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The Unity of the Blood Washed

THE cross of Christ is the nucleus of Christian unity. And just as God made of one blood all nations of men to dwell upon the earth, so that all are naturally one in Adam, He has made salvation to depend upon the blood of Christ, so that the redeemed are one in Him. There is one Lord Jesus, one common Christian faith, one Christian baptism, one Holy Spirit, one Father who is above all and in all, one body which is the Church, one hope of our calling, heaven, and one purpose, to please God.

Denominationalism, or non-denominationalism, or undenominationalism, or interdenominationalism, or any other sort of an ism may easily become sectarianism. In fact only the maintenance of a proper spirit and temper can save any of us from partyism, or factionalism, and from an unchristian separateness and isolation. It is possible for two persons to profess the same experience of grace, endorse the same statement of faith, subscribe to the same form of church polity, acknowledge the same denominational name and meet in the same place of worship and still lack the principal qualities which go into the making of unity. On the other hand, unity may be present in spite of minor differences in creedal statement and denominational affiliations. It is the heart that counts. The unity of Christians is the unity of love. The purer the love the fuller the unity.

But the inner and outer phases of life are intro-active, so that either may help or hinder the other. The multiplicity of denominations in Protestantism encourages factionalism and competition which readily result in loss of spiritual unity. On the other hand, carnal envying and strife, arising from the unsanctified condition of the hearts of professing Christians lead on to the forming of rival camps among those who should stand in solid phalanx for God and righteousness.

And there are two ways of making curative remedies effective: one is to promote a genuine revival of old time, Holy Ghost religion which will result in the removal of the factional spirit from the hearts of those who get sanctified wholly by the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire, and the other is to encourage every legitimate plan for the organic union of Christian people who are of common faith and practice. And really these two methods can best be worked together.

The closest, surest and best way to unite two pieces of iron is to weld them, and you must get them hot before you can make a good weld. Of course some things can be frozen together. Just recently an attempt at union between two great Protestant bodies of common genealogy failed: We believe it should have succeeded, and yet its failure is not permanent. These two bodies may yet open the door to Modernism until they get so cold that they will

freeze together. Or they may open the door to the Holy Ghost until they get so hot that they will melt and flow together, or at least reach that stage of spiritual warmth that will permit them to be welded.

This is no criticism. It is simply an observation, a statement and a hope. Our own concern is with a smaller circle. We want to see more of melting, holy love among the people who follow Wesley in teaching that men cannot be saved without holiness and that they are justified before they are sanctified. We especially deplore any tendency toward factionalism, sectarianism, and partyism which may exist among them. We want to see more co-operation among them. We want to see more brotherly consideration and more definite steps toward "getting together." We want to see a deep, sweeping, wide spread revival which will melt them and weld them and make them one indeed. The pettishness and littleness of sectarianism do not appeal to us. We want to form a strong offensive and defensive league with all who possess the grace of perfect love and who are striving to promote the doctrine and lead the people into the experience of Christian holiness. We profess ourselves as believers in the real and practical unity of the blood washed.

Agapa and Filia

AN earnest, but distressed soul, who assures the editor that there is no intention of trying to "trip him up," writes as follows: "How can I go about it to get to where I can love certain persons who have wronged me? They have ruined my reputation to such an extent that nothing short of the power of God can restore it to me. And although they know that my life is blighted, they are not sorry in the least. I try to love them, but find it hard to even remain in the room with them. If there is any thing I can do to make me love them more, I will gladly do it."

Now there are two words for love in the Greek Testament. One is *agapa* and the other *filia*. Careless exegetes sometimes say that the former is the word for divine love and the other the word for human love, but this distinction is too general to be correct. It is true that *agapa* is the word used when God's love for the world is mentioned, as in John 3:16; but when His love for the Son is mentioned, as in John 5:20, the word is *filia*. Likewise, when our love for our enemies is mentioned, as in Matt. 5:44, the word is *agapa*; but when love for father and mother, as in Matt. 10:37, is the subject the word is *filia*. From this we gather that *agapa* is stronger (harder to affect by ill treatment, etc.) and nobler, but somewhat more reserved and cold than *filia*. In *agapa* the intellectual quality is predominant, while in *filia* the emotional element is in the lead. The lat-

ter word expresses more of what we know as admiration or like.

Failure either to know or to observe this distinction, has given rise to many impossible tests by "mote hunters," and to many extravagant assertions by unwise teachers of religion. Besides it has given rise to unnaturalness in practice and to much hurtful self-accusation on the part of earnest, sincere souls. Let us see: I am commanded to love my enemy; but who is my enemy? Let us say that in this case he is a drunkard, a vicious, unclean, deceitful, lecherous wretch whose chief delight is to defile innocence and to take advantage of the unsuspecting and unprotected. I must love him, *agapa*, but it would be unnatural, even sinful for me to love him, *filia*. That is, I must love him with the pitying, exalted love which God has for sinners, but I must not love him with that intimate, affectionate love which sinners have for sin and sinners.

A home in a certain city was wrecked by a hopelessly depraved, but brazenly presumptuous relative. During a revival meeting the woman was converted, reconciled to her husband, and started to live a new and righteous life. But the vicious relative who had caused the trouble and who was a near neighbor, treated the whole matter lightly, attempted to keep up friendly relations with the family, conducted himself in such a manner as to torture the husband by terrible suspicions, and such as to make the redeemed mother fearful for the safety of her two daughters who were just coming into the estate of womanhood. After repeated efforts to adjust the matter, the woman took counsel with a godly minister of my acquaintance. Hearing the substance of the story, the minister said, "Never allow that man to come to your house again until he has been definitely converted. Never so much as hold a friendly conversation with him any where. Ignore him, forget him, pass him by with no attention. He wants to wreck your home and ruin your happiness and damn your soul. Flee from him." The advice was startling, but it was effective, and was in perfect keeping with the teaching of the New Testament.

But answering the question, "How can I get to where I will love those who mistreat, abuse, and slander me?" I would say, pray for them, remember that they are immortal souls to be saved, be sure you do not mistreat them. But if they are wicked and bad and impenitent, do not try to like (*filia*) them and their wicked ways. If their influence defies you, shun them. Touch them only when you would heal them. Make friends with God and righteous people, seek their company, make them your companions, follow their good example, and strive to be like them. But turn away from hypocrites, flee youthful lusts, and love the wicked only as a holy God who, although He would save them, refuses to walk with them or to countenance their unlawful deeds, loves them.

The Menace of Free Lanceism

HERE are but few men who are big enough to be outstanding champions of a righteous cause without becoming a menace to that cause by their very outstandingness. It is easy for men, even good men, to conceive of themselves as the personification of the cause which they espouse, and to interpret personal affronts as opposition to truth.

And then there are few men who are big enough to accept a man, a leader, for what he is actually worth, disregarding his own inflated notions of himself, as well as the envious deflations which he suffers at the hands of others. We want to either worship a man or else we want to crucify him. There is One toward Whom we can hold none but rigid and closely defined attitudes of full acceptance or rejection, but this is not the case with mortal men. There is wisdom enough in any man to make him the teacher of us all, and there is folly enough in the wisest to mar his formal or informal claim to infallibility. In matters of faith and practice we need not wholly reject, nor yet fully accept, any man. Discrimination in reading and hearing is just as essential as discrimination in writing and speaking.

But the man who sets himself up as the standard of excellence in doctrine and practice, disregarding the thinking and praying of predecessors and contemporaries, is a menace to the true work of God. He will become the cause as well as the occasion of hurtful divisions among earnest people, and his followers will become pale satellites, instead of stalwart nucleus of fixed constellations.

The safety of a democracy depends upon the enlightenment and moral fidelity of its principal constituents. And it is like that in a free church like the Church of the Nazarene. Disgruntleds, free lances, insubordinates, panic announcers, calamity howlers, sowers of discord, nursers of sore heads, people who "love the pre-eminence," and other defectors from the peace and harmony of Zion can do us more harm than they can do in a body which is ruled by a hierarchy. May the Lord save us from all such!

Shall this Christmas Be Different?

District Superintendent Chambers of Nebraska says: "My heart was greatly touched yesterday when by a practically

unanimous vote our Sunday school at Grand Island decided to forego a Christmas treat this year and to raise at least as much as the amount the treat would cost to be applied on the deficit in the Missionary treasury.

"If every Sunday school in our connection would do this, twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars would be raised for our Missionary work; besides our children would be given a very valuable lesson in self-denial. And if every Nazarene would apply the amount that he usually spends for Christmas presents on the deficit, this would go a long way toward wiping that deficit out.

"I sincerely wish that all our people were showing the interest in cancelling the deficit that Pastor F. K. Smith and our good people at Grand Island are showing. I am praying earnestly that it shall not be necessary to close a single mission station or recall a single missionary."

Here is a chance for us all, old and young, to do some giving that will be a double blessing. The gifts themselves will help preach the gospel to the heathen and the sacrifice which we experience in denying ourselves for Jesus' sake will deepen our spiritual life. Shall we not have a different Christmas this year? Shall we not indeed show that it is the Lord's, and not our own birthday that we are celebrating?

Bud Robinson in Dixie

We have just received a letter from District Superintendent Chalfant saying that arrangements for Brother Robinson to make the extended tour of the South which has been mentioned in these columns before, have been completed. Brother Robinson will begin in Mississippi January 12 and will spend the remainder of the month in that state. Then he will spend all of February in Georgia and all of March in Alabama. This will be good news to thousands of people in these states who have longed to hear Brother Robinson. It is really the chance of a life time, and the people of the communities that he is to visit will take full advantage of it.

We hope to be able to publish the complete schedule of services to be held by the Robinson party several weeks in advance, beginning next week or the week following. Put this special mission on your daily prayer list and thus make an investment in the many precious souls who will be blessed and saved.

Some people who are orthodox in their heads are as empty as barrels in their hearts, while some who are heterodox in doctrine have a good heart experience in the things of God.

There are a thousand wrong ways to live, but there is only one right way and that is the way of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

God provided in His grace everything that He demands in His law.

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The English Sparrow - A Parable

By J. G. MORRISON

THE English sparrow is not an attractive bird. It is unpretentious in form and appearance. Neither is it a beautiful songster, as it chirps forlornly among the wintry branches of a leafless willow or cottonwood. Most of the other feathered inhabitants seem to dislike it, and as for its human neighbors, they are its sworn enemies.

People, gifted in bird lore, tell us that this little, unpretentious member of the ornithological tribe, with its quiet dress of brown, and its almost pathetic song (that sometimes sounds like a dirge, and again, when thousands have lifted it in a great congregation, like a gorgeous anthem), was not a native of America. It was imported as a matter of curiosity. It was turned loose in this country with the faint privilege of shifting for itself, if it could make a live of it. Soon it filled the parks and beautiful shade trees with its nests, its young, its sometimes mournful, and sometimes triumphant singing. Not being native to this region, it knew not how to migrate, but when the storms of winter set in, curled itself up in rain spouts, under eaves, and any other partially protected place; sought out a precarious living in snow banks and wind swept streets, and though many perished, other many still survived, till at last it was declared a nuisance by its human neighbors, and a decree of banishment declared against it. Boys stoned it, and robbed its nests. Men shot at it, and drove it from the parks and shade trees. Small animals, tame and wild, made the devoted sparrow their prey, and destroyed its young with ruthless slaughter. Still it lived on, and thrived under this fearful treatment. It rebuilt its destroyed nests with pathetic patience, left the stately parks for the less desirable willow and the despised cottonwood, nursed its young amid all manner of ravages, slowly spread till it covered the country, and now gathers in flocks sometimes several thousand strong, and sings its triumphant anthem to the skies, in the face of all its enemies.

We see in this humble history of the despised English sparrow a parable of the rise and progress of the Nazarene movement. To begin with, the true Nazarene was imported. He was never developed by the forces that are natural and normal to this old world. The forces that made him a Nazarene are not native, but were brought here from another clime. The spiritual breath he breathes is not that which animates the breast of denizens of this world, but is the breath from a far away country. By first breathing it, he became a Nazarene, and by breathing it deeply and constantly, it made him a sanctified Nazarene.

In the second place the true Nazarene, and the humble bird of our simple parable, dress alike. No brilliant plumage is theirs; no voluptuous, gay, proud display, but the unpretentious, sober habit for service. Something befitting the life they live; suitable on account of the enemies they make; and qualified to shelter them, when the raging blasts burst forth.

Again your true Nazarene does not know how to migrate in order to escape the wintry clouds of opposition, and the sub-zero weather of worldly hate. Not a native of this world, and consequently not gifted in suddenly shifting its position to accommodate the spiritual weather the world puts on, the genuine Nazarene must endure the icy blasts, and subsist on life he has stored up from more congenial seasons. But he pulls through somehow, and where the worldly winters are too severe, picks up a precarious livelihood from missions, parlor prayermeetings, solitary Bible study and lonely prayer.

Though excluded by his enemies, from the stately churches, and the ornamental denominations, your bona fide Nazarene, sparrow-like, takes refuge in schoolhouses, brush arbors, cloth tabernacles, halls, store buildings, and private homes. There he builds his spiritual home, and raises a numerous brood. Stoned by the enemies of his favorite doctrines, shot at by fiends from the bottomless pit, he sings his holiness songs, sometimes with the pathos of the pursued, and sometimes, in unison with others at campmeeting or Assembly, with a thrilling chorus that reaches to the skies!

And he slowly spreads over the country. At first he was a curiosity in California, and unknown in the Middle West. A few began nesting in the New England states. Another colony took possession of a few willows and cottonwoods in Tennessee. Texas developed a considerable brood. They crossed state lines in spite of all opposition. From New England they nested from shrub to shrub westward, and from west and south they slowly moved north and east. At last, they call to one another from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Gulf of Mexico to the snowy regions of Northern Canada. But oceans cannot stop them, and ere long the humble, unpretentious clad Nazarene sings his songs of purity, and rears his spiritual nestlings "from the rivers to the ends of the earth!" From time to time, in great clouds they gather and sing their victorious anthems into the ears of the Great One above, who first was "called a Nazarene," and into the ears of their life-long enemy from the dark abyss, and invitingly into the ears of their fellow pilgrims in this old world!

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

What Does the Second Coming of Christ Mean?

By REV. A. W. ORWIG

To the question propounded, "What does the second coming of Christ mean?" allow me to say that many erroneous answers are given, and people unfortified by scripture knowledge are often misled. The fact of His coming is fully established by His own declaration, "I will come again." As to the meaning or object of His coming; I must confine myself, with due regard to space, to only a few of the most prominent points,

passing by many thrilling concomitant events.

1. We are informed in Acts 1:11 that Jesus will descend to the earth "in like manner" as He ascended from it. And that means bodily, for while in the very act of speaking to His disciples, "he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9). Here, then, we have positive scripture proof that the coming of Jesus will be personal and visible. How strange, then, that some persons, and good people too, declare that His coming means one's conversion, or the coming of the Holy Spirit, or death. And just as great an error is the declaration by some that the second coming of Christ means the end of the world or the final judgment day, designated in Rev. 20:11, as the "great white throne" judgment. I myself believed and proclaimed the latter in the very early years of my ministry.

2. The second coming of Christ means or involves two phases of that most eventful act. In 1 Thess. 4:16-17 the apostle Paul speaks of Christ coming for His own, both the living and the holy resurrected dead,—"caught up together in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air," etc. Oh inconceivably blissful experience! "Taken up" in bright, rolling clouds for our majestic chariot! Well may the apostle, himself anticipating this rapturous event, greet us with the thrilling exclamation, "wherefore comfort one another with these words." And in that being "caught up" are included various special experiences to which I cannot now refer, except to say that it will doubtless be the occasion for the marriage of the true Church, the bride of Christ, to her heavenly Bridegroom (Rev. 19:9). God grant that reader and writer may be scripturally ready when the solemn cry reverberates to every part of the world, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh (Matt. 25:6). Of course just before the saints are thus translated their bodies will be instantly glorified.

3. The second coming of Christ means also that after His true followers are taken up from the world all others will be subjected to a "tribulation" never before equalled. Besides being referred to in several places in the Bible, Christ's own statement is that it will be "such as was not from the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be!" Dreadful beyond description!

4. The second advent of Christ likewise means a time of supreme joy and the most brilliant splendor for those having been "caught up." The Bible distinctly informs us that He will at some time come with them for a specific purpose or a series of circumstances, among them the judging of the nations, in which the glorified saints shall have a part. There will be a literal fulfillment of Old and New Testament prophecies, some definitely relating to the Jews and others to the Gentiles, the antichrist, etc. (See Jude 14, Rev. 1:7, Zech. 14, 1 John 2:22 and others). The second stage of Christ's coming will doubtless be the time when He "shall be glorified in his saints" (2 Thess. 1:10), and when, with Him, they shall "reign on the earth" (Rev. 5:10), that is, "shall reign with him a thousand years" (Rev. 20:6). This

period will constitute the blessed millennium or "Golden Age," of which some people often ignorantly speak and think it will be brought about through various benign human and ecclesiastical instrumentalities. Oh no! Only at the second stage of the coming of Jesus will the glorious millennium be ushered in. Otherwise expressed, the millennial kingdom will be introduced only when its King shall appear. Then shall be fulfilled Isaiah 11:6-9 and Habakkuk 2:14.

5. The fact that the world will have many "tares" or unsaved persons when Christ comes is positive scripture proof (Matt. 13:30) that present agencies, good as they are, will not result in the world's salvation. For the world will "wax worse and worse" (2 Tim. 3:13; Luke 17:26, 30). If Christ will not come until after the millennium (a thousand years' duration), how greatly irrational the exhortation that Christians now living should "watch" and "be ready" for Christ's coming!

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

An Added Grace

By REV. C. I. SCOTT

See that ye abound in this grace also
(2 Cor. 8:7)

THE churches of Macedonia had been undergoing a great trial of affliction, and were also poor in material things to such an extent that "deep poverty" expressed the situation, yet in the hardness of this way they had evidently found richer and deeper springs eternal of grace divine, so much so, that instead of these conditions producing the natural, ordinary effect upon them, that of gloom and depression of spirits, and careful hoarding of what little they had, exactly the opposite had taken place and resulted in their lives.

Note here was "great trial of affliction," "abundance of joy," "deep poverty," "riches of liberality." What a combination! What a harmonious blending and uniting of opposites! The heavier the trial of affliction, the greater the abundance of joy. The poorer they got the more liberal they became. The less they had the deeper became their heart interest and sympathy for others, and the more liberal their gifts. This of course is our "theory" but here was the actual thing. Paul visited them and saw such poverty and need that his heart failed him, and he decided to say nothing about the "offering," and that would have just suited some good folks of today who always groan when we begin to present a need and plan to take an offering, or get ready to "stick a hat under our nose every time he comes." But not so with these Macedonian saints who saw that Paul was going to close the meeting without any offering, and they stopped him, and "prayed him with much entreaty to receive the offering" (2 Cor. 8:4). It would be surprising if that meeting did not close in a "blaze of glory."

No strong, stirring, heart moving appeal was necessary here, no need to first move to tears, to awaken sympathy to sort of mellow and loosen the grasping hand, and bedim the vision until they could see with tear-dimmed

eye things eternal. No "now brethren let us do our duty and do our very best." No! Listen, "they were willing of themselves." And the secret of it, "They first gave their own selves to the Lord." Yes, indeed, that tells the story. They were all on the altar, not waiting for the fire but the fire of divine love was going through and through them. They were moved not by outward appeal but by inward constraint, and what a difference, and what awful blunders folks have been known to make when moved only by the outward appeal. These saints were not their own, they were bought with a price, and they were glorifying God in soul and body which were His, they were living not for self but for others, they were burden bearers indeed, they were "laying up in store" by distributing. What a joy to be pastor of such a flock. No indeed this was not hard-scrabble circuit, though they were poor enough, but they were rich in faith, heirs of the kingdom, having nothing yet possessing all things, poor yet making many rich.

Paul was so affected by this scene that he wrote to the Corinthian church that abounded in "utterance" (2 Cor. 8:7), and said to them "see that ye abound in this grace also."

*"Cast thy bread upon the waters,
Ye who have but scant supply,
Angel eyes shall watch above,
You shall find it by and by."*

MILFORD, NEBR.

The Passing of My Mother

By PROF. A. S. LONDON

AT midnight on Oct. 20, a yellow envelope was handed me with the message, "Mother is dead." I had thought that probably I would be somewhat prepared for such an announcement, as she had been sick for several years, but I found out that such a message brought a great shock.

I took a train and traveled several hours to reach the old home place. I arrived at an early morning hour when nature seems to throw a deathly silence over the earth. Only one dim light was to be seen in the little town where mother has lived for more than thirty-two years. As I turned down the street that led to the old home place, this dim light was seen from the parlor window, and it seemed to bespeak the message of death of the most precious member of the family. In a few hours her body was taken from the home she loved so well to the church where she has worshiped for more than three decades.

Thirty-two years ago she followed the little white casket of her ten-year-old daughter, and had this same church to hold a simple funeral service over the lifeless form. Two years later she again was called upon to have the church of her choice pay the last tribute of respect to my own father and her husband. Thirteen years ago down this same aisle was carried the cold form of a nineteen-year-old boy who had been ushered out into eternity without a moment's notice, and there was held the saddest funeral service that I had ever witnessed up to that time.

Mother's body now lies in the old cemetery by the side of loved ones who have gone on before. Father's tomb gives out the epitaph that bespeaks the love of a father for his wife and children, "Farewell, my wife and children all, from you a father God doth call." The newly made mound is by the side of the baby boy. The words, "It is hard indeed to part with thee, but Christ's strong arm supported me," tells the story of the mother's trust in Christ in her days of sorrow.

Mother was converted over sixty years ago. She was of the old fashion type of Methodist. She scarcely missed one service in her church in twenty-

five. It is said of her that she helped to raise more money to carry forward the work of the church than almost any lay member in the country. She was deprived the last few years of taking an active part in the church. She has suffered much. A few weeks ago she was taken to the church and asked to lead in prayer. Mother was a great prayer. She knew how because she practiced this lost art for so long a period of time.

Mother's home was always the home for preachers. The new pastor knew where to go until the parsonage was made ready. The Presiding Elder would come and stay in the home from Friday over Sunday, and what times we would have in the old home church! Mother taught us to have great respect for the ministry. We were very careful in our conduct when the old fashioned Methodist preachers came into the home.

Mother had a great regard for the Sabbath day. She would get everything ready as far as possible on Saturday. I was taught to prepare the wood on Saturday for Sunday. I remember a cold wave that came over the Southland at one time, known as the cold Saturday and Sunday in February. I tried hard to get up enough wood on Saturday to run over Sunday, but I could not make it. My little limbs would shiver in the cold, my hands would become numb and I would have to go to the fire. I shall never forget how I felt cutting wood on the Sabbath day. It seemed that the sound of the axe was clearer and could be heard farther away than ever before. These impressions that were stamped into my life while in the plastic period of my early days will never be erased. Mother taught us things that can never be gotten in the schoolroom.

Mother lived a widow for many years. Quite often she would bring in her two boys and pray that God would make good men out of us and help her to make a living and keep out of debt. I never knew her to owe one dollar. She worked hard, economized, kept her family together and left an heritage that surpasses anything that money could buy.

Mother had her faults, but she was true to Christ and the church for more than sixty years. She was a spiritual Christian. Her standards of living were high. She found no place for the common clap-net methods used today in so many churches. She believed in the old time mourner's bench, and has helped to pray hundreds through to victory around the altar of prayer.

I have been called back to the old home place seven or eight different times to help in our revival meetings. Mother was always glad. Many times in our revival meetings she would get happy and shout until it looked like heaven would come just a little nearer than ever before. She would embrace me and call me her "precious boy."

Mother had many sorrows to come into her life. Sin, sickness and death brought burdens that at times seemed more than she could bear. But her trust was in Christ. She brought five children into this world. Two of them, passing away, brought great grief to her. Her sufferings are now over. She has gone home to rest after seventy-four years on earth. It was hard to give her up. The old home is broken. Father, sister, brother, mother, all gone. A good step-father, who came into the home twenty-six years ago, is the only one left on the old home place. He was always kind to Mother, and was never heard to speak an unkind word.

I am sorry that I was ever unkind in any degree to my mother. A time or two I disobeyed her. I begged her to forgive. But, mother like, she hardly knew that I had mistreated her. She loved me so tenderly. I loved her so dearly.

I trust that every boy throughout our church will be good to his mother. Be kind to her. Have patience with her. Love her, write her, send her gifts and lavish kind words upon her.

Twenty-eight years ago, Mother led me to Christ. She taught me the ways of life. She guided my foot-steps while they were feeble. She forgave my wanderings, kissed my bruises, looked over my short-comings, and helped me to get established in the Christian life. It is no wonder that I loved her so much. She saw things in my life that no one else could see. She believed in me.

I will visit her no more at the old home place. She has gone. I will not pray for her each evening just before falling asleep, as I have done for many

years. She does not need my prayers now. (But just last evening I found myself starting to pray for Mother as usual.) She is now safe with Christ. Her battles are over. She will know no more of the heart-aches that come to the mothers of our country. We cannot bring her back to us, but we can go to her.

Mother was looking for my coming. She often talked of getting things ready for my coming, Christmas. She was with my sister, her first born, when the end came. She had remarked that she could not stay long as she would have to return home and get things ready for my coming.

I will go to see her. Just when I cannot tell. Another has all the arrangements in His hands. She will not have to get things ready for my home coming. My Father has gone to make this preparation. We will soon meet and say good morning, to part no more forever. What a consolation! "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Let me die the death of the Christian and let my last end be like his.

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WHERE ARE THE DEAD?

By WILL H. SOUTII

"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death" (Rev. 1:18).

THIS text contains a great surprise for those who mourn. There is no home but has a vacant chair, no reader of these lines but has lost a dear one. Where are the dead between death and the resurrection? Can we know with any degree of certainty? Is there any word to be had from that "unknown region"? Yes, thank God! "I was dead," says Jesus, "and behold I am alive forever more, and I have the keys of death and hell." The region of the dead is not "the great unknown." We have heard from there, and not through a medium, but through the Mediator. Mark well His words, "I was dead—I am alive—I have the keys of death and hell."

The abode of departed spirits is called in the Old Testament, "sheol" and in the New Testament, "hades." Some tell us the words mean only "grave," but the Bible use does not warrant any such meaning. When Jacob saw the bloody garment belonging to his son, he exclaimed, "An evil beast hath devoured him. Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces." Then the broken hearted father lamented, "I will go down into the grave [sheol] unto my son, mourning." How could Jacob believe that going down into the grave would be going unto his son, when he did not believe his son's body to be in the grave, but devoured by a wild beast? He had no reference to the literal grave or the body. But he did believe that if he went to the place of departed spirits he would meet the spirit of his son there. The Spirit of Christ speaking by the Psalmist said (Psa. 16:10), "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell" (sheol), and when quoted in Acts 2:27, the word for "hell" is "hades." "The rich man died, and in hell [hades] lifted up his eyes." We now see the Old and New Testament idea of a place for disembodied spirits.

We shall give some clear Scripture statements that we believe lead to very certain conclusions:

Hades is located in the lower parts or the heart of the earth (Eph. 4:9; Matt. 12:40). It consists of two compartments with an impassable gulf between (Luke 16:26). In one part the impenitent were in torment and in the other the saved were comforted (Luke 16:23). That part which was the abode of the departed righteous, Christ called "paradise" (Luke 23:43). The abode of the impenitent hearers to whom Noah preached is called "prison" (1 Pet. 3:19). The spirit of Christ descended into hades (consisting of paradise where the righteous reposed, and of the "prison" where the impenitent are confined), and tasted death for every man, when he expired on the cross (Eph. 4:8-10; 1 Pet. 3:19; Heb. 2:9). At the time of Christ's descent into hell or hades, He "stript" certain "principalities and powers" of their authority and "made a show of them openly, triumphing over them" (Col. 2:15). Christ passed through the "prison" and heralded to the inmates, the news of his triumph over the "principalities and powers" in charge of the place (1 Pet. 3:19). From this fact, some infer that an-

other chance or second probation was given those who were disobedient in the days of Noah. But the word translated "preached" is not "evangelizo," (to proclaim good tidings), but "kerusso," (to herald a message of either good or bad news). That part of hades which is the prison of the impenitent, will not deliver up its dead until the Judgment of the Great White Throne (Rev. 20:13).

But what further use did Christ make of the keys of death and hades which he snatched from the girdle of those principalities and powers in charge? Happily, we are not left to guess. Passing into the place where the disembodied spirits of the righteous repose (paradise below), where He had made an appointment with the penitent thief, Christ "led captivity captive," or "led away a host of captives" (Eph. 4:8, Psa. 68:18, R. V.). Having broken the power of death, Christ liberated the souls of his ransomed ones held by its power, who died in the faith that anticipated the finished work of their promised Redeemer. He emptied paradise below, and ascending on high, took with Him the Old Testament saints. The paradise of hades has been abolished and is now above. Departure for the believer is "to be absent from the body and present with the Lord" (2 Cor. 5:8). "To depart," says Paul, is "to be with Christ" (Phil. 1:23). The Psalmist had no fear of death while in the care of the Shepherd of his soul, and by faith called death the "valley of the shadow," the substance and power being taken from it by the Prince of Life, and Paul triumphantly hooted at death—"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" Hallelujah! "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!"

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

"STUDY TO SHew THYSELF APPROVED"

(2 Tim. 2:15)

By REV. G. HOWARD ROWE

STUDY is an impetus and director to the mind and brain, a blessing and power to soul and spirit. It fits for higher usefulness and loftier fields of opportunity and service. It keeps alive and active the brain cells that otherwise would be dead and impliable. It adds to enthusiasm and inspires to greater achievement and fits for better service. Hear the word of the prophets: "Therefore, my people have gone into captivity because they have no knowledge" (Isa. 5:12). "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" (Hos. 4:6). Paul in his accusation of the Jews said: "They have a zeal of God but not according to knowledge" (Rom. 10:2).

Can we be successful workmen in the vineyard and kingdom of God without a proper study of the kind of workmen God wants? Then should we "study to shew thyself [ourselves] approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Today we have specialists in every line of work and field of industry, labor and profession. Should we not be specialists in our line of service to God?

The writer never has been so forcefully struck with the need of the hour as of late, especially since being associated with Dr. Ellyson in a recent Sunday school convention held at the place of writing. The force of his statements on the lack of Christian education was both soul stirring and awakening. The Jews are devoting thirteen times as many hours and the Catholics eight times as many hours to the religious education of their children as are the Protestants. No wonder it has been said, "Give us a child until he is seven and you can have him after." "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6).

In the new Nazarene Teacher's Training Course there is a book called "The Church School" in which is the following statement: "The eighteenth century discovered man, the nineteenth century discovered woman and the twentieth century discovered the child." Visiting a hospital recently, we saw a mother with a precious new born baby in her arms, and while watching the movements of the tiny fingers, the little head, the wee body, we thought, "In the baby is the image of God, a future man, a never dying soul." And we wondered what care, what preparation for life, what teaching it would get. Prepare the child, teach it in youth the doctrines of our church, the need of conversion and

of sanctification, and save the child from sowing its wild oats; save it from Modernism and save it from hell. We are convinced if more, children were taught early the principles of salvation there would be less drift into Modernism, evolution and skepticism, and more of a chance for a revival of religion among the young people. We heartily endorse the program of Dr. and Mrs. Ellyson and feel they should be encouraged in their great pioneer Sunday school work.

If we neglect our own preparation of study, we shall neither be fitted nor capable of teaching the youth of our denomination. Aggressive campaigns such as Bible conventions, Bible study classes and teachers' training courses should be encouraged and aced. Junior Bible study and Mission classes, church catechism and properly organized and graded Sunday schools should be promoted among the children and young people. This should be done as well as the evangelistic revival meeting. "And the Word of the Lord was precious in those days, there was no open vision" (1 Sam. 3:1). "Where there is no vision the people perish" (Prov. 29:18). "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord; and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord, and shall not find it. In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst" (Amos 8:11-12). Japan and China hold Bible conventions for days at a time and engage Christian trained Bible teachers. Shall the Orient go ahead of America? Shall the Nazarenes not meet the issue? Hear the Word, study the Word, digest the Word: "Study to Shew Thyself Approved."

NEW CASTLE, PA.

SCRIPTURAL STEWARDSHIP

By REV. N. B. HERRELL

CHRISTIAN stewardship includes the whole of the Christian life. Property rights come under the head of material stewardship. Much has been said on this subject, and seemingly many views are held. But after some years of study and observation, we have come to believe that there is no such thing as absolute right to property. From the moral standpoint, property cannot be acquired as one pleases, held as one pleases, or used as one pleases. In fact there is no such thing as a right to do as one pleases about any thing.

No man can accumulate property unaided. Social conditions will not permit it and moral requirements forbid it. And since one cannot accumulate property unaided, he does not have the right to consider only his own selfish interests alone in the distribution of his earnings. The use of property dare not be wholly personal. The Holy Scriptures most clearly teach the oneness of believers, and the co-operation of God's people in the expenditure of their earnings.

There is peril in the notion of individual Christian stewardship. First, there is peril to the unity of the Church, and second, there is peril to co-operation in effort. When we inject into our holy religion the thought of I, Me and Mine, as touching the life of stewardship, we strike at the very foundation principle of entire consecration, and give license to selfishness. The idea of personal stewardship leads to free-lanceism and confusion. The man who accumulates and withholds from giving through the accepted channels of the Church is an offender against the Church and her Head. The steward who recognizes no authority in the Church, but appropriates when, where and to whatever he will is a traitor to the Church and is unfaithful toward God.

There is no curse like that of materialism, for God's curse is upon it. Property, as well as life itself, is to be held in trust for God and the salvation of the race.

Faithful stewards are pilgrims and strangers on earth and are seeking a city whose builder and ruler is God. Their devotion is unmixed with the carnal twist of I, Me and Mine. No man can live or die unto himself. We are debtors to God, the Church and to the society that is common to all men. The opportunity is ours to be faithful stewards, along with and like the rest.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Nazarene Young People's Society

"Let No Man Despise Thy Youth"

IOWA DISTRICT N. Y. P. S.

Dear Iowa District N. Y. P. S. Members:

This is the eighth report we are sending you of the Iowa District N. Y. P. S. Bible Reading.

Society	No. Chap- Report-ers	Those reading most.
Bloomfield	5	120 Glen Rodefer
Cedar Rapids	6	227 Rev. E. R. Borton
Centerville	5	207 Mary A. Kelly
Centerville		Received no report
Chariton		Received no report
Council Bluffs	12	532 Helen Head
Des Moines	15	1,431 Marjette Jaeger
Farmington	3	507 Fred Von Seggen
Fl. Dodge	3	97 Mrs. David Edwards
Knowlton	7	314 Gertrude Baker
Lacoma	1	71 Gladys Boyd
Montrose	6	320 H. A. Conlee
Muscatine	30	1,450 Rev. D. W. Dohson
Oskaloosa	16	363 Durwood Eales
Ottumwa		Received no report
Sinix City		Received no report
Webster City	666	93 Rev. Horace Ireland

Total 123 5,738

*Report for week ending Nov. 22.

"I sure enjoy the Reading. Our society as a whole has been helped wonderfully by the Reading." "The more I read the more I learn and know. It is a good idea to read and study the Bible."

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me." "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the Word in all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures, daily, whether those things were so." "Therefore, many of them believed."

LITERATURE COMMITTEE,
Thomas M. Graves, Chairman.

THANKSGIVING N. Y. P. S. RALLY

Zone 1 of the Western Oklahoma District met for a Thanksgiving rally at Britton, Okla., where we were royally entertained and enjoyed a day of Christian fellowship and a program of thanksgiving and praise to God. We felt the presence of God with us throughout the day and evening services. Our principal speaker for the day was Professor McConnell of Bethany-Peniel College, who brought us a faith inspiring message on "The Great Adventure" which lifted us closer to God in contemplating the incomprehensible greatness of our Jehovah. In the afternoon Sister Sidles, District Treasurer of the W. M. S., gave a thoughtful message on our missionary work, after which an offering of \$50.00 for missions was brought in. If God blesses the other zones in giving amounts equal to this, the N. Y. P. S. of the Western Oklahoma District will lay on the altar of God a thanksgiving offering of more than \$500.00 for missions.

God has blessed our zone with many young people of outstanding talents and during the day we enjoyed many special music and expression numbers. In the evening evangelistic service we were especially blest through the song service in charge of Rev. and Mrs. Kendall White of Bethany. The evangelistic message was brought by Rev. George Brannon. Though Brother Brannon is one of our young preachers he preaches like a veteran. He is a young preacher who is also a student and his messages are spiritual and thoughtful and are blessed of God. We are expecting God to use him as a mighty soul winner. God blessed his message on "The Rendezvous With Death" and gave us several souls in the altar, one of whom prayed through to victory.—Guy M. Rankin, Zone Chairman.

ZONE RALLY, OKLAHOMA

Zone No. 3 held a rally at Ponca City, November 26, with Miss Dott Morrill, Vice-President, in charge. Ponca City, Enid, Perry, Medford and Blackwell were all represented.

The song service opened at ten-thirty with Brother Ball, of Ponca City, in charge and Brother Willard Davis at the piano. This was followed by several volunteer prayers, after which Miss Inez Baker of Ponca City, read the scripture lesson. Brother Willard Davis then favored us with a vocal solo. Brother Bracken of Bethany delivered the morning message, using as his subject, "Pioneering for God."

The afternoon session opened at two o'clock with Brother Lewis, of Perry, in charge of the song service. Brother Burkett, of Enid, had charge of the devotional service. Brother Burkett, of Enid, Brother Lewis, of Perry, and Brother Owen, the evangelist, were introduced to the society. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. A short program then followed which consisted of a vocal solo by Brother Lewis of Perry, a reading by Nellie Wright of Blackwell, a song by the Ponca City society and a reading by Miss Ruby Lundy of Blackwell. Thanksgiving greetings from Brother M. M. Snyder were read by Miss Florence Lundy of Blackwell, and a vocal solo by Brother Burkett of Enid.

A collection of \$4.08 was taken. Each society then gave in a report. Many suggestions were given for the betterment of the N. Y. P. S. Brother Bracken then brought us the afternoon message which was based on the parable of the talents, subject, "Put It in a Bank."

A missionary offering of \$5.40 was taken. Preceding the evening service Blackwell N. Y. P. S. rendered a number entitled "Aunt Lilly Learns to Tithe," and Brother and Sister Davis sang a duet. Evangelist Owen brought the evening message which closed with several seekers at the altar.—Ruby M. Lundy, Zone Secretary.

DISCUSSION OF N. Y. P. S. TOPIC FOR DECEMBER 27

By F. ARTHUR ANDERSON

An Outline of Mohammedanism.

Mohammedanism has within its fold about 63 million people in British India. It is a religion of intolerance and blind superstition. Unlike Hinduism it is monotheistic, that is, the Mohammedan believes in one God instead of the 33 million gods the Hindu believes in. But his belief in one God brings him no love or compassion. His soul is as midnight and he gropes about in the most intense darkness. The worst sin on earth to the Mohammedan is to worship Jesus Christ. Hence there is hatred in his heart for the missionary of Jesus. To him all who are not Mohammedans are infidels and fit only for the flames of a terrible and fantastical hell. He is very careful to fulfil his duties to his God often at great personal sacrifice. Mohammedanism as it concerns India may be outlined as follows:

I. THE FOUNDER OF MOHAMMEDANISM.

The founder of this religion is Mohammed. He is known to his followers by from 30 to 1,000 other names. He was born at Mecca, about 570 A. D. Accounts of his birth are not reliable as they are legendary. He was probably a shepherd until he was 25 years old when he married a rich widow. He is said to have been the victim of numerous epileptic fits. At forty years of age he had his first "vision" and received his first "message." For the first four years he did not preach openly but made forty proselytes. After this he preached openly and against tremendous opposition but his success in winning converts was phenomenal. He became lawgiver, judge and ruler over powerful tribes. According to Sell in his "The Faith of Islam," Mohammed laid down five duties, the observance of which constituted the true Moslem. The five duties are as follows:

1. Bearing witness that there is but one God.
2. Reciting daily prayers.
3. Giving the legal alms.
4. Observing the Ramadan or month's fast.
5. Making a pilgrimage to Mecca once in a lifetime. Mohammed died while leading a company of forty thousand pilgrims to Mecca.

II. THE SACRED BOOKS.

The Mohammedan has not one sacred book but many. The Koran stands at the head of them all. The Koran is supreme in all it concerns and no one disputes its authority or genuineness. No one must read it or touch it without first making a legal ablution. Strict Mohammedans say it must be read only to Mohammedans and if it is read to a Christian, the one who reads it becomes an infidel. The Koran is supposed to have been written in the first place in heaven by God. The sacred words of God were given to Mohammed by the angel Gabriel.

III. THE PROPHETS.

Adam is said to be the first of the prophets and Mohammed the last. Tradition says that there have been about 200,000 prophets. Mohammed is said to be unquestionably the greatest of them all, The Angel Gabriel who is God's medium through whom His words are given to the world, appeared to Adam only twelve times but to Mohammed 24,000 times.

IV. THE MOHAMMEDAN'S CREED.

The Mohammedan's creed is iron clad and fixed. There is not the slightest doubt in his mind but that it is true. He is willing at any time to kill or be killed in defense of his creed, his God, and his Prophet. The articles of faith briefly are as follows: "I believe in God, Angels, Books, Prophets, the Last Day, the Predestination by the Most High God of good and evil, and the Resurrection after death." The Mohammedan articles of faith including as they do the belief in one God, his unity and attributes may sound well and look something like Christianity unless we remember that Christ is ruled out. Theft, murder, adultery, etc., can easily be forgiven but to worship Jesus Christ is unpardonable.

V. THE PREDESTINATION OF GOOD AND EVIL.

In the book, "Faith of Islam," by Sell, Ali Berkivi is quoted as saying: "It is necessary to confess that good and evil take place in the predestination and predetermination of God; that all that has been and all that will be, was decreed in eternity and written on the preserved table; that the faith of the believer, the piety of the pious and good are foreseen, willed, predestinated, and decreed by the writing on the preserved table produced and approved by God; that the unbelief of the unbeliever, the impiety of the impious and bad actions come to pass with the foreknowledge, will, predestination, and decree of God but not with His satisfaction and approval. Should anyone ask why God willeth and produceth evil, we can only answer that He may have wise ends in view which we cannot comprehend."

VI. BELIEFS CONCERNING THE RESURRECTION AND JUDGMENT DAY.

At this time in the course of events, "All living creatures will die; the mountains will fly in the air like birds; the heavens will melt away; after some time has passed the Most High will raise the dead; the prophets, saints, doctors of the law, and the faithful will find near them the robes and the horses of paradise." Paradise is a place of sensual pleasures. The ground of paradise is of musk. The materials of its buildings are of gold and silver. At the Judgment "there will be balances in which good and bad actions will be weighed. Those whose good actions outweigh the bad will enter paradise; if the bad predominate, they will go into the fire, unless God has mercy on them or the prophets intercede for them." After they have purged their sins in the fire those who are Mohammedans enter paradise. Those who are "not Mohammedans and the demons will remain forever in hell; torments by serpents as thick as the neck of a camel, by scorpions as large as mules, by fire and by scalding water. Their bodies will burn until they become reduced to a coal, when God will revive them, so that they may endure fresh torments. This will last forever."—"Faith of Islam," by Sell.

CONCLUSION.

It can readily be seen from the above that because of the firm and fixed belief of the Mohammedan that he is right and all others are hopelessly wrong, something must be brought to his attention that will eclipse anything that he has in his religion. What can be more effective than having the pure, immaculate life of Jesus Christ presented to him? He needs to see a character that will arouse in his bigoted heart an admiration and to feel the power, the supernatural power, of that Holy One who alone is worthy of worship.

Books for reference: Sell's "The Faith of Islam," Hastings' "Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics," Hodgkin's "Comparative Studies of Zoroastrianism, Brahmanism, Hinduism and Mohammedanism in the Consideration of India as a Field for Missionary Problems."

NORTH PACIFIC DISTRICT

These are good days as we are pressing the battle for souls. A real revival spirit is on over the District. Meetings have been held in Vancouver, Wash., by Sister Martha E. Curry; in Tillamook, Ore., by Rev. O. B. Ong; and at Canby, Ore., by Rev. H. O. Jacobson; all of which were seasons of blessing. While our dear Uncle Bud Robinson, Brother O. B. Ong and the Wells singers were in the revival at First Church, Portland, the South End Monthly Meeting met with them one day and enjoyed a wonderful time of salvation. Brother Ong is now in a battle at Salem, and Uncle Buddie

has gone to Centralia, Wash., with the Wells party to give our folks a boost there.

On Nov. 22 we dedicated a beautiful new church which seats 350 people for our young organization at Marshfield, Ore. They are to be greatly commended for their sacrifice and perseverance. Rev. Rubin N. Sanders has labored unceasingly to get this work established, and he has been ably seconded by Rev. D. P. Henry, the present pastor who has been in charge of the building program. The people gladly gave over eleven hundred dollars in cash and pledges on the church property. Evangelist Harry J. Elliott is in charge of the revival there. We are expecting great things from Marshfield. Beside the long journeys up and down the District in supervision work, wife and I felt we must assist our struggling church at Cottage Grove, Ore., in a revival effort. God graciously blessed our labors and gave the victory. We give Him all the glory.

E. J. LORD, District Superintendent.

EASTERN NAZARENE COLLEGE

We were recently asked whether it is easy to maintain a high spiritual standard among so large a group of young people as we have at Eastern Nazarene College. Our reply was, "No, it is not easy, but it is possible."

We are very glad to be able to report that the spiritual life at Eastern Nazarene College never was better than now. We have just closed perhaps our most successful revival. Brother C. W. Ruth was with us for one week and then Professor and Mrs. J. W. Lowman were with us for one gracious day of victory. We shall never get over the ministry of Brother Ruth, for to scores of our young people the Bible is an entirely new book. Many who are reared in holiness homes and have sat under holiness ministry all their lives feel that for the first time they realize how certainly holiness of heart as a definite second work of grace is the central theme of the Gospel. Brother Ruth was used of the Lord to help many of our students and we had gone but three or four days before the altar was filled with seekers.

We feel that much of the credit for our success must be given to the large number of praying students of our group. When Brother Maybury was here he said their praying would do credit for a campmeeting. We feel that the persistency of our faith helps us to gain the marvelous victory we saw.

We were sorry that Brother Ruth could not stay with us longer but felt the providence of the Lord in that Prof. and Mrs. Lowman could be with us for a day immediately after Brother Ruth left. Coming to be with us only for a chapel service, the meeting developed into an all day of service in which the power of God was demonstrated in the salvation of a score or more of hearts and sanctification of nearly as many.

We are now looking forward to the opening of our second semester on February 2. A number of new students are to be with us. We would be glad to hear from any others who desire to register in an institution of high scholastic attainments and where spirituality is constantly emphasized.

FLOYD W. NEASE, President.

WHY NOT HAVE A RADIO STATION?

By REV. R. W. HERTENSTEIN

It has been my privilege to speak from the radio station WGBF of Evansville, Ind. The Deaconess Hospital of this city broadcasts a "Morning Family Altar Service" from 7:15 to 7:45 a. m. each day, the different pastors having a week in their turn.

Now the idea has come to me, why not have a great radio station WNAZ on our new headquarters building at Kansas City. With a sound-proof studio on the third floor, we could have a station that would reach from coast to coast. This will take time and money, but the returns will be wonderful. We could have a morning family altar service, sermons by our General Superintendents and evangelists who would be passing through the city, music by our singers, and the daily news from our General Assemblies whenever they are in session. This will give us opportunity to reach thousands of people who know nothing about our church as yet.

This may be but an "idea," but ideas lead to plans and plans to buildings. What do you say?

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Patience is a gift from God, and comes neatly wrapped in a box called "tribulation."

News and Notes from Eastern Oklahoma District

W. B. Walker, Compiler

NOTICE—Brethren of the Eastern Oklahoma District: Please send all your church reports to me for publication in the HERALD of HOLINESS. Mail them in time to reach me by the 30th of each month. Come on with your reports, and let's make the Eastern Oklahoma page worth reading. Send all reports to W. B. Walker, 401 S. 9th, Durant, Okla.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

We are very thankful to be able to give a good report from this great District. We have been very busy since our Assembly. During the Assembly God wonderfully touched Mrs. Owens' body in answer to prayer, and raised her up, and gave her back to us as one from the dead, and therefore we have been constantly on the go since that time.

We have attended the Western Oklahoma District Assembly, and the Arkansas Assembly, and had a great time at both of these Assemblies.

I have visited the following churches since our Assembly: Osage, Tecumseh, Shawnee, Ada, Sulphur, Kingston, Madill, Albany, Durant, Holdenville, Henryetta, Wister, Poteau, Sallisaw, Muskogee, Newburg, Lula, and am now writing from Wapanucka. At all these places we found the pastors very happy, cheerful and optimistic. Everyone seems to be happy, and expecting this to be the greatest year that Eastern Oklahoma has ever known. Four revivals are now in progress. Sallisaw with Brother and Sister Hurley as evangelists are having a real revival. Muskogee, with Robinson and Brown, and the fire is falling. Henryetta, with Brother and Sister Aycock, are having an old time revival. Davenport has Evangelist W. L. Nelson. Several others are planning revivals for the near future.

Yesterday, we had a N. Y. P. S. Rally at Durant, which was simply indescribable. This was an all day Thanksgiving service. The service began at 10 o'clock in the morning, with a great song, prayer, and praise service. Then the District Superintendent preached at 11 a. m. After which the most wonderful basket dinner I ever saw was served on the grounds. A great program ran all the afternoon, closing out in the evening with one of the most wonderful programs I ever heard. Our own Brother L. C. Messer was present to assist in the singing. We had some of the most beautiful readings and recitations I ever heard. The glory rolled, the fire fell, the saints shouted, sinners and backsliders wept, and finally climaxed with a great altar service in which five souls prayed through to definite victory. Thus closed one of the greatest Thanksgiving services I ever attended in my life.

Brother B. J. Wilkins, our newly elected District President, arranged this splendid rally.

Eastern Oklahoma is going over the top this year.

S. H. OWENS, District Superintendent.

HUGO, OKLA.

As we have not sent a report since landing in Hugo, we felt like reporting to the HERALD family. The last report we sent in was from West Tulsa, where we had a little better than two years stay, in which God most graciously blessed us. We met the Devil in that city at almost every turn of the road, but we had a band of people that knew how to hold on to God in prayer until things came to pass. We left the church, in what I think, the best condition of its history, and in the hands of F. R. Morgan, one of the best men in the movement, and we bade him God's speed. When we arrived in Hugo, the folks met us with a hearty welcome, and a great pounding. I believe we have some of the most loyal people in Hugo I have ever seen. They know how to treat their pastor and stand by him and boost while he preaches the old rugged gospel. The Lord has met with us in every service since we came here. The crowds are increasing and we feel there is a great future for the Hugo church. I believe God is going to give us a great year in this friendly little city of eight thousand people. We have the best band of young people I have seen in any Church of the Nazarene. They know how to pray, sing, and boost. We have one of the liveliest societies in the state, I think. Harmony prevails, and we love the people, and they seem to love us, and we press forward with courage.—J. H. King, Pastor.

DURANT, OKLA.

The Assembly is now a matter of history. The results of the past year's work are very gratifying to both pastor and people. Scores of precious souls prayed through at our altar. There was a marked increase in membership, and every financial obligation was paid in full. The church gave us a unanimous recall for another year, with a substantial increase in salary. We have begun the new church year with victory. Our Sunday school continues to grow in attendance and interest. The young people's work is making splendid progress. Unity prevails in every department of the church, and souls are praying through in the regular services. Last Sunday evening four seekers were in the altar crying for salvation. Our finances are in a better condition than at this time last year. We meet all our local, District, and general obligations monthly. We have arranged for two evangelistic campaigns for this year. We have secured Evangelist Lum Jones for the winter meeting, and the Aycocks for the summer meeting. We have enjoyed two very profitable visits from our faithful District Superintendent, S. H. Owens. We have just closed a great Thanksgiving Rally held by the N. Y. P. S. of this part of the state. There were more than one hundred and fifty people from out of town in attendance. Words fail to express what this rally will mean to our church. We have a strong and growing church here that believes in doing things. Pray for us.—W. B. Walker, Pastor.

Our Assembly voted that we put on a HERALD of HOLINESS campaign during the month of November to secure seven hundred and fifty new subscriptions. Pastors, did you put on a drive in your church for the HERALD? How many of your members take the HERALD? If for any reason you did not work at this during the month of November, do it in December. By all means we should reach our goal—seven hundred and fifty. Brethren, please do not treat this matter lightly.

TISHOMINGO, OKLA.

Our last Assembly brought us to the closing of four and one-half years of busy labors in Tishomingo. Truly God has been with us during these years, with this good people. During the past year we had one hundred and sixteen to pray through at our altar, and received thirty-two into church membership. We made 844 pastoral calls, conducted seventeen funerals, and had an average of 185 in Sunday school throughout the year. We have a good W. M. S. and a live Junior M. S. Our N. Y. P. S. is alive, and could not be otherwise, with such a wide-awake president as we have. We have thirty-five active members, with a number of Associate and Honorary members. Our society is doing all kinds of work at home in evangelizing the needy places. The society has secured the services of Rev. Casey Grimes for a revival in April, and we anticipate a great ingathering of souls. In fact we are entering the new church year with a new spirit, and a stronger determination to "scatter scriptural holiness." Everyone has his shoulder to the wheel, and large crowds are attending our church services and prayermeetings. There are shouts in the camp at almost every service, and we have no reason to look down. Our Sunday school attendance is around 175 each Sunday. The Sunday school met a few days ago and planted a Magnolia tree, to be called the Standridge Tree, in memory and honor of their pastor. We will have Evangelist J. B. McBride for a meeting next September, and we are expecting one of the greatest meetings in the history of our church. Brother McBride is one of the pioneer preachers of our movement, and we extend an invitation to those in this part of the state to attend. We are very optimistic for souls and making this the greatest year in our ministry. With such a live and aggressive District Superintendent as S. H. Owens, and with such a band of pastors as Arthur L. James, Eugene Lewis, W. B. Walker, R. T. Smith, and many others around us, why not make good. Then we have Jesus to intercede for us, and the Holy Ghost as a comforter and guide, and all heaven back of us, so let's put things over for Jesus this year on the Eastern Oklahoma District.—Rev. Mrs. Julia Standridge, Pastor.

News and Notes from Washington-Philadelphia District

Compiled by W. D. SHELOR

NOTE: Pastors, Reporters, please get your reports to me by Dec. 31 for January HERALD of HOLINESS. Report your S. S., N. Y. P. S., W. M. S., and church activities regularly.—W. D. Shelor, Lansdale, Pa.

NORFOLK, VA.

It was a great pleasure to me to do some long-distance pastoral work in connection with our Norfolk church from June 28 to the last Sunday of October. I was assigned as supply to this church during their search for a pastor. By going down from Washington on Saturday nights on the boat and coming home late Sunday night or early Monday mornings, I was able to render service on Sundays, and I believe the Lord blessed this wayside service. The Norfolk church is composed of some of the best people in the world, and they treated me like one of the family. I thank the Lord for the privilege I have had in associating with this delightful people. They have now installed Rev. S. W. Beers from New England as their pastor and we believe the church will go forward under his ministry to accomplish great things for the Lord.—Leewin B. Williams.

HARRINGTON, DEL.

Pastor John Donaldson writes about his recent revival with C. C. and Flora Chatfield in the following words: I thank God for the good meeting here. The crowds came from the start and the church was filled every night, except one when it stormed. On the last Sunday morning eighteen came to the altar seeking God, mostly children. In the afternoon a great service was held. The people sang and shouted (only as Delawareans can). At night the crowd was so great that all could not get in. Men and women stood in the aisles while Brother Chatfield preached a strong sermon that God blest with thirteen seekers, most of them praying through to victory. We gave the evangelists a good offering. We expect to have them back for another meeting sometime. The members and friends gave the pastor and his wife a good donation amounting to \$45.00 and a \$28.00 love offering. We are looking up. Our God is able and our hearts are singing, "The Ark is coming up the road!" We have a fine lot of holiness folks here that love their pastor and want him to stay with them. Pray for us.—John Donaldson, Pastor.

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS OF LOCAL N. Y. P. S.—A specially prepared report blank will be sent you the last of December by Miss Hattie E. Goodrich, District Secretary, for your Quarterly report. Please see that it is properly filled out and returned to Miss Goodrich. Report all interests of your society from October 1 to December 31.

LAUREL, DEL.

Pastor J. R. Buckmaster reports that ground has been broken for their new church and that building operations will be carried right on to completion. He desires the prayers and help of all Nazarenes at this time. He further says, "We are in a revival at present. Have no evangelist, but the saints are praying and God is answering. We are having good crowds and the spiritual tide is rising." That is a good report for our 77-year-old brother. God bless Brother J. R. B.

LANSDALE, PA.

When we last reported we were in the midst of a blessed revival with the Chatfields. This meeting got bigger and better 'till the last service. The Chatfields gave us very fine service. We like the clean, clear kind of evangelism they represent. They are of the old pioneer type that proclaim the full gospel with demonstration and power, the kind that gets lasting results. Multitudes are not getting saved in this section of Pennsylvania these days, but God did give us a good meeting with a goodly number of seekers. The last service was blest with an altar full of seekers, almost all new ones. People came for miles and landed at the altar where they found God. There were five from one family, everyone of them Germans, Lutherans, and seekers for the first time. The seekers were given plenty of time to settle matters with God, and there was lots of praying for them and, consequently, every seeker seemed to be satisfied that they had obtained the

blessing for which they sought. On the last Saturday night a "Jewelry Offering" was taken for the missionary cause. Bracelets, chains, pins and buttons, gold watches, and rings galore! One woman jerked a wedding ring off and ran to the altar and was saved in a moment. Others were moved by this and, in all, there were eleven wedding rings in the offering and one diamond. Our Sunday school is doing nicely. Our Sunday school offerings average about \$15.00 per Sunday and the attendance is the best ever. Our young people are awake and doing their bit (which is a big bit) and our W. M. S. is keeping us moving along missionary lines. Pastor and people love each other and enjoy perfect fellowship together. As we have labored together God has given us four years of steady growth along all lines, and we look to Him for future blessing and success.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

We are grateful that we can report victory through the precious blood of Jesus for Bloomsburg and Berwick. Our folks at Milfin are also shouting the victory and are moving up the line. We have been praying for a revival and we believe it has begun. This past week has been one of great blessing to both the Bloomsburg and Berwick churches. Brothers Haas and Anderson from Eastern Nazarene College were with us from Nov. 22 to 29. They sang Sunday mornings and evenings at Bloomsburg and each evening during the week at Berwick. What a recommendation for E. N. C. these Spirit-filled young men are. How their songs blest all that heard them. We cannot pay our debt to E. N. C. for the help we have received, but, by God's grace, we will pray, give and do our best for the College. Nov. 22 was like campmeeting here in Bloomsburg. Three souls were saved who were never at an altar before. They came through in the old-fashioned way with shouts of victory. On Thanksgiving Day we had service afternoon and evening in the Berwick church. Two backsliders prayed through, with shouting, one of them the wife of an evangelical preacher. She was sanctified two nights afterward. Seven souls were saved during the Berwick meeting. Then, Nov. 29 was another glorious day. Great conviction was on the people and nine sought the Lord, seven of whom prayed through and were either saved, reclaimed or sanctified. Although God is answering prayer, we are not satisfied to stand still, but are looking forward to something better at every service. We must move forward.—Hazel Hall, Reporter.

DARBY, PA.

Darby church has had a very good month. God is blessing our labors. The midweek prayermeetings are well attended and are seasons of great melting times for our people. They are carrying a heavy burden for the unsaved of our own Nazarene families. The W. M. S. at their monthly meeting packed a Christmas box for Brother and Sister Penn and Miss Cretors in Africa. We are moved over the great need for funds to carry on our missionary work. We expect to have Brother K. Hawley Jackson with us Dec. 10 to 13 and are planning for a large offering. On Thanksgiving Day we had an all-day meeting with several of the pastors and their people from our District. Brother Campeau and Brother Shelor were the messengers of the day. God was here, the glory came down, and we all felt it was good to be there.—Eva F. Childs, Reporter.

PARK LANE, VA.

The Nazarenes down in "Old Virginia" are not content to just hold their own, but are pressing on for God and holiness and taking new ground for the Master. Every branch of the church shows a steady and encouraging progress. Sunday night, November 15, we had the pleasure of receiving into the church four new members. The Monday night prayermeeting where the saints join together and hold on to God for His gracious outpouring on the church is a real source of blessing and inspiration. The new choir is progressing nicely and proving a blessing in all the regular services. The midweek prayer service is being well attended and God is giving us some wonderful times in the Spirit at these meetings. A very interesting service was held Thanksgiving night by the members of the church

and Young People's Society. We believe God met with us and we know that where He is there is always found joy and blessing. On the night of Friday, the 13th, the members and friends of the church gave the pastor a surprise party at his home, each one bringing him some present as a token of their love. The regular services on Sunday both morning and night are filled with real Holy Ghost preaching and power.—Everett McCowan, Reporter.

PARK LANE, VA., NAZARENE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

The Young People's Society was reorganized on October 22, with twelve charter members, ten active, one honorary and one associate. Since then we have received thirteen more members, seven active, two honorary and four associate. We feel God has blest us greatly in giving us new members who have their hearts in the work to take the place of those we lost in reorganizing. The following were elected for the ensuing year, Marvin Cave, President; Mollie Brown, Vice-President; Everett McCowan, Secretary; Alice Brown, Treasurer; and Hazel Hardy, Organist. The meetings are now being held in the basement of the church on Sunday evenings and are opened with a fifteen-minute prayer service at 6:15. The Society is now holding cottage prayer services in the homes of friends and members every week. In the monthly Rally held in our Capital Heights church on November 20, Rev. C. R. Mateer was elected leader of what has been known as Zone Three. He will see to the holding of the monthly Rally and the same Y. P. work that he was in charge of last year in the District Banner Contest. Both our attendance and collections are fine and we are trusting God for greater victory ahead.—Everett McCowan, Secretary.

RIO GRANDE, N. J.

We rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory for the many blessings which as a church we enjoy from our Father's bountiful hand. Our meeting with Evangelist Bussey was fruitful in many ways. Many of the folks were helped and Brother Bussey was in his ministry a help to the saints of God. A number of souls found God at the altar. "We are now in the midst of a convention with our District Superintendent Maybury. His messages have the old-time ring to them, and are both helpful and instructive in the things for which we as Nazarenes were born to uphold and stand for. His messages on the Second Coming of the Lord are at once scriptural, sound and inspiring. His messages on the Second Blessing, properly so-called, are such as only a student of the Word, and an old-time pioneer Nazarene preacher could bring. His sounding out the pioneer elements, and the old-time, yet ever present, essentially necessary causes that gave birth to our beloved Zion under the Holy Ghost is both a needed message as well as an historically inspiring one. The writer had not heard our District Superintendent preach for about six years, but finds that he rings as clear on the old lines as ever. God forbid the day to come when our Nazarenes stoop to any compromising policy along any line. As a church we are pressing on to victory. Amen!—Byron Maybury, Pastor.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTES:

We often hear of the problem of the country church, and we have been recently confronted with this problem as we have seven such places in Maryland to which we are now giving our attention. We spent Nov. 1 to 8, inclusive, at Hollywood, in St. Mary's county, the original landing place of the Roman Catholics under Lord Baltimore. In former years the holiness people flourished in this community, having four churches and a camp meeting grounds. Now many of these people have moved to cities and Hollywood circuit, composed of three churches, has had no pastor for two years. At the close of our meeting there our proposition to send them a pastor was accepted and accordingly Rev. Howard Stahl, a licensed minister of Lansdale, Pa., and a graduate of Eastern Nazarene College, began his work there on Nov. 29. We will visit the other churches mentioned above in December. A band of holiness people—the product of holiness evangelism—in Cumberland county, New Jersey, requested a meeting at Dividing Creek, N. J. Rev. B. H. Maybury, pastor at Rio Grande, arranged for this meeting and preached for the first week

and we followed on over two Sundays with good results. They are continuing meetings there and are "looking our way." We are writing these notes at Rio Grande where we are in the midst of a four day Second Blessing-Second Coming Convention. A general survey of the District reveals a good, healthy condition and growth. "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!"—J. T. Maybury, District Superintendent.

THE CONQUEST OF PRAYER

By EVANGELIST E. E. WOOD

ARMIES of men move forward on their feet, but the army of salvation must go forward on its knees. Real prayer, prayer that prevails, is a battle royal. To evade the issue and use substitutes is as deadly as it was to make substitutes for God's holy anointing oil in Old Testament times. The lines are sharply drawn between the hosts of God and the hosts of the Devil, and there must be no compromise. At any loss, or cost or cross, we must be true. "Sure I must fight, if I would reign." We must take on the whole armor of God and pray "always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit." Our warfare is not against flesh and blood, but against the mighty hosts which are located between heaven and earth.

Daniel fasted and prayed for three weeks, and when heaven broke through, he was informed that his prayer had been heard in heaven from the first, but that the prince of Persia had hindered the answer. What a battle must have been going on in the heavens during those three weeks! Satan is always against prayer, and usually the darkness is greatest just before the evidence comes, so "men ought always to pray and not to faint." Daniel "set himself to pray." He made arrangements to camp in a certain place until he heard from the Throne. Let us set ourselves to pray through. Prevailing prayer is a fine art which is almost lost, for few are willing to pay the price and prove its worth. How few are willing to follow the Sandal Shod Nazarene into the garden to pray! See the disciples sleeping while He was suffering there!

It was said of Jacob when he prayed that he was "left alone." And Christ was so, and so will you be. Start out to prevail and see how few will go along. But the promise is to two or three, anyway. We can pray until we get an answer clear and unmistakable, and praise takes the place of supplication. We can pray until heavenly blessings fall upon the parched earth.

O, for more men and women who will intercede; who will stand in the gap and make up the hedge!
JACKSON, MICH.

SHALL WE KEEP FAITH WITH OUR MISSIONARIES?

By REV. JOSEPH RICHARDSON

WE sent our men and women to the foreign fields with the understanding that we would stand by them with prayer and with money, and now our honor must be maintained. We cannot treat the appeals of our General Board with indifference. We must rally to the help of the Lord in this matter.

Perhaps someone will say, "Well, what are you doing to help?" In answering this I trust I shall not be accused of egotism. But here are the facts: I am the pastor of a small church here in Nova Scotia. There are only four men in the membership of our church. Only four or five of our members have any income at all and that is very meager. This little church pays me seven dollars per week as salary. Out of this I pay seventy cents tithes and twenty-five cents dues for my membership in the local Prayer and Fasting League. Then I reckon fifty cents for Mutual Benefit dues. This leaves five dollars and forty-five cents a week with which to buy food and fuel. Then I receive three dollars per week as Home Missionary Aid. This I give to my wife who has borne with me on many a hard scabble charge during the last thirty-two years. She tithes this three dollars and pays her dues to the Prayer and Fasting League, leaving only two dollars and forty-five cents, and with this we are expected to clothe ourselves. But many emergencies cry so loudly that we get but few clothes. But we have no other income from any source and must live on this amount, starve, or be fed by the ravens.

We honestly believe that we are doing our part, and there are scores and hundreds who are doing

The Sunday School Lesson, December 27

By M. EMERY ELLYSON

LESSON SUBJECT: Review: From Athens to Rome.

LESSON TEXT: Romans 8:31-39.

GOLDEN TEXT: *Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 5:1).*

ANOTHER year of teaching is drawing to a close and the question that comes to our minds as we write this last review lesson is what are the results? We plant, the Holy Spirit waters, but God must give the increase. In the first lesson of this review we have Paul in Athens, seeking to put before the people of that great educational city true ideas of God. They listened curiously but with unmoved hearts to his faithful preaching, but failed to surrender themselves to the claims of Christ. There was no church founded there.

We next find him in Corinth where a church is formed. However, it was no easy task. Paul remained there a year and a half, being opposed by the Jews, who finally threatened his life. But God's angel stood by him in the night and continued to exhort him to be bold and brave in his work.

Our third lesson is the remarkable love chapter. The people being drawn away from Christ to human leaders and getting their eyes fixed upon gifts were becoming careless in conduct. Paul tells them that the procession of love will right all irregularities more than all the gifts put together.

In lesson four we find Paul in Ephesus where he was pastor for three years. Here he earnestly contended for the faith and shook the foundations of paganism. The riot marked the beginning of the end of the way of the goddess Diana. The greed for gain was the powerful factor in the inciting of the riot.

The fight against strong drink forms the subject of lesson five, from which we learn that none, not even the strongest, are safe without the armor of God. Character is strong only as God is drawn upon for power.

In lesson six we are shown the responsibilities of church members. The duty of overseers is not only to feed the flock, but to guard it. In

a most touching way Paul bids farewell to the Ephesian elders and warns them against future difficulties.

Lesson seven gives us Paul's arrest in Jerusalem while attending to certain Mosaic customs in order to placate those who falsely accused him of being untrue to Moses. However, it gave him an opportunity to witness for Christ.

We next find our hero before Felix where he teaches us that it is possible to have a good conscience toward God and men.

Lesson nine gives us Paul's defense of his mission before King Agrippa. Here we learn that a great vision calls for a great work. Paul was a prodigious worker. There seemed to be no idle minutes in his life. He declared and many bore witness to the truth of it, that he labored day and night.

The tenth lesson of the quarter records the voyage and shipwreck of Paul as he was on his way to Rome. We learn from this lesson that there are no circumstances so adverse but that the Christian may overcome. God will see His servant through every storm and verify His promise to him, and while bewilderment may dim the eye of many, the Christian's vision will be clear as by faith he "laughs at impossibilities and cries, it shall be done."

Lesson eleven gives us Paul in Rome after spending a winter in Melita preaching the gospel and healing the sick. What a life of victory Paul lived. Whether beset with infirmities or in bonds and imprisonment, whether in perils in the deep, by robbers, by heathen or by false brethren, weary, hungry, cold or naked, he could say "none of these things move me." Nay, in all of these he was more than conqueror. Surely Paul could have sung:

*"Thy saints in all this glorious war
Shall conquer though they die;
They see the triumph from afar,
By faith they bring it nigh."*

Our twelfth lesson leads us to the Prince of Peace and one great lesson taught is that those who find Jesus and worship Him are the wise ones of the earth.

even more than we are; but there are thousands who are burning up God's money for joy rides and using the price of heathen souls for cosmetics and jewelry. May God have mercy on them!

Remember that one can have a very small portion of religion and yet maintain a fair profession of holiness. But if he really enjoys salvation he must be fervent in the business of the Lord.

OXFORD, N. S.

A TESTIMONY

For the glory of God and the benefit of those who are desiring divine healing I write this testimony.

I have been afflicted with asthma for about twenty-seven years and catarrh since childhood, being now forty-eight years old. I was so afflicted with nasal catarrh that my head would get so hot, and ache so badly for three or four days that I could hardly bear it. And then there would be such a discharge that I was really ashamed to be in company.

When I was about twenty-one years of age bronchial asthma set up. From that time until about ten months ago I suffered more than tongue can tell. There would be night after night that I could not lie in bed and all the rest I got was sitting in one chair with my head leaning forward on pillows on another. At one time my cough was so bad that we decided that I had tuberculosis, and began making arrangements to go west. In the fall of 1922 I took flu and asthma together, which lasted most of the winter. In the spring I had a second attack and more than once I thought the end must be near.

In the spring of 1923 I went to a meeting to be prayed for healing, but there being so many ahead of me I returned home to wait a few days. The next day after my arrival home I was seized with the most severe attack of asthma that I had ever had.

Lord, he was defeated.

I believe the old Devil tried his utmost to get me because I was trying to get healed, but praise the

As soon as I was able to be up I went back to the meeting and was prayed for the same night. I did not seem to get complete victory at the time as the Devil was still doing his utmost to defeat me.

A few days after I returned home I took my Bible and turned to Psalm 103, second and third verses, which read, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases."

I believed that promise was for me and laid my right hand on the words, and made a solemn vow unto the Lord. I promised Him if He would heal me I would serve Him the rest of my days as best I knew, and would testify to it and have it published.

I was then impressed to lay the open Bible on my heart and make the same vow. I obeyed and praise the Lord, from that day until this I have not felt a return of the disease.

I have been so wonderfully healed that my friends say, "How well you look," and such expressions when they meet me.

I am giving God all the praise and glory as the physicians all told me there was no cure for asthma.
—Mrs. C. E. Peacock, Mannford, Okla.

TO THE KANSAS CITY DISTRICT

To my beloved General Superintendent, Rev. H. F. Reynolds, to the faithful toilers at our Publishing House and church headquarters, to the members of our District Advisory Board, District Council, pastors, evangelists, deaconesses, Sunday school superintendents, Young People's and Women's Missionary Societies, and esteemed laity, of the Kansas City District, we take this opportunity to extend to you the season's greetings.

This will be our first Christmas as a District. We trust that our people will be very thoughtful and prayerful in their devotions during this Christmas season. The world has largely lost sight of the meek and lowly Nazarene, whose birthday is the occasion of the celebration. Let our people of the Kansas City District assemble in their homes and churches with a godly reverence and with single-

ness of heart to impress upon their families and friends the deity and virgin birth of our Savior. At this season of the year people's minds are more or less open to this kind of a message. In fact, what if He should come Christmas when we are in our devotion? Would He find us ready and watching?

We should remember that the gifts of His first birthday were given to Him. Would it not be fitting to keep this in mind and try and give something to His cause out of pure devotion to Him. I am sure if He would come to your home in person Christmas eve you certainly would arrange to give Him something worth while. He sees and knows and will appreciate it if we make Him and His cause the object of our devotion. We must not permit ourselves to drift away from the importance of the occasion. He was God's greatest gift to poor, fallen man and our gratitude must be shown by our good works. Our District needs the best that is in us, so let us all take on new courage, devotion, fellowship and good works. Please pray for your unworthy servant.

N. B. HERRELL, District Superintendent.

REVIVAL AND CHURCH NEWS

JOHN WESLEY CHURCH, BROOKLYN, N. Y.—"Two months ago John Wesley church sold their old building located at Saratoga avenue and Sumpter street, for a good cash price and on Nov. 17 bought a beautiful piece of property 95 x 100 feet in as nice and desirable a location as anyone could desire, on one of the most beautiful avenues and one on which the automobile traffic is almost as heavy as any in New York City. Hundreds of thousands will pass our doors every day in the year. We plan on making some changes and with the improvements to be made we would not sell it for a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In time on this site there should be a two hundred and fifty thousand dollar edifice. This is the largest city on earth and it calls for and the location is such that it warrants such an edifice. Our District Superintendent, Rev. C. B. Jernigan, and Rev. S. N. Fitkin both urged our pastor if at all possible to secure the property. The hand of the Lord was never more visible in the leadership of John Wesley church than now, with a Moses to lead, a Solomon to build and a Paul to preach—a rare combination which very aptly applies to Rev. A. G. Crockett—whom it is our good fortune to have as pastor. The Board of Trustees as well as the whole church are a solid unit for one of the largest and most spiritual churches in New York City. With the cash we had on hand we were able to close the deal without borrowing a dollar. The attendance at all our services is increasing. The zeal and interest in the Sunday school is encouraging and we are expecting to double our present enrollment in a few months. Wednesday evening, November 18, the regular prayer-meeting was given over to the W. M. S., Rev. S. N. Fitkin in charge. Of course the service was given over to the interest of Missions. At the close of this beautiful service a large number of the congregation tarried for a season of prayer, bringing the service to a close about twelve o'clock. We are asking the Lord and are believing for great things in the future. Please pray that God will continue to lead us."—R. E. Cummings.

EVANGELIST J. A. RONGERS—"Just closed two very good meetings. The first one was with our good pastors Rev. Evert Atkinson and wife at Oatsville, Ind. Brother Atkinson is a man of God and delights in seeing things on the move. He has a loyal band of people who can pray the glory down. For a few nights this meeting ran slow but God's time came and the glory fell. This was a three-week meeting and the crowds filled the house through the entire meeting with the exception of a few nights when the weather was bad. God gave us good altar services every night for the last two weeks. This was truly a wonderful meeting. A fine list of HERALD OF HOLINESS subscriptions were received and a nice donation given the pastors. The meeting gave the Oatsville church ten new members and the Oakland City church a nice class also. The last night was an overflow. The next meeting was with Rev. F. C. Lehman and wife at Barborton, Ohio. I have worked with them before on other fields and also with them in E. N. C. one year and I find the better you know them the more you love them. This was my second meeting in Barborton

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats

Beloved Samaritans:

In our last letter I left you as we were closing in Spokane, Wash. We left there on Thursday morning of November 5. We had a lovely trip down through eastern Washington. Many miles of our travel was along the banks of those beautiful rivers which is unsurpassed for beauty. At noon we pulled into Kennewick, Wash. We were met at the station by Brother Waltz and Brother Taylor. We were driven to the home of Brother Waltz, our good Nazarene pastor in Kennewick. They had prepared for us a great chicken dinner. Little Sister Waltz had everything as lovely and as beautiful as it could be made. After dinner Brother Waltz, Prof. Kenneth Wells and this old "Sub hustler" had a beautiful drive out through the apple orchards of that lovely valley. There are probably no finer apple orchards on the face of the globe than the state of Washington produces. I have never seen better apples and we went to one great packing house where they had one hundred carloads of as fine apples as you have ever seen. Also we went through a great cider factory where they make grape juice and apple cider. This was as interesting a thing as I ever went through. It would have been interesting to have seen Kenneth Wells drinking apple cider. At night we had our little church packed to the overflowing, some people came for fifty miles to be in one service. Our good Brother Lewis Hall from Nampa, Idaho, arrived that day and was starting a two weeks' meeting. He is the young man that God used to dig out and start a good Church of the Nazarene in Kennewick. They gave us a splendid free-will offering. My home was with Brother and Sister Waltz and their three beautiful babies. They have a fine boy now that is just a month old. They wrote his name in my little book as Reuben William Olin Waltz. If he lives through it he is liable to make a General Superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene. Brother and Sister Wells had a beautiful home with Brother and Sister Taylor. On Friday at noon we had to bid the loved ones goodbye and pulled into Portland, Ore., about 7 p. m., and called up Sister Whitesides and she hurried down to the Union Station. As the readers know, Rev. Donnell J. Smith and Sister Ruthie Ames Smith are the beautiful pastors of our Portland work. I suppose we have no finer young couple on the face of the earth than Donnell J. and Ruthie Smith. They had called to assist in this meeting as one of the preachers. The Rev. O. B. Ong of horse-race history and Quaker fame. For fifteen days these two old warriors shelled the woods with Prof. Wells and wife in charge of the music with a great choir and a fine orchestra. Our crowds were absolutely immense. That great hall was packed every night and large crowds in the afternoons. In the fifteen days we had 318 at the altar, scores of them prayed through to victory and came through in the good old-fashioned way. We took thirty-two into the church in one great class. They were as fine people as ever united with the Church of the Nazarene. The band that was taken in would make a good church themselves and they could easily support a pastor. This brings the membership to close to three hundred in Portland. This is much larger

than it has ever been in its history. But with Donnell J. Smith to lead the host, with Brother Will Robinson as Sunday school superintendent and Sister Edith Whitesides as the pastor's assistant, with Sisters Hoy and Mayfield, two as fine deaconesses as walk the earth, with a fine official board, Donnell J. Smith is going to have one of the greatest works in the great northwest. This was my first great campaign with Rev. O. B. Ong. Brother Ong is a remarkable preacher and one of the greatest revivalists and soul-winners that you will meet in a year's travel. Under one great message on the second Sunday night there were sixty-three grown people at the altar in one service and often he landed twenty-five or thirty in a single service. He preached and cried at the same time and he and I shouted. We had lots of hugging spells and shouting spells while meeting was on. He is truly a very great and beautiful yoke fellow. I judge his slate is full, but if it is not the Nazarenes ought to keep him busy until he dies with old age. I know he was to go down from Portland to Salem, Ore., and hold a meeting for our pastor in the capital of the beautiful state of Oregon. From Salem he was to come back to Sellwood and hold a meeting for our good Brother Croft. It was my good pleasure to stay over Monday of November 23 and preach to the Methodist Preachers Association, that met in the First M. E. church. This was a most beautiful service. I don't think I have ever met a band of preachers that seemed to enjoy a message more than they enjoyed it. I did my best to put burrs in their wool that will be there till shearin' time. I gave them quite a good deal of my early experiences, my conversion on the frontiers of Texas and how I heard about holiness six years after my conversion and sought it four years and how God sanctified me in my corn field ten years after my conversion. I told them why I believed in local option, county option, statewide prohibition and national prohibition and then I added world-wide prohibition. Then I gave them some twenty scriptures proving the two works of divine grace. When that was over I told them they would naturally expect me to be a Fundamentalist from head to heels and I believed in the divine origin of man, the deity and eternal sonship of Jesus, His blood atonement, His death, burial and resurrection, and the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures. The Lord seemed to make it a blessing to their hearts. They laughed and cried good. At the close of this great service Brother Donnell J. Smith and Sister Ruthie and I drove to the home of Brother and Sister Whitesides, and there joined Brother and Sister Ong and the Wells' where Sister Whitesides had prepared a great birthday dinner for Brother Smith. The Evangelistic Party along with Brother and Sister Whitesides made him a present of a beautiful Elgin watch. This was an enjoyable occasion. After a great dinner was served we drove Brother Ong to the depot, and he boarded the train for Salem. The other workers retired to their rooms and had a good night's rest, but early Tuesday morning of November 24 we boarded the train for Centralia, Wash.

In love,

UNCLE BUDDIE.

and I am expecting to go back again. I was the evangelist in the meeting a little better than a year ago when this church was organized and God gave us a wonderful meeting with over three hundred seekers. Truly this was a time of rejoicing, but I rejoiced more when I went back three weeks ago and saw a good number of them still in the battle with a real Nazarene spirit. God was there this time also and gave us a good revival with close to a hundred at the altar, a nice class taken into the church, and a good list of HERALD OF HOLINESS subscriptions. We have a thriving church in Barborton. We are now in the battle with our good pastor, Rev. R. F. Heinlein, at Mannington, W. Va. Prof. N. B. Vandall of Akron, Ohio, is the music director and soloist. Brother Vandall is one of the greatest singers I ever heard. The variety of songs are real gospel. Those who need a singer cannot miss it by giving him a call. We have had a full house every night and the pastor is now arranging for more seats. Souls are finding God in the old-fashioned

way in every service. To Him be all the praise. We are praying that God will continue to bless through this meeting."

PASTOR W. P. COLVIN, FAIRFAX, ALA.—"We came here to pastor the church Nov. 3, and after the first Sunday we noticed that we needed a revival for the young people and after being here a few weeks, we felt it was God's time for such meeting. Brother W. R. Donaldson came over about that time and was doing some work here. I asked him if he would assist me in a meeting. So we announced that on Sunday night the revival had begun. On Sunday night there were two saved and throughout the week there was not a single barren service, someone was saved or sanctified in every service. On Friday night we had two altar services, one after the sermon, the altar was filled and all prayed through, and after rejoicing and testifying a while we felt like making another altar call and did, and there were eight that came and five of them prayed

through. During the short time of one week there were forty-eight at the altar, of which twenty-seven were saved and twelve sanctified, making a total of thirty-nine, leaving only nine out of forty-eight that did not get blessed. At the close of the Sunday night service, after a great altar service and nine in the fountain, we received a nice class of thirteen adults into the church, of which five are heads of families, three preachers, one a college graduate of a college of this state. We also re-organized a N. Y. P. S. with a fine class and a large one. Our own Brother Donalson, who is a member of the local church now, assisted me in the meeting, and in fact he did the most of the preaching during the week, and I want to say, any church or pastor wanting a good preacher for a meeting, one that will have results, will make no mistake in giving him a call. He ought to be kept busy. Address him, W. R. Donalson, Florence, Ala., Gen. Del. We expect great things of the Lord here this year, we give Him the glory for all that is done. Glory to God, we are saved, sanctified and kept up to date."

PASTOR J. D. ROACH, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.—"We are glad to report victory in the Bloomington church. We have just come through a smallpox scare that hindered us for a while, but are getting through it in good shape. Our services are increasing in attendance and interest, the church is standing together and working with the pastor and harmony prevails. We have just held six nights meeting in the county farm chapel. This was a new experience for me, to have a congregation of forty or fifty men and women, the most of whom were around seventy-five years old, and many over eighty. Several of these old people were clearly converted, and others are stirred up, and we hope the seed sown will continue to yield fruit. The superintendent encouraged our effort, and expressed satisfaction with the results, inviting us to come again. We have services out there every two weeks in the afternoon. We begin revival services in the church on December 4, to continue over the 20th. Miss Helen Peters of Olivet and Miss Dorothy Cooper will assist us in the music and singing. We are expecting the Lord to give us a revival that will bless the church and city. Brother Chalfant, our District Superintendent, was with us for a one evening service recently and encouraged us with a good gospel message. We covet the prayers of God's people."

PASTORS GEORGE AND FLORA BRINKMAN, Newark, Ohio—"We came to this work at the close of our Assembly in May, and God has been blessing and we have been going up the hill. Our Sunday services have doubled in attendance and offerings, and the attendance at all our other services has greatly increased. Souls have been praying through at our prayermeetings and our other services. Our Young People's Society is getting along well. They held a three days' convention in August with Rev. H. H. Stahl of Coshocton. The papers, discussions, question box, and messages were very interesting and helpful. Our missionary society is doing good work in sending boxes to our missionaries and in helping to support a worker in India. Financially we are getting along fine. Our members tithe. \$600.00 has recently been raised to pay off on the principal of the church debt. Rev. Frank Niles was with us a Sunday in October and \$65.00 was pledged for the work of the Lord's Day Alliance of Ohio. The pastors, assisted by Rev. Elbert Shelton, have recently held a good three weeks' revival. Between twenty-five and thirty seekers were at the altar, almost all praying through to victory. Three more souls were saved last week at our regular Sunday evening service. We have taken eight new members into the church and a goodly number more are looking over the fence which we hope to take in soon. We are praying and trusting God to give us a strong church in this city of 35,000 population."

PASTOR GEORGE D. RILEY, PROVIDENCE, R. I.—"Sunday night, November 22, we closed a revival campaign with Evangelist Philip Geiter, which was one of the most successful I ever attended. Brother Geiter won the hearts of the people with his kind, sympathetic spirit. His methods do not embarrass strangers and he gets seekers to the altar. We do not count seekers at the altar, but we had a goodly number of them, which resulted in a class of twenty-

four probationers being received into the church the last Sunday night. The class consisted of a number of fine young people and some older ones, among whom were the heads of four families, who were saved in the meeting. We had been told that Providence was a hard field, and the emphasis put on People's Church. Suppose we grant the above to be true. God still lives and through Him a gracious victory has been won. Our people are encouraged and blessed and united in the bands of love and fellowship. Backsliders have been reclaimed, a number of sinners who were never to an altar of prayer before were converted. The young people are enthusiastic over a Young People's Society, and we will be organized right away. The last Sunday of the meeting the Sunday school reached the 100 mark in attendance. Thanksgiving night we held a service. Brother Hachett, pastor of the Wesleyan church, and many of his people were present, also Sister Carrie Sloan. Brother Geiter preached to the young converts on "How to Keep Saved" and at the close asked all the young converts present to meet at the altar for a closing prayer, and I know the angels rejoiced with us to see the altar filled with bright, happy converts pledging their loyalty to God and the Church of the Nazarene. Pray for us as we try to carry on the work."

PASTOR S. A. JONES, STEADYVILLE, TENN.—"We entered this field almost two months past, and must say we found it a needy one. Our work here in this town of 5,000 has suffered on account of unwise judgment. But God is on our side, and we are looking for and expecting great things from Him. The work is progressing along many lines. We organized a prayermeeting a month ago, and at our first prayer service we had twelve in number, and at our last evening service there were thirty, and quite a number asked for prayer. Our Sunday school is growing and each service seems to be blessed by the Unseen Guest. We are pleased with our places on the circuit, and God has given us some fine people to labor with. We are visiting, praying, and shouting His praises as onward we go. Pray for us that His will might be accomplished in our life among the needy people in this field."

OSAGE, OKLA.—"The church at Osage, Okla., is moving along nicely under the direction of the Holy Spirit. Rev. C. Scroggins, our good pastor who came to us shortly after the Assembly, is a good man, a good preacher and a real pastor. God is meeting with us from time to time in our regular services. Our indebtedness of \$800.00 is being raised. Men outside the church have been giving liberally. The women's relief society here has also taken a note for \$50.00 and has already just about paid it out since the Assembly and are anxious to take another note. We believe by the next Assembly we will have paid all our indebtedness, together

with all our apportionments. We mean to go over the top this year for Jesus, Amen. Pray for us that God may lead us on with success and give us the salvation of the lost."—Reporter.

PASTOR G. H. SHAFER, MORRISTOWN, IND.—"We just closed a successful revival meeting here. We did our own preaching. My wife and daughter did the special singing. God honored the old fashioned gospel, along with fasting and humble prayer. The Spirit came upon us in a glorious way. Fourteen souls bowed at the altar of prayer, thirteen of them struck fire. We received six adult additions to the church, with more to come soon. We believe there is a great future for holiness and Nazarenes in Morristown."

PASTORS W. F. AND IDA M. ATTEBURY, Armel, Colo.—"We are in the midst of a genuine, old-fashioned, Holy Ghost revival with Brother J. T. Black and wife. God has manifested Himself in our midst from the very beginning in a marvelous way. The glory is on the church and a shout of victory is going up from the camp. Young people have come forward at the close of every service, and not one has failed to pray through to wonderful victory. We celebrated Thanksgiving by having an all-day meeting. In the afternoon we had a powerful missionary service at the close of which one young man and two young ladies dedicated themselves to the foreign field, one of them shouting over it, while the good people present went down in their pockets and raised \$84.00 to apply on the deficit. We desire to raise this amount to \$100.00 if possible. The day wound up with a grand charge on the enemy, while the fire fell and the glory of God filled the place. Four young people prayed through at the altar, and one young girl shouted for nearly an hour. There is great conviction on the unsaved, and we are pleading for a tidal wave of salvation to sweep over these plains. Prospects are good for a great ingathering. Pray for us."

PASTOR F. H. BELDEN, PORTSMOUTH, OHIO—"We came here as pastor, October 9, and found a good band of Nazarenes. We had a great group meeting with Brother Gibson. He preached until we were all helped and over fifteen at the altar in the convention. Several good papers were read and discussed. The last night we took up an offering and bought our superintendent a new traveling bag. We are having good crowds and good interest. Souls at the altar nearly every meeting. Finances coming good and we expect to go over the top as a church this year. The members presented the pastor with a new overcoat which was much appreciated. We are making plans now for a revival and we are expecting God to visit us. We are all working together and the Holy Ghost will come."

"OLIVET CHURCH AT KIRK, COLO., has just closed a revival of two weeks with souls saved and sanctified. The church moved up on higher ground and we are looking forward to great spiritual blessings as a result of the impetus. Rev. J. T. Black with his pleasing personality and forceful preaching inspires confidence and courage. Deep conviction seized the unsaved as the truth went home to their hearts. Sister Black was a great help at the altar. At the close of our meeting Brother and Sister Black went immediately to Armel church in meetings with Pastors W. F. and Ida M. Attebury. Brother Black is a whole souled Nazarene and a veteran in the cause of holiness. We recommend him to the churches as safe and sound."—J. N. Tomlin, Pastor.

EVANGELIST F. A. SMITH—I am in a battle against sin at Lenora, Okla., at Camp Creek church. God put His seal on the first service. Brother and Sister Hale are doing some good work and God is blessing them. Last night the house would not hold the people, some turned away. Some have prayed through to victory. Deep conviction on the people and the end is not yet. To God be all the glory. May God bless all His people is my prayer. If you want a revival meeting write me at Carnegie, Okla., Rt. 2, Box 44."

EVANGELIST A. McNAUGHTON—"We closed a gracious revival meeting at Jenkins, Minn., Sunday,

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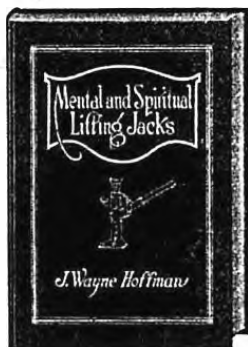
November 22. A goodly number sought and found God for reclamation and sanctification. The presence of God was truly manifested throughout all the meeting. They want Miss Inez Sawyer, one of our young ladies from Backus Church of the Nazarene, a local preacher, to preach for them each Sunday afternoon. The dear people want the full salvation preaching. We met some very fine people in Jenkins and they are hungry for the Nazarene doctrine of full salvation. Rev. Mrs. L. A. Van Kirk and her fine people were out several nights to assist us. Their shouts of victory and notes of praise and special singing greatly helped and brought inspiration to all there. The power of God was manifested throughout the meeting. The crowds were large most of the two weeks we were there, having to get extra chairs to accommodate the people that came to the service. We had some remarkable cases of divine healing. We are believing and expecting God to give us a Church of the Nazarene in Jenkins not far ahead. We did not forget the HERALD of HOLINESS and got a nice subscription list of fifteen. The next meeting is with one of our good pastors, Rev. Neyhus, South Dakota, and next meeting on to North Dakota with Rev. Youngblood and his dear people.

"THE OLIVE HILL, KY., church is progressing nicely with its new pastor, Brother French, a young man from Texas. Brother and Sister French are certainly on fire for God. He preaches the old time gospel and people are coming to God. Brother and Sister French have been here a little more than a month and there have been sixteen souls pray through and found the Lord. We give God all the glory. Pray for the Olive Hill church that it might go over the top for Jesus."—E. H. W., Reporter.

EVANGELIST GEO. A. MOORE—"I have just closed a successful meeting in Indianapolis, Ind. God helped us to preach as never before. There were between seventy-five and eighty seekers for pardon or purity. The finances came easy. We are in a meeting now at Princeton, Ind., with our good pastor, Rev. L. O. Green. The meeting is starting off good, and we are believing God for a great meeting."

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FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—"Sunday, November 22, was a great day at this church. General Superintendent Reynolds and the writer closed a missionary convention on that date. Dr. Reynolds opened the convention a few days prior to this date and I was there with them on the last Sunday. This is one of the truly great churches in our movement. The church building, which seats about six or seven hundred people, was packed to the door and I was told this is the usual Sunday crowd. They have a wonderful company of people, not only cultured and refined, but intensely spiritual and greatly interested in all of the work of the church. They have the largest company of young people that I have seen in a long time; about two hundred splendid young men and women in the congregation. They have a choir of sixty members, led by Professor Reed. It is seldom that we hear such singing as they have at First Church, Little Rock. Not only is the choir well trained, but the singing is spiritual and a blessing and inspiration to the congregation. Brother Reed is a great song leader. During the past two years Brother Borders, the pastor, has received two hundred members into church fellowship and has made wonderful provision for all the finances of the church. Their obligations are paid up to date. Their budgets are paid promptly and they are always willing to take a special offering to help the cause of missions. I was very much impressed with the deep spirituality of the people. At the altar service many of the members tarried and were not only efficient workers at the altar, but prayed through to victory for the seekers. They are planning to erect a beautiful tabernacle in the near future that will seat fifteen hundred to two thousand people. It will be centrally located and will no doubt attract the city. Brother M. Edward Borders, the pastor, is truly loved by the people. His last call was absolutely unanimous, not one dissenting vote. He has done a wonderful work in Little Rock. I do not suppose there are many pastors that have such united co-operation by members and friends as Brother Borders has. Not only has he a splendid membership, but he has a great company of friends who attend services there regularly and contribute to the financial needs of the church. Sunday, November 22, was a red letter day. At the morning service an offering of \$1,200.00, practically cash, was given in just a few minutes for the cause of missions. The entire amount is to be paid on or before the end of this month. At the evening service between twenty-five and thirty lifted their hands for prayer and a dozen or more prayed through to glorious victory. The day was crowned with success and blessing. It is a day we will not soon forget."—E. G. Anderson.

PASTOR J. GLENN GOULD, CLIFTONDALE, MASS.—"We have just closed a series of evangelistic services with Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Elsner as our human leaders. The services were blessed greatly from the very outset, and we have witnessed scenes of salvation that have made our hearts rejoice. There were very few barren services, most of the invitations for penitents being answered by from one to ten seeking souls. We all feel that God has graciously answered prayer during this campaign and proved afresh His power to save and sanctify. The Lord gave our brother and sister the hearts of the people, and their ministry was an inspiration and blessing to the church. The finances came easily, as is always the case when God gives a down-pour of blessing. I am serving the church for the fifth year; and I feel that in every department we are moving forward aggressively. Our Sunday school is about 80 per cent larger than a year ago. Prayer meetings are well attended, and a spirit of blessed unity prevails in the church. Best of all, God's glory is resting upon us. To Him be all the praise."

PASTOR ERNEST B. HACKLEY, Garden City, Kans.—"On October 28 we finished our pastoral labors with the Alva and Peniel churches on the Western Oklahoma District and moved to Garden City. We are pushing every department of the work. The average attendance of the Sunday school has about doubled. A Young People's Society has been organized with fourteen members which is doing splendid work. A fine spirit of unity and co-operation prevails in the congregation. Seven persons have responded to the altar calls at the regular services.

We have made 134 visits and other church workers have made some three hundred additional calls. We are now raising funds to pay the delinquent paving taxes on the church property. About \$350 has been secured. Garden City is a beautiful town of some 5,000 population located in the center of a thriving irrigated agricultural district. It has the only beet sugar factory in Kansas, a two million dollar concern which will manufacture 200,000 sacks of sugar this year. The altitude is 2,800 feet and there are many health seekers here. We invite correspondence with holiness people who are planning a change of location."

EVANGELIST B. F. NEELY—"We began with the First Church of the Nazarene, San Francisco, Calif., on Nov. 8. That night there were twelve seekers in the altar. The night following no altar call was made and that was the only night service in which there were no seekers. In all there were 173 bowed at the altar for either pardon or purity. On the second Sunday afternoon there was a splendid divine healing service, in which the evangelist preached on the subject and anointed some twenty or twenty-five persons, some of whom testified later that they were definitely healed. Prof. and Mrs. A. H. Johnston of Akron, Ohio, had charge of the music, and Mrs. I. W. Young, the wife of the local pastor, was the soloist. The pastor and his people had things well in hand and the revival spirit was on when the meeting started. From the very first, it seemed that the Holy Ghost had charge of things. It was easy to preach, and easy to quit preaching. (How strange!) It was easy to sing and easy to get blessed under the singing, and especially the kind of singing we had. The Johnstons are great prayers and great stayers. They surely do help carry the load. We have known the pastor, Rev. I. W. Young, for sixteen years. He is one of the most princely men we have met in a lifetime. He and his talented wife are products of old Peniel College. Mrs. Young is one of the best singers and prayers and one of the most eloquent shouters and all around workers to be found in any church. The finances came easy and in a sufficiency to pay all the bills and satisfy the workers. The personnel of this congregation is worthy of great commendation. One of its members, Brother George Cramer, the Sunday school superintendent, has been credit manager of one of the big firms in the city for many years. He has the distinction of never having been late to Sunday school and was never late in reaching his office but once, and that time he was three minutes late. That was the morning of the great earthquake and the great San Francisco fire. How is that for promptitude? We closed on the 22nd with the people clamoring for the meeting to run longer; and we very much desired to run another week, but our pastor at San Jose had his advertising out and we were due to begin with him on Monday night following. So we had to say goodbye. Glory be to God for the victory!"

EVANGELIST M. M. BUSSEY, HAVERHILL, MASS.—"God is giving us a mighty revival tide at the Haverhill church. Souls have prayed through at every service since the opening meeting. I did not get to preach last night for the altar service broke in on us before I could get to preaching."

PASTOR O. A. CROFFORD, UNION GAP, WASH.—"The rush season of apple harvest in the Yakima valley is about over, and our people, most of whom take part in this industry one way or another, are buckling their armor on tighter, and anointing the shield. We are looking forward in faith for three or four months of revival effort in the surrounding districts closing with a two-weeks' meeting in our home church, with Brother and Sister V. W. and Marguerite Littrell of Beatrice, Neb. God helping us, it is expected to not only see men and women saved and sanctified, but that the church will be built up until it can support a full-time pastor, for experience has taught us that best results cannot be obtained with a pastor working at secular labor six days a week."

EVANGELIST EARL E. CURTIS—"God gave me a most blessed meeting with Rev. J. A. Ward and his church at Spring Valley, N. Y. Brother Ward states in a letter which I received since leaving there that it was far reaching and one of the best revivals

he has seen for years. Ward is a wonderful old line Bible holiness preacher and pastor. There are some of the finest people in the Spring Valley church that I ever met, beautiful characters and fine representatives of our great work and the cause of holiness. I began here at Lowell, Mass., last Sunday, the 29th of November. God gave a most wonderful opening day. The morning service beggars all description. How the fire and power and glory from heaven above does fall on this people. Marshall, the pastor, is a marvelous man of God, and the Lord is using him in this place. At night God met us again and ten people came to Jesus. People were here from Boston, some came thirty miles, and some out of town fire baptized pilgrims announced their desire to unite with this church, because they like the fire and glory and still believe in old time radical holiness."

PASTOR ALBERT M. BLACKMON, CONNELL, WASH.—"We left Southern California with Rev. H. B. Wallin and family of Spokane June 29, had a most delightful trip. Arrived at our charge here July 4. We found a most devoted and loyal people. The attendance has been good, especially Sunday evenings when the little church is usually crowded. We have had nineteen pray through at the altar in the regular services. Seven have united with the church. The Lord has helped us to clear the debt on the parsonage, an amount of \$473.00. Praise His name! We have in connection a schoolhouse appointment, here six have found God, since our coming. We have just closed a most gracious revival with Rev. W. G. Bennett, District Superintendent of Montana. He was at his best. God gave him just the messages our people needed. We were strengthened along all lines. The church is in a better spiritual condition, unity and harmony prevail as never before. We gladly recommend Brother Bennett to any church for a meeting."

A MISSIONARY CONVENTION all day Thanksgiving and over the following Sunday was held at Ellington, Mich., located in the "Thumb of Michigan," one hundred miles north of Detroit, six miles from the railroad, out in the country. Four other churches, Cass City, Gage Town, Colling, and Caro, joined with Ellington in this convention. It was surely a time of great victory. The crowds were good every service. Thursday they put on a program demonstrating the results of retrenchment. God used it to stir the people to enlarged vision and an increase of faith. Over eight hundred dollars was raised in cash and pledges. People declared in prayer and testimony the missionaries must not come home under retrenchment. Surely God will hear and answer the cry of His children. Much of the giving was marked with real sacrifice. As a result of this a revival broke out Sunday night. We brought an evangelistic message, the cries of soul travail came on the people and the altar lined up with seekers. They came through with victory in the good old fashioned way. The pastor, Rev. A. L. Leach, plans to go on with the meeting. We praise God that Brother Leach felt prompted to put on the convention. It seems like the beginning of a divine visitation to that part of the country for old time revivals."—Stella B. Crooks.

"Many things have taken place in Bluffton, Indiana, since our last report. We dedicated our new church building May 28 at the close of a wonderful convention with Rev. J. W. Short, Dr. John Matthews, Prof. C. C. Conley and the Aeolian Quartet as special workers with many of the neighboring pastors and their people present. The building was packed and many were turned away. The Sunday school rooms were used and the balcony was tested to its capacity. About \$5,000.00 was raised for the building and the workers were well paid. In July we had a missionary convention with Rev. Carrie Barbier as the special worker, and the first of October we had a short Young People's convention with Rev. Freddie Thomas, the boy preacher. On November 22 we closed a good revival with Rev. Frank Cassidy, Prof. Burl Sparks and the Schlagel sisters. All the workers were at their best and God gave us a constant flow of salvation. We are grateful for the new church building, which will seat about five hundred people. Many times it has been filled and people turned away. The church raised over \$240.00 for each member of the church

during the year. Our plant, which is a beautiful modern brick building with Sunday school rooms, etc., is worth \$825,000 or \$30,000. There is only \$5,000 against the church property, which includes the parsonage. During the past eight months we have taken seventy-six new members into the church with some more good ones to come in soon. The Sunday school is three times as large as it was a year ago, and the Cradle Roll is going over the hundred mark and we are trying to get 150 by the first of the year. This church has sent many good workers into the field to gather in the harvest. Pray for us."—Morris M. Himler and wife, Pastors.

FIRST CHURCH, KANSAS CITY, MO., has been visited by a gracious revival of three weeks. Praise God, we were not disappointed. There were many wonderful answers to prayer. There were 267 persons forward for either conversion or sanctification. The last Sunday was a great climax to the revival, with three well attended services, and forty seekers. In the evening service Dr. Babcock called all who had been saved or sanctified in the revival to the front of the church. It was a wonderful occasion of rejoicing to see that large company of happy people praising God. It made us feel we have come back to the old time glory and blessing. We have not had a revival in our pastorate here when so many new people were the seekers at our altar. Next Sunday we expect to receive a good class of new members. On the last Sunday morning we received \$760.00 in the offering, and our treasurer has paid all the church expenses to date. So First Church is rejoicing in the revived spiritual condition of her membership, the enlarging of her family, and the excellent financial record. Dr. Babcock proved himself a wonderful, powerful preacher, and a genuine revivalist. His preaching produced deep conviction and thorough results. He dealt fearlessly with the need of the people as he saw it, and I am happy that our people responded to the appeal. Brother Rinebarger endeared himself to all our people by his happy, free manner, his capable directing of the music, his solos, and his assistance in the altar services. He is a great song leader. Our District Superintendent, Rev. N. B. Herrell, was present for several of the evening services, and helped to promote the revival. While Dr. Babcock and Brother Rinebarger were brightening our church on the inside, we also brightened the exterior with a new, powerful flood light which illuminates the entire front and side of the building and attracts the thousands of people who pass by on Troost Ave. Thus we are moving forward for larger and better things.—A. M. Bowes.

EVANGELIST W. P. JAY—"Our meeting with the Bakersfield, Calif., church has just closed; or rather taking a recess of two or three days, as Rev. Earle F. Wilde and wife are to continue the meeting two weeks longer. Wife and I are beginning at Portersville tomorrow, Nov. 22, to continue two or three weeks. A few prayed through in the Bakersfield

meeting, most of whom, however, were members of the church. It is hoped that more outsiders will be reached in the Wilde meetings. The pastor, M. R. Dutton, is a fine man to work with. He has the real vision, but is somewhat handicapped because of the ill health of his good wife. Let all the saints pray that she may shortly recover from her nervous breakdown."

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PASADENA, CALIF.

Great revival wave on Southern California District, reaching many of our churches. Over three hundred at the altar in First Church, Pasadena, Sunday, December 6. Our pastors and people are pressing hard the battle and God is blessing and the District is growing. Expect a great offering for General budget December 20.—J. R. Hill, District Superintendent.

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Sunday, December 6, greatest day yet in John Wesley church. After Pastor Crockett announced great ten day convention December 31 to January 10, offering of \$25,000.00 to be taken New Year's Day, the Holy Ghost fell on the church. Folks were shouting, leaping, running with banners, flags, blowing horns, beating drums. One violinist left the orchestra and played his violin while marching. Church unanimously and enthusiastically adopted slogan "It can be done, it will be done." Over the top we go. \$25,000.00. Heaven born revival is on.—R. E. Cummings.

MITCHELL, S. D.

Presbo, S. D., church in need of a pastor. Unmarried man preferred. One of the greatest opportunities in a country unreached by other denominations, organized six months. Any man who will consider this great field write me at once at Mt. Vernon, S. D. Church wants man immediately.—Rev. Lewis H. Bacheller.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Closed good revival last night with the Redmons as evangelists. 138 seekers. \$1,000.00 in cash and pledges, indebtedness of parsonage covered. Rejoice with us, prospects were never better for Evansville.—R. W. Hertenstein, Pastor.

JAMESTOWN, N. D.

Evangelist Minor closed great meeting last night. Over thirty at altar. About 175 seekers in all.—G. A. Finch.

SOUTH MANCHESTER, CONN.

Greatest revival campaign in history of the church with Rev. J. Warren Lowman and wife. Tender and searching preaching, fine singers and hard workers. Stormy weather, church packed, altars filled, people turned away.—Rev. C. F. Austin, Pastor.

TOPEKA, KANS.

Closed good revival meeting with Rev. L. E. Swaney as evangelist. His messages were great. Church edified. About thirty definite professions, ten new members, more to follow, good offering for evangelist, love offering for pastor.—We are going on.—L. T. Wells.

LANSDALE, PA.

Lansdale church will go the second mile. General budget is paid for year but on December 20 we will give \$2.00 per member. Retrenchment is out of our vocabulary, advancement is better. United we wire.—W. D. Shelor, Pastor.

SHERMAN, TEXAS

Greatest meeting at this place in years. Workers capturing the people, great revival tide on, some thirty-five professions up to date, house filled from choir loft to balcony. Another week yet. Lum Jones, evangelist. L. C. Messer, choir director; Roscoe C. Carrell, pianist. Truly these men know how to do the job.—L. A. Miller, Pastor.

Chicago Central District Joint N. Y. P. S. and Sunday School Convention at Olivet College from every standpoint most successful convention held on the District. Best representation, largest number of visitors and financed the most satisfactory. Dr. H. C. Morrison is great inspiration to convention and college. Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellyson brought us most helpful lectures and addresses. We were royally entertained by President Sanford and Pastor J. E. Williams. Convention proper closed Friday night with altar full of seekers.—E. O. Chalfant.

JACKSON, MICH.

Jackson Church of the Nazarene had great day, souls at the altar prayed through. You can depend on us to pay our allotment of \$2.00 per member to

pay off the deficit of \$100,000.00.—A. J. Bush, Pastor.

PASADENA, CALIF.

Second Sunday of Fleming Brothers campaign, greatest day in history of church, house packed three times, overflow service in lower auditorium at night, about fifty seekers with twice that number upstairs. Three hundred seeking during day. Balsmeiers, Hatfield, Wellies, Johnstons, Moore, Uncle Buddie with others great blessings to campaign.—U. E. Harding.

HUTCHINSON, KANS.

Meeting closed with great service, thirty-five to forty-five praying through last service. Evangelist McBride and wife proved themselves great soul winners. Messages blessed the saints and convicted sinners. Over 150 seekers during meeting. Church and school marching on to greater things. Onward is our watchword.—Pastor F. H. Bugh.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.

The group meeting of the southern portion of the Kansas City District was well attended and

blessed of the Lord. Rev. Menneke and his church were all that could be asked in entertaining such a convention. Interesting papers were read and lively discussions with fiery addresses marked the meetings. We had many seekers and finders. The convention closed and revival with the Payne party opened Sunday night with a full house and twelve at the altar. Tabernacle will have to be enlarged to accommodate the crowds. We are going in for a thousand souls in and around Coffeyville. Pastor Menneke is a pusher. We have organized two new churches with more in the making.—N. B. Herrell, District Superintendent.

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NOTICE—I would be pleased to hold meetings anywhere God may lead. I stand for a clean, uncompromising gospel of the Nazarene faith.—A. B. Jones, Evangelist, 515 E. Ash, Duncan, Okla.

RECOMMENDATION—Rev. C. J. Garrett, an evangelist of the Kansas City District, has spent the most of his ministerial life in the Kansas and Missouri Districts. He has been kept busy and has work. We feel that Brother Garrett's ability as an evangelist deserves a larger ministry with our people. God has blessed him with personality and preaching ability as well as a good experience of grace. He deserves a place on our campmeeting platform and churches with our other evangelists. I am introducing this brother without his knowledge. He prays and works at his job. His address is 835 Princeton, Ottawa, Kans.—N. B. Herrell, District Superintendent.

NOTICE—I will be in Roachdale, Ind., for the Christmas holidays. Anyone near this Indiana town desiring week-end evangelistic meeting, I will be glad to be at your service. Open for calls after Dec. 26.—T. L. Terry, 44 Carneal St., Ludlow, Ky.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS—Jas. H. Bury, District Superintendent, British Columbia, has taken up residence at Abbotsford, B. C. Any communication, information or request for meetings will be gladly received.

OPEN DATES—Because of conflicting dates Evangelist J. L. Glascock has some time not yet engaged between now and the New Year. Address 1350 Grace Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.

BORN to Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd F. Cooley, East Liverpool, Ohio, Nov. 13, a daughter, Ruth Naomi. Mother and baby doing nicely.

NOTICE—I am not pastor of a Church of the Nazarene or mission in the city of Cumberland, Wis., as there never has been a church or mission here, but we hope to have one some time. I am an evangelist and have some open dates for meetings soon. I go to any church to do my best for the pastor and church and ask them to do the same for me.—B. T. Flanery, Box 425, Cumberland, Wis.

NOTICE—It is my purpose to open an extensive campaign in the South as soon as the way opens for me. I expect a little later to have a tent with some consecrated workers and go to a place and stay there until the Lord says to pull up stakes and leave. God has given me a burning zeal for evangelistic work and I must obey orders. I crave an opportunity to help build up the kingdom of God. God has given me a message through suffering that must be told.—R. L. May, Box 22, Exeter, Neb., until Jan. 1. Home address, Box 166, Wilmore, Ky.

NOTICE—I am not a great preacher, but I believe in prayer, study and work. I am forty-seven years old, in good health, have been preaching twenty years. My wife and I have been trained to work in the church. We have four children. I will guarantee to build a church that will be a credit to any community and pay for it provided the door of opportunity has not been closed with the business public by repeated failures to build. I came from the Methodist to the Church of the Nazarene. Other denominations, similar to ours, have offered me good appointments by wire and letter, but I have declined. I am open for a call, but not indefinitely, in the Western and Southern states. References: General Superintendents, Rev. E. G. Theus, Blackwell, Okla., 218 So. A St., Rev. G. M. Akin, 1059 Eustis St., Shreveport, La.—D. L. Griffith, 505 W. 6th St., Newton, Kans.

NOTICE—A Preachers' and N. Y. P. S. Convention of the Iowa District will be held at Des Moines, Iowa, 610 Forest Ave., Dec. 29 to Jan. 1. Let all our preachers come.—L. N. Fogg, District Superintendent.

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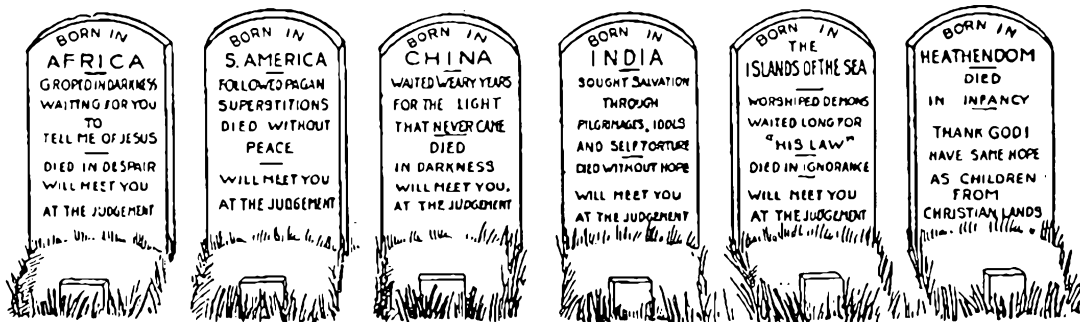
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Again we plead with you in behalf of this poor, lost and dying world, rushing on into eternity at the rate of thirty-two millions a year; one hundred thousand every twenty-four hours and several hundred even while you are reading this appeal. They are calling to us to come to them, and if we fail this year it will mean that some who have heard the call may not have the benefits of Christian help and instruction during the coming year because it may be compulsory to change our program; and again, some living in territory adjacent to the fields occupied by our missionaries, who have been promised a missionary or a native preacher this coming year, will again be disappointed because it will be absolutely impossible to stretch our already too thin line in an effort to occupy new territory; and finally we plead with you to remember that there is One who gave His life, who gave His all, who came into this world unbidden and unwelcome, suffered and died and left to His followers the great task of doing for others and giving to others in the same measure that He had done for them and given to them. He is watching us.

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