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St. Helena, Calif.
May 24th, 1924.

Dear Brother:

Since you have reached the place where you are no longer entangled with the Rowan movement, I feel I should explain a little matter to you.

When you were in our office a few years ago and found that document in the file among other manuscripts, I said nothing to you as to who was really responsible for its existence but now that you are no longer under Mrs. Rowan's influence I think it best to tell you that I was the one responsible for it.

I found among Mother's unpublished manuscripts a similar document which I felt sure she would not want to come to light since Mrs. Rowan had proven herself to be of an evil spirit so I copied it in typewritten form, signed it, and placed it in the manner which you found it and destroyed the one written in Mother's hand along with other manuscripts which was of no value. I do not feel that this was a mistake but a wise act on my part to protect our people. I wish, however, to have you know who was responsible for it.

I am glad you are free from Mrs. Rowan's evil devices and that we both may be saved in the Kingdom. May God's blessing be with you.

Your Brother,

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Mrs. Rowen Rejoins Her Followers



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World-End "Prophetess"

Mrs. Margaret W. Rowen, Reform Seventh Day Adventist "prophetess" who predicted the end of the world at midnight and who remained in hiding throughout yesterday as a result of asserted threats upon her life.

PROPHECY OF MILLENNIUM UNDER CRIMINAL INQUIRY

District Attorney's Office Opens Investigation as Faithful Wait in Vain for Crack of Doom

Official investigation of the Rowenites millennium, which, strangely enough passed without incident, was under way last night even while Mrs. Margaret W. Rowen, prophetess, Dr. R. E. Fullmer, leader of the flock, and about 100 local followers, were awaiting the sign of Christ's second coming.

It developed that one who had visited the District Attorney's office to request action in the matter of her mother's disposing of property and bonds as the result of Mrs. Rowen's asserted prediction that the world was to end at midnight last night. The mother given a portion of her funds for the cause of the prophetess, according to the daughter, and sold her property in line with "visions" of the founder of Rowenism.

Chief Investigator Poland of City Prosecutor's office said yesterday that he was continuing an investigation of affairs connected with the doomsday prediction the result of complaints which was not yet ready to divulge.

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Court action, too, was an outgrowth of the local millennium the filing of a suit for \$1000 against Dr. F. J. Balzer of Pasadena, leader of the Pasadena Rowenites, his former wife, Mrs. Arvilla Balzer. The suit in Superior Court was for deficiency in alimony. The plaintiff said she understood Dr. Balzer had been attempting to dispose of his property in time for Christ's resurrection.

Mrs. Rowen was still in seclusion last night, her whereabouts a secret even to her followers. She left hurriedly last Wednesday morning with her husband and Dr. Fullmer, while asserting he knew where she was, refused to reveal the location.

Dr. and Mrs. Fullmer were reported to have spent the day and most of the evening at home. They visited neighbors for a while, it was said.

REMAINS AT HOME

Practically the entire flock of Mrs. Rowen's followers, who themselves held the Seventh Day Adventist faith, remained at home last night, waiting for the fulfillment of the prediction. There was no gathering to welcome the expected sign of the resurrection of the Savior.

One woman, who said her mother had been in hiding, then retired to her room at midnight and then looked out into the hall for "a little black cloud" the sign of a man's head which was to appear in the east. When no sign was seen, she had been told that it would herald the Christ's coming and the gradual end of the world.

"Another woman, who said she who believed in the personally-conducted millennium, was found in her room at 1 o'clock last night with a long-haired man in her hand."

"It has been so many times explained that she was with her mother dressed in her best clothes and cleaned the room in wait for the coming. 'I thought maybe there would be a meeting somewhere. I saw one called for me. I was to go to watch the heavens for a light in the east. Which way is it from here? Oh, that way!'

St. Helena, California,
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In the night season the spirit of the Lord came upon me and I was shown the great falling away among the remnant. Many times the written testimony was read from the sacred desk, and the reader himself failed to apply it to his own heart and profit by it. Rather than shape their lives by the words from heaven, they would permit that which condemned them to be wiped from the printed page. But I saw that God would keep his promises to Israel and would have a people -- a remnant unspotted from the world. To accomplish this I saw it was necessary to call for a reform in the church of God. I saw that the spirit of God moved upon a few to seek for a purification of heart. This work would rise and fall again and again; the allurements of the world seemed more than they could withstand. I then saw that just a little way in the future, after my labors were finished, that God would call one to give the cry -- the cry to the church of God: Repent! Repent! Lift up the standard. Purify yourselves for the coming of your King! I then saw little companies formed to call on God for help. I saw these earnest praying ones much annoyed by their brethren. Criticized and condemned, the messenger of God suffered much humiliation and condemnation, but she longed to see the church made white and clean, ready for the Savior's coming. Through all of her trials she was true to her calling. In her heart was the love that the Master would have for the brethren. I saw that many were shaken out because of the straight testimony, but the little praying companies increased until the church of God was honeycombed with earnest, praying people. I saw that many of the leaders refused to accept the messenger. I saw that the one sent of God was one of limited education, small in stature, and would sign the messages Margaret W. Rowen.

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