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THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

O Shepherd true, most kind, most dear;
With thee to lead we'll have no fear.
Thou knowest all thy flock by name,
The strong, the weak, the poor, the lame.
Thy heart of love doth each one own,
And, bought by thee, we're Thine alone.
Thou guardest us from ill by day,
And followest those who go astray.
Thou heedest not the frost or rain,
Nor rock nor thorn thy bleeding feet
detrain.

Thou goest far over crag or wild
To seek thy wandering wayward child.
Far thou hearest that helpless cry,
Of the poor lost soul who is ready to die.
Thine arms of love are open wide,
And his wandering far Thou dost never
chide.

O love so faithful! love so true!
My Shepherd kind, I find in you.
I long, dear Lord, that love to know,
That Thy life alone in me may show.

Henrietta Edgar.

To dare is often the impulse of selfish
ambition or hair-brained valour; to for-
bear is at times the proof of real great-
ness.—Washington Irving.

Mission Notes

At the close of the New South Wales
camp-meeting, Australia, thirty went
forward in the ordinance of baptism.

Immanuel has returned to the school
at Singapore, bringing with him another
young man from Battakland. Imman-
uel's wife also accompanied him this
time, to join in the work of preparation
to take the message to their own coun-
trymen.

The first of October, J. F. Olmstead,
in charge of Union College, South Af-
rica, baptized seven of the students,
ranging in age from sixteen to thirty-
five. Ten or twelve more expected
soon to go forward in this ordinance.
This good experience came to them as a
result of the week of prayer services,
held there at a different season of the
year than in this country.

From West Africa the good word
comes that the work is moving rapidly
in that field. The new school building
is nearing completion. At every point
where the truth touches, Brother Bab-
cock writes, success attends the effort.
The Freetown church has put out a
Bible-worker, paying her way from their
own contributions. The first week re-
sulted in her bringing a new Sabbath-
keeper with her to the Sabbath services.

The new printing office at Colon,
Canal Zone, is progressing nicely, and
will soon be ready for the occupancy of

the Caribbean Watchman, published in
English for the West Indian Union Con-
ference field, also El Centinela de la
Verdad, the Spanish paper for this same
field. This latter periodical has been
published in Porto Rico, but will be re-
moved to Colon, and Elder B. E. Con-
nerly and wife will connect with the
work in Colon, to continue to carry on
the paper.

Sister Caldwell, writing from Manila,
says they have just been sending out
290 Spanish papers to Filipinos who
have purchased the Spanish Patriarchs
and Prophets. She says that the Phil-
ippines are an interesting field, that
they enjoy their work there, and that
by exercising care they have been en-
abled to keep well. She feels that the
Lord has been very good to them. The
recent Australasian Union Conference
appointed Elder L. V. Finster and wife
to enter the Philippines, and they will
soon reach the islands to begin work.

Elder Joel C. Rogers writes that they
have so far completed their new school
and church building as to be able to use
it, holding their first service in it Aug-
ust 1. They were waiting for the glass
for the windows to arrive from London,
hoping thus to get the windows and
doors in before the rains should set in.
About twenty more were expected to be
ready to go forward in baptism in De-
cember. God is greatly blessing the
work of the last message in the region
where the pioneer missionary, Living-
stone, yielded up his life in behalf of
the gospel.

A LETTER

The following letter was written to Elder J. M. Cole, of the Western Washington Conference, by Elder Fulton. It is so interesting that Brother Cole has passed it on to us for publication:

Soerabaja, Java, Nov. 6, 1908.

Dear John: A letter from you and one from Fannie arrived a few days after our arrival in Java. "In Java?" I hear you say. "How did they get to Java?" Yes, here we are in Java among thirty million people. It was decided at the last Union Conference that I act as superintendent of the East India field, and so Susie and I started immediately, and now we are here on the ground.

Brother Gates has failed up in health, and so the brethren wanted me to take the work up, and I always try to do what I am told. Brother Gates is at the Wahroonga Sanitarium. He had a hard time with malarial fever, which he took in this city. It is a bad place. There have been as many as five hundred deaths in a day here from that disease.

This is truly a wonderful country. You know what a rich, beautiful country Fiji is. Well, this is far ahead in every respect. It has a population of over thirty millions, and is a rich garden from one end to the other—a paradise. Beautiful fruits of all tropical kinds grow luxuriantly here. I never saw such mangoes and mummy apples in my life. I saw some mummy apples as large as good-sized squash. There are many tropical fruits I never saw before. Rice is the great staple food. I see taro growing, but not much, and I have not seen a cooked piece yet. I have not seen a yam. Rice, rice, rice, everywhere; in fact, it seems that the whole island is a great rice-field. Tobacco is raised quite extensively in the interior, also coffee, vanilla, and rubber. There are also a large number of sugar-mills, and cane-growing is also a great industry. I think that the mills are not so large as in Fiji. Bananas are also raised, but I think not for export. The fruit is exceptionally fine here. I miss the good lemons and oranges; they do not seem to be so plentiful. I long for something sour.

We have just returned from a week of travel in different parts of Java. We enjoyed ourselves much. We went first to Miss Jansz, a missionary who has been keeping the Sabbath for sixteen

years. She is a fine woman, and while not in harmony with us in all things, she is coming on, and, I am in hopes, will soon accept all. She is so far along, anyway, that she has asked us to take over her work, as her health is failing. She has a colony of about two hundred natives, that are located on a grant of land from the Dutch government. Many of the people were sick when they first came to her. She has treated them, and now many of them are Christians and Sabbath-keepers, and a few of them are preaching the gospel in other villages. We spent the Sabbath there, and I had the privilege of speaking to them. They have much to learn yet, but I am sure that we can help them. I have asked Miss Jansz to translate for us, and she has agreed to do so. Her father translated the Bible into the Javanese, and was perhaps the best scholar in that language that Java has had. The daughter also has a good knowledge of the language, and I thought that, as she is not in harmony in all things, if we could get her to translate upon subjects that she is agreed on, it will not be long till she will read herself into the other points. She believes in the Lord's coming, the Sabbath, baptism and the tithing, and some other points.

(To be continued)

SIGNS OF THE TIMES MONTHLY

FOR FEBRUARY, 1909

In view of the terrible calamity that has just visited Southern Italy, the February number of the Signs of the Times Monthly will be of peculiar interest. Long before the terrible earthquake came, and without the least thought of its coming, the editors had planned on devoting the February number largely to the subject of storms, earthquakes, pestilences, etc., showing the place they have in the fulfilment of prophecy, and pointing out the way of escape. Now that this great earthquake has come, it will make the subject all the more forceful.

Among the leading articles which will appear in the February number, we would call special attention to the following:

1. Cause of Earthquakes and Storms, and their Significance. Is there Protection from them? By A. O. Tait.

2. Stormy Winds Fulfilling His Word. By M. C. Wilcox.

3. The Protestant Federation Congress. By J. S. Wightman.

4. In the Wilderness. By Mrs. E. G. White.

5. The revival of the Papacy. By A. J. S. Bourdeau.

6. The World's History in Prophecy. By E. J. Hibbard.

7. Interesting Phenomena in Sun, Moon, and Stars. By Geo. W. Rine.

8. The Eternal Outlook. By Geo. A. Snyder.

9. Proper Breathing. By Dr. D. H. Kress.

10. Current Events will be discussed in the first part of the paper, as usual, and the things that have occurred within the last few weeks furnish striking and important matter for comment. The prophecies are fulfilling rapidly, and the editors of the journal are seeking to keep alive to these things and present them so that the people of the world may see and be saved.

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THE WATCHMAN MAGAZINE

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On account of unfortunate and unavoidable delays, it was found impossible to get this paper ready as soon as

was anticipated. When it was seen that it could not be mailed the first of January, the large delegation of workers attending the Bookmen's Convention and Union Conference meeting, then in session at Nashville, advised the publishers to put out this first magazine number as the February issue, instead of the January issue. This is being done. The paper is being mailed at the earliest possible date. Those who have ordered the January number will receive the magazine they ordered, but it will appear as the February number.

Thus those desiring to work with it will have ample time to sell many copies. All orders for this issue will doubtless be filled by the time this article appears. This first number will be excellent to handle throughout the month of February, and future orders for same will be filled promptly. Who will take hold of this good work? The magazine retails at ten cents per copy, and will be supplied to agents as follows:

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Field Reports

WESTERN OREGON

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY

It has been some time since we reported, but have been none the less busy. After our tent-meetings were over at Phoenix, we were left to round off the work by caring for the few that seemed to be interested.

We are glad to say that one of these has fully decided to unite with God's commandment-keeping people, and was baptized about two weeks ago.

We held Sabbath-school and meetings over the Sabbath up till about a month ago; either myself or Mrs. Black endeavored to be with them each time of meeting, besides spending two or three days there during the week in visiting, and Bible work. Since then we have had to discontinue our public work there on account of not being able to secure a place to have Sabbath-school. The family in whose home we held our services moved into the country, and we have not been able to obtain another place, as the hall and the one church

there are used for public school purposes; however most of our brethren attend either at Medford or Ashland.

The work upon our new church building at Medford is onward. It is a suitable building 34 by 58 using 34 by 42 for the church, and the remainder in the rear of the building for the church school room, having beside two recitation rooms upstairs for Sabbath-school work. We have it lined, and most all closed, and wired for the electric lights. Nearly \$700 has been received to apply on the church. Mrs. Black had under her care the canvassing of the business men of the town. She has been very successful, obtaining from them a nice sum, which shows that they respect us and our work here. If the pledges that our own people have made were all paid, we would, I am sure, have nearly sufficient to pay off the indebtedness.

We hope nothing will hinder the pledges being all made up by the first of May. Last quarterly meeting five were added to the church, three by baptism, one by profession of faith, and one by letter.

Our school here, which was started under great difficulties, is prospering in a wonderful way. Brother Alfred Wheeler, who is in charge, is doing a good work, and is well liked by the outside families, as well as our own people. The school numbers about twenty-three, quite a number of these being outside children. The Young People's Society is not idle here, for they are distributing the printed page every chance they get. They have reading racks placed in public places, and are kept filled with Signs, Life and Health, Bible Training School and tracts. It is a cause of great rejoicing to look back two years ago, and see our little Sabbath-school of a dozen members, grow into a church of about fifty and still larger Sabbath-school, with a good church-school, and a lively Young People's Society, holding their meetings in a new, and commodious church building, which we hope will soon be completed. Our only prayer for this company is that God may still bless them, and make them a blessing.

We have just completed a new church-school building at Grants Pass, with provision for a teacher to begin school about January first.

We are glad to see these churches so interested in the welfare of their youth to be glad to sacrifice for their needs. Only the blessing of God will attend

such efforts, and souls will be saved in God's Kingdom as a result.

Our prayers go to the Throne of Grace, in behalf of these dear parents and children.

Yours in the Master's service,

W. L. Black,

Mrs. W. L. Black.

UPPER COLUMBIA MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CON- VENTION (Young People's Department)

To Be Held at College Place
February 4-10

Prof. M. E. Kern, of Washington, D. C., chairman of the General Conference Young People's Department, has written to the officers of this department of the Upper Columbia Conference asking that arrangements be made for a young people's convention at the above-named time. These arrangements are being made, and we are inviting all our churches to send one or two young people's workers from each church to this convention. Plans are laid to entertain all such free of charge during this convention. This is a rare opportunity, and we hope to see a good representation from the young people.

G. E. Langdon.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER AT WALLA WALLA

This annual occasion proved to be an event in the history of this church.

The first Sabbath of the meeting, Elder Stewart Kime was present and gave the reading, with very fitting remarks emphasizing the necessity of consecrating all fully to the Lord. The stirring appeal reached the hearts of the people, as evidenced both in the social meeting which followed on Sabbath and during the week.

The weekly services were held in the evening, and variety was given to the services by having different ones give the reading, and also by varying the form of the other part of the service. No attempt was made at display or the introduction of any feature that would in the least detract from the object of the meetings.

As the meetings progressed, we had the joy of seeing some signify their de-

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sire for a deeper work of grace, and a
determination to draw near to the Lord.

On the last Sabbath of the week,
Elder O. A. Johnson was with us, and
spoke very earnestly concerning the
nearness of the end and the importance
of a preparation to meet our Saviour;
and several reconsecrated themselves to
God anew or for the first time.

Those who have known the church
here for many years say that the attend-
ance never was so large and regular,
nor the Spirit of God so manifest, as
during this blessed occasion,—the week
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is due, be all the praise.

C. H. Castle.

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Financial

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CON- FERENCE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, DEC. 31, 1908

RECEIPTS

Tithe	-	\$972 24
Second Tithe	-	458 56
Walla Walla College Fund	-	115 50
Gleaner	-	39 35
Surplus	-	161 66
Donations	-	75 00
Merchandise	-	3 95
Personal Accounts	-	30 00
O. S. Account	-	50

TRUST FUNDS

Sabbath-school Offerings	-	572 55
First-day Offerings	-	328 73
Foreign Missions	-	467 07
Southern Field	-	29 61
Colored Work	-	431 06
Colored Mission School	-	20 00
India	-	3 04
\$150,000 Fund	-	2 55
Annual Offerings	-	35 38
China	-	17 15
Foreign Mission Seminary	-	152 70
Nyassaland	-	1 50
Turkish Mission	-	1 00
Abyssinia	-	2 60
British East Africa	-	25
Venezuela	-	1 60
Central America	-	25
Harvest Ingathering	-	25 75
Sumatra	-	2 79
Southern Industrial Normal School	-	50 00
Southern Idaho School	-	5 00
Sendebud	-	2 50
Vaktare	-	2 50
Christian Herald	-	2 00

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C. H. Castle,
Treasurer.

The effect of culture in the vegetable
world is not more marked than in the
intellectual and spiritual world. Many
men and women are growing up mere
human weeds who might be a great
blessing to humanity if the mind and
heart were properly cultivated.—Ho-
miletic Review.

News Items

At the opening of the second semester,
Jan. 13, 1909, a few new students were
enrolled.

Elder White left last week for British
Columbia to attend the annual meeting
of that conference.

Elder Decker made a trip to Boise,
Idaho, last week in the interest of the
Union Conference.

Some interesting statistics will soon
appear in the Gleaner concerning the
past year's work in the North Pacific
Union Conference.

Elder Breed left the evening of the
14th for Montana to meet with the
brethren of that conference in their an-
nual session.

Elder O. K. Butler started the even-
ing of the 14th for Mountain View, Califor-
nia to be present at the annual meeting
of the Pacific Press. He will make sev-
eral stops on the way.

"We can do nothing without courage
and perseverance."

Disinterested love and self-denying
service to our fellow-creatures are the
most acceptable worship we can offer to
our Creator.—Channing.

I ask not, Lord, that thou wilt bless
With gifts of heavenly sort my day,
So much as that my hands may dress
The borders of my heavenly way
With constant deeds of good and right,
Thereby reflecting heavenly light.
—Alice Carey.

The happiness of life depends very
much on little things; and one can be
brave and great and good while making
small sacrifices and doing small duties
faithfully and cheerfully.—Louisa M.
Alcott.