

# NORTH PACIFIC UNION



"Put ye in the sickle,

## CLEANER

for the harvest is ripe"

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### THE MAELSTROM

Just off the coast of Norway  
Two tides of ocean sweep,  
And they make a terrific whirlpool,  
With vortex fierce and deep.  
Inward and inward ever,  
The circling waves go round,  
Swift and more swift, with fearful rush,  
They seek the abyss profound.

Oh! woe to the helpless ship  
That enters that treacherous tide;  
At first, on the outer circle,  
It seems secure to ride;  
But now, in the boiling current,  
'Tis tossed like a plaything weak,  
And the air is rent with the piercing note  
Of the mariner's dying shriek.

There lieth a treacherous whirlpool  
Off the coast of the human life,  
Whose waters are seething and rushing,  
Like demons of evil and strife,  
And like the Norwegian maelstrom  
Its outermost circle seems fair,  
But woe to him who is hopelessly plunged  
In its vortex of guilt and despair.

O, youth, beware of the current,—  
The current of folly and sin,—  
Approach not its farthest circle,  
Lest you reach the abyss within;  
For worse than the shriek of the dying  
That rings from the Norway coast  
Is the wail of a perishing human soul,  
At last and forever lost!

—Selected.

### NOTES OF TRAVEL

In my last article, Elder Burg and myself were just leaving New Orleans for Atlanta, Ga., and other points on our route to Washington.

We left New Orleans the evening after the Sabbath, after a very profitable and pleasant day with the church in that place. We were greatly impressed with the need of more workers in this great city of four hundred thousand souls. So many of them never have heard the message for to-day; so many are wandering in darkness without the light of present truth, and no one to carry it to them. At the present time there is not a worker in New Orleans giving all of his time to the work, and we felt very much impressed that something should be done to open a strong work in this city.

The conference has purchased a very pleasant mission home at a cost of six thousand dollars. It is nicely located, and is a very comfortable place. It seems as though there should be a dozen workers in this city, telling the people of present truth. Seeing the great needs of this field, we almost felt that we would like to remain and continue the work in this city, but of course this was not be.

Sunday morning about ten o'clock we arrived in Atlanta, Ga., and here found one of the prettiest and best regulated cities that we have ever seen. Certainly Atlanta is a beautiful place. It has an elevation of about eleven hundred feet above the sea; its streets are well kept, and it is rapidly building up. I am sure that we do not have many cities in the United States that for

beauty and cleanliness will excel Atlanta. About a year ago the State of Georgia passed a prohibition law forbidding the manufacture and sale of spirituous liquors in the state; consequently Atlanta has no saloons, and it is certainly refreshing to find such a large city with no places in which to buy strong drink. They showed us one large building that had formerly been used as a saloon and a dance-hall; it is now occupied by a wholesale furniture establishment; certainly a great change for the better. The South is strongly religious, and is certainly after the saloon with a vengeance. Other states are following Georgia in abolishing the saloon from their midst, and we believe that in a few years the saloon will be extinct in the Southern field.

We first visited the sanitarium. This building is situated just across the road from where the Andersonville Prison used to be in the time of the Civil War. But it looks very different now than at that time. Then it was a large stockade, crowded with living, starving humanity; now the grounds are taken up by a large public school, with beautiful grounds, and a charitable institution, with lovely surroundings. What a wonderful change fifty years have brought about! The sanitarium is not large; it will accommodate fifteen or twenty patients. At the present time it is under the medical supervision of Dr. Curtis, who seems to be laboring hard to build up the institution. With an expenditure of two or three thousand dollars the institution will be put in much better shape for work. When this property was bought, some time ago, it was quite in the outskirts of Atlanta, but

now the city has built up all around it. We could not help but feel that it would be better for the sanitarium if it were farther removed into the country on some of the many car lines that run out from the city; but it can do good where it is, and is already enjoying a reasonable patronage.

We also visited the Seventh-day Adventist church of Atlanta. Here we found a very comfortable, commodious building, and very centrally located. Here the conference stores its tents and camp-meeting outfits, and this city is the headquarters for the Georgia Conference. Here we met Elder F. C. Gilbert, who was scheduled to speak in one of the churches that afternoon and evening on the Jewish work in the United States. We attended the meeting in the afternoon and listened to the needs of the great work in which he is engaged. A good interest was manifested by those not of our faith in his mission. Oh, how much these great cities of the South need more workers! It brought a feeling of sadness to our hearts when we realized that not one worker was giving his entire time to the work in the capital of Georgia. Surely this situation should change, and that very quickly. More workers should be sent to these destitute fields.

From Atlanta, we visited Chattanooga, Tennessee, and first called upon Dr. Caldwell, who has just opened a little sanitarium in a very pleasant part of the city. Dr. Caldwell is already having a good patronage in his institution and private practise is largely on the increase. These little lights in these cities may be of great help to the work of the third angel's message.

We next visited Dr. O. C. Godsmark, who for many years has been connected with the cause of present truth. On account of ill health, he withdrew a few years ago from active labor, feeling the need of a change in his work. He is now practising dentistry in a suburb of Chattanooga, but is doing what he can locally in the line of holding meetings, speaking in public, etc.

Being near Chicamauga Park, at this point we took the street-car for that place and spent an hour on that famous battle ground. Even yet some of the old trees that were standing at the time of the war show the marks of that fierce and awful fight. A great many of

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## Field Reports

### SOUTHERN IDAHO

#### NOTICE

As the time of our camp-meeting is now drawing near, and as this is the last letter which will be sent until after the meeting, we wish to call the attention of our people again to this meeting. Elder W. B. White, president of the Union Conference; C. H. Castle, the Union Conference treasurer; Carl E. Weeks, the general missionary agent; and Prof. M. E. Cady, president of Walla, Walla College, will be in attendance at this meeting. Elder W. A. Colcord, of Washington, D. C., and perhaps one or two other General Conference men, will also be with us. So come along, brethren and sisters, bringing the Lord with you, expecting a feast of good things.

In regard to the rates on the railroad: On account of so many coming by team, and so few who will patronize the railroad, we will be unable to secure the one and one-third rates.

#### ITEMS

The church-schools at Cambridge, Caldwell, and Parma have closed.

Elder J. M. Willoughby is spending a few days with the church at Halfway, Ore.

Sister M. P. Ames, of Union, is now at the Portland Sanitarium, receiving medical care.

Sister Lee Moran, of Caldwell, was a caller at the conference office one day last week.

Elder H. W. Oliver will visit the company at Salmon, Idaho, enroute to camp-meeting.

Sister Lucy Post, who is following up the interest at Ontario, informs us that there are still interested ones there who were not in attendance at our meetings recently held at that place.

The Young People's Society of Boise subscribed for 206 copies of the naval edition of the Signus. The order will no

doubt be much enlarged, as only a few of the members were present at the meeting.

Brother Knowlton, of Cambridge, Idaho, father of Sister Arthur Moon, died after an illness of four days. Brother Knowlton was quite aged, but many of these years were spent in the third angel's message.

Dr. G. W. Pendleton, of Idaho Falls, writes: "I worked with the petition against Sunday laws; . . . secured 156 signatures among business men. Did not have time outside of my professional duties to do a thorough work. Could have doubled or trebled the list if the city could have had a systematic canvass."

The new enterprise of the conference, the Industrial Academy, is taking definite form. Material and workmen are now on the ground, commencing work on the foundation. The basement will be of lava rock, faced with cement, which will give a firm foundation for the building. Brother J. A. Casebeer is looking after the work. The building is 32x70, having three stories, including the basement. Should there be those who desire to work, correspond with J. A. Casebeer, Boise, Idaho, Box 43.

On Sunday, April 26, a handsome new church house was dedicated to the Lord, free from debt, at Caldwell, Idaho, which will be a credit to the cause of truth in that little city. The building cost a little less than \$2,000. About two hundred people were present at the dedicatory services, which were conducted by Elders W. H. Saxby, A. C. Bird, and the writer, who delivered the dedicatory sermon. The Boise and Parma churches were quite well represented at the meeting.

The Young People's Society of Caldwell expect to have a tent fitted up at the camp-meeting, where they will care for the babies while the mothers attend the meetings. Different ones have volunteered to give a day of their time to caring for the children, in order that the mothers may be relieved and feel free to enjoy the various meetings. Sometimes families, or mothers, do not attend the camp-meeting for the reason

that their time is so taken up in caring for the little ones that they do not get much enjoyment out of the meetings; but now these young people have planned to take this anxiety and care on themselves. So come, mothers, bring the babies, and they will be cared for at the Young People's Missionary Volunteers Nursery.

## WESTERN WASHINGTON A CARD

I take this means of saying to my brethren and sisters in the Western Washington Conference that the arrangements in reference to my work have been changed since I left to attend the General Conference Council at Washington.

On learning of the poor health of my wife the brethren in the council thought it would not be prudent to have her leave the Northwest to live in the South. Fearing that the climatic conditions there might make it necessary for her to leave the field before long, and in this way the interest of the work in the Southeastern Union be handicapped by the necessity of my leaving the work there soon, it seemed advisable that another man be asked to take the presidency of the Union. So action was taken to release me from the presidency of the Southeastern Union, and another man was asked to lead in the work there. I am, therefore, returning to Western Washington to labor.

Sincerely yours in the work,  
F. M. Burg.

## RATES TO THE WESTERN WASHINGTON CAMP-MEETING

So many of our people will come to the camp-meeting by boat that we have not thought there would be a sufficient number come by rail to obtain the reduced rates, but since the railroads are going to give excursion rates to Seattle to see the battleships, we think best to advise our people to avail themselves of this opportunity and thus be sure of getting reduced rates. The excursion tickets will be on sale May 22-25 and are good for return within fourteen days from date of sale. They are a round

trip ticket for one and one-third fare. On the coast line of the Great Northern railroad at competing points, there is not much reduction in regular price, those who can, had better come by boat.

Ask for excursion tickets to Seattle. Don't ask for camp-meeting tickets.

W. W. Sharp.

## UPPER COLUMBIA

### ITEMS

It is expected to have Elder Henry Schultz with us at our Camp-meeting in Spokane, June 4 to 14.

Elder A. M. Dart has closed his meetings at Echo, Oregon, and has joined F. M. Oliver at Long Creek, Oregon.

The sickness of Mrs. Schnepfer is giving away, so that she could be taken to her home again. She is still confined to her bed, but improving fast.

Orders for books, Bibles and periodicals are still coming in from Elder E. H. Huntly at Bossburg Wash., where he has organized a church of about twenty-five members and a Sabbath-school of about fifty.

"Do not become so engrossed with business cares that you neglect to give your children the instruction they need. Do not look upon your home work as a lesser duty. This work lies at the foundation of the well-being of society. The happiness of families and of churches depends upon home influence. The world is not so much in need of great minds as of good men, men who are a blessing in their homes."

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities, no doubt, crept in; forget them as soon as you can. To-morrow is a new day, begin it well and serenely, and with too high a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense. This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterdays.

Emmerson.

## Sabbath-school and Young People's Work

### WESTERN WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

We are glad to welcome to our "Sabbath-school Family" two new members, Marysville and Hobson schools.

A Young People's Society has recently been organized in Connie, and the young people are going to work with a will. We are glad to co-operate with these young people and cheer them on in the good work.

Quite a number of our young people are writing on the "Standard of Attainment." We wish these young people success, but would say, if they fail this time they need not be discouraged as there will be another opportunity next September.

The Bellingham Young People's Society is donating \$10.00 per quarter to the support of a missionary student in the Fiji school. These young people receive letters from those in charge of the work there which greatly deepen their interest in the foreign mission work. This Society is doing a good work and is worthy of imitation.

Now that camp-meeting time is drawing near, we are looking anxiously forward to meeting all the members of our Sabbath-schools and all the young people from our conference. This camp-meeting is going to be a special opportunity for our youth and for our Missionary Volunteers to do good work and receive rich blessings. We trust that not one will be absent from this annual gathering. Come, young people, and get better acquainted with your Lord and with your fellow laborers.

The Sabbath-school reports received up to date show that twelve more schools have joined the ranks of those who are giving all their donations to missions. This makes thirty-two schools who gave all their donations to missions last quarter. We trust that before two more quarters pass that every school in our conference will have adopted this

plan and then we can give all our donations for the support of the foreign field work as a conference. This will cause gladness of heart in our field as well as in the foreign field; so the donors and receivers will rejoice together.

We were greatly encouraged a few days ago by one of our Missionary Volunteers who has recently been promoted in his work of teaching and his salary advanced \$25.00 per month. Having received a letter a short time previous to this from Elder J. C. Rogers, in which mention was made that a teacher there could be supported for \$12.50 a year, this young man was prompted to give one-half of his first month's advance as a thank offering to God, and has sent it for the salary of a teacher in Elder Roger's field. How many of our young people think of giving back to God a part of the blessings he so richly bestows upon them? We think this a worthy example for our young people.

It is not too late to take up the Reading Course. Those who wish to join us now, should send at once for the books, "Early Writings," "Into All the World," and "Pastor Hsi," and also the Lessons on "Early Writings," which have been appearing in the Instructor but can be obtained in pamphlet form. To those passing a satisfactory test on these books, the General Conference will grant a Certificate. It will certainly be worth while to have one of the first certificates issued by the General Conference to Missionary Volunteers. Then too, these good books should be read because they are good. Those wishing the books or lessons can obtain the same by addressing the Western Washington Missionary Society, 309 Second Ave. N., Seattle.

One of the lambs of our flock,—a little one in the Tacoma Sabbath-school has fallen asleep in Jesus. Her sickness and death were illumined with the Christian's hope. Though only eight years old, she manifested a confidence and trust in her Saviour that was indeed touching for one of such tender years. When the end drew near and loved ones stood round her weeping, she said, "Why do you cry? It's all right." Little Georgia was loved by all who knew her, and the absence of her bright

face and cheerful voice causes sadness in many hearts. "Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted and become as little children ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. Whosoever, therefore, shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. Matthew 18:3, 4.

S. Lela Hoovers

### LETTERS FROM A YOUNG MAN TO HIS SABBATH-SCHOOL TEACHER

[Written by H. H. Haynes, and read at the Sabbath-school Institute, April 4, 1908, Portland, Oregon]

Pebble Beach, August 3.

Dear Miss Keith: Yours in answer to mine of July 21 came yesterday. You ask me to be patient and to help the Pebble Beach school all I can by promptness and regularity in attendance. I wish I could believe my example in this respect is being noticed. I am afraid it is almost lost. There is one family at Pebble Beach, however, that I must tell you about. They always arrive at Sabbath-school a few minutes before the opening. One of the boys is in a class near me. He goes directly to his class, and remains quiet until the teacher arrives. His donation is always in his pocket, so he is not obliged to cross the room to ask his mother for it during Sabbath-school. The father and mother each teach a class, and the eldest daughter is leader of the primary division. I rather think the parents of this family do a part of the Sabbath-school work at home that many people leave to the teacher. When parents forget to instruct their children in ordinary Sabbath-school decorum, and the teacher supposes it has been done, it is no wonder she hastily concludes a boy is almost incorrigible. Perhaps he hasn't had a show.

I have noticed one teacher that nearly always comes early, but never joins her class until time for the lesson study. The boys are frequently in a high state of hilarity by that time, and she wonders why she can not control them.

You remember my little brother, Bobby. He came home the other day feeling badly because the teacher had reproved him for whispering. He said there were several old men in the class just across the aisle who talked in an

undertone quite a long time while the superintendent was trying to get the school quiet just before closing. Bobby seemed to think it wasn't quite fair.

I guess it's hard to keep real small children from making marks on the seats and from scratching or cutting them, but it does seem a little strange that when a boy and a girl a little older think they are in love they should use the fly-leaves and margins of hymn books to write their love letters on.

Last Sabbath there was a regular procession of children, and even some grown people, going out during the review. I presume some of it couldn't be avoided; but I remember my father used to ask me if I wanted a drink before Sabbath-school. If I only drank a little, he would say, "Take a little more," and would often fill me so full that I didn't want another drink until after meeting.

Last Sabbath during the review two men came in who were dressed like ministers. The review was being conducted by a young lady who wasn't much accustomed to it. The questions asked by these men were evidently with the intention of drawing out good points that she was neglecting. Such questions from strangers somewhat embarrassed this timid young woman. I could not help contrasting this with the helpful method of our pastor at Sidney Center, who nearly always comes early and manages to spend a moment or two with the reviewer before the school begins.

I am glad the Sabbath-school is an educational institution for the benefit of the church members.

I feel thankful for the privilege of regular attendance.

Assuring you of the pleasure it will give me to be in my place in your class next Sabbath, I remain,

Yours truly,

James Benson Van Dyke.

### HUNGRY FOR BOOKS

Elder Gates, in writing of the progress of the work in Singapore, and in other near-by mission stations, says:—

It is wonderful how the printing work has developed in the last eight years. If we did not have something here to print our books for the East Indies, we should overwhelm the Avondale Press

with work. We have given an order for five thousand copies of "Christ Our Saviour" in the Javanese-Malay, and are now having "Coming King" translated in Malay. I have never seen a place before where books sell so well as here. If we can get agents, we can sell all the books we can make. This is the greatest difficulty we find. Books sell almost on sight. Our Chinese brother, Timothy Tay, sells hundreds of copies of "Christ Our Saviour" to the heathen. I never before heard of selling the gospel truth like that to pagans, at our own prices. Some of the buyers say that they now understand what Christianity is. We want to flood this country with "Christ Our Saviour" and then follow it up with books dealing more directly on the doctrines peculiar to the present truth.

Fred Parkins, our agent who sells the English books, is having marvelous success in selling "Daniel and the Revelation" in the Malay Peninsula. Several times he has sold over eighty books in a week, and has delivered over ninety per cent of them. In one week he sold one hundred two of these books. Soon he will go to Borneo, and later to Siam. After he finishes these places, he will go to Java and take up the study of the Dutch language, and while studying this will canvass for "Christ Our Saviour." Next month we expect one of our good Australian canvassers to come here to assist in this work. One object of my going to Australia a few months ago was to get some canvassers. I did not succeed as well as I had hoped, as there are but few to spare. But we hope for still another one, soon.

We are at present considering the matter of adding to our printing-office here in our school an outfit for the printing of Chinese literature. There are thousands of Chinese in all this Eastern country, and they are among our best book buyers. It is not as it is in China, where the people have no money. When we offer them books bound in paper covers, they ask if we do not have the books in better binding.

Our evangelistic work is still moving in this field; but I expect more to result from the book work than from any other line of work. Those who read themselves into the truth are usually more steadfast than others. We hope that as we get the literature scattered everywhere many will accept the truth.

Financial			Tent and Camp-meeting Fund 11 00	
WESTERN OREGON CONFERENCE			Walla Walla College Debt - 166 50	
RECEIPTS FOR MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 1908			Weekly Offerings - 40 56	
TITHE			\$727 95	
Albany	-	\$ 31 75	Edith Starbuck, Treasurer.	
Albina	-	59 00		
Ashland	-	84 30		
Astoria	-	16 98		
Beaverton	-	3 00		
Blachly	-	35 00		
Chitwood	-	14 35		
Coquille	-	119 45		
Dallas	-	42 75		
Eugene	-	35 30		
Falls City	-	76 75		
Grants Pass	-	90 71		
Gravel Ford	-	71 45		
Hopewell	-	4 45		
Hillsboro	-	54 62		
Hubbard	-	7 48		
Laurelwood	-	79 81		
Montavilla	-	67 13		
Mt. Tabor	-	5 45		
McMinnville	-	17 50		
Newberg	-	95 28		
Park Place	-	1 20		
Portland	-	633 17		
Portland Scandinavian	-	69 00		
Roseburg	-	72 48		
Royal	-	66 04		
Salem	-	453 09		
St. Johns	-	3 50		
Svensen	-	9 00		
The Dalles	-	26 50		
Tillamook	-	66 59		
Toledo	-	52 36		
Woodburn	-	214 53		
Yoncalla	-	40 85		
		\$2720 47		
TRUST FUNDS				
Annual Offerings	-	\$ 5 50		
Canton Chapel	-	6 03		
Colored Work	-	9 80		
Colored Mission Schools	-	3 50		
Cholo Mission	-	38 14		
Educational Fund	-	17 73		
\$150,000 Fund	-	3 70		
India (Gravel Ford Y. P. S.)	-	15 50		
Intermediate Schools	-	3 00		
Jewish Work	-	10 00		
Mission Board	-	42 31		
Mountain Mission, India	-	5 00		
Orphans and Aged	-	47 03		
Religious Liberty	-	15 20		
Sabbath-school Offerings	-	287 45		
			WESTERN WASHINGTON	
			Receipts for Month Ending April 30, 1908	
			TITHE	
			Ferndale (English)	\$ 4 55
			Ballard	41 26
			Bellingham	67 70
			Cedar Home	12 36
			Colby	98 60
			Centralia	18 50
			Carrollton	17 96
			Connie	50 00
			Deming	27 25
			Etna	29 49
			Elma	20
			Everett	30 45
			Friday Harbor	47 85
			Green Lake	50 14
			Kent	151 03
			Kelso	87 22
			Lynden	16 25
			Mossy Rock	5 00
			Mt. Vernon	27 05
			Meadowglade	132 07
			Puyallup	21 97
			Pearson	17 50
			Personal	11 35
			Ridgefield	32 49
			Sedro Woolley	8 20
			Sara	45 71
			Seattle	435 20
			Snohomish	6 22
			Tacoma (English)	91 07
			Tacoma (Scandinavian)	38 60
			Vancouver	245 29
			Ferndale (Scandinavian)	83 80
			Total	\$1952 13
			CONFERENCE FUNDS	
			Home Missions	\$ 1 00
			Orphans and Aged	121 99
			Sinking Fund	30 60
			Second Tithe	2 90
			Tent Fund	1 00
			Teachers' Salary Fund	65 60
			Mission Board	9 83
			Sabbath-school Offerings	349 60
			Southern Field	10 00
			Religious Liberty	24 63
			Annual Offering	8 52

Y. P. Volunteer Fund	-	5 07
Teacher in Africa, care of		
J. C. Rogers	-	12 50
Battahland Sumatra	-	9 85
Colored Work	-	7 80
Colored Work, F. R. Rogers		34 11
Weekly Offerings	-	54 78
\$150,000 Fund	-	15 15
Fiji Islands	-	10 00
Walla Walla College	-	46 10

Total - - \$821 03

H. A. Green,  
Assistant Treasurer.

#### NOTES OF TRAVEL

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the cannons that were used on both sides in this battle have been restored to the government and are placed in the exact position they were in at the time of this conflict. At one place the two armies came together in a hand-to-hand conflict, and here the cannons of the opposing parties are only a few rods apart, and between the lines was the terrific bayonet charge; of it many who are living to-day can remember. A large monument marks the spot where this bayonet charge took place.

Returning to the city, and for an hour or so before train time we took the Incline Railway and visited Lookout Mountain, where the "Battle above the Clouds" was fought. Here one gets one of the most beautiful views that it was ever our privilege to see. Mission Ridge, Orchard Nob, Chicamunga, and other points where thousand of Union and Confederate soldiers fell are plainly in view. Here again is another large city in which practically but little work is being done for present truth. I believe Chattanooga does not have a worker that is giving all of his time to the work in the city. They have a good church building well located, but no worker to carry the truth to this people.

#### INSTRUCTION REGARDING PRAYER-MEETINGS

There is needed instruction regarding social and prayer-meetings given in the following selections:—"The prayer-meetings should be the most interesting gatherings that are held, but they are

frequently poorly managed. Many attend preaching, but neglect the prayer-meeting. Here, again, thought is required. Wisdom should be sought of God, and plans should be laid to conduct the meetings so they will be interesting and attractive. The people hunger for the bread of life. If they find it at the prayer-meeting, they will go there to receive it.

"Long prosy talks and prayers are out of place anywhere, and especially in the social meeting. Those who are forward and ever ready to speak, are allowed to crowd out the testimony of the timid and retiring. Those who are the most superficial generally have the most to say. Their prayers are long and mechanical. They weary the angels and the people who listen to them. Our prayers should be short and to the point. . . . Let the Spirit of God into your hearts, and it will sweep away all dry formality." Test. Vol. 4 Pages 70, 71.

"You speak too low to be heard by those assembled. You are also, my dear brother, frequently in danger of being tedious. Even in small meetings, your remarks are too lengthy. Every word of what you say may be true, but in order to find its way to the soul, it should be accompanied with a fervor of spiritual power." Vol. 4. Pages 131, 132.

"Tedious prayers are positively injurious to a religious interest." Vol. 4. Page 261.

Every proper interest led or directed by man needs thought and careful planning in order that it may accomplish its legitimate purpose. Even a prayer-meeting will not run itself without going down grade, and then it will soon reach the bottom and stop because it can go no further in that direction. Our social and prayer services are designed of the Lord to fill an important place in our work and they should be given much thought and wise care. The best ministerial talent should at times conduct these services.

Many souls have been moved upon to yield to the Lord at the prayer-meeting. In these meetings all should be given a chance to express themselves for the Lord and his truth. Here the timid should be encouraged to testify and the young be helped to take their stand for the Christian life.

Great religious awakenings sometimes have their beginning in small prayer-meetings. And should we not make much more of this avenue of work than

we do? Almost every member in the church can be taught how to become a real helper in these kind of gospel services. Let our church officers and our missionary secretaries give much thought and prayer to this subject, that they may find out what blessings the Lord has in our prayer and social meetings for this cause.

Wm. Covert.

#### MT. ELLIS INSTITUTE.

The last of our spring institutes, six in number, closed at Mt. Ellis Academy, Bozeman, Montana, May 4. Altho this institute was small, owing to the fact that so many of the students had gone home before our work opened, yet the Lord blessed us richly, and I believe that this little company will be a Gideon's band in the hand of God as they go out to scatter the pages of truth in Montana this summer.

Brother Fairchild, the former Field Agent assisted us very materially in our work. Professor Haughey also co-operated with us in every way possible.

Brother Oliver, who has just recently taken up the work in Montana, is of good courage, and has his stakes set for the selling of \$6,000 worth of books in that field this year.

The outlook for this branch of the work, as well as along other lines, is indeed encouraging throughout the Union. It was never my privilege to attend a series of institutes where such an interest was manifested in this work on the part of our young people as has been manifested by them in the institutes that I have attended this spring. Our young people have their eye on the finishing of this work, and they are determined to act their part in closing it up.

Over two hundred have taken the work of the institutes in the different schools. All will not enter the field, yet we expect to have a large company in active work. With the Lord's blessing attending these laborers, who can estimate the great good that will be accomplished? Only eternity will reveal this. The God-fearing canvasser does not always see the results of his labors, but God has promised that these pages of truth that are circulated will accomplish their work, so all can enter the field knowing that the effort they put forth will not be in vain. May God

richly bless them all, and keep them close to Himself is my prayer.

Carl E. Weeks.

### HOW THE FIRST 124 NAVAL SIGNS WERE SOLD

When the first copies of the Naval Signs began to come off the press, our workers here in the office were stirred. It seemed that the Lord had given us in this paper a great opportunity to present before the people one of the most striking signs of the times. After talking it over, four of the workers in the Periodical Department decided to drop their work for a part of a day and learn the best methods of presenting it by an actual trial. This trial resulted as follows:

Two young ladies who worked in the business section of a near-by town sold thirty-five and forty-three copies respectively. The two young men, working in the residential section, sold twenty and twenty-six copies. This was done in two and one-half hours. The form of presentation used was as follows:

#### CANVASS USED

(Cheerful greeting) I believe you are interested in the great battleship fleet. (Show back cover page first.) Here it is leaving Hampton Roads for California. This gives the names, weight, and speed of each ship. (Turn to front) Admiral Evans in uniform. (Open to pages 10 and 11) His flag-ship, the Connecticut. Intensely interesting figures and facts showing the marvelous development which has been made in battleships and guns since the Civil War and the naval strength of the great nations, are here given. (Page 14) The interior of the factory where these great guns are made. (Page 12) Here is a photo and description of each type of ship in our navy. (Page 16) Program of the fleet's movements. This beautiful twenty-page souvenir number for a dime.

They found the following method of holding the paper most successful: Hold the paper in the left hand, with the fore finger between pages 10 and 11, with the back page toward the customer. Then the first page and the special article can be referred to very readily.

Here is an opportunity for church-school children, young people and brethren and sisters, even though they

may have but little time, to do something for the Lord, and at the same time make good wages. Everyone is interested just now in the fleet and in all special information concerning it. Is not this a special opportunity the Lord has given us of telling people through the medium of this beautiful, truth-filled edition of the Signs, the significance of present day war preparations? The prices are as follows:

Single copies,	10 cents,
25 to 100 copies,	3 cents,
100 copies and over,	2 1-2 cents.

H. H. Hall.

### A TEMPERANCE NUMBER.

Never before in the history of this country has there been such wide spread and intense agitation over prohibition. Temperance workers throughout the length and breadth of the land are arousing to the necessity of immediate and determined action. They are greatly encouraged over the success which has attended their efforts within the last year. The liquor interests realize that unless a desperate fight is made their business will be greatly curtailed.

No where is the temperance fight being waged more persistently than in the Southern States. The publishers of the WATCHMAN are preparing a special Temperance number of that paper. It will be dated June 2, but will probably be ready for distribution by the middle of May. This issue will be wholly devoted to temperance. The President of the National W.C.T.U., the President of the Tennessee W.C.T.U., the Medical Superintendent of Washington, D.C., Sanitarium, and other prominent and influential writers are contributing for this special. It will be printed in two colors, with an appropriate cover-page illustration. We as a people have failed to exert our efforts in behalf of temperance as fully as we should. Now is our opportunity to strike a telling blow for true temperance reform, and at the same time show the noble bands of temperance workers throughout the country that we are heartily in sympathy with the temperance movement. The good results of our association with other temperance workers in this special campaign will become more and more apparent as the perils of the last days increase.

This issue of the Watchman will sell readily. Agents who make it their busi-

ness will have no difficulty in selling it by the thousand at ten cents a copy. It will be supplied to workers at the following prices:

1 to 4 copies, all to one address, each 5 cents.

5 to 24 copies, all to one address, each 3 1-2 cents.

25 to 99 copies, all to one address, each 3 cents.

100 to 500 copies, all to one address, each 2 1-2 cents.

10 or more copies mailed singly, each 4 cents.

A neat Watchman badge will be sent free, if requested, to each person who orders fifty or more copies. Order at once through the tract society.

### News Items

Don't fail to read the Sabbath-school and Young People's Department this week.

The Portland Sanitarium is again well filled with patients, and success is attending the work there.

We understand that Elder R. C. Porter is soon to go to Africa to take charge of the work in that field.

Monday, May 4, was outing day for the Walla Walla College and normal pupils. The weather was ideal, and all enjoyed a good time.

Elder W. B. White returned from the General Conference council last Thursday. He reports a very interesting and profitable meeting.

Last Sabbath Elder White gave an account to the College Place church of the proceedings of the General Conference council in Washington, D. C.

Elder O. A. Olsen, president of the Australian Union Conference, is returning to his field by way of the Pacific Coast, to make a visit to some of the islands of the Pacific.

You should be sure to renew your subscription to the Gleaner so as not to miss any of the good things from the camp-meetings. Much will be reported for the Gleaner.

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Brother C. E. Weaks is again at the college in the interest of the canvassing work. He expects about fifty students from this school to go into the field this summer with our literature.

On account of the ill health of Sister Andross, it has been decided to release Elder Andross from the work in Great Britain, and Elder Fitzgerald will go to take the presidency of that field. Elder Andross will take the presidency of the Columbia Union.

Elder E. E. Andross, president of the British Union Conference, spoke in the Milton (Ore.) church last Sabbath. This was the first church he joined after he became a Seventh-day Adventist, about twenty-two years ago. The service was greatly enjoyed.

The Foreign Mission Band of Walla Walla College gave a very interesting program Sabbath afternoon. We may possibly be favored with a more extended report of this meeting later. One feature much appreciated was a short talk by Elder E. E. Andross on the work in the British field.

### SEE

During the month of May thirty-five subscriptions to the Gleaner expire. The date on the address label shows date of expiration. You should look at the label; and if your subscription has expired, or is about to expire, be sure to renew at once, lest you miss some very important issue of the paper.

## Bookmen's Corner

### WESTERN OREGON

Receipts for April, 1908

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Value
T. E. McKinney	Heralds	24	14	\$ 24 50
A. E. Hallsted	Heralds	48	29	50 75
W. H. Coffin	D. & R.	188	48	153 45
F. H. Bradley	D. & R.	80	24	80 50
Mrs. F. H. Bradley	D. & R.	21	2	13 45
Mrs. Mary Kendall	G. C.		4	10 00
Nellie Cooper	M. of H.		11	16 50
Hilva Jensen	M. of H.		8	12 00
Gertrude Burdick	M. of H.		8	12 00
Marie Steinbarn	M. of H.		8	12 00
Miscellaneous				7 00
		361	156	\$ 392 15

### CAMP-MEETINGS

#### SOUTHERN IDAHO

Caldwell - - - May 13 to 20

#### WESTERN WASHINGTON

Seattle - - - May 21 to 31

#### WESTERN OREGON

St. Johns - - - May 28 to June 7

#### UPPER COLUMBIA

Spokane - - - June 4 to 14

#### MONTANA

Great Falls - - - June 18 to 28

### WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

Total to April 30, 1908 \$18209 08  
May 1-9 201 50

\$18410 58

C. H. Castle, Treas.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the sixth annual meeting of the members of the Western Oregon Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation organized and existing under, and by virtue of the laws of the State of Oregon, will be held on the Seventh-day Adventist camp ground, in St. Johns, Oregon, on the 2nd day of June 1908, at ten o'clock a.m. The election of a Board of five trustees for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be necessary or proper to be transacted, will come before the meeting.

T. H. Starbuck, President.

W. C. Raley, Secretary.

The Portland Sanitarium desires to announce that it will receive a new class in its training school for missionary nurses, Nov. 1, 1908. Quite a number of applications are being received at the present time for entrance to this class and since only a limited number can be admitted, the faculty will be glad to have all who desire to enter, send in their applications as soon as possible. For application blanks and further information address,

Dr. S. A. Lockwood, Supt.,  
Portland Sanitarium.

### OBITUARY

Eddie Sauer, infant son of Sister Sauer of Walla Walla died April 25 and was buried the 27th. Little Eddie was sick only a short time with Pneumonia and Croup. He had been the joy of the household, but his bright light lasted only three months and twenty-five days.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer based on Philemon 15.

### WESTERN OREGON CONFERENCE

The seventh annual session of the Western Oregon Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene Friday, May 29, at 9 o'clock A. M., on the camp-ground at St. Johns, Oregon, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the Conference.

F. S. Bunch,  
President.