



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

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**SINS OF OMISSION**

"It isn't the thing you do, dear,  
 It's the thing you leave undone,  
 Which gives you a bit of heart ache  
 At the setting of the sun.  
 The tender word forgotten,  
 The letter you did not write,  
 The flower you might have sent, dear,  
 Are your haunting ghosts to-night.  
 The stone you might have lifted  
 Out of a brother's way,  
 The bit of heartsome counsel!  
 You were hurried too much to say:  
 The loving touch of the hand, dear,  
 The gentle and winsome tone,  
 That you had no time nor thought for,  
 With trouble enough of your own;  
 The little acts of kindness,  
 So easily out of mind;  
 Those chances to be angels  
 Which every one may find--  
 They come in night and silence--  
 Each chill, reproachful wraith--  
 When hope is faint and flagging,  
 And a blight has dropped on faith,  
 For life is all too short, dear,  
 And sorrow all too great,  
 To suffer our slow compassion  
 That carries until too late,  
 And it's not the thing you do, dear,  
 It's the thing you leave undone,  
 Which gives you the bit of heartache  
 At the setting of the sun.

—Christian Leader.

"Meditate daily on the things of eternity, and by the grace of God do something daily which thou wouldest wish to have done when the day of judgment comes."

**NOTES OF TRAVEL**

In this article we will describe in brief our visit to the Vatican, the home of the popes. This great palace, the largest in the world, has eleven thousand rooms, not including the chapels, halls, museums, library, etc. It has twenty-two court yards and large spacious gardens in connection where the pope and his attendants spend much time especially in warm weather. The gardens of the Vatican are plainly seen from the roof of St. Peters, and we should judge that no time or expense has been spared in their adornment. These gardens are surrounded by a high wall and are carefully guarded by sentinels. On arriving at this historical building we were met at the door by the celebrated Swiss Guards, gaudily dressed, and were carefully scrutinized by them before entering. This little Republic of Europe furnishes the most of the guards of the Vatican, and they are a fine looking body of men.

The first room visited was the great gallery of paintings, which contains some wonderful works of art, mostly connected with catholic history and traditions. Here we saw many masterpieces illustrating the trials and sufferings of Catholic missionaries in the earth. These are very impressive and are wonderful paintings. Our time was all too short in this celebrated gallery of art.

We next visited the Sistine chapel, which was being repaired at the time, and was more or less in a state of confusion. This chapel was built in 1473, and has been decorated and painted by the greatest artists of the Catholic world.

The most impressive painting in this room is the "Last Judgment" by Michael Angelo, which covers one end of the chapel. This is a most celebrated work of art, being renowned the world over. This great painting executed about four hundred years ago is still quite distinct, and we wish that we could fully describe it to the readers of the Gleaner. We cannot, but will give a general description of the same that the reader may see how the Catholic faith is taught by most of these great masterpieces in the galleries of Europe. At the top of the picture, which is near the roof of the chapel, is Christ with Mary at his side surrounded by the glorified hosts of heaven. This is the glorified state, and here all is light and beauty. Below this realm of effulgence, is a darker condition or sphere in which are dwelling hosts of those who have not yet reached the state of perfection. Earnestly they are looking toward it, while with crucifix and rosary they are reaching down to lift up others below them to the sphere in which they are, which is next to the immortal state. Far down in the corner is the world of lost souls, and here we see Satan, a horrible looking being with a club in his hand, driving the unrepentant into a boat where demons of darkness are rowing them across the river Styx to the regions of eternal punishment in the distance.

It is said that while Michael Angelo was painting this picture a gentleman came in and offered some serious criticisms of his work and theology. This angered the great artist, and as a punishment to him he painted him among those in the boat who were on the road to the place of eternal fire. The doc-

trine of justification by works runs all through this great painting which fully illustrates the faith of the Catholic Church.

The ceiling of the chapel is also most beautifully painted, and here we see the pictures of noted Bible characters alternating with those of heathen mythology, which, too, is very true to life as regards the worship of this church. Our next visit was to the Vatican library, but of this we will speak in another article.

W. B. White.

### "I AM BUT A LITTLE CHILD"

Mrs. E. G. White

At the beginning of his reign King Solomon prayed, "O Lord, my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child; and I know not how to go out or come in."

Solomon had succeeded his father David to the throne of Israel. God greatly honored him, and as we know, he became in later years the greatest, richest and wisest king that had ever sat upon an earthly throne. Early in his reign Solomon was impressed by the Holy Spirit with the solemnity of his responsibilities, and though rich in talents and ability, he realized that without divine aid he was as helpless as a little child to perform them. Solomon was never so rich or so wise or so truly great as when he confessed to the Lord, "I am but a little child; I know not how to go out or come in."

It was in a dream, in which the Lord appeared to him saying, "Ask what I shall give thee," that Solomon thus gave expression to his feeling of helplessness and need of divine aid. He continued: "Thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that can not be numbered or counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?"

"And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself; nor hast asked

the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honor; so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days." Now the conditions, "And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my judgments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.

"And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant, and offered up burnt offerings, and peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants."

All who occupy responsible positions need to learn the lesson that is taught in Solomon's humble prayer. They are ever to remember that position will never change the character or render man infallible. The higher the position a man occupies, the greater the responsibility he has to bear, the wider will be the influence that he exerts, and the greater his need to feel his dependence on the wisdom and strength of God, and to cultivate the best and most holy character. Those who accept a position of responsibility in the cause of God should always remember that with the call to this work God has also called them to walk circumspectly before him and before their fellow-men. Instead of considering it their duty to order and dictate and command, they should realize that they are to be learners themselves. When a responsible worker fails to learn this lesson, the sooner he is released from his responsibilities the better it will be for him and for the work of God. Position will never give holiness or excellence of character. He who honors God and keeps his commandments is himself honored.

The question which each should ask himself in all humility is, Am I qualified for this position? Have I learned to keep the way of the Lord to do justice and judgment? The Saviour's earthly example has been given us that we should not walk in our own strength, but that each should consider himself, as Solomon expressed it, "a little child."

Every truly converted soul can say, "I am but a little child"; but I am God's child. It was at infinite cost that provision was made whereby the human family might be restored to sonship with God. In the beginning God made man in his own likeness. Our first parents listened to the voice of the tempter, and yielded to the power of Satan. But man was not abandoned to the results of the evil he had chosen. The promise of a Deliverer was given. "I will put enmity between thee and the woman," God said to the serpent, "and between thy seed and her Seed; it shall bruise thy head; and thou shalt bruise his heel." Before they heard of the thorn and the thistle, of the sorrow and toil, that must be their portion, or of the dust to which they must return, they listened to words that could not fail of giving them hope. All that had been lost by yielding to Satan could be regained through Christ. Those who accept the salvation brought to them in Christ will humble themselves before God as little children.

God wants his children to ask for those things that will enable him to reveal his grace through them to the world. He wants them to seek his counsel, to acknowledge his power. Christ lays loving claims on all for whom he has given his life; they are to obey his will if they would share the joys that he has prepared for all who reflect his character here. It is well for us to feel our weakness; for then we will seek the strength and wisdom that the Father delights to give his children for their daily strife against the powers of evil.

### THE AMEN CORNER

It was my misfortune once to lecture before a cold, mute, unresponsive crowd, which sat like graven images during the hour and then dispersed as quietly as from a funeral. But had it been twice as bad as it was, a little applause, charitably accorded, might have helped to improve the situation, and I would not have felt as though I were speaking under an exhausted receiver.

I recall the time when a gentleman was to deliver an untried lecture before a surfeited Chautauqua assembly, and he jokingly arranged with a company of friends to act as clackers for the occa-

sion. With the first sentence uttered, there was a tremendous applause, which was repeated with the second and third sentences. At last they had mercy, and were more sparing in their demonstration; but the effect was an inspiration. The audience did not suspect, and was soon manifesting liberal appreciation. I could not recommend this course in any of our work, but I would like to see the Amen Corner established more firmly in our churches.

What would a political meeting be like if the most earnest appeals and brilliant oratorical flights were met with stony silence? We do not want demonstration quite so exuberant as that of a presidential campaign, but why can we not have a little more responsiveness in our religious meetings? Why should it be supposed that we honor God more by sitting like avenues of sphinxes, and not like congregations of human beings with some remnants of emotion? Why should we allow our lethargy to altogether usurp the functions of the heart? Why should our religion, with elements of refinement in it, become stiff, staid, formal, and solemn? Has it come to pass that those who sit in the Amen Corner are made to feel positively uncomfortable? I believe in order, solemnity, and reverence, but it would not be out of keeping with good religion to hear hearty Amens quite often. If some good brother's feelings surge up within him under the preacher's fervent presentation of the word of truth, and he is dying to shout a little, we must not frown upon him and bid him choke it down.

We know what can be said of the brother of former days, who was all the time saying, "Amen," in season and out of season, and when it was absurd as well as when it was in place, and do not care to recommend him; but we should not go to the other extreme and become "dumb dogs," of which the fathers spoke. Let us have more Amens among us, not vociferated loud enough to imperil the roof, but uttered gratefully and quietly by reverent and appreciative lips, while the moistened eye proclaims the melted heart. Why not, brethren, why not? Who could be hurt by it? What awful thing would happen? It would do everybody good. It would, as we have seen it do, electrify the congregation and fuse the emotions of hundreds of hearts.

I remember when I began to preach the Word that an old, true, and tried

worker saw it was an effort for me, and suddenly uttered an unctious "Amen." I gave a perceptible start, and the audience smiled, but the sermon lumbered on, and that Amen saved the day. In default of other encouragement, in one locality I used to look again and again at an old gentleman whose head kept bobbing approvingly. I knew it was almost automatic, and did not mean much; but somehow, it comforted and helped.

We have seen congregations, instead of using the traditional Amen, resort to handclapping and cries of, "Yes," "That's so," etc. While of course we could not agree to such responses, yet they would almost be preferred to the frigidity that exists in many churches of the present day. We have no delight in pandemonium, and do not believe in the extremes to which the colored people sometimes carry their sentiments when they sing:

"I do believe, without a doubt,  
A Christian has a right to shout;"

But let us have a little more spontaneity and freedom.

And it would not be out of place if the sisters would join the brethren in this effort. Some reason that when the Bible says, "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men," it does not include the gentler sex. But the Word says again, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting; and let all the people say Amen. Praise ye the Lord." Still again, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." "And the women shall say Amen, Amen; and let all the people say Amen:" Why should the Salvation Army and others have a monopoly on responses?

Brethren and sisters, would you like to say, "Amen," once in a while, when the preacher speaks so glowingly about Christ and his great salvation? Would you be grateful and not say a word? Say "Amen," when there is really something to say Amen to. All will get to enjoying it, and will praise the Lord; and the minister or leader will bless you. Try it.—L. F. Starr, in *The Workers' Bulletin*.

After an absence of several weeks Brother Adams returned to the office to attend the meeting of the executive committee.

## GRAND RALLY!

DECEMBER 1 TO 6, 1907

At a special meeting of the General Conference Committee held November 5, 1907, the question was raised as to what can be done to arouse our people to sense the importance of giving our literature a wider circulation, and especially the Missions Number of the Signs of the Times and the Bible-readings series to follow.

After careful and prayerful consideration the following action was taken:

"Realizing the value of the World's Missions Number of the Signs of the Times and the importance of giving it a wide circulation,

"We recommend to our people throughout North America that they devote the first week in December to a special effort in the circulation of the World's Missions Number and the Bible Readings Series to follow."

It is hoped that this action of the General Conference Committee will meet with the hearty approval of our people everywhere, and that they will respond to this call to service and push the work more vigorously than ever before.

All will be glad to learn that over 100,000 copies of the special Missions Number have already been mailed, and letters of unqualified commendation are coming in from every quarter. The following are brief extracts from a few of these:

"Altogether, this missionary special is the greatest document we as a people have ever published in the interests of the world-wide missionary problem."

A. G. Daniells,

In Review of October 31.

"We are so impressed with the Missions Number that we have to-day sent off the program of our regular weekly Young People's Societies' meetings to be printed in the Instructor."

Prof. M. Kern,  
Chairman Y. P. Dept.  
General Conference.

"If we as a people fall short of circulating a million copies of this Missions Number of the Signs of the Times, we will be remiss in our duty."

Elder George B. Thompson.

"The Missions Number of the Signs is received. It is certainly by far the most remarkable number ever issued from our press. May its circulation be unlimited and a new inspiration be re-

ceived to hasten everywhere the Everlasting Gospel of Peace."

Elder H. G. Thurston.

Our schools, colleges, and young people's societies are falling into line and ordering large quantities.

The students of Union College (College View, Neb.) have ordered 4,000 copies; the Pacific Union College (Healdsburg, Cal.) 1,750 copies; South Lancaster (Mass.) Academy, 1,100 copies; Keene (Texas) Academy, 1,500 copies; Loma Linda (Cal.) College of Evangelists, 1,000 copies.

We are informed that it is the purpose of these schools to close one or two days in order that all the students may have the privilege of going out and canvassing for the paper.

The following is a brief extract from a letter just received from Prof. H. A. Washburn, teacher of Bible and History at Walla Walla (Wash.) College, in regard to the special campaign:

"Practically the entire faculty went with the students, various teachers having the direction of bands of students in different sections of the city. I believe there were some real victories for teachers, even, in this good experience, and I think the general school work is better as a result of this one day's work. Some of our students went to other towns in this part of the State, and all seem to have returned with a more energetic spirit of service. More than once since that day have I been constrained to say to myself, Thank God for this Missions Special Number of the Signs."

The work is not only being taken hold of by our conferences and by our schools, but individuals are ordering all the way from 500 to 2,000 copies, and so the work goes on.

There seems to be a settled conviction on the part of our leading brethren that the Missions Number should have a circulation of at least 1,000,000 copies; and the Bible Reading Series, 100,000 weekly. But this can be accomplished only by the hearty co-operation of all our people.

This is a work in which all can engage, both old and young, men, women, and children. Those who are so situated that they can not leave their homes can mail the papers to friends or to names furnished by the librarian.

Our missionaries in foreign countries can use large quantities to advantage. We would be glad to correspond with

those who are willing to help in this way.

All our large cities should be thoroughly canvassed. At the present time there are agents in some cities selling from 400 to 700 copies weekly and making a good living. Who will volunteer to take hold of the work in the large cities?

Remember the time for the special campaign,—the first week in December. It is hoped that every man, woman, and child will respond to the call and take part in this good work.

What an inspiration it will be to know that all our people from one end of the land to the other are all doing the same work at the same time!

While working with the Missions Signs, a special effort should be put forth to secure subscriptions to the Bible Readings Series which immediately follows. Circulars and full information in regard to the work will be sent on application. Address your tract society office, or Signs of the Times, Mountain View, Cal.

## MONTANA

### LABORS IN MONTANA

After the Kalispell meeting had closed, I first visited the church at Great Falls, where I spent four days. Elder W. F. Martin expected to unite with me in these meetings but was detained from doing so by matters which demanded his attention at Bozeman, so I was alone. We held services forenoon, afternoon, and evening, and the Lord came very near us. At some of the services only a few were present, but the good spirit was in our midst, which made every meeting profitable. Quite a good many of the brethren of the Great Falls church live in the country, and some at quite a distance, which prevented their attending all the meetings; but in the evenings and on the Sabbath they were mostly out. The preaching was of a close practical nature, and seemed to take effect on many hearts which had allowed coldness and back-sliding to come in and drive away the spirit of God. Error of the rankest kind had been taught in private by certain parties who in the early days of the cause in Montana had disgraced the work; and this had been listened to by some of the

members, which naturally enough had only brought darkness and discouragement to their hearts. An effort was made to break away completely from this delusion, and we trust that the Lord will give complete victory.

The church in Great Falls for years has stood as the center of the work in Northern Montana and in the past has been quite strong both in members and finance. Labor is greatly needed both in the church and in the city that a better condition of affairs may obtain and the cause be built up. This need we believe the Conference is endeavoring to supply. A number of young people from this church are in our schools the present year, who, we trust, in the future may make valuable workers in God's cause. If the church in this place will stay close to God and his truth, we are sure that God will revive his work among them.

Our next visit was at Bozeman where we only spent one day, visiting Mt. Ellis Academy five miles in the country and speaking in the evening in the city. The school is hardly so large as last year, but more are expected in soon; and those who are already on the ground seem to be a good, earnest class of young people. The school has recently been passing through some very perplexing experiences caused by the resignation of Prof. Yarnell and his sister, the latter acting as preceptress and teacher. But under the leadership of Professor Haughey from the Ohio Conference, who has recently come to the Montana Conference, the work is now moving smoothly and in even lines; and the board of managers hope for a good and profitable year. His wife will act as preceptress and Miss Adaline Rouleau as matron.

I next visited Butte, the largest city in Montana, and one of the largest mining camps in the world. In this city we have a comfortable church building, but few are left here to hold up the standard of truth. Earnest labor should soon be performed in this city or the cause of truth will come to naught and the church be closed. The Montana Conference appreciate the situation and are trying to secure a laborer for this city, but so far have not been successful.

My next call was at Clinton where I spent one evening and preached to the people. We found the little company here of good courage and stronger it seemed to us than when we left the Con-

ference three and one half years ago. This is as it should be, and we greatly enjoyed meeting these friends again.

The first Sabbath in October for quarterly meeting we were with our old home church in Missoula. We lived four years in this city, and enjoyed very much being with them at this time. When the church is all together their house is quite well filled. Elder W. F. Martin was with me in this meeting and we had a splendid occasion. The ordinances were celebrated, the work of the Special Signs was planned for, and other items of church work were attended to.

This was the last church visited in Montana, and we feel very thankful for the progress the work is making in this conference. The cause seems a little weak in some of the centers like Butte, Helena, and Great Falls, but we trust that soon some plans may be laid for the building up of the work in these cities. We shall earnestly pray that God may bless the work in this conference.

W. B. White.

## WESTERN WASHINGTON

### ATTENTION!

#### SOME QUESTIONS

1. *Are you paying an amount equal to one-third of your tithe for the support of church-school teachers?* The only way for this plan, as adopted by the conference, to succeed is for every one to begin at once to act in harmony with it. There will be a blessing for you if you will do it. And the school interests in the conference will have a financial backing that will, as far as the finances are concerned, make this work a success. Do not help defeat the plan by failing to do your part. "Ask not to be excused."

2. *Are you faithfully paying your tithe for the support of the ministry?* "Will a man rob God? . . . Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it."

3. *Are you making an offering every third Sabbath to the Conference Sinking-*

*Fund?* This fund is needed to meet expenses that arise for which we can not consistently draw on the tithe. New tents must be purchased before another general camp-meeting can be held. Money should be accumulating through the sinking-fund arrangement to make provision for this need. Will the churches and members not be faithful in regard to this third-Sabbath offering?

4. *Are you doing all you can for the circulation of the Signs and other literature?* Every member of the church should be alert and alive now in missionary work. The Missions Number of the Signs should have a circulation that no other number has had. The merits of the paper call for it; and then, since we are nearer the time when opportunities for soul-saving will be forever gone, our missionary activities should be greatly increased. Are the churches taking hold with a will to revive their tract and missionary work? What about the missionary meetings? "Think on these things."

5. *Are you attending the weekly prayer-meetings?* We take it for granted that your church has its regular weekly meetings for prayer and devotion. It is a question of vital interest whether you are attending the prayer-meeting. The occasion for the question is that in many places but few are attending the mid-week devotional meeting, and in some instances the prayer-meeting has become a back number. "My brethren, these things ought not so to be."

6. *Have you had a part in the movement to raise \$150,000?* You can not afford to lose the blessing that will follow to you from lifting with the rest in this effort. Do your part now. "Now is the accepted time."

F. M. Burg.

## MOUNT VERNON

I have just made a visit to the churches and isolated members along the Great Northern line from Everett to Gold Bar, and north on the Northern Pacific to Sedro.

Two were baptized from Everett and three at Snohomish, five in all. At the latter place Brother Boynton has been laboring for some time in the past. A nice church has been built and will soon be painted, then it will be dedi-

cated free from debt. Elder Burg organized this company at their request. They represent about forty members. I had the pleasure of being present, and assisted in organizing their church-school. During this school meeting enough money was pledged to insure the payment of their teacher to the close of the term.

I was much impressed by the unity existing in the Snohomish Church. All gave freely of their means, which has called for much self-sacrifice in erecting a place of worship and placing it all in the Master's hands free from the burden of debt.

At other places I found our people unitedly standing for the truth, and isolated ones were grateful for a little help and encouragement.

I wish to say to old friends in Washington that the Lord has continually blessed all my family since we left this conference up to the present time. My family is located at the Forest Home school, for which we are all thankful, and we appreciate the privileges that our school affords.

As I take up the work in this field, I thank the Lord for the unity manifest among God's servants and the churches I have visited of late.

Desiring an interest in all your prayers that I may be faithful in my labors and at last receive with you the reward that awaits us when the Master returns.

S. N. Nellis.

## ITEMS

We are hearing from many quarters of people taking hold of the truth. Such reports as this from our workers are certainly uplifting. We are in the time when the harvest is fast ripening for the sickle.

Close to eight thousand copies of the Missions number of the Signs have been ordered by our churches. This comes within two thousand of exhausting the ten thousand which the conference committee voted to order from the publishers. Now the question: Have we done all we should? Or have not our brethren and sisters just awakened to the importance of this grand opportunity of doing missionary work? And should not the 10,000 be simply a beginning?

I will try to gather some items concerning the school work in the conference and furnish them to the Gleaner, so that all the churches may become intelligent as to what is being done in this important line.

Elder Nellis has been visiting churches and isolated Sabbath keepers in the north part of the conference for a few weeks. He is helping in the special present effort to raise what is yet due from the conference on the \$150,000.

By the way, let every one lift now: "Lift, Brother, lift." "Lifting makes the burden lighter." Let us sing the jubilee song soon. Wouldn't we all feel good if the balance of the amount belonging to us were in the treasury? I think we will get the needed amount, don't you?

Brother Adolph Johnson has recently connected with Elder A. J. Stone in labor among the Swedish population. They are in Tacoma at present. Brother Johnson came to our call from Nebraska. He was voted ministerial license at the last meeting of our executive committee.

Elder Lewis Johnson has returned from a trip to Nebraska. His family have come with him, and they are located permanently in the conference. The labors of Brother Johnson are much appreciated here. Brethren A. E. Swanson and T. J. Linrud are working with him in Ballard.

Elder Holbrook has returned to Centralia from his trip in company with the writer and will arrange shortly to begin a series of meetings at some point in his (the Harbor) district. His family is located at Centralia where a church-school affords advantages that they appreciate very much. The school is taught by Miss Anna Elder who is an experienced teacher, and a good work is being done. She has fifteen pupils. The Sabbath-school at Centralia numbers fifty-seven.

The writer and Elder J. A. Holbrook have just completed a tour among the churches in the southern part of the conference. The following places were visited: Centralia, Hoquiam, Montezano, Elma, Connie, Oakville, Meadow Glade, Vancouver, Sara, Bachelor's Island, Ridgefield, Etha, Woodland and Kelso. At each of these places our brethren and sisters seemed very much encouraged. We trust that much good will follow to the work in these places from our visits. The calls were only too short, however, to accomplish what we felt ought to have been done. May these churches be faithful in the good work.

There is a growing interest among the churches, in the Conference plan for the support of church-schools. It is hoped that every church and all the members will soon be in line with this plan which will surely solve what has been a very difficult and perplexing problem in the past.

That the reader may have his mind refreshed concerning the plan I will insert here the recommendation as it passed in our last conference session:

"Whereas, it seems evident that our church-schools should be placed upon a more substantial basis, and

Whereas, the systematic plan of giving is founded upon Bible principles, therefore,

We Recommend, That our people in this conference be asked to pay into a conference fund a sum equal to one third their tithe; this fund to be apportioned to the expense of sustaining the teachers in the different church-schools.

### UPPER COLUMBIA VIOLA, IDAHO

Since coming here in July I have held meetings in two places a few miles apart. The result is that nine have been baptized and taken their stand for the truth for the first time, except one, who was reclaimed. Some who had once rejoiced in the truth had fallen into the habit of tobacco using, but have gotten the victory and are again rejoicing in the whole truth.

Some others are interested, whom we hope for, and feel sure they will soon join the company in the heavenly march.

Four others were baptized and united with the Moscow Church.

A church of twenty members has been organized at this place. Since the organization two more have united. We expect a good strong church at this place.

I shall go home for a short time; then, the Lord willing, I shall return and take up the work again.

Your brother in the work,

L. H. Ells.

### WESTERN OREGON

RECEIPTS FOR OCTOBER, 1907.

TITHES		
Albany	- - - -	\$ 56 40
Albina	- - - -	296 50
Ashland	- - - -	201 05
Astoria	- - - -	2 20
Beaverton	- - - -	25 65
Blachly	- - - -	90 18
Chitwood	- - - -	126 25
Coquille	- - - -	95 40
Cottage Grove	- - - -	437 12
Dallas	- - - -	55 68
Eugene	- - - -	12 22
Falls City	- - - -	24 85
Friend	- - - -	15 00
Grants Pass	- - - -	158 62
Gravel Ford	- - - -	23 20
Hopewell	- - - -	13 85
Hillsboro	- - - -	52 97
Hubbard	- - - -	60 00
Lake Creek	- - - -	58 00
Laurelwood	- - - -	100 26
Miscellaneous	- - - -	45 75
Monitor	- - - -	169 61
Montavilla	- - - -	150 39
Mt. Tabor	- - - -	127 30
McMinnville	- - - -	33 67
Newberg	- - - -	133 85
Portland	- - - -	225 35
Portland Scandinavian	- - - -	25 00
Roseburg	- - - -	52 31
Royal	- - - -	223 44
Salem	- - - -	500 00
St. Johns	- - - -	221 31
Sheridan	- - - -	10 13
Svensen	- - - -	13 81
The Dalles	- - - -	32 90
Tillamook	- - - -	102 90
Toledo	- - - -	19 00
Willamina	- - - -	4 50
Woodburn	- - - -	200 81
Total	- - - -	\$ 4197 43
TRUST FUNDS		
Canton Chapel	- - - -	\$ 1 29

Colored Work - - -	313 43
Educational Fund - - -	13 25
\$150,000 Fund - - -	79 67
Huntsville School - - -	2 40
India Mission - - -	1 00
Intermediate Schools - - -	15 00
Mission Board - - -	30 83
Passage to India - - -	25 50
S. S. Offerings - - -	315 52
Tent & C. M. Fund - - -	5 00
Walla Walla College Debt - - -	10 00
Weekly Offerings - - -	32 39
Young People's Tent - - -	18 00
<b>Total - - - - -</b>	<b>\$ 863 28</b>

Edith Starbuck, Treasurer

**WESTERN OREGON CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

Elder C. W. Flaiz, of the Minnesota Conference, has just arrived in our conference, at the call of our executive committee, to take the general oversight of work in the city of Portland, Oregon.

In answer to a call from the Montana Conference, Elder P. A. Hanson has gone to that field to labor for a few weeks in a Scandinavian settlement in the northern part of that State.

Western Oregon Conference has arranged to hold a Ministerial Institute at Salem, Oregon, December 4-11 1907. All accredited laborers of the conference are expected to attend and take part in the work of the Institute; and local church elders are also urgently invited to attend and get the benefit of the instruction given.

Earlier in the season, and up to the time of opening school at Gravel Ford Academy, there was promise of a suitable person to take charge of the work there; but at the time of opening it was ascertained that no one was available to act in that capacity; consequently Elder F. S. Bunch opened the school, and thus far it has been impossible to secure the services of any one fitted to take charge of that work. For Brother Bunch to continue the work of the school quite seriously interferes with his duties as president of the conference. He asked the conference committee to

advise with him in regard to the matter, and take such steps as in their mind seemed to offer the best solution of the problem. The committee, after deliberating upon the question, adopted the following recommendation:—As it seems impossible to obtain the services of a suitable person to take the principalship of Gravel Ford Academy, we recommend that Elder F. S. Bunch continue work in the school at present to meet the present emergency; and that while thus engaged he continue to attend to all correspondence pertaining to the office of president of the conference; and that when calls come requesting the presence of laborers of the president anywhere in the field, that he direct other ministers to attend to such duties until such time as he himself will be at liberty to respond to such calls. Brethren throughout the conference will please make note of this; and such as have correspondence with the president can facilitate matters by addressing Elder F. S. Bunch at Gravel Ford, Oregon, until farther notice.

**A UNITED STATES HISTORY IN THE LIGHT OF PROPHECY**

This is the title of a new book written by Prof. F. S. Bunch, who for several years has been principal of the Gravel Ford Academy, Gravel Ford, Oregon.

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## THE PACIFIC UNION MEDICAL CONVENTION

The medical convention recently held in Loma Linda was one of the best we have ever held. Southern California is a prominent resort for health seekers, and through the Lord's providence we have several favorably situated sanitariums, which are not only doing a good work in caring for the sick, but their management are devoting their energies and faith to the work of training large numbers of nurses to go into the needy fields. These nurses will be prepared to do an advanced grade of work as medical missionaries, yet by not assuming to be physicians they will avoid the opposition which physicians often meet from the profession.

The presence of Sister White, Elders Daniells, Irwin, and W. C. White, and

## CANVASSING DEPARTMENT

WESTERN OREGON.

OCT. 18 TO NOV. 1, 1907.

Agents	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total Value
Ada Blue	Heralds	41	15	14 25	\$ 49 50
Grace Ellis	"	14	18		42 50
B. O. Lockwood	"	26	14		41 50
W. H. Coffin	"	82	24	16 95	54 95
Frank Raley	Dan. & Rev. 29		3	75	8 25
Total		192	74	31 95	196 70

E. M. Oberg, Field Agent.

Drs. Ruble and Herr, besides many workers from the Pacific Coast, made the occasion one of great interest.

A strong missionary interest prevailed as the details of field work and the essential training were considered. Probably two-thirds of the time of the convention was devoted to these phases of the work. Very definite instruction was given by Sister White as to the grade of training to be given in the Loma Linda school. I was much pleased to observe the excellent corps of teachers who are carrying on a well balanced class of work there.

The convention gave much consideration to the relation of conference and private medical enterprises. It is evidently necessary to safeguard the cause of God from mere professionalism and commercialism. How to do it, and not put barriers in the way of devoted individual effort, received the consideration of those present. After free discussion the matter was referred back to the Medical Missionary Department at Washington.

Reports of the Pacific Union Medical Convention can be had by sending fifteen cents to the Southern California S. D. A. Conference, 257 Hill Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

J. E. Froom.

Doctor S. A. Lockwood attended the recent medical convention at Loma Linda, California.

Mrs Ella Moore has recently returned to the Portland Sanitarium from an extended trip among the sanitariums in California. She returns refreshed and with many good points which she hopes will aid her in her work as matron of the sanitarium.

## NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

RECEIPTS FOR OCTOBER, 1907.

Title	\$ 885 84
Second Tithe	720 21
Africa	9 00
Colored Work	32 77
China	5 00
East Caribbean School	55 00
Foreign Missions	30 98
First day Offerings	142 12
India	4 00
India Mountain Mission	58 58
Kingston Relief	15 87
Nyassaland Mission	7 80
\$150,000 Fund	416 35
S. S. Offerings	202 48
Southern Field	34 78
West Indies	10 00
Walla Walla College	1604 50
Passage to India	90 00
Orphans and Aged	38 38
Indian Bay Mission	50 00
Expense	45
Stationery	14 90
Gleaner	15 50
Total	\$ 4444 51

C. H. Castle, Treasurer.

WANTED.—Several young men and women are wanted immediately to join the new class in the Portland Sanitarium Training School for Nurses. Address the Portland Sanitarium, Mt. Tabor Station, Portland, Ore., for calendar and application blanks.

Ninety one thousand five hundred thirty one is the number of our membership as a denomination according to the latest statistics. A gain of 4,220 is made in one year.