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## The Certainty of this Movement—No. 8

THE children of Israel had been taken out of Egyptian bondage, and a reform was needed before they were prepared to enter the promised land. They needed a reform in their dress, in their eating and drinking, in Sabbath-keeping, in the payment of tithes and offerings, in their religious services, as well as in their daily Christian experiences. They needed such a *reform among them, but not a separation from the movement.*

So it is with the remnant church. It is to prepare for translation. It is to prepare for an entrance into the heavenly Canaan. We, who belong to the remnant church, cannot follow the fashions and ways of the world, for we are preparing for a better world. We cannot participate in the frivolities, amusements, and worldly pleasures, for we are living in the solemn judgment hour. We cannot dress, nor eat, nor walk as the world does, for we are soon to meet our Lord. We have been called out of darkness to be a peculiar people. Many of our people are following too low a standard. We need continually to press upward toward higher standards and ideals in our Christian experience. We are to be a holy people, we are to get ready for translation.

And such a reform will come. Sister White in vision saw, "a great reformatory movement among God's people."—"Testimonies," Vol. IX, p. 126. This true reformation does not call for a *separation from the church*, but for a *drawing together* in union and harmony. It must begin in our hearts. Such a reform calls for a separation from sin, a separation from

the gaudy fashions and debasing ways of the world, but not a separation from the movement of God. It calls for a consistent Christian life, a modest, quiet spirit, but not for extreme positions in minor matters, which often cause more harm than good. Such a call is now being sounded to our members. The time for such a reformation to take place among us is now.

Sometimes men arise among us with a special burden to reform the church, but their chief message seems to be to enlarge upon the faults and mistakes of the leaders of the denomination. They create distrust in God's servants and especially in the leaders. Thus they are tearing down and destroying instead of building up the work. Such work of criticism and of sowing distrust, by dwelling upon the

## God Understands

It is so sweet to know  
When we are tired, and when the hand of pain,  
Lies on our hearts and when we look in vain,  
For human comfort, that the heart divine  
Still understands these cares of yours and mine.

Not only understands, but day by day  
Lives with us while we tread the earthly way,  
Bears with us all our weariness and feels  
The shadow of the faintest cloud that steals  
Across our sunshine, even learns again  
The depth and bitterness of human pain.

There is no sorrow that He will not share,  
No cross, no burden for our heart to bear  
Without His help, no care of ours too small  
To cast on Jesus; let us tell Him all  
Lay at His feet the story of our woes  
And in His sympathy find sweet repose.

faults of others, cannot be the work committed to the people of the remnant church. Our work is not to denounce other people or other denominations who may differ with us; but our work is to win them and lead them into the glorious truth of God. It is not a separation from the movement of God that is called for at this time, but a *separation from sin* and from the passions and pleasures of the world.

The exodus movement went into the land of Canaan. God did not begin a movement to abandon it in the wilderness, but He led it through to the promised land. We read, "And He brought us out from thence, that He might bring us in to give us the land which He swore unto our fathers." Deut. 6: 23. The same movement which left Egypt went into Canaan. It is true that "the church in the wilderness," (Acts 7: 38) was not perfect, but God did not forsake His movement on that account. It is also true that many of the people who belonged to that movement fell in the wilderness because of their murmuring and complaining. But the movement went through according to God's plan. It was not another movement nor a "split-off" from the movement that entered the promised land. It was the original movement that finally crossed the river Jordan. Some found fault with the movement and left it like Korah, Dathan and Abiram, but they miserably perished by the way. Only those who stayed by the original movement, led by the pillar of God, ever reached the land of Canaan.

So it will be with the advent movement. It began on time, it is of God and He will not abandon it in the wilderness. This movement will not

be superseded by some other movement. Some self-styled "reformers" may find fault with the movement, and may leave it, and they may endeavor to get others to join them, but such will not succeed. Some may spend their time and energy in criticizing the leaders of the movement while they proclaim themselves to be just and holy, but such, too, will perish by the way.

The remnant church is the object of Satan's special attacks. He goes forth to plan his warfare against it. He has had nearly 6,000 years of experience in fighting against the work of God and he will employ all his experience in planning an attack against the church in the last days. He is a student of prophecy and knows that we are living in the time of the end. He knows that he has but a short time left in which to work, (Rev. 12: 12) and so he will employ all his ingenuity to deceive the people of God. His last effort to overthrow the church will be the most desperate one of all the ages. All the cunning craftiness gained by his many years of warfare against the cause of God, will be used to deceive the people of the remnant church.

Satan will cause men to arise from without who will enact laws against the movement of God to overthrow it, but they will not succeed. He will cause persecution to arise against the remnant church, to weaken and discourage it, but in this he too will fail. He will cause men to arise among us who will criticize the truth. They will take delight in pointing out the defects and faults of others while they still profess to believe the truth. They will sow seeds of doubt and distrust in the hearts of our people while they themselves may claim to be holy. But they cannot overthrow the work of God.

The conflict will be severe, but God's people will be victorious, for Christ will be their leader. He is the Captain of the host of God. He overcame the enemy in the hour of His temptation, and thus our enemy is a vanquished foe. Christ will not forsake His church in the hour of its severest trial. He will keep it as "the apple of His eye." God's people will overcome their wily foe through "the blood of the Lamb, and because of the word of their testimony." Rev.

12: 11. "And they loved not their life even unto death."

The church of God will finally triumph gloriously. It will not always march in the wilderness and never get home. It will go through to the kingdom. It will triumph over all the attacks of the enemies. It will cross the "river Jordan" and enter the promised land. In holy vision John saw it stand on the sea of glass, holding the harps of God, he heard it sing the song of victory, even the song of Moses and the lamb. The church had gotten the victory over the enemy and was forever ransomed from his power. The redeemed will stand with the Lamb on Mount Zion, having the Father's name written on their foreheads. They will, "follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth." Rev. 14: 5. "In their mouth will be found no guile for they are without fault before the throne of God." And throughout all the ages of eternity they will ascribe honor and praise to the Lamb who saved them through His blood and guided and directed them in all their ways.

N. P. NEILSEN.

### Austral Union Conference

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## Notes from the Austral Union

BROTHER G. E. Emmenegger left Tuesday night the 19th of January for Montevideo where he audited the books of the Uruguay Mission in order to make up his financial report rendered at the time of the annual meeting which began the 21st.

ELDERS TOWN and Howell left the 20th of January for Montevideo where they attended the annual meetings held in that city. Also Elder C. K. Meyers, of the General Conference, who is visiting our continent, and Elder N. P. Nielsen, the president of the South American Division attended the meetings.

ELDER Felipe Sittner, field secretary of the Buenos Aires Conference, is strongly pushing forward the Harvesting campaign. He started

to work in the city of Buenos Aires, during January.

DURING the early part of January Brother Victor Gambetta and family moved from Puiggari to the city of Corrientes. Brother Gambetta will take up his work there as secretary treasurer pro tem of the Alto Paraná Mission.

BROTHER E. R. Kunstmann, secretary treasurer of the Alto Paraná Mission, visited our headquarters on his way to Germany, where he is to undergo a surgical operation.

ON THE 13th of January Elder J. M. Howell and family arrived on the s. s. "Southern Cross" from the United States returning from furlough. Brother Howell was recently appointed secretary of the Educational, Sabbath School and Young People's Departments of the Austral Union, filling the vacancy made by Elder W. E. Murray, who has taken up his new duties at the Division office. We extend to them a cordial welcome.

ONE of our most successful colporteurs is now working in the territory of Chubut. Brother Chamberlayne is enjoying many blessings in his work because he takes an active part in all the campaigns of the Adventist people. In a few hours he was able to collect \$75.00 pesos Argentine in the same territory where not long before he had canvassed.

## A Miracle

I VISITED the city of 25 de Mayo for the first time, and there I found two men faithfully keeping the Sabbath and doing missionary work. Tithe had been sent from that place already. In studying with these new brethren I found that they were ready to be baptized, and anxiously awaiting this act. It was the first time a pastor had visited them. They had obtained their knowledge through our literature left there by a consecrated colporteur.

In the presence of about thirty people gathered on the banks of the river, and after an explanation of the meaning of true baptism, these new believers were led into the water to receive this rite.

When these brethren came out of the water, two noted merchants stepped forward and shook hands with

them saying "May God help you live a new life with Christ." These words stirred our hearts and we could feel the Spirit of God among us.

It is the first baptism I have performed where no other Seventh-day Adventist was present, nor anybody who could sing one of our songs. Neither could these new converts sing any of our songs as they had not learned them as yet. So I sang several songs alone.

In these days when God is cutting His work short in righteousness we shall no doubt find other instances where God works through his angels by means of a book.

We receive urgent calls from every corner of this conference. Certainly the harvest is ripe but the laborers are few. Let us pray earnestly that God may help finish His work in the earth.

F. SITTNER.

*H. M., S. S. and M. V. Secretary,  
Buenos Aires Conference.*

### Rewarded Faithfulness

AN INTELLIGENT young musician of the Municipal Band in Resistencia began to visit our meetings. From the beginning he showed a great interest and studied the Bible. Then came the day in which he felt it his duty to keep the Sabbath. As he could not write Spanish as good as his native tongue, he asked Brother T. Block, our worker in that city, to write for him a petition to the director of the band, asking for a special exemption from service, from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday, giving the reasons. Since the band is a dependent of the municipality, the director presented the letter to the city authorities. A few days later he was told that he could not get the Sabbath off, which made him quite sad, because he loved the place and the work. But he was making plans to return to Brazil where he was sure there would be more occasion of finding work with the Sabbath free. Brother Block suggested to him that they go together to visit the city authorities to see what the objection was, since he did not ask salary for the days he would be absent. The secretary received them very kindly, and when Brother Block brought the matter before him, he just smiled, and said that just the night before the city authorities in their meeting had grant-

ed his request, with full pay; and he brought a voluminous report of the meeting. "Only," he said, "don't convert the rest of our musicians." As soon as the director of the band received the official report, he read it before the members of the band while our brother was present. He is now full of courage, and believes that in this experience God had tried his faith and remunerated him abundantly. Also through this experience many of the authorities heard of the message. About three other musicians are getting interested in the truth.

P. E. WENSELL,

*Home and Field Missionary  
Secretary, Alto Paraná Mission.*

### Our Chillan School

WE PRESENT herewith a picture of Professor George B. Taylor and family. For several years Brother Taylor has been director of our training school in Brazil, located at Santo Amaro, Sao Paulo, having previously worked there as preceptor and teacher. Mrs. Taylor has been connected with the school work in Brazil also as teacher of English and Registrar.

In August of 1920, Brother and Sister Taylor arrived in the beautiful country of Brazil to take up their work. During these years many Seventh-day Adventist young people, now engaged in the private walks of life and in our organized gospel work, have attended their classes at the training school. To see these young

people developing in the work of life and in the service of the cause of God must be a motive of satisfaction to these teachers who have consecrated their lives to the work of guiding and teaching the youth.

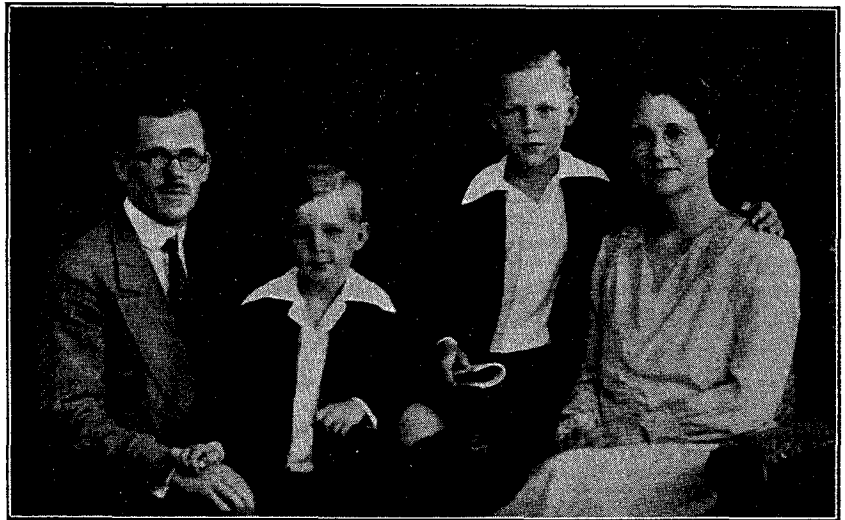
Brother Taylor is now the director of the *Colegio Industrial Adventista* situated in Chillan, Chile, our training school for that republic. They have moved to Chile and he has already assumed his new duties. For the past months Pastor C. D. Christensen, the Bible teacher, has served temporarily as director, besides carrying the work of his Bible Department. We thoroughly appreciate the efforts made by Brother Christensen and the faculty during these few months when they have had very heavy loads to carry.

To Brother and Sister Taylor we extend our best wishes in their work in Chillan. We are sure that their efforts will be appreciated by the large number of our Adventist young people in that enterprising country.

W. E. MURRAY.

"THE surrender of all our powers to God greatly simplifies the problem of life. It weakens and cuts short a thousand struggles with the passions of the natural heart. Religion is as a golden cord that binds the souls of both youth and aged to Christ. Through it the willing and obedient are brought safely through dark and intricate paths to the city of God."

—E. G. White.



Professor G. B. Taylor, director of the Chillan training school, and family.

## A Greek Appreciates "Steps to Christ"

ONE of our sisters who was doing home missionary work among the foreign neighbors handed "Steps to Christ" to her Greek bread man. He became so interested in this book, published in his own language, that he took 100 copies of the same and he is distributing them among his Catholic friends. Now this man desires that these books be bound more elaborately so that he may give them to some of the more educated people also. We can see that it pays to work among our foreign neighbors. We are publishing literature in almost all the principal languages of the world. Find out what language your neighbor speaks and give him something in his mother tongue, then he will become more interested reading the message in his own language than in any other. H. F. BROWN.

## Harvest Ingathering Echoes

THE church in Florida, suburb of Buenos Aires, is one of the oldest, if not the oldest church in Argentina and in South America. It has a membership of 164 and is the largest church in the Buenos Aires Conference. The responsibility which rests upon this church to help evangelize the world, is great. Even though this suburban population is small, and every family could be won to the third angel's message, yet our responsibility is unlimited according to the command of our Saviour to go "into all the world."

There are few cities in this world with as international a life as has Buenos Aires, a true metropolis. There is a church in the city proper, but it has a small membership and its task is stupendous when compared with the multitude of people which inhabit the city—nearly two and one-half million. But we thank our heavenly Father for the plan of evangelization through the medium of the Harvest Ingathering. The Harvest Ingathering paper is one of the best methods of giving a knowledge of the message to the business men and merchants who might not be reached in any other way, unparticipate in this campaign is to visit less it be through the colporteur work.

The general tendency of those who

the same people each year with the paper which every year contains new statistics as to the progress of our work, as well as a good part of our message, which we have the privilege of giving to the world in this generation.

To give you an idea of the activity of the church in Florida with respect to their missionary work and their progress in the Harvest Ingathering, I have gathered a few figures which I will give below:

	1931	1930	1929	1928
Goal	\$2500.00	2400.00	2000.00	2000.00
Reached	\$2586.80	2428.30	2370.50	2059.45

When we remember the crisis which has been on, which closed the doors of large business houses, and made many others close out, and how much business was affected through the fall of the *peso*, the rise in the cost of articles, especially such as were imported, the high customs charges, we are able to thank God for the success that we had this past year in the Harvest Ingathering. And if the crisis made itself felt in the interior and many churches were unable to reach their goal, this is doubly true of the conditions in Buenos Aires, for above-mentioned reasons, yet with God there is no crisis, at least, He does not deny His blessings to His children.

May God, the Omnipotent One, shed over us His rich blessings through every Harvest Ingathering campaign, even though we may at times give the papers without receiving a contribution, that this may be an efficacious means for the finishing of His work.

ERNESTO STEGER.

## A Gratified Colporteur and the Combination Plan

BROTHER Miguel Nazar of the Northwest Argentine Mission shows his appreciation of this plan. He takes subscriptions with each order and even when they do not order a book he leaves the paper. He says the following regarding this way of leaving the paper. "I should like to manifest my conformity to this combination plan. I am very much pleased that this plan has been established. I could mention thousands of persons who appreciate receiving this paper. It is true that 'More *Atalayas* mean more souls.' We should all cooperate to scatter this missionary paper. . . . I wish that all

the colporteurs might recognize the value of this combination plan, and then no house would be deprived of this missionary paper."

Other colporteurs are employing *El Atalaya* in this manner. If one person unfortunately does not care to take the book, because they feel it compromises them to a certain extent, the colporteur says: "At least, sir, now that I have visited you and done my part, will you not now accept this magazine *El Atalaya* which only costs \$2.30 m/n. a year?" and he subscribes immediately." H. F. BROWN.

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## News Notes of the East Brazil Union

THE meetings held by Pastor Domingos Peixoto in the Meyer Church in Rio de Janeiro are showing results of the work done. About twenty people who became interested in the present message are seen now frequenting the Sabbath services. May they yet be joined by others who attended the lectures at the above place and may it be the privilege of Pastor Peixoto to unite them with the church by baptism.

PASTOR R. W. Belz, who began with a series of public meetings immediately after the dedication of the Victoria church in the same auditorium, has been having good attendance and from this a goodly number of interested ones have been asking for further instruction in the themes presented so that a list of from forty-five to fifty names is in the hands of the workers who are very busy doing their share in getting the full understanding of the truth into the hearts of their hearers. Some are keeping the Sabbath and it is hoped that a number of new believers can be shortly added to the membership of the Victoria church.

EIGHTEEN souls were baptized on the 7th of November in Recife, seventeen of which were baptized as a direct result of the efforts held in this city by Pastor Gustavo Storch. The

work in this fine northern city has made wonderful advancement during the last two years. It gives us great satisfaction to see the churches there growing every quarter.

THE Week of Sacrifice offering will likely be the biggest offering ever realized in our union. From everywhere we are receiving reports which cause us to hope to this end. "Thy people will be willing in the day of Thy power" is being fulfilled in our Union. While we are 8:285\$960 behind in the amount of tithe over last year for the first ten months, we are 26:885\$500 ahead in offerings to missions for the same period of which 21:265\$300 is the surplus in Harvest Ingathering offerings. This is indeed very encouraging and gives us reasons to thank our heavenly Father for the working of His spirit among His people.

THE public meetings held at the Municipal theater in Belem, Para, by Pastor Leo B. Halliwell and his workers continue to be well attended. When the subject of Spiritualism was presented a congregation of 600 people filled the rooms and at the close several came forward with words of appreciation to the speaker for the unveiled truth, expressing their desire to follow it. The following meeting when the subject of the Mark of the Beast was presented equally as many people came out to hear. The interest in Belem is one of the greatest we ever had in Brazil and our workers are very busy visiting over fifty families in their homes as a result of the public meetings. Some of these families are keeping the Sabbath and rejoice in the new found faith. Please remember these new converts as well as interested ones, in your prayers, in order that the work in this city may result in the salvation of many.

DURING the recent annual meeting of the executive committee of the East Brazil Union, careful consideration was given to the uniting of the two mission fields, Pernambuco and Bahia. In harmony with the recommendation of the last Fall Council the two missions were united and will be known in the future as the Northeast Mission. This mission comprises six states of Brazil and has a coastline of about 1,900 kilometers. Elder Gustavo Storch, former superintendent of

the Pernambuco Mission, will be the superintendent of the new mission, with Brother Guilherme Itin as secretary-treasurer. We trust that this union will prove to be a blessing to the cause of God in this large and needy field with its population of about ten million people.

THE Rio-Minas Mission held a church officers' and workers' meeting in the city of Rio de Janeiro in the rooms of the Central church, from the 7th to the 11th of January. The delegates eagerly accepted the invitation to this meeting and were present from all parts of the field. A very interesting and instructive program was followed. Elder Neilsen opened the meeting by speaking of the great responsibilities and privileges of the elders and leaders in the churches in caring for the flock of Christ. The help given by the Division president was greatly appreciated. Elder H. B. Westcott as well as other experienced workers, have helped to make this meeting a success. A good spiritual tone stayed with the delegates from the beginning and we hope that these meetings will be a help to all who were present, in the discharge of their God-given duties to the advancement of the message in the Rio-Minas Mission.

ELDER C. K. Meyers, secretary of the General Conference, spent several days in Rio de Janeiro. Sabbath, December 19, he addressed the members of the Rio and Nictheroy churches, who assembled in the large hall on Rua Buenos Aires 281, in the morning as well as in the afternoon. His theme in the morning was "The Master is here and calleth thee." An eager ear was given to this message and a desire expressed by all present to follow this call in the every-day life. In the afternoon Elder Meyers spoke of his missionary trips around the world field and many received a new conception of the great work that is being carried on in all the world.

U. WISSNER.

"A SHINING face, a singing heart, a helpful life, where once there was sin, selfishness, and pride, testify to the power of Christ in transforming the natural tendencies of the heart."

### Inca Union Mission

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### What is the Inca Union?

THE Inca Union Mission is a virgin field for the proclamation of the gospel. Especially is this true in the cities where until now very little has been done in preaching the good news; but the work done by the colporteur is known in all parts—in the cities and in the fields, from the Pacific coast on the west to the tributaries of the Amazon on the east.

This union mission is made up of five local missions: The coast and sierra of Peru forms what is known as the Peru Mission. The southern part of Peru and the highlands of the famous Lake Titicaca region form the Lake Titicaca Mission. The north-eastern part of Peru forms the Amazon Mission. The republic of Bolivia in its vastness constitutes the Bolivian Mission, and the republic of Ecuador forms the Ecuador Mission. Thus there are five mission fields, extensive, interesting and fruitful for missionary work.

These fields are so interesting that they always attract travelers from all the world, and in these are found representatives of more religions, ancient and modern, perhaps, than in similar other fields of the world. Each religion has its followers; but as was recently said by a parish priest, "The most important and the one that does the most work is the Adventist church." The work in these fields bears abundant fruit, and in nearly every case, the converts respond to the impressions of the heart rather than to the reasons of the mind.

The Lake Titicaca Mission has now about 4,500 members of which at least 90 per cent are Indians, for it is really only the national and foreign workers who can be classed as white.

The Bolivia Mission, with its 1,667 members is much like the Lake Titicaca field, both in the people for whom we work as well as the workers and our methods of work. The percentage of Indians in the cities of Bolivia has increased more than in the Lake Titicaca field, but the percentage

of Indians among our members is about the same as in the Lake Titicaca Mission.

The Amazon Mission was organized about four years ago and we have now 311 members as the result of the work of Pastor F. A. Stahl and his three or four associate workers. Pastor Henry Westphal, who is now holding up the standard of truth with the church at Chepen, helped in the development of the work at Iquitos, the headquarters of the Amazon Mission.

The Peru and the Ecuador Missions differ much from the other three. These have the northwest coast territory and include many cities of importance and but few Indians in their territories. Although we have not done a great deal for the Indians of these fields we have a few missions among them and the prospects are good for the future, especially in the Perene region which forms a part of the Peru Mission. Ecuador has eighty-six members—this is few for a republic with about 3,000,000 people; but in the last six months we have seen great advancement in the efforts put forth by our brethren there as well as by our six faithful colporteurs. The Peru Mission has 1,065 members, nearly all of them in civilized communities. In Lima and vicinity we have organized churches and groups which manifest much missionary activity.

In the Inca Union we find a great diversity of climates. There are regions along the coast of Peru where it never rains. There are other regions in the east where it is always raining and in between are the altitudes where it rains three or four months during the year, the rest of the time it is dry and clear. There are wonders in this union, such as the great Lake Titicaca, which is a small ocean, 3,800 meters above the level of the great ocean; the mountain peaks of Illimani, Chimborazo, Ambato, Chachani, Misti and others whose tops are covered with snow, and from some of them there are eruptions of fire and gases. In the midst of this variety of climate and these wonders, we find in the fertile valleys, in the highlands and arid regions, in the woods and villages as well as in the great cities, more than seven thousand faithful Adventists.

At present we have a force of forty colporteurs in our union and we hope soon to reach fifty. In this field about 80 per cent of the 11,000,000 do not know how to read, and because of the poverty that exists among many of those who can read, it is difficult to sell very many of the high-priced books; but it pays to sell our precious literature. In the first six months of this year we have sold \$11,000 worth more than for the same period of last year. In the colporteur work as well as in the home missionary work there is progress, and we hope soon to reach every soul in this field with the message.

There are great needs in the Inca Union. The people are calling to us for the message. Fifty per cent of the inhabitants live in complete spiritual ignorance and 50 per cent in dire need. The Adventists are the ones who have supplied their spiritual need. The public hopes that we will continue, as has been said by one, "saving the lost."

P. R. TABUENCA.

*Publishing and Home Missionary  
Secretary Inca Union Mission.*

### A New Day for the Indians

THERE is a new day ahead for the Lake Titicaca Mission. For hundreds of years the Indian has been downtrodden and oppressed. His spirit has been broken. He has had nothing. His heart has been empty.

When the missionary first came, he brought hope and comfort. But it was difficult for the Indian to realize that he must change his ways before he could reach the promised joy. The thought that he was largely responsible for his condition, and that he must change his character, was very difficult for him to grasp. It was also difficult for the missionary to realize how unstable the Indian is by nature, and how easily he is influenced. So at the beginning of our work here some Indians were accepted as converted, who did not have a true understanding of the gospel. They thought that it was a part of a great social movement, which would free them from all difficulties on this earth.

Fortunately the error was discovered before a large number were brought into the church; but the idea was very prevalent among those who were not

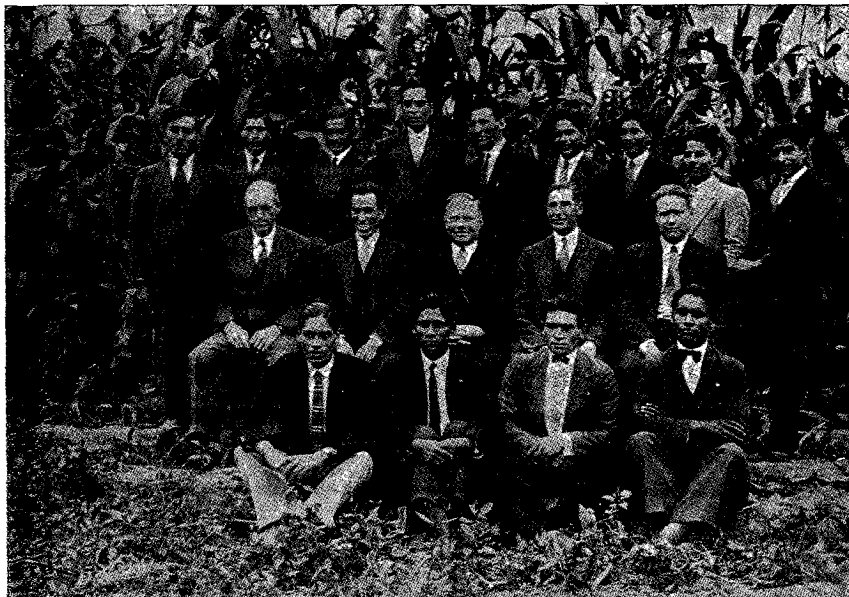
church members. In every baptismal class the worker had to carefully weed out those who were looking for the "loaves and fishes." As time went on, this idea was gradually overcome, until about two years ago a very careful examination was made of the lives of the church members. Then those who did not show proof of a definite change of life, but who were looking for present gain were dropped from our lists.

Today we see the results. In our general meetings it is a genuine joy to see the earnest yet happy Christian brethren. How it has cheered my heart to look into the faces of these dear believers. Their testimonies are full of courage and consecration. The support they give to the church is better than ever, both in missionary work for their fellow-men and in the financial support they give to the church. By far the most encouraging feature of it all is that from these people we are beginning to have workers, ministers, pastors, administrators, teachers, colporteurs, who are doing as good and in many cases better work than the white missionary can do. They are holding the respect of their people. They are real earnest Christian soul winners. In our general meetings we let them take turns with us in preaching and teaching the lay members. In the future we will be able to place the entire burden of the work upon them. Yes, from among them some have gone out as foreign missionaries. This means more to them than it does to a civilized person. And they are doing very acceptable work. Some have been proven very indispensable workers.

It is beyond description, the change that God has wrought in the lives of those who have surrendered themselves to Him. Here are living, indisputable witnesses to the saving power of the gospel. How can one doubt with such a multitude of living testimonies? The shadows of the last final judgment are already darkening the world; but Jesus will not allow any effort to save others go unrewarded. He is writing in heaven the record of your sacrifice for Him. May He abundantly bless each sharer in His work, and may the good work continue till all sin shall be destroyed forever.

R. J. Roy.

*Puno, Peru.*



Colporteurs and leaders in attendance at the colporteur institute of the Peru Mission.  
See accompanying article.

## The Colporteurs' Institute at the Lima Training School

THE enthusiastic canvassers never permit hard times to affect their optimism; they know that hard work and constant prayer confront and win any adverse circumstances, and with a laugh for any crisis they throw themselves into their efforts, sure of victory.

Between twelve and fifteen young men attended daily, but among these is not a single one who is simply hiding under the proud banner of the colporteurs and who afterwards finds some excuse for not being able to actively engage in the work. Only two young men of the eighteen appearing in the accompanying picture are new in the harness. All the rest are tempered steel, having had actual successful experience in the field.

We are sure that the results obtained by these student colporteurs will be the highest on record. For this we confide in God and in the experiences we have faced in these years of financial crisis.

The institute was conducted by Brother A. Marin and the writer. We received good help from Elders L. D. Minner, the Inca Union superintendent, and Henry Westphal, who is in charge of the work in Lima. We were sorry that Elder Thompson, the

director of the local mission, was sick and was not able to take part in the classes nor be present when the picture was taken; but he was present with us through his prayers and counsel, and we are happy to see some improvements in his health, as these lines are written.

There will be a total of twenty-three colporteurs, both student and permanent, working in the Peru Mission this summer and we are assured that this will help them pass their 1932 goal. The one set for 1931 was passed during the first ten months.

May God bless this great work and our colporteur comrades throughout the world.

P. R. TABUENCA,  
*Field Secretary,  
Inca Union Mission.*

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## Gleanings of Progress Throughout the Field

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Conducted by N. P. Neilsen

THERE WAS a gain in tithes in the Sao Paulo Conference last year of 8:026\$200 over that of the year 1930.

ELDER F. R. KUEMPLER baptized five persons in Paranagua, Parana, Brazil, on November 21, and three in Porto Uniao on December 12.

THE Uruguay Mission reports an increase in tithes for last year over 1930 of about 800 Uruguay pesos.

DURING 1931, 238 persons were baptized in the Sao Paulo Conference, bringing the membership of that conference to 1,814 at the close of the year.

"THE work is going nicely here in the Inca Union. I am now on the s. s. 'Santa Clara' on my way to the Lake Titicaca and Bolivian fields to visit their schools," writes Brother C. H. Baker, department secretary of the Inca Union.

"PAYSANDU (Uruguay) is an active church. The members work with enthusiasm under the direction of the officers. Although there is no conference worker located at that place, still they have won some people to the truth. Recently eight persons were baptized there."—*Ner Soto.*

UNDER date of December 15, Brother Ner Soto, superintendent of the Uruguay Mission, writes: "We hope to baptize about sixty persons during this year, and during 1932 we desire to put forth a strong effort that we may see one hundred souls baptized."

"IN IBARRA, on the Araraquarensis railroad (State of Sao Paulo, Brazil) the message sprang up as the result of seed sown by a colporteur. This place has been visited but twice by a worker, and so far only two have been baptized; but they have an organized Sabbath school of some forty members."—*Ennis V. Moore.*

BROTHER P. R. TABUENCA, field missionary secretary of the Inca Union, writes the following encouraging words: "In regard to the work in our fields it is certain that the Lord is richly blessing us; but we will continue to work strongly, because we do not know when even worse conditions than the present will come and we must be alert to meet them."

WRITING concerning a trip which he made to Assis, Sao Paulo, Elder G. F. Ruf, department secretary of the South Brazil Union, gives us the following encouraging report: "I spent two Sabbaths there. We had some very good meetings, and two new families have begun to keep the Sabbath and they have definitely decided to prepare themselves for baptism. In that district there is quite a deep interest in the truth."



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BROTHER José dos Passos, one of our young Brazilian workers in the Rio-Minas Mission, was set apart to the gospel ministry at the Central church in Rio de Janeiro on Sabbath, January 9. Elders N. P. Neilsen, H. B. Westcott and E. M. Davis officiated at the ordination. There was a large attendance and the Spirit of God was present with its holy influence to bear witness to this solemn act.

WRITING under date of December 29, Brother Emilio Keppke, field missionary secretary of the Santa Catharina-Parana Mission, gives us the following encouraging words: "In spite of the many difficulties and obstacles encountered, this year has been one of the best. We sold about 13:000\$000 more than during 1930. Certainly the Lord is with His colporteurs. There are good prospects for the new year. Some of our colporteurs report some very interesting experiences. Many interested souls have been found through this line of our work."

UNDER date of December 17, Brother G. A. Denz gives us the following note regarding the advancement of the truth in his field: "For ten months now I have been holding a series of meetings in the city of Jequie, in the interior of Bahia, and twenty-five persons have accepted the truth, fifteen of these are ready for baptism and the others should wait a little longer. In other parts of my district twenty-five more people have accepted the truth. Thus during these ten months fifty persons have accepted our message. The Lord be praised!"

BROTHER Manoel Margarido, secretary of the Publishing Department of the South Brazil Union, was ordained to the gospel ministry at Sao Paulo, on Sabbath, January 16, during the biennial session of the Sao Paulo Conference. Elders C. K. Meyers, N. P. Neilsen and E. H. Wilcox officiated at the services. There was a large congregation and the Spirit of God was in our midst. Brother Margarido has spent many years in the Master's service, especially in the Publishing Department of our work, and our prayer is that the Lord may make him still more fruitful in this blessed cause.

THE Spirit of God is at work upon hearts in a special way in these times of crisis, opening hearts and doors for the reception of the message. From different parts of the field come urgent calls for some one to come and instruct the people regarding the meaning of these things. Recently Elder Ennis V. Moore wrote: "There are many, many places where souls are requesting baptism but we have been unable to get to them to prepare them adequately for this holy rite. We cannot possibly keep up with the interest awakened by the faithful colporteur. Our most perplexing problem is to answer the calls that come to us, asking for a worker to explain more fully the truth".

IN GIVING his report at the biennial session of the Sao Paulo Conference held January 14 to 17, Elder Ennis V. Moore, president of the conference, among other interesting accounts, gave the following: "In Monte Verde some faithful students of God's Word, who are not yet baptized, have organized a Sabbath school of some twenty members; but they have never been visited by one of our ministers. These souls are faithful in sending in their tithes and offerings, and in studying their Sabbath school lessons. They are active missionaries, have left off their evil habits, and are preparing themselves for admission into our church. Recently one of our faithful colporteurs, in passing through that place, preached a couple of nights in a rented hall to some three hundred earnest people." Thus the work of God moves forward although there is a dearth of workers to answer the many calls that come to us.

## Division News Notes

EVEN though the s. s. "Southern Cross" arrived early in the morning of January 13, it found members of both the Austral Union and the Division families present to welcome back Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Barnes, who had been on furlough to the States. The Division family was happy to see these two members returning, and we wish for them another term of service filled with the blessings of God. Brother Barnes, who is our office manager and cashier, has been asked to act as editor of the SOUTH AMERICAN BULLETIN along with his many other duties.

THE only two remaining secretaries in our office after the Spring Council have now also followed the call of duty to the field. Brother C. L. Bauer, has gone to the Inca Union via Chile, where he will spend some time before taking the boat for Callao, and Brother W. E. Murray, left on the 17th of January to go to the Inca Union by the overland route, via La Paz, Bolivia.

WE WERE happy indeed to welcome back Brother N. P. Neilsen, who returned the last days of January from a trip through the Brazil fields. Elder C. K. Meyers, who visited Brazil at the same time, was also back in the Division office for a few days before continuing his trip through the field.

DOCTOR and Mrs. H. E. Butka and children were visitors at the Division for several days during January. Doctors Butka will be remembered for their activities in the Yungas District of Bolivia. They were passing through Buenos Aires on their way to the United States via Europe. Although we were sorry to see them leave South America, we wish them "Godspeed" and pray that they may continue to be a blessing in His cause.

ANOTHER missionary family to fill the gap in the Lake Titicaca Mission, passed through Buenos Aires the early days of the new year. Brother and Sister Samuel Weiss, graduates of the River Plate Junior College, visited the Division on their way to the Lake Titicaca field, where Brother Weiss will take up his work as Home and Field Missionary secretary of that mission.