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### Lake Titicaca Mission

Sunday evening, May 12, the Glendale church had the privilege of listening to Elder F. H. Stahl relate some of his experiences among the Indians of the Lake Titicaca region, South America. Stereopticon views were also presented which in a very graphic way acquainted us with the location of the mission, the Indians and their dwellings, etc.

Elder Stahl brought such a good message of cheer and courage that we are tempted to pass on a few of the interesting things he told us, with the hope that they will be helpful to others.

The Indians of the Lake Titicaca region live at an altitude of from 12,000 to 15,000 feet above the sea level, a cold, barren region, devoid of trees and shrubs. Practically the only crops that can be raised are barley and potatoes.

For years the Indians have been subjected and imposed upon by the Spaniards and exploited in labor, then systematically victimized by the priests, who rob them of their money at the drunken festivals held at various times during the year. These so-called religious ceremonies consisted of dancing and revel, with gross

drunkenness, little children being forced to drink alcohol, thus acquiring the habit early in life. After three or four days of riotous behaviour, and money all gone, the poor, deluded people are sent home to face their lot of grim and thankless tasks, without hope and love.

When Elder Stahl first went there these Indians were without any knowledge whatever of the laws of hygiene. Every house was filthy and vermin-filled. He told of finding there whole families sick with typhoid fever, and with many terrible diseases. "We went to work at first with the medical part," said Elder Stahl. "We treated the Indians from morning to night. The Indians like medical work, especially operations, and many times they have come to us and told us they had pains in their chest, and would like us to please cut out their lungs for them, or their hearts.

"We also give them medicine, a medicine that we have invented, that helps them to overcome the liquor habit and the cocaine habit. It is so bitter the taste stays with them for a week. When given a glass of this medicine, they would shudder and say, 'That is awful good medicine.'"

The people were not accustomed to washing, and washing classes were started. The people were called together and young men and young women taught how to wash. They were given soap and water, Elder Stahl and his workers showing them how to make a lather and then wash themselves. So enthusiastic were they that by rubbing too long in one place there was danger of rubbing the skin off, so they had to be told to move on. But how good it felt when this was through, and now they enjoy keeping themselves absolutely clean.

While they were being cleaned and their illnesses treated, they were told about Jesus, the kind, loving, sin-saving Saviour, and how that Christ was the pattern in everything. And many believed and were saved. In giving the word to their fellowmen many of them suffered persecution for years. Our Indians who had accepted the truth became known on the roads because they were cleaner than the rest of the people, and the villagers would point them out and say, "There is an Adventist, he is clean!" Thank the Lord they were, both in body and soul. They had clean clothes on, and had clean hands and faces, and clean teeth. And because of all this they would be insulted and many times beaten. But their hearts had been purified by the saving grace of God, and they endured affliction for Christ's sake, in spite of being falsely accused, beaten and put in prison.

Six and a half years ago there was not a believer among these Indians, but now, Elder Stahl reports, there are 1015 baptized members. The Spanish people want our Indians to haul goods for them, or do other things, as they have found them honest. What a splendid reputation! Our Indians have means now. The money that was spent for alcohol years ago is now used to buy better clothes and tables and chairs for their houses. Before their clothes were worn until they would rot off, and furniture was almost unknown. Now every Indian wants a Bible and a hymn book, whether he can read or not. At the mission school many are being taught to read in the Spanish language, since Spanish is required by the government.

To-day we have a splendid mission site, with homes for the missionaries, small dispensary, school building and

church. On Sabbaths the Indians come down the mountain slopes from afar by the hundreds to attend Sabbath school. The church building has accommodation for over a thousand.

When the buildings were erected, it was necessary to bring all the material from the depot, 21 miles away. The Indians brought every bit of timber from the depot, walking down there and carrying it back on their shoulders, and then having to go home, perhaps five or six miles. On one occasion when a piano was sent out, twenty of the Indians took turns in relays of four, carrying the instrument 21 miles to the mission. All the pay they asked for was that someone should play it for them.

Brethren and sisters, are we not more than repaid for the sacrifices and self-denials that made our mission offerings for 1917 possible? But what about the present year? We must still continue to help in a substantial way. At the Lake Titicaca mission there are now six or seven families preparing for work among the Indians, and there have been many calls. This mission and its needs can be duplicated the world over, and it calls for men and money to keep alight the truth of the third angel's message throughout the world.

Let us glance at the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund report for the four months ending April 30. This shows an average for the Pacific Union Conference of 18.48 cents per member per week, as against 13.48 cents in 1917, or a gain of five cents per member. This is good, but our goal this year is five cents higher, and the amount due to date at the rate of 25 cents per member per week is \$51,393.24, while the amount received is only \$37,936.77. We are therefore \$13,456.47 behind in our quota. Four of the conferences show an average of over 20 cents per member. What a splendid record it would be if we could each raise the full quota of 25 cents per member! Let us remember the needs of the Lord's cause during the week, putting by a nickel or a dime from time to time, so that each Sabbath we can contribute a full quarter, and thus keep the mission treasury supplied to meet the urgent calls from the regions beyond, and support the God-fearing men and women who are faithfully laboring in trying fields to give the gospel to those who know it not.

James Howarth.

### Twenty-Five-Cent-a-Week Fund in Pacific Union Conference, April 30, 1918, Compared with April 30, 1917.

Conference	Due Amount	Amount Rec'd.	Cents per Member per Week	
			1918	1917
Central California .....	\$ 7,574.64	\$ 6,999.05	\$ 575.59	.23-10 .12-72
Southeastern California....	7,332.00	6,197.33	1,134.67	.21-13 .12-08
Northwestern California...	5,988.64	5,020.60	968.04	.20-96 .14-77
California .....	7,137.00	5,859.96	1,277.04	.20-52 .13-27
Nevada Mission .....	1,092.00	723.74	368.26	.16-56 .21-37
Southern California.....	9,936.32	6,387.82	3,548.50	.16-07 .13-97
Northern California .....	6,998.32	4,184.52	2,813.80	.14-94 .15-61
Inter-Mountain .....	3,250.00	1,789.66	1,460.34	.13-76 .10-48
Arizona .....	2,006.32	759.16	1,247.16	.09-46 .10-58
Arizona-Mexican .....	78.00	14.93	63.07	.01-91

Pacific Union Conf.....\$51,393.24 \$37,936.77 \$13,456.47 .18-48 .13-48  
The Arizona-Mexican membership of 45 is based on 10 cents per week per member.

B. M. Emerson,  
Treasurer.

## FIELD TIDINGS

### INTER-MOUNTAIN

H. E. Lysinger, Pres. J. H. Weeks, Sec.  
122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

### Camp Meeting

Remember the place and date of camp-meeting—July 18 to 28 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Elders W. A. Spicer, C. S. Longacre and Prof. C. L. Benson expect to meet with us. Elder J. W. Christian, president of the Pacific Union Conference, and a number of union workers will also be there.

No one can afford to miss this meeting. We are facing the fact that "a supreme moment of history has come." The message now is, "Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel." We expect to see the largest attendance at this meeting of any gathering that has ever assembled in the Inter-Mountain Conference.

H. E. Lysinger.

### Cedaredge Campaign Closed

Elder C. L. Snodgrass, who for the past few months has been conducting an evangelistic campaign in Cedaredge, closed his work in that place Sabbath, May 11, by taking into the church forty souls who have decided to keep the commandments. Five of these had been baptized two weeks before, thirty were baptized last Sabbath, five were taken in on former baptism, and twelve more will be baptized next Sabbath, mak-

ing fifty-two in all who have united with the church of Cedaredge as a result of the meetings in that place.

Elder Snodgrass will remain in Cedaredge for a few weeks and spend his time in establishing these who have been taken into the church upon the different points of the message.

### Our Missions Investment Fund

A great interest is being taken in the foreign missions investment fund in the Inter-Mountain Conference. A few of the many investments made are as follows:

One acre of potatoes; first two tons of hay sold; four rows of potatoes 200 feet long; one row bleached celery; one-half acre potatoes, 10 per cent of increase after tithing; profits on magazines sold; one dozen chickens; two turkeys; one Damson plum tree; profits of two best days canvassing.

Blanks will be mailed to those who can not be reached in person. Each one, children as well as grown people, are investing their means in foreign missions. Decide now what you are willing to invest, so that when the investment blank reaches you, it may be returned at once properly filled out. Faithfulness on the part of all means that the Inter-Mountain Conference will raise its quota on the twenty-five-cent-a-week fund without question.

H. E. Lysinger.

"If the world sees a perfect harmony existing in the church of God, it will be a powerful evidence to them in favor of the Christian religion."

**Salt Lake City Church Notes**

Due to sickness in the home, Mrs. Mabel Adams and children have for some weeks been unable to attend the services of the church.

After a stay of a few months in California, Sister J. H. Moore has returned to her home here. It seems good to see her in the congregation again.

Brother H. C. Ross, of Oregon City, Oregon, spent a few days here looking after business interests. We were glad to have some good visits with him during his stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Attebury have again located in Salt Lake City, after an absence of a few weeks. They have purchased property here and will make this their future home.

Brother U. E. Mowrey, our esteemed church treasurer, has been absent from us for a number of weeks. He is following his trade in Nebraska for a time. He reports feeling his loss of the church services, and it is needless to state that we also miss his faithful efforts in connection with our work.

W. M. Andress.

May 16.

**NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA**

J. A. Stevens, Pres. S. Donaldson, Sec.  
Box 408, Santa Rosa, Cal.

**Camp Meeting Items**

The camp-meeting for the Northwestern California Conference will be held at St. Helena, July 4 to 14. Application has been made for the usual reduced rates on the receipt-certificate plan.

Tents will rent for the same rates as previous years:

12x17 tents with fly and burlap, \$5.00.

10x12 tents, with fly and burlap, \$3.00.

Orders for tents have already been received, so if you wish a choice location, it will be necessary to make application soon.

Be sure to bring plenty of bedding. The conference cannot supply bedding. Springs can be rented, and if you have a bed tick, straw can be purchased to fill it. For further information, address Box 408, Santa Rosa, Cal.

S. Donaldson.

**Epitomes**

REMEMBER the camp-meeting date -- July 4 to 14.

After a careful survey of several suitable places, the committee decided to hold it at St. Helena. Excellent help has been provided. Begin to plan now to come.

At a meeting of the conference committee held Sunday, May 12, it was voted to secure two more Bible workers, and plans were made for the work of several new laborers who will connect with the conference work at the close of school.

Elder Eugene A. Brown and Brother C. L. Bond have secured a hall and planned to begin a series of meetings in Lakeport the evening of May 14. Considerable interest has been aroused there since the effort last spring, and it is hoped that a number will be won to the truth.

Elder W. D. Burden, for the past nineteen years a worker in Japan, is spending some time visiting in Healdsburg. Large audiences in Healdsburg, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Petaluma have enjoyed Elder Burden's stereopticon lectures on our work in Japan.

Elder J. D. Alder reports a growing interest in the meetings being held at Blue Lake. He says: "Last Sabbath there were seventeen persons in the Sabbath school." He also reports a growing interest in Eureka through the "Present Truth" campaign being conducted by the church there.

It was voted also that several electric fans be installed in the pavilion at camp-meeting time. Elder A. Nelson was asked to superintend the camp-meeting construction, and Elder M. A. Hollister was asked to take charge of the cafeteria and store, so you may be confident of good service.

The goal is set! Northwestern California Conference a 100 per cent "Review and Herald" Conference! We are just 105 subscriptions short of being 100 per cent. Encourage your church to provide copies for those unable to subscribe. Send a few trial subscriptions to discouraged

members. Get it into every family. Everybody needs the inspiration of its weekly visits. Join the "Review and Herald" family circle by subscribing NOW.

Elder M. A. Hollister reports the baptism of one convert at Healdsburg, May 11. Elder Andrew Nelson also reports the baptism of one at Vallejo on the same date. Elder E. A. Brown planned to have baptism at Fort Bragg on May 4, and there are others throughout the conference who will soon go forward in this ordinance.

How long have you been a subscriber to the "Recorder"? If you subscribed about one year ago, it is time to renew. Give your subscription to the missionary secretary of your church, before you forget it and miss some copies of this interesting home paper. The price is still 25 cents for one year, and it makes a visit every week.

J. Adams Stevens.

May 17.

**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**

N. P. Neilsen, Pres. G. A. Wheeler, Sec.  
Box 1304, Fresno, Cal.

**Bring the Children**

The children in our conference have succeeded in gathering enough money to purchase a large, neat reception tent, 16x24 feet, with a six-foot wall, for the camp-meeting. This will be neatly furnished and we want all our children to see it. Let our people be sure to bring the children with them to camp-meeting. Meetings will be held with the children every day, and it will do them good to come. They will be divided into bands with leaders, and we hope to see them there. Bring them along.

Mrs. E. L. Powers,  
Sabbath School Secretary.

**Pencilgrams**

Visalia has organized a missionary volunteer society. The church is planning definitely for a church school next year. This will mean growth in all lines of activity in the church.

Do you wish to receive your Reading Course certificate at camp-meet-

ing? Send in your order now. Standard of Attainment examinations are here, and orders for questions can be filled early.

Several schools have already closed and others will close this week. All will close in time for camp-meeting. We hope to have all papers in very soon, in order that certificates may be issued early this year.

Good reports come to us from our boys in the training camps. One young man writes that a soldier in his camp has accepted the truth, and others are interested. Our boys must be supplied with literature. This work demands haste. Let each society respond at once, and help this splendid work along.

Mrs. May Hanley and her daughter, Miss Ruth Carr, will teach at Armona the coming year. Sister Hanley is a teacher of many years of experience, and a good missionary worker. She spent six years in Mexico in the work, and speaks Spanish fluently. We expect to see a large school at Armona. They will carry the ninth grade.

Our young people's meetings at camp-meeting will doubtless be exceptionally good. Every young person should be there, and with the one desire to get as much blessing from the meetings as possible. The prayer bands will be made a special feature of the work. A reading and reception tent will help to make an interesting and profitable meeting. Come.

Brother Benjamin Gregory has been invited to act as principal of the Hanford school, and Sister Gregory will assist with some of the work. Miss Vivian Stone has accepted a position in the Fresno intermediate school again. Island, Fresno and Hanford will each carry ten grades, and will employ sufficient teaching force to carry on the work successfully.

Alice Mina Mann.

### Items of Interest

We expect Elder H. Schultz will be at our camp-meeting to assist with the German meetings.

Elder E. C. Boger met with our

people at Rolinda last Sabbath. His visit was much appreciated.

Elder F. E. Brown baptized five persons at Hanford last Sabbath. Three of these were Spanish-speaking people.

Meetings for the young people and for the children will be held every day at the camp-meeting. Let our youth and children plan to attend this important meeting.

Our tithe for the first four months of this year is \$16,669.37 as compared with \$12,143.93 for the same period last year. This is an increase of \$4525.44. This is good.

Work on the camp-ground will be well under way by the time these items reach our readers. We expect a good attendance of our people and much of the blessing of God during this annual feast.

Sister E. C. Boger underwent a heavy operation this week in Fresno. She seems to be doing well at this writing. Let us pray that she may speedily recover that she may continue to assist Elder Boger in his work.

Brother Lindsay Semmens left Fresno last evening to start on his trip for India. He goes in answer to a call to connect with the work in that needy field. Our prayers follow him as he leaves our homeland.

Our mission offerings for the first four months of this year are \$6999.05. Last year they were \$3366.55. This is an increase of \$3632.50, or a little more than twice as much as last year. We thank the Lord for this and take courage.

Elder A. S. Kellogg and family left for Washington, D. C., this week. Our prayers will go with them that success may crown their efforts in spreading the light of the third angel's message in that field. Elder Kellogg spoke to the Fresno church last Sabbath.

Three hundred eleven perfect attendance cards were earned by our Sabbath schools during the last quarter. This is more than during any previous quarter, even though

many were kept home a part of the time because of the epidemic of measles.

The first services of the camp-meeting will be held Wednesday evening, May 29, and the first meeting of the conference session is called for Thursday, May 30, at 10:00 A. M. We hope to see a good representation at this first meeting of the conference session. Let all delegates plan to be present.

Brethren C. A. Clark, J. R. Church and Brother and Sister E. L. Powers of Fresno, met with the Dos Palos church on Sabbath, May 4. The members of the Ingomar Sabbath school were also present. The good Sabbath school and meeting was enjoyed by all, and the members of the Dos Palos church appreciated having these brethren with them.

Last Sabbath Elder W. H. Anderson and the writer met with the Madera church in the forenoon and with the Chowchilla church in the afternoon and evening. Our people have very much appreciated hearing Elder Anderson recount the many providences of God in connection with the work in the dark field of Africa. He visited most of our churches during his brief stay among us.

We have nearly 400 officers and teachers in the Sabbath schools in our conference, and all but thirty of these are taking or have access to the "Sabbath School Worker." We wonder if it would not be well for these thirty to also have this excellent Sabbath school help, or may it be that they are so efficient that they do not need the help. How about it? Are you one of the thirty?

Elder W. H. Anderson, in speaking of his experiences in Africa, gave us many interesting accounts of the providences of God as well as of the inconveniences which our missionaries, who go beyond civilization, meet with in their work. We have heard him tell of the white ants which will not only devour the growing crops, but will eat one's clothes, and even the house. At one time while on a journey one night about fifty miles from home, he hung his trousers upon the limb of a tree.

During the night they were blown to the ground, and in the morning he found one leg entirely cut off not far from the thigh by these pests. Unfortunately he had only one pair of trousers with him, but as a piece of cloth the size of a handkerchief will often make a full suit for the natives, he got along without much embarrassment, even though he had to travel for fifty miles with one leg of his trousers short. Let us sustain our missionaries with our means and our prayers.  
 May 17. N. P. Neilsen.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

M. M. Hare, Pres. W. L. Mecum, Sec.  
 417 West 5th St., Los Angeles, Cal.

**Mother's Day**

On Sabbath, May 11, the missionary volunteer society of Carr Street (Los Angeles) church rendered a program in honor of the mothers of our nation. The church was tastefully decorated with ferns and flowers. On the wall above the rostrum were written these beautiful words:

**"The Mother"**

"No other work can equal hers in importance. She has not, like the artist, to paint a farm of beauty upon canvas, nor like the sculptor to embody a noble thought in words of power, nor like the musician to express a beautiful sentiment in melody. It is hers, with the help of God, to develop in a human soul the likeness of the divine."

Mrs. M. M. Hare.

**Standard of Attainment**

The May examination questions for Standard of Attainment are now ready to be mailed. The next test will not be given until December. Those desiring to try for a certificate should write to Mrs. M. M. Hare, 417 West Fifth St., Los Angeles, Cal., or phone, Sunset, Vermont 5651.

The new Standard of Attainment manual, which sells for 50 cents at the tract society's office, contains studies in Bible doctrines and denominational history. The future examinations will be based upon this little book. Every missionary volunteer should secure a copy and aim to become a member of attainment, if not already holding a certificate.

**SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA**

W. F. Martin, Pres. J. C. McReynolds, Sec.  
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**Twenty-five-cent a Week and Tithe Statement, January to April, 1918**

Church	Tithe	Funds	25c-a-week
Anaheim .....	\$253.67	\$ 204.24	
Beaumont .....	95.92	34.98	
Blythe .....	271.72	86.63	
Brawley .....	787.20	163.57	
Brea .....	94.67	23.40	
Calipatria .....	123.25	65.97	
Centralia .....	104.65	56.56	
Colton .....	214.45	51.77	
El Cajon .....	201.60	57.43	
El Centro .....	210.78	103.39	
Elsinore .....	218.54	39.77	
Escondido .....	335.28	171.47	
Fallbrook .....	.98	8.79	
Fullerton .....	136.77	267.35	
Garden Grove ...	228.93	94.74	
Hemet .....	239.98	92.96	
Hinkley .....	99.71	27.57	
Holtville .....	256.93	66.12	
La Mesa .....	51.50	52.41	
Loma Linda .....	5539.02	1576.94	
New River .....	237.92	126.43	
Ontario .....	475.19	303.14	
Orange .....	398.60	150.86	
Palm City .....	95.00	53.20	
Paradise Valley ..	1405.73	501.54	
Redlands .....	939.48	292.97	
Rialto .....	165.25	52.82	
Riverside .....	996.47	292.49	
San Bernardino ..	251.83	102.42	
San Diego (G St.) ..	1990.15	532.25	
San Pasqual ....	246.81	99.14	
Santa Ana .....	657.27	230.32	
University Heights	832.77	182.74	
Personal .....	80.64	30.95	

\$18238.66 \$6197.33

J. C. McReynolds,  
 Treasurer.

**News Notes**

At Riverside Elder R. S. Owen, Elder W. L. Black and Brother John Knox are in charge of the effort. The medical evangelistic class is assisting here. There are interested people attending the meeting each evening.

Tent meetings are now in progress in the Southeastern California Conference at Riverside and Redlands. The meeting at Redlands is being conducted by Elder L. E. Brant, assisted by Brother L. E. Folkenberg. The interest is good, and we trust that many souls may accept the truth.

Please watch the label on your "Recorder," and find out if your subscription is expiring. If so, you should subscribe at once. There are

many things each week in the "Recorder" that our brethren and sisters throughout the field should know. It is a good way to keep in touch with work in your home field.

The last record of "Review" subscriptions, dated April 30, indicates that the Southeastern California Conference has a per cent of 84. Still we are 87 subscriptions short. Are you taking the "Review," my brother and sister? If not, it would be well for you to subscribe at once, and thus be able to keep pace with the progress of the message.

Brethren W. R. Goss and H. A. Hebard spent last Sunday at the Loma Linda Sanitarium, and report over two hundred dollars in sales of our books and periodicals. These brethren start to-morrow for San Diego with their auto loaded with books. We trust that many of our message-filled books will be sold in that section of the field.

It was the privilege of the writer to attend prayer meeting at Santa Ana Wednesday evening, May 15. There was a good attendance, and the Spirit of the Lord was present. Brother H. A. Hebard, our field missionary, rendered good help. The brethren and sisters in Orange County are of good courage, and looking forward with anticipation to the time when the camp-meeting will be held in Santa Ana.

W. F. Martin.

May 16.

**San Diego**

The work is onward in San Diego. Sabbath, March 23, 1918, was a day when many hearts rejoiced, as ten precious souls united with their Saviour in the sacred ordinance of baptism, and one united with the church on profession of faith. The church at University Heights was filled with relatives and friends of the candidates, and many visitors were present. All seemed deeply impressed with the service, and some who had been halting between two opinions stated that they would be ready next time.

A number are keeping the Sabbath, and are making a careful examination of the cardinal points of our faith. "We do not want to

make a mistake this time; we are determined to know what we are doing," is what they tell us, and we are glad for the privilege of instructing them in God's word. It is indeed a blessed privilege to labor for souls who are searching for truth.

Many others are interested, and many Bible readings and cottage meetings are held each week. Some seem slow to comprehend and grasp the truth for this time, but we labor in hope, trusting that the Spirit of God will accomplish its work in bringing deep conviction to their hearts.

Our Bible workers have done excellent work. Many are rejoicing in the truth as a result of Bible readings. We are sorry indeed to lose Miss Smith, who has returned to Oregon to labor in that field. Miss Myrna Lee is doing faithful work, laboring early and late, and her untiring efforts are rewarded by souls accepting the message. Brother R. G. Schaffner was called away from this field last winter, but has returned to unite with us in tent efforts this summer.

An interest has been awakened among the colored people, a number embracing the message, and other interested ones meet each week for Bible study.

The churches in San Diego are interested in the work of soul-saving, yet we hope to see this interest greatly increased until every member is a soul-winner. Excellent work is being done in the Sabbath schools in stimulating deeper Bible study, and in providing means to carry the message to the "regions beyond."

The new church school is much appreciated by all. Our people are loyally supporting this important branch of our work by giving liberally of their means. The faithful work of our teachers is also commendable.

We are grateful to God for His blessings that have attended our feeble efforts. It is a privilege indeed to be laborers together with God. Although 48 souls were baptized, and about 12 united on profession of faith the past year, yet we are not satisfied with these results, and have purposed in our hearts to be more faithful in our duty to God and our

fellow-men, and shall labor with greater zeal than ever before to win souls to Christ. Pray for us and for the work here.

C. F. Folkenberg.

### Blythe

It was my privilege to spend a few days recently at Blythe in the Palo Verde Valley. Leaving Riverside on Wednesday evening, May 8, I found myself in this pioneer country on the morning of May 9.

The Palo Verde Valley, of which Blythe is the center, situated in the extreme eastern end of Riverside County, is altogether a pioneer country. Many of the homes are tent houses, and there is much new ground yet to be broken up. The principal crop raised is cotton, although alfalfa is very productive.

A number of Seventh-day Adventists have moved into this valley, and it has also been a fruitful field for laborers. We now have a nice church building in the town of Blythe which is well filled each Sabbath; in fact, it has become somewhat of a problem as to how to house the people who are there.

Elder L. H. Proctor and Brother Frank Brainerd first held a meeting in Blythe, and then others followed; and each one has had some souls as a result of his labor. There are a number of colored people living here, and arrangements had been made for a colored laborer after General Conference, but on account of illness, he was unable to fill his appointment.

Upon my arrival in the valley, I found that Brother R. G. Schaffner had been laboring hard among the people, and was holding evening meetings. Before Brother Harry McWhinny left for India, he labored in our field in the valley, and the people enjoyed his work very much. When he left, Brother Schaffner took up the work, and has labored effectively, and a number of souls have taken their stand as the result of the labor of these young men.

Evening meetings were held after I arrived on Thursday and Friday evenings, and on Sabbath the church was filled to its capacity. In the forenoon the writer spoke to a very appreciative audience on the book of Esther. Prayer was the subject of

the afternoon service. Following this we had a very sweet, tender social meeting. An invitation was made for those who desired to do so to join the church, and eight good souls responded. One or two of these, however, had been members of churches elsewhere, but the majority of them were new members. We were very glad to see these people take their stand for the truth of God.

We are sure the company at Blythe will grow to be one of our strong churches in the conference. They are working diligently to get literature before their neighbors, and are talking with them and encouraging others to study the truth. It has been said that we have the strongest hold of any religious body in the valley, and with the grace of God we want to maintain this lead.

There are a number of strong young men and women in the church. In fact, I do not think I ever saw a company so well supplied with able young men and women of mature age as is the company at Blythe. We are glad to see the Lord planting His truth in these fields, and trust that with His blessing many more souls may acknowledge Him.

W. F. Martin.

Are our children suffering the nervous disorders and other ills of the present time? If so, shall we allow them to grow up in this way, or shall we secure and heed the instruction of the May number of the "Life and Health" magazine?

Do you know that Mr. Lodge's book "Raymond," on psychic phenomena is having a greater sale than any other book, not even excepting the Bible? Yes, a fact. Satan seems determined to make the world believe that same lie to which he gave his voice in the garden of Eden. Now is a most opportune time to present the truth on this great question to our neighbors, for they are interested as never before. We would suggest that you obtain a package or two of the May "Signs Magazine" for use in this way. Prof. G. W. Rine's articles entitled "Voices from the Great Beyond," is one of its largest features, and it is most readable and enlightening, we can assure you.

MISCELLANY

Special Notice—Terms

Advertising rate: 50 words or less, first insertion, \$1.00. Each additional insertion, if run consecutively, 50 cents. No advertisement will be accepted unless cash accompanies the same.

Reference from a conference laborer or church elder must accompany notices from advertisers not personally known to the "Recorder" management.

**Wanted.**—Graduate nurses. Six young women and two young men can be given employment beginning June 1. For particulars address St. Helena Sanitarium, Sanitarium, Cal. 2t

**Wanted.**—Twenty consecrated young people to take the nurses' training course at the Paradise Valley Sanitarium. Send for calendar of school and application blank. Address Supt. Training School, Paradise Valley Sanitarium, National City, Cal. 4t

**Wanted.**—Position for mother and three daughters, either to work in fruit or house-work. Prefer being with Seventh-day Adventists where we can have church privileges. Address Mrs. S. P. Miller, Tollhouse, Cal. Address from May 29 to June 9, Recreation Park, Fresno, Cal.

**For Sale.**—Six-room house in Loma Linda, Cal. Screen porch, water, gas and electricity. Plenty of water from ditch or sanitarium's 125-inch well. One acre land, located near well. Fruit trees; shade trees; chicken yard; sheds for wood and auto. Address S. A. Conway, Porterville, Cal. 3t

The St. Helena Sanitarium Training School for nurses offers excellent opportunities for theoretical and practical training, and is now making up a class that begins training August 1. Only strong, mature Seventh-day Adventist young men and women are wanted. Interested parties should correspond with Miss Helen N. Rice, R.N. Supt. of Nurses, Sanitarium, Cal. 2t

**Notice.**—The next class of the Loma Linda Nurses' Training Course will begin Aug. 11, 1918. Applicants should not be less than 19 years of age, and have completed ten grades of regular school work. After Sept. 1, 1918, twelve grades will be required for students entering the nurses' course in an accredited

school. Write for information and calendar to Superintendent of Nurses, Loma Linda, Cal. 6t

Notice of Biennial Session of the Northwestern California Conference

The second session of the Northwestern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the annual camp-meeting at St. Helena, Cal., July 4 to 14, 1918, for the election of officers and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the conference. The first session of the conference will convene July 4, 1918, at 8:00 P. M.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the church organization, and one additional delegate for every fifteen members, or major fraction thereof.

G. W. Wells,  
President.  
S. Donaldson,  
Secretary.

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Obituaries

**Hanks.**—Miss Ida Miller was born July 15, 1864, in Reno, Nev., and fell asleep May 9, 1918, in Fort Bidwell, Cal., at the age of 53 years, 9 months and 24 days. She was united in marriage to Lewis Hanks in 1881, and was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist faith in 1911. This faith she held very dear till the

time of her death. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, nine sons, two daughters, her mother, one sister, three brothers and many friends, who if faithful will meet her in a family reunion around the heavenly throne. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

D. G. Harden.

**Vollmer.**—Alfred Merl Vollmer, son of Dr. H. W. and Mrs. Rose Vollmer, was born in Forest Grove, Ore., June 20, 1913. A few weeks ago Dr. Vollmer brought his family to Loma Linda, Cal. Soon after arriving there, Merl was taken ill, and in spite of careful medical treatment and earnest prayer, his little life went out early in the morning of April 24, 1918. No public funeral could be held, but a few friends accompanied the parents to the cemetery, where a short service was held by the writer. The parents and relatives are comforted by the promise that Merl will come again from the land of the enemy.

W. F. Martin.

Is prohibition justifiable? Many of your friends and neighbors are debating this question. The matter must be decided by your State Legislature in the near future. Read and circulate "Liberty" magazine, and this article may help many to make a right decision.

Book Report, Week Ending May 10, 1918

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
<b>California</b>						
C. H. Adams	O.D.	3	5	\$ 8.10	\$ 21.60	
O. G. Reid	O.D.	23	2	2.60	9.60	
C. W. Hogg		21		2.35	2.35	
3 Agents		47	7	\$13.05	\$ 33.55	
<b>Northwestern California</b>						
M. A. Reese	C.K., D.R.	36	6	\$12.45	\$ 24.45	
Ottie Smith		19		26.05	26.05	
Miscellaneous					55.00	
2 Agents		55	6	\$38.50	\$105.50	
<b>Inter-Mountain</b>						
Mrs. E. L. Harris		6		\$ 3.25	\$ 3.25	\$14.00
C. L. Roberts	B.R.	12	4	5.75	23.75	23.50
2 Agents		18	4	\$ 9.00	\$ 27.00	\$37.50

WEEK ENDING MAY 17, 1918

<b>Central California</b>						
A. E. Horn	P.G.	20	8	\$15.75	\$ 60.75	
Mrs. C. Hollenstein	Misc.				27.15	
E. A. Vore		22	4		20.25	
Bert Myers*		53	12	2.25	50.00	\$ 8.00
4 Agents *2 Weeks		95	24	\$18.00	\$158.15	\$ 8.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>215</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>\$78.55</b>	<b>\$334.20</b>	<b>\$45.50</b>

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THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1918

From Brother C. C. Crisler in China, comes the word that "the statistical reports already received from various union conferences comprising the Asiatic Division, indicate that in Japan, Chosen, Manchuria, China, the Philippines, Malaysia, Burma and India, there were during 1917 nearly if not quite a thousand persons baptized and admitted into full Christian fellowship with us. Half as many more were baptized in the Australasian Union Conference. For this record we thank God, and take courage. Surely the Lord has been blessing the efforts of His servants in lands where the truths of the gospel are so little known."

Brethren and sisters, let us be faithful in our mission offerings that this good work may continue.

### Watch the Label

The past two weeks have been exceedingly busy ones in the "Recorder" office. In response to letters mailed out renewal subscriptions have been coming in at the rate of 22 to 46 a day. In one mail there were 31 renewals.

It is a year since, in response to the "Recorder" campaign, our mailing list was increased until the paper was going to nearly every Seventh-day Adventist home in the union. And now large numbers of these subscriptions are expiring, and we are anxious to have them renewed.

M O Wheeler 6-13-18  
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The above is a sample of the addressing method of the "Recorder," and you will notice by this date—6-13-18—that this particular subscription expires June 13 of this year. The

first figure indicates the month, the second figures the day of the month, and last the year, so it is easy to determine when a subscription runs out.

During the months of June and July hundreds of subscriptions will expire, and we would appreciate your co-operation if you will kindly watch the label on your "Recorder" and send your renewal in early, so as not to miss any copies. This will also be a considerable saving of time and expense to us, if you can get your renewal in early. Watch the label!

### Conference Bulletin

The greatest conference in the history of our work is now in the past. Those who were so fortunate as to be present will never forget the occasion. Many who could not attend learned of the proceedings through the columns of the "Bulletin." They read the inspiring reports of our missionaries from different parts of the world. They know about the changes that were made in our organization and of the transfer of workers from one field to another. They know about the plans that were laid for the future. The details of those long-to-be remembered closing Sabbath meetings are all known to them, for these details appeared in the last big 32-page issue of the "Bulletin."

Complete sets of the "Bulletin" can still be obtained at the postpaid price of 50 cents a set of twelve numbers, or \$1.75 cloth bound. Order through your tract society.

"You may think that what you do or say is of little consequence, when the most important results for good or evil are the consequence of our words and actions."

### Don't

Forget that primary and kindergarten lessons for children's meetings on the camp-ground should be ordered from the Sabbath School Department, Takoma Park, D. C.

Forget that senior Missionary Volunteer camp-meeting lessons and those for older juniors from twelve to sixteen years of age should be ordered from the Missionary Volunteer Department, Takoma Park, D. C. Both sets of lessons are combined in one pamphlet.

Forget to order Standard of Attainment examinations in good season. The union missionary volunteer secretary will supply you with these. All examinations are expected to be over by June 1.

Forget to order the new Reading Course promotion leaflets from your union missionary volunteer secretary instead of from the general Missionary Volunteer Department.

Order more of these supplies than you need. Often people thoughtlessly order in large quantities, when supplies are free. This means that they receive more than they can use, and the surplus is thrown away.

Forget these DON'TS.

Just the thing to help the worried housekeeper, is the special Conservation Menu number of the June "Life and Health" magazine. A whole week's menus of three meals a day are given.

Are you able to do the right thing, in the right way, at the right time, and in the right place? If not, you ought to read the splendid articles on "True Education" in the June "Life and Health."

### CAMP-MEETING DATES

Central California	Recreation Park, Fresno	May 29 to June 9
Nevada	Reno	June 11 to 16
Northern California	Lodi	June 20 to 30
Northwestern California	St. Helena	July 4 to 14
Inter-Mountain	Salt Lake City, Utah	July 18 to 28
California		July 25 to August 4
Southern California	Los Angeles	August 1 to 11
Southeastern California	Santa Ana	August 15 to 25
Arizona	Phoenix	October 31 to November 10