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"Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe"

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THE BURNING OF THE PACIFIC PRESS.

Probably most of the readers of the "Gleaner" have heard by this time through announcements made in the Review and Herald Signs of the Times, and from other sources, that on Friday evening, July 20th, about midnight, the Pacific Press Publishing Co.'s plant at Mountain View, California, was burned to the ground, and only a couple of desks, a few typewriters and other small articles were saved. Reports say that the fire started in the photo engraving room, and if so, its origin might be traced to chemical action, but some uncertainty seems to exist in the minds of the brethren on this point. The campmeeting at Oakland commenced the evening before, and many of the employes were there at the time. The loss is estimated at \$300,000, but we should judge that it would fall below this mark. The building and all it contained was insured for \$100,000. The plant will be rebuilt, but on a smaller scale, and only with a capacity to do denominational printing. Just how this loss will effect the summer and fall book deliveries of our agents we hardly know, but are assured that all will be done that is possible to fill orders through the Review and Herald at Washington, the Southern Publishing Co. at Nashville, Tenn., and through outside firms in California. We surely hope that no agents will leave the field, for fear they cannot obtain their books for deliveries, for plans are on foot to meet the demand. This loss

comes as a heavy blow to the publishing work on the Pacific Coast and in it all there must be valuable lessons for us to learn. We surely sympathize with the managers upon whom this calamity comes as a heavy additional burden, and shall pray that God will give them wisdom as they plan for the future of the work.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Executive Committee of the North Pacific Union Conference at its recent session in Portland, Oregon:

Whereas, In view of the great disaster which has befallen the Pacific Press Publishing plant at Mountain View, California, and the consequent severe loss to the cause of Present Truth on the Pacific Coast and throughout the world; and in view of the heavy burdens and added perplexities that this misfortune entails upon the managers of this institution of God's planting,

Resolved, That we, the Executive Committee of the North Pacific Union Conference, for ourselves personally and for our Union Conference, and for the several local conferences and our people generally in our territory, hereby extend to our brethren of the Pacific Press, who are especially affected by this visitation, our deepest sympathy in this hour of trial and affliction, and offer with this whatever of help toward recovering the cause of God from this great loss that is within our power.

W. B. WHITE,
A. J. BREED,
F. M. BURG,
GEO. E. LANGDON,
W. F. MARTIN,
DR. J. E. FROOM,
A. G. ADAMS,
Committee.
W. B. WHITE.

ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Portland Sanitarium & Benevolent Association was held at the Sanitarium, Mt. Tabor, Oregon, July 26, 1906.

The business of the said meeting was taken care of in two sessions, thereby giving plenty of time to the spiritual as well as the business interests of the institution.

Of the 70 stockholders 43 were represented.

The meeting was a very quiet one, and passed off very pleasantly. Dr. J. E. Froom presented some of the important needs of the institution, and the stockholders recommended that the sum of at least \$1,000 be raised as an Improvement Fund to be used in making repairs and providing the much needed equipments. Elder W. B. White suggested that we show our appreciation by making a donation toward the Improvement Fund, and in about five minutes \$250 was raised among those present, after which we all knelt and thanked the Lord for the manifestations of His spirit.

The following persons were elected as Board of Trustees: Dr. J. E. Froom, W. B. White, H. W. Decker, R. Rose, and D. R. Nichols, with F. S. Bunch and A. G. Adams as advisory members.

Stockholders' Meeting closed early in the evening, and the new Board of Directors met at 5 o'clock the following morning and elected their officers as follows: Dr. J. E. Froom, President; R. Rose, Secretary; D. R. Nichols, Treasurer.

We hope the Lord will still continue to bless our Sanitarium work and Workers, and that the people throughout the North Pacific Union Conference will remember the same in their prayers.

R. ROSE, Secretary.

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A LETTER.

The following letter was received by Elder A. M. Dart, at Ketchikan, Alaska, and was forwarded to the "Gleaner" for publication. This man is a Metlakatla Indian who has considerable education, is quite a musician and is studying very thoroughly different phases of the truth:

Metlakatla, Alaska, July 15, 1906.

A. M. Dart: Dear Sir—I will let you know that I am in this town now. I am working in this cannery, and will be here for sometime. Dear friend, I think I promised to write to you. Oh, I did miss your teachings, but I know you will write to me once in a while. I think I will go over to Ketchikan this fall. Now I am so busy that I did not go. Will you kindly send me the list of those names which represents the ten toes of the image. (I mean Nebuchadnezzar's dream). I wish you to send me some idea about signs of our dear Saviour's coming, because I miss the chance to know about that. It is something we never know before. I am telling it to some of my people here. I hope God will bless you in all your works. I will write to you next time, and write a longer letter. My wife send her best regards to your wife and daughter. If you want to write to me the mail comes here every Monday and Wednesday from Ketchikan. I send my best regards to brother Greaves and yourself. I like to be with you and praise the Lord together.

Yours dear Brother,

JOHN HUDSON.

Western Washington

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Though attention has been called to the summer school for teachers to be

held near Tacoma, from August 16 to September 1, for the church school teachers of all the North Pacific Union Conferences, mention should be made of this gathering again, lest any who are interested forget the time and place. As to Tacoma or that vicinity for such a gathering as this, we can state to our teachers that there could scarcely be found a location where those attending can find better opportunities for recuperation, and where environments will conduce more to relaxation and rest.

Since a circular has been sent out to the teachers giving details in connection with the summer school, and through the Gleaner others have given various items in detail, will not make further mention here.

NORTHERN CAMP MEETING.

Our people in the northern part of the Western Washington Conference should begin at once to think of the proposed camp meeting for this section.

As soon as we can get some information from Brethren in the north, we will give definite notice as to the place where the meeting will be held and other details regarding the meeting. I think I should say, however, in this connection that the situation in the northern end of the field seems at the present time to point toward Bellingham as the place to hold the meeting. But we hope to select the place that will meet the mind of the Lord, which will surely be the place most favorable for the interests of the meeting.

This gathering will be of great interest and benefit to our Brethren and Sisters of the north end of the field; and we urge every one who can possibly arrange to do so to be at the meeting.

Orders for tents should be sent early to the Conference Secretary.

ELDER SHAW'S VISITS.

Elder J. L. Shaw, who has labored a number of years in India and expects to return to the field to establish a mission in the mountain section of that country, is planning to visit several of the churches in Western Washington soon. He will send notice to the churches that he can reach in the time he has to be in our Conference; and I trust that our people in these churches will make a special effort to

meet Bro. Shaw's appointment and hear his report of the work in the needy field where he has labored.

Come prepared also to make a good offering for the work there, or to make a pledge in behalf of the work, so that when Bro. Shaw returns to his field he may take an offering from the people of God in this favored country that will encourage our burden-bearers there.

F. M. BURG,
President Western Washington Conference.

CAMP MEETING AT BELLINGHAM, WASH.

The camp meeting for the northern section of the Western Washington Conference will be held in the city of Bellingham, Sept. 6-16. This notice as to time and place is given early so that our people in this part of the field can be planning definitely to attend the meeting. We expect a refreshing from God, and none should fail to be present who can possibly come.

More will be said through the Gleaner later in reference to the coming meeting.

F. M. BURG,
Pres. W. W. Conf.

CHURCH OFFICERS NOTICE.

Do you want a church school in your church this coming year? If you do, definite plans should be made for it at once.

The school law requires all children from eight to fifteen years of age to attend some school. If a public school is held in your district for nine months, the State law says your children must go to the public school during the nine months or attend some other school for the same time.

Our church schools should open at the same time as the public school, and continue for the same length of time. To some, this law may seem a hardship, but may it not turn out to be a blessing?

I believe that wherever it is possible, all our children should be in our own schools, training for a part in the closing message. If there is no church school for them, I see no other way than to put them in the public school. This will give the parents an almost impossible task to save them from the influence surrounding them. May God help those responsible for the children, to see their duty and do it.

If you want a teacher for a church school let me know at once.

JOEL C. ROGERS,
Educational Superintendent,
309 Second Ave., N., Seattle, Wn.

MONTANA.

Brother Eric Fletcher is having good success selling "Heralds of the Morning," and "Best Stories," at Great Falls.

Brother Stopher passed through Bozeman a few days ago on his way from Missoula to Livingston, where he goes to continue the work of canvassing for our periodicals. May the Lord bless the work at his hands.

Elder W. F. Martin and family arrived from College Place, Friday morning. They are at present located at Mt. Ellis.

One more soul is ready for baptism at Townsend, as a result of work by the church, and of the meetings held there in the spring.

Prof. J. L. Jones reports that the farming operations on the school farm are getting on nicely, and that the crops are in a most flourishing condition. The Academy board met last evening to lay plans for the immediate construction of the young men's dormitory. The outlook betokens a successful and a prosperous year for our school, and we feel grateful to God for His blessings upon the work.

Mrs. J. L. Jones is expected soon to arrive from Colorado to which place she went for a brief visit from the College View Convention.

The tent effort in Bozeman still continues. A few souls are on the point of decision, and we believe that some will soon take a firm stand with us. The ire of the dragon is being roused somewhat, and we are glad, as this is one of the best evidences that God is at work. The Methodist minister has advertised that he will speak on the Sabbath question in his church today. We will go and take notes, and then get out hand bills in which we will advertise a review of his talk, and also advertise the whole Sabbath question to the city.

W. A. GOSMER.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Port Townsend, B. C., July 23, 1906.
—The Gleaner, College Place, Wash.
Dear Friends—Following is the report

of the title of the different churches of the B. C. Conference:

Silver Creek.....	\$12.00
Vancouver	11.00
Cumberland	47.10
Victoria	17.10
Miscellaneous	67.81

This report is late, but we will send the July report earlier.

Yours truly,
B. C. Missionary Secretary,
By Brother Lofstad,
Asst. Sec.

Elder W. C. Young and P. P. Adams are conducting a series of tent meetings at Vernon. The meetings have continued for about six weeks with a fair attendance and a good interest. A number have attended quite regularly from the first and are deeply interested in Present Truth. The Lord only knows who are honest in heart and will take their stand for the truth.

P. P. Adams reports that he expects to attend the Teachers' Summer School at Tacoma.

Elder Stewart has promised his assistance in closing the meeting at Vernon, if possible for him to do so.

Elder E. L. Stewart expects to sail from Vancouver August 6, in company with Elder W. B. White and Elder T. H. Watson, on a trip to the Western coast of British Columbia investigating the opportunities for opening a mission near the mouth of the Skeena river for the purpose of doing special work for the Indians in that locality.

We have arranged to have the Gleaner printed in Spokane. All articles or notices intended for our paper should reach us not later than Sunday of each week. Address, P. O. Box 1800, Spokane, Wash.

The central offices of the North Pacific Union Conference are now located at Rooms 221 and 222 Temple Court, Spokane, Wash.

The date, as indicated on the wrapper of your paper, shows when your subscription expires. Please give this matter your attention and

send in your renewals promptly; otherwise your paper will be discontinued.

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

On account of illness Miss Edna Anderson has returned to her home in College Place. She did good work while with our company and we hope to see her take up the work again.

Sister Posey is following up the work of the canvassers by giving Bible readings and is meeting with good success, as many hearts are yearning for the truth in our cities.

The recent visit of Brother Shaw and words of encouragement added new zeal to our workers.

We were pleased to see Brethren W. B. White, A. J. Breed, C. H. Castle and A. G. Adams in the city on their recent visit.

Bro. Middleton has nearly earned his scholarship in Walla Walla College and is still of good courage.

A company of more than a dozen young people are planning to take up work in Walla Walla College the coming year from this city.

The canvasser has a work to do besides the work of selling books. Other canvassers have gone before him and have sold books, in other words the seed has been sown. These books have lain on the shelves for years. The seed needs watering and it is the canvassers' duty to extol the merits of this precious seed. I have met with some wonderful experiences in creating a desire to read books that have been on the shelves for years. One lady who had owned a copy of Great Controversy for fifteen years and had never read it promised to do so and seemed as much interested in the book as if she had just seen it for the first time.

B. B. SMITH.

FOR SALE—A six-room house in College Place, with half acre of land, all in fruit; on easy terms. B. B. Smith, College Place, Wash.

CANVASSING DEPARTMENT UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

Week Ending July 21, 1906.

Agents	Books	Hours	Orders	Helps	Tot. Val.
A. D. Guthrie.....	H. H. B.	21	24	.....	\$140.00
Mrs. Jennie White.....	H. H. B.	30	9	\$13.25	56.75
Frank Anderson.....	Gt. Cont.	14	4	.....	13.00
Byron A. Meeker.....	Gt. Cont.	50	12	7.75	45.00
Fannie Ferren.....	Herald	26½	15	2.25	24.75
Rosa E. Herr.....	Herald	29½	27	2.50	43.00
Mrs. Jennie Reeder.....	C. O. L.	70	28	12.80	47.75
A. V. Oliver.....	Gt. Cont.	37	11	83.30	114.80
G. A. Hamilton.....	Gt. Cont.	72	10	2.85	28.85
Hannah Boyson.....	Herald	21¼	32	.....	48.00
Edna Anderson.....	Herald	15	6	3.25	12.25
H. C. Wilson.....	Gt. Cont.	49	4	1.50	12.50
C. H. Allen.....	Ladies' Guide	83	11	35.10	72.10
Albert Downs.....	Gt. Cont.	29	3	1.50	9.00
B. B. Smith.....	Gt. Cont.	24	12	12.90	47.90
Mrs. B. B. Smith.....	Herald	18	8	2.25	14.50
Floyd Smith.....	Herald	7½	5	.....	7.50
Isabel Reith.....	Gt. Cont.	17¾	5	1.50	22.00
Geo. Middleton.....	Gt. Cont.	25	12	.....	35.00
Emma Rothger.....	Herald	..	..	.....	.....
		632½	238	\$182.70	\$794.66

CANVASSING DEPARTMENT WESTERN WASHINGTON.

Week Ending July 20, 1906.

Agents	Books	Hours	Orders	Helps	Tot. Val.
Grace Maynard.....	Gt. Cont.	16	6	\$ 3.00	\$ 16.00
Wm. Furber.....	Gt. Cont.	50	17	14.00	42.50
G. B. Collett.....	Gt. Cont.	38	10	8.45	26.00
Matilda Mey.....	Gt. Cont.	8	2	2.25	5.00
Erna Witting.....	Herald	25	20	7.50	38.00
Alma Phillips.....	Herald	19	11	10.00	18.50
W. O. Wheeler.....	Herald	34	28	3.50	42.00
Mrs. J. H. Wierst.....	Herald	1	1	1.25	1.50
E. A. Rowell.....	Herald	8	5	5.75	7.50
Total.....		199	100	\$55.70	\$204.00
James Lowry.....	(delivery)		30	14.00	45.00

CANVASSING DEPARTMENT WESTERN OREGON.

Report for Week Ending July 27, 1906.

Agents	Books	Hours	Orders	Helps	Tot. Val.
Olaf Olsen.....	Gt. Cont.	39	10	\$ 2.25	\$ 27.25
Prescott Wheeler.....	Gt. Cont.	37	11	18.00	66.50
H. A. Oberg.....	Herald	25	13	2.50	24.50
Grace Davidson.....	Herald	25	23	4.50	41.50
Mary E. Jensen.....	Herald	20	16	4.50	24.00
Harry Earl.....	Gt. Cont.	20	10	1.25	28.25
Elson Emmerson.....	Gt. Cont.	21	9	.75	24.25
Howard Calkins.....	Herald	17	7	.....	10.50
Karl Moran.....	Gt. Cont.	13	9	.....	28.50
Grace Ellis.....	Herald	9	12	1.50	19.50
		226	118	\$ 35.25	\$294.50

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Geo. Toombs.....	D. & R.	33½	10	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
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Dear Canvassers: The good faithful work done thus far seems an encouragement to every one. Those who have stayed by the work show up good reports and not one who has tried can speak of failure. Surely God is behind the work to guide and prosper.

I have been in Coos county at the Gravelford camp meeting. The boys down there are delivering their books, and hope to be through soon. The spirit of God was manifest in many ways. Personally I am thankful for the success of each canvasser. Let not even the burning of the "Press" discourage us, but let us press the battle harder than ever. E. M. OBERG,
State Agent W. Oregon.

Western Washington

NOTES FROM CANVASSERS.

Bro. Lowry, in speaking of the canvassing work, said:

"I know God has called me into this work, and I don't intend to get discouraged if things don't go my way. My wife helps me a great deal. When I'm out canvassing, she's at home praying for me."

A part of Erna Witting's letter reads as follows:

"I don't doubt for a moment but that I'll get mine (scholarship). I took two full morrocos (Heralds) last week and that helped quite a little. Surely we have much for which to thank God.

Bro. W. O. Wheeler says:

"I've had some good experiences and as I meet with so many different opinions I sense more deeply the need of a better knowledge of the Word of God."

Grace Maynard writes:

"I am always glad to see the reports of the others. It does seem wonderful how the Lord is blessing our efforts! How thankful I am that we have the knowledge of such a loving Father. With God's help I'm not going to allow myself to become discouraged over any feature of this work."