

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

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THE DIVINE PLAN

1. How are we to honor God?

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase." Prov. 3:9.

2. What blessings follow in thus honoring God?

"So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3:10.

3. What is the result of withholding from God and man?

"He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly." 2 Cor. 9:6.

4. What is the greatest offering with which we should honor God?

"I beseech you therefore, brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Rom. 12:1.

5. How much of our income have we reason to believe it would be pleasing to God that we should devote to the support of His ministers?

"And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord. And concerning the tithe of the herd or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." Lev. 23:30,32.

6. What is the first recorded instance of tithe-paying?

"And Melchizedek king of Salem, brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God. And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all." Gen. 14:18-20.

7. To what priest did Abraham pay tithe?

"For, this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him; to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace." Heb. 7:1, 2.

8. After what order is our Saviour's priesthood?

"As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec." Heb. 5:6, 10.

9. Whose children are Christians said to be?

"Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. . . And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Gal. 3:7, 29.

10. How does Jesus say we will do, if we are truly Abraham's children?

"They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham." John 8:39.

11. Then if Melchisedec represented Christ, and Abraham represented Christians, should we not follow Abraham's example, and pay a tithe of our increase to Christ, as he did to Melchisedec?

12. Has God ordained that ministers of the gospel should live of the gospel, the same as the priests did anciently of the tabernacle?

"Do ye not know that they which

minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." 1 Cor. 9:13, 14.

13. Did the Saviour indorse the paying of tithes?

"Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: This ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." Matt. 23:23.

14. The 3rd chapter of Malachi, the 2nd verse, asks the question, "Who may abide the day of His coming?" Then it shows in the verse following how God's people who will be able to abide the day of His coming shall be refined and purified, and after telling how we shall be tested the question is asked, in the 8th verse, "Will a man rob God?" and the Lord continues by saying, "Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee?" and God answers, "In tithes and offerings." He then tells us how we can receive the greatest blessings heaven has in store for us. Surely if God's people realized what they were doing they would hesitate a long time before they would rob God.

The following questions are answered by the Spirit of Prophecy:

15. What is one of the greatest hindrances to the advancement of this message?

"If the presence of Achan was sufficient to weaken the whole camp of Israel, can we be surprised at the lit-

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the success which attends our efforts when every church and almost every family has its Achan? The work might have gone forward with far greater power had all done what they could do to supply the treasury with means." Vol. 5, page 157.

16. What experience is permitted to come to some?

"I call upon our brethren to cease their robbery of God. . . . The Lord sometimes opens the eyes blinded by selfishness by simply reducing their income to the amount they are willing to give. In many cases God tests men with blessings, and if unfaithfulness is manifested in rendering to Him tithes and offerings, His blessing is withdrawn." Vol. 4, page 484.

17. How much is involved in disregarding the instruction of God in regard to tithes and offerings?

"The man who will rob God is cultivating traits of character that will cut him off from admittance into the family of God above." Vol. 6, page 391.

18. What is said in regard to the sacredness of the tithe?

"God gives man nine-tenths while He claims one-tenth for sacred purposes, as He has given man six days for his own work, and has reserved and set apart the seventh day to Himself. For, like the Sabbath, a tenth of the income is sacred; God has reserved it for Himself." Vol. 3, page 325.

19. Are we left without instruction as to where the tithes are to be paid?

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house." Mal. 3:10.

"If all the tithes of our people flowed into the treasury of the Lord as they should, such blessings would

be received that gifts and offerings for sacred purposes would be multiplied ten fold, and thus the channel between God and man will be kept open." Vol. 4, page 474.

20. For what purpose is it set apart?

"The tithe is to be used for one purpose—to sustain the ministers whom the Lord has appointed to do His work. It is to be used to support those who speak the words of life to the people and carry the burden of the flock of God."

21. What is said concerning using the tithes for other purposes than the support of the ministry?

"A very plain, definite message has been given to me to give to our people. I am bidden to tell them they are making a mistake in applying the tithes to various objects, which though good in themselves, are not the object to which the Lord has said the tithe should be applied. Those who make this use of the tithe are departing from God's arrangements."

22. If we fully believe the promises, may we not expect greater prosperity in the faithful discharge of duty in these matters, than in withholding from God?

Morris Lukens.

A CHALLENGE TO SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

The war in the political world is ended for the present. But another war of equal proportions and of far greater significance, perhaps, to Seventh-day Adventists is the war in the churches. This is a civil war of the first magnitude. The very citadels of Christianity, such as the Diety of Christ, the Virgin Birth, the Atonement, the Second Coming, are being assailed by leaders within the church. We are witnessing in the most clear-cut manner the fulfillment of the second angel's message—"Babylon is fallen."

To the average orthodox Christian such a state of affairs is a cause simply for sorrow and helpless regret, but to a Seventh-day Adventist this condition in the churches comes as a challenge, a challenge to proclaim the command of that other angel of the 18th chapter of Revelation: "Come out of her my people."

If you would have a part in proclaiming this command you must lay

definite plans for distributing more literature than ever before, because the spirit of prophecy has plainly told us that "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel."

You can find no more effective piece of literature than the "Signs of the Times." All of its main features for 1925 have been planned in the light of this great religious controversy. In a constructive, persuasive, and yet clear-cut way, it repeats to the reader week by week the command: "Come out of her my people." That is why you should use the "Signs of the Times" more widely during 1925 than ever before.

Now is the time to renew and enlarge your club, because the General Conference has set apart a period in January and February for the definite work of increasing the circulation of the "Signs."

Walla Walla College

NEWS NOTES

We have come to the end of another cycle of time. Three hundred sixty-five days crowded with cares, fears, and vague hopes, and of what value has it been to us? We are beginning a new year after a welcome and needed rest in the form of Christmas vacation. It is only necessary to scan the faces of the students as they return from their respective homes to determine the degree of happiness which they have enjoyed while meeting the home folks once more after three months of work and study. As for those who did not have the opportunity to return to their homes and be with their loved ones during the Christmas vacation, they were compensated in a small way by the hospitality of friends in the home and village. Many of the students spent several pleasant evenings in gatherings at village homes where interesting games were played and refreshments served. I wonder if the students who had the privilege of going home, while sitting around the fireside, ever thought of those who were not so fortunate and wished that they might

share a little of the happiness that was their lot with those who remained. I also wonder if they ever had a longing in the duller hours of their vacation to meet with the home students at dear old Walla Walla College. Judging by the happy smiles and eager faces of those returning it was not an unpleasant prospect to again resume the duties imposed upon a student.

That Walla Walla College has endeared itself in the hearts of its alumni and also others of its students is evident by the return of many former students and alumni. Among those visiting their alma mater during the vacation period were Mae Macklin, Glen Ray, Strauss Cubley and wife, and John Christian, faculty members of the Laurelwood Academy; Evelyn Knoll and Sylvia Lewis, Yakima Valley Academy faculty members; Wallace Lusk, from Gem State Academy; Harry Lodge from Columbia Academy; and Roy Walker, from Gaston, Oregon.

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PROGRESS OF 1924

1924 has passed. We of the Montana conference face the future with courage and hope. While we are not satisfied with what 1924 has brought to us, yet we feel glad to say that some progress has been made.

While it is too early to give the exact figures, yet a goodly number of souls have accepted the truth and been baptized. It is evident that the tithe for the year will exceed the tithe for 1923. The mission offerings will be about the same. The conference and school debt has been reduced a few thousand dollars. Mt. Ellis Academy is operating successfully. We have much indeed for which to praise the Lord.

Added to our "Out of Debt Club" campaign this year will be the sale of the relief books, "Christ's Object Lessons" and "Ministry of Healing." By continuing the "Out of Debt Club" campaign and cooperating in the sale of these relief books, several thousand dollars should be added this year to the out of debt fund,

and great blessings come to all of us. Every one should have a part in this campaign, and with every one having a part, we can conquer the debt.

The out of debt pledges reported to date are,\$6785.00
H. A. Green 100.00
Mrs. G. W. Miller 25.00
J. A. Bischofberger 25.00
Mrs. J. W. Bacher (cash) .. 10.00
A Sister 5.00
Total\$6950.00

B. M. Grandy.

MT. ELLIS NEWS NOTES

We have been very busy lately with the close of the second school period and preparation for the holiday vacation. On the evening of Dec. 20 we enjoyed a musical frolic in the dining room. Every one came dressed to represent some well-known secular song, and the first half hour was spent in guessing the songs represented. The program, which was entirely musical, was interspersed with short periods of singing conversation.

Monday evening, Dec. 22, all the dormitory students gathered in the girls' parlor and spent an informal evening together. The next afternoon, nearly all the students left for their homes to spend the holiday season.

We are glad to say that just three days before the New Year our M. V. Society reached its goal—100% reporting membership. We are very thankful for this and are desirous of keeping the same standard during the remaining months of school.

We have a number who have completed the Bible Year and who are planning to start again for 1925.

Yours for a successful 1925.

Ethel Kropp.

BOZEMAN AND LIVINGSTON

The work is onward in this part of Montana, as the old year closes. I have spent over two months laboring in Bozeman and Livingston, dividing the time between the two places and am glad to report success—a harvest of souls in both places. When a call was made a week ago at Livingston six responded and were baptized into Christ, thus putting on Christ. Returning to Bozeman a similar call was made, to

which fifteen responded, all of which were buried with Christ except one who was taken ill very suddenly, but will be baptized later.

As this is my last report for 1924, I wish to tell the readers of the GLEANER that the dear Lord has richly blessed my efforts this year, or ten months, for I spent two months on my vacation in California. I have fixed my goal for fifty souls, led to Christ, the last two years and the Lord has given me that number with two additional, thus making one hundred two, for which I praise Him, and take new courage.

"Others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be;
O let me live for others,
That I may live for Thee."

William M. Cubley.

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NEWS NOTES

Bro. J. W. Waggoner and wife with their little one spent last week-end with Sister Waggoners' parents at Centralia. Bro. Waggoner is Field Missionary Secretary of the British Columbia Conference.

Elder Ogden met with the Centralia church Sabbath, Dec. 27. From there he went to Sutherlin, Ore., to attend a council meeting with the brethren regarding their academy.

Sister Sype, Brother and Sister Shafer and others were greatly blessed in their Harvest Ingathering efforts during Christmas week.

Brother E. T. Cornell was a pleasant caller at the conference office Friday bringing in \$150.00 Harvest Ingathering money. Brother Cornell is one of the "faithfuls" in this work.

PAXTON-KEFFORD

Mahlon D. Paxton of Auburn, and Lula Kefford of Port Angeles, were united in marriage at the Adventist church at Port Angeles, Wednesday evening, Dec. 24. Following the ceremony, a social gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed the evening.

A. R. Ogden.

\$17,000 GOAL

Dear Brethren and Sisters of Western Washington:

I am writing just a line to let you know that from the present outlook our \$17,000 for missions is sure.

This is indeed very pleasing I know, to our heavenly Father, and to the Mission Stations, and I feel that a word of commendation for the hearty cooperation received from you is due.

I have appreciated the faithful work of the brethren and sisters of Western Washington, and as the campaign closes, I believe it is the most successful campaign we have ever conducted.

More people have taken part in the Harvest Ingathering this year than ever before.

We have made a clean riddance of all papers,—no papers lying around in the churches that I know of.

We have many people interested as a result of the Harvest Ingathering, and we are sending literature to a long list of names.

We can surely praise the Lord for the \$17,000 now in the treasury. The Lord is good, and as we now turn our attention to other activities, it is with sincere thanks to our heavenly Father, who hears and answers prayer, and to our dear people, who have so nobly come up to the help of the Lord at this time. May the Lord bless you all.

I would write you each a personal letter, only time will not permit, so please take this letter as a personal one to every believer in Western Washington.

Mrs. Minnie Sype.

JAPANESE WORK IN SEATTLE

Eld. B. P. Hoffman and the writer recently conducted a four weeks' series of meetings in a hall in Seattle for the Japanese people. The attendance was small, but several are interested in the truth. We greatly appreciate the help rendered by the brethren and sisters of the North Seattle and Central churches, both in the music and the distribution of advertising matter. I am now holding Sunday night meetings at my home for the benefit of the interested ones.

I. Nomura.

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ROYAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

We received many blessings during the Week of Prayer. There was an earnest seeking after God, and a desire to get right, not only with God, but also with each other. The lesson on home religion made a deep impression on each one present, and each one responded with a desire to make the religion in the homes just what God would have it be.

In our church school we have thirty-one pupils enrolled, with Professor C. A. Campbell as teacher and his wife as assistant. They carried on the spiritual work during the Week of Prayer as faithfully as their school work. Fifteen of our pupils arose to their feet responding to the call. We could surely say Amen when Elder Patterson exclaimed "Thank God for our church schools."

Dear people, there is satisfaction in the sacrifice made by faithful teachers and parents in keeping our boys and girls in church schools. Let us press forward in the year 1925 and work unitedly for the upbuilding of God's cause, watching for the little sins which so easily beset us, that we may not make the mistakes the coming year that we made in the past.

"Be ye perfect even as your father in heaven is perfect."

Let this be the goal for every honest soul.

Yours in the blessed hope.

J. D. Grimes.

MARRIED

A surprise was in store for all concerned when on the evening of December 20, Miss Audrey Christie and Harold Hyland motored from Grants Pass to Medford in search of their former schoolmates of Sutherlin Academy, Miss Stella Peffley and Miss Zola Pierce. The four soon found the home of the minister, where Harold Hyland and Audrey Christie were united in marriage.

The young people plan to make their home at Grants Pass where

Brother Hyland is in business. We wish this couple the blessings of a Christian home.

T. L. Thuemler.

SUTHERLIN ACADEMY

DON'T OVERLOOK JANUARY 27

If ever there was a period in the advent movement when we had cause to urge the redeeming of the time, it is now. A quick work will have to be done for our boys and girls if they are to receive a rapid training for service in the field. Events are crowding one another with such bewildering speed that no one can foretell how soon our work may be hedged about with difficulties. Don't delay in the matter of securing an education. Every hour is precious. Another opportunity is offered you on January 27 to register for work at Sutherlin Academy for the second semester.

New subjects such as Civics, General Science, and American Literature are beginning at this time. Besides these we have printing, sewing, woodworking and typing for you to choose a vocational half credit. Reading, spelling, penmanship, and sight singing are among the drills. Piano and voice lessons can be begun at any time. For diversion we have the chorus, Modern School of Prophets, and general activities.

If you were unable to get to school on time last September, why not take this opportunity of putting in three school periods of good hard work at Sutherlin Academy before summer comes! Write to Professor C. H. Castle.

H. Tippett.

NEWS NOTES

The Academy Board has been in session the past week. The board members were pressed into service for chapel talks.

All the dormitory students except two departed for home during Christmas vacation. We are glad all have safely returned and are settling into the regular routine.

Mr. Rittenhouse, Miss Boyer, Miss Gibson, and Miss Hallock went to Portland for the holidays. Miss

Bauer visited with her parents at College Place.

We were delighted with the concert program given in the chapel by Mr. William Jensen on the evening of December 22.

All will be interested in the plans for the continuance of the Academy in its new location at Sutherlin for next year. The committee on plans appointed by the recent church officers' convention, has recently been in session, and a definite outline for a strong twelve-grade school will be forthcoming later. The spirit of earnestness and determination to line up with the Lord's program in education was indeed refreshing.

An enjoyable social evening was spent by faculty members and village students in the commercial room Christmas eve. After distribution of small gift tokens from the ornamented tree to each one present, we gathered around the big fire place and ate home made ice cream. An over supply of milk from our dairy and an abundance of crusted snow made our refreshment possible.

The Scribe.

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NEWS NOTES

Elder Jacob Riffel was an office caller New Year's day. He is on a visiting tour to the isolated brethren.

Elder R. H. Martin, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was a visitor Wednesday.

A new book by Robert Bruce Thurber entitled "Mr. Ingle Comes Through" is worth your time to read. It is a fascinating story of a young man's struggle to break away from enslaving habit. The book has twelve chapters. Price is only 25 cents. Order now.

Bro. R. R. Thrasher has been confined to his bed this week with pneumonia. He is very much better now and we hope he will be back in the office by Monday.

Remember the Workers and Elders' meeting to be held at Milton, Oregon, Jan. 15 to 17 inclusive. It

is hoped that all will plan to be there as important matters will come up for consideration. A spiritual revival is looked for that will prove a benefit for the entire year. The auditing committee will meet after the meeting adjourns.

Miss Lily Tabor is enjoying the holiday vacation in the home town. She reports a good work at Columbia Academy where she is teaching this year.

Bro. F. E. Stratton stopped at the office Thursday. He was on his way to Priest River to attend the dedication services.

Bro. J. Leer, of Dalton, Idaho, was transacting business at the office Friday.

A. J. H.

UPPER COLUMBIA HARVEST GATHERING HONOR ROLL

The following is a partial list of those who raised \$50.00 or more during the 1924 campaign. The highest amount goes over a thousand dollars and the lowest is fifty dollars. One sister reached over a thousand dollars, another over seven hundred and several workers reached over a hundred.

Mrs. R. H. Smithwick.
Mrs. Chas. Lee.
Elder C. F. Cole.
Elder F. Stratton.
Prof. W. I. Smith.
F. W. Peterson.
Dick Bergin.
Elder J. Riffel.
R. R. Thrasher.
Elder R. H. Martin.
Elder W. B. Marsh.
Elder Byron Meeker.
Elder J. A. Rippey.
Elder Morris Lukens.
Sister C. A. Hansen.
Sister Grandy.
Fred Guderian.
Sister Olcott.

ATTENTION, YOUNG AND OLD!

All those who have finished reading the Bible during the year 1924 are urged to send in their name at once to the conference office and a Bible Year Certificate will be mailed to you. So far only a dozen or so have reported having finished reading the Good Book this year. Your response to this request must be very prompt in order to have these certificates apply on our 1924 goal.

A. E. Green.

Yakima Valley Academy

NEWS NOTES

Christmas vacation is once more a thing of the past. Once more the students must take up the duties and realize the stern realities of school life. Our vacation, though not as long as allowed our sister academies, was thoroughly enjoyed by all, so it seems. One thing that aided in whiling the time away, was an artificial skating pond in the center of the village. Many of the students spent a good share of their spare moments there.

On Monday morning when school was resumed, only a few vacant seats were visible in the chapel.

Verna Wiggins, a graduate of last year, who is attending Walla Walla College, is spending vacation at home here, with her parents. Miss Grace Anderson is also at home during her vacation visiting with her parents and friends. Grace is a student of Walla Walla College again this year.

Those who attended the parties given at the home of Brother Wiggins and Brother Weimer on Thursday and Saturday evenings, reported very enjoyable evenings.

The election of officers of the Missionary Volunteer Society was held last week. Miss Mable Daugherty was chosen as leader with Fern Goff as secretary. We are all looking forward to some interesting programs for Sabbath afternoons.

Now is a good time to make New Year's resolutions. Many of them were made at the Academy. Even the faculty are said to have made some which the students are expected not to break.

The chinook has come and the snow is going! Also the skating. We are sorry to lose the ice but are glad to have the cold spell broken.

William Wagner is confined to his bed with a touch of the flu. We miss his smiling face in our midst. Geneva Strong has not returned from her home since Christmas. She writes she is sick with that same flu that is going around. We are sorry, and hope she will soon return.

"WHO WILL JOIN THE BOOK-MAN'S ARMY?"

"God calls the canvassers back to their work. . . . He calls for volunteers." Test., Vol. 6, p. 332, par. 2.

As good soldiers of Jesus Christ, let us be ready to respond to the call of the Master to us personally. "Lord what wilt Thou have me to do?" This is the question asked by every loyal heart. "Men will be called from the plow and from the more common commercial business vocations. . . . They will proclaim the truth with power." Vol. 9, p. 96, par. 3. Are you willing to be used? Will you pray that the Lord will show you your duty with reference to the colporteur work? There is every reason to believe that the colporteur ranks will be filled if all who should will respond.

This is the recruiting season. Jan. 26 to Feb. 3 the recruits are called for training at Yakima.

Elder Conway, our Union Field Missionary Secretary will be with us to give valuable help in the art of Christian salesmanship.

We feel sure that God has a great blessing for us at this institute, and hope that all who are called of God to this work will be in attendance. There is no time to lose, so if you are serious about entering the colporteur work, please write to me very soon, and I will give you more information about the institute, and of plans for the spread of the message through the printed page.

Byron A. Meeker.
Field Miss. Secy.

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NEWS NOTES

As these notes are sent off we are all conscious of feeling quite humble and even ignorant. Why? Oh, because the teachers are in our midst, holding institute.

Visitors at the conference office this week included Elders Hilgert and Thorp.

During the holiday season Prof. Everson is enjoying a rest before entering upon his second series of lec-

tures. Prof. Rine has been filling the appointments at the Tabernacle. Prof. D. E. Venden has also been relieving Wm. Jensen of the leadership of the music for the same period.

Sabbath, December 20, Elder Norwood and Miss Starbuck met with the Newberg church, holding a morning and afternoon session in the interests of the Sabbath school work. Although it was cold and snowy, yet the church members responded with an encouraging attendance.

Our President has spent several days the past week visiting workers and churches in the interest of conference work and to give counsel regarding their plans for the coming year. He has been to McMinnville, Gaston, Forest Grove, Hopewell, and Newberg.

Appointments for January 3: Camas, Clyde Lowry; Central, Elder Cottrell; Hillsboro, Elder Kilgore; Meadow Glade, Miss Starbuck; Tabernacle, F. B. Jensen; Vancouver, Elder B. P. Hoffman; Gaston, Elder A. R. Bell.

Mr. Virgil Dickson has arrived this week to take up the office of field secretary left vacant by the resignation of Brother R. E. Keller. We welcome Brother Dickson to our office family; and at the same time we know that we shall miss Brother Keller's smiling face and ready helpfulness. We truly feel that Brother Dickson inherits a worthy tradition in the colporteur work from Brother Keller.

Miss Starbuck spent the Thirteenth Sabbath with the Dallas church. Although the ice storm was so severe that it was dangerous to walk or drive a car, yet a very creditable attendance was enjoyed. The thirteenth Sabbath offering was exceptionally good for the number who were present.

Do not forget the Church Officers' Institute. Where? Central church. When? Thursday evening, January 8 to Sunday evening, January 11.
Conference Office.

PUGET ISLAND

The Week of Prayer meetings were well attended on the Island. The readings were timely, and we had a real spiritual feast at every meeting. We held two meetings for those not of our faith, which were well attended considering the stormy weather.

The church have been rewarded for their faithful labor, by two new Sabbath keepers, and others are interested.

The meetings closed with a good liberal offering to missions.

John Peterson.

WEEK OF PRAYER AT MEADOW GLADE

"Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray, when prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of 'Omnipotence'?"—Mrs. E. G. White.

During the week when God's people everywhere were storming, as it were, the great storehouse in heaven, God remembered his people at Meadow Glade and especially the students and faculty of the Academy.

We were indeed fortunate to have such consecrated men as Elders Lukens and McConaughy to meet with us. Elder McConaughy took charge of the services until Wednesday when Elder Lukens arrived.

During the entire week, recitations were shortened and the time was spent in real heart searching. At ten o'clock each morning, the prayer bands met. We feel sure that the Lord answered the prayers that ascended from different rooms because he blessed in the meetings that followed and holy angels delighted in lingering near.

In the evening the entire church met together with the students, when we enjoyed again a feast of heavenly treasures. Many hearts were stirred and heeded the pleadings of the Holy Spirit. On Sabbath, December 13, when a call was made for those who wished to reconsecrate their lives, almost the entire church arose. With such a whole-hearted consecration, surely progress will be made toward the kingdom during the coming year.

D. E. Venden.

"If the plan of systematic benevolence were adopted by every individual, and fully carried out, there would be a constant supply in the treasury. The income would flow in like a steady stream constantly supplied by overflowing springs of benevolence. Almsgiving is a part of gospel religion."

OBITUARIES

Carman.—Ema Viola Carman was born in Neb., Oct. 16, 1877, and passed away at Portland, Oregon, Dec. 11, 1924. One brother and one sister survive her. Funeral services were conducted by the undersigned. **H. W. Cottrell.**

Gildersleeve.—Hattie Ella May Gildersleeve was born near Cottage Grove, Oregon, June 8, 1917; and was drowned Nov. 22, 1924 at Channel Island, near the mouth of Gardner Canal, British Columbia. Her father, mother, three brothers, two sisters and other relatives are left to mourn. We laid her to rest on Channel Island to await the resurrection. **C. E. Babcock.**

Larson.—Mrs. Caroline Larson was born April 29, 1852 in Sweden; and passed away at Tillamook, Ore., Dec. 2, 1924. She leaves to mourn a husband and five children. All were at her bedside when she passed away. Her dying hope was to meet them all on the sea of glass. May God grant this mother's request. She truly sleeps in Jesus. **N. C. Ertson.**

Houck.—Mrs. Minnie Jane Houck, was born in Iowa, Feb. 11, 1881; and died near Samuels, Idaho, December 1, 1924. She was baptized and united with the Adventist church Nov. 3, 1923. She lived a consistent Christian life, and was loved by her neighbors and friends. Funeral services were conducted by Eld. G. F. Watson, assisted by the writer. Text, Luke 8:52. She leaves a husband and two little boys to mourn their loss. **A. D. West.**

Hoffman.—Virginia Ruth Hoffman, daughter of Brother and Sister Marvin Hoffman, was born April 7, 1918 at Newberg, Oregon, and died at her home at Laurelwood December 5, 1924 of a lingering illness of two and one half months. All was done for her that medical skill could do. She was taken first to the Portland Sanitarium and then to a specialist. Her case was then taken to the Great Physician. In His love and wisdom He did not see fit to heal her. She was laid away to rest in the Laurelwood cemetery. Services were conducted by the writer, assisted by E. M. Oberg and R. R. Rees.

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WESTERN OREGON CONFERENCE, WEEK ENDING DEC. 13, 1924.

Name	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Helps	Total Val.
S. F. Hance	P.G.	53	29		208.75
L. G. Larsen	P.G.	18	4	1.00	29.00
C. J. Purvis	H.P.	38	12	6.75	89.25
Fred Swederofsky	O.D.	26	9	4.85	41.35
M. A. Turner	H.W.		17		15.00
Margaret McNeer	H.W.		15		26.75
Mrs. M. Austermuhl	H.W.		9		10.25
Mrs. H. Pulver	H.W.		10		28.75
Miscellaneous	H.W.		19		26.75
Totals		135	124	12.60	475.85

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THE TRAINING SCHOOL

May I take space enough in the GLEANER to pass on a word from one of the veteran mission field workers who tells how the eyes of our missionaries are turned toward the schools in the homeland?

You know the words of one of our songs:

"Let us work for the school with our hearts and our hands;

Let it never, no never, decline:
For its praises are sung by the good in all lands

That are blest with the gospel divine."

The message I quote comes from South America, but the missionaries in every land would echo the words.

At the opening meeting of the Autumn Council in Des Moines, the representatives of the great mission divisions spoke a few words of greeting. Bro. W. H. Williams, the veteran secretary-treasurer and general promoter of all the interests in the great South American field said this:

"I want to also express our thanks to the constituency here in the homeland for the young men and young women which you are sending to the South American fields. From one training school alone we have over forty workers, and they are doing splendid work for us. It is largely your training schools which are building up our fields—the Southern Continent of Opportunity."

This shows how in the far lands workers are depending upon our school and sanitarium training centers for the recruits that must come to strengthen the ever-advancing lines. One of the biggest things we can do at the home base is to keep these training centers strong.

Ask any men in the front of the battle line what the most important thing is for the people at home to do, and who does not know that they would reply: "Keep the concentra-

tion barracks full of recruits under training and hasten them forward with the arms and ammunition for the battle front." The fields rejoice as they look toward the young men and women of the North Pacific Union who are in the schools under preparation for service.

How we thank God for what Walla Walla has done through the years for the mission lands! May the supply keep flowing in from church school and academy for the college to equip for life's service in these times that call for every ounce of strength to be thrown into Christ's side of the great controversy over the souls of men.

So on every occasion let us lead the rallying chorus of that song of ours:

"Rally then, rally then, stand by the school."

W. A. Spicer.

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A CIRCULATING LIBRARY: DO WE NEED ONE?

Nearly everyone knows what a circulating library is—a library of books that can be sent out to people not in the immediate vicinity.

First, do we need such a library in our conference? You like to read, and so do I. You may have more money than I and be able to buy all you want to read, but it is different with me. I have to count my pennies in order to make ends meet and am not able to buy all the books I would like. They are too expensive.

Our people are not all rich. Many have to face close circumstances but would be glad to have the opportunity to read our good books. If we start a circulating library in our conference so that everyone who wishes may have this opportunity, would you be willing to donate one book, or the price of one book, toward it? What do you think of the idea?

Already we have sixteen books toward the library. They are as follows:

Our Day, In the Land of the Incas, Ministry of the Spirit, With our Missionaries in China, Hills o' Ca'liny, the Moffats, In Starland, Patriarchs and Prophets, Great Second Advent Movement, Escape from Siberian Exile, Steps to Christ, Making Home Happy, The Men of the Mountains, Bible Nature Series, No. 2, Boys Second Book of Inventions, and Elements of Botany.

The plan is this: if you want a book that we have in the library, drop us a card. We will send this to you, paying the postage. After two weeks, you return the book, paying the postage one way. A charge of two cents a day is made for each day a book is kept after it is due in the office. Renewal may be made for two weeks.

Do you have any current or old reading course books, Sister White's writings (testimonies, etc.), nature books, histories, etc., that you would like to donate to such a good enterprise? Go look in your bookcase and see what you have, take them down, wrap them up, and send them to us on the next mail. We thank you.

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REPORTING MEMBERSHIP

For the Month of October and November, 1924.

Church	Memb.	Number Reporting	
		Oct.	Nov.
Baker	32	14	22
Blackfoot	13
Boise	173	60	58
Buhl	19	11	..
Burley	14	7	8
Caldwell	169	13	..
Cambridge	54	..	4
Camb. High	19	16	4
Eden	28	15	13
La Grande	18	8	9
Midvale	15	2	3
Nampa	25	..	13
Parma	46	..	7
Pocatello	22	7	3
Salmon	15
Sunny Slope	11	5	4
Twin Falls	26	16	22
Wallowa Co.	25	9	6

18 churches reporting in the two months.

Did you hand your individual report blank, filled out; to your missionary secretary? You can make this report look much better next month if you will do your part.

J. G. Hanhardt.