Month by month our full quota for missions should be forwarded from our office to be passed on to the needy mission fields, and we greatly desire that even though our churches may not be able to meet for a time, that the regular required amount for missions offerings be set apart by each person and handed to your church treasurer, so that he may pass it on to our office at the regular time.

We appreciate fully the faithfulness of our brethren in this good work in the past, and we have confidence that in the present time they will not fail us. God's work is going on to a glorious completion, and it is cheering to be identified with an enterprise that will not fail. We can well afford to invest in such a movement.

G. W. Wells.

Educational Department

As doubtless all will be interested in the location of church schools this year, also their respective teachers, the following list is given:

- Eureka, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gaster.
 - Ukiah, Della Harris.
 - Healdsburg, Mr. and Mrs. John Hart.
 - Sebastopol, Lillian Hilde.
 - Vallejo, Mrs. R. H. Bowen; Bessie Dorward.
 - Napa, Jessie Chinnock.
 - St. Helena, Ruth Lienger.
 - Sanitarium, P. C. Pierce, principal; Mrs. Lena Morris, intermediate; Mrs. Lois Nethery, primary.
 - Pacific Union College Normal, Gladys Robinson, principal; Hazel Carmichael, assistant.
- Two family schools are to begin soon.
- We are expecting that God will help us to make this year the best in the history of our church school work.

Esther Francis.

Educational Superintendent.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. J. H. Weeks, Sec.
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Another Sabbath School Organized

The following letter was received from Brother C. A. Frederick:

"In company with Mrs. Frederick. I spent Sabbath, September 28, with

the Durango company, holding three meetings, and at the request of the members organized a Sabbath school of about fifteen members. This company meets from week to week, and felt that it would be better for them to have a regular organization.

It is officered as follows: Superintendent, Mrs. R. L. Frederick; assistant superintendent, Brother J. G. Huffman; secretary, John Snyder; treasurer, Annie Fritz.

"I was surprised to meet so large and spiritual a company, all seeming eager to learn more of the way of life. We had indeed a very precious season together. Have promised to meet with them occasionally, but it will be difficult for me to do so often. However, I shall do so as often as I can, as they need help and it is certainly sowing seed on good ground. Truly the San Juan Basin is a wide field, practically unentered.

"I understand the difficulties surrounding the effort to get a suitable man for this Cortez field, as well as the other counties here, but am confident that the Master will do that which we cannot as yet accomplish, as He must be more anxious than we to have the work here done.

"May the Master bless abundantly,
"(Signed) C. A. Frederick."

J. H. Weeks.

Conference Items

Brother A. A. Bennett, of Durango, expects to be in the colporteur field soon.

Brother J. A. Neilsen just returned from a trip to the San Juan Basin. He received four requests from isolated ones to unite with the Conference church.

The Hotchkiss church is the first to go "over the top" in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We hope it will go still further and work with the same zeal that it has done.

The largest mission investment fund for the year has been received, \$100 from Brother W. G. Cope, of Palisade. Everyone should remember that all mission investment offerings should be in by December 29, that it may apply on our twenty-five-cent-a-week fund for 1918.

Brethren J. H. Weeks and J. A. Neilsen made a flying visit to the Inter-Mountain Academy Sunday morning, October 27. They found the home nearly filled with students and a number of others expecting to come in the future. The present epidemic that is sweeping the country has not as yet interfered with the school work in this place.

H. E. Lysinger.

"Let Us Do Our Duty"

On account of the epidemic which has closed all gatherings, the progress of our work has been checked to some extent, and shut off all Sabbath school and other offerings for missions which will bring down our standard on the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund unless our offerings for the rest of the year are increased to make up what we have lost.

We urge that every one give this matter serious thought, and with our offerings, make up for all the weeks we have missed. The standing of our conference at the present time is 19 cents per week per member. If all can double their efforts for the rest of the year we can reach our twenty-five-a-week goal.

Let us increase our Sabbath school offerings. Let us put forth more vigorous efforts with the Harvest Gathering. May we not forget our missions investments which will be due very soon. Let us plan now to give the largest thank-offering at the close of the week of prayer that we have ever given. The needs never were so great.

H. E. Lysinger.

NEVADA MISSION

M. A. Hollister, Supt.
452 Ralston St., Reno, Nev.

News Items

Brother Wilbur Holbrook, son of Elder and Sister Holbrook, will remain in the Nevada field, and for a time will continue his labors in Fallon, in association with Brother H. Lyle Wallace.

Word has just reached the office that Elder and Sister Sims have been called to Chico, California, because of the death of some one in Sister Sims' family. We are sorry because

of their loss and extend to them our sympathies, commending them to "the God of all comfort," who careth for us.

Elder George Sims and wife are still in Susanville, California. As soon as the interest there is bound off, they plan to go to Alturas, providing Brother David Hartman, who is now there, is able to find sufficient interest to warrant the move, otherwise they will locate in Lovelock, Nevada.

The workers are doing all they can to keep in touch with the interested ones. Elder and Sister C. W. Fuller are in Lake City, California. Sister Fuller is teaching a newly organized church school here. We are glad that under the hand of the Lord they were able to establish this school and trust it may long be a source of light in the neighborhood.

Elder W. S. Holbrook and wife passed through Reno, October 30, on their way to their new field of labor. Their many friends in this field will truly miss them but they are thankful that it is only for a little time, and then the grand re-union. We assure them many earnest prayers will follow them to their destination, and that the Lord of harvest will richly bless them.

Trinidad, Port of Spain, in the West Indies, will be their future home.

Under conditions such as we are now experiencing, individual responsibility on the part of every member in the field is made very plain. If we wait on another to do the work the Lord has given us, the work must surely suffer. But if all will study their Sabbath school lessons, study their Bibles and pay their offerings just as though they were gathering in services each Sabbath, the work will not languish in the least, and it will enable us to realize that the Lord has laid upon each a responsibility, which will be demonstrated. I am sure, that it was a blessing.

"Every passing hour is one of activity in the heavenly courts, to make ready a people upon the earth to act a part in the great scenes that are soon to open upon us."

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

J. A. Stevens, Pres. W. F. Field, Sec.
Box 1304, Fresno, Cal.

Among the Sabbath Schools

Not all the reports are in as yet but already there has been received a little over \$1000 toward the Inca Indian offering.

The writer visited the Armona Sabbath school on the first Sabbath in October. In the afternoon, accompanied by Brethren B. A. Fraser and Thorley Cody and others, we went to Corcoran spending two hours with the little company there. The visitors and those visited were strengthened and refreshed by this meeting together.

From Selma comes the word that five of the children in the kindergarten gave \$5.29 for the Inca Indians. One little tot sold a New Testament to a neighbor girl whose father is in the army. She had 39 cents in her bank and gave it all for the Inca Indians.

Ten of the Central California Sabbath schools are entitled to gold stars for getting in their reports by October 5. Thirteen won silver stars for reports sent in by October 12. Is your school in this number?

Myrtle B. Hudson.

October 11.

Pencilgrams

Most of the schools are closed on account of the influenza, but a few are free entirely from it and are still open. The new church school near the Dinuba German church, with Miss Violenty Ryder as teacher, has an enrollment of 28 and all grades represented. None of the children have ever attended a church school before and the interest manifested is very encouraging. They have a neat building and this bids fair to be one of the largest schools in the conference.

The first period reports were due October 21. Although so many schools are closed, all reports are in except eight. This means that twenty teachers have already reported. Several interesting items are gleaned from these reports. We find that 406 pupils are enrolled in the schools heard from. About 30 are enrolled in

the ninth grade in the several schools that carry this grade. The wages paid teachers are much better than last year. More equipment is being provided, although there is great need of more.

Another item of encouraging importance is that 30 pupils from non-Adventist homes, are attending our church schools. In Fresno we have 16 attending. Surely there is being fulfilled what the Spirit of prophecy said would come, that through the excellency of the work done in our schools, the attention of many would be called to the truths for this time. One mother said she had been praying for the Lord to lead her as to where to send her boy, and when her attention was called to our church school work, she felt that the Lord had directly answered her prayer and the boy is with us.

Alice Mina Mann.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

M. M. Hare, Pres. W. L. Mecum, Sec.
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Carr Street Church and Intermediate School

The Carr Street church is the largest, and if not the oldest, it is one of the oldest in the Southern California Conference. Sabbath services have been held in the present building since the year 1888. This church has been and still is a strong factor in the work of our conference. The membership has varied from 64 in 1888 to somewhere near 600, I understand. However, the present membership is a little over 400, the decrease perhaps being due to the organization of other churches in the city.

Strange as it may seem, this church has not conducted a church school for a number of years prior to the year 1917. The writer has been informed the church did conduct a good school some time ago, but for some reason it was discontinued. I do not think it was lack of interest in the educational work. The church has carried forward the work strongly in other lines. From my observation and short experience with the church, I am convinced that the greatest difficulty was to find a location readily accessible to all the children. This

Southern California Tract Society

Mrs. Althaus	...	30	10	...	40
Mrs. Allen	2	2	14	...	18
Edward Archer	...	...	42	...	42
Leo Archer	...	...	56	...	56
Mrs. A. Best	100	200	100	...	400
Miss B. Bryson	160	79	22	260	521
Charles Pfeiffer	...	...	84	...	84
Mrs. Mehimen	138	43	25	...	206
Mrs. Cain	...	...	28	...	28
Miss Fries	...	...	100	...	100
Mrs. Gardner	68	55	38	...	161
Mrs. C. E. Halliday	...	600	200	...	800
Mrs. E. O. Jewell	...	50	...	...	50
Mrs. A. C. Jenkins	350	300	150	...	800
Miss Winkler	35	...	16	...	51
Mrs. I. Richmond	50	50	50	...	150
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C. L. Cyhers, Secretary.

church is different somewhat to the other churches in that her membership is not found located in any one part of the city, but is scattered all through the city. You may say, "That is not as it ought to be." Perhaps not, but it has naturally grown that way, hence no one location can accommodate all.

Nevertheless a little over a year ago the church decided to conduct a church school in spite of the difficulties, and accordingly started one at 1035 Thirty-eighth Street. The old school building at Edendale was purchased and moved onto this lot. It was thoroughly remodeled and painted at a cost of over \$1000. A school numbering 22 students was conducted last year with Mrs. Veda Knapp as teacher. The total expense of the building and operation of the school was something over \$1500. This money has all been raised and all obligations are paid. This is a splendid beginning.

These experiences have encouraged the church and school board to lay broader plans for the Christian education of all our children and young people. Two teachers were employed for this year and the grades range from one to ten making it an intermediate school. Mrs. Lulu Gregory is our principal, and Miss Lucile Vlier carries the lower grades.

The school opened September 16 with an enrollment of 38. The number has since increased to nearly 50. Others may enter later. Our teachers

have taken hold of the work well and the school is doing nicely. We hope that the quarantine will not seriously effect our work.

The Carr Street church has loyally supported this work and is endeavoring to make it possible for every "Sabbath school scholar" to enter our "intermediate school." We hope to see this school develop and fill a long-felt need in this city.

W. Milton Adams.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

W. F. Martin, Pres. J. C. McReynolds, Sec.
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The Present Situation

We are in the midst of wars, famines, earthquakes, and now has come the pestilence. Notwithstanding the first three, the cause of God has made remarkable progress in the earth. Many souls have turned from sin to keep the commandments of God, and the Lord's people have shown a wonderful spirit of liberality.

Now, however, as a result of the present epidemic, meetings have been stopped and churches closed. This has been done by the authorities as a necessary precautionary means to check the spread of the disease. It is to be hoped that none of this will be permitted to at all impede the progress of our work. There is danger, when not permitted to attend services, that one may grow careless. Then, the offerings to missions may be forgotten.

Each family head should plan for a gathering of the family on Sabbath morning at the regular hour for Sabbath school. The lesson should be gone over and a liberal offering made to missions. It would be too bad if we should fall behind now in our offerings.

A word more about personal worship. "Satan well knows that all whom he can lead to neglect prayer and the searching of the Scriptures will be overcome by his attacks." "Great Controversy," page 519. These are serious, important words. The times demand their consideration. The people of God know the times and should be awake to the situation.

As opportunity offers itself we should extend a helping hand to the neighbor who is sick. The Lord has given us the principles of simple treatments to be used at such times as these. May each child of God be found faithful and at his post.

W. F. Martin.

Schools and Young People

The Ontario brethren have moved their church building back and turned it into a school room well lighted and ventilated, with good desks, tables, cloak-rooms and other conveniences needed for good work. Miss Anna Jensen and the fourteen pupils are working together to make the school a credit to the church. The new church building is rapidly taking attractive form.

Rialto has a school of eight counting the teacher, Miss Ivy Thompson. They have a pleasant little room for their work, which they are taking up with a spirit to succeed. Thus far they have an almost perfect attendance record.

Young people, be sure to have a definite part in the Armenian and Syrian Relief movement. It is a worthy cause, and we must help in a substantial way. Make a real sacrifice and give all you can.

Some of the young men at Camp Kearny have had experiences that test their faith and stability. Victory has come for their firm stand, even though for a time the prospect was not promising. There are about 75 of our boys in the different camps about San Diego. Write to them often.

We are working on a number of goals in our missionary volunteer societies. One of these is to raise a club of 550 "Instructors." We lack 158. Every society should try to raise its number of subscribers. All that are taken in the church count on the goal.

Anaheim is another new name to add to the list of schools. A new school house has been built, and the work is nicely started, with children from Anaheim, Centralia and Fullerton in attendance. Eight grades are represented. Miss Eleanor Tallant is the teacher. Max Hill.

BOOK WORK

Experiences

The following interesting experiences are culled from a letter to C. L. Davis written by Miss Emma S. Hansen, who has been doing splendid work selling "Our Day" in the Central Conference.

She had difficulty one day in finding a Spanish man who had ordered the book. None of the people of whom she inquired seemed to know where he was. Suddenly a man appeared and showed her a fifty-cent piece. She thought that he wanted to lead her to the man she was looking for, as he had paid a deposit on his order; but they could not understand each other, so she finally took him to an interpreter, who told her that this man desired to order the book for himself and pay a deposit on it. His order was gladly taken.

On another occasion a man called at her home while she was absent and bought the book of a sister who lived near by. Miss Hansen had never met this man nor heard of him before that she knows of, but in some way he learned that she had these books to sell and called for it.

Sister Hansen says: "Most of the people are so anxious to get the book, and can hardly wait for it. One young lady in Clovis who had ordered the book wrote me some time later asking that the book be delivered at a little later date, and told me very definitely when I could deliver it. I was rather late in getting there that day, and she was just getting ready to come to my home for it.

"One day while working on a street where a wealthy class of people lived I had not met anyone interested, though I saw the Bible in all these homes. Finally I entered a lovely home where the lady seemed to be especially busy, though she was very pleasant. I thought, well, I will just give her a short canvass, and opened the book and began to explain the prophecy of Daniel 7. 'Oh,' she said, 'that sounds interesting, and is just the book I'd like to have, but I would like to have the consent of my husband.' She told me where I could find him, and I called on him later, and immediately he asked me if it was an Adventist book. I thought he might be prejudiced, but replied, 'Yes, you know the Adventists make a special study of the prophecies.' He said, 'I am interested in the Adventist doctrine, for my Adventist customers bring me tracts and papers and I read them all.' You may know he ordered the book.

"At one time I had finished the canvass and the lady said that she would not care to order it. At this critical moment she had a caller at the back door for a few minutes. While she was gone I prayed earnestly that the Lord would impress this woman's heart, and the prayer was answered, for when she returned she said, 'I believe I'll order the book, for I am sure that it is interesting.'

"Isn't the Lord good, and is it any wonder that a colporteur loves this precious work for the Master?"

These are but a few of the interesting experiences Sister Hansen is having, and it can readily be seen that she is enjoying this work, for the Lord is working with her, and is blessing her efforts. Her experience is a demonstration of the fact that our sisters can win success in this work just as well as the men. Other sisters are also doing good work in the colporteur field, and there are many others who ought to follow their example, and thus gain "a most wonderful experience" in working for others.

F. E. Painter.

"There is the most imperative necessity of urging the injunction of Christ upon the minds and hearts of all believers, men and women, youth and children: 'Search the Scriptures.'"

Five Thousand Members Missing

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compute approximately the financial loss. Look at it.

If these 5,284 persons were connected with the Sabbath school and each giving to missions no more than the other members in the Pacific Union are averaging, it would increase these offerings in the union over \$34,000 a year. It would increase the amount the Sabbath schools would give on the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund from less than 13 cents to more than 18½ cents.

The spiritual loss to these people and the financial loss to the cause are arguments which should stir us. Southwestern and West Canadian Union Conferences have Sabbath school memberships that exceed that of the church by one-third. Why should we not make a mighty effort to get these 5,284 absentees into the Sabbath schools of the Pacific Union Conference? B. E. Beddoe.

**Special Notice of Joint Meeting
Northern California and Central
California Conferences**

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that a special joint session of the Northern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Central California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Modesto Seventh-day Adventist church, Modesto, Cal., beginning Nov. 20, 1918, to consider the advisability of uniting the Northern California and Central California conferences, and, if united, to elect officers, committees, departmental secretaries, and adopt a constitution and by-laws, and transact such other business as may be necessary and proper in this special session. The first meeting will be called Wednesday, Nov. 20, 1918, at 2 P. M. By order of the conference committees.

Northern California Conference, S.D.A. (Signed) Clarence Santee, President. (Signed) William Voth, Secretary.
Central California Conference, S.D.A. (Signed) J. Adams Stevens, President. (Signed) W. F. Field, Secretary. 3t

The Loma Linda Nurses' Training School will begin a new course January 1, 1919. For information and application forms write to Superintendent of Nurses, Loma Linda, Cal.

**Special Notice of Joint Meeting
Northwestern California and California Conferences**

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that a special joint session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Northwestern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Oakland Seventh-day Adventist church, 531 Twenty-fifth Street, Oakland, California, November 18 and 19, 1918.

The first meeting will be called Monday, November 18, at 2 p. m., to consider the advisability of uniting the Northwestern California and the California Conferences, and for the election of officers, committees, departmental secretaries, and the advisability of amending, repealing, or adopting new by-laws or such other business as may be necessary and proper to be transacted in this special meeting. By order of the conference committees.

California Conference S. D. A.
J. L. McElhany, President.
H. B. Thomas, Secretary.
Northwestern California Conference, S. D. A.
G. W. Wells, President.
S. Donaldson, Secretary. 3t

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For Sale.—Near Paradise Valley Sanitarium, National City, Cal., large lot containing .88 acre, about five minutes' walk from sanitarium. Small four-room beach house with bath, screen porch and wired for electricity. Dr. C. A. Burrows, 511 Consolidated Realty Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal. 1t

Wanted.—Position by man with a family of three children; work where he can keep the Sabbath. An iron-worker by trade but is also familiar with gas and steam engines. Is willing to do any kind of work. Prefers to locate near one of our churches where his children may have church school privileges. For further information address George W. Dimmig, 1394 North Summer St., Salem, Ore.

Study at Home.—If you cannot go to school, you can study at home and make as good improvement as you could in school, in proportion to the time you can devote to study. Form the habit of home study early, and practice it persistently. Write today for information about subjects, prices, and how to earn your tuition. Address C. C. Lewis, Principal, Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, D. C. 1t

For Sale or Rent.—Place suitable for blacksmith, horse-shoer, and auto-repairer, or bee-keeper. Eight-room house, pantry and large stone-wall cellar; good out-buildings; well with new pump and fine water; 18x24 two-room house near by with full-size attic; barn holds ten tons of hay and five head stock; 22x45 shop, necessary large tools; well, windmill and garden spot near shop; apple orchard of 15 trees, two cherry trees; 70 acres land, six cleared and in alfalfa, 25 acres more to be cleared, rest in timber land good for spring grazing; all good wire fenced. In Houey Valley, Lassen County, Cal. Write C. H. Robinson, Loma Linda, Cal. 3t

Obituary

Myers.—Daisy D. Myers, nee Graham, was born in Kansas and fell asleep in Jesus in Auberry, Cal., August 24, 1918. Sister Myers has been a faithful member of the Fresno church for twelve years. She was a devoted wife and mother. For some two years she made a brave struggle for life and was a patient sufferer. She is survived by her husband, George Myers, daughter Gladys, and three sons, Lawrence, George and Seymore; also her mother Sister Mary Graham, two sisters, Mrs. Rosa Myers and Mrs. Dora Delemater and three brothers, William, James and Frank Graham. Services were conducted by the writer and we laid her to rest till Jesus calls His children to enjoy that life which shall never end.

E. H. Adams.

What do we live for if not to make the world less difficult for others?—Elliott.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1918

Elder and Sister W. S. Holbrook, of the Nevada Mission field, have recently accepted a call from the General Conference Mission Board to connect with the work in the South Caribbean Conference. Elder Holbrook has faithfully served the Nevada Mission field for the past two or three years as superintendent, and Sister Holbrook as Sabbath school, young people's and missionary volunteer secretary. Just before leaving for their new field of labor, they spent a few days visiting relatives and friends at Lodi, Fresno, Santa Ana, Loma Linda and San Fernando. They also called at the union conference office. Our interest and prayers follow these faithful workers to their new field of labor.

The Pacific Union Conference committee invited Elder M. A. Hollister, of the Northwestern California Conference, to take the superintendency of the Nevada Mission field. All correspondence in the future regarding the work in the Nevada Mission should be addressed to him.

The following is quoted from a letter received from Mrs. Grover Shain, who with her husband lived for a year and a half at Fullerton, Cal., where they heard and accepted this message. They are now located at Eudora, Ark. She says:

"It is not necessary to go to a foreign field to find people who have never heard of Seventh-day Adventists. We are the only Adventists in this county, and long for assistance from our people in getting the work started in this place. We are determined by God's help to bring the light of God's truth to our own people.

"There is a fine class of people living in this country who are seeking the light. As we are young in the truth we do not understand the Bible well enough to give studies, so we want some one who does understand to come to our aid."

Sister Shain states they are living in a good locality, with a market near by. If there are those of our people who are looking for a rural district in which to live, and an opportunity to do missionary work, they can correspond with Sister Shain at Eudora, Ark.

A Correction

On page two of last week's issue of the "Recorder" appeared a notice of joint meeting of the Northwestern California and California conferences, although it was signed by the president and secretary of the Northern California Conference, and the president and secretary of the Central California Conference. This should have read, "Special Notice of Joint Meeting, Northern California and Central California Conferences." While we regret very much that this error occurred, yet we are unable to offer any explanation as to how it happened.

Red Cross

True Christian service is ever to be admired. In the work the Red Cross is doing, that of helping suffering humanity, we find a work that lay very close to the Saviour's heart. It was God who first revealed His love to us that we might taste the great joy in ministering to others. The December "Watchman Magazine" cover is a beautiful conception of that great love which surrounds the work of the Red Cross. It is worthy of much individual thought, and in searching our own hearts to know that we have rendered our fullest Christian duty to our fellowmen. May this December cover picture be an inspiration on the part of all to give and give liberally to the Red Cross and other worthy institutions for the speedy relief of the needy.

C. E. Hooper.

"The law of God should be loved and honored by His true people now more than ever before."

Five Thousand Members Missing

Five thousand Seventh-day Adventists are missing in the Pacific Union Conference. Are they lost or have they strayed? We hope none are lost and we dislike to think they are straying.

But how are they missing? From the Sabbath schools. Are the names of five thousand members of the Pacific Union Conference missing from the Sabbath school rolls? Yes, and more. There are 13,520 church members in the union. The Sabbath schools have a membership of 11,766 and 3,530 of these are children who have not joined the church. That means that only about 8,236 of the 13,520 church members are in the Sabbath school. The number of those missing is 5,284.

Here is the way it looks by conferences:

Conference	Missing
Arizona	287
California	940
Central California	566
Inter-Mountain	219
Northern California	690
Northwestern California	618
Southeastern California	577
Southern California	1278
Nevada Mission	109
Total for Union	5284

Inter-Mountain and Southeastern California are the only conferences that have a Sabbath school membership exceeding that of the church. But since these conferences have 290 and 591 (respectively) children in the Sabbath school who are not members of the church, they still have shortages as show above.

Where are those 5,284 missing members? An answer is not difficult. Some are the shut-ins or the isolated who have not been connected with the home department of either the local school or conference church. The remainder—almost without exception—are of their own choice, absenting themselves from the Sabbath school.

This condition ought not to continue. By absenting themselves from the school these persons suffer great spiritual loss. Others suffer the loss of the influence of their presence. This movement suffers financially. It is impossible to estimate the loss to absentees and others, but we can

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