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### OUR COMING ANNUAL MEET-INGS .

The annual meeting of the North Pacific Union Conference Committee and the Board of Managers of Walla Walla College will be held at College Place, Wash., Feb. 3-13, 1909. Each year it is necessary for the Union Conference Committee to have a full meeting of the board, for at this time the auditing work for the past year must be done, and all matters pertaining to the interests of this great field must then be carefully looked over, and such actions taken as may be thought best. This meeting is quite an important one, and westrust that all members, of the Union Conference Committee will be present at this time.

During this time, also, the Board of Managers of Walla Walla. College will hold their annual session, and arrange the school work for another year. At this time the faculty will be elected for the coming year, and all matters pertaining to the school work will be arranged.

We understand, also, that Prof. M. E. Kern, with the Sabbath-school workers of the Upper Columbia Conference,

will hold a young people's convention at College Place at this time.

On Sunday, February 7, the normal school building that has been erected the last year will be dedicated. A program will announce these exercises.

It has also been arranged that during the evenings of the above-named time? there will be a lecture course, when different phases of the work in which we are engaged will be brought forward and presented before the large congregation.

We look for a very interesting occasion during these days, February 3-13, and we trust all members of the Union Conference Committee and of the college board of managers, with as many others as can come, will be present and be with us in our councils. We trust also that the Lord may be present to guide us in all we do, that all of our plans may be wrought in him.

W. B. White.

### **RELIGIOUS LIBERTY**

I have spent a few days in the Southern Idaho Conference in the interests of religious liberty work. I reached Boise Monday the 28th, spending the greater part of three days planning with the brethren for the work at Boise, studying some points of interest in connection with the work in the legislature. There seems to be quite an interest among the leading men in Idaho to modify the Sunday law passed two years ago, either by repeal or amendment. Our brethren will assist in every way ship or not worship the beast and his

they can by placing literature in the hands of the members of the legislature. I think they are now receiving, Liberty, and have been having it the past year. A club, called the Unity Club of Boise, whose members are the leading men of the city, have held a number of meetings where this Sunday law has been the principal topic. At the last meeting held, a number of the members of the legislature were present to study the question, to see what might be done when the legislature shall meet.

We held one meeting each at Boise, Caldwell, and Ontario, spending the Sabbath at Baker City. . . .

Our brethren should be laying careful plans for the work for the next few weeks and months, for if everything moves as it now seems to be moving, we shall have all we can look after to keep pace with the "very message for this time."

At the great convention just held 'in Philadelphia, Pa., with more than four hundred delegates, representing more than eighteen millions of people, a vote was taken to this effect: "In the Church Federation Council just closed in Philadelphia, that they have voted down the idea of Seventh-day Adventists being permitted to observe a sabbath outside of the first day of the week. This means that all the churches will combine against us, and I am satisfied that our people, at large, have no adequate idea of what is before us." The action of this great convention is the most important and far-reaching of anything that has ever been done, and unless God holds in check this movement we shall soon know what it means to wor-

image. This move should stir us to the depths, and spur us to decided action as never before. Learn who are your representatives in Congress and in your state legislature, and be prepared to give them such information as will best help them when these important issues are brought to them.

A. J. Breed.

### A PLEASANT OCCASION

A very pleasant occasion occurred at College Place on the day preceding New Year's. New Year's, as all remember, came on Friday, but on Thursday the people of College Place invited all of the home students from the college into their homes for dinner, with the faculty and all those about the school. Nearly every home had from two to six, and as far as we have heard all seemed to enjoy the occasion very much indeed. It was a change from the Home life, and these little occasions brighten up the school year, and draw the hearts of people and students nearer together.

'We are very glad to say that there is a splendid school at Walla Walla College this year, we think the best we have known for many years. The school is running very smoothly, and a large number of young people are here preparing themselves for future usefulness.

There seems to be a good spirit in the school among both the faculty and the students, and we trust that the next semester may be better than the last. As we go through the halls and into the classes and see the spirit that is manifested in the institution, we can only wish that many more of our young people, who are deprived of these opportunities, could be here this present year. We believe the time has come when the Lord wants every young person to first consecrate his life to him and his work, and then obtain a good education for service. Surely the school at Walla Walla is proving a great blessing to the young people of this northwestern country, and we hope it may long continue to be a training-school indeed for our Union Conference. W. B. White.

## Field Reports

### WESTERN OREGON

### NEWBERG

Just before the week of prayer, I closed the series of meetings which I had held near Newberg. Since then I have been following up the work by house-to-house visits, Bible-readings, etc. Seed has been sown in fruitful soil. Last Sunday (January 3) the Christian minister of Newberg delivered a discourse against the truth. He preached in the public schoolhouse two miles southeast of Newberg. He will preach again next Sunday. Then I shall review him, if God wills. The enemy is aroused. The community is astir. But God is mighty to save. Remember God's cause at this place before the throne of grace. Ministers are combining to oppose the truth. I had a long talk with one of them yesterday. Consequently I feel that only through earnest prayer by us will the enemy be defeated.

There is not a hospital in all this vast region. It seems to me that a small sanitarium would do well here. It seems to me that there is a good opportunity for some of our people to settle in the south end of this valley and build a church and start a school. Land can be purchased quite reasonably, and something should be done towards getting our work established in this part of the country.

I came here to spread the truth for this time; and, although I have not seen much in the way of visible results, I have become acquainted with the country, and perhaps can be of assistance to others in giving information gleaned by several years' stay in this country.

In the southern end of the valley the water is soft, and good, large crops of alfalfa are grown, and thousands of head of cattle are shipped from here every year. This is destined to be one of the wealthiest parts of Oregon.

F. L. Chitwood.

# Henry Dirksen.

At the time of my last report to the Gleaner, I was holding a meeting at Sara.

WESTERN WASHINGTON

SARA AND VANCOUVER

The meeting there continued for about ten days. Quite a little interest was manifested by some of the outside people. The husband and children of the sister who had recently begun to keep the Sabbath, decided to walk with her in keeping all of God's commandments. Some others manifested quite a good interest in the truths presented. I then held a few meetings with the Ridgefield church which seemed to be a source of encouragement to them. There are but few outside people in reach of our place of worship at Ridgefield. I went from here to Carrollton and held a few meetings in the new church building that our people are putting up there. The brethren and sisters here are making a commendable effort to prepare a comfortable little house in which to worship God. We found some outside interest here. One sister expressed herself publicly as willing to keep all of God's commandments. Her husband is convinced of the Sabbath truth but does

### MERRILL

So many have written letters of inquiry about the country, crops, etc., that I will give a few facts through the columns of the Gleaner.

The elevation of Klamath Valley in Oregon is over 4,000 feet. The reclamation project embraces territory in Klamath County, Oregon, and Modoc and Siskiyou Counties, California, comprising approximately 190,000 acres, about 80,000 acres of which will be reclaimed from the swamps, the remaining being valley land. Many miles of canals and laterals are being built. The water supply comes from Upper Klamath Lake and Clear Lake and Horsefly reservoirs. About a half million dollars will be expended by the government during the coming year. The soil is very rich, and grain, vegetables, and the hardier fruits do well. Frost sometimes comes during the summer, owing to the great elevation. Potatoes and sugar beets do well. Railroads are building into the country now.

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not see how he can make a living and keep the Sabbath. We hope his faith may soon be stronger.

During the past month we have been holding cottage meetings in the Hardy neighborhood about four miles north of Vancouver. Brother and Sister Branstator kindly offered us a large room in their house for the meetings. We occupied this room until near the close of the meetings, when we moved to the large room that Brother Lindt has especially prepared, in his new house, for prayer meetings, young people's meetings, etc From the first it seemed that some were willing to hear the Word. The interest increased until five good souls took a firm stand for the truth. These were all baptized in the new baptistry in the Vancouver church Sabbath, January 2, at the quarterly meeting and united with the church there. This was a good day for the Vancouver church as all the ordinances of the Lord's crurch were celebrated in one day. Some others are interested, for whom we have hopes. The Lord blessed in presenting the truth in these meetings, and the believers who attended were much encouraged. We thank the Lord that through this great message he is still calling men from darkness to light.

J. A. Holbrook.

### UPPER COLUMBIA

### REPORT OF BOOK SALES IN U. C. CONFERENCE FOR 1908

Number of agents in field-26Number of hours spent canvassing 3,988Value of books sold-\$4,980.10Miscellaneous sales-\$323.10Total Value--\$5,303.20Value of sales per hour-\$1.25

Report of Book Sales in Same Territory for 1907, Not Including Southern Idaho

Number of agents - - 16 Value of sales - - \$1,734.40 Under the heading "Miscellaneous sales" are included sales made by individuals who devoted an occasional hour to canvassing.

This showing is very poor as compared with what we had hoped to accomplish. Although it is three times Conference.

the amount for last year, yet we feel that this conference should place three or four times this amount of our literature in the homes of the people.

The work has been done principally by the students of Walla Walla College, who could spend, in some instances, only a few weeks in the field. Others were able to put in more time and earn a scholarship.

What we need, and are striving to secure, are consecrated men and women of mature years to give their lives to this important branch of the work. I am glad to say that several such individuals are planning to this end, and expect to engage in the work early in the spring. Already six have arranged for territory, and there are prospects that two or three more will give themselves to this good work. In addition to these, we expect a goodly number of young people, now attending college, to devote most of their vacation to the sale of our publications, so that the prospect for 1909 is quite encouraging.

A. D. Guthrie, Field Missionary.

### NOTICE

To the brethren and sisters in Alaska. The North Pacific Union Conference Committee at a recent session has appointed Miss Rose Ginther, who is working in the Union Conference office at Walla Walla, as corresponding secretary and treasurer of the Alaska Mission Field. All moneys whether of tithe, Sabbath-school collections, or First-day Offerings, should now be sent direct to her, Walla Walla, Washington, Box 429. Hitherto our brethren and sisters of Alaska have been sending tithe and donations to different parties. but this has all found its way into the treasury of the North Pacific Union Conference, and then has been forwarded on to Washington, D.C. But now as a corresponding secretary and treasurer has been elected, we trust that our brethren and sisters in that field will send all moneys as directed above.

W. B. White. President of the North Pacific Union onference.

## Sabbath-school and Young People's Work

### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CON-VENTION

For some time Prof. M. E. Kern, chairman of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference, has been thinking of visiting the west in the interests of the Young People's Work, but it was not until just recently that definite plans were laid so that the dates of the several conventions could be published.

Nothing preventing, these conventions will be held as follows:

Mt. Ellis Academy, Bozeman, Montana, January 27 to 30.

Spokane, Washington, January 31 to February 2.

College Place, Washington, February 4 to 11.

Seattle, Washington, February 12 to 15.

Portland, Oregon, February 16 to 20.

Now that the General Conference has seen fit to send us their best help, shall we not unite in making the most of these opportunities for bringing before our young people the various lines of work that God would have them do for Him? For years the Lord has been telling us that much more than has been done in the past should be done to save our own young people as well as training them to work for others.

To make a success of these meetings means that we must have the help and encouragement of the older ones, that many of our young people may be able to be present to hear the instruction that will be given, and to partake of the enthusiasm that will be manifested. Can we not have at least one representative from each of our churches present to attend one of the conventions? Of course, from the churches near by we hope all the missionary volunteers, as well as others, will come.

Just what arrangements will be made for entertaining the delegates to the different conventions, I can not state in this article, but I trust the next copy of the Gleaner will contain articles from those who have direct charge of the work in the various conferences.

All who plan to attend one of these conventions should send their names to

the corresponding secretary of their conference. Do this just as quickly as you can, that it. may be known how many will be present at each place.

To make these meetings as helpful as we can, let us all come praying that the Lord will meet with us to direct in all that is said and done.

O. K. Butler.

### JOTS FROM UPPER COLUMBIA "EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

A recent card from Elder E. W: Catlin to the Tract Society here tells of a recurrence of the rheumatism with which he has been troubled more or less during the winter.

The Sabbath-school offerings go to swell the ten-cents-a-week fund, and some of our home department members slip their ten cents into their envelop and send it in at the end of the quarter.

On account of the increased illness of her husband it may be necessary for Mrs. S. J. Cloake to give up her school at Genesee. 'The school has been very prosperous under her efficient management, and all will regret to see her leave it.

This office has ordered five hundred of the Morning Watch Calendar. We have part of the last hundred still on hand. Six cents pays for this dainty little booklet with its morsel of Scripture for each day in the year. Meat in due season-how good it is!

A number of the Missionary Volunteer societies are planning for temperance programs, and are sending for pledges. Surely it is fitting that our young people step to the front in this work. I would commend to them the lessons in the Instructor on the subject of temperance.

One of our faithful church-school teachers writes: "Everybody (but one) is working hard to make grades''. And then pathetically asks, "Is there always

black sheep in all our fair flock, from college to kindergarten, is most earnestly desired and devoutly prayed.

Hold there, Sabbath-school ! Wait a minute till I explain to you that the practice (time-lionored though it may be) of taking from the box containing the regular Sabbath-school donations for the running expenses of the school, is no longer in fashion. Let me warn you not to do it unless you are willing to place yourself on record with a dwindling minority.

A few more of the ribbon bookmarks are now in this office, and when they are gone we can order more. What Sabbath-school would like them for its primary and intermediate grades? Rich in color; rich in contents containing as they do the memory verses of the year. Six cents each; five cents in orders of five or more.

The College Place Sabbath-school was organized in 1891, but it has just now reached a pinnacle which in all its history before it has not touched. Its donations for the fourth quarter of 1908 are \$121.08, and every penny for missions. The Spokane school, the next largest in the conference, has also climbed a step higher than usual,-\$87.32 for the fourth quarter, and all for missions. Send on the missionaries! We of the Sabbath-schools have hold of the ropes!

A lone sister writes: "I ordered fifty of the Special Review and went out begging (my first experience in that line); was at work less than five hours and secured \$15.02, an average of thirty-four cents for each paper distributed. If I had the time I would like to tell you some of the pleasant experiences I had while soliciting." And I don't believe this sister felt at all like a beggar when she had finished her work.

A secretary writes: "I believe we have taken more interest in the Sabbathschool than we did before putting the thermometer and birthday box into use. Whenever there is a birthday among the members, the pennies find their way one black sheep?" That the time may into the Sabbath school." This little soon come when there will not be one school of sixteen members has sent \$1.74

birthday offerings for the fourth quarter of this year to add to the donation for missions. Of course we take an interest in things that we help with our pennies.

Several have expressed themselves as so interested in, and benefited by, the studies in Ephesians that they wish they night begin and go over them again. One sister says: "I am so glad we had those studies just at this time, for the predestination thought has been hard for me to get clear. I hope to be filled with the truth and to understand all that I can here on this earth, for when we reach the other side, no truth will be lost, and we shall build on the sure foundation that is laid here."

A home department sister writes: "You may be surprised at the odd sizes of my donations, as indicated by the envelope. You see we are in debt, and I hardly knew just how much I could give each Sabbath. But we have some chickens, so I decided to give each Sabbath the value of the eggs laid that day and let the Lord decide how much it should be, while I did the best I knew by feeding to encourage the hens in their missionary efforts."

Dear secretaries, all:-The report blanks go out from here, but let them not return with a single blank space. Answer every question that you can, and be brave enough to say "no" or "I don't know'' when it is necessary. The saying of "I don't know" may be a real benefit, serving ofttimes to stir up the mind to find out for the next time. Let us take the converse of Jeremiah 48:10: Blessed be he that doeth the work of the Lord carefully.

Helen C. Conard.

#### NOTICE

The Medford Y. P. Society request that those having clean copies of our missionary papers and tracts to be used in missionary work, and desire them to be put to service, please foward the same, free of cost, to Mrs. Alfred Wheeler, Medford, Ore. We have several reading racks to keep filled, besides many other ways of disposing of our literature:

Per W. L. Black.

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### NORTH PACIFIC UNION GLEANER

### Educational

#### MEADOW GLADE ACADEMY

The work in the school has gone along very nicely. Perhaps I could give no better idea of the good feeling that exists than to enclose a copy of a letter that the students here wrote to the school at Royal:

"To the Students of the Royal Academy, Cottage Grove, Ore.-

"Dear Fellow Students: It is with great pleasure that we, the home students of the above school, send you these Christmas greetings.

"We are sure that it will please you to know that we are having a profitable and happy time in the school this year. All has been well with us. The good Lord greatly blessed us during the week of prayer. As the Lord's coming draws near, we ought to be drawing near to the Lord. This is our desire on this the last of the old year and the first of the new. We feel, as we go to our different homes for the holidays, that we and the teachers have each others' confidence. Our experiences since coming here this year have encouraged us in the good way and made us more determined to perfect a Christian character.

"We trust that you are enjoying the rich blessing that God is so anxious to bestow. We hear of you often, and desire to let you know that we have an immediate interest in you and the work that you are doing. We feel that the interests of the two schools are one, and that is the furtherance of the Lord's work in the earth.

"Nothing has come in to mar the happiness of our home life. A good friendly feeling has existed, and still exists, between each teacher and student.

"This year one of the most enjoyable places in the institution is the kitchen: and the food that comes from there, although not expensive, is most tastefully prepared.

"Different societies have been formed this year, all of them for the furtherance of the third angel's message. Our canvassers' band now numbers over thirty, and the number is increasing. Our chorus club, which meets twice a week, also has a membership of about We are enjoying the practice of thirty. the cantata, 'Queen Ester.' "Meadow Glade Academy

Students, '08-'09.''

Almost all the students took part during the week of prayer. Several started in the Christian life. An excellent spirit pervaded. Many expressed themselves as getting more out of this week of prayer than any other. We believe that this should be so.

All the departments are doing excellent work. New students are coming in. and we feel that the blessing of the Lord is with us in the work here. The beginning of the year is a good time for any new pupils to enter.

Soliciting your prayers for the work here, I remain,

L. G. Paap.

Yours for Christian education.

THE REAL SECRET

Do we really believe that the Lord has given "to every one" a special part in his work? One of the easiest ways for the large majority of people to get to work, and the quickest way of reaching the masses with the truth, is by the sale of our missionary periodicals.

Some feel timid about taking hold of this work, because they think their efforts will not be appreciated. Let such take courage. The best part about this work, when we come to know the truth of it, is that the people really want the message our periodicals contain. Many may be slow to show their real desire, and yet be waiting for the message.

The January number of the Watchman will be in magazine form, and will contain forty-eight pages, besides appropriate cover. It will take up the United States in prophecy, with special reference to developments in the church federation movement. The editor personally attended the recent federation meeting in Philadelphia, and has carefully written up a summary of its proceedings. This, also what the Bible says about the movement, will be in this issue. Who will help to get this number of the Watchman into the hands of the people?

The monthly Watchman retails at ten cents, and will be supplied to agents as follows:

5-24 copies, each 5 cents.

25-499 copies, each 4 cents.

500-1000 copies, each 3 1-2 cents.

A slightly lower rate will be made on still larger orders.

A neat badge will be sent, if requested, to any one ordering fifty or more copies." Orders should be accompanied with cash unless other arrangements have been made. Address the state tract society.

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A. E. Everett.

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Five acres of good river-bottom land; maple and vine-maple; 2 acres cleared and under fence; new house, nearly finished, 24x24, 2 stories, 7 rooms; 13 choice young fruit trees; barn, 22x22. Church-school near by. Two and onehalf miles from N. P. railroad, Cash, \$1,000.

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