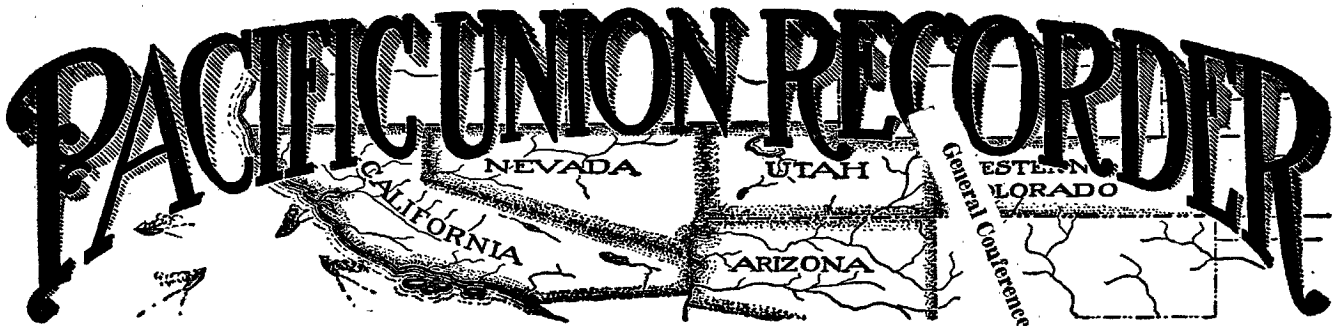


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## THE BEST

"Christ wants the best. He in the far-off ages  
Once claimed the firstlings of the flock, the finest of the wheat;  
And still He asks His own with gentlest pleading  
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents at His feet.  
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love.  
He only asks that from our store we give Him  
The best we have.

"Christ gives the best. He takes the hearts we offer,  
And fills them with His glorious beauty, joy, and peace;  
And in His service as we're growing stronger,  
The calls to grand achievement still increase.  
The richest gifts for us on earth, or in the heaven above,  
Are hid with Christ in God. In Jesus we receive  
The best we have.

"And is our best too much? O friends, let us remember  
How once our Lord poured out His soul for us;  
And in the prime of His mysterious manhood  
Gave up His precious life upon the cross!  
The Lord of lords, by whom the worlds were made,  
Through bitter grief and tears gave us  
The best He had."

## OUR LAST CAMP MEETING

The Southern California conference and camp meeting was held at Los Angeles, August 25 to September 5. This was the last meeting of the series of camp meetings held in the Pacific Union Conference during the summer of 1920. The camp ground was located on South Vermont Avenue, near Manchester, where the cool breezes from the ocean made the climate delightful throughout the entire meeting. The dust was a little disagreeable, but our brethren had taken extra pains in providing a large amount of sawdust to cover the more traveled paths leading toward the large tent and other places of general gatherings.

From the first, this meeting was marked with the presence of the Spirit of God in refreshing those who are earnestly endeavoring by a daily life to serve God, and in reviving the hearts of those who had become discouraged through the year. A spirit of love, unity and earnest co-operation marked all the meetings of the conference session. The business in connection with the work of God is as sacred to Him as any other line of endeavor and thought, and should enlist the attention and interest of our brethren and sisters generally.

The discordant notes that have so often sounded in connection with the Southern California Conference were not in evidence. God seemed to have spread a special canopy of light and peace and power over the camp, and it was restful to be among God's remnant people as we studied plans and means for a larger and stronger work in connection with the closing gospel work. Many dire prophecies have been spoken by those who have grown impatient with the leadings of God, but we are glad to know that these have fallen by the way. God has a watchcare over His own, and will not forsake His church, weak and defective as it may be, so long as it earnestly seeks and endeavors to carry out the will of God in a strong, aggressive work for the winning of souls.

Having served the conference for nearly four years, Elder M. M. Hare withdrew from conference responsibilities. After a careful study of the entire situation, the nominating committee unanimously brought in the name of Elder W. M. Adams for president. The conference received it with a great deal of satisfaction and a unanimous vote placed

Brother Adams in charge of the work in Southern California. With him are associated a godly company of men and women, as committeemen, departmental secretaries, and evangelistic workers. Elder Adams' long service has greatly endeared him to the people and he has the confidence of the rank and file of the workers and laity generally, and we feel assured will have their heartiest co-operation in the performance of the duties that rest upon a conference president.

We greatly appreciated the services of Elder C. S. Longacre and others who came to us from the General Conference to assist in the work. Elder B. L. House, Bible teacher of Pacific Union College, spent a few days in the camp, and his public labors, both in the large pavilion and in the young people's tent, were deeply appreciated by our people.

It is only right that we should mention two of our laborers who have a long time served the conference, but who are retiring from definite official work. One of these is Elder M. M. Hare. He has nobly performed the task before him as president of this large conference. It was not the desire of the brethren who have associated with him, that he should withdraw. However, his own desire and judgment, based largely upon his condition of health, led to his decision. We feel that his choice was a wise one. Brother Hare does not disconnect from the Lord's work. He is an honored minister of the gospel, and we shall be glad to have him take up active work in the union as soon as his health permits.

We also make mention of Sister Jennie L. Ireland, who, for more than fifteen years, has served as Sab-

bath school secretary. Her untiring efforts and earnest solicitation for the Sabbath school work has not been without success. She has the confidence of our brethren and sisters everywhere; but it was her judgment that she should let some one else carry the work, and the brethren and sisters unanimously called Sister Cleora Webster, recently from the Lake Union, but now located in Pasadena, to this work. Sister Webster is an old, experienced Sabbath school secretary, and we bespeak for her the confidence and cooperation of the brethren generally, and feel sure that God will add His blessing to her efforts.

Throughout this was a splendid meeting. The donations for foreign missions amounted to about \$16,000. A good class of candidates were baptized in the Exposition Park church on Sunday morning. It is a meeting long to be remembered, because of the presence of God and the sweet spirit of brotherly kindness manifested continually.

J. W. Christian.

### SUCCESS AGAIN

Any one can do anything the Lord wants done—if he believes in it. How often this truth was demonstrated in the history of Israel.

A few years ago, even, there were many people who doubted the ability of our laity to raise 25 cents a member a week for foreign missions; but it was done. The budget of the Mission Board for 1920 calls for \$2,266,135 to care for the rapidly growing work in foreign fields. We fully expect to raise every dollar called for, and more. And we have set our goal at 50 cents a week per member to insure success.

Wonderful progress has been recorded already of our efforts to reach the goal. However, on August 1 the General Conference treasurer reported a shortage of \$476,204 on the fifty-cent-a-week fund. This has made it necessary for the General Conference treasurer to borrow several hundred thousand dollars to sustain the work and workers in the foreign fields. Our brethren are confident that the church will not fall short of its duty in the finishing of our world-task.

But the full burden of the financial part of the work does not rest upon us. God is moving on the hearts of others to help carry the message to darkened lands. "Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills." Ps. 50:10. "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts." Haggai 2:8. Through the Spirit of prophecy we are assured that God "is ready to move upon the hearts of worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of His work; and He will do this as soon as His people learn to approach these men wisely and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do."

The Harvest Ingathering campaigns have gathered hundreds of thousands of dollars from those not of our faith, and hundreds have found the light who first became interested through the Ingathering work.

The General Conference has set the goal for this year's Harvest Ingathering campaign at \$500,000. Of course we will reach it! Success, more wonderful than ever, is attending our people as they go forth with the Ingathering papers this year. A few examples follow:

A telegram to the General Conference, under date of August 23, brought the good news that the Quebec Conference had already passed its goal by \$100.

Elder L. F. Passebois and family—wife and two daughters—set a goal of \$1,000. A card written under date of August 22 announces that they have reached this goal; and their work has been done in French Catholic territory, too.

A small group of enthusiastic workers in Atlantic City, New Jersey, have gathered \$1,000 in two weeks' time. A group of young people in New York city have to their credit \$1,000 for work done on Saturday nights and Sundays.

The time has come for the finishing of the work. It will be accomplished speedily. "Every sanctified heart will be pressed into service as an instrument of divine power." This is God's program, and it calls upon every believer to take his place

with the army of workers. "Then thou shalt see and be radiant, and thy heart shall thrill and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned unto thee, the wealth of the nations shall come unto thee." Isa. 60:5. A. R. V.

J. A. Stevens.

### NEED OF EACH ONE ENLISTING FOR SERVICE

Never in the history of the world have there been so many providential openings for the gospel in foreign lands. Never have the calls been more urgent for men and means. Surely we have a mighty work before us, a work that will continually rise to greater prominence, and our efforts in missionary endeavors must be far more extensive.

We are in the hour when every possible effort should be made to awaken the slumbering energies of our people. It is high time that each worker should carry heavy upon his heart the grave responsibility of earnestly enlisting the last man, woman and child in active service not only for their own personal spiritual growth, but for the strengthening of the local church, the base of supplies and for the advancement of the kingdom of God in all the earth.

If there could come a great revival throughout the church, a deepening of the consciousness of its personal responsibility to God, and a sense of our obligation concerning the world's need, and the church throughout its entire membership awakened to its possibilities in soul-saving, without question our Lord would witness to the consecrated service, and the

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promised blessing would be poured out upon the church and a new thrill of life sent around this old world for the finishing of the work in this generation.

We cannot look upon the world's need, hear the earnest cries for help, pass by on the other side and be guiltless. That procedure by the impressive lesson of our blessed Lord has been condemned for all time. We must enter heartily into the enlarged program of earnest missionary activities and know that our neighbor is not necessarily the man who lives next door but rather the one, whoever he is and wherever he lives, who most needs our help. There should come upon us all an overwhelming sense of our obligation to aid in carrying this blessed message to our fellowmen. The full and sympathetic co-operation of the entire membership of all our churches is needed in order to forward the great work assigned us. But in addition to arousing the latent members in our churches and utilizing every talent, we are to ever keep in mind that it is no small problem to finance this world-wide movement and carry it forward in a marvelous way.

Shall we not pray the Lord of the harvest to help us to look on the fields that are white and possess our hearts with a more liberal, self-denying, self-sacrificing spirit, and help us to dedicate our lives, our children, our farms, our money—our all for the speedy finishing of the advent message? G. W. Wells.

#### A SPECIAL DONATION

For some years it has been the plan of Seventh-day Adventists to receive an offering from all our people throughout the United States and Canada, for the work among the colored people in the South. It is arranged by the General Conference committee to set apart Sabbath, October 9, as the day for the offering to be taken this year. We call special attention to this appointment, that our church elders and other leading church workers may have it in mind, using such program as may be prepared, either in the "Review" or the "Gazette," for the day.

For years the work in the Southland grew slowly. It required great patience, tact, and continuance to

bring the work to a place where it attracted the attention, not only of our own people, but of the better class, both of white and colored people. We have learned many things during these years of missionary operation among the colored people, and as we have put better plans into operation, the work has grown proportionately.

We have to-day a large, loyal constituency among the colored people in the South. We have a splendid training school at Huntsville, Alabama. The grade of work done in this school is equal to that of any other academy or junior college, and we find the colored students respond readily to the requirements of our school standards. From this school yearly a splendid corps of workers go forth into the various lines of missionary activity. Preachers, Bible workers, colporteurs and teachers, as well as workers preparing for medical work, find their way into the great web of humanity in the Southland and the large centers of colored population in the North. Our membership is steadily growing.

Churches are being raised up, houses of worship built, and church schools established, which gives strength and stability to our work; but it takes means to carry on all these lines of activity, and we cannot expect the colored people of the South to bear the burden alone. They are loyal in their payment of tithe and mission offerings to the general treasury, and should, rightly, come in for a liberal consideration on the part of our general appropriations to the work in all parts of the field.

We trust our brethren will be liberal in the Pacific Union Conference upon this Sabbath day, October 9, with an offering for the colored people. This year it is arranged that it will count on the fifty-cent-a-week fund, so you may send it in the regular way and count it on your regular appropriations to missions.

You have read with interest the report of Elder W. H. Green, secretary of the Negro department of the General Conference, which appeared in a late issue of the "Review." It tells the story of progress and strength in this department. There should be a more than usual interest

taken in the offering this fall, for the proceeds go largely to strengthen our school work in the Southland. We find it difficult to operate schools among our more favored people in the more favored sections of the country. Surely our hearts should respond to the needs of millions who are yet unprovided for with the privileges that we so much appreciate as an entering wedge into these hard fields. J. W. Christian.

#### "BIG WEEK"

OCTOBER 3 TO 9

Our colporteurs and all others interested in our publishing work will be glad to learn that our third and final "big week" for the year will take place October 3 to 9. We trust that all our colporteurs will put forth their best endeavors to make this the strongest effort of this kind we have ever made.

There is great inspiration in the thought that all the workers throughout the union conference are united in a special effort to demonstrate what can be done by earnest united work.

In the past some of our colporteurs have failed to realize the importance of these special appointments and quite a number have failed to unite with the rest of us in this way. But I trust that every man in the union will feel it a great privilege to put in from forty to sixty hours of earnest work during the week.

We also cordially invite our tract society secretaries, ministers and other conference workers to unite with us in this year's final "big week." If we are all faithful in this effort, others will catch the inspiration and it will help us to finish the year's work in a good strong way.

If we are to reach our goal of \$170,000 for the union conference, it will require earnest persevering effort on the part of all connected with this department, and we trust that each man will be found at his post of duty not only during the "big week," but every other week until the close of the year.

All conference workers who may wish to enter the field during this "big week" should arrange with the local field secretary for their territory. F. E. Painter.

## HARVEST INGATHERING

### INGATHERING CAMPAIGN ECHOES

From a letter received by one of our brethren: "In accordance with our conversation of yesterday regarding the mission work of your church, I am herewith enclosing my check for \$10.00 for this work. I wish it could be for a larger sum for I know the purpose for which the money is used is a very excellent one."

A Lake Union Conference worker relates the following: "Last year I approached a man who had been giving each year, for several years, a five-dollar bill to our Harvest Ingathering fund. My mind was made up to ask him for \$25.00. He was well able to give it. He was somewhat interested in our work—at least he has always manifested a friendly spirit toward us. I had thought that doubtless the reason he had never given more than five dollars was because no one had ever asked him to give more. I even thought he had been asked to donate to our cause without any specific amount being mentioned that he might give. So I decided to give him an opportunity, at least, to give more.

"I walked up to him one day thinking I would ask him for \$25.00. As I was waiting for him to finish a conversation with another man, my heart began to fail me and I began to think, 'Well, he has never given more than five dollars before; it may be placing it a little too high to ask him for twenty-five.' Then he came to me. I opened my mouth and instead of my lips saying \$25.00 they asked for fifteen. I told him that I was going to ask him for a little more than he gave the year before and that I would like to put him down for \$15.00. Without hesitation he reached into his cash drawer and pulled out two bills, a ten and a five.

"Now I might just as well have had the twenty-five as fifteen dollars. It seemed as though he was just waiting for me to ask him how much I wanted; but I had hesitated. The more I thought about it the more

I hesitated, and I believe I lost just \$10.00 by the hesitation.

"I cite this experience thinking that it may be helpful to others in the campaign this year. If you think the person is able to give it and acts friendly to your cause, ask for a liberal offering. It leaves a better impression than it would if the solicitor asked for only a dollar or fifty cents.

"One of our brethren went to a business man one day last year and asked for something like \$15.00. The exact amount just slips my mind at this writing, but the man smiled and replied, 'Why in the world didn't you ask me for something worth while—say at least a hundred dollars?'"

Foreigners, generally, give liberal offerings for the Harvest Ingathering fund. Do not pass any by. Papers have been prepared in the following languages and can be secured from your tract society: German, Danish, Swedish, Italian, Polish, Bohemian, Roumanian, French, Finnish, Slovakian, Servian, Portuguese, Russian, Hungarian and Yiddish.

There is also being prepared a statement in each of these languages, telling briefly of our work and the contents of the paper and soliciting a donation. Where persons are met who do not understand English these cards can be handed to them and they can read for themselves the appeal. These foreign canvasses can be secured from your tract society.

If your church has not received its Ingathering papers and other supplies for the Harvest Ingathering campaign, write your conference home missionary secretary about it at once. Papers have been ordered sent to all the churches, and if you have not received yours something is wrong somewhere. Plan for every member to have some part in this year's campaign.

J. A. Stevens.

### NOTICE

There is room for three more students to enter the training school for nurses at the Paradise Valley Sanitarium. Classes are just starting. Send to Superintendent of Training School, National City, California, for calendar and application blanks.

## FIELD TIDINGS

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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### SABBATH SCHOOL NEWS

Sabbath, August 28, a Sabbath school convention was held at Salida, there being a large number present. Practically the whole of the Ripon church attended. Elder and Sister Clarence Santee and Brother and Sister C. D. Stone rendered valuable assistance. Many others took an active and willing part in presenting topics, and also in the discussions. The following topics were considered:

Forenoon session: Aim of the Sabbath School, Brother Walter Rogers; Daily Study of the Sabbath School Lesson, Mrs. C. D. Stone; Home Influence on the Sabbath School, Brethren Burden and Grey.

Afternoon session: Responsibility of the Sabbath School Teacher, Brother J. Hiatt; Sabbath School Discipline, Brother Heald; Excuses, Sister Wheeler.

Much could be written about these topics, but space will not permit.

The children added greatly to the program with their recitations and songs. Special music, which was enjoyed by all, was provided by the male quartet, and one piece was very pleasingly rendered by a mixed quartet. The congregational singing was led by the local orchestra.

More time was given to the discussion of the daily study of the Sabbath school lesson than to any of the other topics, and much interest was manifested, which was gratifying to those who have been advocating this plan. All were led to see the great need of knowing our Bibles better, and thus have spiritual food in the day of the great famine for the Word of God. A recommendation from the Spirit of prophecy that we should "set aside each day a little time for the study of the Sabbath school lesson with your children" was often quoted as well as the one, "None but those who have fortified the mind with the truths of the Bible will be able to stand in the last great conflict."

So much good was derived from this convention that it was voted to

have another one before the close of the year. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung in closing.

The Oakdale Sabbath school was recently visited by the writer. This is a working school, keeping up their goals, a condition which is always reflected in the interest shown by all the members. It was good to see the kindergarten teacher putting into use some of the ideas learned at camp meeting from Sister Washburn, who had charge of the kindergarten work there. This church is planning to open a church school this fall.

It was a pleasure to meet with the Stockton Sabbath school, September 4. We found them adding the fifteen minutes to their session for "A Thought for Missions," so the visitors were tardy. We were glad to see them giving more time and study to the Sabbath school work.

The "Star Memory Certificates" are interesting the children very much. Already 100 certificates are in the hands of the teachers in the different schools, and the children are studying hard to get their stars all on so they can have their certificates. Yuba City Sabbath school reports that they have eighteen cards and nearly all the stars on. They have asked for six more certificates. They have only thirty members in their school, so others than the children must be interested in these certificates.

The Anti-Tobacco Annual number of the "Instructor" is here now, and plans are being laid to place a copy in each home where there are boys. Why not interest the W. C. T. U. leaders in each locality in this paper, as well as the leaders in other churches? Selling these papers will also help the children to raise their dollars for the thirteenth Sabbath offering.

Mrs. C. D. Stone.

"The one note that is most often missing in Christian life, in Christian service, is the note of spontaneous joy."

"Our lives we cut on a curious plan, Shaping them, as it were, for man; But God, with better art than we, Shapes them for eternity."

**UTAH MISSION**

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A good start has been made in the Harvest Ingathering work, and the members are planning to take hold of this work now rather than wait until near the close of the year. In the Ogden church, several bands will be formed. A leader will be appointed for each band, and the city will be divided and certain sections given to each.

**COLPORTEUR NEWS**

Between July 2 and September 8, Brother William Green, of Salt Lake City, sold ten copies of "Bible Readings" to people with whom he came in contact in his work. Daily duties prevent Brother Green from going out at present in the field to devote his entire time to canvassing; but he takes advantage of opportunities to call attention to this book, which resulted in ten orders in less than two months. We continually hear of new members who have been brought to a knowledge of the truth for this time through reading some of our books or periodicals; and we trust the Lord will continue to bless the work of Brother Green, and that some precious souls may be gathered in as a result of his efforts. Are there not others in the Utah Mission who could devote at least a portion of their time to this work?

Brother George W. Winn, who has been canvassing in Bingham Canyon and other near-by towns, relates some very interesting experiences. The following is one of them: He called at a home and a young lady opened the door. She told him that her mother and sister were at the rear of the house and asked him to step around that way and speak to them. He did so, and gave them a canvass for "Great Controversy." The young lady came back where they were just as he was finishing his canvass. She was very sorry that she had not heard all of it, and asked that she might go with him to the next house and hear it. She did so, and the lady next door was much interested, especially in regard to the second coming of Christ. Brother Winn offered to study the Bible with her and arranged for a time to have

the study. Some of the neighbors came in and all enjoyed the evening very much. The lady at whose home the meeting was held told Brother Winn that she had known of Seventh-day Adventists before, and that she was going to keep the Sabbath. This interest will no doubt be followed up, and we trust she will be faithful to this promise, and that others who are interested will decide to take their stand.

The next morning as Brother Winn was passing, he was called in by the young lady that he had first met, to answer some more questions along the line of the study given the night before. Her sister had been unable to attend the meeting and they had studied and talked together on this subject until five in the morning.

As we read reports from all parts of the world of the progress of the book work, and of the interest manifested in the message contained in these books, we see that the Lord is preparing the people for this message, and that many are anxious to know what will be the outcome of present-day conditions.

"The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order, and it is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for this time. The importance of the work of the ministry is unmistakable; but many who are hungry for the bread of life have not the privilege of hearing the word from God's delegated preachers. For this reason it is essential that our publications be widely circulated. Thus the message will go where the living preacher cannot go, and the attention of many will be called to the important events connected with the closing scenes of this world's history." "Colporteur Evangelist."

We are glad for the interest being manifested in this branch of the Lord's work, and trust that more may soon decide to devote their entire time to it. W. R. Powers.

"What the world wants and waits for to-day is a strong, true, vital preaching of doctrine."

"Repentance includes sorrow for sin, and a turning away from it."

## BOOK WORK

### EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS

What a limited conception we have of the power of God, and of the activities of heavenly beings in behalf of those who know not the truth for this time! God has His agencies at work on every hand and a wonderful work is being accomplished, yet many even of our own people know very little of what is being done right before their eyes. Not alone in this land but throughout the entire world we find multiplied evidence that the blessing of heaven is attending every honest effort for the saving of men. Probably there is no factor which is to have a larger place in the closing work of this message than the printed page. This is shown by the many providences attending the work of our faithful colporteurs and by the truly marvelous sales that are being made, the records of which are climbing higher and higher.

These records remind one of the rising tide of healing waters described in the forty-seventh chapter of Ezekiel. The following extracts are to the point:

"Brother J. D. Leslie, who only a short time ago was sent to Old Mexico as field secretary, reports that three of his colporteurs in a total of 86 hours took orders to the value of \$2,406, making an average of \$27.98 per hour; the largest record of the three was \$1,100 in 34 hours, while the best record per hour was \$38.91, or \$934 in 24 hours. Brother Leslie also says, 'The message is going down here in spite of revolutions and bandits. Away down in the most southern part of the Republic there is an island of some 53 inhabitants. In some way they got hold of some of our literature, and the other day we received word from them that 32 were keeping the Sabbath and living up to all the light they had. There has been no minister there yet to instruct them. It looks as though we might have a second Pitcairn.'"

From Jamaica comes this word: "Last week we had a most remarkable thing happen here that was unknown before. One man, a native, sold \$246.95 worth of 'Our Day' in 56 hours. The same week his partner

took orders to the value of \$189.14 gold. And this is 'poor Jamaica where large books cannot be sold.'"

Under date of September 5 I have the following from Brother Ferren of the Pacific Press: "The Press book sales to date amount to \$867,550.86, which is a gain of over \$209,000, or 32 per cent. Friday when Brother Smith filled up our factory thermometer it showed that, including periodical sales, we have now reached over \$1,150,000." And there are yet four months more to hear from before the close of the year.

From the General Department at Washington comes the word that for the single month of July our book sales as reported for the world totaled \$720,000, practically three-quarters of a million dollars in one month. This seems almost incredible, but it is true, and certainly indicates that the Lord is wonderfully blessing the circulation of our literature. It is but a short time since we were rejoicing over the fact that our literature sales for the world had reached a million dollars worth in a year, and now we are selling almost that much in a single month, and the end is not yet.

What heights will be reached before the end, no one can say; but everything indicates that these are wonderful days in which we live, and that we will see still more wonderful things, and this work is to continue, for we are told that "as long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the colporteur to carry on his work. "Colporteur Evangelist," page 99.

F. E. Painter.

### WHO WERE THE AARONITES?

These were the descendants of Aaron, and were members of the priesthood. In the days of David's adversities Jehoiada was said to be "leader of the Aaronites." 1 Chron. 12:27. Zadok was their ruler some thirty years later. 1 Chron. 27:17. Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was "of the daughters of Aaron." Luke 1:5.

In the distribution of the territory of Palestine in the days of Joshua the Aaronites were assigned thirteen cities. Nine of these were located in the two tribes of Judah and Simeon, while four were within the

boundaries of Benjamin. One of these, namely, Hebron, was a city of refuge for those who unintentionally slew another. Joshua 21:13-19. These thirteen cities, with ten assigned to the Kohathites, among the tribes of Ephraim, Dan, and the half tribe of Manasseh; the thirteen given to the Gershonites, in the other half tribe of Manasseh, in Issachar, and Naphtali, and twelve to the Merarites, in Zebulun, Reuben and Gad, constituted, with their suburbs, forty-eight cities, which were bestowed on the Levites as their portion of the promised land.

These people being called to minister in connection with the priesthood, a large amount of land was not thought necessary to their comfort; so their portion was these four dozen cities, with their suburbs, where they were to have their homes. These suburbs extended outward from the cities 2,000 cubits (three-fifths of a mile), which gave several acres in extent, for each Levite, on which to erect barns, plant gardens, and vineyards, and to have fields and pastures. Num. 35:1-5.

The high-priesthood continued in the family of Eleazar, the third son of Aaron, till the time of Eli, (B. C. 1200-1141), who was of the family of Ithamar, the youngest son of Aaron. It was, however, restored to the house of Eleazar, through Zadok, who received it when Abiathar was dismissed by Solomon. 1 Kings 2:35. In this was fulfilled the prediction of 151 years before, that the Lord would cut off the arm of Eli, and of his father's house. 1 Sam. 2:30, 31; 3:13, 14. —C.

### Obituaries

**Rose.**—Hubert Emory Rose, son of Brother and Sister Roscoe Rose of Stockton, Cal., fell asleep in Jesus, Aug. 20, 1920, aged two years and eight months. His bright little life had been a blessing to the home, and we believe will always remain a fond remembrance, also a blessed tie that will bind the hearts of loved ones closer together, waiting for that glorious day to dawn, when all tears shall be washed away and loved ones shall meet again. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

T. H. Watson.

**Dutcher.**—Asa Dutcher was born Jan. 26, 1857, in Ulster County, New York. He accepted the third angel's message in Oakland, Cal., as a result of the labors of Elder Simpson in 1906. He later moved to Napa and was a member of that church until his death. During his last sickness he was a patient sufferer, holding on to the promises of God until rest came Aug. 30, 1920. His wife and one son are left to mourn.

L. H. Olson.

**Kray.**—Bernhard Kray was born in Germany, in 1865, and died Aug. 27, 1920, at the age of 55 years. He came to America in 1885, living in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for 24 years, where he embraced present truth. Later he came to California, locating in Santa Cruz about two years ago, and was one of our faithful members. His wife remains with us and mourns her loss.

W. C. Ward.

**MY FRIEND**

I have a Friend who seeth me  
As down life's thorny path I tread;  
Through dangers all He watches me  
And shelters my defenseless head:  
In journeys oft; in tempests wild;  
'Midst wicked men, all sin-defiled;  
I know, I know I am His child,  
And e'er His eye is watching me.

I have a Friend who guideth me  
When pitfalls oft bestrew my way;  
In burden's hour He helpeth me  
And bids me all on Him to lay:  
When called His bounties given to  
share;

When called the woes of men to bear,  
I know, I know that He is there,  
And His own hand is guiding me.

I have a Friend who loveth me,  
Though "checkered" oft my life has  
been;

Before the throne He pleads for me  
And by His blood removes my sin;  
Then day by day; yes, hour by hour,  
Forgiving grace, and Spirit's power  
Are poured upon me more and more,  
And this dear Friend receiveth me.

—J. I. Taylor.

"Christ within makes an inner joy  
that all the darkness of earth's trials  
cannot quench."

**Book Report, Week Ending August 27, 1920**

| Agent                                | Book         | Hours      | Orders     | Helps           | Value            | Def.            |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Central California</b>            |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| A. V. Larson                         | P. P.        | 35         | 28         | \$ 2.00         | \$158.50         |                 |
| F. M. Bagley                         | P. P.        | 22         | 6          | 6.50            | 39.50            | 10.00           |
| L. W. Dickman                        |              | 7          | 2          | 7.50            | 40.50            |                 |
| 3 Agents                             |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
|                                      |              | 64         | 36         | \$ 16.00        | \$218.50         | \$ 10.00        |
| <b>Week Ending September 3, 1920</b> |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| <b>California</b>                    |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| M. K. Graham                         | G. C., P. G. | 23         | 13         | \$ 5.75         | \$ 76.75         | \$ 10.75        |
| M. B. Scholes                        | P. G.        | 37         | 13         | 11.25           | 93.50            | 36.50           |
| 2 Agents                             |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
|                                      |              | 60         | 26         | \$ 17.00        | \$170.25         | \$ 47.25        |
| <b>Central California</b>            |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| F. M. Bagley                         | P. P.        | 25         | 8          |                 | \$ 43.00         | \$ 46.50        |
| 1 Agent                              |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| <b>Southern California</b>           |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| H. N. Brass**                        | B. R.        | 93         | 18         | \$ 43.20        | \$166.70         | \$285.55        |
| Ona M. Hockett*                      | B. R.        | 13         | 10         |                 | 65.00            |                 |
| L. R. Herrera                        | G. C.        | 30         | 16         | 1.75            | 102.75           | 37.25           |
| J. A. Westrup                        | P. G.        | 28         | 5          | 4.50            | 37.00            | 134.00          |
| 4 Agents *2 Weeks **3 Weeks          |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
|                                      |              | 164        | 49         | \$ 49.45        | \$371.45         | \$456.80        |
| <b>Utah Mission</b>                  |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| G. W. Winn                           | G. C.        | 46         | 29         | \$ 26.85        | \$196.85         |                 |
| 1 Agent                              |              |            |            |                 |                  |                 |
| <b>Totals</b>                        |              | <b>359</b> | <b>148</b> | <b>\$109.30</b> | <b>\$1000.05</b> | <b>\$560.55</b> |

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One of the many interesting things told by Elder Frederick Lee in his contribution to the new missionary work, "With Our Missionaries in China," is his entrance by passenger train, freight train, and by mule carts, into the very ancient province of Shensi, in 1915. In connection with the early history of missions in this Province, he tells of Pastor Liu's immigration, bringing with him for a distance of one thousand miles a company of a hundred Christians, and founding the "Gospel Village."

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Prof. W. W. Ruble spent the past few days in Mountain View planning with the brethren for their school the coming year.

San Fernando Academy is scheduled to open Wednesday, September 15. Its capacity will be taxed to accommodate all who desire to attend.

Brother W. C. Raley returned to the office the first of the week from Pacific Union College, where he has been completing the audit for the past fiscal year.

After spending several weeks in California attending camp meetings at Oakland, San Diego and Los Angeles, Elder C. S. Longacre left last week for Washington, D. C. His labors were appreciated by all.

Elder J. W. Christian attended a meeting of the Southern California Conference committee in Los Angeles last Sunday. Monday he left for Salt Lake City and other points. He will spend next Sabbath and Sunday at Ogden or Salt Lake City.

Pacific Union College will begin its new school year Tuesday, September 14. The indications are that the enrollment on the opening day will be the largest in the history of the institution. The faculty has been strengthened by the addition of several instructors of long experience, and the present year gives promise of being the best the college has ever known.

Brother F. E. Painter is spending a few days at Mountain View, Oakland and Pacific Union College.

By the time this issue of the "Recorder" reaches its readers our primary and intermediate schools and junior academies in the Pacific Union Conference will be at work. An army of approximately 4,000 boys and girls will be getting a training that will fit them for a place of usefulness somewhere in the world-wide field.

**ATTENTION!**

Patrons and students of Lodi Academy: In order that our buildings may be more nearly completed, and that you may have a longer time to work in the fruit, it has been decided to postpone the opening of school until Tuesday, October 5, 1920.

Local elders of the Central and Northern Conferences, please make the above announcement each Sabbath for the next three weeks.

D. D. Lake, Principal.

**EVIDENCE OF LOYALTY**

We again call the attention of our readers to the fifty-cent-a-week fund figures. A material betterment in our standing has been made during the past month. Two conferences have exceeded their goal for the eight months, and all have done exceptionally well, the standing of the union being above 45 cents a member per week. The remittance to the General Conference from the Pacific Union for August contained \$42,783.97 for missions. In addition to our full quota for the month we had about \$14,000 to apply on the amount we were in arrears. This splendid showing was made possible

by liberal donations at our camp meetings, but now that our camp meetings are in the past all are free to turn their attention to other lines.

A recent communication from the treasurer of the General Conference states the shortage on the general missions goal for the United States at the end of July was \$476,204.07. This is indeed sufficient reason to cause each one to spring into action and relieve the situation. By each one in this union getting behind this proposition personally it will be a comparatively easy task to raise the amount we are short, and if this is done, and our quota raised month by month, it will not be necessary to make a strenuous effort at the close of the year.

Let each one improve every opportunity for increasing our offerings. The next thirteenth Sabbath offering will be taken in a couple of weeks, and this is none too early to begin to plan for a liberal offering at that time. The General Conference brethren have arranged for the full amount of the offering for the colored work to be taken October 9 to apply on our fifty-cent-a-week fund goal. Then again we are just entering the Harvest Ingathering campaign, which affords every one an opportunity of acquainting friends and neighbors with the progress of our work, and giving them an opportunity to assist in carrying the gospel to those groping in darkness.

We desire in this connection to express our hearty appreciation to our faithful brethren and sisters for what they are doing toward the support of our foreign mission work. Surely every one counts this a great privilege. The Lord will abundantly bless His people for their faithfulness. B. M. Emerson, Treasurer.

**Fifty-cent-a-week Fund in Pacific Union Conference  
For Eight Months Ending August 31, 1920**

| Conference                 | Membership   | Amount Due          | Amount Received     | Amount Short        | Cents per Member per Week |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| California .....           | 3417         | \$ 59,228.00        | \$ 62,864.86        | \$ 3,636.86*        | .53-07                    |
| Northern California        | 1814         | 31,442.75           | 31,892.18           | 449.43*             | .50-71                    |
| Nevada .....               | 275          | 4,766.75            | 4,242.82            | 523.93              | .44-50                    |
| Central California....     | 2169         | 37,596.00           | 33,154.35           | 4,441.65            | .44-09                    |
| Southeastern Cal.....      | 1841         | 31,910.75           | 26,753.14           | 5,157.61            | .41-92                    |
| Southern California        | 2703         | 46,852.00           | 35,471.52           | 11,380.48           | .37-85                    |
| Arizona .....              | 619          | 10,729.25           | 7,578.34            | 3,150.91            | .35-31                    |
| Utah Mission.....          | 190          | 3,293.25            | 2,061.96            | 1,231.29            | .31-30                    |
| <b>PACIFIC UNION</b> ..... | <b>13028</b> | <b>\$225,818.75</b> | <b>\$204,019.17</b> | <b>\$ 21,799.58</b> | <b>.45-17</b>             |
| *Amount Over               |              |                     |                     |                     |                           |