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

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THE PORTLAND SANITARIUM.

As there may be some questions in the minds of the many friends of the Portland Sanitarium in regard to the recent transfer of the institution to the North Pacific Union Conference Association, we take this opportunity of making some explanations.

First, we wish to say that the Portland Sanitarium & Benevolent Association still exists as it has in the past, but the stock, instead of being held by a few persons, has now been distributed to about seventy-five individuals, each having one share, the remainder of the shares (over nine hundred), are held by the North Pacific Union Conference Association, so that institution is virtually in the hands of the North Pacific Union Conference Association.

The transfer was made in accordance with the action taken at the last Union Conference, held at Portland, Oregon.

We wish to state that the agreement was a mutual one, taken after a committee had thoroughly investigated the affairs of the Sanitarium. This committee reporting that the present worth of the institution was more than twelve thousand dollars.

The stockholders made no request to the Conference to take over the Sanitarium, but after considering all phases of the work, and the place the Sanitarium was filling in the Conference, it was thought best that the transfer should be made. Each and all the stockholders, for themselves, individually, consented to the change willingly. There was no desire on the part of the stockholders, the Board of Managers, or any individual, to give away the Sanitarium on account of indebtedness. A careful statement was made by Bro. Ireland, as auditor, showing the standing of the institution, and the statement was presented before the Conference.

The Sanitarium was on a paying basis and though started with a large debt, this had been materially reduced, and was being reduced month by month. All interests had been met and current bills paid to date.

At the time the statement was made, it showed a present worth of over \$12,000.00, as stated above; that the entire debt would have been paid in full is very evident from the above showing.

There were no unusual demands being made upon the Sanitarium; bills and notes were being met when due, as the business was so conducted that a gain was being made each month, notwithstanding the fact that a large amount of charity work was being done at all times.

In the transfer, no one of the former stockholders, asked or received one penny for their shares of stock, nor are they to receive in any way, any remuneration for said shares.

The work of the institution is to be conducted as in the past, and now that the transfer has been completed and the Union Conference is really backing the Sanitarium, financially, as well as morally, it is expected that its many friends will rally to its support.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed in the work in the past, and it is only through His power and grace that the work was ever started and carried forward to its present standing, and to Him, we give all the glory for the success that has attended it.

Grand opportunities lie before the workers of the Portland Sanitarium in caring for the sick and afflicted, teaching them the gospel of Christ, educating others to go out as medical missionaries and in looking after the poor and needy.

As the Lord's blessing has attended it in the past, may it ever, and even in a still greater measure, and the work go on until Christ shall come when there will be no more need for health institutions.

We sincerely ask the prayers of all God's people that His blessing may attend the work of those engaged in this branch of the great work.

W. B. WHITE.

Some are asking if they can get stoves, springs and tents. Yes, we have plenty of them on the grounds, and are busy getting them ready for you to use. Do not disappoint us.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CAMP MEETING.

Tuesday, May 8th, we arrived at Puyallup, Wash., from Portland to attend the annual camp meeting of the Western Washington Conference. The camp is pitched this year in the city park, a beautiful tract of land within one block of the business center of the town. It is covered with grass, and contains one city block. There are pretty shade trees upon the ground and, all in all, it is one of the nicest places we have ever seen for a camp meeting. We found the work of preparing the ground well under way, indeed, we never have seen the work of preparing a camp ground more completely finished at the beginning of the meeting than this one. The very best order is observed, and there is a spirit of quietness and restfulness upon the ground that is refreshing.

We presume there are now 60 tents pitched, and about 200 of our people in camp. The meeting opens with an excellent spirit and we feel that God is here. We hope that this may be one of the best camp meetings in the history of the Western Washington Conference. Plans are being laid to quickly finish the Conference business and give the rest of the time to the spiritual interests of the meeting. The camp was much disappointed on learning that Elder Irwin could not be with us; we believe, however, that God is here, and where He is there is success.

Everything in this Conference seems to be in harmony and union, and all are looking forward to a profitable year's work. Elder John Holbrook is here from Montana and will take up labor in this Conference. We will write further of this meeting when it is closed.

W. B. WHITE.

The many friends of A. B. Starbuck will be pleased to learn that he has completed his course in the Medical Department of the State University. All who know Dr. Starbuck will join in wishing him success as a physician and medical missionary.

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With Fire Scene Supplement.

We are glad to announce that a second edition of the Special Earthquake Number of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES has just been issued, accompanied by a beautiful supplement showing the great fire in San Francisco immediately following the earthquake. The photograph from which this engraving was made was taken on the morning of April 18, just six hours after the great trembler. It is by far the finest view of the terrible calamity that we have seen, and the engraving itself is well worth the price of the paper. It is printed on heavy book paper 9½x12 inches, suitable for framing.

This second edition contains many new and striking illustrations, as well as much new matter, thus bringing it right up to date.

The price, including the supplement, remains the same. In lots of less than one thousand 3 cents a copy. 1000 or more 2½ cents a copy.

We are informed that over half a million copies of this special number have already been printed, and the employes of the Pacific Press are working night and day to fill orders.

Newsboys in several cities are selling them on the streets, and large orders have been sent in direct by news agents.

The editors of leading papers in different parts of the country have written the publishers commending them on the splendid issue, and asking permission to copy articles and use some of the illustrations. The editor of the LITERARY DIGEST was one of these. Thus the SIGNS is acknowledged to be the journal giving the best account of this terrible calamity of any paper published.

One encouraging feature about this whole campaign is the fact that no one is losing money by it, as the papers are being sold and not given away. It is self-supporting missionary work, and in addition to this, financial help is being given the Pacific Press, which was a great sufferer from the calamity.

But above and beyond all this is the splendid opportunity it affords us to give the world the truth for these last days, with the assurance that the people will now read what is placed in their hands. Never before in the history of our work have we had such a grand opportunity as this.

We therefore appeal to our people once more to take hold of this work and give this second edition of the Earthquake SIGNS a wide circulation. With the changes that have been made in the illustrations and the addition of new reading matter, accompanied by this beautiful supplement, the territory can be re-canvassed and large numbers sold.

Order direct from the publishers, Mountain View, Cal., or from our tract society.

CARROLLTON, WASH.

Not having seen any report from this place, I will write a few lines. The church here has seemed almost dead for some time, but on talking the matter over with some of the members we decided to begin prayer meetings on Thursday evening, as the Methodists hold one on Wednesday evening in the same neighborhood. We began meetings February 15 with only two present besides the family at whose house the meeting was held. The Spirit came in and we received a blessing. The meetings have been increasing in interest, and more and more have been attending until last Thursday evening all united in declaring that it was the best meeting they had ever attended. All were seeking the Lord earnestly and the Holy Spirit came upon us in power and the room seemed to be filled with His presence. Tears flowed freely and we rejoiced together before the Lord. I never witnessed such a change in a church before, for in our Sabbath School and meetings all are full of life and interest.

We all feel determined to seek the Lord until we get where He can use us to lead others into the truth. We all feel to praise the Lord for what He has done and is doing for us. The enemy tried hard to overthrow our work but we sought the Lord earnestly and unitedly and He has given us the victory. Praise His name! May the Lord help us to live so that many precious souls may be saved in this community. J. T. ROBERSON.

BLESSINGS THAT HAVE FOLLOWED THE EARTHQUAKE.

While nearly all papers and magazines are publishing details of the great catastrophe which has recently visited the Pacific Coast, it may be well for us to recount briefly a few of the precious blessings which the good Lord has showered upon us just at this time when blessings were so much needed to quiet wrought nerves and to re-establish the good cheer and hope of those who have suffered.

God's dealing with his children is wonderfully planned and executed; and in such a time as this it is indeed comforting and reassuring to know that God so times the giving of his most precious blessings that they shall come immediately following the severest chastisements.

Please note the following points and enter with us into the enjoyment of them:

1. Although the walls of the Pacific Press building were thrown down, still the machines, with the exception of the linotypes, were uninjured so that the office was running as usual a few hours after the earthquake.

2. While there was a great loss in property by this destruction, the Lord moved upon the hearts of his people to give liberally for the relief of the Pacific Press. Thus the damage will be fully repaired and both the Pacific Press and our people will be made better from the experience. In receiving the gifts, the Pacific Press will learn anew the strength and liberality of the supporters of this cause, and in the giving, the hearts of the people will be enlarged and made stronger.

3. During the three weeks following the earthquake the SIGNS OF THE TIMES has had a greater circulation than during six months under normal conditions. What a wonderful blessing this is to the world, to the workers, and to the Pacific Press.

4. Orders are coming in, yes they are literally piling up, for the souvenir booklet which shows views of the earthquake, and for the tract which tells the meaning of these things. It is wonderful how an incident like this can arouse the people everywhere to service. This is another evidence that God has abundant resources within His power for setting in motion the mighty forces which will close His work of righteousness.

5. Whereas in the past our people have worked hard to sell the SIGNS and other literature, this experience has turned the tables about so that the people call after our agents and are greatly pleased that an opportunity is thus given them to buy the truth; and whereas our agents have often found it difficult to make a living from the sale of papers, they are now

finding that they can earn more from the SIGNS than from working at a trade.

6. The earthquake smashed nearly all the vases and breakable decorations in the homes of the people, and the Lord has enabled many of the sufferers to transfer their affections from such things to that which is more stable and enduring. This also, while it seemed a temporary grievance, has really been a blessing.

7. Many who before were only half-hearted in the service of God have learned the infinite value of walking with God from day to day so as to be prepared for whatever may come. Naturally an earthquake of this kind stirs up the good, sets it working, and it helps the people to take a bold stand against sin and to put it away. In thousands of homes in this stricken district the Lord's name is honored and His will obeyed more than ever in the past.

It seems good indeed, to see the activity of the Pacific Press since the earthquake. The circulation of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES has gone beyond all past records. In fact the orders have come in so rapidly that it has been impossible to handle them on time. The hands have been working almost night and day and yet several times they have told me that they had not had "time" to count up the orders for the SIGNS for two days.

While I am dictating these few words there are fully a score of our sisters sitting at large tables in the halls of the Pacific Press building folding the SIGNS OF THE TIMES. This morning the manager of the Circulating Department reported that the orders had gained on them until there were more than 30,000 orders ahead of what they had been able to fill, and so an invitation was sent out to many of our sisters in the neighborhood to come in during the afternoon and help. Therefore, if our good people who are doing such splendid work all through the United States should not receive their papers or their souvenir booklets, or their tracts promptly, they will be able to excuse the workers in the Pacific Press in view of the splendid effort they are putting forth. But in behalf of the sacred interests of this, the greatest opportunity ever brought to our doors for spreading the truth, we appeal to our people not to stop work because their supplies are delayed for a few days or from fear that they will not be received.

The Pacific Press is turning away every item of commercial work that would interfere with this movement, and with God's blessing they will be able to meet the needs of the hour and supply your people with materials for their work. The papers are still selling wonderfully and orders are being

received for many thousands of copies of the souvenir booklet and the special tract. Watch the advertisements which appear in our papers from week to week and with all the energy and consecration which God has given you, join with us in the work.

E. R. PALMER,
Sec. Gen. Conf. Pub. Dept.

PORTLAND SANITARIUM.

The work at the Sanitarium is going along very nicely. All seem to be enjoying the work in which they are engaged and are trying to uphold the principles for which the institution stands.

At our regular monthly helpers' meeting, Sunday, May 6th, we were very glad to have with us Eld. W. B. White, Eld. A. J. Breed and Dr. Froom, Secretary of the General Conference Medical Association. The talks given by these brethren were very much appreciated. We are always glad to hear from those who are engaged in the general work, as they are able to tell us how the work is progressing in other lines which is an encouragement to us and this enables us to be more zealous in the work in this place.

Drs. B. N. and Mayme MacLafferty left us on the evening of the 8th for Aberdeen, where they expect to spend a few days visiting friends and relatives and will then go on to Port Townsend where they expect to open up the work the first of June. Our best wishes go with them, and we trust they will meet with much success in this new place.

We are receiving quite a number of applications from both young men and young women to enter our class which begins November 1st. We hope to have a class of good, bright young men and women to join our family at this time.

We find that the calls for medical missionary nurses are so many that it seems quite impossible to supply nearly all that are looking for this kind of help. There are great opportunities for many young men and women to enter this work, as there is no line that affords such good opportunities for helping our fellowmen.

Miss Susie Arnold, of the class of '94, is at the Sanitarium, visiting old friends and acquaintances. She has been engaged in private nursing at her home in Southern Oregon, and has met with good success, which we believe, is due to the principles and system taught in our Sanitariums.

Dr. N. C. MacLafferty, brother of Dr. B. N. MacLafferty, has accepted an

invitation to connect with Portland Sanitarium as one of the physicians. He has already entered upon his duties, and we trust his associations with us will be mutually helpful.

Dr. Froom is staying at the Sanitarium for a few days assisting Dr. MacLafferty during the absence of Dr. Simmons.

The Sanitarium expects to pitch two tents on the camp ground at Woodburn for the benefit of the helpers and friends of the Sanitarium who attend the meeting. As many as possible are planning to attend.

Bro. C. C. Waterman and family, formerly of Battle Creek, arrived at the Sanitarium a short time ago. Bro. Waterman is connected with the Sanitarium Food Co. as one of the bakers, and his wife is working at the Sanitarium. We are glad to welcome them among us.

The Sanitarium family is taking quite an interest in the distribution of the special number of the "Signs" the "Earthquake Number." We trust that much good will come as a result of these efforts.

Having again accepted a position on the College Faculty of Walla Walla College, it becomes necessary for another to take up the work of Treasurer of the Union Conference and Editor of the Gleaner. Brother C. H. Castle has been selected for the place, and I bespeak for him the hearty co-operation of all our brethren. Brother Castle needs no introduction to many of our readers, and his experience in this kind of work in the past insures his success in his new field.

All future communications with the Gleaner should be addressed to Brother Castle at College Place, Wash. Also all money for the North Pacific Union Conference should be sent to the same address.

Wishing the Gleaner the success it deserves in the work to which it has been consecrated, I withdraw from the field of journalism.

O. K. BUTLER.

In our last issue we stated that we would not be able to send forth this number of the Gleaner at the regular time for its weekly appearance, hence the omission and delay. We trust our readers will bear with us for this, and hope to henceforth send out the paper regularly.

A full report of the Milton, Ore., camp meeting will be in the next number, also other reports.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Receipts for Month of April, 1906.

Tithe.

Aberdeen	\$ 92.63
Connie	53.05
Colby	163.57
Centralia	7.45
Cedar Home	73.83
Deming	47.75
Everett	180.43
Enterprise	54.28
Kent	47.20
Kelso	30.95
Montesano	8.56
Mount Vernon	184.95
Puyallup	43.20
Shelton	16.91
Sara	6.45
Meadow Glade	28.66
Tacoma	96.17
Vancouver	205.83
Wilkeson	76.75
Bellingham	145.68
Carrollton	2.00
Sedro Woolley	28.97
Poulsbo	35.50
Personal	16.78
Ridgefield	4.10
Friday Harbor	25.58
Mossy Rock	6.56
Seattle	335.91
Green Lake	292.36
	\$2312.06

Funds.

Southern Field	\$ 1.70
Religious Liberty	13.60
China—Thibet	35
S. S. Offerings	212.82
Haskell Home	84.23
Weekly Offerings	174.74
Colored Work	7.00
Text Book Fund	1.00
Mission Board	13.92
Walla Walla College	10.00
Industrial Schools	205.00
Educational Fund	20.00
Testimonies B—650
Federation Signs50
Second Tithe83
	\$ 746.19

Total

\$3058.25

W. C. ROBY, Treasurer.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The brethren and sisters, gathered at the Western Washington camp meeting at Puyallup, were greatly disappointed in not having the labors of Elder Geo. Irwin at their camp meeting. He expected to attend the meeting and his letters gave every assurance, but matters at Washington, D. C., detained him and he could not come. While all were very sorry that they could not have the benefit of his labor among them, all realize that it was likely necessary that he attend to matters at the nation's capital.

Elders H. W. Decker and W. B. White are attending the camp meeting at Puyallup, Wash., Prof. M. E. Cady will go as soon as school closes at Walla Walla College. We trust also that Elder D. Nettleton may be able to spend some time at this meeting.

The news has come to the Gleaner office of the death of Mrs. Laura Miller nee Fiske, formerly of Helena, Mont. Miss Fiske was formerly a student of Walla Walla College, later she entered the Medical College at Battle Creek, but did not think best to finish her course. About a year

ago she married a Seattle gentleman who was engaged in the coal business in that city. She was buried last week in Seattle, her father and mother being present from Helena, Mont. Mrs. Miller had many warm friends who will greatly regret her untimely death. We trust that God will give comfort and consolation to her bereaved friends.

W. B. WHITE.

ITEMS FROM WESTERN OREGON.

Work began on the camp ground Monday, May 21. Today, the 23rd, the work is well organized and a good corps of workers are making a good start. Elder G. A. Snyder is expected to be with us during workers' meeting and conduct Bible studies.

Prospects are good for a large attendance at the camp meeting, May 31 to June 10.

The young people's convention held at St. John on May 12 was attended by nearly one-third of the young people of our Conference. It was the first convention of this character held in the North Pacific Union Conference territory. Some from the Western Washington Conference joined us in our long-to-be-remembered day. The day was, we are certain, a profitable one, and we trust other gatherings may be held in our Conference.

The new building of the Portland Sanitarium Food Co. is now completed. They have moved the machinery from Second and Montgomery streets, where they were carrying on the work in rented quarters. The store also run by them on East Burnside street, also in rented quarters, has been removed to their new commodious factory. With new machinery which has been recently installed they will be able to more than double their capacity and operate with much less expense.

Elder G. A. Snyder and wife have been spending a few days in Portland. We expect them with us at our camp meeting.

The Conference and Camp Meeting Committees are doing all in their power to provide every possible convenience for all who come to our camp meeting. Plan, therefore, to come and enjoy this ten-days' feast. In view of things rapidly transpiring in the world it behooves us to sacrifice until we feel it rather than to miss one of these opportunities. This may be the last one. Troublesome times are just before us and we do not know when such blessings may be taken away.

G. W. PETTIT.