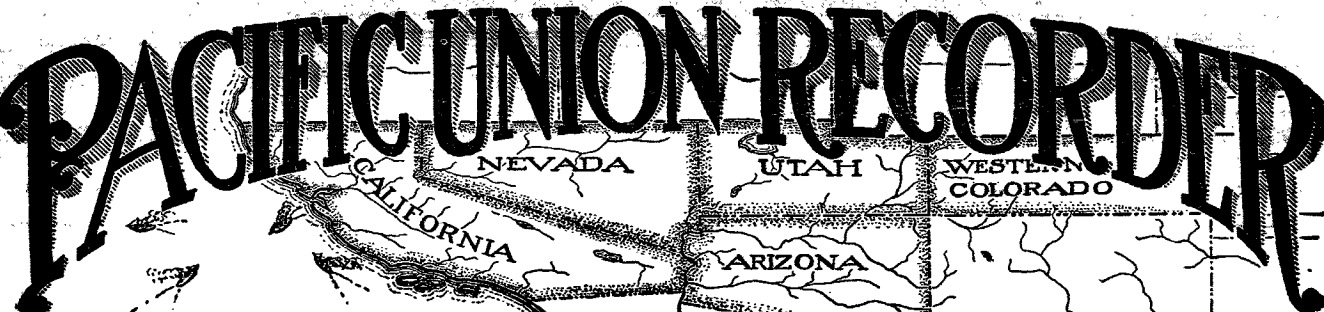


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European Relief Fund

By recommendation of the General Conference committee, Sabbath, February 22 has been set apart as the day for an offering to be taken for relieving and assisting the destitute fields of Europe. No argument is needed to convince the readers of the "Pacific Union Recorder" that after four years of world-struggle our work has seriously suffered throughout the entire European Division Conference. Practically every nation in this division of the general field has been ravished by the horrors of war. Millions of men and tens of millions of dollars' worth of property has been destroyed, and in the general devastation our work has suffered with other lines of activities.

A few weeks ago a report came to us from far-away France stating that they shared with us the blessed assurance of the ultimate triumph of the third angel's message. They glorified God because His hand is still over His heritage. They tried to picture in a few words the terrible condition that confronted them and asked that a call be sent to our brethren for help. These dear people

in the European Division Conference are our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Our institutions planted for the training of workers, as well as church properties suffering by the results of this war calls for an expenditure of means to set things in order and get our work under way and on as good a foundation as in former days.

We trust that the hearts of our people in the Pacific Union Conference will be turned toward their brethren and sisters in Europe, and that a hearty response shall be given upon the Sabbath set apart for this offering to be received. We who have been spared the anguish, the loss, and the heartache of these countries; we whose lot has been cast in pleasant places now have the privilege of showing our thankfulness to God for His blessings and His mercy in permitting us to enjoy such favorable circumstances.

Let our church elders and all other church officers place adequately before our brethren the needs of the hour connected with this call. May God give us a heart to render such an offering as we shall be pleased to look upon in the day when God shall call us to account for the privileges and opportunities afforded us in connection with His work.

J. W. Christian.

San Fernando Academy To Parents and Patrons

It has not been our purpose to refrain from writing items of interest regarding the San Fernando Academy. Early in the month of October of last year school was closed for an indefinite period, and it was decided to wait until school opened again before sending in a report of the opening of the school year.

Not until December 3 did the word come to open. We were glad to start again, but this lasted for only one week when the health authorities sent notice to close again. There were so many sick ones that teachers had to act as nurses. It was a time of deep perplexity and care to us all. Having many sick students so far from home and not knowing what turn some case might take is a burden which one does not especially care for. We are thankful to say that there were no serious cases and that all made good recoveries.

It has been a trying year for the academy, the students, and the teachers. Naturally some students lost interest or were uncertain of the work of the school year. We believe that the best plan was, and is, to remain here and do everything possible and the school will see that the work is done in the best way, and thus save a year in school. A number, however, have gone. This has seriously interfered with the financial condition of the school. It is more than necessary that all accounts be paid promptly, as we rely wholly on our income to pay bills and keep the school running.

Our Present Plan

During the first vacation lessons were made out and sent to those who had gone home. Resident students and those in the academy homes secured the lessons at the office. The same plan was carried out during December, with the additional plan of regular study periods in the homes.

We are holding school sessions on Sundays; recitation periods are lengthened to one-half an hour. We are also having study periods in the afternoons and on Saturday evenings. The "intensive" plan is being pursued in all lines, and we are well along

with our work for the half-year. At the present writing the semester's examinations are just over. The record is a very good one indeed. There will be school alternately on Sundays for some time yet. The church school is making up its work by having afternoon sessions.

In General

The opening gave promise for a prosperous year. By the close of the first month the enrollment stood at 112, a gain of forty per cent over the total enrollment of last year. A cottage was rented where were placed eight young ladies and two teachers. It was also necessary to use the building known as the Annex. It seemed that the general campaign resulted in a good harvest. But the "flu" came, and our numbers are greatly reduced. However, we are of good courage. Those who remained are showing a spirit of real work and results of our efforts are seen in many ways.

Recently the teachers met for a special season of prayer and consideration of the situation. All joined in earnest prayer that the work might not be hindered by sickness, and that the year of school might be completed. It was felt that the students should understand and realize that they also had a burden in the matter. In chapel the next morning a talk was given, and at the close the meeting was opened for the student body to take part. Nearly every one took some part in the service. A real, deep work was, we believe, done for several as we pledged ourselves anew to do all we knew to be right, and ask the Lord to bless us in a special way in not allowing sickness to make it necessary to close again. Thus far we are enjoying this privilege and are thankful for it.

Our Library Fund

This fund is a gift from the people of the conferences in the territory in which the academy is located. The sum of five hundred dollars will place our library in first-class condition, and will also be of material assistance this year in the yearly statement. This will show as an asset which will help some as an offset to the large loss occasioned by the epidemic. So dear reader, whether or not you receive a letter personally, decide to have a part in this fund and send us what you can; it will be appreciated.

Already a substantial amount has been received.

Parents and patrons, we are doing our best to carry out the pledge made to you in the summer. At best we are only substitutes as you know; that is for the time of school. We can only supplement the home training. We are constantly confronted with perplexing situations; there are so many kinds of dispositions to study. Our task is not an easy one. We need your prayers and co-operation. This is your school. Let us work together to make it all that it ought to be.

A. Earl Hall.

Religious Liberty Campaign

For years Seventh-day Adventists have been looking forward to the time when general, nation-wide Sunday legislation would find its way into our country. At times earnest, well organized efforts have been set on foot to bring about these undesirable conditions, but an unseen hand has stayed the movement and thus far, with the exception of a few instances, our people have been free as have other liberty-loving people to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience; to go about their daily toil unmolested, and uncircumscribed so long as they did not infringe upon the rights of others.

Just now there is pending a very drastic Sunday bill in the State Legislature of California. Elder W. F. Martin, associate religious liberty secretary of the General Conference is giving most earnest attention to a campaign to clearly set before our people the dangers of religious legislation. Associated with him are a number of speakers prominent along this line of activity. We are sure that our brethren everywhere will render all assistance possible to these brethren.

After careful consideration of how we can do our work best, our union conference committee took action, setting apart Sabbath, February 15, as a day for a special program on religious liberty principles, and also for an offering to be taken to defray the expenses of the present campaign. We are circulating petitions by the thousand. We are scattering leaflets especially prepared for this campaign

by the hundreds of thousands. They are free to our people for the asking, and we are sending them to our churches and isolated members as far as we are able for general distribution. It is evident to all that this requires money, but we are sure that our brethren will be glad to put their hands to the wheel and give of the liberality of their hearts on this day for this worthy cause. This appeal should have reached our brethren ere this, and, we understand, has been sent to our churches and isolated members by letter, but we desire the "Pacific Union Recorder" to raise its voice in a note of warning and of counsel to our brethren.

We earnestly solicit the interest of the prayers of God's people in our undertaking. Our endeavors are not merely to fight Sunday laws, but to set before the people in an educational way the great principles of religious liberty which have been fundamental in the laws of our Government. This is our opportunity. God grant that we may fulfill our duty in this hour.

J. W. Christian.

Elder Daniells Speaks

The following is a word from Elder A. G. Daniells touching the situation in Europe and our privilege Sabbath, February 22, to assist our brethren in the tremendous undertaking to bring back to its former splendid organization and activity our work in the European Division Conference.

"As soon as conditions will permit us to work to advantage in different parts of Europe, several members of the General Conference committee will go to that part of our field to meet our people and render all the help possible. We have thousands of brethren and sisters in Russia, Turkey and the Balkan States when the war began. Many have been despoiled of everything, and no doubt are enduring great suffering, now. Our hearts ache for these dear people. It seems so long to wait to find and relieve them.

"It was impossible at this distance to even imagine all the pressing needs we shall meet in Europe. Our people must be found and helped. Many readjustments will have to be

made. Laborers will have to be supplied in various sections of the country. The different departments of our work will have to be revived and built up, and above all, strong, aggressive soul-winning movements should be set on foot everywhere. The light, and hope and comfort of the gospel must be brought to wandering, hopeless millions.

"Now it is evident that the work we shall find awaiting us will require money as well as men and personal service. In order to have means to meet these needs to at least a limited extent, the General Conference committee has appointed Sabbath, February 22, for the taking of a special offering. This will not be counted as a part of the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund. It will be an additional sum for the needs growing out of the great war.

"It is not necessary nor seemly to multiply words to arouse sympathy. Millions of homes are in mourning for husbands, brothers and sons who have fallen on the battle fields. Millions of men have been made blind, deaf, and crippled for life by the war. Millions of families have been driven from their homes, and are now perishing with cold, and hunger and pestilence. And multiplied millions more are without hope in God. All these poor, suffering people need our ministry of love. Our committee will take the offering made February 22 and put it to the very best use we know how."

February 22 as Relief Day for Belgium and France

Could we be privileged to visit the war-ravaged regions of Europe at the present time we could doubtless better appreciate the awful conditions existing there which were so tersely but forcefully depicted by President Wilson in his recent visit to the battle-fields of France when he said: "No one can put into words the impressions I have received amongst such scenes of desolation and ruin." If Mr. Wilson could not put these into words, who could?

Men, women and children are returning to their ravaged farms and lots to begin again under most distressing conditions, to reconstruct their homes. Women, whose hus-

bands, sons and fathers have been killed or maimed in battle strive to construct a shelter over their remaining loved ones, while they themselves are often broken in health and destitute of means. Children, forlorn stragglers, wander back to desolate ruins to pull together what may be left of their once happy homes. Fathers, brothers, husbands and lovers, maimed in battle, hobble aimlessly over weary wastes of ruin, seeking some evidence of lost loved ones. Children bereft of fathers, brothers, and often even of all family ties, seek the old homestead to take up the fight with poverty, famine and disease. What a time for good Samaritans! Where are they? Are Seventh-day Adventists priests and Levites, or good Samaritans on this Jericho way where wounded, robbed humanity lie stricken everywhere. Now is the time to help the distressed in France, Belgium, and other suffering countries.

The General Conference committee, realizing the great need of aid in this awful time in Europe, have appointed February 22, Washington's Birthday, as War-Relief-Day, when a large donation shall be made by our denomination to help these bereft people. A special program has been prepared and published in the February Missionary Readings, to be given in all our churches, at which time a collection will be taken for needy Europe. Let every man, woman and child do his best to relieve these poor sufferers in these needy lands.

Doctor DeForest, superintendent of the Glaid Sanitarium, writes regarding the needs of France: "We should have a thousand visiting nurses in France alone, whereas we have but two or three." What a work could be done just now by God-fearing nurses in that wasted land.

Remember February 22 with the largest donation of the year.

W. A. Ruble, M.D.,
Medical Secretary,
General Conference

"In sacrificing Himself for the good of man, Christ strikes at the root of all selfishness."

Heard at the Institute

Throughout the various union conferences this winter some very interesting and profitable home missionary institutes are being conducted. One of the topics considered at these institutes in connection with our literature ministry in home missionary lines is this—"The Signs" weekly as a Soul Winner." The following statements relative to the influence of the "Signs" were made by some in attendance at these institutes. One secretary remarked:

"About twenty years ago, one of our canvassers sold a book to a man living in Western Minnesota, also handed a copy of the 'Signs' Weekly to this gentleman. This man has renewed his subscription twenty times, thus having the 'Signs' weekly for twenty years, and is now calling for a minister to come and baptize him and his family."

Another speaker said: "The 'Signs' weekly found its way into my home when I was a boy. I owe what I am to the influence of the weekly visit of this splendid soul winner."

Another said: "The 'Signs of the Times' was placed in a reading rack at the depot. An individual who took a copy from the reading rack became very much interested in it. After reading it a little he handed it to one of his friends who also has become interested in the Truth as a result."

Another speaker said: "I sent the 'Signs of the Times' for six months to a man living in the country. He became so interested in it that he went out among the neighbors and got them to help him in raising a club for the 'Signs.'"

One individual while engaging in Harvest Ingathering work found one family who had been reading the 'Signs' for some time and who are convinced that all its teachings are based upon the Bible, and who said, "We hope to join your church soon."

One man in Michigan sent the "Signs" to two of his friends in North Dakota. Both of these men accepted the truth as a result of reading the papers, leaving the Presbyterian Church of which they formerly were members and becoming energetic workers in this cause.

Still another said: "I called upon a

Catholic family to whom the 'Signs' was being sent by some one. The husband of this family said, "This paper is just the thing we have been looking for. We believe that it teaches the truth."

Many other instances could be referred to, but this is sufficient to again call our attention to the fact that more "Signs" means more SOULS.

FIELD TIDINGS

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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A Letter from Port of Spain, Trinidad

Last summer during our camp-meeting, there were a number of little bands organized by Sisters Ada and Ruth Bond, whose members performed services of various kinds for the campers. Among these bands was a company of ten "happy hunters," aged ten, who were under the leadership of Brother Dickman. These "happy hunters" collected fifteen dollars, which was sent to the Trinidad church. The following letter will tell the rest of the story:

"Seventh-day Adventist Church,
31 Dundonald St.,
Port of Spain, Trinidad,
November 28, 1918.

"To the Children of the Central California Conference:

"Dear little friends:

"We have been made so happy to learn of your loving efforts to collect money to assist us away down here in Port of Spain, Trinidad, in raising money enough to enlarge our church building, and we are taking this way of expressing our gratitude to you.

"We children of the Port of Spain Sabbath school will be so thankful when our church is made larger for now some of us have to meet in an upstairs room that is so hot we suffer much on account of it; yet we love our Sabbath school and feel that we cannot miss it even though we do suffer. But now we hope to have a better place, and thank you again for sending us such a nice collection toward it.

"May the dear Father in heaven

bless you all and reward you richly for your sweet service to us.

Lovingly your friends,

"Children of the Port of Spain Sabbath School,

"Per Mrs. F. H., Division Supt."

Myrtle B. Hudson.

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Working Under Difficulties

On every side are heard expressions such as: "On account of the Influenza," or, "Owing to the recent epidemic, our work has been seriously handicapped." Now it certainly is refreshing when we hear something like the following from Brother D. A. Dale, who is in the colporteur work at San Luis Obispo. Brother Dale and his family have twice had the influenza, the last time the "ban" was put on in the entire county prohibiting the going without a mask under a heavy fine.

The following is quoted from Brother Dale's letter: "We are still closed up tight here on account of the 'flu.' No schools, churches, or anything else open; not more than three people can gather in any room. We have to wear our masks at all times excepting at home. All week while working, only one lady asked me to drop my mask; so that was the only canvass I made with it off. It is pretty hard working with the mask on, as one cannot give so effective a talk. I worked hard the past week, the hardest I have worked at any time yet, and the Lord wonderfully blessed my efforts. When Friday night came I had \$99.50 in orders, and a few helps I had sold. I promised one lady to come back one night to see her husband, and decided to make the call on Saturday night. The Lord was with me, as I took his order without any trouble, thus making me \$104.00 in orders for the week."

This shows what kind of material some of our colporteurs are made of, and that stepping-stones to higher ground can be made of seeming hindrances.

V. L. Beecham.

Long Beach Contributes Liberally

Nearly \$20,000 was contributed by the Long Beach church during the year 1918 for the giving of the last gospel of mercy to the world. The exact amount contributed for all purposes was \$19,455.25. Of this sum \$9,823.97 was tithe, \$1,092.27 was Sabbath offerings, and \$1,110.28 Harvest Ingathering receipts. Besides these sums there was given by the 200 members of this church \$1,866.13 for foreign missions.

Long Beach also gave \$2,121.31 for its church work at home; \$1,374.26 for the church school; \$1,630 for literature; \$261.26 in its annual offering, and \$175.77 for the Armenian and colored work.

The church auxiliary to the Red Cross engaged actively in relief work throughout the year, making 231 garments for the Belgians; 26 pairs of Sox, and six sweaters, and providing the Red Cross with 345 meals for the poor, besides contributing \$20.00 in cash. In spite of sickness which has come to some of the members, all have endeavored to be faithful in the work committed to them, and have labored earnestly for the upbuilding of both for the home and foreign missionary work. While looking for the coming of their Lord, our people at Long Beach have been endeavoring, by their diligent efforts in all lines, to hasten His glorious appearing.

Health Sunday

Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the United States public health service has asked that "Health Sunday" be observed in all churches of the country Feb. 16, 1919.

Already many leading pastors of the country, say newspaper reports, are planning to co-operate with the department in this work.

Health is an important matter. This meeting affords an opportunity to bring to the attention of many people our health magazine, "Life and Health." Bulk rates are five copies, five cents each; fifty or more copies, four cents each. Send orders to your conference tract society.

"We must be much in prayer, if we would make progress in the divine life."

Significance of Trials

"However it may be otherwise viewed by man, no trial or temptation is in God's sight small or insignificant.

The trial of patience may seem to us a very little thing; but when we see that the work of patience is the work of perfection (Jas. 1:1-3), we can understand something of the estimate God places upon it. As every stroke helps to bring from the rough stone the rounded figure existing in the mind of the sculptor, so every trial has its work to do, that 'ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing,' when the work has all been accomplished that God in His love and favor would do for us, the 'third angel' announces with a loud voice: 'Here is the patience of the saints; here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.' 'These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile; for they are without fault before the throne of God.'

"It is natural to applaud one who has faced some great calamity or difficulty and proved steadfast, and the world delights to herald his name; but the great army of earth's heroes are unknown to men. They are in mansions and huts and hovels, dwelling in the valleys, on the mountainsides—everywhere. They are of every nation, kindred and tongue. They shall come from the east and the west, and sit down in the kingdom of God, with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. To them will be given 'a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it;' for they are overcomers. They are passing through the fires of trial to-day, and will emerge from these unknown furnaces reflecting the image of their divine Lord and Master.

"In the little worries of life that vex and bewilder the child of God, sometimes we find the hottest fires. Sometimes at the close of a day of severe toil, the worn and exhausted house-wife meets, in an apparently trivial circumstance, for which her companion or thoughtless child is responsible, the greatest contest of her life. If at such a time she resists

the tempter, and no word of impatience escapes her lips, or angry glance betrays the ruffled disposition, in the books of heaven there is recorded a victory greater than the taking of a city. If in some business transaction the Christian has been wronged, and he takes 'joyfully the spoiling of his goods,' if, by the grace of God he rises above it all and gets where he can love the man that has done him the injury, he has gained a victory that causes angels to rejoice.

"It is in just such battle fields as these that the great battles of life are fought. It is the crucifying of the flesh in these little things that insures the death of the 'old man.' Alexander the Great could conquer the world; but he could not control the passions of his mind, and he died a slave.

"The greatest man of earth, in God's sight, is the overcomer. The choicest gifts of heaven are reserved for him, and when he has, by the blood of the Lamb and the word of His testimony, been declared the victor, God commands, 'Rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them.'

"The most humble soul that overcomes the least sin is more highly esteemed by the immortal throng than earth's greatest hero who tramples down the weak to gain his laurels.

"The most obscure Christian is assured that he will finally be triumphant: 'for greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.' Beyond the hills and mountains of trial, difficulty and temptation there stretches the great plain of peace, flooded with the amber light of God's eternal joy, and leading the way to this we see Jesus, staff in hand, shouting to us, 'In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.'

"Could the diamond speak, it would complain, no doubt, at the emery wheel, and thinks its lot a hard one; but without the wheel it could never adorn the brow of the monarch; so, to us 'no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceful fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; and make straight paths for your feet.'

These trials are but the pledge of God that He loves us; 'for whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth.'

"Dear reader, may the light of God's love break in upon us, and in every temptation may we rejoice, knowing that if in one hand God holds a cross, in the other He has a crown."—F. W. Hiddleson, in "Field Tidings."

Religious Liberty and Present-day Tendencies

"At the present time and under the stress of present circumstances, there is a growing tendency to deal with all questions of duty from a class or community viewpoint, to the exclusion of the rights of the individual and freedom of conscience," writes Elder C. F. McVagh in the "Western Canadian Tidings."

"Even in the work of the church, supreme effort towards the salvation of the individual soul is gradually giving way to a plan unknown to Jesus in the New Testament—of wholesale salvation of the community and nations, and largely through social service, philosophy, philanthropy, and even civil legislation.

"These tendencies all show a growing lack of faith in the Bible, in the new birth, and a consciousness of the lack of divine power in the church. As the withdrawal of the Holy Spirit leaves the church more and more powerless to influence the consciences of men by appeals to God's law, we find many religious leaders attempting to make up for the lack of divine power by appealing for help of civil law to enforce the church's teachings upon all, regardless of individual conscience and individual responsibility to God at the judgment day.

"A study of history will show that invariably religionists and churches appeal for help to the civil authorities only in times of great spiritual dearth and backsliding. The organization and activities of such a body as the Lord's Day Alliance, with the avowed object of compelling all to observe the first day of the week according to an arbitrary, man-made standard, and the threats of persecution to the farmers who during the fall months, sometimes threshed on Sunday, are all ominous signs. If public opinion

should be educated to the point of supporting to the extreme, the campaign of these would-be reformers of public morals, it would be a distinct step backward towards the dark ages and the bloody persecutions of the past. It would also be a denial of the principles of the reformation of the sixteenth century, inevitably lead to a return to the civil and religious chaos of the dark ages, and result in the final overthrow of the church and nation that adopts the unchristian program."

Have Patience

"Seventy times seven." What a test! Does Jesus actually mean that we shall forgive an offender four hundred and ninety times? Yea, more, for this number is only a play on the number seven, which Peter mentioned as a possible limit to our endurance. It enjoins unlimited patience and a willingness to bear with the ill deserving, in the hope of winning them to a nobler spirit.

This is God's way with us. He suffers long and is kind. His love never faileth. Patience is born of love. How continuously the parent is called to bear with the child! What hope would there be for the child if this were not so? It is doubtful if people often thank God for His patience. "His loving-kindnesses are ever of old." His tender mercies are the basis of our hope.

In all our dealings with others, we should become possessors of God's patience. "Be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." The weak need our patient help. Sin and ignorance need it. No one can minister to any human infirmity without it. Patience is an intelligent virtue. It comprehends the situation. It measures the want and capacity of the individual needing assistance. For this reason it is able to pity, and give sympathy, and wait and forgive.

Patience implies complete self-mastery. Aggravating trials are enough, it is said, "to provoke a saint." But patience is a saintlessness that rises above provocation. The equipoise of some people, in the face of every kind of ill treatment, is marvelous. It demonstrates the great spiritual fact

that God's strength may possess our weak hearts; that we can become so indwelt by His Spirit as to hold impatience and passion under constant and complete control. That there are such people in the world is sufficient to show that there might be more, and that we may belong to the number.

Patience is always hopeful. It believes enough in the lost to labor for their recovery. It makes its possessor optimistic also regarding the outcome of his own trials. He sees the smile of God behind every cloud. He has confidence in the final outcome of life. He prefers rather "to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." No "hard times" can daunt his courage or overthrow his faith. Patience with others, with circumstances, with all forms of trial, disappointment and ill, is the Christian's duty, nay, more, his high privilege and glory.—N. Y. Observer.

As Ye Would

If I should see
A brother languishing in sore distress,
And I should turn and leave him
comfortless,

When I might be
A messenger of hope and happiness—
How could I ask to have what I denied
In my own hour of bitterness supplied?

If I might share
A brother's load along the dusty way,
And I should turn and walk alone
that day—

How could I dare,
When in the evening watch I knelt
to pray,
To ask for help to bear my pain and
loss,
If I had heeded not my brother's
cross?

If I might sing
A little song to cheer a fainting heart,
And I should seal my lips and sit apart,

When I might bring
A bit of sunshine for life's ache and
smart—
How could I hope to have my grief
relieved,
If I kept silent when my brother
grieved?

And so I know
That day is lost wherein I fail to lend
A helping hand to some wayfaring
friend;

But if it show
A burden lightened by the cheer I sent,
Then do I hold the golden hours well
spent,
And lay me down in sweet content.
—Edith V. Bradt.

How Much Owest Thou?

How much owest thou, O Christian,
of thy time, to the Lord?

How much owest thou of thy
strength?

How much owest thou of thy oppor-
tunities?

How much owest thou of thy in-
tellect?

How much owest thou of thy place
in the world?

How much owest thou of thy in-
come, to the Lord?

What shall we render unto the
Lord of all His benefits?

Shall we not say: Lord, take me,
use all I have, for Thy good purposes.

—"Missionary Review of the World."

"We should pray as earnestly for
the descent of the Holy Spirit as
the disciples prayed on the day of
Pentecost. If they needed it at that
time, we need it more to-day.
Moral darkness, like a funeral pall,
covers the earth. All manner of
false doctrines, heresies, and Satanic
deceptions, are misleading the minds
of men. Without the Spirit and
power of God, it will be in vain
that we labor to present the truth."

Obituaries

Hurst.—Died in Hemet, Cal., Jan-
20, 1919, in his eighth year, Frank
Hurst, at the home of his grand-
father, H. F. Magoon. The funeral
services were conducted by the writer,
the basis of remarks being taken
from Jer. 31:15. Little Frank was
laid to rest to await the call of the
Life-giver.

A. C. Anderson.

Bobst.—Bertie C. Bobst, wife of
Milton Richard Bobst and only daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Mc-
Ginnis, was born in Tennessee, Jan. 8,
1890, and fell asleep Jan. 1, 1919, in
Fresno, Cal. She was converted and
united with the Fresno church April
14, 1917, and it can be truly said that
her life gave evidence that her ex-
perience was genuine. Her parents,
husband, and three children mourn,
but with the blessed assurance of
meeting her when Jesus comes.

E. H. Adams.

Wentworth.—Matilda Wentworth nee Reed was born in Hanover, Germany, April 10, 1864, and died in Fresno, Cal., Dec. 24, 1918. She accepted the message in San Jose, uniting with the church there in 1898, and at the time of her death was a faithful member of the Fresno church. She was the mother of eight children, three sons and five daughters, who, with her husband, Charles W. Wentworth, survive her. Services were conducted by the writer and the faithful wife and mother was laid to rest till Jesus comes, when if faithful we fully expect to meet her.

E. H. Adams.

Greable.—George Riley Greable, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Greable, of San Bernardino, Cal., was born June 9, 1917, and died January 28, 1919. His death was caused by pneumonia which followed an attack of influenza. Little George was laid to rest in the San Bernardino cemetery where he peacefully awaits the call of the One who is not willing "that one of these little ones should perish." The promises regarding the first resurrection bring special consolation to the hearts of the parents, brothers and sisters, who have been bereft of this little light of their home, and they feel that God's way is best. Words of comfort and admonition were spoken at the grave by the writer.

L. E. Folkenburg.

Lynch.—Bert Jay Lynch was born in Ohio, Dec. 6, 1885, and died at his home near Rialto, Cal., Nov. 14, 1918. He with his family moved to Rialto in 1913. Later a series of meetings were conducted there when his wife accepted the truths of the third angel's message. Brother Lynch was convinced of the truth, but did not accept it until January 2, 1918, at which time he was baptized by the writer, and united with the church in Rialto. He was a loving husband and kind father. He lived a consistent Christian life, and was respected by all who knew him. The deceased leaves a wife, three children, a father, mother, two sisters, two brothers and many friends to mourn their loss.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer, and we laid him to rest in the Rialto cemetery, where he

awaits the call of the Life-giver to a part in the first resurrection. ("Review," please copy.)

L. E. Brant.

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Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Southeastern California*						
H. G. Warden	O.D.	30	11	\$13.40	\$ 46.90	
H. F. Garland	B.R.	51	5	2.85	28.85	
2 Agents *2 Weeks		81	16	\$16.25	\$ 75.75	

WEEK ENDING JANUARY 31, 1919

California						
H. A. Kennison	O.D.	1	3		\$ 8.50	
J. C. Nephew	B.R.	19	10	6.90	45.00	
2 Agents		20	13	\$ 6.90	\$ 53.50	
Northern California						
George W. Winn	G.C.	40	20	\$14.20	\$102.70	
G. M. Wagner	O.D., G.C.	43	16	3.50	63.50	
A. F. Pinkerton	O.D.	27	25	11.75	68.25	
J. F. Eads	B.R.	49	12	12.30	64.80	
L. M. Overholt	P.G.	20	8		40.00	
5 Agents		179	81	\$41.75	\$339.25	
Southern California						
D. A. Dale	P.G.	46	20	\$ 5.00	\$104.00	\$102.50
Mrs. Fuhrman	G.C.	30	6		32.00	
J. L. Sauder	P.G.	24	5		27.50	
3 Agents		100	31	\$ 5.00	\$163.50	\$102.50
Totals		380	141	\$69.90	\$632.00	\$102.50

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1919

A Boundless Influence

The influence of the Sabbath-school is boundless. It touches the Christian all the way from his childhood days to his ripened years of old age.

First, the mind is touched and interested by the penetrating influence of earnest teaching of the Sabbath school lessons by the consecrated teacher. Impressions are made that cannot be erased by passing years. Memory rehearses off the lines of Bible texts learned in the Sabbath school while the mind is pliable, retentive and active. And as the child grows into maturity these lessons become many times the solace in trial, the hope in persecution, the victory in temptation. They come as angel guards to lead the way to the light.

Another way in which the influence of the Sabbath school reaches out a helping hand. It helps in erecting a moral standard for the Christian who has now reached the age of moral accountability. As the mind develops it naturally associates its ideas with the ideas created and presented by others, many of which are irrelevant and wicked. The individual must now choose between that which is good and that which is bad. The standard that determines the nature and quality of the choice, depends, in many cases, upon the conception of moral principle received and assimilated in connection with the instruction provided in the Sabbath school.

The influence of the Sabbath school affects every phase of the Christian life, principally the moral, the social, and the economic life. It reaches into the depths of the soul to lift it from

the mire of sin to the resting-place in the Rock of Ages. It points the way to those in darkness, and bids the rescued one hold forth the lamp of life immortal. It reaches the purse strings and unties the Gordian knot, and pours forth the treasures of gold and silver so necessary in the carrying of the gospel to those who grope in heathen darkness.

The Sabbath school provides opportunities for all of whatever age to do service for the King of heaven. None so young but what the Sabbath school can find something for little hands and feet to do to tell the heaven-sent message of salvation. None so old but what the Sabbath school can suggest ways and means by which age can speak and do in behalf of the proclamation of the truth of God.

Let us all enter more heartily into the privileges offered to us in the Sabbath school. Let every one cooperate more fully with all the Sabbath school officers in the churches in their endeavors to make this department of the church work a genuine success.

A. C. Gilbert, in "Western Canadian Tidings."

Let It Go

That bitter grudge, that festering hate,

That viper nesting in your soul,
Pray let it go before too late!

Preserve your peace and self-control.
Your foe is but your own resentment;
Your chief ill is your heart's complaint;

You sacrifice your own contentment,
To think yourself a martyred saint.

What profit in a measured grief?

What happiness can vengeance bring?

Is misery a woe's relief?

Do thorny crowns content a king?
Your hate harms not the other fellow;

You suffer; he may live serene.
Come, come! Let humor keep you mellow,

And patience keep your friendships green.

—Selected.

"Christ has demonstrated to us the great value of souls in that He came to the world with the hoarded love of eternity in His heart, offering to make man heir to all His wealth. He unveils before us the love of the Father for the guilty race, and presents Him as just and the justifier of Him that believeth."

OUR SOLDIERS' CORNER

A Khaki "Thank You"

It is with pleasure that I write in behalf of the boys who have been stationed at Camp Kearny for the past few months. The time at last has come when we are being scattered far and near to again take up civil life. What we will do depends largely on what our Christian experience has been in the army. If we have gained, we will see the greatest opportunities in the Lord's work, giving the last message. But if we have failed in being made better by the experience, we will then, perhaps, be tempted to follow old paths, being lulled into carnal security by gainful opportunity.

We have received many blessings from God; we have learned to exercise faith, and also that, true to His promise, God has revealed to us His sustaining grace.

We owe much to our people as a whole. We have had our prayers daily and our heavenly Father has heard and answered. There has been a continual interest manifested at all times, which alone reveals genuine fellowship as taught by the Saviour.

Much do we owe to the Pacific Union Conference for the valuable papers it has sent to us. I do not see how our people can do without these papers. Here in camp they have been to us a source of current knowledge that we would not have otherwise obtained. They were well read as well as appreciated.

To our boys who may have to remain for some time, I would say, you should not lack in blessings. "Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee." Ps. 33:22.

Let us not forget that "the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." "And when He had called the people unto Him with His disciples also, He said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." Mark 8: 34, 35. "He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth." Luke 11:23. Pvt. B. R. Spear.