



A PROFITABLE WEEK FOR FRIENDS.

Farther Report of Oregon Yearly Meeting—Interesting Sessions Come to a Close Monday.

On Thursday morning the London general epistle was read which called forth peculiarly appreciative and heartfelt words. As time passes the ties of parenthood as felt by American Friends toward those of England, grow stronger as was clearly evidenced by the spirit of Oregon Yearly Meeting. The epistle from Western was read, and that of Indiana on the day following. Unusually interesting and virile have proved the epistles as read this year and the fact has been commented upon appreciatively. Isom Wooton graphically contrasted the trite and formal epistles of advice of a generation ago with the live, newsy, practical letters of greeting which today unite our Yearly Meetings. The fact has been noted from the several epistles that many of the leaders of the church have recently passed away. As illustrative of this, Thos. Newlin referred to the losses of Indiana. Friends as suffered in the death of Chas. Francisco, Wm. Pyle, Francis T. White and Nathan Clark. The lesson should come to younger Friends, he said, to stand like adamant and prepare to take the places of the fallen leaders.

The report of the conference committee showed that several Sunday School conferences had been held, and the spontaneity and enthusiasm of the "testimony service" which followed showed how helpful they had been. The immediate "open door" for efficient work in rural communities adjacent to our meetings was clearly shown.

MISSIONS.

Mission work was considered Thursday afternoon and never before has this department received so enthusiastic and effective attention. The report of the Board was read, also a letter of greeting from the Alaska missionaries, Harlan and Melinda Smith, followed by a timely recitation by Harold Weaver of Chehalis Center.

A few weeks ago the Yearly Meeting Board commissioned Chas. Replogle, of Washington, to visit the Alaska missions, investigate conditions and report.

He, with his wife, acted accordingly and have just returned from their trip. He was present and gave his report in an hour's address which was at once the most inspiring, enlightening and interesting which has ever been given Oregon Yearly Meeting on the subject of the Alaskan field. Having himself given years of toil and privation to mission work in Alaska, Chas. Replogle spoke with peculiar unction and earnestness and imparted the same spirit in a remarkable manner to his hearers.

The facts are, the Yearly Meeting has not been cognizant of the real conditions as existing in this field. Those conditions were strikingly portrayed by the speaker. He contrasted conditions as he knew them nine years ago and as he found them on his recent visit. By the recital of many incidents, both pathetic and humorous, he showed some of the disadvantages under which the workers are laboring. An especial need was presented of a gasoline engine as power for the mission boat so the missionaries may carry the gospel to points far distant from Kake. The desirability was shown of having water piped a distance of a half mile or more to the mission.

H. Edwin McGrew made a

touching appeal to the Meeting to come to the aid of our missionaries in lightening their burdens and better equipping the mission. The response was immediate and enthusiastic, the amount of \$629 being subscribed.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Following the regular session of Thursday afternoon the Christian Endeavor Union of the Yearly Meeting met and elected Dolon Kenworthy president, carrying with it his nomination for Yearly Meeting superintendent, Marguerite P. Elliott vice president, Nellie M. Paulsen secretary, Myrtle Gause treasurer. Lindley M. Wells, of California, gave a brief report of the big Seattle convention.

The public C. E. session was held in the evening. A. M. Bray read the lesson, followed by a fervent prayer by Levert Bray, recently ordained a minister.

Doubtless the most searching and thought-producing address of the week was heard at this time as delivered by Thomas Newlin, on the general theme of "Quakerism, its problems and its message to the twentieth century." "What the church has been," he said, "is a matter of history. What it is to be, is our concern, and the answer depends largely upon the young people of the church, such as are before me." He quoted briefly from eulogies which others had made on the Quakers and said the responsibility is upon us to prove the good things which are said of us. The church is in a transition stage of reconstruction. There is a tendency on the part of some to ignore this fact and to cling to tradition. Our problem is one of arithmetical reduction—how may we preserve the essence and power of Quakerism and adapt it in new form to twentieth century needs.

Some special questions which the church is facing were discussed, the first being that of meetings for worship. The divine presence must always be felt, but too much noise is not indicative of that presence. Sermons are often too long. The spirit can lead beforehand in helping a minister in preparation of his message. Church music is desirable, if given as part of worship and not to beat the church around the corner.

The pastoral system was discussed—especially the relation of pastor and congregation. There is too much of a tendency toward the "shifting of responsibility," which should be corrected. Our system of eldership is too much in decay. Elders should nurture the pastors rather than posing as heresy hunters. Their general duties were suggested.

The third great problem is that of adjusting the relations between the church and the modern scientific spirit. Science is not irreligious and religion is not unscientific. There must be a union of faith and intellect. Back to Christ and his service, is the cry of the new Quakerism. Out of us must flow rivers of living water. We need men of character and stability to carry the message to new conditions. In the shadow of the cross we will work and wait and pray.

The devotional services of the Friday morning session were conducted by a Japanese minister of the Friends church, Bunji Kida, who was present with credentials from the church in his native country.

The principal topic up for discussion was relative to the relation of the mission work of the Yearly Meeting to the American Friends Board. The discussion was free, the general trend of which showed a feeling in favor

of a more central organization of our missionary activities. The Meeting voted without dissent to become a member of the American Board.

EDUCATION.

"Educational day" in a Friends Yearly Meeting is always counted one of the most important and interesting of the week. Friends have always been aggressive in the field of education. The academy, and often later the college, has always accompanied the church in its march toward the frontier.

The Friends church in Oregon has been no exception. Shortly after the first church of this denomination on the Pacific Coast was established at Newberg, Friends Pacific Academy was organized, which sixteen years ago was merged into Pacific College.

Friday afternoon was given to the consideration of the subject of education and the needs of Pacific College in particular. The reports of the president of the institution and of the president of the board of managers, B. C. Miles, showed the last year has been one of the most successful in the history of the college, both from the standpoint of work done at home and its success in various intercollegiate activities with other similar institutions.

Miss Katherine Romig delivered her oration, "The Goblin Army," which won the state intercollegiate oratorical contest at McMinnville this year. A sacred selection was rendered by an Alumni quartet, composed of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Newby, Bernice Woodward and W. C. Woodward.

It was peculiarly fitting that the educational address should be delivered by the first president of Pacific College, Professor Thomas Newlin, dean of Guilford College, North Carolina. He declared that the three-fold function of education is to develop the personality of young people, develop them in their social relations and most important of all to teach them their obligations to God. To fulfill the latter duty is the function of the denominational college. The advantages of the denominational institutions were clearly set forth and the history of Friends on the question of education from Geo. Fox onward was reviewed. Professor Newlin declared that as the Friends Church is the most perfect democracy of any church, in which the people rule, of all churches, it can least afford to have its membership ignorant. The "ites" and "isms" come from the ignorant in church as in politics. The trend of colleges today was declared to be toward orthodox Christianity.

Near the close of his stirring address the speaker spoke very frankly and personally with his hearers as his past relations with them gave him the privilege. He told them that they had not learned what co-operation means. He paid a tribute to the heroic self-sacrifice of those who had made possible Pacific College and made an earnest plea for continued support in raising the desired \$50,000 endowment.

Edwin McGrew continued the appeal in response to which many who had not yet subscribed to the fund signified their desire to do so.

The question was raised as to the management of Pacific College—as to whether the Yearly Meeting had sufficient voice in it. As a result a committee was appointed to meet that evening with the stockholders in their regular meeting to consider the question. The committee reported the next day that the

stockholders offered to give the Meeting one third of the Board of Managers, which proposition was unanimously accepted.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

A new feature was introduced in the consideration of this department of work. In place of having one address, six shorter ones were listened to, prepared and spoken in competition for prizes by Pacific College students. The speakers and their subjects were: Haines Burgess, "The Lunacy of War;" Bula Hodson, "The Unchristian Spirit of War;" Pearl Moore, "The Dawn of Peace;" Mary Cook, "The Call to Arms;" Leonard George, "Patriotism;" Ruth Wiley, "Peace from a Quaker Standpoint." The decision of the judges, Thos. Newlin, Louisa P. Round and Isaac Gibson, was in favor of the first three mentioned in the order given. A quartet, "Sweet Peace" was sung by Mrs. O. K. Edwards, Miss Bernice Woodward, Prof. F. K. Jones and W. C. Woodward. Remarks on the advancement of peace and arbitration were made by John F. Hanson, superintendent.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Yearly Meeting sermon was ably delivered at ten o'clock by Isom P. Wooton, of New England. Thos. Newlin preached to a crowded house at the M. E. church, and other pulpits in town were occupied by visiting Friends.

Marion George spoke at 2 p. m. and at 8 p. m. Lindley Wells preached at a large union service. The evangelistic meetings of the week were largely under his care.

CLOSING BUSINESS SESSIONS.

It took two full sessions on Monday to dispose of the business of the Meeting. Final reports of committees were read and various matters of more or less importance were considered.

It was decided to send fraternal delegates to the opening of the quarterly meeting in Washington in September. Those appointed were Jesse and Mary Edwards, John F. and S. Alice Hanson, F. M. George, F. K. Jones, Calva and Frankie Martin and Chas. Baldwin.

The evangelistic work was reviewed by Marion George and its needs emphasized. In addition to the subscriptions taken the previous day, the amount of \$150 was subscribed.

The nominating committee reported the following as the Yearly Meeting's members on the Board of Managers of Pacific College: S. A. Mills, J. F. Taylor, O. J. Sherman, H. A. Hinchshaw, Chas. Baldwin and R. W. Kirk.

The representatives sent in the names of the following as delegates to the Five Years Meeting which is to be held at Richmond, Indiana, in October: John F. Hanson, H. Edwin McGrew, E. H. Woodward, Mabel H. Douglas, H. E. Pemberton, Isabelle Kenworthy, A. M. Bray; alternates, H. D. Crumly, Marion George, Jesse Edwards, Marietta Lewis, Chas. Baldwin, L. M. Gilbert, Anson Cox.

The Meeting refused to accept a catechism as proposed for consideration last year.

The sessions of the week closed with free and fervent expression of gratitude for the unusually rich blessings of this Yearly Meeting, both social and spiritual.

Correct.

Newberg having secured the promise of a cannery is now going after a milk condenser. They're full of enterprise down there.—Salem Statesman.

It never does a bit of good to criticize a fool.

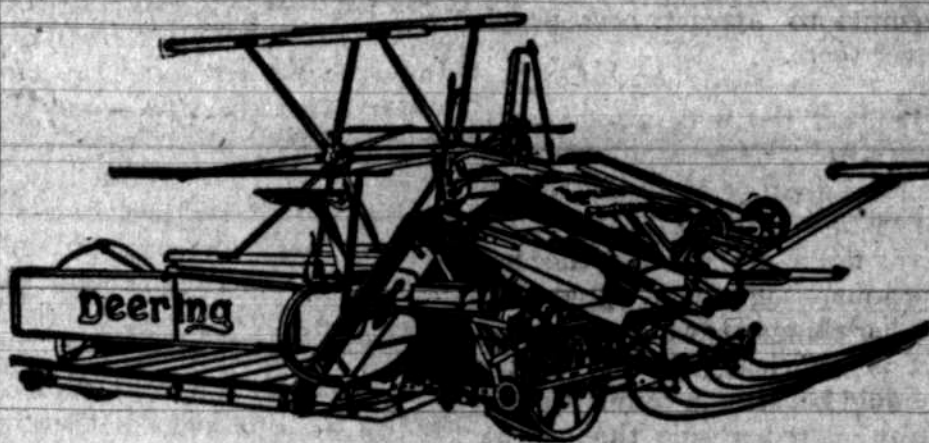
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