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Editorial

Doubtless our readers have learned from other sources of the fire which destroyed the MESSENGER office on the evening of October 6. See account in another column.

The issue of September 15 had been delayed in order to give a report of the opening of Union College. It was nearly ready for mailing when the fire swept everything away. We know our friends will pardon the delay when they learn the cause.

If Union College had the Sanitarium building back again she could fill it with students. But she hasn't and so must do the next best thing—fill the town.

President J. Van Dyke Wight has resigned the presidency of Hastings College, Hastings, Neb., to accept the pastorate of a Congregational church in the State of New York.

Sabbath, September 14, Elder Spicer, Foreign Mission Secretary of the General Conference, spoke to the College View Church upon the progress of the third angel's message among the nations. He exhorted his hearers to the consecration of their property and their lives to the work of carrying the advent message to the most remote corners of the earth in the present generation.

We had the privilege of attending the opening exercises of Hastings College, September 11, and of listening to the inaugural address of the new president, Dr. Turner, formerly president of Trin-

ity College, Dallas, Texas. He gave an informal talk full of good suggestions and abounding with witty sayings and humorous stories, which held the attention of the young people. After the address, being called upon without warning for a speech, we made a few remarks upon the importance of the influence of a sisterhood of Christian colleges in a country where popular education is largely given over to secularism and commercialism. We congratulate Hastings College on securing so able and experienced a president as Dr. Turner, and welcome him to the Nebraska Association of College Presidents.

In the afternoon of the same Sabbath of Elder Spicer's sermon at College View, Dr. Miller, recently from China, spoke upon China, illustrating his subject with a large map and dwelling upon the story of the location and progress of our missions in that land. On the following Tuesday and Wednesday nights he gave lectures on the manners and customs of the Chinese and the opportunities for missionary work among them. The last lecture was delivered in Chinese costume, which Dr. Miller and his associates adopted for better carrying on their mission work. These lectures, coming at the opening of school, just as the students were matriculating and before they had entered upon their regular studies, were greatly appreciated, occupying their evenings profitably while they had no lessons to prepare.

Thursday evening, September 19, Elder Luther Warren began a series of meetings at College View, which continued till October 13. Four baptisms were held, embracing a few over two hundred candidates, a large portion of whom were new converts. Elder Warren went to Omaha for a short series of meetings before returning to Loma Linda, California.

The business of the Union College Press has been taken over by the International Publishing Asso-

ciation. Six student printers, who have served an apprenticeship during the past one or more years, with the beginning class of about eight student apprentices, will by this arrangement be enabled to go on with their work. Mr. J. I. Beardsley, Manager of the College Press, becomes Foreman of the new department. This arrangement is temporary, until the annual meeting of the Union College Board.

Let no one think that the work of Union College has been hindered by the fire. They had water and light from the Sanitarium at once, and heat in a few days. Now they have steam and hot water from their own boilers, which were not seriously injured. The work of rebuilding is going rapidly forward, and will be completed in a few weeks. Students who are planning to enter school need not delay.

TO OUR MESSENGER SUBSCRIBERS

Our recent disastrous fire has caused us to look matters squarely in the face in regard to the continuance of the MESSENGER. At a recent council of the Editors it was unanimously decided to make the paper a four-page weekly as the only safe basis on which to continue its publication. The idea is to condense the educational news of the Central Union Conference into items and paragraphs, and to give it fresh to our readers every week. Those to whom we have spoken are pleased with the change, and believe it will meet with general favor. We have lost three numbers on account of the fire. All subscriptions will be extended six weeks, so as to fully guard the interests of our patrons. May we hear from our subscribers about this matter. Does it please you? Do you like the MESSENGER? and do you want it to continue on the proposed basis? Cannot each one secure another subscription and place the paper squarely upon its feet? A little encouragement now will soon enable the child to walk alone.

FIRE AT COLLEGE VIEW

Sunday evening, Oct. 6, about 8:00 o'clock, while Elder Andrews was offering prayer at the beginning of Elder Warren's baptismal service in the College View church, the College bell rang the alarm of fire. It proved to be in the College power house. In some unknown way, perhaps from an electric wire, the fire caught in the upper story of the building, and when first seen was bursting out of the ventilator on the very top. Nearly everybody was at church. One man was in the boiler room, and another was studying on the first floor, but neither knew of the fire until it was beyond control. So rapid was the progress of the flames that it was seen from the first the building was doomed, especially since there was no adequate provision for fighting



The Burning Power Plant.

fire. In a short time, the entire building, including boiler room, laundry, printing plant, bakery, blacksmith shop, and carpenter shop, was consumed. A few tools, one printing press, part of the week's laundry, the College Press account books, the MESSENGER list, and a few books, were all that was saved. The loss is estimated at about \$25,000.00. There was \$6,000.00 insurance on the building, nothing on the machinery and printing stock. The actual loss will not be so great as the figures would indicate, since the steam boilers are thought to be little injured, and a less costly and safer building can be erected. Care will be taken not to bring so many shops together.

After the fire a few of the managers assembled in the Business Office of the Sanitarium for a season of prayer and consultation as to the best plans for meeting the

necessities of the school. In a short time it was arranged to connect the heating, lighting, and water systems of the Sanitarium with those of the College. The parlors and vacant rooms of the Sanitarium were placed at the disposal of the ladies of the College Home for study if the weather should turn cold.

The running of the school was not interfered with by the accident. The recitations proceeded next day without interruption. Before ten o'clock the Sanitarium water supply was flowing through the College system. That same night South Hall was receiving light from the Sanitarium dynamo. Fortunately, the weather was mild, and there was little need for heat. The steam heating system of the College was connected with that of the Sanitarium, and soon our buildings were heated from that source until our own plant could be repaired. Work on the new boiler house was begun immediately, and will be completed before cold weather sets in.

The students behaved nobly. The boys worked like heroes to save property. Some sustained a few burns and bruises, but no one was seriously injured. A good spirit prevails. There is no talk about going home, but all are determined to stand by the College through this crisis.

At the church the service for baptism proceeded without interruption during the fire. The men went to render what assistance they could, but the candidates and a large audience of people remained or soon came back from the fire. When the electric lights, supplied by the College dynamo were extinguished, lamps were brought in. Perfect order and deep solemnity prevailed while sixty-two candidates were baptized by Elder Warren. The good work is still going on in many hearts, and the influence of the solemn preaching of the last few weeks has been deepened by the fire. Pray for the work of the Lord in College View.

C. C. L.

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H. U. Stevens, President; Emily Johnson, Sec. Wm. J. Eden, Leader young men's division; Matilda Erickson, Leader young women's division. Otto M. John, Leader junior division; Sarah E. Peck, Assistant. M. B. Jenkins, Treasurer.

Appointments

(NOTE.—All notices in regard to appointments should be left at the International Pub. Assn. before 9 o'clock Thursday forenoon.)
SABBATH SCHOOLS, 10:00 A. M. In Church, College Chapel, German Chapel, Scandinavian Chapel, and Sanitarium Chapel.
PREACHING at 11:15 A. M. in the Church.
JUNIOR MEETINGS, at 2:30, P. M., in the vestries.
SENIOR SOCIAL MEETING, at 3:00 P. M., in the Auditorium.
GERMAN PREACHING, 11:15, Sabbath, German Chapel.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING, at 4:30, P. M., in the Auditorium.
PRAYER MEETING of the employees of the International Publishing Association, 7:00 A. M., Sunday.
COLLEGE CHAPEL EXERCISES, 10:00, A. M., Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
YOUNG WOMEN'S Division of Missionary Volunteers, 6:30, P. M., bi weekly, Monday, in the German Chapel.
YOUNG MEN'S Division of Missionary Volunteers, 7:30, P. M., Friday, bi-weekly, in the Scandinavian Chapel.
INTERNATIONAL Employees' Missionary Meeting, 5:15, P. M. Thursdays.
STUDENT Missionary Training Bands, 10:00 A. M., Tuesday, at the College.
STUDENT Prayer Meetings, 10:00 A. M. Thursday, at the College.
SCANDINAVIAN Missionary meeting, 3 P. M. Sabbath, Scandinavian Chapel.
SCANDINAVIAN Workers' Meeting, 4 P. M. Thursday.
SCANDINAVIAN Prayer Meeting, 7:20 P. M. Friday.
GERMAN Missionary Meeting, 7:30 P. M. Friday.
GERMAN Prayer Meeting, 7:30 P. M. Wednesday in village.
SANITARIUM Prayer Meeting, 7:31 P. M. Wednesday, in the Sanitarium Chapel.

The College View church school numbers about 150 pupils, embracing grades one to nine. Miss Lottie Bell, of Battle Creek, Mich., is principal, Miss Lena Hunt has grades four to six, and Miss Zella Means has the primary room. All the rooms are overflowing, and another room and another teacher are a necessity.

M. E. Ellis and family have moved to Hastings, Neb., where Mr. Ellis is engaged in work for the Nebraska Conference.

J. P. Gardiner, a member of the first Board of Managers of Union College, is visiting his daughters, Myrtle and Dora, who are attending school this year.

Miss Cordie Teeple and Rudolph Schopbach were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in College View, Oct. 16, 1907. They will make their future home in College View.

A son was born to Prof. and Mrs. B.G. Wilkinson, at College View, Oct. 17, 1907.

Elder Lewis Johnson and family have gone to Seattle, Wash. They will make their home at this place.

Bernard Foote, who has been a typhoid patient at the Sanitarium for some time, is on the road to recovery.

W. E. Hancock and wife are in Washington, D. C. Mr. Hancock is attending the Foreign Mission Seminary and Mrs. Hancock is stenographer in the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

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Application for entry made at the post office in College View, Neb., under act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

News

Union College began its seventeenth session, Wednesday, Sept. 18, with a largely increased attendance over that of last year. By Friday, the third day, the enrolment had reached 295, or seventy more than on the corresponding day last year. Nov. 3 the number had reached 467, or nineteen more than the total enrolment of last year. There are 275 boarders at South Hall. The partition made several years ago, cutting off a portion of the dining room for a sewing room, has been removed to give space for more tables. Last year there was room enough for the Home students except for about half a dozen during the winter term. This year there are already about seventy-five Home students rooming outside and taking their meals at South Hall.

Willard Mitchel is on the home farm at Lisbon, Iowa.

N. B. Emerson was called to Omaha on business last Tuesday.

Curtis Rentfro is attending the University at Missoula, Mont., this year.

Clem Benson returned yesterday from a visit to his home in Plateau, N. Mex.

Mrs. C. O. Hodson has moved to College View that her children may attend the College.

Lauritz Larsen has returned to College View from Ashville, N. C., and has taken up work in Union College.

Edward Eden has returned to his home at Talmage, Neb., and will assist his father on the farm this year.

The enrolment of the College has now reached 467, or nineteen more than the entire enrolment last year.

Oscar F. Frank has returned to his home in Louisiana and later expects to take up the ministry in that state.

Mrs. N. B. Emerson, matron of Union College, has been called to Oklahoma by the serious illness of her sister.

Matilda Erickson recently spent a few days at her home in Harlan, Iowa.

Edith Pinkerton has returned to her home in Colorado as her eyes would not permit her to study.

The College has erected an implement shed in the pasture north of the College barn, where there will be no danger of fire.

Mrs. May R. Stow, of Leon, N. Y., sister of Elder E. T. Russell, has accepted the position of assistant to the matron in South Hall.

Winnie Hunt has gone to Hastings, Neb., where she is engaged as Sabbath-school secretary of the Nebraska Conference.

Chas. Wilson, of Hendricks, Minn., is visiting at the Nebraska Sanitarium. Mr. Wilson is a former graduate of that institution.

J. J. Dykstra and wife, of Kansas City, Mo., recently visited B. M. Emerson and wife. Mrs. Dykstra is a sister of Mrs. Emerson.

Grace Hill was compelled to return to her home in Harris, Mo., because of the ill health of her mother. Miss Hill was an employee of the College Press.

Elder B. E. Huffman has gone to Joplin, Mo. He expects to spend some time among the churches of the Central Union Conference in the interest of the educational work.

We recently received through the General Conference office at Washington, a subscription for the MESSENGER to be sent to Miss Rachel Johnson, 39-1 Free School St., Calcutta, India.

Hannah Laubach writes from Goodwin, Okla., "I am for the present teaching school at Goodwin. Please send my paper to that place. It is like a letter from home and I cannot be without the MESSENGER."

The Philolethian literary society gave an entertainment in the South Hall parlor the evening of October 28. Otto M. John is president of the society, Lora Clement is vice president, Leona Tuley, secretary, and Alfred Adson assistant secretary.

Anna Patzkowski sends her subscription from Topeka, Kans., where she expects to spend the winter attending the Conference Bible Training School. She says, "I enjoy the Bible work very much and the Lord has blessed me greatly in my work."

Elder Luther Warren returned to College View from Omaha Tuesday evening and held a closing service in the Tabernacle. He left here Thursday evening for Loma Linda, Calif., accompanied by a large company of young people from here, Omaha, and other points to take advantage of the short preparatory course given there for missionaries.

On the evening of September 3, Vera Wallace and Mr. T. C. Nethery were united in marriage in the College View tabernacle, Prof. C. C. Lewis officiating. After the wedding a short reception was held at the home of the bride, after which they took their departure for a short trip in Yellowstone Park, and then to Bozeman, Montana, where they are both employed in the Mt. Ellis Academy.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Graham, in New York City, Oct. 6, 1907. Mrs. Graham was formerly Mabel Barbee.

Dr. C. E. Hamel, a student of Union College in 1892 and 1893, is a practicing physician at 405½ East Fourth Street, Duluth, Minn.

Gladys Shufelt is attending the University of Colorado at Boulder this year. She writes that she is enjoying her work very much.

Josephine Nelson, bookkeeper at the Nebraska Sanitarium, has returned from a visit to her home in Burlington, Iowa. She also spent a few days in Des Moines, Iowa.

A. L. Leer and Miss Mary Black were united in marriage at the home of the bride in College View on the evening of October 8. A large company of friends and relatives were present. Professor Lewis performed the ceremony.

J. C. Harder, a Union College student of two years ago, writing from Hooker, Oklahoma, for a calendar, says: "I am working at the carpenter's trade at present, but I am still very much interested in Union College, and would appreciate one of the new calendars."

Miss Stella Ferguson, of Des Moines, Iowa, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in College View on her return trip from visiting her father in Sacramento, Calif. She spent several days in Boulder visiting Grace Mitchell, Ruth Breeden Schmidt, Gladys Shufelt, and Pearl Jenkins.

Soon after the opening of school a spelling test of one hundred words was given to each student. All those who received a grade of ninety or over were excused from taking a class in spelling. The others were classified according to their grades. Forty-eight students passed the test successfully.

Last Monday afternoon Professor Kern received an urgent request to come to the library. On arriving, he found the room nearly filled with his former students, heartily enjoying his surprise. During the hour, Professor Kern was presented with a Bible and hymn book, as a token of the love his students bear him.

Prof. R. W. Parmele, a former teacher in Union College, recently spent a few days in College View. While here he spoke to the students in chapel on the work at Nashville, Tenn. At present Professor Parmele is working in the interests of the Nashville Sanitarium, but has been elected President of the Florida Conference, and will soon take up work in that field.

The Danish-Norwegian Department opened with an enrolment of 26. Most of these are mature students with a definite purpose. A number have earned scholarships during the summer. Others have done well canvassing. They have a missionary society organized and papers ordered. Sabbath-school, prayer, and missionary meetings are held in the Scandinavian chapel every week.

WANTED Local representative for College View and vicinity to look after renewals and increase subscription list of a prominent monthly magazine, on a salary and commission basis. Experience desirable, but not necessary. Good opportunity for right person. Address Publisher, Box 59 Station O, New York.