



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

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**TELL ALL TO JESUS**

O longing soul,  
Does the upward path more thorny grow,  
With sharper thorns than those below?  
Do they press thy worn and tired feet  
As they farther go through dust and heat?  
Tell all to Jesus.

Oh trembling soul,  
Thy tempest fierce surrounding thee  
Beclouds the peak you wish to see  
The long sought height you saw in youth  
Is hid by sin that veils the truth,  
Tell all to Jesus.

O weary soul,  
With heavy burdens filled with woe  
That bears you down and hurts you so  
In years now gone thy friends inspired,  
But now alone, so faint, so tired,  
Tell all to Jesus.

O fainting soul,  
With hearts desires now waning fast,  
You are growing weak and faint at last,  
Falling exhausted on road so drear,  
Awaiting a word of comfort and cheer,  
Tell all to Jesus.

Victorious soul,  
Thy faith in Jesus, weary one,  
Hath helped thee till life's day is done;  
The clouds dispelled, the tempest past,—  
Filled with joy and peace at last.  
Tell all to Jesus.

—Bessie ettleton.

"Every penny used unnecessarily deprives the spender of a precious opportunity of doing good. It is robbing God of the honor and glory which should flow back to Him through the improvement of His intrusted talents."

**NOTES OF TRAVEL**

In our last article we described our visit to the Catacombs of Rome, where thousands of the early Christian church and martyrs of Jesus are buried, and will now take the readers of the Gleaner on a short trip out of the city, in another direction, to the place where the Apostle Paul was executed.

We again leave the city in carriages, as no street-cars run out in this part of the city. Passing through Paul's gate, or the gate he passed through on his way to his death, we find ourselves again on a country road leading through green fields, which at the time of our visit (May) look very pretty indeed.

The first point of interest passed was a pyramid of solid stone, which we should think was about fifty feet high, built in the wall of the city. This was erected in honor of one of the Roman emperors and stands to-day as when first built. Gibbon, the great historian, states that this pyramid is about the only thing about Rome that is unchainged by time.

Passing on through the outskirts of the city, we catch a glimpse of the life lived by the poorer classes. Squalor and poverty are on every hand, and one almost wonders how human beings can exist under such conditions. Passing on a mile or so farther, our carriages stop before a cathedral, which is St. Paul's Church. Entering, another scene of beauty and grandeur meet our eyes. It is not so costly adorned as St. Peter's, but it has a plain, majestic beauty all its own. We shall not attempt to describe the great high altar underneath which it is said rests the great apostle,

nor the hundred or more beautiful columns of polished granite and alabaster, the lovely mosaics, fresco work, and beautiful paintings by the great masters. All this is beyond our powers of description, and the reader must imagine as much as he can of it. Around the ceiling are large life-size paintings of all the popes, beginning with St. Peter, down to Leo XIII. Of course St. Peter is the favorite pope according to Catholic belief, and some ardent child of the church has caused to be placed in his likeness eyes of diamonds, which flash the light in all directions, and can be plainly seen from the floor. Evidently the Catholic Church expects many more popes to come to the throne, as places are prepared on this ceiling for a couple of dozen or more. While here we heard the beautiful chimes which ring at the noon hour, and they were like lovely music to the ear. This church is located out in the country, and would seem to be almost inaccessible to the people, and likely cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. They tell us, however, that when services are held there it is filled to overflowing with people.

Passing farther on into the country, we soon come to a beautiful park, and, entering, we are told that here it was that Paul was executed. Above the exact spot a chapel has been erected, and, passing into the basement, we are shown the block on which he was executed and the precise spot on which he met his death. This chapel is built on a side hill with quite a decided slope, and they tell us that as Paul's head was severed from his body under a tremendous blow from the ax, it made three

bounds on the ground, and at once there sprang up at these spots three springs, or fountains, which are there to-day. We are somewhat in doubt as to all this, but are of the opinion that the ground of his execution is correctly located, as it can be easily proven that at this spot in the country the Romans had an old execution ground, and it is quite probable that here the great apostle suffered death.

Erected over these three fountains above mentioned are beautiful little monuments, and carved on each is a wonderful piece of work, representing the expression and color of the face after the head had been severed from the body a short time. The final, or last, expression is one of sweet trust and repose after fighting the good fight and keeping the faith to the end.

On returning to the city, Elder Chas. Everson, our guide, led the way into a beautiful little cemetery, and soon we were all standing by a little mound of earth where only a short while before he had laid to rest a darling child.

Our missionaries in foreign lands, far away from home and friends, have many sad and trying experiences, and should be often remembered in the prayers of the church.

In our next article we will speak of other places of interest in this ancient, historic, and interesting city.

W. B. White.

## MONTANA

Dear Brethren and Sisters in Montana:—As the year 1907 is drawing to a close and its work will soon be finished, it is well for us to pause and view the past for a few moments, and take, as it were, an inventory. The past year has been an eventful one, both as relating to the things of the world and to the work of God. We see prophecy fulfilling on all sides. Things that men were looking forward to a short time ago are now in the past, and still signs are hung out that we may read them and know just where we are on our journey.

In our own conference we see many evidences of God's blessing. All over the State the people have rallied to the support of the cause. A missionary zeal has been manifested that was good to see. Again, every call that has gone

out for means with which to carry on the work has been responded to quite freely. The tithe has been larger than in any previous year in the history of the conference. Other offerings have also been liberal. We have been thankful as we have seen our people in Montana rising along with the great body of Adventists throughout the wide world.

We are just now coming to the Week of Prayer. This season will be to us just what we make it. What shall that be? Let us all lay aside our worldly cares and devote a large part of each day during this week to earnestly seeking God. This should be a time of self-denial. Begin to plan now, my brethren and sisters, to make a liberal offering to the Lord. Let us make it greater this year than ever before. Scores of our missionaries in far-away lands, enduring hardships and separated from home and friends, are looking forward to the annual offering to assist them in their work. Let us make their hearts glad by a liberal offering.

We wish also to speak of some needs of our home field. First, we wish to ask all our people who have tithe on hand to pay it in before the close of the year. The auditing committee will meet soon after the opening of the new year, and we hope at that time to settle in full with all the laborers. Please, my brethren and sisters, see that this is attended to.

Our school is in need of funds to pay for the repairs made this fall. Something over one hundred dollars for this purpose has been received, and we need at least that much more. It would be a great help if all our people in the conference would adopt the plan of giving one dollar each to this fund. It would be well to make this a permanent plan. Some have given more than this, for which we are thankful. Our school is prospering, and though we have had to meet some perplexing things, the Lord guided, and his blessing rests upon the work now being done. The school is filled with earnest young people, who desire to fit themselves for some place in the work.

We wish to speak of one more need. Our tent and camp-meeting fund is in need of money with which to buy tents. We need a new field tent, also some family tents. A small amount from each of you, given each month, will keep the treasury supplied and enable us to keep things going.

Now in conclusion let us say, May the Lord abundantly bless you in basket and in store. "And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Your brother,

W. F. Martin,

## WESTERN WASHINGTON NOTES

The following persons have been selected by the conference committee to represent the conference at the coming Union Conference session at College Place: F. M. Burg, L. Johnson, W. W. Sharp, L. I. Stiles, C. E. Knight, J. A. Holbrook, A. J. Stone, S. Lela Hoover.

The conference committee has voted to encourage all our conference workers to attend the biennial session of the Union Conference by paying their traveling expenses and allowing their time. This will be very helpful to our laborers, giving them a better acquaintance with the work throughout the Union Conference and with the workers in the several local conferences, as well as to give them the opportunity to hear Elder Daniells and other General laborers who will be present. On account of this arrangement for our conference workers, it was decided by the committee not to hold an institute as has been contemplated.

Elder H. W. Decker has been in our field during the past week soliciting for the Walla Walla College Relief Fund. Brother Decker reports a very encouraging outlook in connection with the movement to pay the debt off the college by January 15 coming; and we all rejoice with those who are directly under the burdens of the school that so soon the song of freedom can be sung. Have all the readers of these notes done at least a little toward paying the debt, so that they can have a part in the shout? All should have a part in it.

Elder J. N. Loughborough has arranged to meet with the North Seattle Church on Sabbath, December 28. He will speak at 11 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. This will be one of the greatest treats,

that the church in Seattle has had in a long time. There will be a large attendance from nearby churches no doubt; and the question will be, How shall we manage to seat them all? Still we urge everyone to come, for such as Elder Loughborough is, doesn't come very often. And especially do we all need his instruction in view of the dangers of the present hour. Everybody come.

The writer recently visited the church at Ferndale where he held several meetings. The brethren and sisters of the church seemed to be encouraged; and the writer's heart was cheered by the good spirit of devotion and hopefulness with which he came in contact among them. Their church school taught by Hilma Pierson, numbers twenty-eight. They have a good outlook for their school. May the Great Teacher bless them.

In harmony with action by the conference committee, a new safe and a new typewriter have recently been purchased. These articles were much needed in the office. The committee's action also provided for papering the office rooms and otherwise improving appearances at head-quarters which work will soon be done. Our churches should not forget the offering to the Sinking Fund on the third Sabbath of the month, as the money is needed to meet these expenses.

It is reported from the Meadow Glade School that several of the young people there have yielded to God and desire baptism. Elder Holbrook has gone there to give attention to this interest, and the writer who is now at Salem, Oregon, attending the Ministers' Institute for the Western Oregon Conference, will join him this week in the work there. Elder Loughborough will speak to the students of the school on the 16th and Professor Cady will visit the school this week.

Money is coming into the conference treasury quite freely on the \$150,000 Fund. We hope to finish up at least before the Union Conference session. Shall we not do it? Don't quit giving till it's done. "Lifting makes the burden lighter; lift Brother, lift."

The harmony of spirit, good will, good courage, and hope that we see among the churches and among the workers is a good omen. The work of God is going forward, brethren and sisters. We have looked for years for the very things that are now transpiring before our eyes, and if ever we have hoped, we have reason for it now. "Lift up your heads and rejoice for your redemption draweth nigh."

F. M. Burg.

### TACOMA

In harmony with the wish of the Conference Committee, and as soon as I could arrange my work in Seattle for leaving, my wife and I came to Tacoma, which was early in October. It has been necessary part of the time since then to make quite regular weekly trips to the Conference Office, and it has somewhat broken into my work here. However, I am able now to give nearly all my time to the needs of this city.

Sabbath Oct. 5, I baptized three persons before leaving Seattle's suburban church (Green Lake) and five others also the Sabbath following, upon my arrival in Tacoma. My wife and I feel much encouraged at the outlook here as it has been a comparatively easy matter to secure the attention of as many people as we can consistently visit and study with together with what should be done for the church.

One incident came to my attention a day or two ago which well illustrates how others can help us in our finding those who seem anxious for light. One family living neighbors to another where I hold Bible Studies regularly, humorously remarked to the latter that "they were selfish in having them alone", which I take to be as good as an invitation to visit them also. Our work is mostly of a private character at present.

The church here seems conscious of the need of a more thorough work of grace being accomplished. Under the energetic direction of the Sabbath-school Superintendent the Children's Missionary Society is distributing and selling a goodly number of Signs and many pages of tracts each week. The church Missionary Society is also doing some work in the same line.

These evidences of interest in the

spread of the message together with the anticipated blessings of the week of prayer encourage me to believe that we are entering upon a great awakening which I trust will not wane until the work is done.

C. E. Knight.

### VANCOUVER

The work is onward in this place. I have now been here a month, holding public meetings in the church Sunday evenings and doing Bible work and distributing papers during the week. Some have been found who are inquiring for truth. At the three Sunday evening meetings we have had a few in attendance not of our faith. The church is taking a lively interest in circulating the missionary number of the Signs. We are looking for special blessings during the coming week of prayer.

J. J. Clark.

### SOUTHERN IDAHO

#### BONNER'S FERRY

The series of meetings conducted by Brother Charles J. Rider at this place was brought to a close last Sunday, and the results, aside from the great blessing received by those already in the truth, figure up about as follows: Eleven persons have taken their stand to keep the Sabbath according to the commandment; one other agrees to keep that day for the convenience of other members of his family, and we expect him to come into the truth soon. Others are interested but undecided. To-day a Sabbath-school was organized, with twenty present. A superintendent, secretary, treasurer, and two teachers, primary and senior, were elected. It was also decided to buy ground and build a small church as soon as possible.

We who have waited so long for something decisive to be done here thank God with all our hearts for this evidence of his great goodness, and take courage, looking for further results from these labors of our brother.

Adelbert C. Fry.

## UPPER COLUMBIA

### DUSTY, WASH.

Last summer when it became apparent that there were not enough church-school teachers in this conference to supply all the schools, Brother Catlin came to me and asked me if I would take a school this winter. At that time I was engaged in the tent work, and had never even thought of teaching. At first the idea did not appeal very strongly to me, but when the needs of that branch of the work were presented, the Lord impressed me that it was the very work in which I should engage, temporarily at least.

When we started the work here in Dusty there was an attendance of fifteen. Now, at the close of seven weeks, the enrollment has reached twenty-seven.

As I had had no training or experience, the difficulties at first seemed to be great, but the Lord has blessed wonderfully, and the school is prospering. Nearly all the children are Christians, and all manifest an excellent spirit.

How thankful I am that the Lord has revealed this truth to me and that I can by his grace teach it to others! My prayer is that I may be willing to sit at the feet of the Great Teacher and learn of him, so that my efforts to teach the children may be worthy of success.

E. N. Sargeant.

## TO MINISTERS AND TEACHERS

Those who teach the Word need not feel that they must search up some new and intricate subject to present to the churches. The most profitable subjects that can be presented are those that Christ dwelt upon when teaching his disciples and the multitudes that daily followed him. The common people heard him gladly.

When our ministers seek to present something that is new and strange to the common people, they are not following the custom of Christ. Sometimes the things they endeavor to present they do not themselves understand, and they lead minds away from the path of truth and righteousness. Self, self! When will self die, and when shall we learn what it means to follow in the footsteps of Jesus?

Let us as ministers and teachers study the sermons of Christ, and by prayerful effort learn to comprehend the very spirit of these discourses. They are to be presented so that the common people can understand them. Let us study over and over again the fourteenth to the seventeenth chapters of John. The last sermons of Christ, and his last prayer for his disciples, contain precious instruction, the treasures of which, study as we may, we can never exhaust.

The work to be done in our churches should begin with our leaders. When they humble their souls before God, when they confess their sins and become truly converted, their lives will reveal the transformation within. Selfishness will be emptied from their hearts, self-confidence will die, the disposition to dominate and control will disappear.

"Thus saith the Lord, cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh."

This is a representation of the man who does not humble his heart before the Lord, and give up his will to the will of God. This man has lost his discernment, and can not be trusted. And because he has rejected the warnings of God, he has greatly hindered the work of the Lord. He shall "inhabit the parched places of the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited."

Another class is represented in the next words of the prophet: "Blessed is the man who trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. He shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh; but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit."

The prophet continues: "O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from thee shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken thee, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O Lord; and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

"Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of the Lord? let it come now. As for me, I have not hastened from being a pastor to follow thee; neither have I desired the woeful day; thou knowest; that which came out of my

lips was right before thee. Be not a terror unto me: thou art my hope in the day of evil. Let them be confounded that persecute me, and let me not be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed; bring upon them the days of evil, and destroy them with double destruction."

We need to understand these Old Testament figures and representations. Let us give them earnest consideration. We are slow to realize that these things foretold by the Lord's servants have been fulfilled, and are being fulfilled in our present history.

God has provided divine assistance for all the emergencies to which our human resources are unequal. He gives the Holy Spirit to help in every strait, to strengthen our hope and assurance, to illuminate our minds and purify our hearts. He means that sufficient facilities shall be provided for the working out of his plans. My ministering brethren, I bid you seek counsel from God. Seek him with the whole heart, and "whatsoever he saith unto you, do."

Mrs. E. G. White.

## THE WORK FOR THE SPECIAL NUMBER OF THE SIGNS

The following article appeared in the Workers' Bulletin, published by the Iowa Tract Society, under date of November 26, 1907. It contains so many good suggestions that we thought it best to place it before our readers, believing it would be helpful to them in their work with the Signs:

"Thinking the readers of the Bulletin would be interested in the plan now being so successfully used by the Spencer Church in handling the special number of the Signs, I will give an outline.

"After the usual greeting, I say, 'I am engaged in some missionary work; may I step in and show you what I have to offer? I am selling this paper, and the entire proceeds go to extend the gospel in foreign lands. You will notice the frontispiece illustrates our Lord's great commission to his followers to carry the gospel to every nation, tongue, and people.' Then I show them the paper carefully and prayerfully. Perhaps five minutes are sufficient time for this. After this I ask for a contribution of twenty-five cents toward this good

work, and take out my pass-book to enter the name. And almost invariably I receive the donation together with the best wishes of the donor. My experience is that not more than one in twenty refuses to take the paper when presented in this way. Many hearts and homes may be reached in this way that could not be reached by other methods. The following week another call should be made, and you will find some who will give you a year's subscription.

"This number of the Signs is certainly the best ever offered the public, and we should place a copy in nearly every home in Iowa. In addition to this we should also gather in quite a sum of money for a Week-of-Prayer offering. This will bring good cheer to the foreign mission board, and I am sure it will be an acceptable offering to the Lord.

"It is very helpful to paste a printed slip bearing the words, 'This paper is sold in the interests of foreign missions,' on the upper left-hand corner of the outside page. This will be a constant reminder of the object of your visit.

(Signed) "Jasper Wayne."

Orders for the Missions Number of the Signs, as well as for the Bible Readings Series, will be filled up to January 1, 1908. The publishers can not promise the full series after that date.

### THE IMPENDING CONFLICT

A great crisis awaits the people of God. A crisis awaits the world. The most momentous struggle of all the ages is just before us. Events which for more than forty years we have, upon the authority of the prophetic word, declared to be impending, are now taking place before our eyes. Already the question of an amendment to the Constitution restricting liberty of conscience has been urged upon the legislators of the nation. The question of enforcing Sunday observance has become one of national interest and importance. We well know what the result of this movement will be. But are we ready for the issue? Have we faithfully discharged the duty which God has committed to us, of giving the people warning of the danger before them?

There are many, even of those en-

gaged in this movement for Sunday enforcement, who are blinded to the results which will follow this action. They do not see that they are striking directly against religious liberty. There are many who have never understood the claims of the Bible Sabbath and the false foundation upon which the Sunday institution rests. Any movement in favor of religious legislation is really an act of concession to the papacy, which for so many ages has steadily warred against liberty of conscience. Sunday observance owes its existence as a so-called Christian institution to the "mystery of iniquity;" and its enforcement will be a virtual recognition of the principles which are the very corner-stone of Romanism. When our nation shall so abjure the principles of its government as to enact a Sunday law, Protestantism will in this act join hands with popery; it will be nothing else than giving life to the tyranny which has long been eagerly watching its opportunity to spring again into active despotism.

The National Reform movement, exercising the power of religious legislation, will, when fully developed, manifest the same intolerance and oppression that have prevailed in past ages. Human councils then assumed the prerogatives of Deity, crushing under their despotic power liberty of conscience; and imprisonment, exile, and death followed for those who opposed their dictates. If popery or its principles shall again be legislated into power, the fires of persecution will be rekindled against those who will not sacrifice conscience and the truth in deference to popular errors. This evil is on the point of realization.

When God has given us light showing the dangers before us, how can we stand clear in his sight if we neglect to put forth every effort in our power to bring it before the people? Can we be content to leave them to meet this momentous issue unwarned?

There is a prospect before us of a continued struggle, at the risk of imprisonment, loss of property, and even of life itself, to defend the law of God, which is made void by the laws of men. In this situation worldly policy will urge an outward compliance with the laws of the land, for the sake of peace and harmony. And there are some who will even urge such a course from the scripture, "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. . . . The

powers that be are ordained of God."

But what has been the course of God's servants in ages past? When the disciples preached Christ, and him crucified, after, his resurrection, the authorities commanded them not to speak any more nor teach in the name of Jesus. "But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we can not but speak the things which we have seen and heard." They continued to preach the good news of salvation through Christ; and the power of God witnessed to the message. The sick were healed, and thousands were added to the church. "Then the high priest rose up, and all that were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and were filled with indignation, and laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison."

But the God of heaven, the mighty Ruler of the universe, took this matter into his own hands; for men were warring against his work. He showed them plainly that there is a ruler above man, whose authority must be respected. The Lord sent his angel by night to open the prison doors; and he brought forth these men whom God had commissioned to do his work. The rulers said, "Speak not at all, nor teach in the name of Jesus;" but the heavenly messenger sent by God, said, "Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life."

Those who seek to compel men to observe an institution of the papacy, and trample upon God's authority, are doing a work similar to that of the Jewish leaders in the days of the apostles. When the laws of earthly rulers are brought into opposition to the laws of the Supreme Ruler of the universe, then those who are God's loyal subjects will be true to him.

We as a people have not accomplished the work which God has committed to us. We are not ready for the issue to which the enforcement of the Sunday law will bring us. It is our duty, as we see the signs of approaching peril, to arouse to action. Let none sit in calm expectation of the evil, comforting themselves with the belief that this work must go on because prophecy has foretold it, and that the Lord will shelter his people. We are not doing the will of God if we sit in quietude, doing nothing to preserve liberty of conscience.

Fervent, effectual prayer should be ascending to heaven that this calamity may be deferred until we can accomplish the work which has so long been neglected. Let there be most earnest prayer, and let us work in harmony with our prayers. It may appear that Satan is triumphant, and that truth is overborne with falsehood and error; the people over whom God has spread his shield, and the country which has been an asylum for the conscience-oppressed servants of God and defenders of his truth, may be placed in jeopardy. But God would have us recall his dealings with his people in the past, to save them from their enemies. He has always chosen extremities, when there seemed no possible chance for deliverance from Satan's workings, for the manifestation of his power. Man's necessity is God's opportunity. It may be that a respite may yet be granted for God's people to awake and let their light shine. If the presence of ten righteous persons would have saved the wicked cities of the plain, is it not possible that God will yet, in answer to the prayers of his people, hold in check the workings of those who are making void his law? Shall we not humble our hearts greatly before God, flee to the mercy-seat, and plead with him to reveal his mighty power?—Testimony for the Church, No. 33.

Let us all go preaching. Send polished Paul up to Athens and plain Bartholomew down among the fishing smacks by the sea. Do not look so anxiously into your pockets for your diploma from Yale, or your license from presbytery. If the Lord does not send you into the ministry, no canon of the church can shoot you into it. But if He has put His hand on your head, you are ordained, and your working apron shall be your robe and the anvil your pulpit; and while you are smiting the iron, the hammer of God's truth will break the flinty heart to pieces. Peter never was a sophomore, nor John a freshman. Harlan Page never heard that a tangent to the parabola bisects the angle formed at the point of contact by a perpendicular to the directrix and a line drawn to the focus. If George Muller had attempted experiments in a philosopher's laboratory, he would have soon blown himself up. And hundreds of men,

grandly useful, were never struck on commencement stage by a bouquet flung from the ladies' gallery. Quick! Let us find our work. You preach a sermon; you give a tract; you hand a flower; you sing a song; you give a crutch to a lame man; you knit a pair of socks for a foundling; you pick a splinter from a child's finger. Do something. Do it now. Christ will soon come.—Selected.

### THE MORNING WATCH CALENDAR

In harmony with the recommendation of the Sabbath-school and Young People's Convention held at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, last summer, the General Conference Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department has prepared a calendar adapted for daily morning prayer and Bible study. There is a Bible text for every day in the year, and suggestions for supplementary reading in the spirit of prophecy for those who can do it. There are also recommended subjects for special prayer.

This plan has brought great blessings to our young people wherever carried out. Systematic Bible study and prayer are two of the daily essentials to a successful Christian life. What a power it would bring into the lives of our young people if they would conscientiously devote thirty minutes every day to quiet communion with God! This calendar will help you.

Send to your conference secretary of young people's work for a copy at once, that you may begin on New Year's morning. Price, six cents. Stamps accepted. The directory of all our conference young people's secretaries in the United States was given in the Instructor of December 10.

M. E. Kern,  
Ch. Gen. Conf. M. V. Dept.

### LIFE AND HEALTH FOR DECEMBER

While anyone who likes tobacco will be interested in, and especially benefitted by the December number of Life and Health, those who do not use tobacco will recognize in it a timely message for this time. While it makes clear the fact that the tobacco habit is a strong factor

in Race Degeneracy; that it affects the brain and nervous system of all; cites the evil effects of even the fumes of tobacco upon other members of the family; proves that tobacco poison renders the majority of its victims color-blind; explains the evil effects of tobacco in the schools; shows that the tobacco habit is an inheritance in many cases, it furnishes valuable suggestions based upon personal experiences on the prevention, treatment, and cure of the tobacco habit.

This number of Life and Health should be widely circulated in all communities. It will be appreciated by thousands. The people will purchase it, and will enable the workers to receive a good remuneration for their trouble in bringing it to them. Life and Health workers everywhere are reporting favorably on December sales.

Wholesale price to agents 4 cents; retail, 10 cents a copy.

### WHO SMOKES?

The majority of men, many boys, and some women use tobacco in some form. Do they really sense the injury they receive from this habit? Do you not believe many would quit it if they did? Can men comprehend spiritual things when their minds and bodies are poisoned with the fumes of tobacco? What, then, is our duty toward the great majority of men at this time? Is there any way we can help them? Have you seen the December number of Life and Health? Do you know it contains a compilation of facts about tobacco-using unequalled by any publication now before the public? Do you know that men who use tobacco gladly purchase this number of Life and Health? Do you know that while helping men in their misfortune in acquiring this destructive habit they will pay you more for your service than you can make at any ordinary, or even skilled, labor? Do you not think you would better order 100 copies of the December number of Life and Health and sell them in your community? Who can estimate the possibilities for good in an effort of this kind? Who can conceive of the misery that may multiply on account of neglecting an opportunity of this nature?

Send for whatever number you think you can sell, and ask for a canvass that will tell you all about how to go to work.

Wholesale price, 4 cents; retail, 10 cents a copy.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**

To all who will between now and December 31, 1907, send us 50 cents for the Gleaner, the paper will be sent till December 31, 1908.

To those whose subscriptions expire during November and prior to December 25, 1907, who will send us \$1.00 and the name of one new subscriber, we will renew their subscription to the close of 1908. Send your subscription to C. H. Castle, Box 429, Walla Walla, Wash., and DO IT NOW.

**NOTICE**

Owing to a misunderstanding in some parts of the field in reference to other meetings we have been obliged to change the date of our annual meeting in British Columbia from December 27-31 to January 17-21. We will ask all our brethren to make a careful note of this change. We have also written to the churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers as far as possible.

We have been obliged to change the time of our Annual Meeting to Jan. 17-21, 1908. A meeting of the British Columbia Association of Seventh-day Adventists is called at nine o'clock A. M., Jan. 21, in the Manson Industrial Academy Port Hammond, B. C. for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before it.

The Annual Meeting of the British Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on the school farm, Port Hammond, B. C., Jan. 17-21, for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as is usual at such meetings. The first meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 17, 1908, at 3 o'clock P. M.

E. L. Stewart,  
Pres. B. C. Conf.

**NOTICE.**

All mail for Carl E. Weeks, General Missionary Agent for the North Pacific Union, should be addressed to College Place, Washington.

**WALLA WALLA COLLEGE.**

**A GOOD TIME TO ENTER**

The second semester of school at Walla Walla College begins January 15 and continues to the middle of May 1908. This is a good time for new students to enter, as new classes will be formed in several subjects at that time. If you can not spend the whole year, why not spend a half-year at Walla Walla College. A whole loaf is better than a half, but a half-loaf is better than none at all. Hurry up and get ready to act your part in the closing work. A calendar will be sent on application. Address the undersigned at College Place, Wash.

M. E. Cady,  
President.

**NORTH PACIFIC UNION  
CONFERENCE**

**RECEIPTS FOR NOV. 1907**

Title	\$ 1719 11
Second title	942 70
Annual Offering	1 50
Colored work	643 46
Denial Box	29 31
E. Caribbean School	1 00
Foreign Missions	238 24
First-day Offerings	317 06
Huntsville School	2 40
Harvest Ingathering	33 15
India	12 50
Kingston Relief	4 75
Literature for the Blind	6 10
Mid-Summer Offering	26 30
Nyassaland Mission	3 81
\$150,000 Fund	313 59
S. S. Offering	1314 10
Southern Field	499 90
Spartansburg church	1 00
Thibet	2 50
Gleaner	40 50
Walla-Walla College	2248 00
Interest	214 10
Orphans	50
Passage to India	46 90
Indian Bay Mission	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8662 89</b>

C. H. Castle, Treas.

Let the overseers of the churches encourage the young people to prepare to reach the "Standard of Attainment."

**ITEMS**

We have a very interesting and encouraging report this week from Bonner's Ferry, Idaho.

Elders White and Breed attended the Ministerial Institute at Salem, Oregon, and report a profitable time.

The letter from Montana in this issue of the Gleaner is interesting, and the suggestions made are worthy of consideration by all our people.

A. V. Oliver made a visit to College Place from Portland. We understand Brother Oliver will locate at Wenatchee and take up colporteur work.

Will those having funds to remit to the treasurer of the North Pacific Union Conference please do so by post office money order as far as consistent.

We invite our readers to send to the Gleaner brief reports of the seasons of prayer as experienced in their churches. These experiences will be read with interest. Please act upon the suggestion.

Elder H. W. Decker has been spending some time in the Western Washington Conference in the interest of the Walla Walla College debt, and we understand has met with encouraging results.

Notices of expiration of quite a number of subscriptions have been sent out for December, and we hope to receive prompt renewals so that the paper may not be discontinued.

Last Sabbath was a blessed occasion for the Walla Walla church. Elders Hill and Washburn were present and the Spirit of God was manifested in a marked degree. Thus the week of prayer was begun in a manner to insure a rich blessing from the dear Lord.

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### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the first biennial session of the North Pacific Union Conference will be held at College Place, Wash., January 31 to February 9, 1908. The first meeting of this session will take place at 9:00 A. M., January 31. All accredited delegates are requested to be present, if possible, at the first meeting.

W. B. White,  
President.

### OBITUARY

**COFFIN.**—Many of the older Seventh-day Adventists will recollect Sister Coffin, who for many years lived in Union, Ore., and almost alone in the faith. She had been an invalid for years, and Sabbath, November 23, at Elgin, Ore., the Lord called her to lie down and sleep until he should call her again.

Her husband, who had been blind and an invalid for many years, preceded her to the grave less than two years ago.

Sister Sarah Frances Coffin was born in Kentucky, August 27, 1840. She united with the Dunkards in early life, and nearly twenty years ago accepted the third angel's message.

Elder Hixson, M. E. minister, preached her funeral sermon, November 25, and she was buried in the Elgin Cemetery.

She rests from her works, and, we believe, sleeps in Jesus.

S. H. Carnahan.

### A CORRECTION

In the report of Sister Posey in the last issue of the Gleaner, an error was made in the amount of money received. Instead of \$560.00 it should read \$56.00. Of course every one will realize that it was an oversight that this error was made.

## WESTERN WASHINGTON

RECEIPTS FOR NOV. 1907

TITHES	
Bellingham	\$ 90 55
Connie	59 45
Cedar Home	19 25
Centralia	6 64
Everett	65 93
Green Lake	28 29
Kent	98 20
Mt. Vernon	138 33
Meadow Glade	157 39
Montesano	10 30
Mossy Rock	
Personal	5 65
Pearson	5 50
Puyallup	56 68
Seattle	528 58
Sara	8 96
Snohomish	4 87
Tacoma	158 49
Vancouver	223 84
Total	\$ 1669 90

### CONFERENCE AND TRUST FUNDS

Annual Offerings	2 50
Colored Work (Oct. 5, Col.)	53 12
India Mountain Mission	5 00
Second Tithe	1 14
Meadow Glade School Bldg.	58 00
Sinking Fund	25 04
Tent and Camp-meeting Fund	2 00
Teachers' Salary Fund	142 17
Self Denial	2 82
Passage to India	31 00
S.S. Offerings	2 30
Weekly Offerings	19 16
Mission Board	46 54
\$150,000 Fund	140 30
Total	\$ 531 09

C. E. Knight, Treas.

## MONTANA CONFERENCE

RECEIPTS FOR NOV. 1907

TITHES	
Butte	\$ 5 45
Bozeman	139 49
Darby	57 50
Great Falls	59 89
Hamilton	44 00
Isolated	40 50
Kalispel	47 17
Missoula	134 00
Rockvale	4 00
Rollins	60
Red Lodge	1 00

Twin Bridges	1 25
Total	\$ 534 85

### GENERAL FUNDS

First-day Offerings	\$ 40
Harvest Ingathering	17 36
\$150,000 Fund	14 60
Kingston Relief	1 45
Spartansburg Church	1 00
Atlanta College Bldg.	1 00
Southern Work	7 49
S. S. Donations	85

Total	\$ 44 15
Grand total	\$ 579 00

A. E. Everett, Treas.

## WESTERN WASHINGTON

### ITEMS

Let all profits from the sale of the Mission number of the Signs be reported to the State Secretary of the Young People's Work.

Let all our young people who have not done so send their names to S. Lela Hoover, Secretary of the Young People's Work, for enrollment in the Missionary Reading Course.

Let all who have studied the first book of the Reading Course, "Early Writings," but have not received their view questions, write to S. Lela Hoover for them at once.

All Missionary Volunteers will do well to study the Missions number of the Signs for the condensed missionary information it contains. Its biographical sketches are worth the price.

Diligent study of the Sabbath-school Lessons, and of the "Great Second Advent Movement," will prepare our young people to reach the Standard of Attainment in March. The Bible Readings now appearing in the Signs, and "Our Truth" number of the Instructor will also be excellent help. This number, dated December 3, is now out. Will not all our young people take hold of its circulation?