

C O P Y

DF 317
Sanitarium, California

April 11, 1913

Mellienstr 117, Thorn, Germany

Dear Brother;

We have received through the kindness of Brother F. F. Byington of College View, your letter of January 13, in which you ask Mrs. E. G. White if it is right for any of our brethren to fight in case of war in your country.

By making inquiry of Elder Conradi or other ministers in your field, you will learn that it has always been the teaching of our brethren that we should be non-combatant, and not engage in killing our fellow-men.

During the time of the civil war here in America, our brethren had quite an experience in an effort to establish their loyalty and still avoid entering the Army.

Sometime ago questions came to Mother from Australia and other parts of the world regarding the attitude that Seventh-day Adventists ought to maintain, and at her request, Brother D. E. Robinson, made a study of the matter, and prepared a series of articles which were published in the "Review and Herald" in 1911. To refer you directly to these articles, I might say that they were entitled, "A Study of Principles" and appeared in the March 9, to the May 4 Numbers of the "Review."

Mother is now 85 years old. She feels the infirmities of age, and for about two years has felt that the Lord has relieved her of the responsibility of answering questions regarding plans, policies, and so forth. Therefore I am writing you referring you to the best persons I know of whom you are acquainted with, who can answer your questions.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. C. White