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A CALL FROM TWO PRESIDENTS.

The first call that we would notice is the proclamation recently issued by Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, that in view of the many blessings and mercies received from the Heavenly Father during the past year by this nation, and in view of the general prosperity which is everywhere enjoyed in this land of ours, that Thursday, November 29, be observed by all the people as a day of thanksgiving and prayer and that the people of all creeds gather in their several places of worship on that day and give praise and thanksgiving to God for his goodness to us. Our President does not recommend that the day be passed in rioting and feasting, as it often is, but in sincere and devout thanksgiving to God for all he has done for us as a people.

The writer, for his part, can see no good reason why Seventh-day Adventists, who are sharing largely in this general prosperity, and who surely are grateful to God for his many gifts, should not gladly listen to the proclamation of our President; assemble in our churches on this 29th day of November and conduct such a service as will be pleasing to God and a help to us, his people. Surely praise is due to His name for all He is doing for us, and if any people can praise God with

the whole heart, that people is the Seventh-day Adventists, to whom God has not only given rich temporal, but spiritual, blessings and great light.

The next call we would mention is one that has just come from Elder A. G. Daniels, President of the General Conference, to the effect that as Thanksgiving has been appointed by the President of the United States on Thursday, November 29, which will now soon be here, that our people everywhere assemble on that day in their places of worship, in harmony with the recommendation of President Roosevelt and give sincere and grateful praise to God for all his many and precious blessings to us the past year. And, continuing, Elder Daniels asks, "What better time could there be for us as a people to remember the \$150,000 fund than this? How appropriate it would be on Thanksgiving day as we come to the house of God for prayer and praise, to bring with us a thank-offering to God, and thus assist in raising the \$150,000 which is so much needed in advancing the work of God just now." So Elder Daniels and his associates at Washington recommend to all our conferences that on Thursday, November 29th, we meet for thanksgiving in our churches, bring as liberal an offering as possible on that day, and then during the following month, or December, each one lay by as generous an offering as possible for raising the fund of \$150,000. The General Conference will furnish readings to be read on that day, and we are sure it can be made one of great profit.

Will our conference presidents,

church elders and ministers begin to agitate this matter in their conferences and churches and let us see if all through the North Pacific Union Conference Thanksgiving day this year cannot be made a most profitable day to ourselves and the cause of God?
W. B. WHITE.

BUTTE, MONTANA.

Brother Fletcher has just finished a delivery of \$138.00 worth of Heralds of the Morning and Best Stories, at Great Falls. Brother Lund is now making a successful delivery in the same vicinity.

Sister G. R. Cummings is having good success in Glendive and is selling books to pay a teacher to train her children for the Lord as well as give them a knowledge of books. O, that more people had such faith, courage, and push to go ahead and work. Sister Cummings is not only doing good by scattering literature, but is earning enough to support a church school teacher in her own home. If we had more such canvassers, there would be less perplexity both in the church school work and the canvassing work.

Others are doing something with small books. We expect to have an institute at Mt. Ellis at the close of the school, from which we expect to take out a good corps of workers. Watch the reports from Montana next summer.
F. E. FAIRCHILD.

"The greatest pleasures consist mostly of trifles."

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WE ARE LIFTING WITH YOU.

Lift, Brother, Lift.

From the faculty and students of Walla Walla College I send to all the brethren and sisters of the North Pacific Union Conference their words of greeting and loyalty: "Lift, brother, lift; we are lifting with you." If you had been present at the chapel hour last Thursday morning your eyes would have beheld a scene which words cannot describe. Such a spirit of loyalty and interest in God's cause I have never before witnessed. The subject under consideration was the lifting of the debt from the Walla Walla College. It had been previously announced that this matter would be considered on Thursday morning, and all had been urged to inquire of the Lord what he would have them do in helping to lift this heavy burden of debt from the college.

Thursday morning came, and after song the record of the people's offering for the building of the temple, as found in I. Chronicles 29:1-8, was read. After the reading and prayer all joined in singing, "They Brought Their Gifts to Jesus." Following this, attention was then called to a drawing on the blackboard which consisted of a square divided into 25 equal parts, and this large square with its smaller squares was compared to a township with its section. The value placed on each section was \$40, thus making the value of the entire square \$1,000. This plan emphasized the idea that the students in giving of their means were making an investment, and not putting it into a hole which might not be filled. The value of a section being \$40, it was easy to determine the value of divi-

ions of the section which were as follows: One-half section, \$20; one-fourth section, \$10; one-eighth section, \$5; one-sixteenth section, \$2.50. No further division than one-sixteenth was made. When the opportunity was offered for investment all seemed to want a part in securing a portion of the tract that would help to lift the debt of the school. If the amount was too great for one to pay, others or another would join with one, and thus make it possible for those of limited means to have part in the enterprise. The whole school was thoroughly awake, and such a spirit of lifting I have not seen before in our schools. In a short time the whole tract was disposed of, which means a thousand dollars from the students, to help in lifting the debt. But that is not the end of the matter, for some of the students who were not present that morning have indicated their desire to have part in this grand effort to set the college free from the heavy bands of debt. And so it was necessary Friday morning to place on the blackboard another addition, called the "I Want to Help, Too" addition. Friday morning five-eighths of a section, value \$25, was taken, and others are planning to invest too, and as they decide it will be indicated from morning to morning at the chapel hour.

There was no wild excitement, but there was an earnest spirit of sacrifice, which was born from above. As the students talked and planned together as to what they could do their countenances beamed with joy. It was the topic of conversation everywhere throughout the day. Friday morning the remaining part of I. Chronicles, chapter 29, down to verse 21, was read, and the sentiment of those verses was but a re-echo of the experiences of the day.

We speak of "prayer and social meetings," and of the Lord's presence and blessing, but here was a financial social meeting attended with the Lord's presence and blessing. The Lord has given the word that our schools and institutions should be free from debt, and he will bless in the efforts put forth in harmony with his plans. The college faculty had already been considering what they could do, and a little over \$1,000 has thus far been subscribed by the teachers. This amount, with what

the students have subscribed, makes over \$2,000 from those directly connected with the school this year. We hope to raise the amount to \$2,500, which will be a little over one-tenth of the entire debt of \$24,000 now resting on the college. As teachers and students we deem it a great privilege to lift with you in this last final effort to extricate the college from debt, and say again, "Lift, brother, lift; we are lifting with you."

The school has been in operation a little over one month. During that month our enrollment reached 203, which was the same as the entire enrollment for last year. At this writing we have 212 enrolled, and expect several others within a few days. There is an excellent spirit of consecration and work in the school. The Young People's Society now has its meeting on Wednesday morning at the chapel hour, and plans are being laid by this society for earnest, aggressive work, both at College Place and Walla Walla. Three barrels of clothing have just been sent to the unfortunate students at the Oakwood Industrial School.

Still there is room for other young men and women who are anxious to fit themselves speedily for the Lord's work. Address the undersigned at College Place, Wash.

M. E. CADY, President.

TESTIMONY READING CONCERNING AGED WORKERS.

What does the Lord say to the aged pioneer laborers?

"To the aged pioneers who have been connected with the work of the third angel's message almost from its beginning, whose experience in it dates nearly from the passing of the time in 1844, the Lord says: 'Your help is needed.'"

Does the cause need the help of these men?

"The cause needs the help of the old hands, the aged workers, who have had years of experience in the cause of God; who have watched the development and the progress of the message in its various lines; who have seen many go into fanaticism, cherishing the delusion of false theories, resisting all the efforts made to let the light of truth reveal the superstitions that were coming in to confuse minds and to

make of none effect the message which in these last days must be given in its purity to God's remnant people."

Should they be appreciated, and their testimony valued?

"Many of the tried servants of God have fallen asleep in Jesus. Let the help of those who are left alive to this day be appreciated. Let their testimony be valued. The good hand of the Lord has been with these faithful workers. . . . Those who were in the message at its beginning, who fought bravely when the battle went hard, must not lose their hold now."

Are they qualified to hold leading positions in the work?

"The most tender interest should be cherished toward those whose life interest is bound up with the work of God. Notwithstanding their many infirmities, these workers still possess talents that qualify them to stand in their lot and place. God desires them to occupy leading positions in his work. They have stood faithful amidst storm and trial, and are among our most valuable counselors."

When the cause was young and needy, what did these men do?

"Let not the fact be lost sight of that in the past these earnest wrestlers sacrificed everything to advance the work. The fact that they have grown old and gray in the service of God is no reason why they should cease to exert an influence superior to the influence of men who have far less knowledge of the work, and far less experience in divine things. Though worn, and unable to bear the heavier burdens that younger men can and should carry, their value as counselors is of the highest order."

Should they be pushed aside by younger workers?

"They have borne test and trial, and, though they have lost some of their vigor, they are not to be pushed aside by less experienced workers, who know very little about the labor and self-sacrifice of these pioneers. The Lord does not thus lay them aside. He gives them special grace and knowledge."

Near the close of their life work what burden does God lay upon them?

"As those who have spent their lives in the service of God, draw near the close of their earthly history, they will be impressed by the Holy Spirit to

recount the experiences they have had in connection with his work. The record of His wonderful dealings with His people, of His great goodness in delivering them from trial, should be repeated to those newly come to the faith. The trials also that have been brought on the servants of God by the apostasy of some once united with them in labor, and the working of the Holy Spirit to make of none effect the falsehoods told against those who were holding the beginning of their confidence firm unto the end, should be related."

Should they be put in hard places?

"The old standard bearers who are still living should not be put in hard places. Those who have served their Master when the work went hard, who endured poverty, and remained faithful to the truth when our numbers were small, are ever to be honored and respected. I am instructed to say, Let every believer respect the aged pioneers who have borne trials and hardships and many privations. They are God's workmen, and have acted a prominent part in the building up of his work."

How should younger men act toward these aged servants of God?

"Let the younger men realize that, in having such laborers among them, they are highly favored. Let them show great respect for the men of gray hairs, who have had long experience in the development of the work. Let them give them an honored place in their councils. God desires those who have come into the truth in later years to take heed to these words."

W. B. WHITE.

WESTERN WASHINGTON.

SEATTLE.

In our tent efforts in this city the past season we were assisted by brother R. T. Cornell. We first pitched our tent in the south-eastern part of the city, a vicinity where there had been a considerable amount of work done from house to house with the package system of loaning our literature, but although we thoroughly advertised our meetings, we could not get a hearing that would warrant us to continue the effort. We moved our tent to the north part of the city, where we had a fair hearing; six

promised to keep the sabbath and several others wish to study farther. One business man who had lost faith in the churches so he had not been to church but once since he was a boy, and till quite recently had been drinking a pint of whisky a day, now closes his business on the Sabbath and is daily growing stronger in the faith. Another man had to be in the city on legal business and was detained till the close of our meetings. He stopped with a daughter near the tent, came to the meetings and went away rejoicing in the truth. An aged lady who had been ensnared by Spiritualism rejoiced that the truth had made her free.

Our Bible workers, sister Cox and Mrs. Sharp, have each been made glad by seeing several of their readers embrace the truth. They cannot fill nearly all the calls they have to teach Bible truth in the homes of the people. We very much need more Bible workers in this city. The church is trying to do something in the missionary work, but not nearly so much as we ought to be doing. There needs to be a revival of the old time missionary spirit and methods, when many clubs of our good papers were taken and loaned to neighbors or mailed to persons whom they thought would read them, followed by letters written in the love of Christ and vitalized by prayer.

Our church has been much weakened by removals. I believe enough to form a fair-sized church have removed in the past year. Some of these were bearing responsibilities in the church whose places it will not be easy to fill. We are having a good church school, taught by sister Hoover.

We are to improve our church building farther by putting in a baptistry and furnace.

We have no cause to complain for lack of openings, but are deeply exercised over our inability to fill nearly all of them, therefore we pray for the refreshing that will send us spirit-filled helpers that the work may soon be finished and we all go home to "Our Father's House." W. W. SHARP.

"Let the student take the Bible as his guide, and stand like a rock for principle, and he may aspire to any height of attainment."

CANVASSING DEPARTMENT

UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

Week Ending November 10, 1906.

Agents	Books	Hours	Orders	Helps	Tot. Val.
C. H. Allen.....	Miscellaneous	23	25	\$32.00
Mrs. G. A. Nagel.....	Miscellaneous	5	23	15.00
*F. J. Evans.....	Heralds	65	25	\$42.50	84.00
Totals.....		93	73	\$42.50	\$131.00

*Two weeks.

Brother Allen is having some excellent experiences in Walla Walla where he is handling a number of small books before the holidays.

Sister G. L. Gillilan is also working with our small books in Walla Walla and enjoys the work very much. We will have her report next week.

Sister Nagel was impressed recently to try the sale of our small books among her neighbors at Freewater, Ore. She spent about five hours in the work and took orders in every house she visited but two. She had some excellent experiences.

Brother Evans did not go out as a canvasser but went on a missionary trip in Franklin county, Washington. He was gone about two weeks and found a number who were interested in the truth and sold the above amount of books.

T. G. JOHNSON.

THE END OF THE WORLD IN THIS GENERATION.

About the middle of November there will be a special issue of the WATCHMAN bearing the above title. Its object will be to show the momentous character of the present times. Events long foretold in God's word indicate to the Christian that these are the very last days.

Besides the editors, some of the writers are: Mrs. E. G. White, K. C. Russell, J. S. Washburn, Geo. B. Thompson, C. P. Bollman, and Dr. Frank Washburn.

The following is a partial list of the subjects considered:

"Christ's Return at Hand."

"Signs of the End."

"Last Day Delusions."

"This Gospel of the Kingdom."

"God's Warning."

"The Coming Conflict."
 "The Increase of Intemperance."
 "The Sabbath and the Lord's Day."
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 "The Coming Crisis."
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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Elder H. W. Decker called at the office last week on his way to attend the general meeting appointed at North Yakima.

A quantity of the Missionary Readings were sent to the union conference office and we shall be glad to send these out to those who may desire them.

T. G. Johnson, canvassing agent of the Upper Columbia Conference, spent several days at Spokane in the interest of the book work. He reports a very good interest through the field along missionary lines.

Emma Rothgeb, who has been canvassing in Spokane for several months, has been called from her work to engage in the church school work. We

wish sister Rothgeb success in her change of labor.

Elder W. B. White and Elder G. E. Langdon attended the general meeting at North Yakima, then went to Portland to attend a council of the representatives of the Western Washington, Western Oregon, and Upper Columbia Conferences and Pacific Press.

A. G. Adams, missionary secretary of the union conference, has been visiting some of the churches in Western Washington and finds the people ready and willing to co-operate in the plans laid for aggressive missionary work during the fall and winter.

W. C. Raley, secretary and treasurer of the Western Washington Conference, has found it necessary to resign that position and seek a change on account of poor health. We sincerely trust that he may recuperate so rapidly that he may soon be able to resume his work.

"Addresses for Our Young People," is the title of a book by Prof. Charles C. Lewis, president of Union College. Prof. Lewis has been connected with our educational work for 29 years and these addresses will be found very helpful to all our young people. The book is highly recommended by many of our leading workers and we do not hesitate to say that \$1.00—the price of the book—will be well invested in purchasing a copy. Order of the Union College Press, College View, Nebraska.

In 1904 a man bought a copy of the special "Signs Number" of the Watchman; he read this paper through three times the same day. As a result of the agent's effort in placing the special in that man's hands, the man, his wife, and two sisters are rejoicing in the truth, and three others are regularly attending Sabbath-school. Would you like a part in such a work? Then order a quantity of the special Watchman (title "The End of the World in this Generation") and go out among your friends and neighbors, on the streets in your own and other towns, and, making the most of every opportunity, place a copy of this paper in the hands of all you meet. See notice in another column.