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Preach The Message

God's message for today is the judgment message of Revelation fourth. It is God's remedy for a sin-sick world. It is His message of hope to a people facing the fires of eternal damnation. It is His only message that can heal the hurt of the daughter of Zion. It is a message of positive truths, a message of doctrines. It is revivalistic in its workings, reformatory in its effects. Its foundations are solid, its truths invincible. No power can stand against it, no opponent can overthrow it. It contains salvation for the most enlightened; it can be comprehended by the illiterate. Happy the people who are its possessors.

When our work first started in China, some wondered if the unlettered among the Chinese could understand the tenets of the message. But behold the results! The missionary did his work, scattered literature, preached the message, just as we do in Europe and in the United States, and so a company of Sabbath-keeping Adventists sprung up. On to India, Africa, South America and the Islands of the sea the message has sped, and in every place the results have been the same. Seeing is believing. Preaching the judgment message does the work. "Why do you keep the Sabbath?" we asked some of the converted Indians of the Bolivian highlands. "Because God says so," they replied pointing to a ten commandment chart on the church wall. "They can't comprehend when some of our friends try to explain to them that God has changed the day," the pastor of the mission told us. To them God means exactly, what He says.

Yes, the message is capable of doing just what God intended it should do. It has encircled the globe. Everywhere the results are the same. Just now Brother Stahl returns from his first missionary work among the savages of

the Amazon region, Indians who have eaten human flesh. And there too, he tells us, the preaching of the message effects the same results.

It is not a new message that we need. We need only to hasten the message to the last inhabitant on earth. What South America needs today is workers who are afire with the judgment message, who believe it with all their heart, who are willing to do and dare for the Lord of the message, and the message will do its God given work.

"The age of great preachers has always been the age of great religious beliefs. Preaching, to be robust, trenchant, down-reaching, soul-searching, will-compelling, life-moulding, must be theological, dogmatic, authoritative. The great preaching has always and only been done by the theological athletes, by men who believed something, by men who were saturated and steeped with the spiritual certitudes, by men who could think God's thoughts

after Him and thread their way through that ordered plan by which God saves the world to the glory of His grace. We notice, if we have read any history, that the notable spiritual world-movements and upheavals have all been inspired by great convictions of truth. From the Apostolic age to the Augustinian, from the Reformation to the Puritan, they have been theological ages. The great epochs have been theological; the great revivals have been doctrinal; the notable revolutions have been driven under the lash of great moral and doctrinal convictions.

"It is a fatal mistake to suppose that a minister or church can get on without a theology. 'An individual' it has been said, 'may get on with religion, but a church must have its dogma.' Its vitality will ebb if you devitalize its creed, or cut it down to the vanishing point. The world with its great heart-hunger, with its corroding misery, is not going to make large place for the clerical invertebrate who goes to his work mumbling his half-beliefs and disseminating his unreasoned opinions, throwing out his theological conjectures like half-spans that rest on no solid piers in midstream and reach no further shores of assured certitude. . . . It is not from too much theology the church suffers but from far too little. It is not from too much dogmatism and authority the pulpit is weak, but from the lack of the positive note and the authoritative accent born of great convictions of the larger truth."—Claims and Opportunities of the Christian Ministry by John R. Mott. Pages 70, 71.

P. E. BRODERSEN.

The Lord's Prayer in Aymara

Nanacan Auquisa, alajpachanquiri, sítima jampatitaphan, khapak cancafiama nanacuru júptphama, munañama ñuratapham, camisa alajpachan ukhamaraqui acápachansa.

Sapurú ttantasa jichuru churapjbeta, camisa nanacasa nanacuru juchachasirinacarus pampachasirinacarus pampachapjhta ukama; haniraqui juatekaru tincuyaphestati; ñankjatsi kquespiyapjharauita. Aman.

"THE path of sincerity and integrity is not a path free from obstruction; but in every difficulty we are to see a call to prayer."

Impressions While on Furlough

I HAVE just received N° I of Volume II of the SOUTH AMERICAN BULLETIN and have read it with the deepest interest. I was prompted to write when the previous number came, but somehow it was postponed. As I have read these numbers I have felt that there is surely a field for this new sheet. The reports of many openings and of the results of the work are certainly cheering. Surely the Lord is going out before his messengers in South America.

It may be of interest to the South American readers of the BULLETIN to know about the progress of the work in the United States and of the plans that are being laid and the efforts put forth to respond to the calls for men and means for South America and the other mission fields.

It is most cheering to see the interest the brethren in the United States have in the work outside of their own country. The Pacific Union Conference has, of its own initiative, I believe, increased the percent of the tithe it will give to the General Conference. One president of a conference told me that he thought that his conference was using as much money in its field for evangelical work as it ought to, and that its increase in funds should henceforth go for the extension of the work in other and more needy fields. This conference is giving a large offering to the worldwide work already, and has given a large amount of surplus tithe.

I recently attended a church officers convention in one conference. A large number of church officers were present,—elders, deacons, treasurers, S. S. superintendents, etc. One of the important items considered was the question of the increase of mission funds. The brethren were certainly in earnest in the matter. A strong effort will be made during the year 1926 to raise the full amount of sixty cents per week per member, outside of the Harvest Ingathering. In order to do this they will endeavor to check up at the end of each quarter leaving no quarter short in the amount expected. As the Harvest Ingathering Campaign comes at the end of the year, they hope if possible to have the funds gathered in this campaign, over and above the goal of sixty cents per week. This indicates clearly that our brethren here are realizing in a large measure the dire need of our great work.

Some at least of our local churches also appreciate the need, and we believe that the spirit is general. The

church here at Angwin, California, with a membership of 273, a large portion of whom are students, and very few that are not in some way connected with the school, gave \$1,342.50 in the "Big Week." The church officers selected two persons to visit all the outside members to secure from them, if possible, one week's salary. All the employees of the school met together nearly all promising one week's salary; and while some, on account of their financial situation, gave less, it was made up by others giving more. The students endeavored to give two dollars on an average. This was a big undertaking for them, for here as elsewhere they have but little to give.

There is a splendid spirit in Pacific Union College. The teachers are consecrated to the Lord and the great majority of the students are having a good Christian experience.

I visit some church nearly every Sabbath. I spoke at the Sanitarium two weeks ago. That which interests our people most is to hear of the progress of the three-fold message. They are also anxious and hungry for any Bible instruction that will deepen their Christian experience and brighten their hope. For the most part I have had charge of the prayer meetings here in the church for several months which has given me an opportunity to present some things of very practical importance in Christian experience. The testimonies of appreciation show the avidity with which spiritual food is received.

J. W. WESTPHAL.

Angwin, California—Feb. 10, 1926.

Austral Union Conference

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Evangelical Work in the Alto Paraná Mission

DURING the public effort held the past summer in Puerto Lavalle, we had a good attendance and a number showed their sympathy for the truth. Eleven were baptized and ten more are in the baptism class preparing to take this step in the near future. Counting the fourteen persons baptized last year we now have a total of twenty-five baptized members in this place, besides the ten candidates for baptism.

There are two Sabbath schools organized here beside a Home Department. Just as we closed our public meetings, Brother Héctor Domínguez,

our Home Missionary Secretary, came at an opportune time, for he gave to the new believers good instruction in regard to their responsibility in Home Missionary work, encouraging them to maintain the fire of their first love by working to win other souls.

The enemy on the other hand are using every possible means to hinder the advance of the message for they fear the loss of the prestige of their idols. Our meetings were attacked very roughly, endeavors being made to stone the people who attended. As we left the meeting hall we were stoned and it was only the hand of God that saved the children and adults that attended from suffering serious harm. Some did receive slight wounds. They did not stop with stoning, for three revolver shots were directed toward us. In spite of all the difficulty which they have had to meet in accepting the truth, the brethren here are happy and determined to hold on until the end. There is a prominent man here who has been a real friend to us. He has generously given us the use of his house and in other ways has been of service to us. A business man also gave us the use of his house for meetings in spite of the opposition he met.

The local authorities have been very remiss in giving protection to us. In view of this I was obliged to close the meetings for a time. I appealed to the higher authorities of the government and the chief of police of the province, and they were very courteous, taking steps so that in the future due protection should be given. This incident gave me occasion to have a long talk with a lawyer who was vice governor of the province and is now a member of the Supreme Court. Upon his request, I told him quite fully of our belief. Although he is a Catholic he told me as I left him that I could count on him as a friend. His frank and sincere attitude and the courtesy showed to me by a man of his position, although we differed widely in certain doctrinal points was a sort of compensation to me for the rough treatment we had received in Lavalle. Again was fulfilled the word of the apostle, "All things work together for good to them that love God."

The Governor gave me a sort of safe-conduct so that the authorities would give me the necessary guaranties in carrying on my work. It read as follows:

"To the Commissioner of Police:

I would hereby bring to the notice of the Police Commissioner that Mr. Pedro M. Brouchy, an Adventist minister, has permission from this office

to hold religious meetings in that locality. In consequence, will the police-station in that place please take such necessary steps so that the aforesaid Mr. Brouchy may not be disturbed in carrying out his religious work, nor be molested by persons who may be opposed to the religion he professes, giving to him such help as he may solicit. May you remember, Mr. Police Commissioner, that the police authority must be at all time a guaranty of order and security.

(signed)"

We thank God that we have here a governor who carries out the laws and respects the rights of others.

PEDRO M. BROUCHY.

East Brazil Union Mission

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The East Brazil Union Mission

OF BRAZIL'S territory, which is considerably larger than the territory of the United States, not including its island possessions, the East Brazil Union Mission comprises the larger part, and the population which is found principally along the coast, numbers close to 23,000,000. The principal products of this section are coffee, sugar, cocoa, cotton, India rubber and cattle.

Brazil is a country of great natural wealth, and in the sections where our work is well started, we find that, as is the case everywhere, the love of the Third Angel's Message constrains the people to be liberal. In fact, we often travel, when we consider that the majority of our people, especially in the large cities, are of the poorer class, that we see the work growing as strong financially as it is. It is in our large centers of population that we are seeing the greatest financial progress. For instance, whereas the approximately 400 members of the Rio de Janeiro Mission have in the past year contributed actually about \$16,000.00 gold to the work, of this amount, the 250 members in Rio, the nation's capital have contributed approximately \$13,000.00.

Our financial problem is always one of our greatest. We need more workers in every field. Calls are constantly coming that we cannot fill. At times we might put people to work, but we lack the means. At the same time, could we have in our other large cities, such

as Bahia with its almost 350,000 and Recife with its 300,000 inhabitants, a force of workers adequate to build up the work in a good strong way, we might soon see a financial strength in these cities similar to that which we now see in Rio. Hence of our many needs, our greatest in without doubt, several good evangelists who can build up the work in the cities mentioned, and also in the many others in our Union. Considering our great lack of help, the work has made progress, even beyond what we had dared to hope. And as we look back to the small beginnings, we thank God and take courage, and press on to finish the work.

F. W. SPIES.

Departmental Work in East Brazil

IN A Union covering so large a territory as East Brazil, from Rio de Janeiro to the Amazon region,—a distance of two thousand miles,—considerable time is spent in travel. In the organized territory from Rio de Janeiro to Pernambuco,—a distance of one thousand miles, we have 1850 Sabbath school members. We have no record of any members beyond the Pernambuco Mission. For a distance of nearly a thousand miles in the upper part of South America we have no Sabbath school members. Plans are being laid to start work at the very mouth of the Amazon in the near future.

The Sabbath school membership in the territory of East Brazil has grown steadily. Two hundred members have been added during the last two years. The offerings especially in the city churches have increased from 400 reis a week to over a milreis a week per member. (A milreis is about 17 cents. American money). A splendid increase has been made in the number of those who daily study the Sabbath school lesson. In 1924 there were 430 who received an Honor Card with both seals. In 1925 there were 824 members that received both seals. In 1924 there were 42 who received a Sabbath school book mark, while in 1925, 73 received book marks.

Our Missionary Volunteer work is dependent on leadership. As fast as we can find leaders to carry the work in the churches, societies are being organized. But the surest way to organize a society here is to put the responsibilities on the church school teacher. Our large city societies are getting along very well. The Mayer M. V. Society in Rio under the direction of the pastor of the church is doing a splendid work along all lines

of M. V. activity. At the last meeting there were nearly one hundred young people present. They have meetings every week and would not go back to their old plan of two meetings a month. We are sure this year will show a large gain in the number of those completing the different features of the Missionary Volunteer work.

The educational work is progressing as well as could be expected. Our problem is to get teachers for the schools. There are calls for schools but the sad thing is we have no teachers to send. In 1924 there were enrolled 121 pupils in our church schools while in 1925 there were 213. We are glad for this increase but unless we can enlist more young people to prepare for the work of teaching, the progress will be rather slow. Our aim is to have every boy and girl of Seventh Day Adventists in our own schools.

The prospects for East Brazil are brighter than ever. With the Lord's help we are determined to do our best in every line. L. G. JORGENSEN.

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Progress During Last Year

CASTING a glance backward over the year 1925, we can but thank the Lord for the progress that the work has made in the South Brazil Union. We thank Him for the souls that have been won to the message. We have an earnest corps of workers in our field, and the Lord has blessed the efforts that have been put forth by them. During the year, 322 precious souls were baptized and fifty others were received on profession of faith and former baptism. This is the largest number that has been baptized in any year since the organization of the conference. The net gain in membership during the year was 264, bringing our present membership up to 3258.

Our tithe for the year was 262:771\$ 800, (\$43,795.00 gold) which is an increase of 17:321\$500 (\$2,887.00 gold) over the year 1924. The Sabbath school offerings for 1925 were 48:698\$ 300 (\$8,116.00 gold), an increase of 6:872\$250 (\$1,145.00 gold) over the year before. It is interesting to notice that this increase in one year is larger than the *total* Sabbath school offerings were ten years ago. Our

tithes for 1925 were more than six times as large as they were ten years ago, while our Sabbath school offerings were nearly eight times as large as they were in 1915. We can but thank the Lord for this increase.

Figures and cold statistics become interesting to us only as they mark the progress of the third angel's message; but still the onward march of the cause cannot fully be given by figures, for there are living experiences of the wonderful providences of God in connection with our movement. The Lord is indeed extending His hand "the second time" to gather out a people to be made ready for His coming.

We thank the Lord for the souls that have been born into the message during the past year in our field. It may be necessary for us to shape policies, to form resolutions, and to plan ways for the carrying forward of the work unitedly; but all of these things should only be a means toward the giving of the message of warning to the world, and of rescuing perishing souls from destruction. The saving of souls is our work. It is the work of our workers.

N. P. NEILSEN.

Santa Catharina Conference

NESTLED among the friendly mountains is the quaint little village of Jaraguá, Santa Catharina. Here the 1926 annual conference was held, February 24-26. About one hundred and fifty of the seven hundred members that comprise this conference were gathered together at this meeting, representing sixteen different churches and groups.

As more than two thirds of the members are of German descent naturally that was the predominant language throughout the meeting. The attendance, though not large, was steady, the same people attending nearly all the meetings. Besides the workers employed by the conference there were present Elder N. P. Neilsen, president of the South Brazil Union, Brother C. L. Bainer, Field Missionary Secretary for the Union, Elder W. Ehlers who is now residing in Santa Catharina because ill health has compelled him to lay down active work, and the writer.

Day after day as the people drank in with eagerness, the teaching based upon the Word and the Testimonies it was apparent that they were being blessed spiritually. Sabbath morning, after a short but impressive sermon by Elder Neilsen, many came forward

in response to the call for sinners and backsliders. At the close a general call was made for all who desired to reconsecrate their lives, and every person present stood. It was most encouraging, when the question was put to the young people, as to how many of them were willing to go wherever God might call, to see the many hands that were raised pledging their lives to the call of the Master.

In the afternoon the needs of the mission field were presented and the people readily responded with an offering in cash and pledges of 1:880\$ 500, this being considerably more than the amount received last year.

The evening after the Sabbath a very interesting and deeply spiritual program was rendered by the young people's society of Jaraguá. The parable of the prodigal son was vividly brought before the audience in a way that was most appealing to all. The different parts were rendered in a way that not only did credit to all who participated, but also showed able and painstaking planning and training on the part of the director, Brother E. Ehlers.

The business of the conference was carried on in an orderly manner. The report of the president was very encouraging, and showed progress in all lines. It was especially interesting to note that 65 were born into the kingdom during the year in this state. Of this number 59 were added by baptism, and six on profession of faith. The resolutions, though few, were of a nature to encourage our people and workers on to greater activities for God. Special emphasis was given to the need of greater efforts in the spread of our truthfilled literature through the colporteur work. There is every reason to believe that there is a good future before the conference in this important line of the work.

Elder G. Streithorst was unanimously reelected president of the conference. He seems to have the full confidence and respect of the people, and by the renewed consecration of all, we believe there is a prosperous future before this conference.

H. B. WESTCOTT.

THERE is only one life that wins, and that is the life of Jesus Christ. Every man may have that life; every man may live that life.—*Trumbull*.

"THE return of Christ to our world will not long be delayed. Let this be the keynote of every message."

A Day of New Things

WE ARE glad to report progress in the Sao Paulo Conference. It is interesting to notice the new mile posts passed during the year 1925.

In the first place, we baptized and received into church fellowship on profession of faith, 130 new members. This was the largest number ever brought in during any one year, and raised our membership up to 1088 at the close of the year. This being the first time any local field in Brazil has had a thousand members.

Two tent efforts were held contemporaneously during the year. It also being a new thing for any local field in this country, to conduct two public efforts at the same time.

In spite of the severe financial crisis that visited Brazil the last half of the year; the tithe reached 143:000\$000 (one hundred and forty-three contos de reis) or about \$24,000 gold, seven contos (\$1,166.00 gold) more than in the year 1924, the banner year up to that time. With the exception of the Harvest Ingathering all mission funds showed an increase. One difficulty in the Harvest Ingathering was that the financial crisis began at the same time of our campaign.

We are of good courage, and believe that the present year will see even greater things. H. B. WESTCOTT.

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Good News From North Perú

ELDER William F. Miller, who is in charge of the work in Northern Perú has sent us an interesting letter concerning his work. He encloses a couple of pictures representing the work which is developing in two important centers of his territory.

One is of the church at Celendin, a short distance north east of Cajamarca. On September 19, 1925, this group of believers was organized into a Seventh-Day Adventist church. All but one of the charter members can be seen in the picture. Brother Miller himself is standing at the right of the middle row. Of this group Brother Miller writes:

"They are a very simple and loyal people and the Lord is doing wonders for them. I have never been among people, even the Indians, that impressed me so much as did these at Celen-

din because of the simple faith they exercise. The Lord helps them because whenever they are sick or in trouble they pray and have faith to believe that the Lord hears them.

The other picture is of the Sabbath school at Trujillo. Trujillo is the largest city in Northern Perú and is a very important industrial center. We are encouraged to see the progress the truth is making among this people. Of the work in Trujillo Brother Miller writes:

"We are hoping to secure the means for erecting a church building in this city. Our work here doubtless would grow rapidly if we had a place to which we could invite the better class of people. I know of some who claim to keep the Sabbath who will not come to the place we have to meet in. If we had the land now we could build ourselves.

There are two brethren who have good incomes, who have offered to spend several hundred soles each in helping us to secure a place of our own. Thousands of *Atalayas* are going out, books and Bibles are sold every day, and I believe there is a great work to be done in this place."

H. U. STEVENS.

Rosa Pata Scores a Victory

It is only a little over a year since the people at Rosa Pata, under the direction of Elder R. S. Shepard, started making their adobes for the new church and school building they planned to build on the out-station. They had quite a number of the adobes



Trujillo Sabbath School in July 1925. Their membership has nearly doubled since that time. Elder Miller and wife standing at back to the left in the picture

made when the enemy, angry with those that keep the commandments, decided that they had gone just far enough and that then was the opportune time to discourage them. So a council was called of those that did not believe in the gospel and they were instigated to go over and destroy the adobes, and if necessary kill the believers. The night was still and the stars peeped out over head to watch the fiendish attack. Then the crash came. The adobes were broken to bits, the believers were beaten until the blood ran down their backs and they were ready to faint. The blow had fallen, the enemy had chosen well his time for the members were a bit dis-

heartened, but did they give up? No, the spark still burned.

This year they again came to the mission with the determination to build; and only a short distance from the broken adobes they commenced to make other new ones. When they were made we went over to help them put up the building. The roof of corrugated iron was put on, the windows fitted in and every thing went well.

When the building was about completed the leader came to me and said, "Pastor, would it be anything harmful if we have a little celebration tomorrow?" I said, "Go ahead" for truly they were in a way to rejoice. So the morrow came and with it the feast. I must say that I was royally treated. First they placed the national colors in front of the building and then they fired off some fireworks, then we went into the church and there before God we consecrated that building to His service. True, it was not as great as Solomon's temple, but the same glory was there that made the other temple a sacred spot.

After the prayer and all the ceremony was over I was showered with confetti and then presented with four bottles of soda water by different ones. This was a token of their appreciation and I could not refuse it for fear of wounding their feelings. How different from their former customs on such occasions when they would have presented alcohol and beer instead. This was followed by a feast consisting of, well I probably better not say, for fear some of my brethren might think me carnivorous, but suffice to say they had a good time. They prais-



The above picture shows thirty of the thirty one believers organized into a church in Celendin, North Perú by Elder W. F. Miller

ed the Lord for the victory and are of good courage again. Others will be coming to this new lighthouse to seek salvation of the Lord. We praise God for this place and for the honest and faithful Indian brethren that are standing by the colors, in spite of persecution and hindering circumstances.

WESLEY AMUNDSEN.

Progress in Bolivia

WHEN we remember that it is only a little more than five years ago that Chief Tancara presented his petition to Elders Shaw, Howell, Thompson and Montgomery pleading for the opening of Indian mission work in Bolivia and that several months passed before Elder Reid Shepard could begin this work, and then we see the Indian work in Bolivia today it is nothing short of a miracle. The medical missionary and educational work have gone hand in hand in opening the way and winning the hearts of the Indians.

As we began there were no native teachers to be had and as the Indians began to call for schools to be established among them the great problem was to find the teachers. There were boys who had accepted the message who were eager to go out and teach their people but the means were lacking to send them and they were without preparation. The leaders in the field begged for help. The calls have come from every side. Scores of schools could be opened at once were the men and means available to answer the calls.

Where schools have been established, souls have been won as the result of the faithful work of the Indian teachers. These teachers go out into the midst of hostile Indians who, urged on by the priests persecute and mistreat these faithful missionary teachers; but nothing daunted, they meet the persecutions and continue their work, gladly suffering for Him Who died for them.

The accompanying picture spells a future for Bolivia. It is a picture of Pastor T. L. Oswald and wife with a group of Indian teachers in their first summer school recently held. There are 21 teachers in the picture and there were six more who were not present when the photograph was taken. All these teachers will go out into out-schools and God alone knows what the harvest will be. The summer school has given to them not only training for more acceptable work but a vision of the possibilities before the Christian evangelistic teacher.



Summer school students Bolivian Mission. Elder J. L. Oswald and wife at rear and extreme left of picture

May God bless these faithful workers as they go forth to labor for Him.

C. P. CRAGER.

“THE deeper we look into the hungry and unhappy hearts of men, the more certain it seems that there is nothing in life more important than that warm interweaving of confidence

which we call friendship. It is of far greater importance to make friends than it is to make money. Money is cold and dead; friendship is warm and living. Money may buy food, clothing, and shelter for our physical selves; but friendship will light deep, glowing health-fires of contentment within the holier inner places of our souls.”

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

Campos Colporteur Institute

A UNION Colporteur Institute for the Rio de Janeiro, Espirito Santo and East Minas Missions, was held at Campos, Rio de Janeiro February 4-14. About 25 colporteurs were in attendance.

Brother Ricardo Wilfart representing the Rio Mission gave valuable assistance. He preached each night to a full house using his stereopticon to illustrate his talk. His audience consisted of colporteurs, church members and friends. Brother C. C. Schneider represented the Espirito Santo Mission.

Brother J. B. Johnson from the Publishing House was presented and explained how the Casa Publicadora cooperates with the colporteur. He also took charge of the Question Box. Brother Henrique Stoehr took charge of the financial end of the Institute. His years of experience as Tract Society secretary in the Espirito Santo Mission enabled him to give help which was much appreciated.

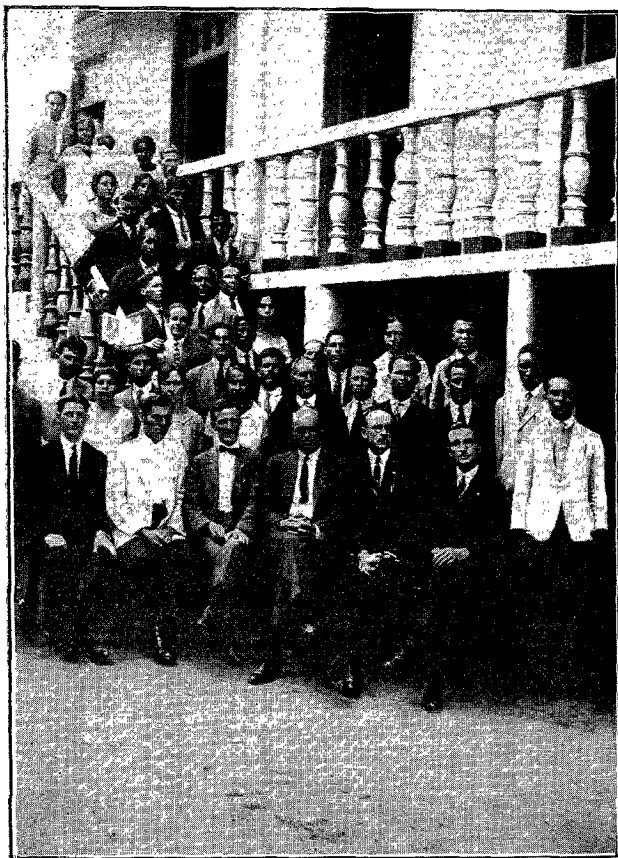
Dr. Lipke stopped off on his way to Rio Grande do Sul and gave several lectures on general health and simple treatments for the sick. Brother J. L. Brown Supt. of the East Minas Mission assisted the writer in the general instruction to the colporteurs.

One of the important plans outlined at the institute was for definitely following up the interests found by the colporteur in the field. The colporteur will use tracts, and report all interests found, which interest will be cared for from the central office and by visits made by the conference workers. The colporteur will thus see more direct results of his work.

The Campos Institute was one of the largest, best, and most successful the writer has ever attended.

E. P. MANSELL,
Field Miss. Secretary
Rio Mission

“THE same moment which brings the consciousness of sin ought to bring the confession and the consciousness of forgiveness.”



FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: *Henrique Stoehr, Pastor Rio Church; J. L. Brown, Superintendent East Minas Mission; E. P. Mansell, Field Missionary Secretary Rio Mission; J. B. Johnson, Editor "O Atalaia"; R. W. Wilfart, Superintendent Rio Mission; C. C. Schneider, Superintendent Espirito Santo Mission*

Results

FAITHFULNESS IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DURING the last two years I have made three visits to a town in the state of Rio de Janeiro where we have had two colporteurs. A man living there is interested in the truth and would be baptized were it not for certain business and other conditions which he feels at present will not permit him to step out. On my last visit, two weeks ago, he called me to one side and handed me 600\$000 tithes which he said he owed the Lord. He had been saving this tithes until my arrival.

Last year I wrote him a letter during the time of our Harvest Ingathering campaign and he sent me nearly 150\$000 and promises to send more this year. There are many people who are glad to give to the cause when they understand God's claim upon them.

WHAT ONE TRACT DID

About five years ago a faithful colporteur (Raúl C. de Araujo) in the

state of Rio de Janeiro arrived at the home of a man who was busily engaged in reading his Bible. His wife answered the call and informed him that a book agent was at the door.

Arriving at the door the man informed the colporteur that he needed no books because he had the best Book in the world. During the conversation the colporteur noticed that the man was searching for truth and he gave a tract. The man began keeping the very next Sabbath and now in that little town of Bethel we have a group of 32 baptized believers and more than that interested in present truth. TRACT WORK PAYS.

E. P. MANSELL.

Colporteur Institute, Paraná and Santa Catharina

FEBRUARY 10-18, we held our annual institute for the states of Paraná and Santa Catharina, in the city of Curitiba, Paraná. Due to the fact that we have only one Field Secretary for the two fields we hold a joint institute.

Brother E. V. Moore, the director of the mission was with us and gave good spiritual food in the Bible studies. Brother A. L. Westphal, the pastor of the Curitiba church, gave some valuable talks on health principles, and Brother S. M. de Oliveira, the Field Secretary assisted in giving some of the practical instruction. We believe that it was the best institute we have yet held in these fields.

It is interesting to note the steady gain that has been made in the book sales in these two fields in the last four years. In round numbers, the sales have been as follows. In 1922 eleven contos; 1923, nineteen contos; 1924, twenty eight contos; and in 1925 thirty seven contos. (A conto is about \$166.00 gold.) We feel sure that they will pass their goal of 40 contos this year. The individual goals of the twelve colporteurs present totaled a little over 51 contos.

I worked personally with two of the colporteurs after the institute in the city of Curitiba, with Great Controversy; and in eight hours of work we took 19 orders, eleven in keratol and eight in cloth.

We had two colporteurs present at the institute who walked 144 kilometers, or about 90 miles to attend. One of them was a boy in his teens and the other a man 66 years old. It took them nine days to make the trip, but they spent some time on the way selling small books. We also had one colporteur present who has been in the colporteur work for 17 consecutive years.

We feel to praise the Lord for all that has been done and believe that the present year will be one of progress in the fields. C. L. BAINER.

Union Field Secretary.

Colporteur Sales in the Unión Austral

THE Lord has surely blessed the colporteur work in the Austral Union during the first two months of this year. We find that the sales for this period of this year in comparison with those of the same time last year reveal a remarkable change, as will be seen by the following:

Sales, January and	
February 1926 . . .	\$48,834.23 gold
Sales, January and	
February 1925 . . .	\$22,396.81 "

Gain over 1925 . . . 26,437.42 gold
Thus the amount of the gain for this period amounts to more than all the sales for the first two months of 1925. W. A. BERGHERM.

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The Brazil Training School

ELEVEN years ago, early in 1915 the demand for a school in which our young people might be trained for a part in the work became so urgent, that the leaders in Brazil got together to study the situation and the need, and after due deliberation, it was decided that the time had come to establish such a school and accordingly a tract of land of some 300 acres was bought and the work begun.

Prof. Paul Hennig and wife and several lady students resided in an old adobe house, the only building on the place, a part of which also served as class rooms. Elder John Boehm and wife and most of the young men lived in tents, which, owing to the millions of wood ticks everywhere abounding, did not prove very pleasant quarters. Agricultural machinery was provided, ground broken up, various crops put in, a brick-yard started, and work begun in real earnest.

The eighteen students attending the first year, studied in the morning and in the afternoon busied themselves in one line or another of the work in hand to build up the school. Small buildings intended later to be used as stables and poultry houses were constructed and these served for the time being as dormitories, kitchen, dining room, etc. Thus with the limited means in hand and hard work our school was begun, and it has been the policy since its start, never to be involved in debt; building projects only being begun when means were in sight to add to what we already had. And as we look back eleven years, to the starting of the school, and see what has been done, we can truly say, "Behold what hath God wrought!" We can not here go into details as to the growth, but suffice it to say that last year the enrollment was over 200 students. But when the crisis in coffee, sugar and cotton struck Brasil, and money became scarce, many of our students were compelled to leave school. Up to this time our building enterprises and the farm had given work to a number of boys, but now, as the building operations are practically

completed, we must look for something else in the line of industries to assist at least some of our many worthy youth to get a preparation for a part in this closing work.

To meet this need, it has been suggested that we start some kind of wood-working industry. There is plenty of demand for various classes of furniture. In fact, very favorable offers have been made to us, if we could take advantage of them, but we lack both facilities and capital to do so. We could begin by making cane seated chairs, for which there is a big demand and they bring a fair price. But we are not in a position financially to start even this, as we first of all need a small building and some machinery to make a beginning.

We are now looking forward to the overflow of the 13th. Sabbath donations for the first quarter of 1926 which are to go to Brazil hoping that this may in some way bring us some means with which to get our industries started.

We find promising young people who are willing to work their way through school if they can only have an opportunity to do so, and we hope and pray that we may soon see the way open to offer them this opportunity.

F. W. SPIES.

God's Providence Over His Work

THE manager of the Brazil Publishing House writes the following note of courage: "When we consider the crisis through which Brazil is passing both in crops and the abnormal change in value of the milreis, our publishing work has surely held up well. The manager of one of the Protestant publishing houses in Sao Paulo recently told me that their work was almost at a standstill because of lack of electric power and also because of the 'hard times' which have struck Brazil, thus making it practically impossible for them to sell their product. We have suffered from neither. Thus far we have kept right up with our work. . . . Well, our work is the greatest work to be done in Brazil, and therefore it would seem natural that the Lord would provide. Our sales for this year will exceed those for last year."

"In the Judgment, men will not be condemned because they conscientiously believed a lie, but because they did not believe the truth, because they neglected the opportunity of learning what is truth."

South Brazil Briefs

ELDER A. L. Westphal recently baptized two persons at Alexandria, Paraná.

ON FEBRUARY fifteen, Elder Luiz Braun baptized two precious souls at Ibitinga, Sao Paulo.

ELDER Ennis V. Moore baptized seventeen dear souls at Itarare, State of Sao Paulo, on Sabbath, January 17.

TWELVE colporteurs went into the work at the close of an institute held in Curitiba, Paraná, in February.

PLANS are being laid for the holding of a tent effort at Espirito Santo do Pinhal, Sao Paulo, by Elder A. E. Hagen and Brother Domingos Feixoto.

AT THE close of a good colporteur institute held at Curitiba recently one young man was baptized by Elder Ennis V. Moore. He then entered the colporteur work.

ELDER Ennis V. Moore, who was recently asked to take the directorship of the Par Mission, has located his family at Curitiba and is now actively at work in his field.

RECENTLY fourteen new members were received into church fellowship by baptism and on profession of faith at Assunguy, Paraná, by Elder A. L. Westphal. A Sabbath school has been organized and the new believers are rejoicing in the truth.

THE Sao Paulo conference held a colporteur institute in January at which twenty-one colporteurs were in attendance, while five others were out in the field at work with our literature. This is the largest number of colporteurs that this field has ever had at an institute.

N. P. NEILSEN.

Notes

E. H. MEYERS, Division Secretary for the Publishing Department, left Buenos Aires the third of April for an extended trip in the Inca Union.

DR. E. H. HERMAN and wife of Buenos Aires left for Córdoba April 6. Excessive study in the work of revalidation in Argentine had so impaired the doctor's health that a few months of complete rest and change were imperative.

WE ARE informed that the enrollment at our Junior College in Argentine is larger than ever before in the history of the school, being close to the two hundred mark. There eighty-three boys and forty-three girls in dormitories and it has been a real problem to find housing for this number.

A VERY profitable church officer's meeting has just been held in the North Argentine Conference. Elder E. H. Wilcox, recently elected president of that field, seems to have the full confidence and support of the members.

NINE souls were recently baptized in Paraná. Entre Rios, as a result of a short effort held by Elder J. H. Roth, and two of his students, during the summer vacation. Elder Roth is the Bible teacher in our Junior College and used a portion of his vacation period winning souls and giving an experience to some of his students. Ten more souls are in a class preparing for baptism at a little later date.

THE end is near, stealing upon us so stealthily, so imperceptibly, so noiselessly, like the muffled tread of the thief in the night, to surprise the sleepers off guard and unready. May the Lord grant to bring His Holy Spirit upon hearts that are now at ease, that they may no longer sleep as do others, but watch and be sober.—General Conference Bulletin, 1893, page 132.