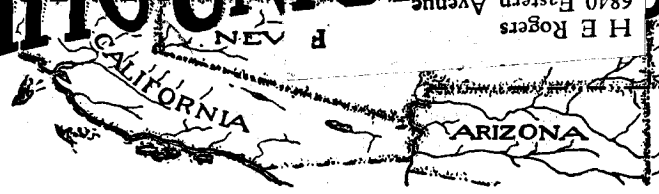


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"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another."

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## The "Signs" Stands Without a Peer

According to the reports presented by the Statistical Secretary of the General Conference at the Autumn Council of 1937, there are in North America 161,271 Seventh-day Adventists, and throughout the world 438,139. These believers are not scattered over North America and over the world by chance, because the Lord has planned that "this gospel of kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations" before the end comes.

We are definitely told that "the Lord has His eye upon every one of His people; He has His plans concerning each," and "the Lord now calls upon Seventh-day Adventists in every locality to consecrate themselves to Him, and to do their very best, according to their circumstances, to assist in His work."—*Vol. 6, p. 12; Vol. 9, p. 132.*

What is the work in which God requires the assistance of every Seventh-day Adventist? "The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God," and "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."—*"Colporteur Evangelist," p. 80.*

Literature is one of the most wonderful agencies of God for extending the message of a soon-coming Saviour into all the world. Marvelous are the results of transforming power of the gospel message in printed form. Thousands of people now rejoicing as members of God's remnant people owe their acquaintance with the great fundamental truths of the Bible to their reading of our periodicals such as the *Signs of the Times*.

The blessed ministry and influence of this pioneer missionary periodical will never be known in this life, but in the kingdom to come there will be a host

of people who, because of their receipt and reading of this paper, their impressions received, and decision to obey its teachings, will have words of gratitude to render and praise to express because someone placed the *Signs* in their hands or their home.

Throughout its many years of service, the *Signs* has kept true to its soul-winning objectives. We believe that as an exponent of the great fundamentals of the last message of warning and salvation, it is without a peer. It should enjoy a circulation far in advance of its present list. We are hopeful that the year 1938 will mark a decided advance in the present mailing list.

In our plans for a "Greater Win One" movement throughout North America, we would suggest that the *Signs* be made a strong cooperative agency in making the year before us the best we have ever experienced in spreading the glad tidings of the kingdom of our Lord.

STEEN RASMUSSEN.

## "After Many Days"

While in Australia recently, I met a brother at the close of a service at a camp meeting. He said he wanted to meet Mrs. Fulton. Thinking he wished to meet us both because we were visitors from America, I beckoned to Mrs. Fulton, who was standing some distance away in the large pavilion. She came to us, and this brother told her that when we were in Australia a good many years Mrs. Fulton gave him copies of the *Signs of the Times*, which led him to the truth. In the meantime, his family grew up. A son had finished work at our Australasian Missionary College and was now a member of the staff at the union conference office and a daughter is now finishing her work at the college.

What a thrill such experiences give us, and how it illustrates the text, "Cast

thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." Eccl. 11:1.

In Eastern lands, the soft muddy land is plowed or stirred up with a sort of wooden plow drawn by water buffaloes and the rice is sown on the water, and as the water is drained off the grain soon springs up and "after many days" is the harvest.

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand." Verse 6. The *Signs of the Times* is a great soul winner, but it needs hands to carry it, to sow the seed. "Withhold not thine hand." It needs feet to run with the message the *Signs* contains. Shall your feet be used? "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings." Isa. 52:7. The *Signs* is very wonderful, but it needs hands and feet, and we can all do that humble and blessed work.

The promise is that we "shall reap if we faint not." What about the many members in the Pacific Union each trying with the *Signs* to win a soul in 1938? The blessed promise is, "Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days." J. E. FULTON.

## "The Signs of the Times" at Work

"If you fellows want to get a good slant on the war in China question for your theme, just look in the last *Signs of the Times* magazine that Professor So and So brought over last week."

So quoth a youth in one of our Southern California high schools.

Professor So and So, a high school teacher of the finest type, and his wife, have been our friends, and patients of my husband's for sixteen or eighteen years. Naturally, we have given them our literature and have kept the *Signs of the Times* in their home for, I believe, ten years or more.

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The dear little wife has been practically  
an invalid during most of that time, be-  
ing unable to attend church. After some  
Bible studies and possibly three or four  
times attending meetings, but reading our  
literature, she decided about six years  
ago to be baptized.

Her husband was a little slow about  
giving his approval, but finally said that  
if it made her any happier he would be  
satisfied, even though he felt there was  
nothing to it.

She has prayerfully and quietly watched  
him reading her *Signs of the Times* and  
joyfully listened as he quoted it to others.  
For the last several years he has taken it  
to school as soon as read, and says that  
the boys eagerly use it for theme work.

We have been happy and gratified to  
see that the ideas and ideals of our  
friend do not drift with the current of  
opinion that carries along all too many  
high school teachers of today. In fact,  
he has become quite dissatisfied with their  
growing trend of thought. We cannot  
help but believe in the part the *Signs of  
the Times* has played through the years.  
And we thank God for it.

Just the other day my husband came  
home from the office very happy over a  
bit of conversation with the teacher, who  
had mentioned his growing dissatisfaction,  
and then had questioningly remarked, "I  
wonder why I couldn't get a position in

one of your schools." His wife spoke up,  
"Why, dear, you have to be an Adventist  
to do that." After a thoughtful moment  
he looked at Doctor Steen and said,  
"Well now, really, I don't know where  
I differ very much from thinking as you  
people do."

We thank the Lord for a periodical  
that plays such an important part in  
bringing souls to a knowledge of the  
meaning of the signs of our times.

MRS. CLAUDE STEEN.

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

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**A Powerful Weapon**

The greatest need of this present hour  
is for religious certainty. Outside of the  
demonstration of the Spirit in human life,  
there is no surer manifestation than  
through Bible prophecy. The time has  
passed when mere assertions on subjects  
relating to religious truth are acceptable.  
The call is for demonstrated truth, and  
nothing short of such declarations, be  
they in life or word, will win men to the  
cause of truth. "What is Truth?" is  
the question of the hour.

The *Signs* stands out primarily upon  
these two great and convincing platforms,  
and constitutes, therefore, the finest week-  
ly periodical in our hands for personal  
and public evangelism. Out of the midst  
of the confusion of the present hour must  
come a guidance that leads to light and  
salvation. The blur which present day  
religious teaching has taken on regarding  
moral standards, the indefiniteness as to  
right and wrong heard in the voices pro-  
fessing to lead, have caused a break-down  
in religious thinking which bids fair to  
usher in a day of horror and despair sur-  
passing anything yet seen by the hu-  
man race.

The clean-cut clarion voice of prophecy  
as repeated and repeated through the  
good old *Signs of the Times* is one of  
the most powerful means in the world  
today to bring quietness and assurance to  
the hearts of its readers. By pointing out  
the unquestionable and dependable au-  
thority of the Holy Scriptures this instru-  
ment of truth is doing more than any other  
publication to bring comfort and convic-  
tion to judgment-bound men and women.

As a "voice in the wilderness" the *Signs  
of the Times* speaks forth a lighted way  
to baffled and bewildered multitudes,  
pointing out the only safe and sane path-

way away from the confusion of the pres-  
ent hour. By elevating the great princi-  
ples of God's word above that of every  
other word, and holding aloft the stand-  
ards of authority and power upon which  
the Christian church was first established,  
the *Signs* is performing, under God's  
blessing, a service in behalf of the church  
and the kingdom of God, the magnitude  
of which cannot be adequately and accu-  
rately estimated.

There never was a time when it was as  
important that Seventh-day Adventists  
set themselves determinedly to greatly in-  
crease the circulation of the *Signs* as now.  
This is one of the privileges and tasks  
which should receive emphasis of the  
first magnitude. Not only should every  
loyal believer read the *Signs* himself, but  
he should also have a part in placing one  
or more copies in the hands of others not  
of our faith. Everywhere the *Signs* falls,  
it brings fruitage. Sow this seed and you  
will surely reap a harvest, for only  
through the light of the great prophecies  
of the Bible, as so clearly set forth in  
every issue of this great Prophetic Week-  
ly, can the enigmatical condition of the  
world be explained.

Let every believer in Northern Cali-  
fornia ponder carefully what God would  
have him do in scattering the *Signs of  
the Times* during 1938. I appeal to you,  
brethren and sisters,—let us give this  
powerful weapon of truth an unprece-  
dented circulation throughout our field  
this year.

LOUIS K. DICKSON.

**News Notes**

Capacity audiences have been attend-  
ing the series of Sunday evening evan-  
gelistic meetings held by Elder Alonzo  
Baker, in conjunction with Elder G. R.  
West, in the Women's City Club audi-  
torium at 2315 Durant Street, in Berke-  
ley. Elder Baker's talks on present day  
events in the light of Bible prophecy  
have been very interesting, and are ap-  
preciated by all. We are hoping that  
God will give good fruitage in this effort.

We were glad to see Elder Fulton in  
the office for a few moments the other  
day. Elder Fulton has just returned  
from an extended trip in the South Sea  
Islands and Australia.

Among recent visitors in the office  
was Mr. Henry Norton, Book and Bible  
House secretary of the Southern Cali-  
fornia Conference. Brother Norton for-

merly held the same position in the Northern California Conference. It was a pleasure to welcome him back for a day or two.

The Oakland Central church has had the privilege of having Elder Meade MacGuire, field secretary of the General Conference, conduct a two-week series of meetings for the church members. Commencing Sabbath, January 22, with a study of the law, Elder Meade MacGuire has been presenting each evening a study designed to lead the church members into a deeper experience with God. God has wonderfully blessed these meetings, and we hope that lasting results will be seen.

We are glad to extend a cordial welcome to Brother Elmer Walde, who has come to labor in the Northern California Conference as a singing evangelist. Brother Walde is at present connected with Elder H. M. S. Richards' effort in Lodi, assisting in the binding off of those meetings.

During the last two weeks the conference office has undergone a program of remodeling and repair. Several of the rooms were kalsomined and repainted, and the entire office has had a thorough spring cleaning.

### SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

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### Are You an Indifferent Christian?

I never liked the sound of the word "indifference." It sounds lifeless, cold, unsympathetic, and selfish. But when it is applied to a Christian it sounds even worse. A Christian is to be the very opposite of indifference. We expect the world to be little interested in the salvation of souls, but the worldling expects every Christian to be on fire with a burning love to bring souls to Christ. It was G. Campbell Morgan who once said, "The Christian life necessitates missionary work. You cannot help loving, caring for, and going to the lost, if there be within you the love of God. Therefore, I want to say that if you find you have no interest in missionary work, before you criticize it, go to some quiet place of soul communion with God, and

let Him criticize you, and you will discover that, somehow or somewhere, even if that light was there, it has become extinguished. For your own soul's safety, test your relationship to God by your interest in this great work. Missionary work is the necessary outcome of Christian life. It is not a privilege of life—it is a necessity of life. Live the Christian life, and you are bound to be a missionary."

Dear friends, these words are true. Do you think it is possible to be saved in the kingdom of God and go all through your Christian life without any real burden to save poor lost souls? Concerning this the Apostle John says, "But whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in Him?"—I John 3:17. Sister White has left for us this solemn admonition, "All who are ordained unto the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men. *The same longing soul that He felt for the saving of the Lost is to be manifested in them.* Not all can fill the same place, but for all there is a place and a work. All upon whom God's blessings have been bestowed are to respond by *actual* service. Every gift is to be employed for the advancement of His kingdom."—Vol. 8, p. 16.

In view of this instruction should not the zeal of the church be greater now than at any other period in its history? Should not every church member be deeply interested in plucking brands from the burning? But is that our chief concern? Is the saving of souls your very first work? How much time do you give any week to this greatest of all works? Will you be ashamed of your record in the day of judgment? As we approach the time for the annual *Signs of the Times* campaign, how many of your neighbors and friends will have the privilege of reading this blessed truth because of your liberality? Surely none of us are so poor that we cannot send a year's subscription to one soul during 1938! And doubtless there are many who can afford to send out a hundred subscriptions during the year. If you can do it, will God hold you guiltless in the day of judgment for what you might accomplish? May the Spirit of God lay this burden on all our hearts. Time is short and soon we will be unable to work for souls as

we can now. Let us redeem the time and "work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work."

E. F. HACKMAN.

### Let Us Build

In Elisha's day there was a pressing need for a larger and better school building. In order to attain satisfactory results, it was necessary to have the cooperation of all concerned.

In Southeastern California we are facing a similar situation with some of our church schools. In some cases the enrollment has made such a satisfactory gain that, like Samuel's school, the place is altogether too "strait" for us. Furthermore, quite a number of the buildings in use were not built in harmony with present ideas of lighting, heating, and convenience. These buildings have done good service in their day; but has not the time come to provide good, substantial, well-planned buildings?

There is another type of building work that should receive attention and be carried on parallel with the work in wood and stucco. I refer to the matter of further building up our school enrollment. We have a good staff of consecrated and trained teachers. Our enrollment continues systematically to increase year by year. With the best that we have done, however, we have only about 60 per cent of the children of church school age enrolled in our own schools. These girls and boys are gradually and systematically having built into their lives a desire to live like Christians. It is a characteristic of human nature to develop as we are trained. This is evidenced by the fact that last year about one-third of the baptisms in the conference were of girls and boys in the upper grades of the church school.

If we had the remaining six or seven hundred children in church school the same average would have given a number of baptisms equal to one-half of all those baptized. As it is, these children are being trained for this world only. The one contact of Sabbath school and church weekly cannot in most cases counteract the influence of the rest of the week.

We are just starting the second semester's work. It is a good time for some pupil to start church school. Shall we not each try definitely to be hunters and fishers of not only men but boys and girls?

W. L. AVERY.

### News Notes

The effort in Victorville, conducted by Brethren Dan Dirksen and R. H. Kezer, opened Sunday night, January 23. It is reported that they had a full house, with about fifty people standing who were unable to find seats. Pray that God will abundantly bless this effort and that many souls may be won to the truth.

Elder R. A. Anderson has presented the Sabbath question at the Riverside Auditorium. A large audience gave rapt attention. A wide interest has been created through these meetings, and many interested people are seeking for a full knowledge of our message.

Elder J. E. Fulton spoke in the new Loma Linda church, Sabbath, January 29. His message was much appreciated.

Elder L. E. Esteb, home missionary secretary of the North Pacific Union Conference, called at the office last week. Elder J. F. Piper, president of the Central Union, was also a recent caller.

You will all want to have a copy of Elder Christian's new book, "Facing the Crisis." If you mailed your order before midnight, January 31, you can take advantage of the pre-publication price of \$1.50, thereby saving \$1.25 on the regular price of the book, which will sell for \$2.75.

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### Lynwood Academy

Things are moving at the Lynwood Academy. The cafeteria building is enclosed now, the doors and windows are in, the roof is on, plumbing is roughed in, and the cement floor in the first story will soon be laid.

This will be a beautiful and serviceable building 128 feet long and 56 feet wide, and a kitchen 40 feet square at the west end.

The first floor will be divided into classrooms to be used for domestic science, nursing classes, sewing, etc. The second floor will be used as a cafeteria for the camp meeting, and during school time part of the room will be used as a school cafeteria. For the present year a part will be used as an assembly room.

The foundation is in for the main or

administration building. By the time this is read the first or subfloor will be laid and very soon the building will be taking on real proportions.

Reports show that a little better than \$10,000 of the \$25,000 to be raised by the churches for this administration building is raised and has been sent in to the conference.

The \$25,000 that the conference was to raise and put in with the money from the churches is all in hand, and will be paid out dollar for dollar as the money comes in from the churches.

At a recent meeting of the finance committee with the building committee, it was voted to request the churches to complete the raising of the remaining \$15,000 to be raised by the churches by the last of March. The conference committee, the finance committee, and the building committee have agreed that the building will proceed only as fast as the cash is in hand; and at any time that the funds are used up, the building immediately stops.

The money furnished by the conference is available with the money furnished by the churches only on the dollar for dollar basis. In other words, at the present time there is only \$10,000 available from the churches and \$10,000 available from the conference; or a total of \$20,000 dollars available at this time for work on the administration building. If that should be all used up, work on the building would have to stop. However, we feel certain the money will come in from the churches fast enough so the entire amount will be available by the last of March and work will not have to stop until the building is completed.

We are told in the Spirit of prophecy that "nothing is of greater importance than the education and training of our children and young people" and that "school buildings are as important as church buildings."

Let us continue our efforts until this school plant is completed, and our young people given the opportunity of the very best education, given in harmony with God's great plan. W. W. RUBLE.

### Definite Evidences

So definite are the hundreds of evidences of the effectiveness of the *Signs of the Times*, as a soul-winning factor that every progressive leader and soul winner in North America is concerned with the circulation of this paper during 1938.

Long-latent interest in the truth as well as active oppositions are being turned to complete conversions. We have families accepting the truth; ministers of other denominations embracing the message; others inquiring for, subscribing to, and basing sermons on the *Signs*.

Literally hundreds of requests for the *Signs* have come to our office this past year from individuals who have seen only one copy. Both public and school libraries have requested that they be furnished with subscriptions to the *Signs*. Club and other leaders desire to have it placed in their reading rooms. Public lecturers quote from it and recommend it to others as source material.

Such is the unique place that the *Signs* holds in the minds of the reading public and in the missionary field.

With the special subsidy bringing the price of the *Signs* for one year down to the low figure of only \$1, either in single subscriptions or in clubs, it is fully anticipated that the number of subscriptions in each and every church in Southern California will surpass the one-per-member average.

Fellow-leaders and members, shall we be held blameless if we fail to utilize this effective way of following up every interest, every Ingathering donor, every one to whom we have formerly sent the *Signs*, and each business or professional associate who knows not the truth? At the price of \$1, finances need not be the hindering cause. The time is opportune for the giving of the message. What hinders us from the realization of a full *Signs* ministry program averaging at least one-per-member? Let's do it during the *Signs* campaign. H. M. BURWELL.

### Announcement

We are glad that Elder Gwynne Dalrymple, of the Pacific Press, will spend several days in our conference. Beginning Sunday, February 6, he will have an appointment every evening at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday evening he will speak at Exposition Park; Monday, Santa Monica; Tuesday, Spear Tabernacle; Wednesday, Pasadena; Thursday, Inglewood; and Friday, Glendale Sanitarium.

On Sabbath, February 12, he will speak in the Glendale church at 11 o'clock and in Paulson Hall at 3 o'clock.

On Sunday evening, February 13, Elder Dalrymple will speak in the Alhambra church at 7:30 o'clock; Monday, Pomona; and Tuesday in Hollywood.

## HAWAIIAN MISSION

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### A Preacher of the First Order

There is no group of preachers in the cause today doing a greater evangelizing work than the *Signs of the Times*. In fact, it can reach many people and attract them in a way which no living preacher can do. The *Signs of the Times* is the official denominational evangelist. It presents a fresh weekly series of sermons, news items, and spiritual messages. It is a preacher of the first order, whose messages fade not away. It is the voice of one crying in the wilderness of world perplexities, pointing the way back to God, and heralding the last messages God has given a dying world. The *Signs of the Times* stands without a peer in its phase of world evangelism, and because of these facts it should be freely circulated among all English speaking people. It found its place in this denomination by divine appointment many, many years ago. It is among us to do a great work of disseminating light in this day of God's preparation. All should earnestly cooperate in giving it a wide circulation. Some such sentiments were expressed by the servant of the Lord, Sister White, fifty or more years ago.

Here in the Islands we find this weekly visitor accomplishing excellent results. It enters the homes of the rich, the educated, alike with the poor and illiterate. As a result of this weekly visit we occasionally find interests springing up, which when properly followed up bring fruitage to our work. The Seventh-day Adventists of Hawaii nei all join in supporting this annual campaign.

C. S. PROUT.

## CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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### Angels Cooperate

If it were possible to have a response from all who have been brought into the third angel's message since the first issue of the *Signs of the Times* published June 4, 1874, it would be very interesting. Then too, let us think of the thousands who have read its pages and have received information of this movement, whose lives have been influenced, and are on the way to identify themselves in the closing message to this world.

The various ways and peculiar circumstances in which the millions of copies of this "Pioneer Messenger" have come into the hands of people in the various parts of the earth are beyond our thought and comprehension, but are providential.

The bundles placed on outgoing ships have reached their destination, have been read, the flame has been kindled in far-off countries, and not without results.

The 5,468 copies of the *Signs* now coming into our conference have not reached all the homes. This number could well be doubled, so let there be united effort and action in every church in our field to place the *Signs* in its rightful place in giving present truth to a doomed world.

As an exponent of the signs of the times for the days in which we now live, it is filling its appointment. More than ever, its increased circulation to reach a larger reading public should be the goal. We read in Volume 1, page 590, that angels cooperate:

"I saw that the work of present truth should engage the interest of all. The publication of truth is God's ordained plan, as a means of warning, comforting, reproving, exhorting, or convicting all to whose notice the silent, voiceless messengers may be brought. Angels of God have a part to act in preparing hearts to be sanctified by the truth published, that they may be prepared for the solemn scenes before them."

T. L. COPELAND.

### Running Out of Gas Is Profitable

I have canvassed people over the car door, and have had them come from their homes to the car, and while sitting in the car canvassed out over the door, but this time the prospect readily climbed into the car and relaxed.

After a short visit I went into the explanation of the *Health and Watchman* combination, and the dear Lord impressed this seventy-four-year-old widow with the necessity of having these magazines in her home. I thank the Lord for that readily-given order, and firmly believe the meeting of this dear soul in such a way was timed of God, even if He permitted my car to run out of gas at that particular time and place. I give all the glory to our Commander who commissions us to go forth in this "heaven-ordained work."—A. Colporteur.

### "I Don't Know Why I Let You In"

I was invited into the home of a young mother who had been recently converted from Catholicism, and is now a member of the Pentecostal Church. I brought out my "Bible Readings" prospectus, when she said, "My neighbor has that book, and it was a wonderful help to me in understanding the Bible!" But try as I would, I could not get her to sign for one.

However, in our conversation I learned she has a boy; so, after a few more remarks I brought out "Wonderful Bible" and gave her the canvass, receiving an order at once. As the woman paid the deposit she smiled, and said, "Do you know I had promised myself I would never buy anything from an agent, and I don't know why I let you in,—and if you had persisted in selling me your book I would never have taken it!" Yes, the Lord knows just how to guide so we can place this truth-filled literature in the homes where it is needed so much.—B. Colporteur.

## NEVADA-UTAH

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### Our Aim For 1938

No one will deny that we have come to the perils of the last days. Preparation for the last great battle of Armageddon and other omens of the coming of the Lord are on every hand. While we are living in perilous times, we are also living in times of great opportunity for God's people to spread the third angel's message everywhere. The outlook for the winning of souls to this truth was never so bright. For more than sixty years, through the faithful ministry of the *Signs of the Times* thousands have accepted the truth. I know of no other missionary paper anywhere that is winning as many souls as the *Signs of the Times*.

During the year 1937 nearly nine hundred *Signs* came into the Nevada-Utah conference each week. With the few workers that we have in this large mission-conference covering more than two states, it is impossible to cover the field except through the *Signs* which are mailed out to many of the isolated parts of the field.

Today we received a letter from a man in Battle Mountain, Nevada, who has been receiving the *Signs* for nearly two

years. He states that he believes the great principles of this message. Thus, we believe that the seed sowing will bring an abundant harvest, helping us to finish the third angel's message on time in this large, needy conference.

Our aim for 1938 is the *Signs* in the home of every member in the conference and a large club in every church.

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### Our Task

I quote one of the actions passed by the conference constituency in session January 13.

"Believing that God has honest-hearted souls all about us who are waiting and longing for Truth, and that He is counting on us to carry the message to them, we hereby go on record as confessing and abhorring our lukewarmness and indifference in this most solemn hour in the history of the world, and we *Resolve* to promote active evangelism in our churches as never before, and that we be not satisfied until every church member is definitely putting forth earnest efforts in the winning of souls."

Surely this was a most fitting action for the delegates of all of our churches to take. As a people we have been lukewarm. We have done only a small part of what we might have done to advance the work of God. It was the desire of every delegate present that the spirit of this resolution should take hold of the hearts of our people in every part of the state, and that there should be such a revival of evangelism as we have never before witnessed. It can be so if we put ourselves to the task. We must make it so.

A most excellent place to begin is with literature. The Lord has blessed us with most excellent literature on almost any Bible subject, and with the best period-

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A doctor sent a year's subscription to the *Signs of the Times* to one of her patients. She read and enjoyed them. When a series of evangelistic meetings was held in the district, the patient attended. As a result she took her stand for the truths first discovered as she read the *Signs*.

As one of our sisters was passing a house, she stopped to admire the roses. The conversation drifted to religion and the sister promised to have the *Signs* sent to them. After three months she returned to see how the papers were being received. The lady said it was the best paper she had ever read on such subjects. She wanted to subscribe in order to have the assurance that she would not miss a copy.

## Northern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

The fourth biennial session of the reorganized Northern California Conference is called to convene in the Oakland Seventh-day Adventist church, 531 25th Street, Oakland, California, February 14 to 18, 1938. The first meeting is called for 7:30 p. m., Monday, February 14. This session is called for the purpose of receiving reports from the Conference administration and departments for the past biennial period, and for the transaction of any and all other business as may properly come before this session.

The constitution provides under Article VI, "Representation," Section I, that the voters of this Conference shall be:

- (a) Regularly accredited delegates from the local churches of the Conference. (Each church is entitled to one delegate without regard to numbers and one additional delegate for each twenty members or major fraction thereof.)
- (b) The Conference Executive Committee.
- (c) The Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference.
- (d) All Departmental Secretaries of the Conference.
- (e) All persons employed by the Conference who hold a credential or license from the Conference.
- (f) The President and Manager of the Pacific Union College.
- (g) The Medical Superintendent and Manager of the St. Helena Sanitarium.
- (h) The Manager and Secretary and Treasurer of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.
- (i) The Principals of all Academies in the Conference.
- (j) Such members of the Pacific Union Conference and General Conference Committees as may be present at any meeting of the Conference.

LOUIS K. DICKSON, *President*.  
C. C. MATTISON, *Secretary*.

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## Northern California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists

The fourth biennial session of the reorganized Northern California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, a Corporation, is called to convene in connection with the Northern California Conference Session in the Oakland Seventh-day Adventist church, 531 25th Street, Oakland, California, February 14 to 18, 1938, for the purpose of receiving reports and the election of a Board of Directors

for the ensuing biennial period and the transaction of any and all other such business as may properly come before the session.

All accredited delegates to the Northern California Conference Session are members of the Association.

The first meeting is called for 3:00 p. m. Tuesday, February 15, 1938.

LOUIS K. DICKSON, *President*.  
C. C. MATTISON, *Secretary*.

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## Southeastern California Conference

Notice is hereby given that the next biennial session of the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, is called to convene in the new Seventh-day Adventist church at Loma Linda, California, on February 20, 1938. The first meeting will be called to order at 9:30 a. m.

The object of this meeting is to receive reports of the period just closed; to elect officers, an executive committee and departmental secretaries for the ensuing term, and for the consideration of any other business which the delegates may elect to perform.

Voters of this conference shall be the duly elected delegates from churches, members of the present executive committee, those holding credentials or licenses from the conference, conference departmental secretaries, the medical superintendent and business manager of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium, the President and business manager of the Southern California Junior College, the principals of the Loma Linda and the San Diego Academies, and all members of the Pacific Union and of the General Conference executive committees who may be present at this meeting.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization without respect to numbers, and one additional delegate for each twenty members or major fraction thereof.

E. F. HACKMAN, *President*.  
F. H. RALEY, *Secretary*.

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## Southeastern California Association

Notice is hereby given that the regular biennial session of the Southeastern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to convene in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Loma Linda, California, February 20, 1938. The first meeting will be held at 3 o'clock p. m. The object of this meeting is to elect a board of directors for the ensuing biennial term, to receive reports from the officers and for any other business which the delegates may elect to perform.

Members of this association are: Members of the Board of Directors, the duly accredited delegates to the Southeastern California Conference from churches, those holding credentials or licenses from the conference, conference departmental secretaries, and members of the executive committees of the Southeastern California, Pacific Union and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, who may be present at this session.

E. F. HACKMAN, *President*.  
F. H. RALEY, *Secretary*.

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## Notice

The third biennial session of the Central California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (Reorganized 1932) will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, corner of O and Mariposa Streets, Fresno, California, February 7 and 8, 1938, to elect officers, receive re-

ports, to change the constitution or by-laws or to transact any other business that may properly come before this conference.

The first meeting is called for Monday, February 7, 1938, at 2:00 p. m.

T. L. COPELAND, *President.*  
F. T. OAKES, *Secretary.*

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**Notice**

The third Biennial Session of the Central California Conference Association of the the Seventh-day Adventists, a religious Corporation existing in and under the laws of the State of California, will be held in Fresno, California, in connection with the session of the Central California Conference in the Fresno Seventh-day Adventist church, corner of Mariposa and O Streets, for the election of a Board of Directors, to amend the Constitution and by-laws, or to transact any other business that may pertain to this corporation.

The first meeting is called to convene Monday, February 7, 1938, at 4:00 p. m.

T. L. COPELAND, *President.*  
F. T. OAKES, *Secretary.*

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**College of Medical Evangelists  
Constituency Meeting**

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the annual constituency meeting of the College of Medical Evangelists, a corporation, organized and existing under, and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, is called to convene in Loma Linda, California, on Sunday, February 6, 1938, at 10:00 a. m.

The election of ten members of the Board of Trustees, the advisability of amending, repealing, or adopting new By-Laws; reports of the Officers, and Heads of Departments, and such other business as may be necessary or proper to be transacted, will come before the constituency.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

J. L. SHAW, *President.*  
T. F. CULHANE, *Secretary.*

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**ADVERTISEMENTS**

Reference from the conference president must accompany requests for advertising space in the RECORDER where individuals are not known personally to the RECORDER.

Advertising rate: 50 words or less, first insertion, \$1.00. Each consecutive insertion, if run consecutively, 50 cents. No advertisement will be accepted unless cash accompanies the same. Real estate advertisements acceptable only on one property.

**WANTED.**—A housekeeper in a doctor's home, middle-aged woman preferred. Good desert location, modern conveniences, church privileges. Pleasant home and reasonable wages for the right person. Communicate with Box 25, Barstow, Calif. 28-3t

**FOR SALE.**—One large lot in Loma Linda, Calif., 50 x 300. Or trade for lot or property near Shafter, Calif. Also want to get some honey to sell again. J. C. Vinson, Shafter, Calif.

**LENTILS AND CHINA PEAS** for sale. Small variety lentils, per 100 lbs., \$4.50; large variety, \$5.00. China Peas, \$4.50 per 100 lbs. A-1

**OUR COLPORTEUR EVANGELISTS**

"The Lord gave the word and great was the army of them that Published it."

E. M. FISHELL, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Week Ending January 21, 1938

**Arizona—**

C. J. TOWNSEND, <i>Field Miss. Sec.</i>	Book	Hours	Value
Colporteur			
D. C. Batson	H. P.	35	\$ 27.00
Mrs. B. O. Batson	B. P. S.	30	7.75
Mrs. Effie James	H. P.	25	68.00
Hazel Johnson	B. P. S.	51	159.00
Arthur Morgan	H. P.	63	63.75
A. Sanchez	H. P.	58	130.50
Mrs Bruce Smith	Mag.	30	55.10
Workers		20	6.75

9 Colporteurs ..... 312 \$ 517.85

**Central California—**

F. C. DENNEY, <i>Field Miss. Sec.</i>	H. P.	11	\$ 24.40
Rosalie Beglau	H. P.	6	37.25
H. Blackmore	B. P. S.	27	17.45
Esther Calvert	H. P.	30	15.50
La Verne Cleveland	W. B.	37	13.75
F. W. Glaze	H. P.	30	9.75
Mrs. F. W. Glaze	H. P.	28	7.75
Anna Gregoroff	H. R.	16	20.70
Isobel Hansen	B. R.	28	51.00
A. F. Layman	H. P.	15	20.30
Louise Maynez	H. P.	18	37.50
Marjorie Miller	H. P.	30	72.85
Viola Miller	H. P.	32	25.60
V. A. Pickrell	H. P.	15	8.35
Mrs. R. E. Ramage	H. P.	26	25.50
Mrs. K. Saylor	B. R.	30	9.50
Mrs. K. Trammell	B. R.	15	19.50
Mrs. O. G. Vercouteren	H. P.	35	12.10
F. S. Wolfe	B. R.	20	20.00
Mrs. C. Harding	Mag.	13	6.30
Edna Kaldahl	Mag.	19	26.75
Helen Pickel	Mag.	111	69.80
Workers			

29 Colporteurs ..... 574 \$ 550.10

**Hawaiian Mission—**

O. A. BOWEN, <i>Field Miss. Sec.</i>	H. P.	7	\$ 17.50
Mrs. Lela Bowen	H. P.	3	5.25
Lila Bowen	Mag.		

grade and well cleaned. New crop. J. J. Wagner, Rt. 1, Farmington, Wash. 28-3t

**WORK WANTED.**—Middle-aged colored woman, unencumbered, wants work in Christian home. Would go anywhere, but prefer California. O. Stearns, 605 So. Second Ave., Phoenix, Arizona. 28-3t

Mrs. Rossman will share her home with one or two S. D. A. ladies. Kitchen privileges, reasonable rent. Near Hollywood Blvd. and Vermont. Phone Morningside 179-37. Address, 4550 Melbourne Ave., Los Angeles. For reference, phone Miss Learned, Douglas 5451.

**TREATMENT ROOM BUSINESS.**—Well established, 18 years, with complete equipment, for sale. Good location. Rooms now rented cover rental of business, one's own living apartment, and utility expenses. Good reason for selling. Address Loma Linda Treatment Rooms, 624 E Street, San Bernardino, Calif. 26-3t

E. R. ....	Mag.	3	8.85
Regino Cachola	G. C.	5	48.25
Thelma Estes	Mag.	6	6.05
Mrs. R. S. Morrison	Mag.	3	5.00
L. E. Neff	B. R.	24	32.65
Velma Neff	B. R.	24	33.75
Betty Player	B. R.	11	94.50
Grace Rader	Mag.	3	7.25
Tody Shinkawa	Mag.	8	12.10
Stanley Tabura	G. C.	3	24.50
Workers		40	25.25

27 Colporteurs ..... 140 \$ 320.95

**Northern California—**

W. WEST, <i>Field Miss. Sec.</i>	H. P.	30	\$ 22.25
Opal Alexander	H. P.	16	20.55
Mrs. H. Bauman	Mag.	14	19.35
Mrs. L. M. Belden	B. S.	36	48.00
Paul Boyko	B. R.	40	28.50
M. R. Cowan	B. R.	42	10.25
H. O. Ernston	B. R.	32	74.00
John Holder	P. P.	9	24.75
E. J. Kraft	G. C.	37	80.90
Alex Lefore	B. R.	38	28.25
Cecelia McGee	H. P.	24	19.00
Chas. Thompson	B. R.	20	21.50
J. B. Wilcott	G. C.	17	9.75
Lois Williams	B. P. S.		

13 Colporteurs ..... 355 \$ 407.05

**Southeastern California—**

J. D. LESLIE, <i>Field Miss. Sec.</i>	B. R.	55	\$ 75.75
Florence Burrell	B. R.	40	28.75
Wm. Denison	B. R.	41	80.00
G. J. Engevik	H. P.	82	43.50
Norman Hamer	P. P.	40	33.75
T. E. Jones	H. P.		2.45
Mrs. F. S. Nutt	B. M. P.	35	160.75
Joseph Pierce	H. P.	35	142.75
J. W. Reid	H. P.		

8 Colporteurs ..... 328 \$ 567.70

Totals—86 Colporteurs ..... 1,709 \$2,363.65

**FOR SALE.**—Apartment house on ¼ acre; for three families. Steady monthly rental. Near sanitarium. Being a part of the Ellen G. White Estate, must sell to settle estate. G. Bentson, Elmhaven, St. Helena, Calif.

**FOR SALE.**—Health institution, 18 private rooms, one ward, fully equipped for bed patients and modernly equipped treatment rooms. Quiet location. Established business, showing commendable increase yearly since 1933. Failing health only reason for sale. Reasonable payment down and terms on balance. Call and investigate or address the Seabright Sanitarium & Rest Home, 69 Owen St., Santa Cruz, Calif. 26-3t

**WANTED.**—*Vegetarian cook*, female, with knowledge of planning balanced menu for 16-bed hospital. *Nurses.* General duty night nurse with O. B. experience. General duty day nurse. Address Mrs. Clayton R. Potts, R. N., 203 No. Third St., Brawley. 27-3t



## The Voice of Prophecy

### Another Baptism at Lodi

After the Christmas and New Year holidays were over, the Voice of Prophecy evangelistic group returned to Lodi to gather the gleanings after the campaign which they conducted there from September to December. At the time of closing the effort December 19, 166 souls had been baptized. On returning to Lodi, Elder Richards discovered that a decided interest still remained to be cared for.

On January 7, meetings were commenced in the auditorium of the High School, with an attendance of about 800 people. After a few nights of preaching altar calls were made and scores of people came forward for prayer. From these, another baptismal class was formed. On the night of January 24, in the English Seventh-day Adventist church, we witnessed the baptism of another forty-four precious souls.

Among those baptized are a number of backslidden Adventists, some of whom have been out of the church for fifteen, twenty, and more years. In some instances they were smoking and drinking and were recognized as hardened cases. There has also been the joyful experience of many of the unsaved children and young people of Adventist families experiencing conversion and joining the church.

A woman had prayed for husband and sons for long years. It was a precious sight to see father and three strong young men go down into the baptismal waters together.

A good sister who accepted the message was threatened by her husband if she went forward. Yet she and her young daughter were there together and looked supremely happy as they were buried in baptism and thus took their stand with God's remnant people.

On the Sabbath it was a grand sight to see sixty souls accepted into the German church at one time, as they stood before the congregation. On the previous Sabbath upwards of one hundred had been similarly taken into the English church.

One lady corresponding with our radio office said, "An angel has passed through Lodi." We believe she is right.

Pray for the work of the Voice of Prophecy, both on the air and on the platform. And don't forget that anything you contribute to this great work is used to win souls for the Kingdom.

H. M. BLUNDEN.

### Our Task

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icals published in the whole world. Begin now to spread more of it. You will find a thousand opportunities to give away a tract or a paper this year if you will have the literature on hand and be on the watch. Yes I mean a thousand opportunities, literally. And what a fine thing it would be if every member would actually give away a thousand pieces of our truth-filled tracts or periodicals. Ask the Lord to help you to do it.

One of the best ways to start out will be to subscribe to whatever number of the *Signs of the Times* you can, and have them sent directly through the mails to the persons you hope will read every issue. For every subscription you are giving away fifty pieces of literature, each containing several sermons. Personally I feel that the *Signs* cannot be recommended too highly as a missionary journal. It wins souls.

Please read again the resolution that was passed by the delegates at the conference session. Cut it out of the paper and place it in your Bible, or in some other place where your attention will often be called to it. And may the Lord burn it into your heart until your very soul is stirred to action in behalf of lost souls.

W. E. ATKIN.

### Sunset Table

Friday, February 4, 1938

Arlington .....	5:23
Chico .....	5:29
Eureka .....	5:38
Fresno .....	5:27
Lodi .....	5:31
Los Angeles .....	5:26
Oakland .....	5:35
St. Helena .....	5:36
San Diego .....	5:24
San Jose .....	5:35
Phoenix, Ariz. ....	6:02
Reno, Nev. ....	5:22
Salt Lake City, Utah .....	5:48
February 11	
Honolulu .....	5:57
Hilo .....	5:46

### Radio Hours

- R. CALDERONE**  
Italian Program  
KLS, Oakland, 1280 kilocycles  
12:30 p. m., Sunday
- L. H. AND MRS. LINDBECK**  
KCRJ, Jerome, Ariz., 1310 kilocycles  
9:00-9:30 a. m., (M. S. T.) daily  
6:30-7:30 p. m., Sunday
- S. O. MARTIN**  
KHBC, Hilo, Hawaii, 1400 kilocycles  
7:00-7:30 p. m., Sunday
- C. S. NICHOLAS**  
KFVD, Los Angeles, 1000 kilocycles  
7:15-7:30 a. m., Monday, Wednesday,  
Friday (Spanish Program)
- C. S. PROUT**  
KGU, Honolulu, T. H.  
10:30-11:30 a. m., Sun. (1:00 P. S. T.)
- H. M. S. RICHARDS**  
KMPC, Beverly Hills, 710 kilocycles  
4:30-5:00 p. m., Sunday
- C. A. ROBAINA**  
Spanish Program  
KXO, El Centro, 1500 kilocycles  
8:15-8:45 a. m., Sunday
- H. G. RUTHERFORD**  
KUMA, Yuma, Ariz., 1420 kilocycles  
1:30-2:00 p. m., Thursday (M. S. T.)
- SAGE BROTHERS**  
KYA, San Francisco, 1230 kilocycles  
10:15-10:30 a. m., Sunday
- DUNBAR SMITH**  
KXO, El Centro, 1500 kilocycles  
5:30-6:00 p. m., Thursday
- "THE VOICE OF PROPHECY"**  
Sunday, 9:00-9:30 a. m.  
KMPC, Bakersfield, 1550 kilocycles  
KXO, El Centro, 1500  
KHJ, Los Angeles, 900  
KDON, Monterey, 1210  
KGB, San Diego, 1330  
KFRC, San Francisco, 610  
KVOE, Santa Ana, 1500  
KDB, Santa Barbara, 1500  
Thursday, 4:00-4:30 p. m.  
KFXM, San Bernardino, 1210 kilocycles
- H. B. WESTCOTT**  
KYOS, Merced, 1040 kilocycles  
1:30 p. m., Tuesday  
As Boas Novas (Portugese program)
- PAUL WICKMAN**  
KDON, Monterey, 1210 kilocycles  
8:30 a. m., 1:00 p. m., Sunday  
7:00-7:15 p. m., Wednesday
- Transcriptions**  
General Conference Publicity Series  
KHUB, Watsonville, 1310 kilocycles  
10:00 a. m., Sunday

A letter was written to Mr. and Mrs. J., asking how they liked the *Signs of the Times*. Mrs. J. replied that it was such an excellent paper that she wanted her relatives to have it also. She sent four addresses and requested that we send papers to those listed. She also desired more literature on the same subject, and "Great Controversy" was mailed to her.





Don Ignacio Ortega and daughter.

The story of the *Signs of the Times* and its ministry for souls during another year can never be fully told until eternity's records are opened. The editors know of the hours and days with articles and pictures and reports sent in for publication, and all the editorials, news, and comments. The linotype operators will not forget the many days they have spent at their machines putting this copy into type. In the press room two large presses have been kept running almost full time to get ready the large edition necessary to supply papers for the mailing list. This has averaged more than 70,000 copies a week throughout the year.

These presses have transformed more than 160 tons of beautiful fresh white sheets of paper into messengers of truth and light in the form of the *Signs of the Times*. It took nine large freight car loads of paper for the *Signs* during the year—a car every six weeks.

More interesting, however, is the work our people and churches are doing in distributing these transformed sheets of paper to those who need their messages of mercy and truth. On Sabbath morning you see the missionary secretary in the church quietly passing among the members, giving to this member five *Signs*; to another, ten; to another, two, etc. During the week these members go to non-Adventist families with them. Into the missionary periods from time to time they bring their interesting reports. A portion

# HIGH LIGHTS in the "SIGNS" STORY

of the club of papers is probably used by the mailing band. These are sent out in the good old-fashioned way, accompanied by letters written by various ones. The Correspondence Band, the Home Bible Study League, or whatever group is in charge of the mailing, finds that the *Signs* arouses interest. The letters they get in response thrill all who are privileged to hear them.

Only eternity's records, we say, will ever fully tell the story.

Before me is a torn cover page from the November 20 *Signs*. A letter from a lady in Westfield, Mass., accompanies it, and she writes that she found a part of a copy of this paper on the street. She is so impressed with what she could read she is anxious to have a complete copy of the *Signs* and expects to subscribe.

In a North Dakota home a few months ago the parents were called upon to lay away in death a beloved fifteen-year-old daughter. Just after that, the father now writes, while they were in deep sorrow, the *Signs of the Times* began coming to their home. "It has been a lot of help to Mrs. S. and myself," he says, "and we look forward to its coming each week." He is anxious to thank whoever it is who sent them the paper.

The *Signs of the Times* was sent this past year to friends in Chicago by a lady in Iowa. It has changed their whole attitude toward Seventh-day Adventists, she writes. On visiting them recently, she found them enthusiastic about the *Signs*. Even their meals now, they told her, are free from pork, hamburger, and other things they had learned to discard.

The manager of a large power company in a midwest city was sarcastic and bitter toward our church work two years ago when a local worker called on him for a Harvest Ingathering offering. After a short visit the minister offered to send him some literature, including the *Signs*, which went for a year. This year when he called on this business man again he found him very friendly. He had enjoyed the *Signs* so much that he had greatly missed it when it stopped coming. Said he had been passing it on to others; that he had also purchased a number of our Crisis Series books.

In Salt Lake City a leading business man, high in the circles of the Mormon Church, had subscribed for the *Signs* and was receiving it at the time of the visit of one of our brethren during Harvest Ingathering. He gladly gave \$5.00 because of his appreciation of the *Signs*.

From East to West, and North to South, such experiences are flooding in. A Boston attorney, for example, writes that a woman called at his door and asked if the people in the home would care to read the magazine the *Signs of the Times*. "Since then she has mailed it to me regularly for about five months." Then he adds: "I keep the latest issue on my office table, and it finds many readers. I would like to compliment you on your scholarly, well-written articles, and particularly editorials. In the men's class at church, in debate, and elsewhere, I have had occasion to quote them frequently."

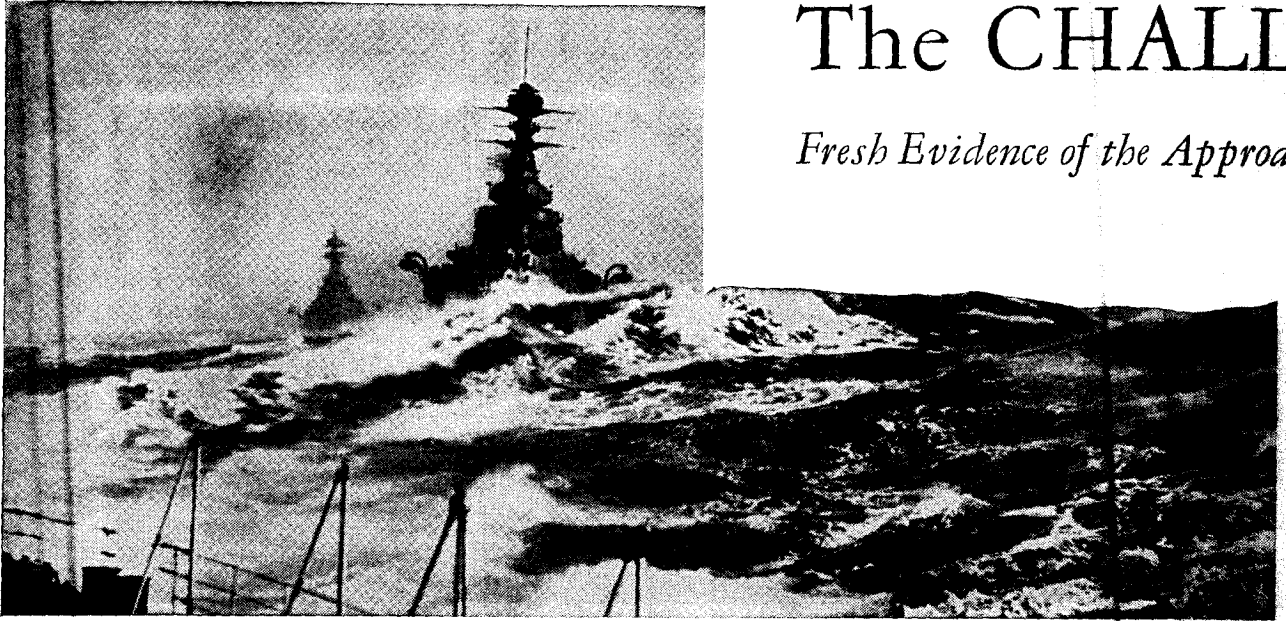
A retired army captain in Alaska, there because he saw trouble brewing in the States, told Elder H. L. Wood, superintendent of the Alaska Mission, that he reads the *Signs* with great interest, and sends it around to five neighbors in his vicinity. He likes its explanations of what is taking place in the world.

And from Elder C. E. Moon, superintendent of the Gulf Mission in Mexico, comes the accompanying picture of Don Ignacio Ortega and his daughter, regular readers of the *Signs*, deeply interested in the truth, but not as yet baptized. Ortega, now a rich cattleman, was the owner of the stage line between Bapitela and Chihuahua in 1910 when the notorious Pancho Villa held up his stage and took it from him.

Many, many other interesting things are coming to light now when our churches are renewing and strengthening their work with the *Signs of the Times*.

Everything is in readiness for a great *Signs of the Times* campaign during the weeks of February set apart for it. Conference officials, ministers, church leaders, and all, are anxious to see more thousands of non-Adventist families added to the list of *Signs* readers during 1938.

Some of the clouds looming upon last year's world horizon which called for more *Signs of the Times* have since then  
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INTERNATIONAL

*British battleships plow through raging seas in the Mediterranean, where England is holding fast her "life line" to India and Australia.*



**A**S WE enter the shadowed portals of 1938 we all know in our hearts that we have begun to live in a great new time, in a period of history more tense, more perilous than ever, and preg-

nant with terrific possibilities.

The stupendous happenings of the past few months have not only changed the face of the earth, the map of the world, and the destiny of untold millions; they have altered the balance of power, turned the course of political thinking into new and unexpected channels, uprooted a thousand ancient landmarks, and set mankind adrift again upon a wild, uncharted sea.

"There has been a huge transformation of all former proportions and values in world affairs," writes that veteran author and editor, J. L. Garvin. "A new epoch has opened. We must be guided by a new sense of relativity; and let us see well to it that we are so guided in time."

There was a time when men were paramously concerned with the fate of Austria and Czechoslovakia and the Free City of Danzig. Hungary made headlines, as did the Tyrol and the Balkans. But all these dangerous issues—even the Spanish civil war and the problems of Palestine—have shrunk into insignificance before the tremen-

dous new issues breaking open before our eyes in the Far East.

And what we see today, fearful and ominous as it is, is but the gigantic prelude of a development unparalleled in the annals of man—the establishment by one nation of political and economic ascendancy over the whole vast resources of the most populous country on earth, the uniting of the yellow races in one huge hegemony controlling more than one fifth of the population of the globe.

#### YELLOW PERIL LOOMS

"The Emperor is marching from the Island of the Rising Sun," writes General Sir Ian Hamilton. "His fighters drink up the great rivers of China. The smoke of their bombs makes dark the air. His road is clearly marked—Hankow, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bhamo, Burma, Assam, Bengal. That is the prospect if nothing is done. Nothing less than Europe can definitely hold up the army."

The so-called bogey of the yellow peril, so long laughed to scorn by many, is actually taking form and substance before us!

"World peace," according to Admiral Nobumasa Suyetsugu, Japan's home minister, "awaits the liberation of the

colored races from the shackles of white supremacy." "I am determined," he says, "to eliminate all obstacles, whatever they may be, in attaining this sacred mission. The white races should not carry on trade in the Far East based solely on their own self-interest. A three-power entente of Japan, China, and Manchukuo can alone establish peace in East Asia. Whether or not this means the immediate exclusion of the white races constitutes one of the most serious questions facing the world."

The "kings of the East" have clearly prepared their program. And they are not only marshaling their forces to accomplish it; they are already sending them into battle, with sweeping victories that have amazed the world.

Thus the very developments that Seventh-day Adventists, for many years, have said would take place before the end are now—on a scale far beyond our feeble imaginings—coming to pass in grim and terrible reality.

And if, besides looking at the Far East, we consider the rise of the new autocracies of the Right and Left in Europe, the alliance of the Fascist powers, the passing of democracy,



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the decay of freedom, the collapse of the League of Nations, the feverish preparations for war, and withal the increase of crime and divorce and the fading faith of Christendom, we are constrained to say, in the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "Certainly this is the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen it. The Lord hath done that which He had devised; He hath fulfilled His word that He had commanded in the days of old." Lamentations 2:16, 17.

### NEARING THE END

Unquestionably we are living today upon the very eve of those final, rapid movements that are to bring us to the closing scenes of earthly history. We stand upon the crumbling crags of Time in sight of the eternal deep.

And these tremendous facts, these mighty issues, challenge us one and all as never before.

They challenge us to examine our innermost hearts and search out those

hidden weaknesses that may cause us to sink in the swelling of Jordan.

They challenge us to a complete re-dedication of our lives to God that we may be cleansed from all sin and strengthened to walk boldly through the valley of the gathering shadows.

They challenge us to rekindle the fading embers of our zeal for the Lord's service, and with hearts aflame with enthusiasm go forth to warn mankind of its impending doom.

They challenge us to make use of every avenue the Lord has placed in our hands wherewith to accomplish this holy purpose. Books, tracts, papers,—message-filled literature of every kind,—should be scattered like the leaves of autumn before freedom's flickering torch goes out forever.

And above all, at this particular moment, they challenge us to consider the unique and powerful possibilities of witness made available to every member in the form of our great prophetic weekly. Surely today the *Signs of the Times*—the revitalized, scintillating *Signs*—with its strong, progressive program for 1938, should be circulated on a scale never yet contemplated by us as a people. The world is waiting for it. The world needs it. The world must have it.

This great new time demands that we shall do something greater than we have ever done in the *Signs* campaign, something commensurate with the magnitude of the issues at stake, something truly splendid in the eyes of God.

He is expecting us this day to do our best. We must not disappoint Him.

*Under the shadow of this  
reveille gun, thirty pur-  
sult planes of the Seven-  
teenth Attack Squadron  
take off at March Field  
for maneuvers in Imperial  
Valley, California. The  
whole world is under the  
shadow of mighty arma-  
ments today.*





**Elder  
M. N. Campbell**  
says:

**T**HE "SIGNS OF THE TIMES" has been the means of bringing thousands of people into the truth. A sister sent it regularly to the wife of a minister. She and her husband read it carefully, with the result that they both accepted the truth, and most of his congregation did likewise. The sowing of the seed by this method has been most effective in leading inquiring souls to the truth. The message is set forth in the pages of the "SIGNS" in a very appealing way, and our people would do well to use it freely as a missionary agent.

**M. N. CAMPBELL,**  
General Conference Vice-President  
for the North American Division.

### The Winning Ways of the "Signs"

The newspapers, periodicals and magazines are catering to an increasing clientele today who are world-minded,—interested in and conversant with events taking place in the far corners of the earth. The *Signs of the Times* has earned its place as the leading prophetic weekly in the religious-journalistic field during the past half century and more.

The events transpiring throughout the world are the fulfillment of prophecy, and as such are increasingly significant and important. The *Signs of the Times* is filling a unique place in interpreting these world events in the light of Bible prophecy. As people read these stirring articles they will become conscious of the meaning of these things and will be impressed with the necessity of changing their own lives in order to be ready for the great consummation which is not far away.

It is well to remember that some people will read an article in a periodical or magazine that they would never think of listening to in a church, a hall, or a tent, or even on the radio. There are different types of people around us, and the reading type of individual can be attracted and interested through the quiet, convincing, and convicting medium of the *Signs of the Times*.

# "Signs" and Soul-Winning

We have abundant evidence that the *Signs of the Times* is doing a most effective soul-winning work as it is read by interested, thinking people. Some months ago I fell into conversation with a fellow-traveler on the train, and as we discussed current events and world problems, I kept thinking how helpful a weekly visit of the *Signs* would be to that person. Before separating, I had his name and address and sent him a year's subscription to the *Signs of the Times*. Subsequent inquiry has revealed the developing of a real interest in the Bible and present-day events.

Let us greatly increase the circulation of the *Signs* this year. We are told by inspiration that the present unsettled conditions in the world "forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude." May we do everything we can to place the *Signs of the Times* where its winning ways may be seen and felt.

**JOHN E. WEAVER,**  
Associate Secretary, General  
Conference Educational Department.

### A Soul-Winning Evangelist

The first issue of the *Signs of the Times* bore the date of June 4, 1874. It was established under the direct personal supervision of Elder and Mrs. James White, and now for almost sixty-four years this prophetic trail-blazing magazine has found its way into hearts, homes, and communities as our most successful pioneer evangelist. Long ago the Spirit of prophecy testified that "this paper has been increasing in interest and in moral worth as a pioneer sheet since its establishment."

From time to time changes occur in the editorial staff and in the general appearance of this weekly messenger; but the message is unchanged. And the fulfillment of prophecy which the pioneers of a half-century ago saw by faith "as through a glass darkly," is now emphasized a hundred fold in the startling events that crowd upon us from every side.

We thank God for the *Signs of the Times*, our foremost soul-winning evangelist, and pray that our entire church membership may be inspired to loyally promote the circulation of this journal of good tidings,—America's outstanding prophetic weekly.

**ROY F. COTTRELL.**

### High Lights in the "Signs" Story

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brought storms in various parts of the world. While the outlook for 1938 does not suggest more peace and easier times, it offers mighty opportunities for service, and the very conditions call more definitely for the message of the *Signs of the Times*.

We are most earnestly working and praying at the *Signs* office that the Lord may enlarge our visions and so direct the energies here and in the field that His plans may be met. We pray that every church may carry out a program with the *Signs* that will make it possible for many more thousands of people to receive its saving message during 1938.

**J. R. FERREN.**

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