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"THEN THEY THAT FEARED THE LORD SPAKE OFTEN ONE TO ANOTHER."

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THE CHURCH

The Happiest Place

The happiest place on earth for me
Is where my Lord would have me be.

The happiest thing that I can do
Is work my Lord has called me to.

The happiest song my heart can sing
Is that of praise to Christ my King.

The happiest path my feet can make
Is that I tread for Jesus' sake.

The happiest sight my eyes can see
Is sight of Christlike purity.

The happiest sound my ears can hear
Is that my Saviour draweth near.

—Selected.

Unselfish Service

No. 1

"Ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich," "He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; . . . He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed."

In our behalf Christ descended from depth to depth of humiliation until He could go no farther. It was impossible for divine condescension and self-sacrifice to reach lower depths than the death on the cross. This wonderful sacrifice moved all heaven, and can we look

upon it without our hearts breaking at the sight?

He who "bore our griefs and carried our sorrows" has an interest in us. His mercy is over all the children of men. His goodness and love are inexhaustible. His work in our behalf never ceases. And in life and character the Christian is bound up with Christ in His plans of mercy for humanity. His character is to be a reproduction of the character of Christ. The unselfish, self-sacrificing life of Jesus is to be copied by every soul who loves the Redeemer.

In union there is strength, and the Source of all power, of all goodness, mercy, and love, takes finite human beings into co-partnership with Himself. His divine power is combined with the efforts of human agencies to diffuse His influence and extend it far and near. Under the transforming influence of His grace there will be a constant exercise of sympathy and forbearance; there will be a holy emulation to support the weak, to aid the suffering members of Christ's body. When one is allied to Christ, a partaker of the divine nature, his interest is identified with the interests of suffering humanity wherever found, and he works in unison with heavenly intelligences.

The Christian is not to live for self. He is God's agent, and is to stand as His worker, doing His bidding. His wages have been paid in the blood and suffering of the Son of God; and no other being in the universe has such claims on him as Jesus has. His very ex-

istence is the Lord's; his words, his works, even his thoughts, are to be held subject to the will of Christ.

The world's Redeemer, as a householder, entrusted His goods to His servants. He has placed in the hands of His agents sufficient to help the needy, so that if each would work unselfishly, as Christ worked, none need suffer for the necessities of life; and if His spirit were manifested by all, none would be left to hunger for words of tender sympathy.

Christ has not given His goods to any to be used for the gratification of pride and selfishness. All that we have is but a loan from Jesus; it is not our own. Money, possessions, intellect, are but lent us to be held as a precious trust for the service of Christ. Reason, ability, knowledge, affection, property have been received from Jesus; and are to be used with wisdom to bring honor and glory to His name.

Those who have the good things of this life, were they unselfish, were they Christlike, would feel it a solemn duty to help in their time of perplexity those struggling with want and sorrow. Selfishness and pride say, "Pass them by; if you attempt to help all who need help, you will have your hands and heart full." But with what will the heart be filled?—With the pitying love and tender human kindness and sympathy of Christ. And is not this far more desirable than to have it full of self-love, self-caring, self-exaltation.

Ellen G. White.

THE FIELD

CALIFORNIA

Recommendations of the California Conference

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PLANS

In view of our great need of workers, especially among the educated and the cultured in the world's great highways, who have so little time to seek, and who, therefore, must be sought, we heartily approve and faithfully second the efforts being made to encourage consecrated men and women of tact and ability in meeting people to make a business of circulating our large subscription books.

We also approve of the following actions taken by the Pacific Union Conference and the General Conference publication committee:—

"We recommend that, as conference officers and laborers, we earnestly seek to impress upon the minds of all our people the importance of their each taking a part in carrying this message to the world, and that we assist them to do so by:—

"1. Explaining the particular fields of each of our periodicals, and urging our people to subscribe for, study, and circulate them.

"2. Presenting the advantages of a systematic circulation of tracts on leading points of present truth.

"3. Urging them to study carefully the principles of true medical missionary work.

"4. Encouraging one or more in each church to canvass for our forty-percent books, beginning with their own members, and extending the effort as their experience will permit.

"5. Directing the attention of our people to the importance of their circulating such books as 'Object Lessons,' 'Story of Joseph,' and 'Ministry of Healing.'

"6. Aiding suitable persons to follow up the foregoing efforts with Bible readings and cottage meetings.

"7. Inviting our church officers to call the attention of the conference to such openings for meetings as they feel unable to fill themselves.

"We further recommend that, to make the above suggestions practical and permanent, classes be organized in connection with general meetings, or in such other ways as may be thought best, at which these methods of work may be taught by example as well as by precept; and,

"That we urge each church to elect to the office of librarian the person who will the most successfully lead the members into missionary service.

"That, commencing about Nov. 1, 1904, one month be set aside in an especial manner for missionary effort by our churches, and that this be intro-

duced by simultaneous missionary conventions.

"That a special number of the 'Signs of the Times,' treating upon some live issue, be prepared to introduce this campaign."

The above recommendations were heartily adopted.

TRANSFER OF THE TRACT SOCIETY WORK

The following recommendations were also passed:—

Whereas, The Pacific Press Publishing Company has disposed of that portion of its commercial work which has been the most profitable financially; and,

Whereas, It will soon change its location to a rural community, with the view of giving our denominational work first place in all its plans, and will depend upon it mainly, if not entirely, for its earnings; therefore,

1. We approve of the plan of the publishing house taking charge of the book work in the local conferences; and,

2. That we turn over to the Pacific Press Publishing Company the business of the tract society department of the conference, on such a basis as may be agreed upon by the conference committee and the Pacific Press.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY AND HEALTH FOOD WORK

The following resolutions were adopted after considerable interesting discussion:—

Whereas, We are living in an age of gluttony and intemperance, and our own people and the world at large are in great need of enlightenment on the principles of healthful living; therefore,

1. Resolved, That we endorse the action of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association in jointly publishing, with the author, the new book, "The Ministry of Healing," and pledge our moral and financial support in getting it into the hands of the people; and,

2. We recommend:—

(a) That suitable health and temperance literature, in the form of tracts, pamphlets, etc., be prepared for general use.

(b) That our conference laborers be urged to instruct our people in health principles, giving health lectures and encouraging our churches to engage in active, practical medical missionary work.

(c) That we give our medical missionary work our earnest moral support in spreading the knowledge of health reform, and by recommending to the sick and afflicted the advantages of our sanitarium.

(d) That more faithful effort be put forth to use our health food enterprise in connection with our missionary operations.

(e) That suitable persons be encouraged to establish health food stores, hygienic restaurants, and to engage as house-to-house solicitors for health foods, health literature, etc., as a means

of reaching the people, in self-supporting missionary work; and that this be supplemented by schools of health.

THE EDUCATIONAL WORK

The following recommendations relative to the educational work were submitted for consideration, and adopted by the conference:—

1. That efforts be put forth to simplify the course of study for our church schools, thus lessening the number of classes taught daily by the teacher; and also avoiding the "cramming process" so injurious to the students.

2. That Bible, nature, physiology, industrial training, a thorough knowledge of reading, spelling, writing, voice culture, and the keeping of simple accounts, shall be recognized as fundamental in all our church schools, by boards, parents, and teachers.

3. That parents, teachers, and school boards co-operate with the conference church-school superintendent in his efforts to unify the work in the various schools, by adopting the course of study and using the text-books recommended at the teachers' summer institute.

4. That we recognize that the training of the children to be missionaries for Christ is the primary object of the church school, and in harmony with this object that efforts be put forth to create and maintain a healthful, active missionary spirit in the school throughout the year.

Whereas, Many of our churches have experienced much difficulty in securing adequate support for their church schools; and,

Whereas, A systematic plan is always productive of better results in raising money than spasmodic efforts; and,

Whereas, The plan of paying a second tithe is not only systematic, but scriptural; therefore,

5. We recommend this plan to our churches for the raising of a fund in every home from which money may be drawn for the support of our church schools, home missionary work, foreign missions, the poor fund, and local church expenses, as the family may choose; not urging or advocating the payment of the second tithe as of binding obligation, but simply as a systematic plan which the Lord has given us in His Word.

BUSINESS ON A CASH BASIS

The following resolution relating to the habit of contracting debts was adopted:—

Whereas, One of the most serious hindrances to the progress of our work has been, and still is, the contracting of needless *institutional* and *personal* debts; and,

Whereas, The Word of God instructs us to "owe no man anything, but to love one another" (Rom. 13:8);

We hereby encourage our conference institutions, church librarians, and our brethren and sisters in the conference, to do business, as far as possible, on a *cash basis*.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CHURCH SCHOOLS

We would recommend, in harmony with the action of the Pacific Union Conference and in pursuance of the plan adopted by the educational convention at College View, 1903, that the office of conference superintendent of church schools be made elective.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the conference.

THE "OBJECT LESSONS" WORK

The following recommendations relating to the "Object Lessons" work were adopted:—

Whereas, The delay in completing the "Object Lessons" work in behalf of the Healdsburg College has already added, in accruing interest, a debt of over five thousand dollars; and,

Whereas, This lack of activity results in the Lord's cause being deprived of means so much needed in other directions; therefore, we recommend:—

1. That our churches make strong and determined efforts to finish the work of disposing of their quota of "Object Lessons," that the college debt may not be further increased, and that the entire indebtedness, both principal and interest, be liquidated as soon as possible.

2. That those who can pay for the books before disposing of them send the money to the tract society at an early date.

3. That the books be donated to worthy young persons who are desirous of obtaining an education for service in the Lord's cause.

4. That the church librarians make a canvass of the church-members, securing from each the following data for permanent record:—

- (a) Number of books received.
- (b) Number of books sold.
- (c) Number of books still on hand.
- (d) Amount paid on books received.
- (e) Amount due from books on hand.

SUPPORT OF LABORERS

While the conference seeks to recognize the various gifts that God has bestowed upon the church by granting to worthy individuals credentials and licenses, said action does not always carry with it support from the conference treasury.

SACRED MUSIC

The following recommendations relating to music were offered and adopted:—

Whereas, We are instructed that sacred music is as much a part of religious worship as the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, and that the melody of song poured forth from many hearts in clear, distinct utterance is one of God's instrumentalities in the work of saving souls; therefore, we recommend:—

1. That parents in the home education of their children recognize the importance of developing their musical talents, but that great care be exercised in se-

lecting only such music as will aid in the formation of Christian character.

2. That all our schools, especially our training-school for Christian workers, give a thorough education in both vocal and instrumental music.

3. That earnest efforts be put forth in all our churches to improve this part of the Lord's worship.

4. That all our laborers, in holding public meetings, give special attention to the musical portion of the services.

5. That a musical director be appointed by the conference committee, who shall arrange for the music at our general camp-meeting and other large meetings, and do such other musical work as the conference committee may direct.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

1. The delegates assembled hereby express to the mayor and city officials of Oakland their heartfelt appreciation of the courtesy extended to the California Seventh-day Adventist Conference in giving the free use of Bushrod Park; and,

2. Also to the Oakland Board of Public Works for the generous permission to place our banner across Broadway, corner of Thirteenth Street, announcing the meetings of the conference and camp-meeting; and,

3. Also to the press of Oakland and San Francisco (The San Francisco "Call," Oakland "Enquirer," and Oakland "Herald," in particular) for their courtesy in giving space to reports to our conference proceedings.

Recommendations from the Healdsburg College Board

The present Healdsburg College board of directors have given earnest and prayerful consideration to the financial conditions of the college, with a view of placing it upon a self-sustaining basis, and also of liquidating its present indebtedness as rapidly as possible. After studying carefully the instruction given regarding the proper basis for conducting our training-school and the conditions that should surround them, we are fully convinced that, under present plans and conditions, the college can not be made self-sustaining, neither can the college be liberated from its heavy debt.

For the lifting of the debt from the college, we recommend:—

1. That the unpaid pledges, amounting to \$7,000, made in 1899, and which were to have been met in three years, be paid before Jan. 1, 1905.

2. That personal accounts in favor of the college, amounting to \$3,000, be settled before Jan. 1, 1905.

3. That steps be taken at this conference to secure to the college about \$20,000, the amount its due from quota of "Object Lessons" yet unsold, and that a strong organized effort be put forth to complete the "Object Lesson" work by Jan. 1, 1905.

For placing the college on a self-sustaining basis, we recommend:—

1. That careful and continuous study be given to the matter of cutting off all unnecessary expenses.

2. That the present college plant be disposed of, and the proceeds used to settle its obligations and to establish the school in a rural community, where it need not depend upon imported produce, but can secure from the farm fuel, hay, vegetables, fruit, etc., thus saving a large annual cash expenditure, and providing the students with profitable labor in raising the produce on the farm.

We believe that the above recommendations can be practically carried out, and the school continue its work of training the youth to be laborers in the cause of God; but the board can not advise the college to continue its work on the debt-making policy.

New Monterey

The writer came to the above-named place soon after the close of the Oakland camp-meeting. The Lord has blessed in the efforts put forth, both publicly and privately. He has come near, as a goodly number have humbly sought Him for forgiveness and strength, for victory over besetting sins. It remains yet to be seen whether other souls will break away from the powers of darkness and triumph in Jesus.

We ask an interest in the prayers of God's people.

A. J. Osborne.

July 4.

UTAH

The Utah Camp-meeting

I feel deeply anxious that the coming camp-meeting may prove a real blessing to all our people in the state. I trust that you are laying plans to be at the meeting, which will convene Wednesday, August 10, and continue till August 17. Your presence is needed on the camp ground, not for what you can get so much as for what you can bring with you. In times past you may have come to the camp-meeting with the thought of "getting" uppermost in your mind. Perhaps you were disappointed. No one seemed to have more than he needed himself. You became critical and felt that the meeting was a failure, forgetting that the first prerequisite to receiving is giving. "Give, and it

shall be given unto you." "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meat, but it tendeth to poverty." Let no trifle keep you away from the meeting.

Elder W. B. White, president of the Union Pacific Conference, and Elder C. D. M. Williams, recently of Arizona, will be present during the entire meeting.

Those desiring tents should write as early as possible to Elder C. D. M. Williams, Provo, or to the undersigned.

We hope to have the business out of the way at an early date, so that the larger portion of the time may be devoted to the spiritual interests of the meeting.

We hope to be able to get the message for this time before the people of Provo. Come prepared to take an active part in a real home missionary crusade. If you can not come to the meeting, send a thank-offering, for we hope to use \$50 worth of literature in this campaign. When you get to Provo, go to 124 Center Street (Health Food Store), where you will be directed to the camp ground. Bring bedding.

W. A. Alway.

Tremont.

Notes

Sabbath, July 2, was spent with the church at Salt Lake City. The ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, and a good spirit prevailed in the meeting, and found expression in testimonies of consecration, surrender, and victory. Sunday morning, two willing souls followed their Lord in baptism.

Elder C. D. M. Williams, recently from Arizona, is laboring earnestly at Provo, and reports some encouraging omens, excellent prayer-meetings, and a growing interest among the young people.

In Ogden we called at the treatment rooms that have recently been started under the management of Brother F. Vance and wife. We trust they may be blest in holding up the light of true Gospel temperance in that city.

At Tremont we still have a good

attendance at Sunday evening services. Quiet opposition is being brought to bear against us in the circulation of Mr. Canright's literature. We trust, however, that the Lord may overrule these things to His own glory. Pray for us.

W. A. Alway.

Notice

The third annual meeting of the Utah Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is appointed to convene Aug. 11, 10 A. M., at Provo City, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting other necessary business of the conference.

W. A. Alway,
President.

UPPER COLUMBIA

From the Field

At the last camp-meeting held at Pendleton, Ore., it was voted by the conference to hold several local camp-meetings instead of one large meeting, as had been the practise in the past. In harmony with this recommendation, the first camp-meeting was held at Colfax, Wash., June 14-19. This meeting was marked by many interesting features. The meeting was to open Tuesday evening, but Monday the brethren began coming, and by Tuesday night nearly all had arrived. There were about three hundred camped upon the grounds, occupying sixty-two tents. As there was no business to look after, the time was given to the spiritual interests of the people. There was a steady growth from day to day, until victory was gained by nearly every person. There were those present who had attended almost every camp-meeting since the conference was organized that said this was the best meeting they had ever attended.

The German work was well represented, there being more than a hundred camped on the grounds. Elder Dirksen, from Western Oregon, was present, and assisted in the meetings, and his labors were very much appreciated. The same plan and arrangements for meetings were carried out in both tents. Instructions were given each day in church work, as well as educa-

tional, Sabbath-school, young people's, medical missionary, and canvassing work. There is a growing interest along all these lines, especially among the young people. We feel greatly encouraged to see so many who are planning for some place in the Lord's work. In all the camp-meetings I have ever attended, I never saw a more quiet, pleasant spirit present than at Colfax. There was no discouraging influence to mar the work in any way, but love and union seemed to flow from heart to heart. The Sabbath was a good day. After a very interesting discourse by Elder A. T. Jones, who was passing through the conference to the Montana meeting, a number gave themselves to the Lord. As a result, twenty-five were baptized, nearly all young people, about equally divided among the German and English. Our brethren were glad to meet Brother Jones, as this was where he began his labors in the Gospel ministry.

The meeting closed Sunday, and the brethren returned to their homes with better courage to meet the trials and difficulties of life, knowing there was power enough in the truth to erase every sin from the life and keep it out. We are now on the camp ground at Colville, with the meeting just opened. There are more present than we had reason to expect. The brethren in this part of the field have not had the privileges of a meeting like this for some time, and a good interest is manifested.

A. J. Breed.

Spokane

I have been kept quite busy since my appointment to this place. Everything is moving nicely. The Spirit of the Lord is with us in a marked degree in our meetings. Each one seems to be of good courage, and I am glad to say that I have the hearty co-operation of all. We are learning the lesson that in unity there is strength. We held one meeting to consider a few accounts which were overdue, and in less than fifteen minutes \$251, the amount needed, was raised. We expect to begin tent meetings

in this city about July 5. A tent, 30x50, is being constructed, and will be ready by the first of July. This will be the property of the Spokane church. We expect to have portable seats and our tent neatly fitted up in every respect. Music will be furnished by the church, also the principal part of the labor will be performed by the church. We are expecting a revival, and we pray that, as a result, many precious souls will be converted to God. We solicit the prayers of our brethren for the work in Spokane.

Our motto is: "The Advent Message to all the world in this generation."

C. E. Ford.

The Pomeroy Church Building

About the middle of May we went to Pomeroy, Wash., to assist in the erection of a church building at that place. Our brethren, by pledges and soliciting on the outside, had a promised fund of about \$190. This was afterwards increased to almost \$235. Most of this was available, and was soon collected. In getting lumber, it was found to be much more economical to purchase from a neighboring sawmill, some fifteen miles away, than to buy at the town lumberyard. Accordingly, arrangements were made by one of our brethren to haul the lumber without expense, save for the feeding of his team.

A neat little building, 24x32 feet, was erected upon a plot kindly donated by real estate men of the city. We could not but appreciate the hearty co-operation of the people of the town in the entire enterprise. Some who were unable to donate money generously came forward to assist in the labor of building.

When we left Pomeroy, June 8, the building was completed, with the exception of putting in the floor, wainscoting, and windows. Later our people will paper and paint the building. We figured that the funds on hand and in sight would pay for the building and leave a surplus of \$25 or \$30 for seats. Probably the entire indebtedness,

after painting and papering, will not aggregate \$50, and there is a plan whereby this is soon to be lifted.

We hope that this church will prove to be a standard of truth, which will show forth this closing message to the town of Pomeroy and the surrounding country.

J. C. Little,
F. D. Wagner.

The Tent Company in Southern Idaho

On the evening of May 30, we began a series of tent meetings in Nampa, Idaho, with a congregation of about thirty. This number was considerably augmented each evening, until the tent was quite well filled, but as the testing truths were presented, we were painfully reminded of the Saviour's experience recorded in John 6:60, 66.

A few faithful ones, however, have continued with us from the first, and now we are beginning to see some fruit of our labors. Just how many will obey we are not yet able to say, but we hope for several.

The members of our tent company are well and of good courage in the Lord.

W. A. Stewart,
W. R. Smith,
Geo. W. Casebeer.

WESTERN OREGON

Our Intermediate School

The churches in Western Oregon have already received a circular letter from the conference committee concerning this proposed enterprise, stating that such a school would be established at some point in the northern part of the conference; and that if we failed to secure our own buildings this fall, we would start the work in rented quarters. We also appealed for donations of cash and other things that will be required to establish and run the school.

Now, we wish to say to our people in Western Oregon that the question of location has been settled by a recent vote of the conference committee. I am sure that this fact will be of special interest to every one who appreciates the importance of such an enterprise as

this, which concerns, as it does, the young people among us, who are now laying the foundation for their future. Many have been waiting anxiously to know where the school will be located. We are ready now to announce that, unless some unforeseen hindrance arises to interfere with present arrangements, the site for the school will be about thirty-five miles from Portland, on the west side of the Willamette River. It is off the railroad, three miles east of Gaston. Nestled there against the foot-hills, overlooking a fertile and picturesque valley and commanding a view far beyond of beautiful mountain ranges, is a tract of land which seems in a special way adapted to the needs of such a school. It is abundantly watered by never-failing streams and springs, and yet thoroughly drained. The water is sweet and pure. The land is varied in its character, and in the lay of it so that its adaptation to an industrial school site could hardly be better. The wood supply is abundant, giving an excellent foundation for a remunerative industry. We would like to say more in reference to this place which has been chosen for the school, but want of space forbids.

I wish to appeal now to our dear brethren and sisters throughout the conference to come forward without delay with donations for this much-needed enterprise for the good of our youth. Surely in these young among us we have a sacred trust, and this responsibility should strongly appeal to every one of us to make more than an ordinary effort just now to establish the school, equipped for its work and free from debt. No time should be lost, for the summer is speeding away from us, and we have little enough time at best to get the work started. As stated in the circular which has been sent out, we need some liberal cash donations at once. Who is ready to give now till he feels that a real sacrifice has been made, and in this way receive a blessing? Are there not some at least who can make a gift to the school of a hundred dollars? Quite a number might give fifty, while many surely can

give twenty dollars, more ten, and a large number can give five dollars. And can not each of the children be encouraged to give a dollar to such an enterprise as this? Now, why may we not expect, without much urging, immediate responses to this call, so that we can move forward and put up the buildings which will be needed, that the school may open this fall? Some pledges were made at the camp-meeting; these should be paid as soon as possible. We have two cows offered us, which is a very acceptable gift, indeed. Maybe some one else has such a donation to make. And can not some of our good families set a few hens for the school? Chickens hatched now will lay next spring. The chicken industry will be profitable.

And we should soon be receiving offers of such things as were mentioned in the circular sent to the churches,—bedding and other household furnishings; provisions, such as potatoes, fruit, etc. Maybe some one has an organ to give; possibly some one a stove. These things will be needed. If an individual can not give one of the articles alone, could not some one church undertake to raise enough money to buy it, and thus help along?

Now, in short, will not our people in Western Oregon rally *at once* to help us get our intermediate school started on a good basis?

I am sure that you will co-operate with us in this effort in behalf of education in the Western Oregon Conference. May the Lord abundantly bless you. Address the undersigned, or G. W. Pettit, for particulars.

F. M. Burg.

285 Salmon St.,
Portland, Ore.

Notes

Remember the ten-cent-a-week plan of supporting the work in needy fields.

Lest you forget, we wish to remind you that the tent and camp-meeting fund need some money.

Brother W. H. Covell left Portland July 5, for the East, to be gone for a short time. He goes in the interests of the book work.

All the teachers who attended the summer school at South Tacoma, report a very profitable time. Each one seems of good courage to take up the work for the year.

Elders Starbuck and Clark, with Brother Butterfield, are meeting with some encouragement at Grants Pass. May the Lord give them souls for their labors.

Do you know that the second tithe plan has been adopted in this conference for the support of the school interests? Let all co-operate in this, that it may prove a success.

The Pacific Press branch office and conference headquarters have been moved from 201 Second Street to 285 Salmon Street, Portland, Ore. Let all correspondence be directed accordingly.

Elder Reaser has returned from California, where he was called by the death of his mother, and is now in Portland, planning for his summer's tent meetings. Elder C. J. Cole will assist in this effort.

There will be two local camp-meetings in the conference this summer, one in Coos County, and one in Southern Oregon. The exact time and place for these meetings have not been appointed. Definite announcement will be made soon.

Good reports of book sales are coming in from the canvassers in the field. Brother Lee Moran has been giving his attention to the work in this line in Western Oregon since the Corvallis camp-meeting, and he speaks very encouragingly of the outlook. He left Portland last night, in company with Brother Pettit, to spend a few days at the Pacific Union educational council, at South Tacoma.

F. M. Burg.

“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.”

WESTERN WASHINGTON

A Word to Our People

Dear brethren and sisters in the Western Washington Conference:

I have been so impressed by Sister White's article in the “Review and Herald” of May 19, 1904, that it is impossible to refrain from calling special attention to it. Will you not re-read it?

Note carefully the following statements: “Christ has given His Spirit as a divine power to overcome all hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil, and to impress His own character upon the church.” From this statement, it is plain that our only hope is to have the Holy Spirit as individuals and as a church. But we are without excuse, for we read, “It is the privilege of every son and daughter of God to have the indwelling of the Spirit.” What would the result be? “There is no limit to the usefulness of one who, putting aside self, makes room for the working of the Holy Spirit upon his heart, and lives a life wholly consecrated to God.” But what is the hindering cause?—Self. “But many will not submit to this. They want to manage themselves. This is why they do not receive the heavenly gift.” “If His people will remove the obstruction, He will pour forth the waters of salvation in abundant streams through human channels.” “If men in humble life were encouraged to do all the good they could do, if restraining hands were not laid upon them to repress the zeal, there would be one hundred workers for Christ where now there is one.”

What a great field is ready for the harvest in this conference. Consider the large cities along the coast. How shall these cities be worked? We have but a handful of workers, and are unable to employ more. The nearness of the end is constantly being set before us by the Spirit of God.

One object I have in writing this article is to open the way in this conference for perfect freedom on the part of the brethren to engage in missionary labor. Let the brethren who have been faithful

in their missionary labors in the church feel free to go out two by two, carrying our books, tracts, and pamphlets,—singing, praying with the people as the way opens and as your means will allow. Do not ask the conference for support, but those for whom you labor will be moved upon by the Lord to not only receive you into their homes, but also to make donations toward your support. The time has come, brethren, when we must all feel the nearness of the end and the necessity of doing active, effective missionary labor. May the Lord move upon the hearts of many to go forth scattering the light of present truth.

E. L. Stewart,
Pres. Western Wash. Conf.

MISSIONARY WORK

“Is thy cruse of comfort wasting?
Rise and share it with another,
And through all the years of famine
It shall serve thee and thy brother.”

Canvassing in British Columbia

We have had so many good experiences. People are receiving us with open arms here. Nearly every house is opened to us.

Last Thursday, a week ago, I went out to help deliver books. By the side of the road I saw an old man sitting. There were several things that could have been done under the circumstances. I might have passed him by without a word, or I might have greeted him and gone on, or I might have sat down and talked about secular things, or I could do as Christ would have done, tell him to “come.” I went over to him and sat down by his side and spoke of the prophecies being fulfilled so rapidly. He was interested, and we had a little Bible reading there by the roadside. I had some good tracts along, which I gave him, and he promised to read them and send for more.

Again I had an encouraging experience the following Sabbath. By leaving my breakfast, I caught a certain car. On that car was a man the Lord wanted me to see.

The car was quite crowded, yet there was a seat for me beside the man. He was reading a religious tract, but not one of ours. I waited until I reached the end of the line, then I took a tract out of my pocket, selecting “The Way to Christ,” by Sister White. I asked him to read it when he was through with the other. Then I got off the car and started to go up town, but turned around and went back to the conductor and asked him for a transfer to Fair View. I did not know why or what for. I started to go to my destination again, when this gentleman walked up to me and opened a conversation. We had a little Bible study right on the main street of Vancouver. All at once he said: “Well, I am sorry, but I must leave you. Here comes my car.” I told him I had a transfer to the Fair View car, so we got on together. He asked me to call and study further with him, giving me his address. I promised to do so; then he got off the car, and I left to go to my destination, praising God for opportunities to serve Him.

R. G. Hafford.

THE BOOK WORK

Report of the Canvassing Work in the Upper Columbia Conference For the Two Weeks Ending July 2, 1904

HEALTH BOOKS			
	Hrs.	Ord.	Value.
A. D. Guthrie.....	74	71	\$382 50
C. H. Allen.....	120	34	156 50
HOME HAND-BOOK			
G. S. Garner.....	21	5	25 50
L. J. Hughes.....	55	14	74 50
T. G. Johnson.....	65	13	62 00
LADIES' GUIDE			
Mrs. Fannie Gillaspy..	32	25	88 50
GREAT CONTROVERSY			
E. Holm.....	21	5	12 00
PROPHECIES OF JESUS			
W. L. Mitchell.....	78	7	17 50
Total.....	466	174	\$819 00
Miscellaneous Sales.....			130 85

British Columbia Conference For the Week Ending July 2, 1904

GREAT CONTROVERSY			
F. P. Wright.....	17	3	\$8 50
R. G. Hafford.....	7	3	8 50
Total.....	24	6	\$17 25
Miscellaneous Sales.....			2 00

Western Washington Conference For Two Weeks Ending June 24, 1904
GREAT CONTROVERSY

F. W. Ham.....	47	2	\$ 5 25
A. H. Booth.....	33	2	6 25
F. P. Wright.....	21	5	13 80
David Adams.....	18	2	5 25
Sister Greenleaf.....	22	3	8 50
Total.....	141	14	\$29 05
Miscellaneous Sales.....			16 05

Western Washington For the Week Ending July 2, 1904
LADIES' GUIDE

— Johnson.....	14	2	\$ 5 50
GREAT CONTROVERSY			
David Adams.....	24	2	6 75
Frank Ham.....	41	6	16 25
A. H. Booth.....	19	1	2 00
Grace Adams.....	14	4	13 00
David Dodge)			
W. H. Coffin)	156	24	64 25
Total.....	268	39	\$107 75
Miscellaneous Sales.....			27 75

Western Oregon Conference For the Week Ending June 30, 1904
GREAT CONTROVERSY

Ford Dodds.....	8		\$19 50
G. J. Scharff.....	7		17 00
John Oster.....	40	3	10 75
E. M. Oberg.....	32	29	60 00
GOSPEL READER			
M. A. Vroman.....	48		88 65
Geo. H. Scott.....	48		65 00
Joseph Heermance.....	4		26 00
MAN THE MASTERPIECE			
W. H. Covell.....	32	14	49 00
Total.....	204	61	\$335 90
Miscellaneous Sales.....			10 25

California Conference

For the Week Ending July 6, 1904
DESIRE OF AGES

W. R. Beatty.....	32	12	\$75 00
BIBLE READINGS			
Susie Barker.....	40	5	12 75
Myrtle Blake.....	40	3	7 50
Mabel Stone.....	16	2	4 00
HOME HAND-BOOK			
Ira Workman.....	80		300 00
Total.....	208	22	\$399 25
Miscellaneous Sales.....			16 75

“Not our circumstances, but the use we make of our circumstances, decides the question of our gain or loss day by day in our earthly course. According to the spirit in which we meet them, helps will prove hindrances, or hindrances will prove helps, in our pilgrim path.”

“The men that move the world are the ones who do not let the world move them.”

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The camp-meeting at North Yakima has been postponed until some time in October. The change was made from the former appointment because it came at the time of the hay harvest.

The devastating flame visited the Spokane Sanitarium, located at Spokane, Wash., Thursday morning, July 7, and the new building which was erected about four years ago was completely destroyed. The fire started in the small building in the rear, then it spread to the main building and boiler house. In one hour the three buildings were in ashes. We look for further particulars for the next issue.

Change of Address

My P. O. address, till further notice, will be Healdsburg, Cal.
M. H. Brown.

Obituary

The death of Brother Chauncey Morrison, aged thirty-eight years, occurred at Pasadena, Cal., June 28, the cause being heart failure. For eight years he worked in the Pacific Press. He was of a quiet disposition and faithful in his work. His last sickness was borne with patience, although at times he suffered greatly. He cherished the hope of soon meeting, at the coming of Jesus, the father, mother, and sisters whom he has followed to the silent tomb. How soon this hope will be realized by him the signs all about us clearly indicate. Mourning relatives, "Be ye also

ready." The funeral services were held by the writer.

Roderick S. Owen.

Missionary Program for 1904

The following definite plans for missionary work were enthusiastically received and discussed at the recent meeting of the Pacific Union Conference held in Healdsburg, Cal.

(No. 22) We recommend, That, as conference officers and laborers, we earnestly seek to impress upon the minds of all our people the importance of their each taking a part in carrying this message to the world; and that we assist them to do so by:—

(a) Explaining the particular fields of each of our periodicals, and urging our people to subscribe for, study, and circulate them.

(b) Presenting the advantages of a systematic circulation of tracts on leading points of present truth.

(c) Urging them to carefully study the principles of true medical missionary work.

(d) Encouraging one or more in each church to canvass for our forty-per-cent books, beginning with their own members, and extending their efforts as experience will permit.

(e) Directing the attention of all of our people to the importance of their circulating such books as "Christ's Object Lessons," "Story of Joseph," and "Ministry of Healing."

(f) Aiding suitable persons to follow up the foregoing efforts with Bible readings and cottage meetings.

(g) Inviting our church officers to call the attention of the conference to such openings for meetings as they feel unable to fill themselves.

(No. 23) We Further Recommend:—

That, to make the above suggestions practical and permanent, classes be organized in connection with general meetings, or in such other ways as may be thought best, at which these methods of work may be thoroughly taught

by precept, as well as by example; and

That we urge each church to elect to the office of librarian the person who will the most successfully lead the members into actual missionary service.

Here are a number of suggestions concerning actual field work. Our periodicals, our tracts, the principles of medical missionary work, the encouraging of members to circulate books around their homes, the continuation of the campaign for "Object Lessons," the new work with "Ministry of Healing," and the need of following up such efforts with Bible readings and cottage meetings, are all given prominence. And then, to make these suggestions practical instead of theoretical, it is proposed that permanent classes be organized, and definite instruction, connected with practical work, be given; also that an effort be put forth to secure as the librarian of each church a real missionary leader.

It is proposed that a missionary school be held in connection with, or at the close of, each teachers' summer school. Librarians and others having church responsibilities will be invited to attend, spend half the day in study and the other half in actual work in the vicinity.

By these and other means we expect to encourage our churches to greatly increase their missionary work.

Do not these recommendations contain suggestions that will be helpful to you, dear reader?

H. H. Hall.

Camp-meetings

Camp-meetings for 1904 have been arranged for as follows:—

WESTERN WASHINGTON	
.....	September 1-11
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	
Los Angeles	September 1-11
UTAH	
Provo	August 10-17
BRITISH COLUMBIA	
Vancouver	September 15-25
UPPER COLUMBIA	
North Yakima, Wash.	-----
La Grande, Or.	Aug. 30 to Sept. 4
Southern Idaho	September 12-18