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

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COMING—BE PREPARED

One afternoon a young girl sat at the piano singing. "Sing it again," her vocal teacher commanded when she had finished, "you do not sing it properly." Though weary the girl tried again and again. Still the teacher was not satisfied. "That is not as it should be," he said impatiently. "I doubt if you will ever make a singer."

But the girl was undaunted and she worked harder than ever. She practiced the next day, and the day after that, and the day after that, week in and week out, month after month, year after year. "One day she stood before five thousand men and women, and she sang till she seemed to take them out of themselves, and to carry them up in the clouds of enchantment over seas of melody, into an ecstasy of delight, until the people wept from the excess of their emotions."

And what was the secret of Lillian Nordica's marvelous success in her chosen field of endeavor? It was perseverance—the steadiness of purpose that overcomes all obstacles.

"Who first consult wisely, then resolve firmly, and then execute with inflexible perseverance—such men can advance to any eminence in life."

There were no doubt hundreds of young people who firmly resolved at the beginning of the year to become members of Attainment. How many are executing this resolve with "inflexible perseverance?" To pass the Standard of Attainment test creditably is a task beset with some difficulties. It requires earnest study, time, faithfulness; but the things best worth achieving are always surrounded by difficulty. And very often the difficulty measures the worth.

Do not be defeated in your determination to reach the "mark of proficiency" this spring. Perseverance will win—that perseverance which says to the grindstone, "You are hard; but I am harder, and will wear you away."

There are several weeks remaining before the May examinations. If you improve them there is no reason why you should not be well prepared for these tests. They will be based on the Standard of Attainment manual, no question being asked that cannot be well answered by those who have made reasonable preparation and who have studied in harmony with the outlines furnished in the manual. Isn't this encouraging? Isn't it definite? Doesn't it simplify matters?

As young people all over the land bend studiously over the Standard of Attainment examination next May, some of them will say: "What a difficult examination this is!" Most of these will be the ones who did not prepare for the test. Then there will be another class who will say cheerily as they write out their answers without hesitation, "How easy the questions are this year!" Those who availed themselves of the help furnished by the Standard of Attainment manual will be among this number. The book may be obtained at all tract societies, price 50 cents.

The examination day is coming. Persevere and be prepared for it!

EHa Iden.

"Our Heavenly Father waits to bestow upon us the fulness of His blessing. It is our privilege to drink largely at the fountain of boundless love. What a wonder it is that we pray so little!"

GOD'S PLAN FOR SUPPORTING HIS WORK

From time to time there seems to be an awakening in the Christian world regarding the plan for raising money to advance the cause of God in the earth.

Recently our Methodist friends have endeavored to enroll a million of their members as tithe-payers. There is a growing interest in some churches on this question. It is God's own plan for the support of His servants in their gospel work and there is a heavenly blessing pronounced upon those who return to God one-tenth of their income.

We will do well to bear in mind, however, that our God through His prophet Malachi, not only requires the "tithes," but also the "offerings." He says that some are robbing Him in "tithes and offerings"; but the individual who enters into partnership with God and sends into the treasury His "tithes and offerings," has the promise of a great and rich blessing.

Our Lord is interested in the closing work; He will "cut it short." All the activities of heaven are with reference to it. The angels of glory are acquainted with our circumstances and plans. They can keep an accurate account of our funds and the disposition we make of them.

If we will co-operate with God in His plans, and properly support His work, the promise is, that the windows of heaven will be opened and upon us will be poured such rich measure of blessings that "there shall not be room enough to receive it." There will be an overflow in our hearts and lives, and then to others we become a blessing.

G. W. Wells.

FIELD TIDINGS

ARIZONA

J. E. Bond, Pres. R. E. Kalfus, Sec.
615 North 10th St., Phoenix, Arizona.

Special Notice—Camp-Meeting

Because of a change in the date of one of the other camp-meetings of the union conference it becomes necessary to place the time of our meeting one week later than formerly announced. The date of the meeting as it now stands is May 22 to June 1. The first meeting will be held Thursday evening May 22. This will give those coming from any direction opportunity to reach Phoenix Thursday morning and have the greater part of the day to get settled.

Those desiring tents, or wishing to rent rooms, should send in their orders soon, so that ample provision may be made for all. As formerly announced 12x17 tents, equipped with burlap carpet and fly, will rent for the period for \$5.00, while the 10x12 tents with the same equipment will rent for \$3.75. We also will be able to furnish chairs, tables and either single or double cots.

Within the next two weeks announcement will be made of the definite location of the grounds where the meeting will be held. Every one who can possibly do so should attend this meeting. Begin your plans today. Ask God to open the way and then push everything to that end.

J. Ernest Bond.

Treasurer's Report

Arizona Conference of S. D. A. Revenue Account for Eight Months
Ending December 31, 1918

Income	
Tithe	\$11,760.81
Appropriations	1,333.34
Donations	19.63
Special donations for conference school	344.44
Total income	\$13,458.22
Expense	
Laborers' salary	\$ 4,801.56
Laborers' expense	1,112.76
Bonus	904.85
Colporteurs' traveling expense ..	60.00
Miscellaneous donations	46.00
Postage	70.68
Teachers' institute	146.32
Freight and drayage	29.71
Painting conference school bldg. .	73.70
General expense:	
Printing and stationery \$	71.89
Telephones and telegrams	47.50

Freight on tents for camp	30.15	
Electricity for lights	13.95	
Plumbing	9.85	
Typewriter repairs	16.00	
Miscellaneous	117.10	357.13

Tithe Remitted:

P. U. Conf. 12 1/2%	\$1470.10	
General Conference 2%	235.21	
Sustentation 6%	705.64	2,410.97

Depreciation:

Camp-meeting equipment	\$130.56	
Office furnishings	11.84	142.40

Total Expense	\$10,156.24
Excess of income over expense	3,301.98
	\$13,458.22

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 31, 1918

Assets	
Cash	\$ 2,918.35
On hand	\$ 49.30
Phoenix Natl. Bank	2869.05

Liberty bonds	200.00
Notes receivable	240.00
Arizona Tract Society	1,728.32
Laborers overpaid	120.36
Personal accounts	228.72

Church Loans and Accounts:	
Cottonwood	\$ 50.00
Flagstaff	34.95
Phoenix Ch. School loan	34.00
Phoenix Ch. Sch. O'draft	200.30
	319.25

Inventories:

Office building	\$544.64	
Real estate	658.25	1,202.89

Phoenix Academy bldg. .	\$825.89	
Phoenix Acad. furnishes.	660.33	1,486.22

Camp-meeting equipment	\$889.88	
Office furnishings	440.10	
Expense—supplies	12.00	
Postage	20.00	
Insurance prem. unexpired	12.65	1,374.63

Total assets	\$9,818.74
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Liabilities

Arizona Conference Corporation	\$ 1,195.03
Mexican school fund	950.39
Prescott church building fund. .	100.00
Laborers' salary due, but unpaid	275.31
Religious Liberty	48.09
Poor fund	48.78
Tent fund	30.33
Miscellaneous funds	6.05

Total liabilities	\$ 2,653.98
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Present worth May 1, 1918.	\$3862.78
Operating gain	3301.98

Present worth Dec. 31, 1918.	7,164.76
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Total liabilities and present worth	Dec. 31, 1918	\$ 9,818.74
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To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that the records of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists have been examined for the period ended Dec. 31, 1918.

Comparisons have been made between the available vouchers, the receipts, and the book entries; the bank account compared with the statement rendered by the bank and found to agree; also the cash demanded by the books was found in the till.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the revenue and financial state-

ments attached, present the financial standing of the conference above named, at the close of business Dec. 31, 1918, as disclosed by its books of record.

Respectfully submitted,

B. M. Emerson,
Auditor.

TRADING STATEMENT

Arizona Tract Society For Eight
Months Ending December 31, 1918

Sales	
Gross sales	\$3,120.37
Less goods returned	285.56
Net sales	\$2,834.81
Costs	
Purchases for the year.	\$3,751.48
Less pub. house credits.	90.37
Net cost of purchases	3,661.11
Less inventory Dec. 31, 1918	1,251.91
	2,409.20
Merchandise gain	\$ 425.61

ARIZONA TRACT SOCIETY

Revenue Account From May 1, 1918 to
December 31, 1918

Income	
Gross merchandise gain.	\$425.61
Salary donation by conf.	216.53
	642.14
Expense	
Salary	\$216.53
Expense	223.67
Postage	57.72
Sustentation	28.34
Bad accounts	58.88
Total expense	585.14
Excess of income over exp.	57.00
	642.14

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 31, 1918

Assets	
Accounts Receivable:	
Society accounts	\$ 117.63
Personal accounts	1077.02
Phoenix school	8.63
	1,203.28

Inventories:	
Merchandise	\$1261.91
Postage	36.00
Expense	25.00
	1,311.91

Total assets	\$2,515.19
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Liabilities	
Arizona Conference	\$1,728.32
Publishing house accounts.	38.73
Sustentation fund—unremitted . .	28.34
So. Calif. Tract Society	187.51
Personal accounts payable	5.89
Miscellaneous accounts payable . .	2.80

Total liabilities	\$1,991.59
Present worth May 1, 1918.	\$466.60
Operating gain	57.00

Present worth Dec. 31, 1918.	523.60
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Total liabilities and present worth	Dec. 31, 1918	\$2,515.19
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Phoenix, Arizona, Jan. 12, 1919.

To Whom it May Concern:

The records of the Arizona Tract Society have been examined for the period ended Dec. 31, 1918. The Arizona Tract Society deposits its funds with the Arizona Conference. A

comparison has been made between the accounts of the two concerns, and they are found to agree. I believe the revenue and financial statements presented, reveal the financial condition of the society, as disclosed by its books of account, on the date above mentioned.

During the period covered by this report the net sales were \$2,824.81, while the operating gain for the period was \$425.61, or approximately 15 per cent on the net sales. This percentage of gain is higher than usual for our tract societies, but is accounted for, in part at least, by the conference meeting the entire salary of the secretary. However, in order to give a proper showing, one-half of the salary has been entered against the society, and an equal amount run in as donation by the conference.

Attention is called to the amount of accounts receivable. More than \$1,200 is owing the society by churches and individuals. It has been necessary, in order to meet current bills, for the tract society to draw on conference funds in the amount of more than \$1,700. Greater care and attention should be given the accounts in the future, and an effort made to follow the old accounts and collect them, and also to discourage the incurring of bills, on the part of our people, with the society, at least, which cannot be met.

Respectfully submitted,

B. M. Emerson,

Auditor.

Phoenix, Arizona, Jan. 12, 1919.

NEVADA MISSION

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

Field Notes

A few days ago a letter that was not sealed reached us. It appeared to have been opened on the way. The writer spoke of sending a dollar, but that was missing. It is unsafe to send funds through the mails except in the form of checks, drafts or money orders.

Brother J. J. Hanley, of Ray, California, was in Reno Sabbath and Sunday. He was full of courage and gave a good report for the Calneva company with the exception that Brother D. V. Methvin is quite sick

with influenza. We sincerely hope Brother Methvin may make speedy recovery.

An isolated sister writes: "How good God has been to us this winter! Not one of us has had a cold. I am grateful to Him for so many things. Spring is here and everywhere we see God's love and mercy manifested toward us in the beauties of nature. I crave to be with some of our people, but I know God wants us to scatter out; my heart yearns to talk with some Adventist. If I am patient God will hear me."

"The Fallon church school is having a pleasant as well as profitable school year with a good attendance of earnest pupils. It is receiving the benefit of the University of Nevada extension work in sewing, gardening, canning, cooking, poultry and animal husbandry and other lines of industrial work reaching through the summer vacation. Each pupil is at liberty to take any branch he may choose with the assurance of the best instruction and supervision during the course from experts in the several subjects. At present the girls of over ten years are taking sewing, the instructors giving two or more hours each two weeks at the school, and allowing the privilege of going to the office at any time for additional instruction. This work is along practical lines, each pupil completing a sewing bag, darning four pairs of stockings, learning patching, and making a linen towel, night gown and apron for the first years work. We are thankful for this voluntary assistance from the university.—A. W. Russell."

"The work in Fallon is moving nicely. There is still a good interest, due largely to a live, working church. We have had more than a dozen additions in the last three months, and expect others to accept the truth soon. If the Lord continues to bless in the future as He has in the past, we will have to arrange to enlarge our meeting house.

"The marriage of Miss Vina Wiseman to Mr. Boyd Beebe was celebrated Tuesday evening, March 11, at the home of Sister Ella Beebe, mother of the groom. A very pretty ceremony, conducted by Elder M. A. Hollister,

was enjoyed by more than a hundred guests. Many beautiful and useful presents were received from friends and relatives. The Fallon church wishes them a happy and useful life, and that they may ever remember that the greatest and truest usefulness is in the Master's service.

"Mr. and Mrs. Beebe are known in Central California where the families of both recently resided. Vina is the daughter of Brother and Sister J. C. Wiseman, of Salida.—H. Lyle Wallace."

"We are very hopeful for the work in Alturas, California, although it was hard to get a place to hold meetings. It looked for a while as though the work was tied up here, at least for the present. We were a week finding a place. We finally got an old room that was formerly used for a saloon. It was surely a dirty place. Four cans of lye, a can of chloride of lime, and fifty cents worth of carbolic acid was used before it was fit for a person to stay in unless he wore a heavy mask.

"Last night was our first night, and I am glad to report that we did not have seating room for all who came; about fifty or more could not get in. There must have been in the neighborhood of two hundred present, and the attention was excellent.—G. G. Sims."

(Now that the old saloon has been converted, let us pray that it may redeem the time and prove as much of a soul-saving agency as it was a soul-destroying rendezvous.)

March 30.

J. L. Humbert.

INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. S. Donaldson, Sec.
122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

Salt Lake City Church

For the first time in its history the Salt Lake church reached its goal of \$1,491 for missions for 1918, notwithstanding all the Liberty Loan, Red Cross, and other drives. We fell short \$74.00 in our Harvest Ingathering goal, but are making a strong effort at present in using up all copies of the "Watchman" now on hand to more than make this up.

One of the many interesting features of our Harvest Ingathering

campaign last fall was the experience of one of our sisters who accepted the gospel call herself only two years ago. She hesitatingly pledged herself to raise \$5.00 in this work. This lady walks on crutches as a result of an injury received years ago in the Chicago fire. She has never engaged in such work before, but the first \$5.00 came in so easily she raised her goal to \$10.00, then to \$15.00, and had reached \$30.00 when the influenza epidemic became so bad everything was closed up.

At the close of our "Review" campaign a few weeks ago, we went "over the top" with a 100 per cent subscription list. We are now taking 125 "Signs" and using them in local missionary work.

One third of our members have made generous definite pledges to the missions investment fund and we hope soon to register 100 per cent in that.

The "Present Truth" series has been placed in hundreds of homes in the city the past two years, and several hundred copies of the "current event" series sold. Another active campaign with the "Current Event" series is planned, to dispose of about four thousand of the small books, as our goal for this year is, "The Present Truth to every home in the Inter-Mountain Conference."

Our Red Cross auxiliary also performed faithful, energetic service during 1918, as the following report of the six members shows: 152 towels made; 77 pillow slips; 112 abdominal bandages; 197 triangular bandages taped; 66 triangular bandages made; 13 bed shirts; 32 soldier kits; 120 pairs of socks knitted; 14 sweaters; 5 scarfs; 4 pairs wristlets.

Three of our members spent over 800 hours in various Red Cross activities, entitling them to the service badge.

Mrs. M. H. Parry,
Salt Lake Church Home Missionary
Secretary.

How about your subscription to the "Review and Herald" and the "Recorder"? Don't let them expire. You need their message each week.

Work is progressing rapidly on the church building at Rulison, and it is expected that a few weeks will make the building ready for occupancy.

This will be a great help to the church, as it has need of more room for services.

Recent Conventions

The week commencing March 23, Brethren F. E. Painter, H. B. Meeker and J. A. Neilsen spent in a colporteurs' institute at Salt Lake City. At the close of this institute Brethren Painter and Meeker conducted a similar institute in Delta, Colorado. We understand that a fair measure of success attended both of these institutes, and we feel that the presence of Brother Painter in our conference has been a help to the colporteur work. We hope that through these institutes many souls will be won to God as those who have attended go out with the truth-filled pages.

Friday evening, March 28, a home missionary convention for our churches in Utah was opened in the Salt Lake City church, which continued through Sabbath and Sunday. Some were present from Ogden, Logan and Provo to represent the churches there, and all felt that most useful instruction was given. Elder H. E. Lysinger, our conference president, conducted the meeting Friday night, presenting the subject, "What the Meaning of this Convention Is," in a strong and stirring way.

Sabbath school opened on time Sabbath morning, and Sister Sweany, the superintendent, led the school in a way that showed her earnestness in having the work finished. After an interesting lesson period, the need of the North Latin-American Union field was presented to us in song and story in which a number of the young people took part. Elder Lysinger and Elder Stevens made a plea for the field and our response justified the effort put forth in that the school gave \$55.72 as its thirteenth Sabbath offering.

Elder Stevens, after the Sabbath school was dismissed, spoke to us from Jer. 8:15, 22, and brought us to a realization of the fact that we had a responsibility as individual members of the church in the finishing of the work. "If we are not active in the service of Christ, we are ranking with those who are in positive hostility against Him," was the definite thought of his message. Definite outlines of work were presented during the remainder of the

meetings, and all present felt the call to service. Among the workers assisting Elder Stevens were Elder H. E. Lysinger, Brother J. A. Neilsen, home missionary secretary for the conference, and Elders Sweany and Gjording.

At the close of the convention Elder Lysinger went to Delta, Colorado, to assist Brethren Painter and Meeker in the colporteurs' institute, and Elder Stevens and Brother Neilsen went to Rulison, Colorado, to hold a two-days' meeting with the academy and church there.

Beginning Friday, April 4, a home-missionary institute was held in the church at Delta.

The visits of Elder J. A. Stevens, union conference home missionary secretary, and Brother F. E. Painter, union conference field missionary secretary has been the means of greatly strengthening the work in this conference.

S. Donaldson.

CALIFORNIA

G. W. Wells, Pres. H. E. Thomas, Sec.
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Laguna Street (San Francisco) Church

God has blessed the Laguna church of San Francisco, during the past year, and we desire to give thanks to the Lord for the great things He hath done.

In 1918 our membership was 171. During the year the total amount was \$16,340 given for tithe, mission offerings and church funds. This is an average of \$95.56 for every member in the church. Considering that we have no rich members, this is a remarkable showing.

A year ago we asked the conference to loan us a thousand dollars to purchase some badly needed pews; but after finding that they would cost \$1,400, the church determined to do what it could to raise the money. Soon this sum was over-subscribed and the entire amount paid after the pews were installed. Seeing how easily this money had been raised for the pews, we were encouraged to order a new carpet for the church. Payments on this bill of over \$500 are nearly met, and we are rejoicing in seeing the house of God so nicely furnished. The remarkable thing is

that all this was done without much urging or begging for money. Truly it was as in the days of Israel the "people had a willing heart."

During the influenza epidemic several evenings were given to demonstrations in hydrotherapy, and Sister Wolfang showed how to treat influenza and pneumonia. Many outsiders attended these meetings and a good impression was made on many people who now are regularly attending our services. Truly the health message is an opening wedge into the hearts of the people. We have proven it to be so.

A cooking school was held for a while and much help was given to our sisters in this important feature of the message. Bible training classes are held every Tuesday night, and instruction is given in practical methods of doing missionary work.

Prayer-meeting night is one of the best attended services of the church. One can judge of the spirituality of a church by the attendance at the mid-week service. It is not unusual for over a hundred people to be present, and receive the blessing God has for His people on these occasions. On stormy nights, when the rain was pouring down, we have counted thirty-five present.

The Sunday night meetings are well attended; many nights every seat is taken. As a result of all the members helping in every line, thirty-four converts were baptized in 1918, and nineteen so far this year, with eight others soon to unite with us. There is a growing interest among many others as a result of the church-members taking an active part in missionary work and giving Bible readings. Last Sabbath fifteen were baptized, and the Spirit of God blessed in a marked manner. Two young people gave their hearts to God as they saw the rite administered.

The Laguna and Mission churches support a church school held in the basement of the Laguna Street building. Two good schoolrooms are well equipped. This year Mrs. V. Hendershot has the upper room and Miss Grace Jones the lower grades. Good work is being done.

The Parent-Teachers' Association, under the leadership of Sister A. W. Tarver, has been of great help in

equipping both rooms with all necessary appliances. Hundreds of dollars have been raised by this organization, and the efficiency of the school is due in part to their generous gifts. They have proved a blessing indeed to the church school.

A new library has been built in the rear of the church, and hundreds of books are being circulated among our members. All this and many other improvements have been made possible because of the willing help donated by our brethren, who would come after working hours, or on Sunday and do the necessary work. It has been a real pleasure to be with a church that has such a spirit of service for the Master and His cause.

We would not forget to mention the great help the choir has been in all our services. Brother Godfrey Mathisen has done excellent work as choir leader.

We are expecting great things from the Lord for 1919. He blessed us so much during 1918, that we face the new year with an added zeal and determination to do our part in closing up the work and preparing to meet the coming King. We "praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men."

R. S. Fries.

Pastor Laguna Street Church.

Santa Clara

On March 9, the writer, assisted by Brother Wilbur Holbrook, who just arrived from Reno, Nevada, to labor in this conference, opened a series of meetings in Santa Clara. The Mountain View church has been distributing "Signs of the Times" to the people of Santa Clara for a year or more; announcements were taken to the doors each week. The papers, both the "Journal" and the "News" gave excellent space for advertising, and printed an epitome of lectures in nearly every issue. We hardly know what more could be done for a town than has been done for this one.

Notwithstanding this the attendance from Santa Clara has been small. There has been, however, a regularity in attendance which is encouraging. Two or three individuals have announced their decision concerning the Sabbath; others are deeply interested, and it looks now as if we would

have, perhaps, half a dozen new Sabbath-keepers as a result of the meetings; results also not now seen may accrue.

I cannot speak too highly of the faithful help being rendered in music and attendance by the Mountain View and San Jose churches. This is the more appreciated since the outside attendance is small.

I have now been in this conference for a year, and this is the first time I have written for the "Recorder." If its readers will forgive me this neglect, I will pledge more faithfulness in the future. Unquestionably the workers should report for the "Recorder!" I do not want to confess for my brethren, but honestly some of their names I have not seen since I have been in this conference. Come on, brethren, let us confess and do better.

A. M. Dart.

News Items

Brother L. L. Moffitt met with the young people's society in Berkeley Friday night and spoke to the church Sabbath morning.

Are you a subscriber to the "Advent Review and Sabbath Herald?" If not, why not? It should come to every Sabbath-keeping home.

The conference committee met at the office, Monday, April 7, to consider important matters relative to the work in our conference.

Miss Frances Fry was with the Napa church Sabbath, April 5, and helped in the special educational program arranged for that day.

Elder G. W. Wells spent two days at Pacific Union College last week, occupying the chapel hour each day and spending some time with the classes.

Elder R. S. Fries conducted the quarterly service at the Mission Street church in San Francisco, Sabbath, April 5, and the conference president spoke to the Laguna Street church.

Pacific Union College has been greatly favored of late. The faculty and students highly appreciate the visit and earnest words spoken by Brethren Daniells, Longacre and McGuire.

Elder M. A. Hollister and Brother C. L. Bond were pleasant callers at our office last week.

Miss Oleta Butcher, who has been in Willits since last camp-meeting, is now laboring in Eureka.

Our Bible worker, Sister Laura Morrison, who has been laboring in Humboldt County, is now located in San Francisco, and is getting a hold of the work there.

The church members at Oakland were favored and greatly encouraged Sabbath, March 29, as they listened to the soul-stirring sermon by Elder Charles Thompson, president of the Northern Union Conference.

Join the colporteurs' army, and help sell the truth-filled books, thus hastening the coming of the blessed Lord. Brother N. H. Conway, the secretary of this department of the work, is now located at 1620 Tyler Street, Berkeley, Cal. He will be glad to correspond with all interested parties.

The graduating class of the St. Helena Sanitarium had a very nice exercise recently. The entire program gave evidence of careful thought and preparation. Elder J. W. Christian gave the baccalaureate sermon, and Doctor George Thomason delivered the commencement address. The Pacific Union College orchestra assisted in the music.

The following tabulated report received from Brother C. H. Brooke, the ship mission worker in San Francisco, will be of interest to many:

Papers, periodicals and tracts distributed	2498
Ships visited	168
Army posts, canteens, hospitals, reading rooms visited	106
Papers mailed	21
Books loaned	2

Brother Brooke is desirous of clubs of monthly "Signs," "Life and Health," "Liberty," "Watchman," and "Youth's Instructor." These may be addressed to the Ship Mission, 10 East Street, San Francisco, Cal.

This work is in harmony with the statement made in Volume 9, page 123, "Let literature be distributed judiciously, on the trains, in the street, on the great ships that ply the sea, and through the mails."

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

H. S. Shaw, Pres. W. F. Field, Sec.
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Pencilgrams

Brother and Sister A. W. H. Millard will remain at Shafter another year. This means another strong school year for this place.

Plans have been received for the new school building in Fresno, providing for a large four-room, substantial building that will be a credit to the church and the cause. The school will carry ten grades and have four teachers.

Miss Gladys Ryder, from Mexico, is assisting her sister in the Dinuba Rural school. The school has grown so it was necessary to put in two teachers that the work might be finished up in a strong way. Two teachers will be secured for the coming year and Miss Violenty Ryder has already agreed to act as principal.

Every teacher should attend the teachers' institute which is planned to be held August 10 to 21, at Lodi. Matters will be considered which will greatly strengthen the school work. One item we hope to make strong at this institute is discipline. This subject needs to be studied as never before.

Laguna, Chowchilla, Shafter, Fresno and Dinuba Rural schools have secured their teachers for the coming year. What school shall we next add to the list? If school boards will quickly decide what they want, it will help us to supply that want. It is to be hoped that several churches will consider building homes for teachers this year. Nearly every school needs one. It is often very hard to secure board, and too much of the teacher's meager wages is spent on her board bill. Provide a place where she may board herself.

Alice Mina Mann.

Items of Interest

Last Sabbath the Fresno church gave \$400 for thirteenth Sabbath offering.

Elder R. R. Breitigam and Geo. T. Vore began a series of meetings in Coalinga April 6.

Elder Frank Weeks writes that as a result of following up the work at the close of the meetings in Winton, ten persons are to be baptized next Sabbath.

Our church in Fresno was greatly encouraged and strengthened by the reports given by Elder A. G. Daniells, showing the marvelous growth made in our work, and the great increase in our offerings.

Elder J. T. Boettcher, of the Clinton Theological Seminary, met with a number of the churches in the conference. The Fresno church enjoyed the privilege of listening to his interesting experiences at its prayer-meeting.

Brother A. H. Ramsay, a former student of Pacific Union College, began canvassing three weeks ago and has already orders for \$326 worth of books. He has made a small delivery and reports having delivered 100 per cent.

Interesting stereopticon lectures were given by Brother J. M. Rowse, of the Pacific Press, in Fresno and Dinuba. Two hundred and eight thousand dollars worth of books were shipped outside of the United States in 1918 by the Pacific Press. At the close of the lecture at Dinuba, \$75.00 worth of books were sold to the people present.

W. F. Field.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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Sabbath Schools

Although the year's work came to a close rather quietly on account of the epidemic, yet we can see that God was with us in our Sabbath school work. We have proved the truth of the words of Romans 8:28, "that all things work together for good to them that love God," for we all received good, even in what seemed almost a disaster. We surely appreciate our privileges now that we are free to meet together, and have a greater desire to save the souls of those around us.

As might be expected our attendance dropped off somewhat, about nine per cent; but at the same time

Book Report, Week Ending March 21, 1919

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Central California						
C. H. Irish	P.G.		12	\$.75	\$ 54.75	\$.75
Emma S. Hansen	P.G.	15	4	9.75	27.75	14.50
C. L. Davis	P.G.	5	3		13.50	
L. R. Knapp	P.G.	19	25		122.50	
Mrs. C. Hollenstein	Misc.	48		26.20	26.20	26.20
A. H. Ramsay	G.C., O.D.	24	30		117.00	
6 Agents		111	74	\$36.70	\$361.70	\$ 41.45

WEEK ENDING MARCH 28, 1919

Arizona						
J. R. Douglas	W.P.	37	25	\$ 6.55	\$ 28.90	\$ 22.35
Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain	O.D.	32	25	2.60	73.60	2.50
W. F. Mayers	G.C.	25	17	4.70	86.20	126.70
3 Agents		94	67	\$13.85	\$188.70	\$151.55

California						
Mrs. J. Taphouse	P.G.	15	4		\$ 21.00	
Grace Webb	O.D.	19	4	\$ 3.40	13.40	
R. A. Shackell	W.C.	11			23.75	
E. L. Ditmar	G.C.	19	5		23.50	
J. Borresen*	P.G.	44	31	33.00	179.50	
Miscellaneous	Misc.				65.28	
5 Agents *4 Weeks		108	44	\$36.40	\$326.43	

Northern California						
W. V. Huey	O.D.	20	6	\$ 1.85	\$ 16.35	
H. D. Strever	O.D.	25	14	9.70	45.70	
2 Agents		45	20	\$11.55	\$ 62.05	

Central California						
A. H. Ramsay	G.C., O.D.	14	16		\$ 73.00	\$ 7.00
Emma S. Hansen	P.G.	12	3	7.50	21.00	18.75
L. R. Knapp	P.G.	19	6		28.00	10.00
J. W. Beardslee	G.C.	20	8	4.00	40.00	
C. H. Irish	P.G.	26	11	3.75	55.25	12.00
Mrs. C. Hollenstein	Misc.	40		13.35	13.35	13.35
6 Agents		131	44	\$28.60	\$230.60	\$ 61.10

Southern California						
S. H. Coombs	P.G.	30	8		\$ 43.00	
D. A. Dale	P.G.	43	24		128.00	
F. B. Desmarests	P.G.	38	19	7.00	100.50	
Charles McCoombs	G.C.	8	2		9.00	
L. M. Nelson	P.G.	34	15	4.50	78.00	
A. Reckart	B.R.	38	4	7.05	30.05	
J. L. Sauder	P.G.	26	12		68.50	
B. E. Skelly	G.C.	21	3		18.00	
William Walker	P.G.	12	8		39.00	
9 Agents		250	95	\$18.55	\$514.05	

Southeastern California						
B. E. Tefft	M. H.	19	6	\$ 1.10	\$ 20.95	
H. G. Warden	O. D.	28	18	5.75	68.25	
Perry Rawlinson	O. D.	28	12		28.00	
Harold Black	P. G.	18	7		37.50	
Mrs. B. A. Rogers	O. D.	20	11	2.55	30.05	
5 Agents		113	54	\$ 9.40	\$184.75	

Inter-Mountain						
F. H. Jenks	D. R.	30	21	\$ 7.00	\$ 97.00	\$169.80

Totals				882.419	\$162.05	\$1965.28	423.90
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Ione; Irma Christianson, Sacramento; Mrs. Della Davis, Ripon; Mrs. L. M. Maycock, Stockton; Mrs. Grace F. Hayes, Oakdale.

This club has a circulating letter all ready to start. We want to hear from each secretary, each one making note of the good things you have in your Sabbath school that might be a help to others, and asking any

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Wanted at Once.—Six strong men to work on Western Pacific track, at \$2.76 per eight-hour day; your wood free; age limit, 45 years. Can get pass for you on Western Pacific anywhere between Salt Lake City, Utah, and San Francisco, Cal. Anyone interested can write to J. J. Hanley, Rayl, Cal., enclosing stamp for reply.

our donations were higher. For the third quarter our donations were \$2,863.74, for the fourth quarter, \$3,175.99; a gain of \$312.85. The thirteenth Sabbath donation was a little better even though many churches were not able to meet on that Sabbath and take up their offerings, amounting to \$775.31, an increase of \$65.50 over the previous quarter.

There were 200 perfect attendance cards filled out, 16 persons received bookmarks, and five names were sent in for Reading Course certificates,—we are in hopes that more will send in their papers on the Reading Course and receive certificates,—and best of all 15 were added to our number by baptism.

Believing that many will be interested to know how the different Sabbath schools stand as to their goal of 15 cents per member per week, we give the names of those schools exceeding the goal:

Clarksburg	33
Colfax	23
Los Molinos	22
Salida	20
Ripon	16
Oakdale	18
Oroville	18
Ione	18
Almond Grove	18

Our conference was on the honor roll at Washington, D. C., only one quarter, the second quarter of last year, when we had camp-meeting donations to help us out. Would we not all enjoy getting back again on the honor roll? This does not mean that we are behind on the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund; some Sabbath schools that fell short of the goal of 15 cents per week per member made up the balance in the church, so that they made the 25-cent-a-week goal. But why not let a little more come through the channel of the Sabbath school, and regain our place on the honor roll?

The promptness of the secretaries in reporting this quarter was quite commendable. It was suggested that the secretaries form a club, all reporting on time to be eligible to membership. Suggestions were asked for a suitable name, and the one chosen came from the secretary of the Hughson Sabbath school. The membership of the "King's Punctual Reporters" is as follows:

Clara Larson, Camino; Mrs. Harvey L. Wolfson, Chicago Park; Nelson Lovestadt, Chico; Mrs. S. A. Cupp, Galt; Fredericka Evans, Hughson; Grace Morel, Lodi (English); Alice Babcock, Los Molinos; Alice H. Wertz, Modesto; Mrs. E. G. Webb, Newcastle; Minnie Fahmholz, Nevada City; Eva Ballein, Oroville; Mrs. M. V. Mayer, Placerville; Vada Roberts, Red Bluff; Mrs. J. T. Hill, Rocklin; Zelma Smith, Woodand; Margie Hodge, Yuba City; Ethel Goodier, Paradise; Miss M. G. Robertson,

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Sabbath Schools

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questions on matters that puzzle you or your school. Others will tell how they have handled such perplexities.

By the help of the Lord may our Sabbath schools grow and glow and be a means of bringing many more souls to the fold of God.

Mrs. C. D. Stone, Secretary.

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From One of Our Colporteurs

Brother F. B. Desmaretz, who is canvassing with our Spanish books, is having some rich experiences among the Mexican people. He writes: "Last Sunday I went to Irwindale, and finding a little Spanish Presbyterian church there attended the services. Upon entering the church, the minister stepped down from the pulpit and came and shook hands with me. He asked me to remain standing a few minutes so the people could see me, telling them he knew that I was engaged in a very good line of work; that he had heard of some of my work in another town nearby, and that when I called to see them at their homes with my books, to buy one. He then insisted that I take charge of the meeting, and while I told him I would much prefer to listen to him, he would not take 'no' for an answer; so I finally had to talk to the people.

"Later in passing through one of the streets a woman called to me and showed me where she lived and said that her home was mine and that the doors were always open to me. Another day at the first place I stopped there was a sick woman, and after canvassing the husband and taking his order, was invited into the sick room. As is most always the case with these poor Mexicans the conversation at once drifted into religion. I was asked if these dis-

eases going around were not some of God's judgments and a warning that the end was near at hand. Question after question was asked me, the sick woman calling for her married sister to come over and hear what I had to say. Somehow when I got into homes like this where the people's hearts are burning to learn the truth, I feel as though God's Holy Spirit is there, and as if the room were filled with angels from heaven. Soon the woman was able to sit up and she wept and begged her sister and her husband to listen and to hold in their hearts all I said so that they could remember and repeat these words to others, and prepare their own sinful lives and hearts to meet their Lord.

"O, that some of our American people were as anxious to hear the truth, and that our own dear young people realized the countless thousands in our own United States waiting for them to come and tell them of Jesus! May our great and merciful God help us all to awake and rush to the rescue of these dying souls. In many places the people are so grateful to hear a few words of the Bible that they ask God to bless and keep me alive that I may tell others of these things. A day hardly goes by without having many such experiences. If there is one thing our people should do it is to pray for these poor souls in darkness that God may send them help. In many instances a whole family have broken down and wept. In these experiences I have felt the power of God so strong, and these moments have seemed so sacred that I would not give anything in exchange for them. It is these experiences that make the canvassing work a joy."

Many more such experiences might be related from all of our faithful colporteurs. Let us remember these consecrated workers at the throne of grace, that God may continue to bless their efforts for Him and that a large harvest of souls may be the result.

C. L. Cyphers.

Those Christian Science Articles

The Christian Science articles by Phil C. Hayward that appeared in the April and May issues of the "Signs Magazine," have attracted a great deal of attention and brought numerous requests to print them in an inexpensive form. The publishers have decided to reprint these articles in the "Signs" weekly. The first one will appear in the issue of April 29, and the second, in the issue of May 4. The prices will be as follows:

100 to 500, \$1.50 per hundred.

1000 to 5000, \$10.00 per thousand.

These are postpaid prices. Orders should be placed in time to be filed with the publishers not later than April 21.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

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In glancing through the last copy of the "Recorder" I find no report of work done nor items of interest from the Southeastern California Conference. Now I am certain that the laborers in this field have been busy all the time in the various departments of the work; but someone has failed to do his whole duty. I am one of the guilty parties, and shall turn over a new leaf, and write a few lines for this timely visitor to our brethren and sisters in this union, trusting they will be a source of encouragement and cheer to many.

On account of the influenza epidemic last October our tent meetings were closed, and for nearly three months we were not permitted to hold public gatherings. The Sabbath doctrine had been covered before the meetings closed, and many were much interested, inviting us to their homes to instruct them more fully in this new and living way.

During the winter we were busily engaged in giving Bible studies, conducting cottage-meetings, and visiting in the homes of the people. As a result of this method of labor a number took their stand for the truth. On Sabbath afternoon, March 8, nine adults expressed their faith in Jesus and this message, by being buried with their blessed Lord in the sacred ordinance of baptism; also on Sabbath, March 22, three adults were baptized and united with the church. There are about twelve others who are keeping the Sabbath and expect to unite with us soon.

Some of these new ones are very active, and are doing real missionary work for their neighbors, circulating our literature and smaller books, and gathering the friends together for Bible studies, and many are becoming much interested in the truth. A great work could be accomplished in a short time if our church-members could be aroused to devote a small portion of their time to this kind of work.

The laborers here at the present time are Miss Myrna Lee, C. A. Cole, R. G. Schaffner and the writer. We are of good courage, and earnestly solicit the prayers of God's people in behalf of the work here.

C. F. Folkenberg.

"Our growth in grace, our joy, our usefulness,—all depend upon our union with Christ."

"The less we see to esteem in ourselves, the more we shall see to esteem in the infinite purity and loveliness of our Saviour."