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Religious Liberty

General Conference and Portland Meetings

The general conference, lately closed at Washington, afforded many opportunities for the discussion of vital interests affecting the message we bear as a people; and it was a rare privilege to be associated with the splendid body of men and women, coming from all parts of the world, to participate in the great world's conference. The interest centered in the general exercises in the immense pavilion; but the sectional meetings, devoted to special departmental work, were productive of definite results, tending to unify the plans of labor and to advance these special interests.

Particularly interesting were the departmental meetings of the Religious Liberty Association. Prof. W. W. Prescott presided at these gatherings until

late in the session, when Prof. C. S. Longacre, who had been elected to succeed him as secretary of the association, assumed direction of the exercises.

Wise plans had been devised, in advance, for making the meetings profitable, and the program was one calculated to encourage discussion. The papers presented were thoughtful, and revealed the devotion with which the religious liberty work had been taken up and diligently prosecuted all over the land, and revealed the wide differences existing in the conduct of government in America, and in the countries less fully committed to the principles of liberty and justice.

In this brief report, it will be impracticable to discuss in detail the work of the religious liberty division. Perhaps an outline of the subjects considered will afford a sufficiently clear idea of the ground covered. The papers presented and their authors, most of whom were present in person to read them, were as follows:

Christian Citizenship and Other National Reform Doctrines: K. C. Russell and H. W. Cottrell; Religious Liberty Institutes and Campaigns; Their Importance, and the Best Methods of Conducting Them: J. O. Corliss, W. F. Martin, and H. A. Weaver; Religious Liberty Work in a Country with an Established Church: W. T. Bartlett and L. R. Conradi; The Papal Program for America: A. J. S. Bourdeau; The Federal Council of Churches: a. What It Means, b. Our Attitude Toward It: C. M. Snow and K. C. Russell; The "Standard Bill for One Day of Rest in Seven," Urged by the Federal Council of Churches: J. E. Jayne and W. M. Healey; The Testimony of History to the Fulfillment of the Prophecy in Daniel 7:25: L. S. Wheeler; On the Use of Quotations: W. W. Pres-

cott; Fundamental Roman Catholic Doctrines: W. W. Prescott; Does All Sunday Legislation Involve the Compulsory Observance of the Day? W. A. Colcord and G. B. Thompson; Papal Infallibility: C. S. Longacre; Should an Effort Be Made to Secure the Repeal of Existing Sunday Laws? J. F. Blunt and M. C. Wilcox; Fundamental Differences Between Protestantism and Catholicism: W. W. Prescott; Legislative Hearings; Their Purpose, and the True Basis for Protesting Against Sunday Legislation: Allen Moon and S. B. Horton; How to Reach Roman Catholics with the Gospel Message: L. R. Conradi and J. W. Westphal; Religious Liberty and Protestant Literature; Its Preparation and Circulation: F. M. Wilcox and D. W. Reavis; The Roman Catholic Church and the Bible—The Authority of Tradition: J. Vuilleumier; How to Carry on Gospel Work Under Oppressive Laws: J. T. Boettcher and H. F. Schuberth.

Spirited discussion followed the reading of nearly every paper, and it was voted to request the conference to arrange for the sale of "American State Papers," on the subscription basis, also for the publication of a cheaper volume, containing the same matter, which could be economically circulated throughout America. It was agreed that the organ of the association—*Liberty Magazine*—should be conducted on the broad principle of liberty to every man, of whatsoever state or persuasion, and that care should be exercised to avoid needless antagonisms by purely sectarian propaganda calculated to arouse enmity. It was felt that the *Protestant Magazine* was better suited to the exposure of papal errors; and that *Liberty* should be kept free from this purely denominational controversy.

An excellent spirit prevailed, and the religious liberty workers were drawn together by the interchange of views. A more systematic prosecution of the work of this department in future is probable.

Going on, at the conclusion of the conference, to New England, it was my privilege to labor for two weeks among old friends and amidst the scenes of my early life, where one Sabbath I spoke in the old Reid meeting-house, at Richmond, Maine, where in early days Elder James White and Mrs. E. G. White often officiated. The light of truth still burns brightly there, and it was a pleasure to meet Elder S. J. Hersum, the faithful pastor, who for a long time was president of the Maine Conference, and his devoted congregation.

Returning westward with my wife, after this brief visit to our old home, we are now attending the World's Christian Citizenship Conference at Portland, Oregon, where many noble men are voicing their faith in Christ and their belief in Christianity as the sole remedy for sin and sinners. While Sunday observance is one of the fundamental objects sought by many of the foremost speakers, a broader view is taken by others, and I can but feel that a more definite realization of the present truth would draw from the ranks a goodly company, willing to be guided by the divine word, free from human enactments.

I shall hope to be in attendance at our California camp-meetings, when with others of our brethren in attendance at the Portland gathering, we may be able to tell something further of the meeting.

J. F. Blunt.

Portland, July 2, 1913.

The Field

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA- NEVADA

Conference Notes

One of our canvassers, Brother M. A. Reese, states in his report that he recently visited three persons who said they were trying to keep God's holy Sabbath. Two of these were persons to whom he had sold books. Let us all pray for our canvassers and for our canvassing work, that much good may be accomplished in this way.

Elder D. T. Fero sends us the following report from Yuba City: "Brother Dayton and I began meetings in our tent in Yuba City May 22. After a few days Brother Urquhart joined our company, and I returned home. Last week when we began preparations for our camp-meeting, Brother Urquhart was asked to assist, and I again went to Yuba City, and we closed our meetings July 2. At first the outlook was not very encouraging, but the interest grew. The Lord gave us the confidence of the people and blessed our work. It is difficult to tell what the final result will be, but at least twelve have decided to obey the message, and a good influence prevails in the community."

Verah MacPherson.

Modesto

The Lord has been blessing the Modesto church abundantly, and we have much for which to praise Him.

Several weeks ago we had a Sabbath-school consecration service, and twenty-three of the young people came forward to give their hearts to God. Indeed, the working of the Spirit of God was manifest. A number of the older members of the church confessed their sins, and nearly all arose to reconsecrate their lives to God's service.

Out of the twenty-three young people who came forward, fifteen expressed their desire for baptism. So we made arrangement with Elder C. M. Gardner to officiate at this ordinance.

Sabbath, June 21, Elder Gardner met with us, and after the services at the church, we all went down to the Tuolumne River, and there witnessed these fifteen dear young souls follow their Lord into the watery grave.

We feel that our church school, which has just finished its first year, was to a great extent instrumental in bringing these lambs of the flock to the Lord.

Arrangements have been made for two teachers in our school this coming year. We expect to have eight grades. With two teachers this work can be carried along nicely. We should be very glad to have more pupils. If there are any of our people who desire the privileges of a good church school, we cordially invite you to come and make your home in this section. The writer will be glad to correspond with any one who may be looking this way.

J. C. Rasmussen.

Ceres, R.F.D. 1.

Miscellany

Where Are These Found?

"How the World Improves." There is an improvement, will it bring peace and happiness?

"The German Crown Prince on War." The cavalry charge too tame. Wants the real thing. What does it mean?

"Peace and the United States Navy." "An Answer to the Riddle." What is truth?

"A Triple Sign of the End." Thinking people see it. The Eastern question. "The Price of War," the trend. Some startling figures.

"Modern Religions." Are they effectual? How can you tell?

"Christ Crucified To-Day," the modern crucifixion.

"The One Foundation." If any counterfeits let us find them.

"Days of Violence," a staggering condition.

"Modern History." Who, what, and where is Babylon? Clear, striking, and convincing. Mrs. E. G. White.

"Supernatural Agencies; Origin of Miracles, False and True."

"Astronomy and the Bible," God's works and His word.

"Will the Stars Fail?" Some disagreements. Let us study it.

"The Cell and Its Lesson." Evolution smashed again.

"Gadarenes," a touching lesson.

"The Downward Trend," simultaneous with vast improvement, means something.

"Protestant or Not?" What do you say? Not hard to tell. Examine other fundamentals.

"The Message for To-Day," view of a popular minister. And also the message.

"Evolution and Christ," their association and real meaning.

"The More Sure Word," Bible reading.

This entire list, well made up, and appropriately illustrated, is found in the August *Signs Magazine*. It fills it full, and it surely speaks for itself. It is there for you. And your neighbors will thank you for handing them a copy. You know how the *Signs* handles its subjects.

A message in every article.

Wanted

At once at St. Helena Sanitarium, a good flower gardener. Apply to manager, St. Helena Sanitarium, Sanitarium, California.

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If taken soon, \$1,150 cash will buy a home two blocks from Fernando Academy. Lot 100 x 150 feet, set to oranges, lemons, grapes, and olives. A six-room box house with cellar, woodshed, and city water. Address W. J. Dart, 2006 Thomas Avenue, Fresno, California.

Wanted

Twelve more consecrated Seventh-day Adventist young men and women to take the nurses' training course with the class beginning October 1, 1913, at the Paradise Valley Sanitarium. For catalog and detailed information, write Chas. E. Rice, National City, California, care of Sanitarium.

Book Work

The Call of God

From California's sun-kissed shores
To Jersey's coasts of sand,
From Alaska's ice-bound hills
To the far-off southern land,
In East and West and North and South,
In valley, plain, or glen,
The call of God is sounding loud
For stalwart Christian men.

In marts of trade where commerce reigns,
In dens of vice where sin bears sway,
In all our heated, rushing life,
The call rings out to-day
For men of faith, endurance, too,
Of constant heart, of force and vim,
To circulate the truth-filled page
And bring the light to men.

Too long have those who bear His name
Been loitering in the rear,
Content that preachers' hands should toil
To bring the kingdom near;
Too long our sisters, too, have thought
That men should bear the battle's
brunt;
But now in all the feeling swells
That they should be in front.

They hear the call; they fall in line
With book, and tract, and magazine;
All want to share the thrill and joy
That's interspersed between
Their work for Christ, in every part
Of this terrestrial ball,
And endless bliss, when saints above
Shall crown Him Lord of all.

— A. A. Cone.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 1913

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Southern California						
J. Livingston	B. R.	35	11		\$34.90	
H. E. Farmer	B. R.	23	7		23.50	
G. G. Brown	B. R.	33½	16		49.50	
Adam Ratzlaff	B. R.	32½	3		11.85	
V. E. Samis	B. R.	31	7		24.00	
L. D. Andrews	B. R.	20	6		23.00	
J. W. Osborne	B. R.	28	18		66.00	
A. B. Chase	B. R.	29	12		41.30	
Pernal Anderson	B. R.	34½	12		40.30	
Henry Block	B. R.	4	1		4.60	\$85.60
D. F. Sackuth	B. R.	4	1		3.00	77.00
J. J. Batchelor	B. R.	32	7		29.50	
Wm. Keele*	B. S.	45½	32		24.50	
T. E. Williams						18.00
T. Martin	P. G.	41	5		17.50	
W. O. James	H. & H.	14	13		32.50	
Miscellaneous					5.80	
16 Agents					\$431.75	\$180.60
*Two weeks' report.						
Central California						
J. E. Krieger	G. C.	28		\$ 5.70	\$21.70	\$46.95
Harold Miller	B. R.	19	3	16.30	26.30	
A. R. Barnes	P. G.	15	3	2.10	12.60	
F. O. Jensen	Heralds	23	5	1.20	11.20	78.75
4 Agents		85		\$25.30	\$71.80	\$125.70
Northern California-Nevada						
J. W. Rich	P. P.	36½	22	\$16.00	\$81.50	
Utah						
Paul Moore	Heralds	51	23		\$70.50	
L. R. Ackerman	B. R.	23	12	\$.75	54.75	
A. R. Robinson	B. R.	34	12		51.00	
A. C. Walgamott	B. R.	37	28		113.00	
Mrs. C. Walgamott	B. R.	19	14		46.00	
5 Agents		164	89	\$.75	\$335.25	

From Utah

"I just simply love to canvass, and I like it better every day. You don't know how proud I am that I am in the Lord's work, and have the honor of helping to point people to Christ and to life everlasting," writes Brother Paul Moore who began only a few weeks ago to canvass with "Heralds of the Morning." Brother Moore has been working for a scholarship, and his sales, up to last Friday, a little more than make the required amount. The rest of the time he can put in to make up his other expenses.

The Lord of the harvest must be well pleased with such a record; and we know He is, for His blessing has been added to the work done.

How many of our youth might accomplish this much-desired goal,—an earned and paid-for scholarship in one of our good schools! We congratulate Brother Moore upon his success, for he has worked hard for it, and passed through

some very trying experiences. Notice the hours put in,—47½, 51½, etc. That is what brings success,—consecrated effort. But the reward is not the schooling alone, but the souls that may be saved by the message borne in the books circulated. It pays, dear reader, from any point of view, to work for the Master and with Him in this grand work.

Our other canvassers, though few in number, are pushing right ahead and making some excellent records. Brother Robinson has had neuralgia, which caused some loss of time, but his reports show a good percentage for the time put in. Brother and Sister Walgamott are still meeting with marked success in their work in Ogden. The work is onward here, and we hope to keep it moving and gaining in speed as it goes. We should be pleased to hear from others who would like to join us in helping to carry the message to the people of Utah.

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L. R. Ackerman.

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THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1913

Are You Coming?

Coming where?—To the camp-meeting at San Jose. You are invited. Will you come?

"It is important that the members of our churches attend our camp-meetings. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth." "Strengthen the meeting all you can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people."

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible."

Israel assembled three times a year for worship. Vast multitudes came from all lands. The Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of His people. How much more do we need to meet in these last days when such great interests are hanging in the balance!

"Let the army of the Lord be on the ground to represent the work and cause of God. Do not plead an excuse. The Lord has need of you. Go to the camp-meeting, even though you have to make a sacrifice to do so. Go with a will to work. And make every effort to induce your friends to go, not in your place, but to go with you, to stand on the Lord's side, and to obey His commandments. . . . God will do great things for His people. He will bless every effort to honor His cause and advance His work."

Let all make the meeting at San Jose a special subject of prayer from this time till it is over. We especially invite

our brethren and sisters to make Sabbath, July 19, a special day of seeking the blessing of the Lord upon His people at that time. It is He alone who can bless and revive us. Pray that this meeting may be one of great refreshing to all who come, and that many may accept the truth because of its influence.

We need your presence and help, and you need the camp-meeting. Are you coming?

E. W. Farnsworth.

The California Bible House, in Oakland, will be closed during the San Jose camp-meeting, July 23 to August 3, except from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 28. Mail orders which are not received before the camp-meeting begins will not be filled until after it is over.

We shall have a large assortment of Bibles, denominational books and tracts at the book tent on the grounds. Many of them will be real bargains.

Copies of all the new books which have been issued lately, including Sister E. G. White's "Counsels to Teachers," the revised edition of "History of the Sabbath," and the limp "Great Controversy" and "Patriarchs and Prophets," will be on hand, besides many others. Do not fail to look them over.

Pacific Press Notes

Southern California heads all the conferences in Pacific Press territory, in book deliveries, during the first six months of 1913. By referring to the comparative sales report for this union, it will be noticed that we show a gain of \$3,109.55 for that period. This is certainly very encouraging.

Comparative Report, January to June, — Subscription Books

	1912	1913	Loss	Gain	Total Gain
Arizona	\$1,198.05	\$2,409.80		\$1,211.75	
California	1,435.10	732.60	\$702.50		
California-Nevada	1,082.70	1,772.35		689.65	
Central California	1,886.85	2,371.30		484.45	
Southern California	1,741.45	3,867.30		2,125.85	
Utah	1,291.30	591.65	699.65		
Total Sales	\$8,635.45	\$11,745.00	\$1,402.15	\$4,511.70	\$3,109.55

On my way home, I spent four days in the Central Union Conference, and found crop prospects very bright, and a total enrolment of canvassers of 114. That union has already delivered books to the value of more than \$11,000, a gain over last year of a little over \$4,000.

Reports from Western Canada are nothing short of marvelous. One young Bohemian boy just writes me that during the past four weeks his orders amounted to \$852.

The great Northwest is forging steadily ahead. The report from Portland, received Thursday, shows a gain for the last six months of a little over \$1,000.

While at the conference, final arrangements were made with the brethren in Brazil for the translation of "Patriarchs and Prophets" into Portuguese. It is hoped that this translation will be complete so that we can begin typesetting sometime this fall.

The reports given during the General Conference show that the investment and sales of the four largest publishing houses in the denomination were as follows during 1912:

Hamburg, Germany, Investment	\$363,000
Book Sales	\$163,000
Periodical Sales	98,000
Total	261,000
Review and Herald Investment	\$312,000
Book Sales	\$203,000
Periodical Sales	171,000
Total	\$374,000
Pacific Press Investment	\$287,000
Book Sales	\$313,000
Periodical Sales	147,000
Total	\$460,000
Southern Pub. Assn. Investment	\$161,000
Book Sales	\$246,000
Periodical Sales	30,000
Total	\$276,000

H. H. Hall.

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