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"Harvest Time" in Hongkong

A hundred-mile-an-hour gale of wind, with rain falling in torrents, couldn't hinder seventy-six out of the seventyseven candidates who had prepared for baptism at the joint baptismal service in the Boundary Road church, Kowloon, Hongkong, on November 6, 1954. These weather conditions did delay the opening of the meeting that afternoon, but before Pastor W. L. Pascoe, the treasurer of the Far Eastern Division, had finished his sermon, four of the five candidates who had been unable to reach the church because of the storm, arrived at the church and joined in the ceremony.

This baptism rates special attention for a number of reasons. It is the largest baptism ever held in the Hongkong area, and also the largest anywhere in the whole of China since before the war with Japan, which began in 1937. It is remarkable also because those baptized were almost exactly evenly divided as to sex. Another feature is the great majority of youth in the group. The youngest was a little girl of eleven, and the oldest a lady of about seventy, with bound feet.

Fully seventy-five per cent of this group have been students of the Voice

of Prophecy Bible School in Hongkong. All of them have been through the series of evangelistic efforts that were conducted in the Hongkong and Kowloon churches during the last summer, and have had from two to four months of Bible studies in their homes. All of them have been keeping the Sabbath and paying tithe for some time.

To this date, 157 have been baptized in the Hongkong-Macao Mission since the first of the year, and candidates now preparing for the baptism scheduled for Christmas day will bring the total for the year well over two hundred, the largest number for any year in the history of the work in that mission.

I've just glanced at the statistical report for the Taiwan Mission, covering the first three quarters of this year. One hundred and sixty-five baptized thus far this year! For this little union we will likely have over four hundred baptisms this year. And these dear people are but the first fruits of the great harvest waiting to be gathered home. The new Taiwan Sanitarium-Hospital will help to establish our work on a firmer basis. We need your best gifts this Christmas time, and know that we can depend on you. Thank you!

E. L. Longway.



Literature Evangelism in the Pacific Union Conference

The records for the first ten months of 1954_indicate_that_this_will_be_an-other_year of outstanding progress in the Publishing Department of the Pacific Union Conference.

The colporteurs have shown gains in sales for four consecutive years and there is little doubt that in 1954 they will break all previous sales records. In 1949 Pacific Union Conference colporteurs delivered Adventist literature valued at \$273,474; in 1950 deliveries totaled \$293,835; in 1951 they had reached \$370,175; in 1952, \$497,008; and in 1953 deliveries amounted to \$549,306.

This steady growth did not just happen, but resulted from vision, hard work and a dedicated purpose on the part of conference executives, publishing leaders and faithful colporteurs. Week by week faithful literature evangelists are keeping the doorbells ringing, bringing hope and comfort to thousands of people in the Pacific Union.

An analysis of a typical colporteur's work week discloses interesting facts which explain why literature sales are continually increasing. For the week ending November 13 total colporteur deliveries in the Pacific Union amounted to \$13,296. Three colporteurs report book deliveries of over \$500 each. Seven others had individual deliveries of more than \$300. Twenty-one colporteurs each sold over \$200 worth in the same week. In one local conference the average deliveries per colporteur for week ending November 23 were \$227.

This work by dedicated colporteurs brought outstanding results. One conference during this week reported six baptisms of colporteur customers which brought the total thus far to 46. Colporteurs in the same conference enrolled 152 people in the Voice of Prophecy

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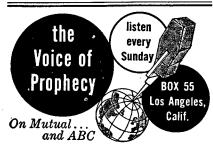
Sunset Table

Courtesy of Newton Observatory, P.U.C.

Fri	day, De	cember 17	
Angwin	4:50	Oakland	4:52
Arlington	4 :43	San Diego	4:45
Chico	4:44	San Jose	4:52
Eureka	4:50	Phoenix	5:22
Fresno	4:45	Reno	4:37
Lodi	4:47	Salt Lake City	5:01
Loma Linda	4:42	Honolulu	5:52
Los Angeles	4:46	Hilo	5:44

Friday, December 24

Angwin	4:53 4:46	Oakland San Diego	4:55 4:49
Arlington Chico	4:47	San Jose	4:55
Eureka	4:53	Phoenix	5:25
Fresno Lodi	4:48 4:50	Reno Salt Lake City	4:40 5:04
Loma Linda	4:45	Honolulu	5:55
Los Angeles	4:49	Hilo	5:48



Invite your friends to hear the Voice of Prophecy.

"Seven Glories of the Holy City"-December 19.

"Seven Witnesses of the Holy Child" —December 26.

Bible Correspondence Course and gave away 446 pieces of literature.

One colporteur states: "A family had taken Bible studies in another area and when I visited them they learned that I was an Adventist, they readily responded to my invitation to come to church. They have attended both Sabbath school and church and are thrilled about the whole thing."

Another colporteur writes: "I am so happy in the Lord's work, and to speak a word for Jesus."

In his colporteur bulletin one conference Publishing secretary states, "It is a privilege to work for man's salvation. It is good to have faith in God to take care of us if we do our part faithfully. The colporteur exercises great faith and doubtless receives greater blessings than he would in any other type of ministry ordained of God."

Thus Seventh-day Adventist literature evangelists in the Pacific Union Conference are going forward with increasing success. Not only are books being placed (Continued on page 8)

Northern California

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Workers' Meeting

On Tuesday, November 30, at 1:30 p.m., the workers of the Northern California Conference, and their families met at the Grand Avenue church for the annual workers' meeting. We were happy to have as special guests Elder and Mrs. C. L. Bauer and Elder F. W. Schnepper of the Pacific Union Conference; Elder R. J. Christian of the Review and Herald; Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Sonnenberg and the members of the Department of Religion of Pacific Union College; and principals and Bible instructors of the three academies in our conference.

Our thoughts were sobered as Elder Bauer, in his devotional talk, stressed the seriousness of the times and the nearness of the end. He reminded us that we as Seventh-day Adventists have the answer to the perplexing problems facing the world today. We must sound a clear note, and to sound it effectively, we must uphold the standards of the church. He urged the importance of the pastors' taking a firm stand for the principles upon which the church is

founded, and emphasized that all those holding office in the church should be men and women of God, fully upholding the standards and teachings thereof. God is the same yesterday, today, and forever, and the commands given us in the beginning of this message are just as binding now as in the days of our forefathers.

Elder R. J. Christian urged the importance of the Review in every home.

In the evening over three hundred people enjoyed a fellowship dinner at the Golden Gate Academy.

Wednesday morning the workers again met at the church for further business. Elder A. S. Maxwell was present and gave an interesting report on the World Council of Churches at Evanston, Illinois. Important recommendations of the General and Pacific Union Conferences likewise were considered and wholeheartedly accepted.

We trust the Lord will continue to richly bless the efforts of not only the workers as such, but of every member in every church to the end that His work will soon be finished, not only in the world, but also in our own hearts. We are looking and hoping for the day of the soon return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

New Heights Are Reached

There is great rejoicing here at conference headquarters!

Through the united efforts of 14,960 of the best people on earth Northern California has again shown itself to be a tower of strength to the world field. According to figures released by the treasury department, Ingathering is now

"Messiah"

Handel's oratorio, "Messiah" will be presented at the Central Seventh-day Adventist church in Lodi on Friday, December 17, at 8 p.m. under the direction of Norman J. Roy.

Guest soloists for the performance will be Mrs. Zola Hoagland, soprano; Mrs. Violet Rugg, alto; Mr. Harry De Lugg, tenor; Mr. John McConnell, bass.

You will not want to miss the inspiring performance of this wellknown oratorio. All are cordially invited to attend.

in excess of \$126,000. Northern California has never before attained such heights in Ingathering accomplishments. This magnificent sum of money represents many miles traveled, many visits made, and many prayers offered. Indeed, to reach a total in excess of last year's high accomplishments for the waiting fields beyond the Golden Gate, brings honor to the loyal hearts scattered throughout the conference, and to God we ascribe all the glory and honor.

We pass this money on to the mission fields in the spirit of prayer and consecration that has marked its reception; and to the loyal constituency we say, "God bless you for the service you have rendered the cause of God."

May God think of the Northern California Conference as His always faithful conference—faithful in love to Him, faithful in doctrine, faithful in labor, and may He bless us all as we, under His guidance and by His help, press on to higher heights, new vistas of conquest in the year that lies before us.

May we all be spared to do valiant service for Him.

WALTER LIND.

Calling MV's of Region IX

What?—Regional MV Rally. When?—Sabbath, Dec. 18, 3:30 p.m. Where?—St. Helena Sanitarium Community Hall.

Singspiration—Special Music—Youth Speakers—Missionary Experiences.

"The challenge of '55" will be presented by four youth speakers representing Redwood Empire Junior Academy, Napa Junior Academy, PUC Preparatory School, and the Pacific Union College.

The evening program will include the latest sound motion pictures of "Summer Camps and Wilderness Survival."

Bring your supper. Plan now to attend. HAROLD NELSON, Regional President.

Book Displays

The following appointments will complete the schedule of book displays. We extend a cordial invitation to visit the displays at the—

St. Helena Sanitarium, all day Tuesday and Wednesday, December 14, 15.

Vacaville church, Thursday, December 16, beginning at 6 p.m.

Frank J. Cook.

Hawaiian Mission

C. E. Andross, Pres. G. C. Lashier, Sec. 1026 South King St., Honolulu, T.H. P.O. Box 4037 Telephone 64436

Kailua Church Dedication

The Kailua church on the Island of Oahu had its beginning as a branch Sabbath school to which Voice of Prophecy students were gathered. In 1945, when the present property was acquired, the congregation was organized into a church September 1 by Elder Harris with Elder Robert Nomi as pastor. Of the 13 charter members, 2 are still residing at Kailua.



A temporary building housed the growing congregation and soon a church school building was added. A building fund for a new church edifice was begun. Several ministers led successively in nurturing and building the developing congregation.

The present structure was completed in 1953 with Elder L. L. Bennett as pastor and Brother Milton Kuykendall as builder. The plans were drawn by Elder C. E. Andross and Elder B. H. Matthews, who was the pastor of the church at the time the building project was getting under way. The church has a rear room to serve the Japanese language group, a built-in baptistry, choir loft, glassed-in mothers' room, a young people's room, young people's Sabbath school classroom, and a treasurer's room adjoining the minister's room. The main chapel seats 160, and by a desirable tropical arrangement of long porches on each side of the auditorium at least 60 additional people can be seated by opening the continuous rows of doors located between the auditorium and porches, known locally as lanais. New mahogany pews have just been installed, lorgely as an individual gift.

The church of 100 members operates

a kindergarten and grade school with 85 students and 4 teachers. The present pastor is E. L. Anderson, assisted by Elder S. Miyake serving in the Japanese language.

The dedication of this place of worship made possible by greatly appreciated appropriations from the Pacific Union Conference and the Hawaiian Mission plus the freewill offerings of the local church and the aforementioned and other especially generous contributions in all amounting to nearly \$30,000 (apart from the cost of the land), took place Sunday, November 14.

Elder R. R. Breitigam, Sabbath School secretary of the Pacific Union Conference, gave the dedicatory sermon. The pastor led in the dedicatory responsive reading, and Elder C. E. Andross, president of the Hawaiian Mission, offered the dedicatory prayer. Other ministers also participated in the service. The dedication of this beautiful church in this growing community of windward Oahu is a fulfillment of the hopes and sacrifices of many earnest hearts and willing hands. E. L. Anderson.

Island of Lanai News

Word has come from Elder Walter Barber to the effect that he had just witnessed the beginning of the actual work on a new church center for us on the Island of Lanai.

While he was there a small building had been jacked up ready to be moved on to the new church lot. Following that a second building is to be moved on the same lot. The lot itself, nicely shaded with Norfolk pines, has been leveled in readiness for these buildings. Across the street are two square blocks of beautifully landscaped lawn with Norfolk pines interspersed with a few ironwood trees, making a delightful park.

Most of the crew engaged in the moving of the buildings are volunteer workers, members of our newly formed company of believers on that island and some of their friends likewise donating their time for this good work.

With this new church center we trust that the company may soon develop to the point of readiness for church organization, thus bringing into being the first Seventh-day Adventist church to be established on the Island of Lanai. Your prayers for this consummation are solicited.

C. E. Andross.

Southeastern California

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 E. A. Schmidt, Sec.
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 Mail Address, Box 584, Arlington, Calif.

Your Book and Bible House

The holiday rush is really on at the Southeastern Book and Bible House and the Loma Linda Book Shop. Many are purchasing books and Bibles for gifts and the new Reading Club books are very popular this year.

We now have Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers, Volume 4; Really Truly Stories, Volume 9; Our Bible Story, Volume 3; Day Unto Day, the 1955 daily devotional book, and both Senior and Junior Morning Watch Calendars.

The new Christian Home Calendar for 1955 has a beautiful picture on the front cover by Harry Anderson, entitled "Jesus the Healer Divine." This picture is worth much more than the price of the calendar.

Visit the Loma Linda Book Shop or the Book and Bible House if you possibly can; but if you cannot, send us your orders directly or place them through your church missionary secretary. Include sales tax and postage when ordering from Arlington.

WILLIAM ROBINSON, Manager.

——o—— MV Shell Trip Sunday, December 19

The Missionary Volunteer Department is sponsoring a conchology trip to the ocean on Sunday, December 19. Those who make the trip will probably be able to gather enough shells to receive a vocational honor in conchology. No reservations will be necessary, but the following regulations should be carefully noted:

1. Each one will be responsible for furnishing his own transportation. We request that cars containing mixed groups of young people be properly

chaperoned.

2. All persons going on the hunt will go directly to Salt Creek Beach, just five miles south of Laguna Beach. (Directional sign will be posted on highway at the location; be watching for it.) All will meet at the beach to 10:30 for registration and mimeographed material.

3. Type of clothing: We cannot allow the wearing of bathing suits. The shells will be found among jagged rocks along the beach, so wear old shoes (this is very important) and old clothes. Girls may wish to wear slacks or knee-length slacks. Be sure your clothing is warm.

4. Equipment: Each one should bring a small sack, a half-pint or pint-size glass jar with screen top lid for small shells that would get broken or lost, and a sharp knife with heavy blade. (A galvanized wire screen will be available for washing shells.) A small shovel is also useful.

5. Food: Each one should bring his own dinner. We will all plan to have a picnic dinner at the beach.

We request that everyone drive very carefully to avoid accidents. The conference will be unable to assume any responsibility should accidents occur. These instructions will be the last to appear in the RECORDER concerning the trip so we trust you will read them carefully.

Here is an opportunity for the entire family to have a wonderful outing in God's great out-of-doors. We'll see you at Salt Creek Beach.

CHARLES MARTIN.

Nevada-Utah

Andrew Fearing, Pres. I. E. Anunsen, Sec. 185 Martin Ave., P.O. Box 1470-Reno, Nevada

A Cause for Rejoicing

The Lord has wonderfully blessed the canvassing work in the Nevada-Utah Conference. The consecrated efforts of several faithful workers have been richly rewarded in an impressive sales total. As of the first of December the literature placed in the homes came to over \$74,000. What we are rejoicing in is that this is *double* the goal set at the last colporteur institute, with still one month to go! Many were somewhat dubious at setting such a high figure at that time. God is only limited by our impaired vision.

We have many thanks to present. To all who have supported us in their prayers, to the students who contributed to this grand figure, to the office personnel who took care of the financial end and supplied the material, to each individual who worked to get this literature into the homes, and especially to the fine leadership of Elder C. L. Williams, who is now working in the Southeastern field. Most of all we thank our Lord for His showers of blessing.

Literature evangelism is a long-range program. We do not immediately see

the good that is done. But we claim the promise of God through His servant that these books will be read and many will take their stand for Christ as a result. The more books that are placed in the homes, the sooner the Lord can fulfill this promise.

Will you continue in your prayers for greater success in "Literature Evangelism" in this field and throughout the world?

MILTON T. JOHNSON.

We Go Caroling

It is now the season for Christmas caroling. What shall we take as our goal? Here is a suggestion: "Contact every home with caroling." Churches through the conference realizing that God calls His people to solicit funds from non-members to advance the work of the gospel are willingly organizing for the caroling adventure. But in order to reach complete success the caroling program requires your full cooperation and the complete coverage of the territory.

Now do you ask, "Should I ask funds from non-members?" Mark well God's will on this: "Why not ask the Gentiles for assistance? . . . Our work is to be aggressive. . . . We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means, for it is just the thing to do." Stewardship Series, No. 1, p. 15, 16, (Italics supplied).

The Lord calls for willing hearts. Will you volunteer and assist that the caroling program may be carried through

to a final glorious climax?

C. F. PHILLIPS.

The Review and You

It is our belief that no Adventist home should be without the *Review and Herald*. This is our goal and believe it to be correct. It is an inspired goal—"Every family should have this paper." Vol. 4, p. 599.

Such a goal is reasonable. The Review is one of the strongest agencies we have to prevent apostasy, to guard against heresy, to keep bright the hope of Christ's soon coming, and to report on the glorious triumphs of this advent message throughout the world. Surely, the Review belongs in your home.

Never have we reached the goal of having our church paper going to every Adventist home. Should we not plan to reach this attainment? This is the time. This is the year. We dare not be

satisfied until the Review is received and read by all members.

Does value appeal to you? Then surely more will subscribe than ever before. Here are some Review features for 1955: It's bigger! It's better! It's reduced in price! Beginning January 1, eight extra pages will be added weekly, meaning for the year nearly 400 additional pages. It will have larger, more readable type. Sabbath school lesson helps will appear each week. A delightful new format will make it easy to find items of special interest.

Now is the time to order. This is true even if your present subscription does not expire until some time later. Benefit by the special prices now available. Place your order with the church missionary secretary, or if you are a conference church member, direct with the Book and Bible house.

Value	Now
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Arizona

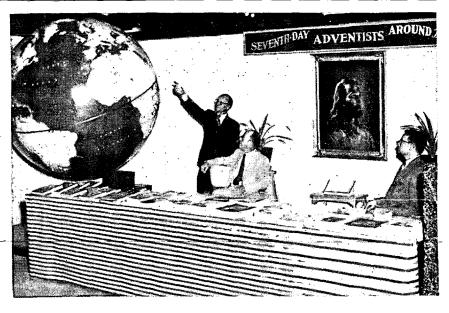
C. F. PHILLIPS.

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Arizona State Fair

The ten-day Arizona State Fair has come and gone for another year—and we are glad to report that the Seventh-day Adventist booth promoted another great achievement in the distribution of thousands of pieces of missionary literature, and the securing of hundreds of names for the Bible Correspondence Course. Also the many hundreds of names and addresses of those registering for the free set of children's books will be given to our colporteurs for future contacts.

These represent only a part of the influence given by having a Fair Booth. The beautiful revolving globe attracted attention to the world-wide work being carried on by our denomination; and the spotlighted 3' x 4' picture of Sallman's Head of Christ on the rear wall lent a sacred atmosphere to the whole display, inviting passers-by to stop and



take note of the items placed there for their attention, also to ask questions and chat awhile. The picture was loaned to us free of charge. Many contacts were made with people seeking a better way.

We wish to thank all those who gave so unstintingly of their time and attention throughout the ten-day period—without their help we could not have carried on. Elder W. G. Mills painted some excellent signs which identified different phases of our work.

The 1954 Arizona State Fair is now only a memory in the minds of many people, but for those who took home our good magazines and signed up to study the Bible Course, the visit to our S.D.A. Booth will long remain a living reality and a blessed experience. May God add His blessing to the reading of every piece given away, and to the saving of many souls for His kingdom.

GLENN R. KNUDSEN.

Workers Needed at Academy

Thunderbird Academy is in urgent need of 18-year-old young men to work in our Wood Products. We can use four or five young men from now on. If any are interested in coming to school second semester, and would like to come and start working now, please contact us immediately. If you are attending high school, and would like to transfer to academy, please write and we will send you a bulletin and an application blank. We are needing older boys to operate machines. Therefore, we will be happy to hear from anyone who is interested.

Now is a good time to earn a good

share of your expenses, and attend a Christian school the second semester.

If interested, write to Principal R. O. Stone, Box 967, Scottsdale, Arizona.

Books Delivered in Arizona

For Week Ending November 27
Colporteur Books
Walter Womack 80
Ora Mae Williams 38
Maye McGee
Leon M. Harding 26
Virginia Hirst 20
Donald E. Lund
Ruby Adams 11
David Washington 9
Nannie Dungee 6
G. E. Jarvis
Perry Rawlinson 2
Bessie Wright 1
Total
Deliveries for Week \$1,327.95

Indians Need Little Friends

Under the faithful assistance of Sister Vicenta Roman and other lay workers, we are experiencing a revival of interest in the message among the Yaquis.

Recently, Dr. and Sister Bull and their daughter of Tennessee have joined us in this effort. Mrs. Bull and her daughter are taking a real interest in the children. They need a club of 12 copies of Our Little Friend for these Indian children in the Sabbath school each week. We thought perhaps some of our readers might wish to supply this need. If interested, write to Mrs. L. J. Bull, 819 Howe Street, Tempe, Arizona.

Thank you. Orno Follett.

Central California

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San Jose 6, Calif.

Thank You

It is so easy to say "Thank you" and yet how often we forget. In our hurry and the excitement of this jet age we neglect the finer things in life.

The year 1954 will soon be history. This has been a good year in our various mission projects. The first crusade of the year is always the Signs crusade. As a conference we made a slight gain over 1953, for which we say, "Thank you." We aim to make 1955 still better—and why not?

The Ingathering drive came on a bit early this year due to the fact that this was General Conference year. But in spite of this we made a gain of some \$3,000. We humbly bow and say "Thank you," first to our heavenly Father for the Spirit's power, and then to all of our people who so nobly carried on.

Our people have been loyal in the matter of missionary work. There is so much to do and so little time. This should stir us to greater activity. We made progress also in the matter of welfare work. The ladies have done a wonderful work through the Dorcas and Welfare units.

As we face the future we need to raise our sights and under God carry on as faithful stewards, for remember He will say "well done" only to those who have done well.

D. N. Reiner.

Thanksgiving for Navajo Indians

The ladies of the Dorcas Welfare society of the Taft church under the leadership of Mrs. Fern Pelton, assisted by Mrs. Nancy Smith, met early in October and voted to sponsor a drive to get food and clothes ready for the Navajo Mission school at Holbrook, Arizona.

A fifty-gallon barrel was decorated by Mrs. Sue Sibley and placed in the foyer of the church. Each week church members placed food in the barrel, which was filled and re-filled. The Dorcas ladies also prepared many garments which were suitable for use by the Indians.

The Pathfinder club, under the direc-

tion of Mrs. Josephine Smith, also contributed to the project by gathering a barrelful of canned food on Halloween. The twelve boys and girls who went from door to door asking for canned food showed by the smiles on their faces that they had a wonderful time.

The hundreds of dollars worth of food and clothing that had been contributed were delievered to the Navajo Mission school in time for Thanksgiving.

WELLESLEY MUIR, Pastor.

A District Sabbath School Workshop

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Will be conducted in the Parkside Auditorium, 733 West Belmont, Fresno, Sabbath afternoon, December 11, 3-6.

All interested in obtaining new materials, patterns, etc., and exchanging ideas and plans are invited to attend.

Elder Sample, editor of *Our Little Friend* will be one of the speakers. Exhibits and displays and demonstrations will be given for children's and youth's divisions.

MRS. A. E. GESCHKE.

Country Living

Adventists who are interested in country living are invited to investigate the Tehachapi Valley area. Cool summers with relatively mild winters combine to make a healthful climate, and the clear brisk air never presents a smog problem.

Local employment opportunities include agriculture, a cement plant and a tuberculosis preventorium. New employment opportunities which will open within the next six months include construction and later operation of a new twelve-million-dollar cement plant, a new medium-security prison and a new 35-bed hospital. Right now there is an opportunity for a Seventh-day Adventist baker to start his own business here. Some 5,000 people live within a fifteenmile radius of Tehachapi, but the town now has no bakery in operation.

Our work is just getting started here, hence there is plenty of opportunity for missionary endeavor.

For further information, write: John DuNesme, Pastor, S.D.A. Church, P.O. Box 171, Tchachapi, California.

The biggest difficulty with mankind of the present is that our knowledge has increased so much faster than our wisdom.—Frank C. Whitmore.

Southern California

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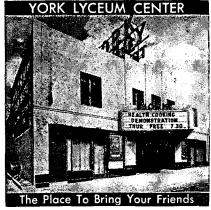
Special Sabbath Service January 8

At a recent meeting of all of the Southern California Conference workers it was unanimously voted to dedicate the 11 o'clock service on Sabbath, January 8, to the home. This will be the second sermon of a series of three. The first one was given early in September. Evidence is mounting to the effect that most all of the problems of juvenile delinquency have their beginning in the home. Certainly the church has a definite responsibility to help parents and children. The church is only as strong as the home. Let us pray that Sabbath, January 8, will be one of the greatest, most inspiring and most helpful Sabbaths we have ever had in Southern. Don't miss the Sabbath service, January 8. R. R. Bietz.

Southern California Happenings

La Crescenta Meetings: Elder Meade MacGuire, former General Conference Missionary Volunteer secretary conducted a two-week series of meetings at the La Crescenta church.

Spanish-American Goodwill: Sixty members of the Los Angeles Spanish-American church made a goodwill trip to the San Diego and Tijuana, Mexico,



4949 York Blvd., Los Angeles 42 CLeveland 6-1276 Sunday, December 12, 7:30 p.m.

Paul Campbell presents

BIBLE MEMORIALS

area on Sabbath, November 27. According to Elder Samuel Weiss, the church choir, under the direction of Brother Nicholas Rodriguez, gave concerts at both the San Diego and Tijuana churches. At Tijuana numerous articles of clothing and packages of food were distributed to needy members.

Simi Valley Baptism: Nine persons were baptized into the Simi Valley church on Sabbath, November 13. Elder Dan Goddard, pastor of the San Fernando church, and Elder L. V. Grunke officiated at the service.

MV Coming Events

Master Guide Class: Every Tuesday evening, 7:30-9:30, at the conference office, beginning now and continuing through April. Contact MV department for an outline of class assignments.

Health and Healing: December 14, 21, 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the conference office. This class to be taught by Mrs. Helen Austin. Henry Bergh.

Correction

The RECORDER of December 6 incorrectly stated that the Master Guide class meets on Thursday evenings. The day is Tuesday, as stated in the announcement above. We regret the error.

EDITOR.

Harbor City Tent Effort Closes

Over four hundred packed the large tent Saturday night, November 20 as we gathered for the last meeting of this thrilling series. Elder and Mrs. A. Butler and daughter Patricia, brought a half hour of music. We all felt nearer to heaven as a chorus of "Amens" showed appreciation of the audience.

We all feel very grateful to God for the way He has led and blessed through this entire series. The presence of His Spirit has been evidenced as we have seen the power of the gospel working in the lives of men and women, youth, and boys and girls. Great victories have been won for God, and eternity alone will tell the far-reaching results of the Word which has been preached.

Evangelist Gerry Hardy preached on the subject of "Why I Am What I Am" this last evening of the meetings. At the close an earnest appeal was made and many gave their lives in consecration to God. Brother Jim Hardin led a consecration song service as those to be baptized prepared. To the beautiful strains of "The Crimson Wave" the writer had the joy of leading 12 more precious souls into the watery grave as tears of joy flowed down the cheeks of those who witnessed this inspiring

During this series of meetings 27 precious souls have found their Lord and Master and have had the privilege of following Him in baptism. Many others have now joined "Prophecy" classes in the churches participating. Pray that God will continue to lead these who have found their Saviour.

GLENN GOFFAR.

Great Controversy Study

The reading for this week is Chapter

- 32, "Snares of Satan."
- 1. How does indifference enter a church?
- 2. Does Satan attend church services? Why?
- 3. How will the indulgence of appetite destroy the power of prayer?
- 4. What is the result of neglecting prayer and Bible study?
- 5. How do "false accusers" do the work of Satan?
- 6. What is one of Satan's most successful deceptions?
- 7. What danger is there in speculating on obscure texts of the Bible?
- 8. How did Lucifer sin in this way?
- 9. What are some of the "counterfeits" of Satan?
- What two safeguards against evil spirits must the Christian ever maintain?
 D. L. Olsen.

Lynwood Musical Events

Three bands will participate in a Lynwood-Compton Church School Band Concert at Rupp Memorial chapel at 7:30 p.m., December 11. This interesting concert will feature a beginners' band, junior band and the Lynwood Academy band. Also included in the program will be marimba and saxophone solos. Mr. Edward Timothy, music instructor at Lynwood Academy, will be the director of the concert.

In another Lynwood musical concert at 7:30 p.m. on December 17, the combined elementary school and Lynwood Academy band will join with the Lynwood church choir in a special Christmas program. The two bands will play the "Christmas Story" by Paul Yoder and will then join with the church choir in a rendition of favorite Christmas carols. The combined bands of Lyn-

wood Academy and elementary school contain some 67 pieces and are directed by Mr. Timothy who is also director of the church choir.

Good News From Southern

It will be of interest to you to know that during the past week the Book and Bible House has received some large orders. One doctor ordered 1,000 copies of Your Home and Health (Ministry of Healing in the subscription edition) to give to his patients. Another doctor ordered 95 copies of Day Unto Day and 54 copies of Early Writings, both in the de luxe binding, all of which are to have names stamped in gold upon them. Another order called for 900 Morning Watch Calendars. Large orders are still coming in for the Dollar Edition of Great Controversy. Remember, December 31 is the deadline for this book at this price.

HERBERT GRIFFITH, Manager.

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Pacific Union College

Christmas Check

The Christmas season on Howell Mountain got off to a wet start. All afternoon, drenched and shivering student electricians had been stringing lights on the big Sequoia tree in front of Irwin Hall. As time for the treelighting ceremony approached, the rain fell faster. Then, just after sunset the rain stopped and the moon appeared. A few minutes later, columns of first, second, and third graders from the elementary school streamed down the steps and into place near the tree. After the children had finished a round of carols, President Sonnenberg, high on the porch overlooking the several hundred spectators below, spoke the College's Christmas greeting to students and members of the community. Then, at his command, the tree lights flashed on and the A Cappella Choir burst into "Sing Noel." The Christmas season was under way.

Friday and Saturday evenings, capacity crowds packed Irwin Hall for a rendition of the "Messiah" and the music department's Christmas music program. The Saturday night program featured 7 choral groups and some 270 choristers.

And there were other seasonal events in the offing. On December 14 the College faculty and staff would hold its annual family Christmas party for the 100 children of the college household. Student dormitories glittered with Christmas trees and deans planned special holiday events. Just two days before Christmas was scheduled the Chamber of Commerce Christmas celebration for the whole Angwin community.

But for hundreds of students, the most important thing about the holiday season was being home for Christmas. And for hundreds of homes in California and the neighboring states, the period from December 16 to January 2 would be a time Mother and Dad had looked forward to for months—when "the boy" and "the girl" would be back again at the family table. And "the boy" or "the girl" would be carefully inspected to see what College had accomplished and to see if the youngsters were getting "too good" for the old folks or if they were really developing

in the pattern of Him whose birthday they celebrated.

Rabbi Speaks

Speaking on "Jewish Customs and Ceremonies" a Jewish rabbi was guest speaker at chapel exercises at the College December 6. The visitor, Rabbi Meyer Heller of the Congregation Emanu-el in San Francisco told students of the traditional observances of the Jewish nation—many of which customs also hold special significance for Seventh-day Adventists. Rabbi Heller was sponsored by the Jewish Chautau-qua Society.

Registration

January 2 starts a new quarter at P.U.C. Under the quarter system, entry can be made into classwork four times a year. Persons expecting to begin college work in January should have applications in before Christmas so the applicant can receive his acceptance in time to begin classwork on January 2.

Literature Evangelism in the Pacific Union Conference

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in hundreds of homes, but scores of people are enrolling in the Voice of Prophecy-Bible School, and thousands more are receiving the free literature which colporteurs carry with them.

In referring to the importance of literature evangelism Mrs. E. G. White states, "My brethren and sisters, remember that one day you will stand before the Lord of all the earth, to give an account of the deeds done in the body. Then your work will appear as it really is. The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"

In a short time our colporteur institute will begin. This annual gathering will bring all the colporteurs in the Pacific Union territory, except Hawaii, to Monterey Bay Academy for a five-day inspirational feast. Study will be given to new selling methods, more effective soul winning and to training of new workers.

The first meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. December 27 and the institute will close at 6 p.m. January 1. If you wish to have a part in this great work, please contact your local conference Publishing secretary without delay.

A. R. Reiswig, Associate Publishing Secretary, Pacific Union Conference.

Putting Christ in Christmas

All too often Christ is left out of Christmas. Although Christmas is supposed to be observed in commemoration of the birth of Christ, and the day is ostensibly dedicated to Christ, yet on that day many entirely forget Him, and others pay little more than brief and shallow lip service.

With many, everybody is remembered except Christ—grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, son, daughter, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, cousin, friend, are on our Christmas lists for greeting cards and presents. If Christ has been left off your list there is still time to put Him on.

As the Christmas season approaches, millions of dollars will be spent on Christmas presents for friends and relatives in a sort of mutual exchange. It may be well for us to remember our friends in moderation, provided we do not forget our best Friend, and Elder Brother.

As Christmas day falls again upon the Sabbath, let us make it a very special day. Surely if any people should place Christ in Christmas this year it should be Seventh-day Adventists. The messenger of the Lord has admonished us to "celebrate Christmas by remembering God." And further, we are counseled to devise "ways and means to show true respect to Jesus by bringing to Him gifts and offerings. Let every one remember the claims of God."—Review and Herald, Dec. 9, 1884.

On November 4 the General Conference Committee took action to make this coming thirteenth Sabbath, which falls on Christmas day, a very special day in all our Sabbath schools for the raising of a very generous offering for missions. Shall we not take as our Christmas motto this year, LESS FOR SELF AND FRIENDS, AND MORE FOR CHRIST AND MISSIONS. This will be one of the most effective ways of putting Christ in Christmas.

L. L. Moffitt.