

# PACIFIC UNION RECORDER

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

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## Annual Report of the Manager of the Pacific Press Publishing Company (Concluded)

### NEW FACTORY

The contract for erecting our new factory at Mountain View has been let to Brother W. E. Whalin. The building will be of brick, with the working rooms all on the ground floor. The contract price, exclusive of power house, steam heating, and light, is \$26,800.

The work is now well under way, and we hope to be able to begin to move early in July. It is a big undertaking, and will call for hard work and careful planning, for matters must be so arranged that there will be no serious interruption to our business.

### SALE OF COUNTER CHECK-BOOK BUSINESS

Soon after we decided to make this move, we had an offer of fifty thousand dollars cash for our counter check-book business, good-will, etc., and the stock of paper, etc., to be taken at inventory price. This meant a bonus for the good-will of the business for the next two years of about thirty thousand dollars.

The offer was accepted, and the business has been sold to the Pacific Manifold Book Company. The machinery and all pertaining to that department has been moved out of our buildings, and the work is now being carried on in a building situated at the corner of Second and Oak Streets.

The sale of this business furnishes capital with which to erect our new factory at Mountain View

without waiting for the sale of our real estate here in Oakland, or calling on our people for donations.

Now, as commercial work, on which we have depended for a profit is "cut away," it will be necessary to so rearrange matters as to place our denominational business on a paying basis. Plans with this in view have already been inaugurated.

### BRANCH OFFICES

During the past year, two new branch offices have been established, one in Portland, Ore., and one at Lincoln, Neb. Arrangements have been made whereby we take the entire charge of the publishing work in the Western Oregon and Western Washington Conferences, also in the states of Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri, and, as you are aware, California has just turned over its book business to the Pacific Press. This brings to us added responsibilities, but we believe it is a move in the right direction.

We desire to come in closer touch with conference officers and our brethren and sisters in the field and in the churches, not with the idea of taking the work out of their hands, but of co-operating with them so that a great work can be accomplished in a short time.

### REORGANIZATION

In view of the important changes that are being made, and the fact that this is a denominational publishing house, the board of directors has been studying the question of reorganization

very carefully, and will present a definite plan for your consideration at this meeting.

The field in which the Pacific Press now operates consists of the Pacific, the Central, and the Southwestern Union Conferences. This includes nearly all the territory west of the Mississippi River, including the Hawaiian Islands. Branch offices have been established at Kansas City, Mo., Lincoln, Neb., and Portland, Ore. Now, in view of the fact that we depend upon our people in these conferences to co-operate with us in the distribution of our literature, it seems no more than right that they should have a voice in the management of the institution and its branches.

The plan to be proposed contemplates making this a membership corporation instead of a stock company.

### OUR FISCAL YEAR.

The regular time for closing our fiscal year is March 31, and, according to the by-laws, the annual meeting of the stockholders is to be held on the fourth Monday in April. This is a very inconvenient time for us to close up the year's business, and, as the next six months will be very much broken up on account of moving, we suggest that hereafter our fiscal year be made to close December 31, and the annual meeting of the stockholders be held on the fourth Monday of January.

### FINANCES.

Financially, the past year has been a very prosperous one. The balance sheet shows a net gain

here at the home office of \$12,861.19, and this, too, after cutting down the inventory very severely (over \$20,000) and making donations to the amount of \$11,781.41.

The net gain at our New York branch was, before it was turned over to the Review and Herald, \$583.32.

The net gain at our Kansas City branch was \$1,266.68. This includes a small gain at the Lincoln branch.

Our Portland office reports a loss of \$75.11.

This leaves the net gain of the entire institution for the year, \$14,636.08.

This does not include the \$11,781.41 donations. Adding this to the net gain, we have \$26,417.49.

As compared with last year, the report stands as follows:—

	1903 13 months	1904 12 months
Volume of business.....	\$351,008.55	\$410,978.09
Total net gain.....	12,789.84	14,711.13
Total net gain, including donations.....	21,380.84	26,417.49

The net gain of the institution since it began business, about twenty-nine years ago, is \$162,582.40, or an average of about \$5,600 per year.

Our donations to missionary enterprises during the same time amount to about \$36,000.

During the past year special attention has been given to the question of reducing our indebtedness, and we are glad to report that our interest-bearing debt has been reduced over twelve thousand dollars, and instead of an overdraft at the bank, which we had last year, we have a good, large sum to our credit. The institution was never in a better condition financially than it is today.

Reports from our branch offices and from our book and periodical department will be made by those having charge of same.

#### EVENING SCHOOL.

An evening school for apprentices has been carried on regularly during the past year. The attendance has been small, but a good interest manifested on the part of those who have availed themselves of the privilege. Professor Hinckley has had charge of this school,

and the tuition has been free to all.

#### APPRENTICES.

One of our greatest needs at the present time is skilled workmen in the various departments. We have a few, but not enough, and we can not find them among the ranks of Seventh-day Adventists, neither can we go out into the world for them, for the best printers belong to the union, and union men are not allowed to work in the Pacific Press, a non-union shop.

Our only hope is in the training up apprentices, but we want those on whom we can depend,—young men and young women, well educated, active and devoted, who will throw their whole heart and soul into the work, and will stay by it, making this their life business. There are openings now for a few of this kind, and more can be taken in later on.

#### A TESTING TIME.

On account of the radical changes that are contemplated, and the moving of our plant from Oakland to Mountain View, many have been greatly perplexed, and it has been a real testing time for our employees. We are glad to report, however, that a sufficient number to carry on the work have stood the test, and have decided to go with the institution, even though it does call for a sacrifice. There are difficulties in the way, and, like the children of Israel of old, it calls for the exercise of faith, not only on the part of the employees, but the management as well.

The Pacific Press has had no disastrous fire, or other great calamity, but on the other hand it is enjoying a fair degree of prosperity. Business men wonder why we are moving out of Oakland, and looking at it simply from a business standpoint, it is a foolish thing to do. But the Lord has spoken, and we move out by faith.

#### SUGGESTIONS.

The following are some of the important questions we would suggest for your consideration at this meeting:—

1. Our plans and policy con-

cerning establishing and maintaining branch offices, etc.

2. What steps shall be taken to place our denominational work on a paying basis?

3. What action shall be taken in regard to reorganizing the company in order to make it a more representative body?

4. The future policy of the institution in regard to plans, methods, etc.

5. What steps shall be taken to reduce the interest-bearing debt?

6. Should this institution pay tithes, and where?

7. Shall we change the time of closing our fiscal year from March 31 to December 31, holding the stockholders' meeting on the fourth Monday in January, instead of the fourth Monday in April?

8. The election of a board of directors for the coming year.

In closing this report, we desire to express our sincere gratitude to God for His protecting care and the degree of prosperity that has attended the work during the past year, also for the union and harmony that have prevailed throughout the various departments of the institution, and for the hearty support of the employees and directors, and of our people generally. This we fully appreciate, and we trust that the incoming board of directors may have the same hearty support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. Jones,

General manager.

Oakland, Cal.,

June 7, 1904.

#### Officers and Managers of the Pacific Press Publishing Co.

The following named persons were elected as a board of directors of the Pacific Press Publishing Company for the ensuing term: W. T. Knox, C. H. Jones, M. C. Wilcox, W. B. White, H. H. Hall, A. S. Kellogg, and E. A. Chapman.

The board is organized as follows: President, W. T. Knox; vice-president and general manager, C. H. Jones; secretary and

treasurer, E. A. Chapman; auditor, J. J. Ireland.

Other appointments were as follows: Manager book and periodical department, H. H. Hall; superintendent manufacturing department, F. H. Gage; manager Kansas City branch office, James Cochran; manager Lincoln branch office, C. H. Miller.

Editor "Signs of the Times," M. C. Wilcox; assistant editors, C. M. Snow and W. N. Glenn.

Editorial committee on "Our Little Friend:" M. C. Wilcox, H. H. Hall, and Kathrina B. Wilcox.

Editorial committee on "Apples of Gold" and "Bible Students' Library:" W. N. Glenn, H. H. Hall, M. C. Wilcox, J. F. Beatty, and A. J. Bourdeau.

Publishing committee: C. H. Jones, H. H. Hall, M. C. Wilcox, W. N. Glenn, C. M. Snow, W. T. Knox, and A. J. Bourdeau.

payment of church school-teachers.

18. We recommend: (a) That all of the second tithe which may come into the conference treasury shall be disbursed in proportion to the salaries of the respective teachers, without reference to the amount received from each local church, remittances to be made monthly to the several school boards, whether the funds in the treasury be sufficient or not to pay in full the salaries of all teachers; and, in case of a shortage at the end of the quarter, the deficit shall be provided for by the local school boards.

(b) That tuition be collected from students whose parents are not of our faith, and from those of our membership, if there be any such, who do not adopt the plan of the second tithe, money accruing from this source to be under control of local school boards, but the amount collected by said tuition to be reported monthly to the conference treasurer.

19. We further recommend all churches contemplating starting church schools to correspond with the conference educational field secretary in regard to the advisability of same, and also with reference to securing teachers and fixing teachers' salaries.

Note.—This recommendation was very enthusiastically supported by the conference, being voted upon favorably by not only the delegates, but by everybody in the tent. We are encouraged to hope that it may be carried out during the coming year, so that there may be an abundance of funds with which to pay our church school-teachers. If all will adopt the plan, there will be something like about \$4,000 coming into the treasury to be used in this way. We will say more about this through the "Recorder" later.

20. Special Recommendation: At the session of the conference held Wednesday, June 1, 1904, the chair made a brief comprehensive statement in regard to the debts of the conference, especially in reference to the tithe which is

involved both in the real estate in Portland, and also in the tent and camp-meeting account. He stated clearly how this tithe came to be diverted from its regular and proper channel, showing that a wrong system of bookkeeping and banking which was in vogue eight or nine years ago was responsible for the misfortune, and that no blame should be attached to the individuals who have heretofore held responsible relations to the conference work, for this. He suggested that as an expedient measure by which this matter could be cleared up and differences among the brethren removed, and unity and harmony brought in to insure the blessing of God upon our conference in the future, the accounts on the conference books be so adjusted as to make this matter a thing of the past; and that we, standing shoulder to shoulder, with hearts open heavenward, go forward with renewed courage and zeal with the work which we have in hand. As the suggestion was made, and everybody in the pavilion asked to vote upon it, the melting power of God came in in such measure as to settle all in the conviction that the measure was approved by the Lord. It was unanimously supported; and the vote upon the question was followed by one of the best praise services of the camp-meeting.

Note.—Many of the recommendations which were adopted by the Pacific Union Conference, and which have a bearing upon our work in a general way, were read before the delegates, and discussed with much interest. More, perhaps, will be said in reference to these in the future through the columns of the "Recorder."

F. M. Burg,  
President.

## THE FIELD

### WESTERN OREGON

#### Recommendations Adopted by the Western Oregon Conference

(Concluded)

Whereas, There are many calls upon the resources of our people to-day, such as general offerings, care for the widow, fatherless, and other worthy poor, church and camp-meeting expenses, and last, but not least, the support of our church-school work; and,

Whereas, The payment of a second tithe by all of our people would provide a fund which would largely meet these and other necessary demands upon our liberality; therefore,

17. Resolved, That this conference appeal to all Seventh-day Adventists in our territory to give careful study and thought to the above plan, and if they can see their way clear to do so, to adopt the payment of the second tithe as a means to provide funds for the aforesaid necessary demands, retaining two-thirds in the family treasury for private benefactions, and placing one-third in the conference treasury to be used in the

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE Western Oregon Conference S. D. A. For the Year Ending March 31, 1904

RESOURCES	
Cash on hand.....	\$2,394 80
Bills Receivable .....	700 00
Accounts Receivable.....	2,220 31
Inventory of Tent and Camp-meeting Supplies and Office Furniture.....	1,455 80
	\$6,768 91

LIABILITIES			
Bills Payable.....	\$ 562 30		
Special Funds.....	101 57		
Personal Accounts We Owe.....	2,041 92	\$2,705 79	
Present Worth .....		\$ 4,063 12	
REVENUE ACCOUNT—LOSSES			
Laborers' Traveling Expenses.....	\$1,697 04		
Laborers' Salaries.....	9,047 76		
Special Donations to Work Outside of Conference.....	622 95		
Paid for Rent, Stationery, printing, etc.....	273 42		
First and Second Tithes sent to Pacific Union Conference .....	2,729 40		
Net Gain.....	551 78	14,922 35	

GAINS			
Interest .....	\$ 10 00		
Tent and Camp-meeting Fund..	496 76		
Portland Medical Mission.....	32 35		
Tithe Rec' from Churches.....	14,383 24	14,922 35	
Mar. 31, 1903, Present Worth....	\$3,511 34		
" " " 1904, Net Gain added....	551 78		
" " " Present Worth....	4,063 12		

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE  
Western Oregon Missionary Society  
For the Financial Year Ending April 10, 1904**

RESOURCES			
Cash on hand .....	\$1,410 40		
Bills Receivable .....	849 53		
Accounts Receivable.....	3,238 92		
Expense Inventory .....	25 00		
Office Furniture .....	187 00		
Merchandise.....	328 23		
Property .....	1,750 00	\$7,789 08	
LIABILITIES			
Bills Payable.....	\$ 414 28		
Accounts Payable.....	3,584 47		
Present Worth.....	3,790 33	7,789 08	
LOSSES			
General Expenses.....	\$283 75		
Personal Acc'ts (uncollectable)..	14 12		
Net Gain for year.....	99 88	397 75	
GAINS			
Merchandise.....	\$147 75		
Property .....	250 00	397 75	
Mar. 31, 1903, Present Worth....	\$3,690 45		
Apr. 10, 1904, Net Gain added....	99 88		
" " " Present Worth....	3,790 33		

After making careful examination of the accounts of the Western Oregon Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the year ending March 31, 1904, comparing the president's orders and vouchers on file with the original entries, checking up the cash, taking off a trial balance of the ledger, I can certify that the statement presented by the secretary of the income and expenses and its financial standing is true and correct.

J. J. Ireland,  
Auditor.

After making careful examination of the books of the Western Oregon Missionary Society, I can certify that the statement of its revenues and expenses and its final standing for the year ending April 10, 1904, is correct.

It should be stated, however, that in drawing up this final statement, many of the publications in the office have been taken at their cost price. It may be necessary for some material reductions to be made in this valuation before the property can be turned into money.

J. J. Ireland,  
Auditor.

**Notes**

Prof. F. S. Bunch and Elder F. M. Burg are attending the teachers' institute, at South Tacoma, Wash., where they are giving instruction to a promising corps of teachers.

The tent company at Grant's Pass is just beginning meetings. They believe the prospects are encouraging for a good interest. Arrangements have been made to hold meetings on Sunday at a schoolhouse some distance out in the country.

Elder and Mrs. Benham left last week for their field of labor at Falls City.

Because of the extensive preparations for a celebration on the Fourth of July, the tent company at Portland will not begin their work until after that date.

Elder George Reaser was called to Oakland, Cal., last Thursday evening, by news of the serious illness of his mother.

We have just received this encouraging word from one of our brethren, which we will pass on: "Last year I promised the Lord I would go into the canvassing work as soon as I had a home of my own, but when I did get it, there were still obstacles in the way." After putting this work off for a whole year, he expresses himself in this way: "I asked the Lord earnestly what He wanted me to do, and I was impressed to begin canvassing. That was the very work that I did not want, because I thought that my neighbors did not care for our literature, and it would be folly for me to try to support my family with that kind of work." I will not quote further

from his letter, but he states that he yielded all to the Lord, and went to work for Him, realizing the greatest blessings from His hand. In five days he took fifty dollars' worth of orders.

Perhaps there are others who have asked the Lord what they ought to do, and have felt impressed to go into the canvassing work. If so, do not put it off any longer. One brother told me this morning that he felt impressed to take up this line of work, but he thought he would put it off for a little time. Let us yield all to the Lord now and go forward.

G. W. Pettit.

**Corvallis**

The Corvallis camp-meeting has made a good impression in this vicinity. The ministerial association have felt the shock so severely that they have sent for Dr. S. W. Gamble, of late fame, for a "sliding scale," that makes "Sunday the true Sabbath."

I clip from the "Corvallis Gazette:"—

"Dr. S. W. Gamble, of Ottawa, Kan., is here, by invitation of the city ministerial association, to deliver a course of five lectures on the Sunday question. The object of the meetings is to correct any false impression that may have been given out by the Seventh-day Adventists in their meetings, recently adjourned, that Saturday is the proper and only day."

In the same issue is the notice: "Reasons for observing the Lord's day instead of the Sabbath," will be the subject at the Christian Church next Sunday morning."

Brethren and sisters, the Sabbath question was only incidentally mentioned at the camp-meeting. The secret of their trouble is: Heaven came near, because God's people drew near to Him. This is more powerful than argument, for argument is not power, but to be right with the Lord gives a power that will shake nations.

Two more souls since camp-meeting have signified a willingness to follow the Lord.

This makes twelve who have decided in this way since we came

here last winter. The writer dreamed on first coming here of these very conditions and circumstances and of seeing this ministerial association opposing our work. But God "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think."

C. J. Cole.

## UPPER COLUMBIA

### Notes

W. W. Stewart, assisted by W. R. Smith, George Casebeer, and Daisy Afton, is holding tent meetings at Nampa, Idaho.

A tent company, consisting of W. S. Holbrook, F. D. Wagner, and John Little, is at work in Wasco, Sherman County, Ore.

Brother William Phillips, of Lewiston, Idaho, died June 12, leaving a wife, daughter, and three stepchildren. Brother Phillips was among the first to locate at Lewiston, coming there in the year 1877, and was highly respected by the people in that community. Brother C. E. Ford, of Spokane, conducted the funeral services. Brother Phillips has laid down his life to await the voice which will awake the sleeping saints.

### Sabbath-School and Young People's Work at the Colfax Camp-meeting

There was an unusually large number of young people and children present at this camp-meeting, and a marked interest was manifest in the Sabbath-school and young people's work. Some instruction was given in regard to the duties of Sabbath-school officers, the selection of teachers, and home department work.

Notwithstanding the strong wind on the morning of Sabbath, June 18, there were 266 gathered for the study of the Sabbath-school lesson. Special interest was manifested by the little ones while the reviewer brought out some thoughts concerning the translation of Elijah and the return of Elisha to Jericho. Elisha passed through the River Jordan, not because he had the mantle of Elijah, but because of his faith in God.

The destruction of the children who mocked Elisha was not simply because of this disrespect shown him, but for the fact that in mocking the servant of God they were really mocking God Himself.

In the senior and junior divisions the thought was noticed that the temple of God and the worshipers are being measured. Jesus is now in the most holy place, and our prayers should be directed there. Knowing this, we should live each day as though it were our judgment day.

At the close of the lesson study, Elder Gibson talked for a few minutes on the importance of the study of the Sabbath-school lessons. If we are giving diligent heed to these lessons, studying them faithfully each week, we shall be able to give this truth to others. These lessons should be studied, not only on the Sabbath, but every day of the week.

The donations of the school amounted to \$15.51.

Several meetings were held with the young people, which were greatly enjoyed by all. The young people seemed to come with a spirit of consecration to service. As soon as the announcements for the meetings were printed, a large number volunteered to distribute these in the city, and invite the people to the meetings.

In the devotional meetings which were held, many expressed a desire to have some part in this closing message and a determination to do that part faithfully. "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!"

Mrs. J. L. Kay.

### From the Field

Brother A. D. Guthrie, who is canvassing in Bingham County, Idaho, is continually meeting with excellent success, and is of good courage in the work.

Sister Fanny Gillaspy, of Union, Ore., writes as follows: "I will send my report for the little time that I have devoted to the canvassing work, which is only two

and one-half days, but I took orders amounting to \$38.50. I feel very much encouraged, and think I will do even better in the future, as this is about the first experience I have had in the canvassing work."

In a more recent letter from this sister, she writes further: "I believe all have a work to do, and thinking, perhaps, this was the work the Lord wanted me to do, I started out again. I left my home at eight o'clock in the morning, and returned at noon with eight orders for the \$3.50 binding. I spent two hours in the afternoon, and returned with four orders. I have spent four days this week in the work, and have taken orders to the amount of \$88.50. I am of good courage, believing that God is blessing my effort."

Brother C. H. Allen, who is working in Garfield County, Wash., and who is meeting with excellent success, writes: "My report is not quite as large as some weeks previous, but I realize that the Lord is blessing my effort."

It was a pleasure to meet Brethren L. B. Ragsdale, Edwin Sargeant, and E. Holm at the Colfax camp-meeting. They had spent their first three weeks in the canvassing work, and their bright faces, as well as their cheering testimonies, were the means of encouraging at least three other brethren to take up this line of work. May the Lord continue to bless their efforts.

Brother G. S. Garner, who is working in Nez Perces County, Idaho, writes: "I left Lewiston Wednesday morning, and came to Cul de Sac Thursday morning, and I must confess that things didn't look very promising. Several had given me a very dark description of this place before I reached it. But the Lord has blessed my effort from the first, and I am encouraged to press forward. I am finding people who really seem interested, and it does me good to tell them of the signs of our Saviour's coming, which are fast fulfilling around us." Brother Garner is meeting with good success.

Brother H. W. Buel's first report for this season has just

reached us from Cambridge, Idaho. He writes that he is getting along quite well, and that the Lord is giving good success, which also will be seen from his report.

T. G. Johnson.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

### Ladysmith

It is long since I wrote anything for our Pacific Union Conference paper. The fact is, I have been actively engaged, and most of the time away from home. I am happy to state that our work here is progressing nicely. Indeed, the hand of God is upon His work in this field. The churches are steadily receiving accessions to their membership.

Elder W. C. Young is busy around the Armstrong center. From Brother O. E. Davis, at Port Simpson, come reports of good courage and something done for the Master. Now that Elder Watson and company have gone up there, we expect no little impetus to be given to the work. The treatment rooms in this city are doing well, and recently the one in Victoria has been reopened by Brethren Clough and Robinson. Such work is greatly needed.

After long waiting, it is pleasing to note that a pure food health restaurant is being conducted. Excellent accommodation is had adjoining the treatment rooms. Although just opened, there is good patronage by the best people of the city. Sister Lee Moran, of Seattle, spent a week assisting in opening the restaurant. On the Sabbath it is closed, as directed in recent Testimonies, and thus the truth of God is being constantly preached to those who could not otherwise be reached.

On the farm there is activity. Several families have moved in of late, so as to be near the church school. There will be over twenty pupils to commence with. More again.

J. J. Dougan,  
Secretary Conference.

June 17.

"Go not in the way of evil men."

## WESTERN WASHINGTON

### The "Evangel"

We are thankful to be able to report that the Lord is abundantly blessing our work on the missionary sloop "Evangel."

Before starting out, we made sure that we were right before God by confessing our sins to each other and to Him. We then asked Him to bless us and use us in His work. We anchored in a small bay, and found the first few houses were occupied by Indians. We feared we would not sell much to them, but they must have the message as well as others. We called on two bachelors, selling three books, and returned to the sloop for our dinner. After dinner, some one came alongside in a skiff. It was the leading Indian, whom we had seen several times in Tacoma. He came aboard, and bought a copy of "Great Controversy" and one of "Best Stories." He asked us to go to his house and try to sell his grown son some books. We did so, and the son bought "Heralds of the Morning," and sat up till midnight to read it. Our cash sales that day were \$6.60, besides several orders. We sold one Swedish "Controversy" for cash.

We believe the Lord heard our prayers and opened the way so that He gave us success, and we praise His holy name! We shall be glad to send some more of our experiences soon.

W. H. Coffin,  
David Dodge.

### From a Canvasser

Although I have not accomplished much this week in the way of book orders, I have had some very blessed experiences. One morning I called at a beautiful home, and was received by the lady, who was entertaining a neighbor that was making her a morning call. When I was seated, they ceased their conversation and turned to me. I at once introduced my book and its contents ("Great Controversy"), passing quickly through, and dwelling only on the importance of a preparation of the soon-coming Lord. The visitor

said, "It takes all my time to attend to the things of this life, so I just let the future life take care of itself." But the lady of the house seemed much impressed, saying: "We are taught that the future is of much more importance than all else, and I am troubled about some things. One is the Sabbath question, and another the state of the dead. I will be glad if you have anything that will give light on these subjects, if you will call again when I am alone."

Another lady said: "O, I have that book, but have had no time to read it, but I am in doubt about some things. Have you anything to prove that the seventh day is the real Sabbath?"

My heart is filled with joy that so many are inquiring for the old paths to dwell in. Dear readers, pray the Good Shepherd to lead these thirsting ones to the fount of living waters.

Mrs. M. R. Krause.

## CALIFORNIA

### California Conference and Camp-meeting

The thirty-third session of the California Conference, and the eighth session of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, convened at Bushrod Park, Oakland, Cal., June 1, 1904, at nine A. M., and continued till June 12, inclusive, as per notice duly given in the "Signs of the Times" and "Pacific Union Recorder."

Besides the delegates at large, there were present to represent the churches 127 delegates; laborers present from abroad, Elder W. A. Spicer, of Washington, D. C., secretary of the mission board; Elder W. B. White, president of the Pacific Union Conference, and others.

The president of the conference, Elder A. T. Jones, who has been absent from the conference since September last, and connected with the Battle Creek Sanitarium, was present and presided in most of the meetings. There were thirteen meetings held, from one to three hours each, and much important

business transacted, detailed reports of which will duly appear in this paper.

The report of the secretary of the conference showed fifty-one organized churches, with a membership of 3,663, besides several companies and many isolated Sabbath-keepers. The report also showed that for the nine months ending Dec. 31, 1903, nearly \$20,000 has been paid by this conference in tithes and offerings to support the work of God in fields outside our own territory, and that about an equal sum has been expended in the home field.

The financial report of the secretary, together with auditor's certificate and recommendation, will appear in due time in this paper; also the report of the missionary secretary, with auditor's certificate; and also the report of the secretary of the California Conference Association, with auditor's certificate.

Prof. J. S. Osborne, superintendent of church schools, presented an interesting report of the work in that department, the particulars of which will appear later.

Mrs. Carrie R. King, secretary of the Sabbath-school and young people's work, presented a brief and encouraging report of the work in those departments.

Reports were given from the workers in the field, showing a need of more laborers, especially in house-to-house Bible work.

Important reports were also presented from Healdsburg College, Pacific Press Publishing Company, the Sanitarium and Health Food Company, further notices of which will duly appear.

Two new churches were received into the conference, viz., the German Seventh-day Adventist church, at Lodi, with twelve members, and the church at Hughson, with twenty-five members.

A committee of thirty was appointed from the floor to nominate the several committees, whose report was accepted, as follows:—

1. On nomination: C. H. Jones, R. P. Gray, A. J. Sanderson, B. F. Richards, A. T. Jones, L. M. Bowen, G. W. Mills.

2. On plans: A. J. Bourdeau, M. H. Brown, T. J. Evans, M. C.

Wilcox, M. E. Cady, A. S. Kellogg, D. T. Fero.

3. On credentials and licenses: J. O. Corliss, M. C. Israel, C. M. Gardner.

The committee on nominations reported: For president, Elder A. S. Kellogg; secretary, Prof. J. S. Osborne; treasurer, Pacific Press Publishing Company; executive committee, A. S. Kellogg, W. T. Knox, T. J. Evans, H. H. Hall, M. E. Cady, D. T. Fero, B. F. Richards, J. W. Bagby, C. E. Leland; missionary secretary, A. J. Bourdeau; superintendent of young people's work, B. F. Richards; superintendent church schools, E. D. Sharpe; state canvassing agent, S. C. Osborne; secretary Sabbath-school and young people's work, Carrie R. King.

These were all duly elected. The office of vice-president was abolished.

The committee on nominations further reported: For directors of California Conference Association, C. H. Jones, A. S. Kellogg, R. P. Gray, E. E. Parlin, G. W. Mills, M. H. Brown, L. M. Bowen. These were duly elected.

The recommendations of the committee on credentials and licenses were adopted as follows:—

For credentials: J. W. Bagby, A. Brorsen, M. H. Brown, M. E. Cady, J. O. Corliss, D. T. Fero, C. M. Gardner, J. S. Harmon, E. J. Hibbard, B. L. Howe, M. C. Israel, A. S. Kellogg, W. T. Knox, C. E. Leland, J. N. Loughborough, C. N. Martin, N. C. McClure, Isaac Morrison, A. J. Osborne, J. D. Rice, B. F. Richards, G. W. Rine, A. Schlotthauer, E. D. Sharpe, H. A. St. John, C. L. Taylor, M. C. Wilcox.

For ministerial license: J. W. Beardslee, A. J. Bourdeau, A. L. Lingle, H. G. Lucas, M. H. St. John.

For missionary license: A. C. Bainbridge, H. E. Brighthouse, T. J. Evans, Carrie R. King, Mary Lamie, J. S. Osborne, Mrs. E. E. Parlin, Phoebe Press, Cora A. Rice, Mrs. A. Speedie, W. L. Sims.

The propriety of granting ministerial licenses to women was dis-

cussed to some extent in the conference, but was ordered stricken from the permanent records.

J. D. Rice,  
Secretary.

(Concluded next week.)

## MISSIONARY WORK

### THE BOOK WORK

#### Upper Columbia Conference

Report for Two Weeks Ending June 11, 1904

HEALTH BOOKS			
	Hrs.	Ord.	Value.
A. D. Guthrie.....	36	37	\$205 75
H. W. Buel.....	51	27	110 75
C. H. Allen.....	45	12	57 50
HOME HAND-BOOK			
G. S. Garner.....	40	5	27 75
GREAT CONTROVERSY			
L. B. Ragsdale.....	25	3	10 25
Edwin Sargeant.....	19	3	7 75
E. Holm.....	21	5	12 00
LADIES' GUIDE			
Mrs. Fanny Gillaspay..	20	10	38 50
Total.....	102		\$470 25
Miscellaneous Sales.....			92 35

#### Western Washington Conference

For Two Weeks Ending June 17, 1904

GREAT CONTROVERSY			
	Hrs.	Ord.	Value.
G. H. A. Beermann.....	10	2	\$ 5 00
A. H. Booth.....	20	6	18 25
David Adams.....	47	2	5 25
May Steinborn.....	11	2	6 50
Grace Adams.....	14	2	5 00
Cecil Favor.....	16	1	3 00
Mrs. M. R. Krause.....	18	2	5 00
Total.....	17		\$48 00
Miscellaneous Sales.....			11 75

#### Western Oregon Conference

Report for Two Weeks Ending June 17, 1904

"MAN THE MASTERPIECE"			
	Hrs.	Ord.	Value.
Wm. Covell.....	72	22	\$69 50
LADIES' GUIDE			
Mrs. Emma Covell....	46	4	15 00
John Akerstedt.....	220	8	29 25
Miss Helena Hughes,	12	4	14 75
Miss Irene Anderson,	10	3	10 25
GREAT CONTROVERSY.			
John Akerstedt.....	22	7	20 75
Total.....	48		\$159 50
Miscellaneous Sales.....			9 60

"What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"



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The brethren in British Columbia will hold their camp-meeting and conference in Vancouver, September 15-25.

The local camp-meeting at Colfax, Wash., was largely attended, and excellent interest was manifested.

For a number of years the Montana Tract Society has carried a liberal supply of health foods at their store, at 108 Grand Street, Helena, Mont., where they have met with a ready sale.

The Montana Conference is planning for a forward movement this year. At the close of the state camp-meeting (which will be the only camp-meeting held this year), the entire working force of the conference went forth to spend the summer and fall in laboring in new fields for the promulgation of the message. May the Lord's richest blessings attend the labors of these brethren.

A notice from the local paper of Riverside, Cal., says: "Evangelist William Simpson has closed the series of meetings which has lasted almost without interruption for seven months. When the meetings began last November, the congregation numbered fifteen or twenty. Now he leaves a membership of over one hundred, a neat house of worship, worth \$3,500, and a well-managed church school."

Prof. C. C. Lewis, who has been president of Walla Walla College for the past two years, has accepted the invitation to connect with Union College in a like capacity. He entered upon his work the first of June, and is spending the summer season in attending the general meetings that are being held in the Central and Northern Union Conferences. The attendance at Union College numbers about four hundred students each year, and is the largest school conducted by our denomination. May Union College be the means of preparing many workers for the Master's service.

It is encouraging to notice that all the camp-meetings which have been held in the Pacific Union Conference this year have been seasons of marked blessings from the Lord. And these victories may be ours continually if we will make a daily consecration. "The Lord's hand is not shortened, that it can not save; nor His ear heavy, that it can not hear. But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear."

## July 2

The first Sabbath in July is the time the regular midsummer offering is taken for the support of our work in foreign fields. The annual offering which is made at the time of the week of prayer and the midsummer offering are the two general offerings made during the year for this purpose.

The carrying of the message, proclaiming to the world the soon-coming Saviour, is by far the greatest work before us—the one great work in which every true Seventh-day Adventist is most deeply interested. Not every one can leave his home or country to assume the burdens of this work in a foreign field, but every one can have an active part in it by contributing liberally to help speed those who are so situated and trained that they can go.

No other church or denomination is taking so active an interest in foreign missions to-day as is ours. For the great interests at stake, the wonderful importance of the work, and the love we have for it, may we not only keep up this interest already aroused, but may we greatly increase it.

Last year this offering amounted to more than ten thousand dollars; this year it could easily be doubled, and what an encouragement and help it would be to our brethren who are sacrificing everything as they leave their homes to go to those dark places of the earth.

As this offering is taken in our churches, we would suggest that special prayers be offered for our brethren in foreign lands, that their courage may be kept good and their work pushed with vigor.

We are confident that as our people are interested in foreign missions, they will make this a most liberal offering. Should any individual or any church desire to assist some special field in which they have a particular burden, make mention of the matter with the offering.

May the Lord greatly bless His people at this time, not only with means to give to help forward His work and hasten His coming, but with willing hearts and rich experiences.

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## 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	
Colville, Wash . . . . .	June 28 to July 3
North Yakima, Wash. . . . .	July 19-24
La Grande, Or. . . . .	Aug. 30 to Sept. 4
Southern Idaho . . . . .	September 12-18