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WESTERN WASHINGTON CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS—REPORT OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION.

In the meetings of the fifth annual session of the Western Washington Conference held in connection with the camp meeting at Puyallup, Wash., May 10-20, 1906, the following business was transacted.

Ninety-one delegates were seated, representing 25 of the 34 churches of the conference.

New Churches.

The new church organizations, viz., Meadow Glade and Lynden, were presented and by vote these organizations were accepted and recognized as regular members of the conference.

The Meadow Glade church has as a help in its work the Meadow Glade Industrial School, which is being established in the southern part of the conference.

Credentials and Licenses.

Credentials and licenses were granted for the year beginning May 1, 1906, as follows:

Credentials—E. L. Stewart, W. W. Sharp, W. C. F. Ward, A. J. Stover, H. C. J. Wollekar, T. Godfrey, T. H. Watson, O. E. Davis, J. J. Clark, F. M. Burg, J. A. Holbrook, Joel C. Rogers.

(Brother O. E. Davis was ordained on Sabbath, January 27, 1906, and Brother Joel C. Rogers was ordained on the camp ground, Sabbath, May 26.)

Ministerial License—W. J. Boynton, J. E. Van De Mark.

Missionary License—David Dodge, W. H. Coffin, Jack Johnson, J. A. Bar-tow, T. J. Linrud, J. H. Wiertz, R. T.

Cornell, H. B. Ham, W. C. Raley, Mrs. W. W. Sharp, Miss M. Belle Shryock, Mrs. J. A. Holbrook, Mrs. L. E. Cox.

Resolutions.

"Recognizing God's special care over His work and workers in our conference during the past year, we now hereby return thanksgiving to our Lord, and renew our consecration to His service for quickly giving this gospel message to the world.

By vote the following resolutions recommended by the Committee on Plans, were adopted:

"Whereas, Our work and many of our people in the Pacific Union Conference, especially in the Northern California Conference, have recently met with disaster and distress, caused by the terrible earthquake and fire which recently visited that section, devastating some of the fairest sections of California; therefore

"Resolved, That we express to our Brethren of the Pacific Union Conference and the Pacific Press Publishing Company, our deepest sympathy in this their hour of calamity and loss, and that we will render whatever financial assistance we are able in this time of perplexity and trial.

"Whereas, There are thousands about us who as yet know not the truth for this time, and who possibly never may hear it unless it is carried to their homes in printed form; therefore

"Resolved, That we as conference officers, ministers and people generally, resolve that from this meeting we will renew our efforts in the line of a reviving of the subscription book work among us, giving special prominence to the sale of such books as "Great Controversy," "Daniel and

Revelation," and "Heralds of the Morning," which just now contain truths of so much importance to the people.

"Resolved, That we will endeavor as a people to be more active and vigilant in tract and paper distribution, having this literature near us that at favorable opportunities we may sow the seeds of truth beside all waters, that in due season fruit may appear for the Kingdom.

"Resolved, That the executive committee of this conference take into careful consideration the advisability of the conference supplying at reduced rates such papers as the "Signs of the Times," "Liberty," "Life and Health," and possibly our foreign papers, to our workers who will enter our larger cities and sell the same from door to door among the people.

"Whereas, The spiritual interests and the prosperity of our people depends largely upon their intelligence in reference to the points of truth connected with the Third Angel's Message, and in regard to the progress of the work both at home and abroad; therefore

"Resolved, That our ministers and other conference laborers, and also our church elders and librarians put forth during the coming year earnest efforts to secure from the members of every church in the field subscriptions to our periodicals, especially the "Review and Herald," "Signs of the Times," "North Pacific Gleaner," and "Life and Health;" and we recommend further that each church provide a sufficient fund to supply the "Review and Herald" to such of its members as are not financially able to pay for the paper.

"Whereas, The holding of Sabbath-

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school and Missionary and also Young People's conventions has in many conferences proved a means of much help in these several lines of work, affording a good opportunity for interchange of thought and for counsel as to plans and means for carrying the work forward successfully; therefore, "WE RECOMMEND, That these conventions be held in the Western Washington Conference during the coming year at such time and place as the executive committee may arrange.

"Whereas, The Lord has spoken regarding the sacred responsibility which His people have to provide Christian Education for the children and youth; therefore

"Resolved, That we as a conference recognize this sacred trust, and that we pledge ourselves to the support of the educational work among us, financially and otherwise; and we recommend the adoption of such plans by the executive committee in reference to the church school work and also our intermediate school as will give stability and permanence to both these important phases of the educational interests among us; and also plans looking toward a more satisfactory organization of the same; and in carrying forward of such plans we pledge all necessary support.

"We Recommend Further, That our church school and intermediate school teachers be encouraged, by some financial help if found necessary, to attend the institute for teachers which the North Pacific Union Conference is planning to hold at or near Tacoma, in August.

"Realizing the great need of Bible workers to carry this message quickly

to the people in their homes everywhere, and especially in our many cities; also realizing our dearth in this class of workers; therefore

"We Recommend, (a) That steps be taken to open a training school for Bible workers; (b) That persons having a talent for this work be sought out and encouraged to enter this training school; (c) That qualified instructors be employed.

"Whereas, There is a great need of unifying our work and bringing the workers and churches in closer touch with each other; therefore

"Resolved, That a workers' institute be held at some convenient time during the winter months for the study of the Bible the Testimonies and methods of work; and that all conference laborers and church officers be urged to attend.

"Whereas, God has greatly blessed our conference in funds since adopting a broad mission policy,

"We Recommend, That this policy be continued and that we still hold our workers and funds for any call from the Mission Board, in consultation with our executive committee.

"Whereas, The Brethren in the British Columbia field are greatly in need of a boat with which to reach the many islands in that conference, and as we have no pressing need of our missionary boat in this field at the present time; therefore

"Resolved, That we donate the "Evangel" to the British Columbia Conference, and that Brother David Dodge be permitted to accompany it to that field as requested by said conference.

"Whereas, We as a denomination have a most weighty responsibility to warn the people around us of the dangers which are involved in the movement to circumscribe men's most sacred rights by securing the enactment of laws in the government for the enforcement of religious observances upon them and restricting them in the exercise of their Heaven-given privileges in these things; and in view of the large proportions which this movement has assumed and the thorough and powerful organization which its promoters have perfected; therefore

"Resolved, That this conference take steps to organize and vigorously prosecute the work of Religious Liberty.

"We recommend to this end that the executive committee select such a person as may be adapted to the work to act as secretary of the Religious Liberty movement among us, and that as far as practicable each church place this line of work upon a proper person who shall give special attention to its development and prosecution.

"Whereas, The "North Pacific Gleaner" has been established by the North Pacific Union Conference as a means of communication between the Union Conference and the several local conferences, and as well, with the churches and people; therefore

"Resolved, That our conference workers, church officers, institutional workers, our canvassers and others who may by this means be able to add to the interest and efficiency of the paper, be urged to write for its columns concisely along lines of general interest and also furnish terse and comprehensive reports of work done for the spread of the message.

"We recommend, That the constitution of the conference be amended as follows:

"In article nine (9) substitute for "Pacific Union Conference", "North Pacific Union Conference", in harmony with recent changes in the organization of our work on the Pacific Coast.

"Whereas, The City Council of Puyallup has very kindly granted us the use of the city park for our camp meeting, and has furnished our camp with water free of charge; therefore

"Resolved, That we extend to them and to the citizens of this place a hearty vote of thanks for their courtesies to us and for the privileges we have enjoyed while among them.

(Continued)

WANTED—A quiet and consecrated old man, a Seventh-day Adventist, that wants a home to correspond with Sarah H. Williamson, R. F. D. No. 3, Spokane, Wash.

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FROM THE FIELD**WESTERN OREGON NOTES.**

The Coos County camp meeting will be held at Gravelford from June 20 to 29. We hope every Seventh-day Adventist in this section will plan to attend this gathering.

Elder J. M. Cole is making a tour of the conference, visiting churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers, and working up the interests of the local camp meetings.

Several companies are already in the field. Elder G. A. Snyder and Brethren Pettitt and Folkenberg are in the midst of a tent effort at Woodburn. It is too early to judge of results, but we trust that souls may see and accept the truth.

Elder H. J. Dirksen, T. L. Thuemler and Henry Dirksen are laboring at Hubard. Meetings are conducted in German throughout the week, with one English service on Sunday afternoon. One family has already begun keeping the Sabbath.

Elder P. A. Hanson and N. C. Erntson are making arrangements to work in Astoria during the summer. Their efforts will doubtless be principally among Scandinavians of that city.

Soon after the Fourth of July Elders W. L. Black and T. H. Starbuck will begin meetings in Southern Oregon.

Let us remember these laborers and their work at the throne of grace, praying, that as they plant and water the seed the Lord may give the increase.

Local camp meetings will be held in Coos County, Tillamook County, Roseburg, and Southern Oregon. As soon as definite dates are decided upon they will be announced in the GLEANER. Watch for the date of the meeting in your locality.

Last quarter we had a good report from every Sabbath school in the conference—and none were delinquent. What a splendid thing it would be if we could keep this record up for a whole year. Shall we try?

Quite a number of canvassers are in the field, all of whom seem to be of good courage, and meeting with success. Several are working to secure scholarships for the coming winter. We trust that all may accomplish their purpose, in addition to scattering many seeds of truth.

EDITH STARBUCK.

June 27.

UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

Boise, Idaho.

We came here two months ago from La Grande, Oregon. We received a warm welcome from the Boise church. The Lord has blessed in our meetings by His Holy Spirit. There is a growing interest, especially in our Sunday evening services. Elder Willoughby spoke last Sabbath. In the afternoon three new ones were baptized and five others were re-baptized into the message by Elder W. W. Steward. There are a few over 100 members here.

This is a beautiful growing city of 20,000 inhabitants. The "Earthquake Special" of the Signs has taken well. Four new ones have just recently taken their stand for Truth. We are of good courage in the Lord's blessed work.

W. H. SAXBY.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CONFERENCE NOTES.

The writer has just recently returned from a visit to Clark County, with special reference to the interests of the Intermediate school at Manor. A meeting of the school board was held, and some definite actions were taken in reference to the future work of the school. By vote of the board Brother G. E. Johnson was elected as principal and Mrs. Johnson as matron. It was also decided to go forward at once with the building to finish it by the time of the school opening, September 12. To finish the building that has been started and reasonably furnish it, will require about \$600.00. Brother Johnson is spending some weeks during the summer in the interests of the school and of Christian Education in general. He reports a very encouraging outlook for the coming school year.

Elders T. H. Watson and J. J. Clark are holding a series of meetings a few miles from the school and are having a good hearing. What may result is to be seen, but from what has been seen since they began their work, much fruit may be looked for.

Elder T. Godfrey has gone to Mossy Rock to give some attention to an interest that seems to be there. We hope to hear of souls in that section coming into the light of the truth.

The conference committee at its meeting in Olympia a few days ago voted also to hold a camp meeting in the north end of the field, possibly near Bellingham about September 6-16. The exact place for each of these meetings will be selected before long and notice given to our people. Now is the time for each one to plan definitely to come to these gatherings and to get the help which they will afford.

Elder J. A. Holbrook and his company have moved their tent from Puyallup to Olympia, where they are having a good hearing. We think that an ingathering of souls will follow this effort. It is planned that Sister Blanche Shaffer, of Vancouver, join Elder Holbrook's company soon for the summer's work.

Brethren J. E. Van De Mark and W. J. Boynton are working hard in a country school district near Snohomish, and though satan has opposed, the Lord has worked to confuse the enemy and the brethren are expecting fruits for their labors.

The canvassers in the conference are working with a will. Thirteen are at it, an dreport success in the efforts put forth up to this time. God is with these faithful seed-sowers. Our people should all remember them at the throne of grace.

The Conference Committee has voted to secure as soon as possible the labors of a Swedish minister in Western Washington. We are in correspondence now with Elder Mortenson with a view of securing a good worker for the people of this national-ity among us.

CANVASSING DEPARTMENT

Western Washington Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906

Name	Book	Hours	Ord	Helps	Val. Ord.
H. C. Kirkvold	G. C.	31	14	\$ 2.50	\$ 37.00
Matilda Mey	G. C.	8	3	5.25	7.50
Wm. Furber	G. C.	52	17	10 25	46.50
Lucretia Cummins	G. C.	18	5		12.00
Grace Maynard	G. C.	10	14		40.00
James Lowry	Heralds	25	6	2.75	9.00
W. G. Davis	Heralds	38	12	1.50	18.00
W. O. Wheeler	Heralds	35	15	3.50	22.50
Erna Witting	Heralds	12	14	2.75	23.50
Alma Phillips	Heralds	10	8	3.25	12.00
C. R. Waldron	Heralds	11	4		6.00
C. A. Smith	Heralds	35	16	13.20	24.00
Minnie Wierts	Heralds	1	3	.50	4.50
Total		286	131	\$45.45	\$262.50

Notes from Canvassers.

Matilda Mey, who is a young lady working in the suburbs of Seattle, writes me: "God has blessed me and answered my prayers, and will do so as long as I trust Him. I am of good courage and will do all I can for Him."

Erna Witting, who is working for a scholarship in Walla Walla, said to me: "Next week is the 4th and there will be a carnival four days, so we can't canvass. I'm so sorry we can't work."

I take the following from Bro. Kirkvold's letter: "I want to learn that it is not I but the Spirit of God that does the work. I want to be only an errand boy for the Lord."

W. H. COFFIN.

The Montana Conference at the close of the present year had quite a reasonable surplus in its treasury, and at the Basin camp meeting, by vote of the congregation, gave one-third to the work of foreign missions. No individual or conference will ever lose anything by being liberal with the cause of God.

Brethren Joel C. Rogers and L. I. Stiles started yesterday (June 26) for College View, Nebraska, to attend the Educational Convention which will soon begin there. No doubt these brethren will bring the mon their return many good things for our church and Intermediate schools.

We learn that the Portland Sanitarium is now full of patients and all are very busy in that institution.

A dormitory for boys will be erected at once at the Mt. Ellis Academy. The excavation is now made and building will soon begin. It will contain the school room and rooms for the boys. It will cost about \$1000.00.

Eld. J. L. Shaw, our missionary to India, was in attendance at the Montana camp meeting at Basin. His graphic description of the field and work in that far-away country was interesting indeed. Bro. Shaw, in company with Elder White, will probably soon visit some of the centers in the North Pacific Union Conference in the interest of the Mountain Mission which he is establishing in Northern India in the foot hills of the Hymalayas.

Bro. Amos Everett and wife, of Harlem, Montana, have been selected by the Montana Conference to have the charge of the state Tract Society office at Bozeman. The conference is now re-establishing its state depository, and Bro. and Sister Everett will have charge of this office, the conference funds, and the general correspondence work of the conference. Miss Sadie Rittenhouse, the present secretary, expects to attend Walla Walla College the coming year.

WESTERN WASHINGTON.

Among the Northern Churches.

On May 31st I left home to visit our Church School at Deming. In council with Elder Burg it was decided best for me to visit all the churches in that part of the conference in the interest of our educational work. Our people at Deming all live near together, so it is easy to get them out to meetings. As I visited the school and talked with the young people, and in the church meetings spoke of God's great work and the need of workers, the Spirit came in and all hearts were drawn to Christ. After our Sabbath meetings it was found that five of the youth desired baptism. Individual work with them showed them to be truly converted. On Sunday morning our people gathered on the bank of the mountain stream near the school to witness their baptism. Here was one more convincing argument for our church schools which hold our young people in the truth and train them for God's work.

At Sedro Wooley I found only one young person among our small company there. This girl will probably enter Walla Walla College next fall. Linden was next visited. This is a new church and the members are taking hold of the work well. There are enough children here for a school, but being scattered it seems that the time has not come to start it. The church at Ferndale has been without a place of worship since its organization. Now the brethren there are planning to erect a church building at once, with a wing for a church school. They are well able to do this, and there are about twenty-five children for the school which will be started this fall. Bellingham church has needed a school for a long time, and after considering the matter at last Sabbath's meeting it was decided to begin at once to raise the means to provide for it the coming year. I believe our people in this conference are being impressed by the Spirit of God that now is the opportune time to save our children for the cause by educating them for a part in its work.

JOEL C. ROGERS.