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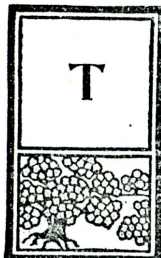
OF THE

Washington Training College

FOR

1906-1907

HISTORY AND OBJECT.



THE WASHINGTON TRAINING COLLEGE was incorporated in July, 1904, and on the 30th day of the following November its doors were opened for the reception of students. The school was founded and is conducted by the Seventh-day Adventists, and is a denominational school whose very existence is for the express purpose of advancing the interests of this denomination. At the same time a liberality pervades every department, and young people of different religious beliefs are welcome, and are cordially received to share in the advantages offered by the institution.

The task set before the managers is to conduct the College in such a manner that its students shall so drink in the spirit of the gospel that they will become true missionaries, dedicating heart, soul, and mind to the great cause of Christ in the earth. And that this purpose may be realized, careful and continued study will be given to the question of how best to give a practical training in that department which the individual student may choose to enter for his life work. The circumstances surrounding the College are of such a character as to make this end possible of accomplishment in larger degree than could be realized in almost any other locality; and it is believed that the experiences thus gained by a student will be invaluable in fitting him for service in actual field work after leaving school.

The mission of the school is primarily to train men and women for gospel service, using this term in its broadest sense, so that its students, in going forth from the College, shall be able to minister to the spiritual, mental and physical needs of mankind; and the training which will fit young people for this service must not only be technical, but thoroughly practical, so that those who desire to enter the ministry may have opportunity for actual service in this capacity while at school; and those who wish to teach shall likewise have the benefit of practical experience under the direction of qualified instructors; and those who desire to consecrate their lives to the work of caring for the sick and afflicted may have opportunity for practical experience in nursing, under the direction and instruction of physicians who are qualified to direct such labor. It is also desirable that all classes of workers in this denomination should understand the organization of the denomination and the multitude of practical questions growing out of the same.

In view of this fact, the General Conference Committee have promised to give all the assistance in their power; and members of the Committee, with others of experience, have been invited and have expressed their willingness to connect with the teachers from time to time that thorough knowledge of all the underlying principles may be imparted to the students who desire such instruction.

Opportunities for actual evangelical work will be offered and will constitute one of the most important features of the training received by the student at this institution. At the same time, very careful, thorough and systematic technical work will be undertaken in the class-room, thus holding a high standard for this feature of the preparation for life's duties, but not neglecting the advantage which arises from actual experience in the presentation of the truths of the gospel, whether from the desk, in the home circle, or in placing literature in the hands of individuals who may be interested in the same. This department of the Washington Training College will receive more careful and earnest consideration than any other department, as the school exists chiefly for the purpose of preparing men and women for gospel work. The circumstances surrounding the school are most favorable for carrying forward such a line of practical work, and the very best instructors are promised and have signified their willingness to co-operate with the College in making this feature of its work a success.

A large measure of the strength of the institution will be devoted to building up a strong Biblical department, in which it is hoped that many of our younger ministers, now in the field, may find features of advantage sufficient to warrant their connecting with the school for a period of study, to prepare themselves better for the service in which they are engaged. Those who were acquainted with our denominational work of an earlier day will remember the time when the younger ministers were brought together to receive a special course of instruction and training; and the leaders of our denominational work of to-day are largely men who were privileged to have this special training.

THE BUILDINGS.

The buildings erected thus far consist of two dormitories and a dining hall, each being two stories above a high basement in which are rooms that are dry, well lighted, well ventilated and admirably adapted to the general purpose of a school home. The construction of the basement and of the first story of each building is of cement, while the second story is frame. Each of the dormitories will provide comfortable accommodation for forty students and those who will have charge of the homes. The buildings are well equipped with modern conveniences, steam heated, gas lighted, and arranged with the view of preserving the health

of those who may occupy them. The dining room will comfortably seat one hundred and fifty, while on the upper floor of this building are private rooms for students and several large rooms which are now being used for class purposes and which will continue to serve in this capacity until the erection of the main College building.

COLLEGE YEAR.

The College year consists of 36 weeks, beginning Wednesday, September 19, '06, and ending May 28, '07. It will be divided into three terms of 12 weeks each, and there will be no vacations excepting such brief recesses as the Faculty may determine from time to time.

WHO ADMITTED.—The purpose of the institution as a training college is definite, and the capacity of the buildings is limited. Preference will therefore be given to students eighteen years of age or older who are seeking a preparation for active service in giving the Advent message to the world. Others may be admitted at the discretion of the Faculty. All who desire to avail themselves of the privileges of the institution should first correspond with the President.

INSTRUCTION

The development of the highest type of moral character and a preparation for the most efficient service for God and humanity are the most worthy aims in education. Courses of study should be planned, and methods of instruction should be determined with primary reference to these aims. This is Christian education. It means the harmonious development of all the powers of the being, physical, mental, and moral, and a training of all these powers in the actual experience of service. The result of such an education should be seen in young men and women possessing good health and knowing how to preserve it, having minds stored with the facts and principles acquired by earnest application and experience in their use, and revealing in the life, loyalty to God and His truth, and intelligent devotion to His service. Such an education will prepare workmen who will show themselves approved unto God and who need not to be ashamed.

The Trustees of the Washington Training College are in hearty sympathy with every well-directed effort to establish an educational system upon this basis, even though it may mean a departure from some traditional ideas, but in the effort to reform, they do not deem it either expedient or necessary to attempt to find any substitute for diligent and faithful application. They therefore offer a scheme of studies which is sufficiently broad to provide for a thorough and liberal training, and flexible enough to be adapted to the needs of each individual student. To the Bible is

accorded the first place in this scheme of studies, not simply as a study by itself, but as the foundation of all knowledge and culture. It is plain that there is a direct and easily recognized connection between the Holy Scriptures and some departments of study, such as History and Science, while in other departments, such as Language and Mathematics, the relation does not appear to be so close. Christian education does not consist in attempting to make forced relations and formal connections between the words or facts of the Bible and the specific and more or less technical divisions of the field of study, but rather in distinguishing between essential and non-essential subjects, and in making the revealed truths of the word of God of the first importance. The difference, then, between an institution which adopts the principles of Christian education and one which disregards them does not consist wholly or chiefly in the subjects enumerated in the courses of study, but rather in the relative importance attached to the different subjects and in the principles which guide both student and instructor in their work.

In harmony with this view of the whole question of Christian education, this institution offers thorough courses in the Bible, in History, with a special view to the fulfillment of prophecy, in Science, as a most interesting and profitable field for the study of the handiwork of God, in Language and the use of the voice as among the greatest gifts of God to man, in Mathematics with prominence given to those branches which are required in actual life, and such other subjects as the chosen vocation of the student may demand. Ancient languages (Hebrew, Greek, and Latin), and modern languages, besides the English (French, German, and Spanish), will be taught as required, and in a way best adapted to the purposes of the student.

As an essential part of the effort to train Christian workers, there will be instruction in missionary history and missionary methods, supplemented by actual experience in field work.

COURSES OF STUDY

The College offers three courses leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts, namely, the Classical, Scientific and Biblical-Literary. It also offers three shorter courses, the Normal, Biblical Training and Medical Missionary, the completion of which will be suitably recognized by a proper certificate, but for which no degree will be conferred.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO CLASSICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND BIBLICAL-LITERARY COURSES

Applicants for admission to these courses must be at least eighteen years of age, and must have completed the requirements for