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"Trust ye in the Lord for ever; for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." Isa. 26:4.

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An Important Ministry

I am convinced that our literature ministry is intended to be one of the outstanding features for giving the last warning message to the world. One of the most remarkable developments in connection with this movement is the establishment of our publishing houses and the creation of the excellent literature that we have in our books, magazines, papers, and pamphlets. There are three outstanding features in this great literature ministry. They are: the authors, who prepare these publications; the publishing houses, who carry the manufacturing responsibility; and our entire membership having the responsibility of distributing this literature. The fullest cooperation is required between these three features of the publishing work in order to keep it strong and to accomplish what is required and intended. We cannot afford to fail in any one feature of this work. Every part must be kept strong.

We have again come to the time of our *Signs of the Times* campaign. The *Signs* is our pioneer missionary paper. It should be used by our people everywhere. Every issue contains vital mes-

sages of truth. The editors are doing their utmost to see that proper articles are supplied week by week. In every way the *Signs* is made effective and strong, for it comes to us in nice appearance, and it is made more easy for us to use this excellent paper as a means of placing the truth in the hands of our neighbors and friends.

At this time we are seeking greatly to strengthen our literature work. This we hope to accomplish in the use of the *Signs*. All will admit that the *Signs* is coming to us of late greatly improved in many ways. We want to make every effort to give this paper a wider circulation.

We are hoping to have the fullest cooperation of our people in every church in an endeavor to make a stronger use of the *Signs* than we have ever done before. We appeal to all classes of workers in our institutions and conferences, and to our entire church membership. We ask you to join us in bringing about a decided revival in the use of our excellent literature, and particularly in the use of the *Signs of the Times*.

E. K. SLADE.

The "Signs" Stands Without a Peer

According to reports presented by the statistical secretary of the General Conference at the Autumn Council of 1937, there are in North America 161,271 Seventh-day Adventists, and throughout the world 438,139. These believers are not scattered over North America and over the world by chance, because the Lord has planned that "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations" before the end comes.

We are definitely told that "the Lord has His eye upon everyone of His people; He has His plans concerning each," and "the Lord now calls upon Seventh-day Adventists in every locality to consecrate themselves to Him and to do their best, according to their circumstances, to assist in His work."

What is the work in which God requires the assistance of every Seventh-

day Adventist? "The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God," and "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." *"Colporteur Evangelist,"* p. 80.

Literature is one of the most wonderful agencies of God for extending the message of a soon coming Saviour into all the world. Marvelous are the results of transforming power of the gospel message in printed form. Thousands of people now rejoicing as members of God's remnant people owe their acquaintance with the great fundamental truths of the Bible to their reading of our periodicals such as the *Signs of the Times*.

The blessed ministry and influence of this pioneer missionary periodical will never be known in this life, but in

the kingdom to come, there will be a host of people who, because of their receipt and reading of this paper, their impressions received and decision to obey its teachings, will have words of gratitude to render and praise to express because someone placed the *Signs* in their hands or their home.

Throughout its many years of service, the *Signs* has kept true to its soul-winning objectives. We believe that as an exponent of the great fundamentals of the last message of warning and salvation, it is without a peer. It should enjoy a circulation far in advance of its present list. We are hopeful that the year 1938 will mark a decided advance in the present mailing list.

In our plans for a greater "Win One" movement throughout North America, we would suggest that the *Signs* be made a strong cooperative agency in making the year before us the best we have ever experienced in spreading the glad tidings of the kingdom of our Lord.

STEEN RASMUSSEN.

Increased Membership

In a letter written by Elders Slade and Esteb attention has been called to the fact that our membership in the North Pacific Union increased from 13,700 in 1930 to 20,400 at the close of the third quarter of 1937. This is a marvelous increase of membership as compared with the work in some parts of the field. In endeavoring to analyze the reasons for this large growth, I have been led to conclude that one of the strong contributory factors is due to the consistent use of a large amount of our literature over a period of years in this field.

I note this especially as it refers to our own Upper Columbia Conference. In this use of literature the *Signs of the Times* has been foremost. While I labored in the East, many times I noted the subscription list to the *Signs* here in the Northwest.

Believing that this has been one of the strong contributory factors toward our large number of baptisms and realizing that we still must carry on the giving of the gospel in this section of the vineyard, why is it not reasonable to plan for a greatly enlarged circula-

tion of this soul-winning paper during the year 1938 and thus lay a stronger foundation than ever for the speedy finishing of the work in the Northwest?

C. A. SCRIVEN

High-Lights in the Signs Story

The story of the *Signs of the Times* and its ministry for souls during another year can never be fully told until eternity's records are opened. The editors know of the hours and days with articles and pictures and reports sent in for publication, and all the editorials, news and comments. The linotype operators will not forget the many days they have sat at their machines putting this copy into type. In the press room two large presses have been kept running almost full time to get ready the large edition necessary to supply papers for the mailing list of clubs and singles. This has averaged more than 70,000 copies a week throughout the year.

It is an interesting fact that these presses have transformed more than 160 tons of beautiful fresh white sheets of paper into messengers of truth and light in the form of the *Signs of the Times*. It took nine large freight car loads of paper for the *Signs* during the year—a car for every six weeks.

More interesting, however, is the work our people and churches are doing in distributing these transformed sheets of paper to those who need their messages of mercy and truth. On Sabbath morning you see the church missionary secretary in the church quietly passing among her associate members, giving to this member five *Signs*; to another, ten; to another, two, etc. During the week these members go to non-Adventist families with them. Into the missionary periods from time to time they bring their interesting reports. A portion of the club of papers is probably used by the mailing band. These are sent out in the good old fashioned way, accompanied by letters written by various ones. The Correspondence Band, the Home Bible Study League, or whatever group is in charge of the mailing finds that the *Signs* arouses interest. The letters they get in response thrill their members and others privileged to hear them.

Only eternity's records, we say, will ever fully tell the story.

Before me is a torn cover page from the November 20 *Signs*. A nicely written letter from a lady in Westfield,

Mass., accompanies it, and she writes that she has found a part of a copy of this paper on the street. She is so impressed with what she could read she is anxious to have a complete copy of the *Signs* and expects to subscribe.

And from Elder C. E. Moon, superintendent of the Gulf Mission in Mexico, comes the accompanying picture of Don Ignacio Ortega and his daughter, who, he says, are regular readers of the *Signs*, deeply interested in the truth, but not as yet baptized. Ortega, now a rich cattleman, was the owner of the stage line between Batipela and Chihuahua in 1910 when the notorious Pancho Villa held up his stage and took



Don Ignacio Ortega and daughter.

Many, many other interesting things are coming to light now when our churches are renewing and strengthening their work with the *Signs of the Times*.

The *Signs* News Sheet to be passed out to every family contains more of them. Everything is in readiness for a great *Signs of the Times* campaign during the weeks of February set apart for it. Conference officials, ministers, church leaders, and all, are anxious to see thousands more of non-Adventist families added to the lists of *Signs* readers during 1938.

Some of the clouds looming upon last year's world horizon which called for

more *Signs of the Times* have since then brought storms in various parts of the world. While the outlook for 1938 doesn't suggest more peace and easier times, it offers mighty opportunities for service, and the very conditions call more definitely for the message of the *Signs of the Times*.

We are most earnestly working and praying at the *Signs* office that the Lord may enlarge our visions and so direct the energies here and in the field that His plans may be met in every church in carrying out a program with the *Signs* that will mean that many more thousands of people will receive its saving message during 1938.

J. R. FERREN.

Signs Experiences

Recently a prominent member of a popular church came to one of our church members and asked her to send on her subscription for the *Signs of the Times*. This woman had never attended any of our meetings and was thought to be prejudiced, but another Adventist church member had been taking her the *Signs*. She said that she and her husband enjoyed the paper, and have a conviction that things are closing up in this old world, and she wants to be sure to have it regularly, so subscribed.

In the home of a physician where the *Signs* has been coming, sent by someone in California, a sixteen-year-old daughter has been reading the paper. She was recently asked to play the piano at a funeral which I conducted in the Methodist church. She had read the *Signs*; she heard the sermon. She asked her father if she could join the Seventh-day Adventist church. He asked her to wait, but she had come to her decision. The father was ambitious for his daughter to become a nurse, and thinking it would get her mind off the religion, he offered to finance her in any nurses' training school she might choose. After reading the *Signs*, she knew the choice to make. Her father has had to consent, and she is looking forward with great joy to her training in one of our schools.

J. R. NELSON

Home Miss. Sec., Mont. Conference.

Your Foreign Neighbors

As you plan your *Signs of the Times* program this year, and your distribution personally or by mail, won't you give consideration to those families

who perhaps can better understand the message in another language? That family of Olsen's up the street, for example. The mother might not get much from the *Signs of the Times*, but how much she would appreciate the Swedish "Sion's Vaktare." Around the corner is that German family. You may not have much contact with these people, chiefly because they speak and think and read in a language different from yours. But the "Zeichen der Zeit" to them might be as welcome as is the *Signs* to you. Won't you bear this in mind? Then you may have some fine conscientious Danish-Norwegian friends. Why not provide them with the "Evangeliet's Sendebud," which in its general message corresponds with the *Signs of the Times*?

Branching out a bit farther, there is a great field opening for service among the Italian people. The little monthly paper, "La Vedetta," is for them. It will unfold to them the truths of this message.

Shall we not this year enlarge our service and reach these families with the papers in their own languages corresponding to the *Signs* in the unfolding and explanation of Bible truths? It is very simple. You can make up your orders for these papers at the same time you order the *Signs*, and your church missionary secretary will pass them in. The names and languages and prices of these papers are easy to understand.

The Danish-Norwegian "Evangeliet's Sendebud," the German, "Zeichen der Zeit," and the Swedish, "Sion's Vaktare," are each eight page weekly papers, and the same in price. The regular yearly subscription price of each of these papers is \$1.75 in the United States, \$2.00 to foreign countries. The missionary subscription rates offered during the *Signs* campaign are: To separate addresses in the U. S. A., each \$1.35; to foreign countries, \$1.70. In clubs of five or more to one name and address, the rate is \$1.10 each in the U. S. A., and \$1.40 each to foreign countries.

The campaign subscription price of the eight page monthly Italian "La Vedetta" is 85 cents each to single names and addresses in the U. S. A., and \$1.00 each to foreign countries. The club price on five or more to one name and address is 75 cents each in the U. S. A., and 85 cents each in foreign countries. (The regular single subscription rate on "La Vedetta" is \$1.00 a year in the United States, and \$1.20 when mailed to foreign countries.)

Won't you remember your foreign friends and neighbors and others within reach with these foreign papers?
J. R. FERREN.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE STATEMENT OF FORTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND For Year Ending December 31, 1937

Conference	Memb.	Amt. Due	Amt. Recd.	Amt. Short	Per cap. per wk.	
		@ \$20.80			1937	1936
Idaho	1436	29868.80	16041.07	13827.73	.215	.215
Montana	1204	25043.20	15216.07	9827.13	.243	.249
Oregon	7403	153982.40	88957.64	65024.76	.231	.234
Upper Columbia	4933	102606.40	56970.89	45635.51	.222	.215
Washington	3427	71281.60	46642.90	24638.70	.262	.257
Alaska	121	2516.80	2934.16	417.36*	.466	.452
Totals	18524	385299.20	226762.73	158536.47	.235	.234

*Over

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE STATEMENT OF SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS

Conference	Membership		Amt. Recd. to		Per cap. per wk.	
	1936	1937	1936	1937	1936	1937
Idaho	1357	1436	7471.76	8037.25	.106	.108
Montana	1145	1204	7228.85	7323.41	.121	.117
Oregon	7051	7403	42507.30	46080.02	.116	.120
Upper Columbia	4813	4933	26577.52	28622.66	.106	.112
Washington	3289	3427	22773.27	24297.71	.133	.136
Alaska	114	121	936.13	1182.33	.157	.188
Totals	17769	18524	107494.83	115543.38	.116	.120

Mission Funds

It is interesting to notice that from this Union Conference we sent to missions a total of \$226,762.73 during the year 1937. This is an average of \$18,896.90 each month of the year, a weekly per capita of twenty-three and a half cents, and an average of \$12.25 for each church member in the Union. The total is \$10,696.71 more than was given in 1936, an increase of nearly five per cent. Because of the increase in membership the per capita increase is only one-tenth of one cent a member.

The year 1937 with its gains and losses is now history. What are the prospects for 1938? It is our conviction that in some way during 1938 the Sabbath school offerings should be increased. During the last ten years the per capita Sabbath school giving in this Union has decreased nearly fifty per cent. In 1927 it was .205, while in 1937 it was .12. In 1927 the total amount of Sabbath school offerings was \$134,778.68, while in 1937 the total amount was only \$115,543.38. In this connection it is interesting to notice that the total tithe in 1927 was \$392,904.07 while in 1937 the tithe was \$471,919.35. The tithe increased \$79,015.28 and the Sabbath school offerings decreased \$19,235.30. Surely this is a challenge to every Adventist in the Union for 1938. We can change the situation. For every raise of one cent in the per capita Sabbath school giving \$10,000 more goes to missions.

We are all greatly interested in our mission program. We need a greater united effort to come nearer our Sabbath school mission goal.

R. T. EMERY.

Final Report for 1937

We are giving our final standing in Harvest Ingathering. I am sure we are all disappointed a bit at seeing some losses. In October we had a gain of around \$4,000, and we felt hopeful this would not be reduced greatly, but the three months' strike tie-up which we suffered in our field during what has previously been some of our best months did affect us. Our loss as a Union is \$569.39.

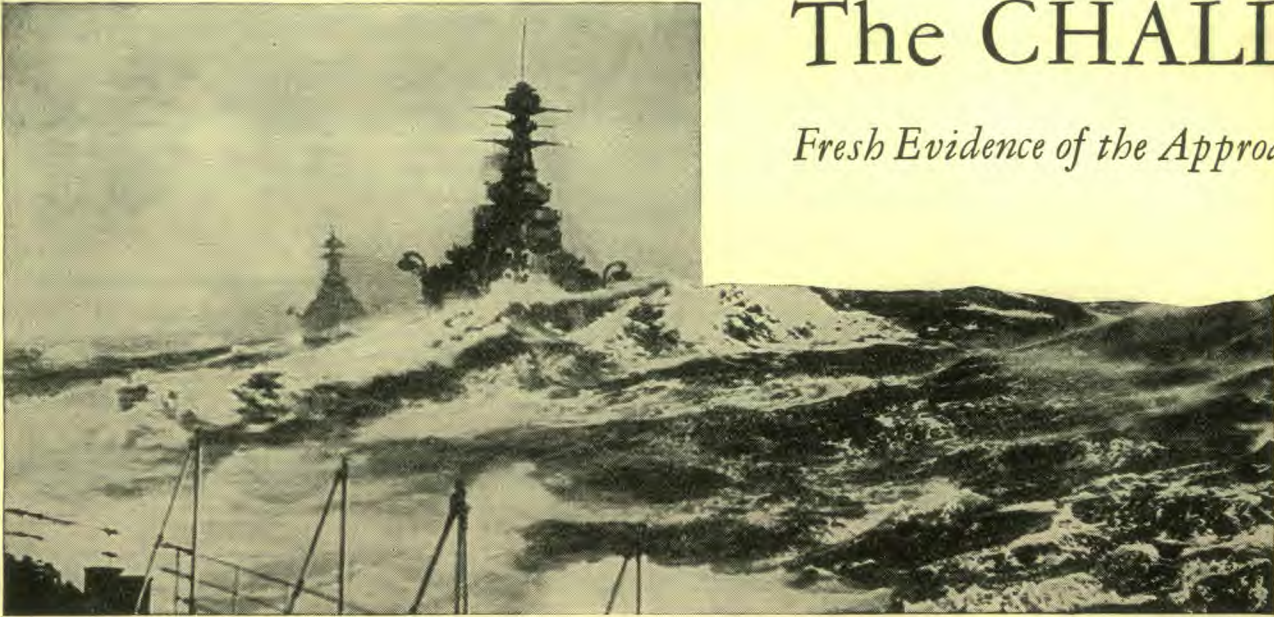
We congratulate Upper Columbia on its nice gain, and also Alaska. We know that every field worked equally hard. We express our thanks to all.

Conference	1936	1937
Idaho	\$ 5,829.45	\$ 5,753.77
Montana	5,654.93	5,521.51
Oregon	30,222.36	29,446.13
Upper Columbia	17,967.76	18,470.86
Washington	15,892.51	15,735.23
Alaska	1,232.10	1,302.22

Union \$76,799.11 \$76,229.72
L. E. ESTEB

"Signs" Prices in U. S. A.

Single subscription, one year . . . \$1.50
5 or more copies to single addresses, per year each . . . 1.35
5 or more copies to one name and address, each per year . . . 1.25
100 or more copies, each per year 1.10
To Canada, and foreign countries:
Single subscription, one year . . . \$2.00
5 or more copies to one name and address, each per year . . . 1.50
Special campaign church club rate based on number of copies taken in proportion to church membership, explained in program leaflet.



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Fresh Evidence of the Approa

British battleships plow through raging seas in the Mediterranean, where England is holding fast her "life line" to India and Australia.



AS WE enter the shadowed portals of 1938 we all know in our hearts that we have begun to live in a great new time, in a period of history more tense, more perilous than ever, and pregnant with terrific possibilities.

The stupendous happenings of the past few months have not only changed the face of the earth, the map of the world, and the destiny of untold millions; they have altered the balance of power, turned the course of political thinking into new and unexpected channels, uprooted a thousand ancient landmarks, and set mankind adrift again upon a wild, uncharted sea.

"There has been a huge transformation of all former proportions and values in world affairs," writes that veteran author and editor, J. L. Garvin. "A new epoch has opened. We must be guided by a new sense of relativity; and let us see well to it that we are so guided in time."

There was a time when men were paramountly concerned with the fate of Austria and Czechoslovakia and the Free City of Danzig. Hungary made headlines, as did the Tyrol and the Balkans. But all these dangerous issues—even the Spanish civil war and the problems of Palestine—have shrunk into insignificance before the tremen-

dous new issues breaking open before our eyes in the Far East.

And what we see today, fearful and ominous as it is, is but the gigantic prelude of a development unparalleled in the annals of man—the establishment by one nation of political and economic ascendancy over the whole vast resources of the most populous country on earth, the uniting of the yellow races in one huge hegemony controlling more than one fifth of the population of the globe.

YELLOW PERIL LOOMS

"The Emperor is marching from the Island of the Rising Sun," writes General Sir Ian Hamilton. "His fighters drink up the great rivers of China. The smoke of their bombs makes dark the air. His road is clearly marked—Hankow, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bhamo, Burma, Assam, Bengal. That is the prospect if nothing is done. Nothing less than Europe can definitely hold up the army."

The so-called bogey of the yellow peril, so long laughed to scorn by many, is actually taking form and substance before us!

"World peace," according to Admiral Nobumasa Suyetsugu, Japan's home minister, "awaits the liberation of the

colored races from the shackles of white supremacy." "I am determined," he says, "to eliminate all obstacles whatever they may be, in attaining this sacred mission. The white races should not carry on trade in the Far East based solely on their own self-interest. A three-power entente of Japan, China, and Manchukuo can alone establish peace in East Asia. Whether or not this means the immediate exclusion of the white races constitutes one of the most serious questions facing the world."

The "kings of the East" have clearly prepared their program. And they are not only marshaling their forces to accomplish it; they are already sending them into battle, with sweeping victories that have amazed the world.

Thus the very developments that Seventh-day Adventists, for many years, have said would take place before the end are now—on a scale far beyond our feeble imaginings—coming to pass in grim and terrible reality.

And if, besides looking at the Far East, we consider the rise of the new autocracies of the Right and Left in Europe, the alliance of the Fascist powers, the passing of democracy,



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Demands Renewed Consecration to Service

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ARTHUR S. MAXWELL

the decay of freedom, the collapse of the League of Nations, the feverish preparations for war, and withal the increase of crime and divorce and the fading faith of Christendom, we are constrained to say, in the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "Certainly this is the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen it. The Lord hath done that which He had devised; He hath fulfilled His word that He had commanded in the days of old." Lamentations 2:16, 17.

NEARING THE END

Unquestionably we are living today upon the very eve of those final, rapid movements that are to bring us to the closing scenes of earthly history. We stand upon the crumbling crags of Time in sight of the eternal deep.

And these tremendous facts, these mighty issues, challenge us one and all as never before.

They challenge us to examine our innermost hearts and search out those

hidden weaknesses that may cause us to sink in the swelling of Jordan.

They challenge us to a complete re-dedication of our lives to God that we may be cleansed from all sin and strengthened to walk boldly through the valley of the gathering shadows.

They challenge us to rekindle the fading embers of our zeal for the Lord's service, and with hearts aflame with enthusiasm go forth to warn mankind of its impending doom.

They challenge us to make use of every avenue the Lord has placed in our hands wherewith to accomplish this holy purpose. Books, tracts, papers,—message-filled literature of every kind,—should be scattered like the leaves of autumn before freedom's flickering torch goes out forever.

And above all, at this particular moment, they challenge us to consider the unique and powerful possibilities of witness made available to every member in the form of our great prophetic weekly. Surely today the *Signs of the Times*—the revitalized, scintillating *Signs*—with its strong, progressive program for 1938, should be circulated on a scale never yet contemplated by us as a people. The world is waiting for it. The world needs it. The world must have it.

This great new time demands that we shall do something greater than we have ever done in the *Signs* campaign, something commensurate with the magnitude of the issues at stake, something truly splendid in the eyes of God.

He is expecting us this day to do our best. We must not disappoint Him.

Under the shadow of this reveille gun, thirty pursuit planes of the Seventeenth Attack Squadron take off at March Field for maneuvers in Imperial Valley, California. The whole world is under the shadow of mighty armaments today.



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Dedication Port Townsend Church

Sabbath, January 15, the new church at Port Townsend was dedicated to God. The service was set for the afternoon so that our brethren from other churches in the district might be present. Notice of this special service had appeared in the press. The Port Townsend *Ledger* carried a full picture of the new church on the front page of the Thursday, January 13, issue, together with a copy of the program for the dedicatory service.

We were pleased to see the church filled to capacity, with a number not of our faith in the congregation. The church was tastily decorated with flowers and plants. I was pleased to see a nice floral piece from the Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce with a brief message expressing their best wishes. The beautiful decorations added to the warm sunny spring-like day, made an ideal setting for this special service.

The congregation joined in the singing of that beautiful hymn, "He Hideth My Soul." The invocation by Elder A. D. Bohn was earnest and sincere. Brother F. L. Hommel, who has taken a very personal interest in this church, who has given liberally of both his time and money, read a very interesting paper on the history of our work in Port Townsend. We were pleased to note by this report that all expenses incurred with the construction of this church were paid, and the building could be dedicated free of debt.

Mrs. R. L. Hammill sang "Open the Gates." She was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Frank Burns. Elder E. K. Slade, our Union Conference president, gave a very interesting and timely dedicatory address. His remarks were based on Psalms 127:1. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

Following the dedicatory prayer by the writer, an offering was received which amounted to over twenty dollars.

Ralph Whitehouse sang as a closing number, "Grateful, O Lord, Am I."

We were pleased to see at this meeting Elder Daniel Nettleton who has been identified with our work in Port Townsend for over thirty years. Brother and Sister Cummings, who have helped to hold forth the light

in this place for about twenty years, were also present, besides many others, including some new in the faith.

May the blessing of God and His prospering hand rest upon the work in Port Townsend.

M. L. RICE.

News Flashes

A convention for Sabbath school superintendents was held in Seattle January 19 and 20. Elder J. A. Stevens, secretary of the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference, was present and led out in the meeting. The various Sabbath schools in the conference were well represented.

Elder Louis Halswick, one of the secretaries of the Bureau of Home Missions, was a caller at our office Tuesday, January 18. He held a meeting at the Tacoma Scandinavian church while here.

Remember the special offering Sabbath, January 29. This offering goes for the establishment of the new Advanced Bible School which is to be located at our headquarters in Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

Because of failing health, Miss Frances Mundell has been forced to resign from her school at Bellingham. Mrs. M. E. Morton has been secured to take her place.

Elder A. V. Bentz reports a good interest in his meetings at Napavine. We are glad to learn that there are a number who are seriously interested in the message.

The new church at Port Townsend was dedicated Sabbath, January 15.

The auditing committee chosen to audit the accounts of the workers for the year 1937 met at the office Wednesday, January 17. R. T. Emery and G. S. Belleau from the Union office were present at the auditing committee meeting.

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Idaho News Notes

Professor H. S. Hanson left Boise the first of the week for Idaho Falls. He plans to stop on his way home at Twin Falls to visit the church school.

S. W. Munro and N. H. Waters were called to Long Creek the first of the week to take charge of the funeral of Sister Balance. She will be greatly missed by the church there.

We have greatly appreciated the remittances of tithe and offerings that

have been coming in from our conference church members. We hope all our people will be faithful in tithe and offerings.

A very successful Sabbath school convention has closed at Caldwell. Elder Stevens from the General Conference was present. We are sorry that it was impossible for some of our churches to be represented.

We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Regas, the husband of one of our sisters. We are sure our people all join in extending to Sister Regas our sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

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Important Meeting

On Sabbath morning, January 29, Elder W. H. Bergherm will preach in the new Salem church (Hood and North Summer Streets). At 2:30 p. m. the same day a Union meeting will be held in the church, and the officers and members of the surrounding churches are invited to attend. This will be an important gathering. Elder Bergherm, Elder Esteb, and the writer will be present. Elder Bergherm spent years in mission service and has had a wide experience in connection with our work. He is the associate Home Missionary secretary of the General Conference. We are especially anxious for elders, missionary, Dorcas, and Missionary Volunteer officers to be at this meeting, and we believe that all will be benefited by being there.

F. A. DETAMORE

Week of Prayer at Columbia Academy

Just recently our Week of Prayer at Columbia Academy closed and with very good results. It was our pleasure to have Elder Collins with us from Monday through Sabbath. The first three days were spent in bringing the young people to surrender all to Christ. The remainder of the time Elder Collins sought to develop a practical working Christian experience in those who responded.

During the entire time God came very close to our hearts. His Spirit brought conviction to the hearts of many who had previously resisted all

efforts to bring them to forsake all and follow the Master. Those who had been careless made a new start, so that by the close of the week nearly all had taken a step toward the kingdom.

It was my privilege the following Sabbath to baptize seventeen young men and women, most of whom had taken their stand during the Week of Prayer. Altogether during 1937 fifty-two were baptized. May God's continued blessing rest upon our Christian schools.

B. E. SCHAFFNER.

Miss Leah Maye Hagen and Earl K. Knutsen, both of Grants Pass, Oregon, were united in marriage at a church wedding in Grants Pass, the evening of December 26. They will make their home at Grants Pass, Oregon. Elder Adolph Johnson officiated.

The evening of December 28, at a church wedding at Medford, Oregon, Jack London Calbaugh and Miss Joy Virginia Archer were united in marriage. They will make their home near Medford, Oregon. Elder Adolph Johnson officiated.

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News From Montana

Expect great things of God; attempt great things for God.—Wm. Carey.

Elder McConaughey spent Sabbath and Sunday January 15 and 16 in Butte. He met with the Butte church board on Sunday and study was given to developing plans for a new church building in this the largest city in Montana. It is difficult to find available property at a price near what our people can afford to pay. Several locations are being investigated by the church board and it is hoped that something suitable may be found in the near future.

Elder and Mrs. L. B. Mershon are now located in Helena at 217 Dakota Street. They are busily engaged in putting the finishing touches on the church building preparatory to the organization of a new Sabbath school and church. Our colporteurs report a number of interested persons in our capital city who have promised to attend services in our church.

Brother Aaboe has been spending several days this past week at the conference office getting things lined up for another good year in the colporteur work for Montana. He has plans for increasing the sale of our good

subscription books by several thousand dollars this year over last year.

A special offering is to be taken in all our churches on Sabbath, January 29 for the purpose of erecting a building for the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Washington, D. C. It is hoped that enough money will come in through this offering from all the churches in North America to erect this building.

A request has come in to the conference office in an effort to find a permanent home for two Junior boys, age ten and eleven years. One of the boys is in the fourth grade and one in the fifth grade. They are fine little fellows. They have been in an Adventist home for the past eight years but do not have church school privileges. There are possibilities that both could be adopted. Further information can be secured by writing to J. L. McConaughey in care of the Conference office.

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Laying the Corner Stone

Individuals who enjoy the privilege of participating in the laying of the corner stone for important public buildings usually feel flattered. This coming Sabbath, January 29, it will be the privilege of every Seventh-day Adventist to participate in making a contribution toward the erection of the new building for our Advanced Theological school at Washington, D. C.

Those who give on this Sabbath will enjoy the distinction of being counted among the first donors to this building. We are hopeful that in the one offering sufficient funds will come in, not only in our own conference, but throughout the country to provide for this need.

You have already read articles in the GLEANER and in the Review as to the importance of a building to house this much needed theological seminary. Let everyone do his part.

C. A. SCRIVEN.

Appreciation

Just one word of appreciation and a thank you to all our district men and church members who have so faithfully worked to put over our 1937 Harvest Ingathering program. We want to take a little space in the GLEANER this week

to praise God for His blessings. We had a goal of \$17,000 for our Conference. Our final report shows \$18,470.86 raised. A gain over 1936 of \$1,470.86. We want to thank our business friends and all who so kindly helped us in this campaign.

Our people worked for their goal not only to raise money but to look for souls and the Lord blessed them. Already many are interested and some have taken their stand for the commandments of God. Space will not permit me to tell the many experiences that have come to notice.

I want to thank the students of Walla Walla College, also Granger Academy for their loyal work in helping in this Ingathering campaign for 1937. Eternity alone will show the influence for good that is demonstrated by these faithful, willing students.

L. A. REYNOLDS

"Wherever the life of God is in the hearts of men, it will flow out to others in love and blessing."

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Sunset Table

Friday January 28, 1938

Medford	5:21
Portland	5:10
Seattle	5:03
Spokane	4:44
Walla Walla	4:52
Wenatchee	4:56
Boise	5:50
Pocatello	5:37
Billings	5:13
Havre	5:10
Helena	5:25
Miles City	5:02
Missoula	5:32

More Signs Means More Souls

We are approaching the time when we must lay plans for a greater "Win One" program with the *Signs* for 1938. The General Conference committee has designated February 5 to February 19 as the *Signs* campaign dates. Eternity alone will reveal the full accomplishments of the 11,340 *Signs* used each week in our Union.

There are being sent to every church sufficient copies of the 1938 *Signs* News Sheet for every member. Please notice carefully the wonderful result of the *Signs* ministry.

World conditions are paving the way for a greater *Signs* ministry for 1938. When you measure the page and variety content of a single *Signs* and multiply this by fifty-two, you have the overwhelming evidence that the *Signs* is not only the best medium of giving the message to interested people, but in quality and quantity content it is considerably less expensive. Plan to make the *Signs* do a larger ministry.

We shall endeavor the next few weeks to place before you the importance of doing a larger work with the *Signs* in 1938.

In doctrine, dress, style, and content the *Signs* is almost perfect mechanically. The *Signs* is willing, but it has no feet but our feet, no hands but our hands. This humble, willing instrument must be connected with some heart of faith that will be purse, hands,

and feet to enable the waiting multitude to hear the good news it bears.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth." Isaiah 52:7. As the *Signs* is presented in your church will you not join us in a program really to do great things with the *Signs* in 1938, for 'more *Signs* means more souls.' L. E. ESTEB.



Elder
M. N. Campbell
says:

THE "SIGNS OF THE TIMES" has been the means of bringing thousands of people into the truth. A sister sent it regularly to the wife of a minister. She and her husband read it carefully, with the result that they both accepted the truth, and most of his congregation did likewise. The sowing of the seed by this method has been most effective in leading inquiring souls to the truth. The message is set forth in the pages of the "SIGNS" in a very appealing way, and our people would do well to use it freely as a missionary agent.

M. N. CAMPBELL,

General Conference Vice-President
for the North American Division.

THE COLPORTEUR WORK

D. E. COLLINS
Union Field Secretary

IDAHO CONFERENCE

N. H. Waters, Field Secretary
Week Ending January 15, 1938

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Mrs. G. Burville	BPS	36	9.75	5.00
Geo. Burville	BPS	40	19.50	11.75
Mrs. M. Beggs	BTS	3	.30	.30
M. Beggs	GC	4	8.25	
G. Poole	CS	25	15.25	15.35
Totals		108	53.05	32.40

MONTANA CONFERENCE

N. J. Aaboe, Field Secretary
Week Ending January 15, 1938

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
R. E. Brown	Mag		22.50	22.50
Edna Hughes		21	11.00	

A. Kitchen	DD		8.50	
M. Muchmore	BTS	10	6.00	6.50
Totals		31	48.00	29.00

OREGON CONFERENCE

C. S. Johnson, Field Secretary
Week Ending January 15, 1938

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
D. R. Atherton	BR	31	31.50	2.25
A. Buchanan	BL			14.60
Mrs. E. Elliott	Mag	31	6.60	6.60
C. Erwin	BR	27	9.80	4.55
C. L. Ferguson	BR	40	28.50	
Mrs. Goodrich	Mag	20	17.50	17.50
H. B. Johnson	HP	38	31.00	22.75
Nellie Lee	Mag	17	10.40	10.40
Mrs. M. Price	BL	18	16.50	.50
A. O. Rosevear	HP	23	21.50	
Mrs. M. Schuren	Mag	15	10.75	10.75
L. J. Tschida	BR	42	28.00	
H. M. Young	BR	12	3.75	17.50
W. C. Christensen	GC	2	1.50	
H. H. Guffey	Mag		1.10	1.10
Mrs. Hallsted	BTS		1.00	1.00
Miscellaneous	Mag	12	15.15	15.15
Totals		328	234.55	124.65

UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE

R. H. Hempel, Field Secretary
Week Ending January 15, 1938

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
D. Burke	BL	46	61.00	12.00
E. Colgrow	Misc	31	46.00	
R. F. Hopkins	Crises	63	54.00	54.00
R. Hempel	Misc	8	23.00	15.00
P. Schierman	HP	26½	41.50	29.50
Mrs. M. V. Olney	Mag	3	4.50	4.50
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