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Pray for Those in Authority

General Superintendent Williamson

THE WORLD is in a state of upheaval. The spirit of nationalism is everywhere expressed with vehemence. Subject peoples are demanding freedom and self-government. Revolt against racial and social discrimination is universal. At such a time the dangers are great. The possibility of complete destruction of civilization is candidly admitted by scientists, statesmen, and spiritual leaders alike.

In the present crisis, responsibility for world leadership is thrust upon the United States of America. The great question is: Do we have the depth of conviction, the moral integrity, and the spiritual vision and faith to meet the challenge? To do so will require a proper understanding of the relation of material resources to spiritual power.

To fulfill the expectations of the freedom-loving people of the world, America must have a mighty revival. A complacent, self-indulgent church must be awakened to bear her re-

sponsibilities courageously in a time of crisis. "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (II Chron. 7:14).

In national affairs we are in one of the most critical periods of American history. Decisions are being made that will be felt for a century and probably as long as time shall last. It is the duty of every Christian to pray for those in authority, that they may seek God's guidance, and that even those who do not seek to know His judgments will do better than they know. Let us also ask God to have His way in the choice of our nation's leaders for the next four years. God is able to put down the mighty from their seat and exalt those of low degree. Let us pray for an intervention of divine providence on behalf of righteousness and peace. Our failure now may be fatal and final.

"SANCTIFY THEM THROUGH THY TRUTH: THY WORD IS TRUTH"-John 17:17

NEWS IN BRIEF

Superintendent Whitcomb Harding of Nebraska District writes: "Organized new church in McCook, Nebraska, the first church in southwest part of the state. These 'pioneers' are full of faith and determination to do a work that will glorify God and build up His kingdom among men. Mrs. Alice Beckman is the aggressive pastor of this new work."

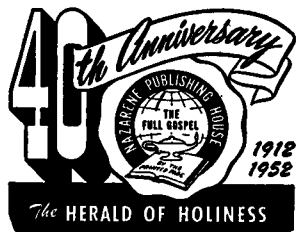
Rev. Arthur P. Fisher, pastor at Whiting, Indiana, is recuperating at home after a major operation on May 29 at a Chicago hospital. He is thankful for the many prayers in his behalf.

Rev. E. D. Leavell has resigned as pastor of the church at Newport, Oregon, to accept the pastorate at Terra Bella, California.

Pastor Ed. McConnell sends word from Oakland, California: "Elmhurst Church, Northern California District, holds first service in rented quarters in San Leandro, working in co-operation with District Superintendent Coulter to find suitable location in this fine city. Victorious day with 30 per cent increase in Sunday-school attendance. Prospects good for San Leandro First Church."

Rev. Charles H. Kennedy has left the evangelistic field to accept the pastorate of the church at Hull, Illinois, where he has found "some good people who love God and are interested in promoting the Nazarene program."

Pastor M. W. Kemper sends word from Indianapolis, Indiana: "Ray Street Church had a great, eight-day revival, with Dr. Hugh C. Benner, evangelist; fifty seekers, seven new people received into the church. Spirit of the Lord on the people; Sunday-school average last three months, 495."



Maybe you'll make a solo flight, or maybe you'll be going up with the crowd; but if you're a Christian, Jesus Christ is going to be right with you.—DOROTHY B. KIDNEY.

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Heed Its Voice!

By A. M. Quick*

ETIYLOGY is the science of root causes. The Bible is the greatest of all authorities on this science. Take this statement in Judges 5:8, "They chose new gods; then was war in the gates." Terse, dramatic, a blunt presentation of cause and effect!

Why did they choose new gods? Because their hearts were far from the Eternal; the material superseded the spiritual in their thinking, they wanted to worship something they could see. The evil of their hearts spewed forth in evil choices. "From whence come wars . . . ? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?" (James 4:1.)

Well, what has that to do with us today? What about two world wars and another one threatening? Yet we worship Jehovah; we have not chosen new gods as did the Israelites of old! Just a minute—are we sure about that? True worship is of the heart, you know. "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." This first commandment—first in order and first in importance—challenges to a supreme loyalty. Do we give that loyalty?

God is love, holiness, truth. If individuals and nations partake of His spirit, can there be any war? "They chose new gods; then was war in the gates." Maybe we should investigate this angle. Perhaps the old-fashioned etiology of the Bible has something to it.

Do you think if we turned away from the worship of false gods, and in spirit and truth worshiped the God of our fathers, that we might have peace?

Wouldn't it be worth a trial?

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The Victorious Victim

By J. Kenneth Grider

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion (Ps. 27:5).

SPEAKING about troubles is like talking about aches and pains: we all have a story to tell. Enrico Caruso could tell us what it is like to be the victim of underestimation. Told by his music teacher that he had no potentialities, he was undaunted; for twelve years he studied by night and worked in a factory by day. And Caruso became, as is well known, the most noted singer of his time.

That World War I United States Army casualty could tell us what it is like to be the victim of physical handicap. Not many had thought he would live; and some, no doubt, prayed that he would not. But there came the day when Johns Hopkins University arranged a special graduation ceremony in order to confer upon him the Ph.D. degree for one of the most outstanding pieces of research in the history of the institution. What was his handicap? He had only one arm, no legs, no eyes.

Scotland's Thomas Carlyle could tell us what it is like to be the victim of defeat in one's work. His massive manuscript about the French Revolution completed, he loaned it to a friend for that person's perusal and comment. The friend, lying upon his bed, read it, into the night, languidly dropping each page by the bedside. Next morning the housekeeper, seeing a disordered pile of papers on the floor, gathered them together and burned them. Tragic! It was a hard word to bear to Carlyle. But that author, disheartened yet not defeated, set out to rewrite the work, and it became the standard study on that subject.

Their story is our story. We, too, have been underestimated. We have had physical handicaps. We also have suffered setbacks in our work. But even so, in spite of troubles, and at times because of them, we are able to react creatively to them, and thereby transform seeming defeat into abundant victory. The Psalmist did this. He was a victorious victim. This is revealed in a study of Psalms 27.

VICTIM OF FOES

Among David's foes were *alien armies*. Most of Israel's kings had such foes, as is evidenced from the accounts of their battles and from their title "captain of the host"; and David was no exception. But, man of faith as he was, he was victorious over them. Before battles had ever begun, he had a faith victory over fighting armies. He said, "Though war should rise against me, in this [his faith as just expressed] will I be confident" (Ps. 27:3b).

He was victorious over *encamped armies*. In our day, we have learned that the tension of a cold war is taxing. We have learned that encamped armies can undermine even the confi-

dence of God's elect. Indeed, we have seen pessimism taking root within the ranks of our own clergy. But David gives us assurance for these days when he says, "Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear" (Ps. 27:3).

The Psalmist was also victorious over *slandersers*. His enemies were opposing him by a most cruel method, that of bearing false witness against him. He says, "For false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty" (Ps. 27:12). It appears that this was the most severe of his troubles, for immediately following he admits, "I had fainted, unless I had believed . . ." (Ps. 27:13). But he did not faint; he was victorious.

VICTIM OF FEARS

David's troubles were not confined to his foes. Within his heart there were three fears, all related, and having to do with his relationship to God. He tells us about them in verse nine.

One was the fear *that God might hide himself from him*. He pleads, "Hide not thy face far from me." It is not that God had hid His face from him; it is only that David, right in the midst of victorious faith, and confident of doing God's will, was afraid that God would hide His face. Since David was in the faith and walking with God, he need not have had that fear; for God, even in those early days, delighted in manifesting himself to His chosen. We of this day may be even more fully assured than David could have been that God is not seeking to hide His face, because we know that God did His utmost to reveal himself through that historical event which we call the incarnation and death of Jesus Christ.

David was also afraid *that God might become angry with him*. He prays, "Put not thy servant away in anger." Again, from the atmosphere of the Psalm, it is not that God was angry with him; it is only that David feared He would become so. Whatever our personality type, even if we be

IF CHRIST

Should Walk Through Your House

By Alice Hansche Mortenson

*If Christ should walk through your house today,
Is there anything there you would put away?*

*Are there some things there you would like to
hide*

Before you invited your Lord inside?

*Are there pictures there you would like to erase?
Would the Bible stay in its usual place?*

*Is there anything there you would change at all
If you knew the Master was coming to call?*

*It would do no good, for He sees right through
The things you own and the things you do.*

*But if you feel His presence growing dim,
Remove those things that are unlike Him!*

extremely introverted, as pardoned and purified "servants," we need not be afraid that God is eager to put us away in anger. He who has created us of His own will, who has redeemed us by the blood of His own Son, and who has wooed us through the Holy Spirit, is not devising reasons to become angry with us; and we may be confident that He will not become angry so long as our wills are fully yielded to His will.

Another fear was that God might completely forsake him. He cries, "Leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation." This is not a cry of dereliction; it is not the experience of a later One, of David's lineage. It comes from a person who knows God's "salvation," but who quakes at the thought of what existence would be like if God should utterly forsake him. But God never forsakes those who come to know His "salvation"; they are secure as long as they do not forsake Him.

SECRETS OF HIS VICTORY

Although David was the victim both of foes and of fears, he was nevertheless victorious over them. This ability to be victorious has its secrets, of course, and three of them are clearly shown within this psalm.

One was his *singleness of aim*. He declares, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple" (Ps. 27:4). This reminds us of a greater than David, who said, "But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus (Phil. 3:13-14). And Paul, with his singleness of purpose, and in a new dispensation of grace, overcame troubles even more triumphantly than did David.

Another secret of the Psalmist's victory was his *immediacy of response to the will of God*. He says, "When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek" (Ps. 27:8). It appears that God had told him at some earlier time to pray, or to worship at the Temple, and he is reminding God that he had responded immediately. The victorious Christian decides, prior to any call of God and prior to any time of trouble that, whatever transpires, he will respond to God's will; and when the decision is made previously, immediacy of response is possible.

A third secret of the Psalmist's victory over foes and fears was his *spirit of optimism*. He confesses, "I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living" (Ps. 27:13). Those slanderers had been more trying than fighting armies, and even more troublesome than encamped ones; and if he had ever been upon the brink of defeat, it was when they began to breathe out their cruelty. But David's spirit of optimism saved him. Instead of

thinking of the false witnesses, and instead of making himself believe that all the people were like them, he looked about him and took notice of the goodness of the Lord as it was evidenced in an opposite type of people who were also of the land of the living. And he maintained the victory in spite of the talebearers; the lies were not a checkmate.

David closes this psalm with an exhortation to all who are in times of trouble. To them his word is, "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord" (Ps. 27:14).

A Significant Birth Certificate

By Whitcomb Harding*

Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof. These words taken from Leviticus 25:10 were cast around the Liberty Bell, brought from England, more than twenty years before that date now so familiar in the hearts and minds of all liberty-loving people. The proclamation engraved on its iron lip means more today than ever before. The soul of man was created to be free—

*'Tis liberty alone that gives the flower
Of fleeting life its luster and perfume;
And we are weeds without it.—COWPER.*

The signing of the Declaration of Independence was an announcement to the world that a new nation had been born. On this anniversary of our country's birth, let us remember with pride the courage and faith of those who, in years past, helped to make it what it is today. Our forefathers were men known not only for being brave soldiers, but also they were men of undying loyalties. Those were dark days, probably as dark and foreboding as these days seem to us. Their confidence was in an almighty God, and they were inspired and strengthened by the challenging consciousness that God would stand by the right and bring ultimate victory. They were devoted unto death to the cause of liberty.

A custom in celebrating birthdays is the bringing of gifts to commemorate the occasion. What gifts could we bring to our nation that would be appropriate expressions of our appreciation for the privilege of being recipients of such a glorious heritage? David E. Lilienthal said, "America is today the first nation of the world. There is no close second." If this is true, it is no doubt largely due to the historical fact that those responsible for the birth of this nation were God-fearing people, seeking "first the kingdom of God," and "all these things" have been added unto this day.

America needs gifts of devotion to a task of ringing a bell of liberty that will be heard around the world. We should bring her ourselves, dedicated anew, that we might be worthy of that

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trust which has been placed in our hands to keep America free.

Imperishable are the cries of the human spirit inscribed upon the banners of time: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal"; "One nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Building National Strength

By John Thomas Donnelly

REGARDLESS of the outcome of the national election, whoever is chosen president, whichever party is voted into power, the destiny of our nation will remain in the hands of Almighty God. When the speeches are broadcast and telecast, and the campaign shouting has finished, God's message for the upbuilding of our nation must be heralded with unceasing force. For national blessing depends, not upon the Republican Party or the Democratic Party or any other party; it depends upon the Almighty. We cannot build without God. We cannot build against God, but we can build with God. We must build on His time-defying principles, which help to create national greatness or which, when disregarded, make for national decay.

"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn" (Prov. 29:2). Bad rulers with bad laws tend to make a bad people, while good rulers with good laws tend to make a good people. Every man in high position is a fountain of health or of disease to the body politic. His influence is a light that gives life, or a upas shade that poisons. Abuses creep into nations as the money-changers establish themselves in the Temple. Jesus drove the latter out, and we must apply the same principle to evils in our nation.

There is a common feeling that God takes care of children, fools, and the United States. It is too optimistic. In early school days we were taught that God founded our nation—the implication was that it was the only one He had ever founded—and, therefore, it could never die. The people of Israel had the same notion once, but their nation perished two thousand years ago. Gibbon, in his *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, tells us that the Roman Empire fell, not because it had lost its wealth and its natural resources, nor its man power, but because it had lost its moral consciousness, its sense of moral and spiritual values, because it ceased to put first things first.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14:34). God has revealed the divine directions for national strength in a program which is surprisingly plain. Compared with our lengthy political platforms, it may appear too stark in its simplicity, but great statesmen have reverently acknowledged its unailing truth. This constructive counsel of God is not petty idealism, a happy hope, or a fond

The Perfect Freedom

By Lloyd M. Hearn

Man's freedom is the gift that makes like God:
The power to learn, to know, and then to choose
A higher plane than roached beneath the rod—
Or to plumb the depths of liberty's abuse.
This priceless freedom every man may use
As he desires, so that Almighty God
May have a worship worthy of His name—
Instead of cringing slaves, sans worth or blame.

America is builded on this plan:

Here Freedom rules, yet still may bless or
curse,
As men shall choose. No rigid, righteous ban
Can make one rank of better and of worse;
And if it could, sweet Freedom's joyful verse
Could not be sung by those made less than man.
So perfect freedom can be won within
God's people only—*Spirit-freed from sin!*

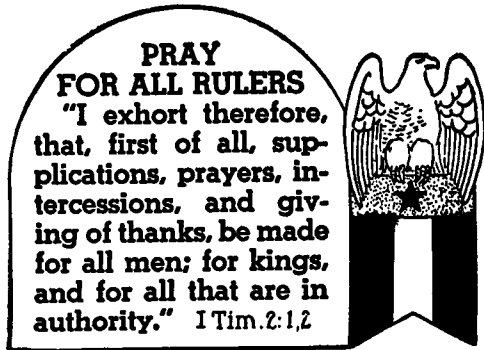
dream. It is history! Wherever men and women have accepted Christ and have been blessed by the Christian righteousness of life, they have proved themselves the salt of the earth that has prevented corruption and decay.

Early Christianity changed the vice-bound world of its day; it exalted marriage, children, parenthood, at a time when the lust of the flesh ran rampant; it created the dignity of labor when self-respecting men sought to escape work and relegate it to slaves; its principles of honesty, fair dealing, and the love for one's fellow men elevated the ancient business world. The Church, though despised and small in numbers, did what all the philosophers and statesmen of the ancient world could not do: it bestowed, with God's help, the righteousness that exalts a nation.

The crisis question, as once again we celebrate our Independence Day, is, By what means can we secure for ourselves and for our nation this exalting and uplifting righteousness? How can we curb sin and selfishness when the present scene resembles nothing more than a jungle with snarling, snapping creatures slinking in suspicious circles, ready to spring at one another's throats? We listen to a hundred plans concerned with education, character-building, legislation, health improvement, the cleansing of the subconscious mind, the spirit of fraternity, and the other remedies prescribed to check sin and promote righteousness. We survey the best of them and declare that we must have something they now lack, a divine power to penetrate the soul, to change men, purify their corrupt nature, and defeat the dominion of sin that saturates their entire being.

Clear thinking people demand a cleansing power for the heart as the fountain-spring of all

actions and emotions. Jesus himself warns, "Without me ye can do nothing." In all our wide and resourceful world today there is only one Power that can "create . . . a clean heart, . . . and . . . a right spirit" within men, and that is faith in Jesus Christ, His cleansing blood, His atoning death.



Tent or Cathedral

By Albert B. Schneider*

RECENTLY I read the statement by Dr. John A. Mackey, president of the International Missionary Council and also president of Princeton Theological Seminary, in the *Messenger*, publication of the Evangelical Reformed church, which said: "We are at the end of one stretch of the road in the pilgrimage of mankind; another wrapped in gloom lies before us. It is time for all of us to be thinking of *campaign tents* rather than *cathedrals*."

Having for so many years operated tents from late June until Labor Day each summer in Chicago, these words impressed me very greatly. Here are a few things I learned:

Tents can be made attractive by cleanliness, floodlighting, colorful decorations, and attractive signs.

Tents can be made comfortable by proper seating, well-filled floors, good ventilation, and spraying.

Tents can be filled with people and especially interest new friends if easily accessible.

Tents can be easily financed if systematically planned.

Tents produce great, lasting results in getting out the gospel in song, sermon, printed page, and in getting the local church before the people.

Tents help break down unwarranted prejudice against holiness.

Tents help build church membership and support for home and foreign missions.

Soul passion will take us out of cathedral smugness and ease, to the fields which are "white already to harvest," to the multitudes who never darken the doors of our cathedrals. They perhaps would enter campaign tents.

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Epistle to the Philippians

By H. Orton Wiley

VI. Paul as a Witness for Christ

According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death (Phil. 1:20).

THE IMPRISONMENT of St. Paul not only served to further the gospel, but also it served to enrich his own personal experience. This experience has wrapped up in it, like the petals of a rosebud, that which is to unfold in the outward glory of a mature Christian life. The following rich testimony gives us the secret of his inward zeal and outward calmness of spirit in the work of Christ.

1) *A perfect consecration to the will of God.* "Christ shall be magnified in my body" (Phil. 1:20b). The Apostle desires above all else that Christ shall be magnified, that is, made great. Since Christ is infinite, it is evident that He can never be greater in himself. What St. Paul means is, that Christ may be made greater in the eyes of the people. As a telescope focused upon a distant object brings it closer to the vision of the observer, so he desired that his life in the body should bring Christ more largely into the vision of others. The meaning of the text is, therefore, that Christ may be magnified either in delivering him from death or enabling him to suffer martyrdom with Christian fortitude.

2) *An all-consuming love for Christ.* "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Phil. 1:21). Christ had been so magnified in St. Paul's experience that He filled the entire range of his vision. His experience could be summed up in no other words than these, "To live is Christ." The words "to die" are placed in contrast with the words "to live." The reference is to the act of dying, but solely because by this the soul is ushered into the better world. It is not the dying which is bliss, but the "having died" and thereby entered into the clear light of the beyond.

3) *A strong desire to be in the immediate presence of Christ.* "I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better" (Phil. 1:23). "Having a desire to depart" is a nautical expression taken from the loosing of the cables which bind a vessel to the shore until time to depart. What St. Paul actually says is this, "I desire to weigh anchor and sail away home." The word "desire" here does not mean "a desire" but "the desire"; that is, the whole preference of his will was for starting on the voyage across the narrow sea of death to be with his Lord. In this connection, the Apostle uses a double comparative to express the

relative values of his dilemma, the words "far better" being literally "much more better."

4) *The sense of earth mission.* "Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you" (Phil. 1:24). The word "flesh" includes the idea of weakness and affliction. To St. Paul it meant irksome imprisonment, compulsory inactivity, the humiliation of chains and guards, and the always impending danger. But he says this "is more needful for you." Hence he is perplexed, the need of the church being set in opposition to the whole desire of his soul to be with Christ. But who can fail to admire the Apostle's certainty of the life to come, and his all-compelling desire to be near his Lord?

A Testimony I Could Not Forget

By Fletcher Galloway*

"I'm on the home run and I believe I'm going to make it." He was a big fellow weighing about 250 pounds. He spoke with a German accent which at times was a little difficult to follow. I am not too sure that he knew exactly how to make a "home run" in baseball; but as he stood there with trembling hand uplifted and voice quivering with emotion, I said in my heart, I'm sure he will. He was eighty-eight years of age, living in an old people's home. Someone had been kind enough to bring him to prayer meeting that night, for he was not allowed to go anywhere alone. His memory had failed and he would get lost. But as he stood and testified (the very first one to his feet), everyone sensed the fact that a great joy of anticipation was filling his soul, and that it was going to be a great moment for him when his feet touched "home plate."

His lot had not been easy. I remembered that he had told in other prayer meetings how he was sanctified in 1889, how he had been waited on by a committee from his church who had remonstrated with him, and how later he had been expelled from membership. I remembered, too, how I had tried unsuccessfully to help him get in touch with his family, who many years ago had told him to "get out," as he was no longer welcome in his own home. I remembered the many times we had prayed together and the bitter tears that had flowed as he pleaded with God to help them to be willing to work out a reconciliation. However, all the letters came back unopened, and all the telegrams were refused. He had worked hard on a business proposition which had failed, so he came down to old age penniless and bereft of his family.

Yes, he was on the "home run." The church committee had tried to put him out, the members of his family had tried to put him out, and the devil had tried to put him out; but I said in my heart, He's going to make it.

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Holiness as Perfection

By Milton Harrington*

MAN STRIVES for and demands perfection in everything but salvation—and then denies the possibility here. In all of our Bible theology on holiness, here is the most misunderstood point. When you mention perfection in the Christian experience you are immediately eyed with suspicion, not only from the world in general, but also from the church world.

A fellow minister in my town, describing an evangelist in his denomination to me, said jokingly, "He is almost as much of a perfectionist as you are." While he was, and is, a close friend, the barb on perfection was there.

What is Christian perfection? It is not perfection in conduct in the sense that every act is ideal, or absolutely perfect. Such a position would eliminate all mistakes, or what the Old Testament describes as sins of ignorance. After a saved person becomes a possessor of Christian perfection he is not placed beyond moral accidents, types of conduct of which the individual himself may not be conscious and, therefore, for which he is not held responsible. On the other hand, missing the mark, or the breaking of God's law, which is conscious, or deliberate, is barred for the man who has Christian perfection. This means that Christian perfection is inner holiness, or freedom from the sin nature, and as such implies deeds which are pure in intention.

Christian perfection cannot rise to the level of Adamic perfection in certain respects, because it is beset by a mind, body, and social environment which have been somewhat crippled by the effects of sin. Christian perfection is not angelic perfection, because angels have all of the advantages over fallen man that Adam and Eve had in the Garden of Eden, plus a higher plane of living internally and externally.

Christian perfection, then, is sinless perfection to the extent that he who has it does not consciously, or deliberately, sin. But it does not banish mistakes, or sins of ignorance, nor the possibility of becoming a deliberate sinner again.

Holiness perfection is receiving the *perfect salvation* of God in its completeness. Medicine

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A Thought for Today:

Are you fortified in Jesus,
Should the devil strike your soul?
Is your faith in God well balanced—
Do you have complete control?

Don't forget to look to Heaven,
When you're taken unawares;
There is wondrous power and victory
To be had in earnest prayers.

—F. W. DAVIS

does a perfect work when it relieves pain and distress. When the surgeon prepares to operate, he uses medicine to deaden the nerves and you do not feel his knife as it severs the flesh. You witness perfection in the work of the medicine. Thus salvation does a perfect work in the removing of sin and the nature that promotes the desire to sin.

Jesus was the *perfect* Sacrifice, that we might be the *perfect* saint in experience. He fulfilled the plan of salvation to the final iota, that we might be Christianized to the very minutest detail of our lives. Thank God for a *perfect* salvation that provides a *perfect* experience of grace in the heart of man!

A Name in a Room

By Edwin R. Anderson*

I REMEMBER that it was about half-past ten on Tuesday evening just this past October. I had returned the book which I was reading to the bookshelf, when the telephone rang. The voice was agitated. Only after a long moment did I recognize it as belonging to Paul March, my neighbor across the way. "Sorry to bother you at this late hour, Ed, but I would appreciate it very much if you—if you—" the voice trailed away for a second of indecision. "Please, could you come right down to the Waterbury Hospital and talk to a dying man? He's a friend of mine and I know your interest in religious things," the words were tumbling along, "and I really wouldn't know what to say. The name is Frank Becker, Room 128, right wing. Please come. I'll—I'll be waiting in the lobby."

There was a loud click. For a moment I stared at the phone, taken in by the suddenness of it all. But only for a moment.

About a half hour later, I was in the lobby of the Waterbury Hospital. Paul rose to meet me, his face a pathetic mixture of anxiety and helplessness. With a quick grab of my arm, he was leading me to the room. I will never forget that room—nor the occupant. The dim light that shone feebly from the bed lamp revealed a thin, drawn face which even now had that ghastly, telltale film. The eyes were fast becoming glassy. The stark white of the bed covering rose and fell with the labored breathing of the body beneath.

I motioned for Paul to come to the other side of the bed, and looked down. "Frank Becker"—it was just a name to me. I had never met him before, knew nothing about him whatsoever—a total stranger. What could I say? How could I say it? Somehow the "name" there on the bed became aware of my presence. The thin face turned slowly toward me. The eyes filmed a flicker of normalcy, and in those deep, pain-filled orbs I could detect a sense of waiting, of questioning.

Then and there it came to me! Came like the rush of a flood. I knew that there was only one thing that really mattered that night, that very moment. "Frank," I spoke as low and as clearly as I could, "may I ask you one question? I don't know anything about you, but that isn't important. I still would like to ask you one question." I waited for an instant, then bent very low, "Frank, do you know the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour?" I drew back. For a moment there was deathly silence. I flashed a glance across at Paul. He was sitting there—waiting, wondering. And then it came! The effort of a smile—the struggle of a weak hand to reach out from beneath the sheet—the quivering parting of the lips! I quickly bent over and caught the last words on earth from this "man of just a name." "I—I sure do, friend. I sure do." With that, he was gone but, best of all, he was gone to be with the Lord.

All the way back home, Paul was silent. I said nothing, but prayed that the scene had made an impression on his heart. For Paul was like so many others—a good fellow in himself, and would do anything for you, but he was without Christ. And then a curious thought came to me. "Paul, I should like to ask you a question. You might think it strange in a way." He said, "No, go ahead, Ed; I owe you that much." I paused for an instant. "Paul, what would you have thought if I had bent over your friend and had asked him who he thought would win the world series? Or if I had asked him what he thought about things down in Washington? What would you have thought?" He did not answer. I flashed a glance, and could see why. He was staring at me with incredulity. Indeed, he was speechless! I continued: "Would have been cruel and foolish, wouldn't it? You would have said that those things did not matter at all. You would be absolutely right. You see, Paul, there is only one thing that really matters, any time and anywhere. That is the matter of being saved, of knowing the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. And I'm so glad that your friend knew him. And that's all that I was interested in knowing about him. He was just a *name* to me. But then I had a Name to give to him, 'the name which is above every name' (Phil. 2:9, R.S.V.). And it all turned out for the best. Wouldn't you say so, Paul?"

We had come to the corner of Hillside and Pine, and I had to wait for the traffic light to change. I turned slowly. The red of the light above reflected across his face, and I breathed an "amen" for what it revealed. For the first time since I had known him, Paul March had a truly thoughtful look on his face. I could see that he was thinking seriously. And, yes—there was even a film of tear in his eye!

He began to reply. He was not looking at me, and in a way, it seemed that he was almost speaking to himself—to his own heart. "This religion of yours—well, it seems very real now. The way you spoke to a fellow you had never seen before—

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the way in which he looked at you, and spoke right back—it almost seems as if you knew each other all the time.”

And then he turned and faced me. Yes, there was real interest, and longing in his eyes. “Ed, somehow all of this has changed things. I don’t know how or why, but it has. I can see that this is real. And I’d like to get in on it for myself. How about coming over to the house tomorrow evening and explaining it to me in detail?”

Need I tell you, dear reader, my happy answer to that wonderful question?

Think on These Things

By F. Lincicome*

THE THING that counts is performance. In the Sermon on the Mount the emphasis is likewise placed upon “deeds” and not words alone. “Whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man.” Jesus had no tolerance for idle listeners who had no serious determination to translate “vision into venture.” His sayings, as hard as they might seem, were not only to be aimed at, but to be performed. His teaching was not only to be admired but to be enacted. With Him all objectives must be reached. If you ought, you can, was His demand.

Isaiah got a vision, the vision brought a conviction, the conviction brought a confession, and the confession brought a cleansing. But it brought more than that—it brought a call, a consent, a commission. God does not want mere adoration; He wants action. Too often we sing, “Take my life, and let it be,” and we really mean for God to let it be. We mean for God to lay it upon the shelf and do nothing with it.

Paul had a vision and it resulted in action—he “endeavoured to go.” Nehemiah had a vision and it was accompanied by action. Nehemiah had an emotion that resulted in motion. Emotion is always the prelude to motion; motives to action come through our sensibilities.

“Judson saw the Lord and then he saw Burma; Livingstone saw the Lord and then he saw Africa; Paton saw the Lord and then he saw cannibals. God wants not mere adoration, but action.” The thing that counts is performance!

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“There are three great influences that play across one’s path: the home, the school, and the church. The problem of the home is to socialize life; the business of the school is to intellectualize life; the business of the church is to emotionalize life. There is only one place in the universe where you find these three combined, and that is in the Christian college. Therefore, the Christian college furnishes the world with the only adequate basis of a balanced culture.”

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No agency among us is doing more for the permanence and spread of the work of God in the earth than our salvation schools. They are raising up well-trained, valiant soldiers who will carry on the truth when we who have been longest on the field shall have been called from the scenes of conflict. The good effects of these schools have been seen already in all quarters of the globe. Then take hold and sustain them.

If you have children to send away to school, send them to a Christian college. If you have money to leave to the cause of God when you are through with it, where could you leave it that would bring better returns than to a school that is dedicated for the purpose of training our young people for some sort of Christian service? Each one of these salvation schools should be endowed with a liberal sum.

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The term evangelical and the term evangelistic are not synonymous—they do not mean one and the same thing. A church may be evangelical and not be evangelistic. A merely evangelical church is a church on ice; an evangelistic church is a church on fire. An evangelical church is a church that is made; an evangelistic church is born. A merely evangelical church is orthodox and accurate in its teaching; an evangelistic church is a soul-saving institution. A merely evangelical church sits and sings, “Hold the fort, for I am coming”; an evangelistic church stands and sings, “Storm the gates, for God is leading.” When a church ceases to be evangelistic, it soon ceases to be evangelical; so if you would keep your church evangelical, keep it evangelistic. May it be said of your church that it is both evangelical and evangelistic!

Hold On to God

By F. W. Davis

*Hold on to God in sunshine or in rain
And let Him lead through sorrow or through
pain;*

*He'll dry your tears, He'll wipe your weeping
eyes,
And lead you to that home beyond the skies!*

*Hold on to God in sickness or in health.
Oh, fail Him not in poverty or in wealth!
There is no other course here to pursue
If thou would'st win the goal He's set for you.*

*Doubt looks around, but faith looks up to God;
So oft we're led in paths we've never trod.
Hold on to Him, even when you cannot see
Nor understand some things that come to thee.*

*Someday life's mysteries will be clear and plain,
When we have gone with Him to live again;
We'll soon forget the sorrows here so rife
When we have reached that home of everlasting
life!*

The Compass and the Bible

By D. R. Silvernail*

A COMPASS is a wonderful instrument—very consistent in its directions. It has guided many a mariner, woodsman, and traveler to his destination. How much it resembles the Bible, which through the ages has accurately pointed the way to heaven!

But one must believe implicitly in his compass and be willing to follow where it points—else it is of no value to him. Have you ever felt inclined to argue with your compass? I argued with mine a time or two, but never again! The compass and I disagreed in the woods one day over the all-important matter of where camp was located. I knew camp lay to the east, but the compass and I disagreed as to which way was east. I said one way, and it said another. But the compass is always right, as I discovered for myself, after trying my own way a time or two. Oh, the windfalls and rough going one can encounter by disobeying the compass!

Beware of disregarding divine directions! The way God points is the way home. But if we persist in being obstinate, He sometimes lets us have our own way, much to our sorrow. After several costly blunders we discover that it pays to follow the path that God and the Bible direct.

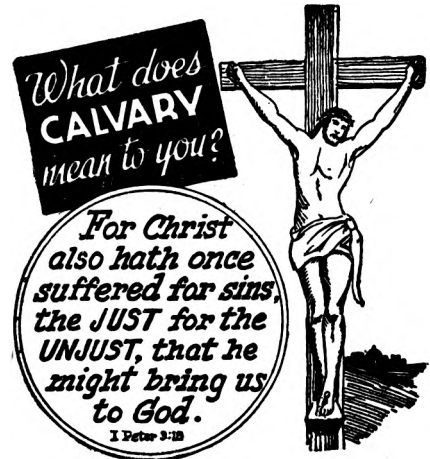
Often a man, unfamiliar with the terrain, would stumble into our camp, too exhausted to go farther. In most instances these men were so completely lost that they could give little information as to the location of their camp or parked automobile. Occasionally a man who carried a compass would become lost. Such a situation sounds foolish, but it is understandable in the woods where, to the uninitiated, every tree and hill resembles a thousand others. In these instances the person had failed to consult his compass as he journeyed out from camp. Also he had failed to notice any landmarks along the way. Late in the day he decided to return to camp. He consulted his compass, the thing he had neglected to do all along. The compass pointed unerringly to the north, but he did not know in what direction his wanderings had taken him. He might have been north, south, east, or west from camp.

Becoming lost while owning a compass is no more incongruous than being lost while owning a Bible. Mere ownership of a Bible is not sufficient insurance against being lost. How many Bibles lie unread and unused in the average homes of today! The Bible must be consulted often and its directions obeyed. Only then can one be assured of arriving at the desired destination—heaven.

We have vivid memories of one night in camp. We were disturbed for hours by the shouts of a man lost several miles out in the bush. The night

was still and his voice carried for a surprisingly great distance. His hunting companions eventually found him, but his shouts continued to haunt us in our sleep. There was little rest for us that night.

I have been doing some serious thinking since—praying that the cries of lost souls shall somehow penetrate to our hearts! Praying that the wailing of the lost shall haunt us in our sleep! Men are not merely lost in a dark woods at night—they are lost in the black night of sin!



A College Commencement And a Church Dedication

MRS. WHITE and I attended Olivet Nazarene College Commencement, May 18 to 22. This was our first time to be back for an entire commencement since leaving Olivet Nazarene College seven years ago. It was a pleasure to visit with relatives and many old-time friends again, and to note the progress which has been made.

The commencement exercises began on a high level with the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning by Dr. Harold W. Reed, president of Olivet Nazarene College, and was brought to a fitting climax in the commencement address on Thursday morning by Dr. S. T. Ludwig, general secretary of the Church of the Nazarene and executive secretary of the Department of Education. At the close of Dr. Ludwig's address, Dean C. S. McClain presented the graduating class and Dr. Reed awarded degrees and diplomas to nearly one hundred and twenty-five candidates.

The Phi Delta Lambda dinner was held on Tuesday evening, and Mrs. White and I were permitted to attend since we are both members of the Bethany-Peniel College Chapter. Dr. F. M. Whitsell, a prominent surgeon of Chicago, and an outstanding layman in our church, was the speaker on this occasion, and, as usual, challenged our minds and hearts with his message.

There was plenty of high-class music during the commencement season, with Wednesday evening given over to the Twentieth Anniversary Concert of the Orpheus Choir. For twenty years

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Professor Larsen, chairman of the Division of Fine Arts, has directed this organization, and in recognition of his many achievements he was honored with the Doctor of Music degree.

I had the privilege of delivering the Annual Class Sermon on Sunday evening, and speaking at the Alumni Association dinner on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The following Sunday afternoon I dedicated a new church building at Clarksville, Indiana. Thus I went from a college commencement to participate in another very important phase of the work of the Church of the Nazarene. We believe in education, and we also believe in getting people saved and sanctified and organized into Nazarene churches. God blessed in the commencement activities, and He also manifested Himself in a special way in the dedication service. The church building was the result of a church organization brought into existence through the work of home missions. We are training young people in our schools so that they will have the passion and the ability to be missionaries, crusaders for Christ, at home and abroad. This applies to laymen as well as ministers.

Clarksville is in the Southwest Indiana District, near Louisville, Kentucky. The superintendent

of this district is Rev. Leo C. Davis, who has made an extraordinary record for himself as an organizer of new churches. He presided at the dedication service. In the offering after the message, he quickly raised fifteen hundred dollars on the building. Rev. Hubert King, an Olivet Nazarene College graduate, is pastor of the Clarksville church. Through two years of prayer and sacrifice, he and his wife and family, under God's direction and with the help of the people, have brought the church to its present place of triumph. As he told the story of this home-mission project, I realized that another modern miracle had been wrought.

While in that section, I preached Saturday night at our church in Seymour, Indiana; Sunday morning at our First Church in New Albany, Indiana; and Sunday night at our First Church in Louisville, Kentucky. All of these churches have had a fruitful ministry in the past and are now on the move for God under the leadership of the following men; Rev. Leo Darnell, Rev. Marcellus Crider, and Rev. A. J. Frank. It was a privilege to preach to and fellowship with the people and pastors of these churches. To be with them once makes you want to be with them again!—THE EDITOR.

BOOKS IN REVIEW*

Facts We Hate to Face, by Russell V. DeLong, Beacon Hill Press

The striking title of this book is the theme of the first message of the twenty-four radio sermons that comprise the book. Dr. DeLong's unusual ability to choose eye-catching themes is never better seen than in this volume, and the treatment given these subjects is as interesting as the topics themselves. Bluntly he talks about *Facts We Hate to Face*; with keen penetration he asks the question, *Are You Sure of Anything?* And throughout there runs a strain of philosophic thinking that is as much a part of the author as are his gestures and his New England accent.

Bible Holiness, by E. P. Ellyson, Beacon Hill Press

This is not a new book; it is an old-timer brought back in a new edition by request of the reading public. It was a Christian Service Training text a decade ago and still is, and its ministry will be as helpful and broad again as it was in former years. With but slight revision it comes with the same keen analysis of the experience of entire sanctification that previously gave it a wide reading public. Dr. Ellyson knows the doctrine and is able to write about it in a clear and simple way. He discusses some of the aspects of holiness that are often overlooked, such as, Holiness and Childhood, Holiness Lost and Restored. Both the cover and the entire book are interesting and appealing.

Shuler's Short Sermons, by Jack Shuler, Zondervan Publishing House, \$2.00

This could well be called a "Sermon Digest." Each one of the thirty-eight messages can be read in a few minutes.

*Any of the books listed here may be ordered direct from the Nazarene Publishing House

You will find typical Shuler eloquence: at times his pen seems to be dipped in star dust, and again in fire. The themes discussed vary from "Tears" to "The Virgin Birth," and there is a finely-designed scriptural basis for each one. I wish every person, Christian and unbeliever alike, would read the sermon entitled "Just a Thought"—it is a gem, indeed.

Dr. Paul Rees in his introduction to the volume described these messages as "swift, crisp and pointed." I agree heartily.

Second-Hand Religion, by C. William Fisher, Beacon Hill Press

Aptly termed "A Plea for Convictions in a Time of Confusion," this book is a timely and heartfelt warning against compromise at every angle and turn of the road. The author is not harsh, but he certainly pulls no punches in assailing the tendencies toward softness and doctrinal indifference that hang over our day like a gray and penetrating fog. Here is passion put on paper—a heart pouring out its deepest plea, unpent and utterly sincere. Here also is sparkle that makes some of the statements quotable and undying. Youth will be challenged and stirred and adults will get blessed reading it.

Inspiring Readings, by Laura S. Emerson, Beacon Hill Press

In this volume are twenty-five well-chosen readings, a little bit of poetry, but mostly prose. The selections have been gleaned by the author with an artist's sense of fitness. Through her ministry of years of teaching speech she has found these to have more than usual appeal. They are compiled under the following headings: General, Missionary, Temperance, Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, Mother's Day, and Educational Day. All these readings have been tested and used before many audiences; they have a deeply spiritual tone and the emotional impact can be tremendous. Both the novice and the skilled reader will find selections fitting his abilities.

IF THE people of the United States aren't careful, they will become the champion gripers of the world. Nearly all of us have a grouch about something, and yet we live in a paradise compared with most of those who now inhabit this globe. It's taxes, regulations, political corruption, the high cost of living, the money spent on other nations, the Democratic regime, or any one of a dozen other things that we growl about. We forget that in spite of these things most of us are living better than we ever did before. I hold no brief for Truman—I didn't vote for him in the first place—and I am fully aware of the many evils which beset us on every hand. I am also sure that the next president, whoever he may be, will not bring in the millennium. Nevertheless, I ought to realize that from many standpoints I live in a paradise and should be less of a complainer and more of a thanks-giver.

I live in a natural paradise. I drive to my work in Kansas City, and as I make that eight-mile journey twice a day, I pass through several outdoor cathedrals, or sanctuaries. The tall, over-arching elms lining each side of the street in many places form beautiful outdoor cathedrals where one's thoughts easily turn to God. About half of the distance to the Nazarene Publishing House is driven along Ward Parkway—a two-way boulevard where the lines of traffic are separated by a park with many different kinds of trees, shrubs, flowers, birds, fountains, and lagoons. The building and upkeep of this parkway alone costs the city more than I will make in a lifetime, and yet it is mine to enjoy as much as anyone else. Brother and Sister Adam might think that they were in the Garden of Eden itself if they were to take that drive with me. What I have said is not a commercial for Kansas City. The same is true of many of our other cities and towns.

I live in an economic paradise. I am a "white-collar" worker, and those who belong to this group are supposed to be worse off than other types of laborers. Still, most white-collar workers are getting more today than ever before; and if they would stop and think, they would not exchange what they receive above taxes now for what they had left after taxes had been paid twenty years ago. Most of us are not so bad off as we imply by our continual griping. Recently, while in the home of a white-collar worker—a young man who is not by any means getting the top white-collar salary—I counted between fifteen and twenty different home appliances, or labor-saving devices, which we did not have when I was a boy, or even when we were married. I might add that all of these, with the possible exception of one, were already paid for. This does not sound as if this white-collar worker is so bad off, does it? Instead, it seems to me that he and his wife and children are living in a paradise, economically.

Let's look at our economic situation from another angle. I have just read the story of Ben Fairless in the *Kansas City Star*. He holds down the two top jobs—president of the giant corporation and chairman of its board—in the United States Steel Company, and is the first man to hold the two positions at once. This company makes one-third of our nation's steel, and steelmaking is the basic industry of our country. Fairless is sixty-two years of age and was born at Pigeon Run, Ohio. His father was a coal miner, a Welsh immigrant. With the help of his father and an uncle, Fairless got an education, and has now risen to one of the highest places in our economic system. I am sure there is no other country in the world where a boy born in such lowly circumstances would have a better opportunity to climb to the top of the economic ladder. I live in an economic paradise!

I live in a paradise of knowledge. In the United States we have education for the masses in a way in which very few—if any other—countries have it. A student in Drew Theological Seminary with me majored in the Hebrew language under one of the most famous teachers in that field in the world. This student was from a European country where this scholar taught quite often as an exchange professor, but told me himself he never could have studied under this professor in his own land. His social standing was such as to have barred him from that privilege. That was some years ago, and conditions have changed in that land for the better, but it still does not have education for the masses as the United States does.

Again, our position is greatly enhanced by the almost miraculous increase of scientific knowledge. Our packing companies tell of their many by-products. They furnish our meats, and in doing this are sometimes able to sell the meat which we eat at less per pound than they paid for the animal on foot because of the many by-products they produce. Twenty by-products were listed in one of their recent advertisements. They claim to make use of everything about the hog except the squeal—and I wouldn't be surprised if they found some way to turn that into cash before long.

Only a week or so ago I read of a trip of the world's first jet airliner, the "Comet." It carried thirty-six passengers from London to Rome and back. It made the 1,854-mile round trip in four hours and fifty-seven minutes flying time. After its passengers had boarded it for the journey, it rolled around the runways for five minutes warming up its engines. Then it started away, and in thirty-two seconds it was air-borne. In three more minutes it shot past the clouds and continued to climb until it leveled off at 36,000

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feet, or a height of seven miles. No vibration was felt by the passengers, and coffee was served with cups full to the brim without any spilling. Pencils and coins were balanced on trays, and the passengers marveled that these stood on end. Outside, the temperature was murderously cold, while it was warm and cozy on the inside, with the air completely renewed every three minutes. This is another triumph of scientific knowledge.

Another field of scientific knowledge where the most amazing advance has been achieved within the last few years is that of medicine. In the fight against disease, the frontiers have been extended by leaps and bounds within the last twenty years. Take pneumonia for instance. This once-dreaded enemy of mankind has almost ceased to be a killer. The same is also true of several other diseases, and the progress which has marked this phase of scientific knowledge has been duplicated in many other phases.

A week or so ago, I read an article captioned thus: "You Must Select Your Ignorance." It began by telling of someone who said he became more ignorant with each passing day. Knowledge, he rightly claimed, is increasing more rapidly now than any human being can hope to learn it. Therefore, he must deliberately decide what he is going to be ignorant of and thus limit his knowledge to a very narrow compass of facts. I live in a paradise of ever-increasing knowledge.

I live in a paradise of politics. This statement may startle some of you, and yet there is a very real sense in which it is true. Things are bad in the world of politics, but we were never so conscious of their badness. Constant and caustic criticism is leveled at them, and this itself indicates that we still have freedom of speech and freedom of the press—two of the greatest gifts of a true democracy. Further, the ballot remains within our grasp; and if nothing is done about the corrupt conditions, no one will be to blame but the citizens of the United States themselves. If the character of the leadership in our country is not raised, it will certainly reflect on the character of our people, for they have the vote and can make changes if they will. We yet have the power to change our government!

There is something else which can be said in commendation of our democracy. Good men in politics are not so scarce as some think. During May, an independent religious paper had some very fine things to say about four men high in political position in the small state of Connecticut. It commends Senator McMahan for the wise guidance he has given to atomic legislation and proper disarmament in contrast to an unreasonable arms race. It praises Senator Benton for his stand against McCarthyism in the face of the fact that

Senator McCarthy declared that he would go to Connecticut and do everything he could to defeat Senator Benton in the next election. Governor John Lodge of the same state is complimented because he dared to veto bills pushed through the state legislature by liquor and gambling interests. And this paper also says that Chester Bowles, who was voted out of the governorship, is now doing the most intelligent and statesmanlike job of any American diplomat. This religious weekly may be wrong in its evaluation of some of these men, but it can hardly be mistaken in all of them. Besides, if so much good can be found in the political leaders of one of our states, it is likely that something could be said for some of those in other states.

The same issue of this religious weekly told of Sir Stafford Cripps, a political leader of our sister nation, Great Britain. He possessed unusual intellectual brilliance, was one of his country's greatest lawyers, discharged the most difficult public tasks with outstanding competence, and yet the most significant thing about him was that he was a Christian. Of course, I am thinking particularly now of the United States and its leadership, but it makes the picture brighter for us when we learn of political leaders of such high character in other lands.

I live in a social paradise, a paradise of fellowship. I have a job that I like and work with people whose fellowship I enjoy. How well do I remember my experience as a teen-age young man when I entered college at Peniel, Texas! I had been working on the railroad with a gang of men who were kindhearted and courteous to me, but they swore with almost every breath and engaged much of the time in foul, vulgar talk. Not having been used to this in my home, I was disgusted and discouraged. I came to the place where I was not sure that I wanted to live and work in this big world if my companionship was to be of that nature. But how different my associations were at Peniel College! There I had the fellowship of young people, and older ones too, who were far removed from the situation which I had met on the railroad gang. Except for homesickness for my parents and my brothers and sisters, the four years in college were all but heavenly, and since that time most of the years have been of the same character as I have worked side by side with those who love Christ. There is no greater fellowship than that of Christian friends. No social life can surpass the communion of saints, and I have that in my work and in my church.

I love my home, my wife, and my children, who are married and have their own homes. I love my four grandchildren and thank God for them. I loved my parents, who have gone on to the better world. I love my brothers and sisters, most of whom are still living. I do not get to see and visit with them nearly so often as I would like to, but, as far as I know, there is not now and never has been strife or dissension among us. Why should I complain? I live in a paradise!

I live in a religious paradise. I am saved and sanctified, and have the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, in my heart. Religiously, I enjoy what our forefathers fought to provide for their descendants—freedom to worship God according to the dictates of my own conscience; the separation of church and state; and a personal, vital, heart religion, to which I have already testified. I live in a religious paradise!

But someone may say: "Look at the wickedness all about us, the things which we should not do." This claim is certainly true, but we must remember that Adam and Eve had at least one "don't" in the Garden of Eden. Also, like you and me, they had the devil to tempt them to ignore the

command and eat the forbidden fruit. And what I say now I affirm by speculation, and not by revelation. Nevertheless, I call on you to think about it before you discard it. Adam's environment was very simple, and I am inclined to believe that his one "don't" might have been as many as we have today in proportion to the complexity of our present situation. Of course, Adam and Eve had no sin or sin nature, but they did have the power within themselves to sin and thus create the sin principle. This they proceeded to do by eating of the forbidden fruit. Therefore, the environment which is ours today may not be too different from the one which Adam and Eve lived in. *I live in a paradise!*

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. *There was some discussion in our Sunday-school class of young married people as to what the storehouse for tithing is. Please tell us what you believe the storehouse to be.*

A. I cannot see how anyone can think of the storehouse as being other than the local church since it channels the money to the various interests of our church as a whole. To regard the storehouse as anything else or in any other way is to open the way for promiscuous giving, irresponsibility, and a general breakdown of church finances. But someone may say that he belongs to a church that he cannot support because it stands for many things which he does not sanction. In that case, I would advise him to join a church which upholds the gospel as he believes the Bible teaches it. I would not want to be a member of a church that I could not trust my tithe with. There are a lot of denominations, and he surely ought to be able to find one that he could believe in wholeheartedly.

Q. *Did Jesus rise from the dead on Sunday? Someone told me the other day that He did not rise on Sunday, and that He was crucified on Wednesday rather than Friday.*

A. It is strange that anyone would say that Christ did not rise on Sunday. If you will turn to Matt. 28, verses 1 to 3, also the first few verses in Mark 16, Luke 24, and John 20, you will find that in each case it is stated that it was the "first day of the week when Jesus came from the grave." This is very definite, and no one, so far as I know, denies that by the first day of the week Sunday is meant. Some of these passages not only mention that Jesus arose on the first day of the week (Sunday), but

they also say that it was after the Sabbath, or at the end of the Sabbath, which implies that it was the beginning of the first day of the week, since the Sabbath was Saturday, or the seventh day. These scriptures are so clear on this point that I seldom have heard of anybody who had the audacity to deny that Jesus arose on the first day of the week. Nevertheless, some people will go very far indeed in their unreasonableness in order to try to prove that Saturday rather than Sunday is the day on which we should worship.

The Bible is not as definite as to the day of the Crucifixion. However, the Christian Church has usually thought of Him as being crucified on Friday afternoon; and I believe that is as near the truth of the Bible as one can discover.

Q. *Some of the older people are criticizing the younger people for wearing light make-up, while the older ones dye their hair. I wonder if you see any difference.*

A. If I lived in the glass house of dyed hair, I would not want to say much about light make-up. I be-

My Comforter!

By Ella Mae Lambert

*In the calm of early morning
How I love to hear Him say,
"I am with you, do not worry;
I'll be with you all the day!"*

*And if I have Jesus with me,
Then what need have I to fear;
For He is the All-sufficient,
He will help, and He will cheer!*

*So I'll trust Him with my problems,
And I'll let Him hold my hand;
He will lead, and He will guide me
To that happy, promised land!*

lieve in being very strict, but I must remember that if I am strict about my neighbor's conduct, I must be very careful about my own. It is easy to criticize the other person's behavior at some point and not realize that I have just as serious a shortcoming of another type.

Q. *Are good people going to be lost? Are they going to hell and be eternally lost? By good people, I mean good parents, citizens, neighbors, honest, kind, moral, religious, church members who have not been converted, saved, or born again.*

A. You have brought up one of the most serious questions that a man ever has to face and yet it is one which ought to be faced frankly and sincerely by all of us. Jesus himself said, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. . . . Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. . . . Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again" (John 3:3-7). These words were spoken to Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews—a religious, moral, good man, and yet Jesus did not give him one bit of hope as he was. He was told that he must be born again or else be lost. Men must bow to Christ and accept Him as their personal Saviour or else spend eternity in hell. No preacher likes to make such a statement, and yet he must face the facts as they are. No one in the Bible taught us more about the final condition of the lost than Jesus Christ himself did. If anyone is inclined in the least to doubt this terrible truth, let him read Mark 9:42-49. It is a wonder that any of us can sleep after reading this passage—the unsaved because of their thoughts as to their inevitable doom if they refuse to be born again, and the saved because of their thoughts about and interest in those whom they know who have not been born again.

Home Missions and Evangelism

Roy J. Smee, Secretary

Pioneering In Home Missions

THE DAYS of pioneering in home missions are not over. Everywhere we have home mission pastors who are sacrificing, enduring hardships, and believing God until they see a church established. The following story of the organization of the Pine Glen Church of the Nazarene near Mattawana, Pennsylvania, is an example of modern home missions in action.

One day in August, 1950, Rev. Robert L. Jones stood in front of a little church building that had been idle since about 1940. He had just graduated from Eastern Nazarene College and had been sent to this place to hew out a church. It was located on a country road four miles from the nearest town, where 150 people lived. The paint was discolored and peeling; the weeds had grown high, obscuring the path to the door. The building had been purchased for the Church of the Nazarene. A good Nazarene layman had given the \$500.00 that was asked for the dilapidated structure.

The young pastor began to call in the homes nearby. General reactions were: "There is another church nearby. It is a large church and you will have a hard time here." "The Methodist pastor gave up ten years ago." "This is a rural community."

Brother Jones returned to the church discouraged. He entered the building and knelt at the dusty altar. As he prayed, he remembered the faith of the layman who had given the \$500.00 at the district assembly to buy the church. He couldn't let him down. Then God gave him a promise, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." He stood to his feet determined to do his part and let God prove His promise to him.

A month later the lawn around the building had been neatly cut, a new coat of paint glistened on the old building, and a nice sign announced the opening of the Church of the Nazarene. One hundred thirteen were present for the first service, and during the three-week opening campaign a number came to the altar to have God meet their needs. At the close of the revival, there was a small nucleus of people and a Sunday school of about twenty-five.

There were many discouraging times during the winter months, but there were also times of drawing closer to God and trusting Him in the face of every obstacle. The little work grew

and on June 22, 1951, District Superintendent E. E. Grosse was present and organized the Pine Glen Church of the Nazarene. The Sunday school had increased to more than forty-five.

This is but one of the 718 new churches organized during the past four years. It proves again that God can take an impossible situation and a willing servant and perform a miracle.

The New Home Missions Book

The above account is similar to the fifty home-mission stories from fifty

districts, including five overseas, in our new home missions book, *Enlarge Thy Borders*. Every Nazarene will want to read this book. Not only will you be thrilled with the true accounts of home missions today in our church, but you will enjoy the inspirational home missionary message. Also packed into this little book in concise form are the history of home missions in the Church of the Nazarene, excellently written by Dr. S. T. Ludwig, and a description of how home missions works in our church, at the local, district, and general church levels. This is the most complete book on home missions we have ever had, yet it is written in an interesting, readable manner that all will enjoy. We will not fully appreciate the tremendous scope of our home missionary expansion until we have seen it in its entirety through this book.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

Good News!

WE HAD a very blessed camp meeting in Poptun, Peten. The Lord used Brother William Vaughters in a marked way. Hundreds attended every night during the ten days. We had eighty-four real seekers and twenty-seven new conversions, glowing testimonies to sanctification, and in general a wonderful time. Praise the Lord!—R. C. INGRAM, *Guatemala*.

Special Indian Services

Winterhaven Indian Mission was privileged recently to have four special meetings with Sister Loretta Gandy. Using two large, beautiful oil paintings, one depicting "Tithing from Eternity to Eternity" and the other portraying "God's Plan of the Ages," Sister Gandy preached to and taught our Yuma Indians. One of the choicest services was the one on holiness, based on a picture chart which clearly shows the time, nature, and purpose of holiness.

In addition to bringing new light on tithing, salvation, and sanctification, Sister Gandy also enlarged the missionary vision of our Indian people. She showed beautiful slides and excellent movies of our missionary efforts in Central America.—SAMUEL R. GRAVES, *American Indian District*.

A Superstition Shattered

Brother Albert Charley asked us to hold a meeting in his home two or three days last year, and we gladly accepted, as this was something new among the Navajo Christians. We

didn't know that this was going to be a family reunion service. The first night just before the meeting things began to seem strange as the girls got busy and hung a curtain across the room and a short time later the two sons-in-law came in and sat behind the curtain all through the service. We knew all the time the meaning of it all but nothing was mentioned about it. The curtain was not removed till the boys went out of the house. One of the most important and highly honored customs among our Navajos is that the mother and the sons-in-law cannot see each other from the day they are married into the family till death parts them; so this mother, even though a Christian, thought it wasn't sin or anything wrong and she continued to hide.

The second night of the meeting, the curtain went across the room again. At that time we were moved by the Holy Spirit to speak on sanctification and holiness of heart. The Lord seemed to be very near during the service. Afterwards wonderful testimonies were given, and God made a stir in the hearts and caused even the curtain to be moved that was across the room, and there wasn't a shadow of darkness in the room. The mother and sons-in-law all shook hands and happiness was felt by everyone there. The next day one of the little girls was surprised when one of her brothers-in-law came in. She said, "Mother, Mother, hide. Sam came in the house." How everyone laughed! Yes, even children are taught from the

time they can remember all the superstitious habits of the Navajos. The last night of our meeting the way seemed easy, for two of the three mentioned above came to Jesus and found peace and joy in Him. We are asking your prayers for the one that is lost yet from the reuniting family.—REV. and MRS. DECKER YAZZIE, American Indian District.

Dawning Light

One Sunday morning after Dr. Samuel Hynd had preached a sermon on holiness and was giving the altar call, a very old man started out in the aisle. One of the men watched him to see if he were trying to leave the church or for what he was stumbling around. He spoke to him and helped him to the front. He was old and feeble and was evidently a leader among his people, for he wore a big ring on his head signifying such. Dr. Samuel told him to pray, but he said he didn't know how. He asked him to kneel and even this he didn't know, for the man with him helped him to kneel. It was learned that he had been to a Sunday school which is held by Bremersdorp girls three times previously. His coming forward this morning was his way of openly showing he would choose the Christian way. He would now begin to leave his heathen customs and accept the ways of Christians. Pray for this man that as he is shown new light he will walk in it until the day comes when he really knows Jesus as his living Friend and Redeemer.—RUTH BRICKMAN, Swaziland.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oaks

Topic for July 6: In the Time of the Judges

Scripture: Judges 1:1—3:6; 21:25 (Printed, Judges 2:8-17; 21:25)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord (Ps. 33:12).*

Would you know one of the chief causes of national and individual defeat? Then take a long look at Judges 21:25, and especially the last part of the verse. "Every man did that which was right in his own eyes." And there you have spiritual anarchy!

That spirit is alive still. Some word it like this, "I don't want anybody telling me how to act," or, "No one is going to set my pattern of life." They say that this is a free country and that is their plea for liberty of conscience.

Back in the time of the judges it was a lack of strong leadership that resulted in this "each man his own law" policy. The first part of the verse quoted tells us that "in those days there was no king in Israel." Here is the basic principle that may be written down: you have to have either strong leadership or else strong laws, and the Israelites had neither. So chaos followed chaos and national tragedies were the rule.

Yes, it is a necessity to have either strong men as leaders or strong laws to govern. I think there are many today who would prefer to have a strong man and forget laws. Give them a glamorous personality, a fast-talking spellbinder, and they would follow in goose-step fashion. Others

prefer to unite around mutually accepted laws that become a pillar of strength and that is where we belong. There may be both but, friend, there must at least be one or the other.

We as Nazarenes are doubly blessed in that we have had both strong leaders and good, solid laws. From Bresee to Vanderpool our generals have been men of striking spiritual and intellectual leadership. But back of these men are strong laws that were forged in the early days to safeguard the church from falling apart at the seams in the time of stress. Our *Manual* ties our church together like a mighty rope; therein lies our solidity. We have a few *Manual*-butchers around from time to time who want to strike out our laws, so they may be more free to operate without restriction. But on the whole, the voices of these have been drowned in the din made by those who were busy building churches. It is really smarter to *build men* than to *butcher manuals* anyway.

With us it is, "Every man did that which was right in the eyes of the group-conscience." And that is why we are strong.

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Religious News and Comments

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NO VACATION!

By Frieda S. Dause

*He never stops in his labors,
Nor ever slackens his pace;
He has no time for relaxing;
He never gives up the chase.*

*He never leaves for a journey
But stays, oh, so close to my side.
He does not sleep in the sunshine;
His industry is his pride.*

*Yes, he is Satan, the tempter,
Who always stays on the job.
He tries every trick he can muster
The Christian's vict'ry to rob.*

*Oh, may I this summer be watching,
No matter where I may be,
And never fail for a moment
To work a bit harder than he!*

THE APRIL meeting of the National Holiness Association at Columbus, Ohio, was its eighty-fourth. Several leaders in the Church of the Nazarene were honored at this year's gathering. Dr. Russell V. DeLong, dean of the Nazarene Theological Seminary, was elected regional vice-president of zone four. Dr. V. H. Lewis, superintendent of the Houston District, was made regional vice-president of zone five. Dr. Ernest E. Grosse, superintendent of the area which includes Washington, D.C., was made vice-president of zone eight. Miss Amy L. Person, registrar of Trevecca Nazarene College, was re-elected as recording secretary for the National Holiness Association.

New York City's first Negro Roman Catholic priest, Eugene Hicks, was ordained by Cardinal Spellman in late May.

Along with most Protestant denominations, the Roman Catholic church is concerned about the effects of bad TV upon American families. Assuming that it will not be legislated out of existence, Martin H. Work, a Roman Catholic layman who is executive secretary of the National Council of Catholic men, warned the TV industry that it might be "outlawed from the homes of America." It is, he said, in danger of ending up "on the wrong side of the moral track." In an address at the National Catholic Family Life Conference at Columbus, Ohio, he gave the following suggestions by

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which families might help to improve TV programs: (a) Refuse to watch vile and offensive telecasts—boycott them completely. (b) Protest to every responsible person or agency that violates Christian decency. (c) Encourage your family to watch good programs, and set the example. (d) Let responsible persons know that you like the good programs which are telecast as well as that you disapprove the bad ones.

Because his first visit to Moscow a few months ago aroused such hostility in western Europe, Reverend Martin Niemoeller declined an invitation extended by the head of the Russian Orthodox church to attend an international religious peace conference held last month at Moscow. He felt that more harm than benefit would result from his attending.

Union Theological Seminary gave 222 graduates their degrees recently. This commencement, the one hundred sixteenth, saw the largest graduating class in Union Seminary's history.

The American Bible Society has functioned for 166 years. In 1951, twenty-six per cent more Bibles and scripture portions were distributed than ever before—a total of 16,001,945 items. Fifteen new languages were used in 1951 in Bible translations, which brings the total of Bible translations in various languages to 1,049.

It has happened here: The Catholic priest at Derby, Texas, working among Latin-American people there, got the young people to collect their Bibles and hymnbooks, and all that could be obtained were destroyed in a huge bonfire. Methodists are replacing the books and Bibles as fast as possible.

At their Chicago meeting in May, the 103rd convention of the Disciples of Christ, took beginning steps to admit the North American Christian Convention, an organization of Negro disciples, to full membership with them.

One becomes an easy prey to Satan when faith diminishes.—HENRY T. BEYER.

Among the blessings of sanctification: The Holy Spirit brings a new sense of the presence of Christ. The sovereign will of God becomes sweet and blessed. His will becomes our great life purpose. All the doctrines of the Word become marvelously luminous. Life becomes wonderfully simplified and natural.—Anonymous.

Homer City, Pennsylvania—Our church recently concluded a fine revival meeting with Rev. Fred Bouse as evangelist and Linwood W. Henry as song evangelist and soloist. The church was blessed by the ministry of these fine workers. Mr. Henry is a newcomer to the field of song evangelism, but his spirit and singing are of the best. Brother Bouse is a quaint preacher of the gospel that will fire your soul. The last night of the meeting, Brother Bouse raised \$175.00 for the pastor and wife to go to the General Assembly. At the close of the altar service, twelve had prayed through.—B. B. Conner, Pastor.

Iowa City, Iowa—We recently closed a twelve-day revival with Rev. William H. Deitz as evangelist and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Roesink and children as musicians. With little urging, fifty-eight persons bowed at the altar under the call of God. Among these were several entire families who have recently begun to worship with us. Many of the seekers were new converts. We attribute this to the faithful carrying out of the Mid-Century Crusade by our loyal Nazarenes. Our hearts are thrilled to know that our beloved Zion is under the leadership of such men as Superintendent Deitz of the South Dakota District. The Roesinks, who direct the music in our Cedar Rapids, Iowa, church, made a vital contribution to the services with their fine music and sincere, godly lives. Our Easter offering was the largest ever, with \$670.00 coming in without pledges being taken.—Ira J. Hoover, Pastor.

Cates, Indiana—Upon returning to Cates as pastor last September, after a lapse of several years, we found a number of things had taken place. We found the church building remodeled and a nice parsonage built—all paid for. We also missed several familiar faces in the services, and saw a number of new ones. Our stay this second time has been pleasant and we feel that the work is moving forward. When the ballots were counted at the recall we found, to our delight, that we received a unanimous three-year call. By God's grace, we shall endeavor to lead these good people on in the good way.—J. H. Baughman, Pastor.

Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper writes: "We rejoice in the splendid victory which the Lord had granted us during the eighteen weeks of consecutive revivals. For twelve weeks, we were engaged with Rev. Orval L. Maish, superintendent of the Michigan District, where the Lord helped us to reach a great number of people for the Kingdom and for the Church of the Nazarene. The meeting with Miss Erma Pierce and her good people

at Beaverton, Michigan, was used to reach a fine group of young people. At Cairo, Georgia, where Rev. Paul E. Barns is pastor, the Lord honored us with good victory. The pastor received a unanimous recall, and the board recommended an increase in salary. We have just closed a two-week meeting with Pastor Jack Sanders and his good people at Rome, Georgia, where God gave us another real outpouring of His Spirit. The Sunday school enjoyed a splendid increase and a fine class of members was received into the church. The church took over the parsonage rent, which was equivalent to a substantial raise in the pastor's salary. The meeting closed with eight or ten praying through to good victory. I will be in Indiana and Michigan in the early fall, and have an open date which I would like to fill. I expect to be in the South after January 1, and have two open dates which I would be glad to share with pastors needing our type of ministry. Mrs. Cooper and our daughters, who have added such valuable service to our meetings, will not be with us after September 1. Write me, 1514 N. Wakefield St., Arlington, Virginia."

South Zanesville, Ohio—We recently closed a glorious revival with Evangelists Edward and Alma Ferguson. The Lord honored Brother Ferguson's ministry, and night after night souls lined the altar. Mrs. Ferguson's messages in song added much to the meetings, and her talks to the N.Y.P.S. were very timely. Every department of the church was strengthened and encouraged. The attendance was exceptionally good throughout the meeting. The church presented the pastor with a splendid love offering toward his expenses to the General Assembly. We are completing our second year as pastor of this church with a spirit of victory, believing that God specializes in doing things thought to be impossible.—Walter R. Moore, Pastor.

Clarence, Missouri—We recently closed a revival with Rev. Harold C. Thompson as evangelist, and Mrs. Ethel De Ruiter as singer. Brother Thompson's messages were close and searching. The Lord anointed and blessed his preaching. The church was greatly helped. Brother Thompson was given a call to return at a later date. Mrs. De Ruiter's singing and music was a blessing and inspiration to all. We greatly appreciated the ministry of these consecrated workers. Finances came easily, and on the last night the pastor's wife was given a nice love offering. The church gave us a three-year call with a nice increase in salary. We thank God for the fine band of people who are so loyal to us and the cause of Christ.—Ralph LaChance, Pastor.

Fayetteville, North Carolina



Our church was organized in August of 1946 after a revival which was sponsored by the district N.Y.P.S. There were twelve charter members including the evangelist and wife who held the initial campaign. This congregation was organized in a downtown mission but soon constructed a chapel—the shell of a six-room dwelling. It was completed in 1948, under the leadership of the first pastor, Rev. J. C. Pults. During 1950 the congregation, under the leadership of the present pastor, Rev. Harley Duncan, purchased the Post Chapel, Camp Mackal, North Carolina, from the army; the chapel was dismantled and moved fifty miles and reassembled. When the project started, the church had twenty members, part of whom were in service overseas, and some in a neighboring town. The pastor and four teen-age boys started the task of dismantling the 37-by-82-foot building with no machinery whatsoever. With little hired help and little donated help, the local group completed the chapel, with alterations, after fifteen months of labor. After the chapel was completed, the original building was partitioned off in accordance with the original house plan, and a nice six-room parsonage was finished. Construction was supervised and to a great extent conducted by the pastor, who donated in excess of 2,500 hours of work. With the assistance of the congregation and friends, a building program has been

completed which is a miracle of God's providence and goodness.

Of a \$7,500.00 loan from the Church Extension department at headquarters, \$1,700.00 paid off a mortgage, \$500.00 was paid for the army chapel (with steam-heating plant and church furniture). The building was completed with an auditorium seating more than 200, five Sunday-school rooms, a nursery, and two rest rooms, for an actual expenditure of less than \$6,000.00. A beautiful, six-room parsonage was completed for about \$2,500.00 with kitchen completely furnished.

Present property evaluation of both properties is in excess of \$40,000.00 with a debt of only \$9,500.00. The lots have a 250-foot front on a main highway to the largest military camp in our nation, Ft. Bragg, ten miles away. Dr. G. B. Williamson dedicated the church on March 5, during the District Preachers' Convention. The pastor and people are very grateful to God and to friends for the progress realized during the past few months. A red neon cross on top the steeple declares the source of inspiration and challenge.—Reporter.

Little Rock, Arkansas—The Rose Hill Church recently closed the greatest revival ever held for lasting results, with the Rev. A. J. Gunter as the evangelist. His inspirational messages of the morning were a challenge to every person present. His good, sound advice to Christians in this trying hour was appreciated. There were people brought into the saving and sanctifying grace and power of God who have been prayed for for years. From the beginning of his altar calls, there were seekers in almost every service. His challenge to Christians to tithe and do business with God on a business basis doubled the finances of the church in one week.—C. Tom Davis, Pastor.

Placencia, California—The God of all grace has wonderfully sustained me since the death of my dear companion. We are now in the closing of our eighth year with these precious people, and have accepted a call for another year. Our group has outgrown our present quarters and the church has recently purchased lots in a new part of the city for the purpose of erecting a new building. Plans are now in the process of blueprinting, and we hope in a few weeks to be actively engaged in the work. The church has recently closed a revival with Evangelist Thomas Hayes as preacher and Mrs. Laura Godfrey as singer. Under the anointed preaching and singing of these good work-

ers, souls were moved upon from night to night. Mrs. Godfrey sang beautifully and was a blessing to us all. Brother Hayes is a good preacher, a mighty man of prayer, and knows how to stand by the pastor. He loves people and is consecrated to winning souls to God and the church. Twenty souls sought God at the altar, and most of them prayed through to victory. The church gave the pastor a nice love offering, and on Sunday night we received a nice group into the church.—Arthur M. Terrell, Pastor.

Ludington, Michigan—Since our coming here in August last year, God has certainly filled our hearts with appreciation for His goodness to us. It has been a satisfying experience to see the work of God continue to grow in this city. Our predecessor, Rev. Keith St. John, spent much time and effort in passing on to us a splendid congregation of wonderful Nazarenes. It is a pleasure to work for God with such wonderful co-operation. Recently we enjoyed a high spiritual tide during the revival campaign of the Hoot Evangelistic Party. God met with us and gave what some have termed the best revival in the history of the Ludington church. Certainly the prayers of the people prior to the meeting, and all through the meeting, during a continuous twelve-hour period each day brought God in our

midst. The music of the Hoots was of the highest caliber, and the ministry of God's Word as preached by Brother Hoot met the needs of the people. On Easter Sunday a new high of 204 in Sunday school was set. That helped to set a new record for average monthly attendance. It was on this same day that the records for attendance in morning worship service and evening evangelistic service were both broken. During the week that followed, all records for revival attendance were broken, and on Mother's Day the giving in the Sunday school hit a new high. We praise God for His presence and the increase He has given. We enjoy working with these people who so graciously gave their pastor and wife a unanimous call for another year and a good love offering to make it possible for us to go to the General Assembly.—John R. Hieftje, Pastor.

Doaktown, New Brunswick, Canada—We have recently closed a very profitable and blessed month of special services with Rev. Lowell L. Yeatts as evangelist. Brother Yeatts proved himself to be God's man. He has the unusual ability of presenting the truth of salvation and holiness with equal force. His preaching is stamped with the blessing of the Lord, and many seekers knelt at the altar seeking God for saving grace and sanctifying power. We saw some very hard cases find victory.—R. H. Nicholson, Pastor.

Toledo, Ohio—Jackman Road Church has been greatly blessed of God. A spirit of revival has prevailed since our Youth Week services with Rev. Walter Vastbinder, our district N.Y.P.S. president. At that time sixteen young married people prayed through to victory. Since January, our Sunday-school monthly average attendance has had a 50 per cent increase over last year's average. Last month's average was the highest since October, 1949. Plans are under way to complete our sanctuary by fall. On April 20 the local church gave a unanimous recall to our pastor, Rev. Lowell B. Garvin. God has used the ministry of Brother and Sister Garvin in a wonderful way here. Under the blessing of God the work goes forward.—Frank Fling, Secretary.

Evangelist George P. Woodward reports: "My twenty-third year of full-time service for the Lord has ended in glorious victory. Over fourteen hundred souls responded to definite altar calls for either salvation or sanctification. The year began with three great meetings: one with Rev. J. E. Van Allen in Flint, Michigan; the second with Rev. George M. Galloway, in Springfield, Ohio, First Church; and the third with Rev. J. Frank Simpson at Fostoria, Ohio. The Lord gave a glorious revival with Rev. Fred J. Hawk in Midland, Michigan. An outstanding event occurred when the local Salvation Army captain and his wife came forward to be sanctified. The most outstanding camp meeting in which I preached was at Portsmouth, Rhode Island. It was a great camp, and the Lord blessed. Three great meetings ended the year: with Rev. Frank H. Watkin, First Church, Springfield, Illinois; then in the great Gospel Center in South Bend, Indiana, with the radio pastor, Rev. Quinton J. Everest. The crowds were large and the altar was crowded many times. The third was a grand revival in our Akron, Ohio, First Church with Rev. C. D. Taylor. The Lord visited us with a glorious wave of victory."

St. Louis, Missouri—Sunday, May 4, was our farewell service with the Lafayette Park Church. We had been with the church for twenty-four years, and had seen it grow from a small mission church to a membership of about three hundred, and a Sunday school of six hundred. Through the years, the Sunday school and church have had a steady growth. We received an average of 32 members a year. We have always overpaid our missionary budget, and part of the time we doubled it. This year we brought in over \$1,400.00 for the Easter offering. It was hard to leave such wonderful people. In the twenty-four years we have had only a few negative votes, but we felt it was God's will to accept the work at Fredericktown, even though it meant a smaller church and a smaller salary. We have found some fine people in Fredericktown, and we believe God

will help us to build a good church in this town. The church in St. Louis gave us a wonderful farewell day with some wonderful gifts and a great farewell home-coming, with many old members and friends coming back for the day. As around four hundred people marched by on the last Sunday night and shook our hands with tears in their eyes, we felt repaid for all our efforts to win them to Christ.—A. L. and Margaret Roach, Pastors.

Evangelists C. W. and Florence Davis write: "We are closing our tenth revival since the first of the year. We began at Ordway, Colorado, where Rev. G. F. Pennington is the pastor. God gave a good revival. Next, we were with Rev. Dudley B. Anderson at the Immanuel Church, El Paso, Texas, which meeting resulted in people being saved and sanctified. In our meeting with Rev. Wayne Jenkins at Westside Church, Long Beach, California, there was much sickness, but God gave some good victories. Ventura, California, was next, with Rev. Ben Johnson, pastor; this was a blessed revival with many victories. We were engaged with our good church at Hawthorne, California, where Rev. Frank Watkins is pastor. God was present in the power of the Holy Ghost, giving a good revival. Our next

meeting, with Rev. John Van Ryn at Fontana, California, was one of the very best. The people came, the Christians prayed, God moved, many prayed through, and a fine class united with the church. Rev. W. P. Jay and wife had charge of the singing. Coolidge, Arizona, was next, with Rev. Clyde Rather, pastor, and here God gave many victories. Then we came to Loveland, Colorado, with Rev. C. K. Helsel, pastor. A good attendance, with the wonderful presence of God, and many victories won, including quite a number of new people, marked this revival. Our next engagement was with C. M. Spicer at Kalvesta, Kansas, where God gave a good revival. We are now with our West Side Church, Pueblo, Colorado. Rev. Bert Edwards is the faithful pastor. Dwight and Norma Jean Meredith are the song evangelists. God is blessing and souls are praying through."

Hollywood, Maryland—On March 30 our church closed a fine revival meeting, one of the best in the history of the church, with Rev. and Mrs. Ralph A. Mickel as the evangelists. Brother Mickel preached the old-time gospel with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and conviction prevailed in each service, resulting in seventy-

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five seekers at the altar. Sister Mickel carried a real burden, and did a wonderful work in the ministry of music. They have been recalled for another revival. Following the revival, we received a class of twelve new members into the church. The Sunday school has been showing a steady increase. The naval personnel at the Patuxent Naval Air Base greatly adds to the attendance in our services. We are nearing the close of our second year here, and have received a unanimous recall with increase in salary. The church plans to send the pastor and wife to the General Assembly in June. A wonderful spirit of unity and love prevails in the church.—H. I. Basham, Pastor.

North Hollywood, California—We recently closed a very good revival with Rev. Arthur W. Gould as the evangelist. He is a man of God, and preached under the anointing and unction of the Holy Spirit. As a result, the church was blessed and lifted spiritually, and there were a number of victorious seekers at the altar. A spirit of deep conviction prevailed in several of the services. We expect as a church to move forward in every way under the capable and spiritual leadership of our good pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Eric E. Jordan, who are beginning their second year's work here.—Mrs. Griselda Brown, Secretary.

Evangelist R. A. Isbell writes: "One year ago, May 25, God healed me. In April of 1951, I was stricken with the most powerful and fastest cancer known to medical science. I immediately underwent an operation and was given X-ray therapy. During the X-ray treatments, I had a re-occurrence. I was given only a few weeks to live. However, God healed me overnight after I had been anointed and prayed for. I spent the three summer months at our campgrounds at Alexandria, resting and gaining strength. I was able to speak nineteen times, giving my experience of how God had healed me. Since our district assembly in September, I have been in revivals at Jonesboro, Colfax, Winnfield, Shreveport First Church, Natchitoches, West Monroe, New Orleans, Downtown, Jennings, and Baton Rouge Grace, all in Louisiana. Also, I held revivals at Yukon, Oklahoma, and Carthage, Texas. We have witnessed some real visitations from God that resulted in some definite praying through for pardoning or sanctifying grace. Counting them as they came, over four hundred seekers have knelt at the altar. We have had some great healing services where God's touch and power was manifested in remarkable cases. God has definitely led me into the evangelistic field, and has used me to His glory. I am accepting calls and arranging my slate for the future. I have never felt any better physically. I love God with all my heart and have a passion for lost souls. Write me, 1124 N. Ave. C., Crowley, Louisiana."

Hanover, Pennsylvania—We recently closed a profitable revival with Evangelists Maurice and Naomi Finger. Brother Finger preached with much fervency and many sought God and found victory. The pastor and wife were given a love offering. God is blessing here at Hanover, and the people are very co-operative. The church is sending the pastor and wife to General Assembly. The church is going forward.—John L. Parry, Pastor.

Lawton, Oklahoma—We came to First Church in January of 1950 and found a great crowd of people ready to accept a challenge and go forward for God. We appreciate Brother and Sister Engle, our predecessors, who did a good work. We recently closed one of the best revivals of our ministry, with Evangelist O. F. Langford. He is God's man, and a preacher who preaches the rugged gospel, fasts and prays for victory. Over eighty people bowed at the altar seeking God for pardon or purity. Some died out in the old-fashioned way and got sanctified. Many new people were reached in the meeting. On the closing Sunday we had 340 present in Sunday school, only one short of our record. A love offering of \$185.00 was raised for the pastor to attend the General Assembly. Our people want Brother Langford to come back. We are enjoying our ministry here. The Sunday school was averaging 161 when we came; a new church has been organized to which we gave 50, and last month our Sunday school reached a new high with an average of 260. For the last four Sundays we have averaged 303. Over 30 members have been added to the church. The pastor's salary has been raised \$20.00 per week, and budgets have been increased and paid. New property has been purchased, and a new, brick, four-bedroom parsonage with attached garage has been built free of debt, valued at \$20,000.00. We need and plan to build a new church soon on the new location. We have a wonderful opportunity here with a privilege of serving so many different people; with the Fort so close, we have so many that come for a short while and have to move on. If you have friends or relatives here, write us and we will do our best to be of service to them.—L. P. Roberts, Pastor.

Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Miller write: "We are closing our eighth year in the evangelistic field, and God is blessing in an unusual way. Sunday, June 1, we closed a meeting with Rev. Carl Harr and people at Bellevue, Ohio. Souls were saved and believers sanctified. We are now engaged in a revival with Rev. Floyd Murphy at Albia, Iowa. We have two open dates for this fall: October 14 to 26, and November 25 to December 7. We carry the whole program: preaching, singing, music, chalk artistry, and children's work. Write us at our home address, Mt. Gilead, Ohio."

Farmington Falls, Maine—We have recently had a very successful two-week revival with Rev. W. F. Miller. His wonderful spirit toward young people, his burden for souls, and his years of experience helped to break down much prejudice in this town. There were fifty-five seekers at the altar. Brother Miller is a good evangelist and our prayers go with him.—Mrs. Ernest D. Smith, Reporter.

Evangelist Kenneth J. Harris, singer and chalk artist, writes: "At this writing, I have closed my fifteenth revival for this assembly year. God has been very gracious to me. I'm enjoying working for the Master more than ever before and am looking forward to the year ahead with greater faith in God. I travel alone, direct the song service, do solo work, and draw chalk pictures. I shall be happy to go wherever the Lord leads. Contact me at 583½ William Street, Huntington, Indiana."

A new Church of the Nazarene was organized at Washington, Illinois, on May 16, with eleven charter members, and forty-six in Sunday school. On that Sunday morning there were three seekers at the altar who prayed through to victory. Although this work is not yet four months old, a revival spirit is on the services. Rev. Cecile Barnett is the pastor.

The Southwest Kansas Holiness Association closed an outstanding convention on May 9, in Dodge City, Kansas. Rev. W. M. Tidwell spoke three times each day. His unusual zeal, his years of experience, his humble spirit, and his great devotion to God and holiness are qualities which make him a wonderful speaker. Rev. E. D. Simpson, as song leader and special singer, was of much blessing and inspiration; also his morning devotional messages moved us all closer to God. Rev. Jack Minkler, Rev. L. V. Payton, and Rev. Archie Norsworthy, each presented a splendid paper. There were a number of visiting pastors and evangelists from other districts; among these was Evangelist Thurman White, who brought a good message. By our listening to and accepting God's truth, as presented by these fine workers, our horizons were lifted and our lives were enriched in this convention.—Archie N. Norsworthy, Zone Secretary.

Summerside, Prince Edward Island—Recently we closed one of the best revivals ever held in this six-year-old church. Rev. Lowell Yeatts was the evangelist. God is with this good man, and service after service was crowned with victory at the altar. Men and women were saved, ranging in years from fourteen to sixty. In two years, our Sunday school has grown from sixteen to eighty, membership has almost doubled, and for the second consecutive year, our budgets have been paid in full. The pastor was given a unanimous call for the third year, as well as a substantial increase in salary.—David R. Morrison, Pastor.

Evangelist E. C. Tarvin writes: "I recently closed two meetings. The first was at Greensboro, Indiana, with Rev. James and Ruth Ford. God gave us a good revival. From Greensboro, I went to Monterey, Tennessee, with Rev. George McElvain, where God gave some great victories. Brother McElvain is doing a great work. I am now in Indiana in a meeting."

Rev. Joseph E. Kiemel writes: "The Lord has given us two glorious years here in the church at Canby, Oregon. We have enjoyed working with these fine people. The Juniors, young people, W.F.M.S., and Sunday school have all experienced the blessing of divine grace. Several Sunday-school rooms of the new annex have been painted, and the main auditorium of the church redecored; also a new furnace has been installed, with only a small indebtedness on the entire property. We have had revivals, also special services during Youth Week in February. Souls have sought God and a number of people have united with the church. We did not take a church this year, and were granted an evangelist's commission at the district assembly. I have done a great deal of evangelistic work. If anyone can use us for week-end services or holiness conventions, we shall be happy to be at your service. My wife leads singing, sings specials, and is a fine children's worker. Write us, % Nazarene Publishing House."

Florida District Assembly

The thirty-eighth assembly of the Florida District was held in the First Baptist Church in Tampa, Florida. The host pastors, Rev. G. S. Rogers and Rev. Wm. Abersold, did a magnificent job in caring for the delegates. Dr. Samuel Young presided with his usual grace and ability, and endeared himself to everyone present.

District Superintendent John Knight's report and election highlighted the assembly. His report showed gains in all departments; six new churches were organized and a new height in giving to foreign missions reached. Brother Knight was re-elected on the first ballot, for the sixth time in Florida. The preachers and laymen alike showed their appreciation by special gifts.

The department leaders for the ensuing year are: Mrs. Julia Eby, W.F.M.S. president; Rev. Dick Moore, N.Y.P.S. president; Mrs. Ben Marlin, Junior supervisor; Rev. Aubrey Ponce, chairman of the Sunday-school board; Mr. Titus Eby, treasurer; and Rev. G. S. Rogers, district secretary.

District Superintendent Knight challenged the Florida District to go "all out" for home missions during the next quadrennium. At the climax of a stirring home-mission message by Dr. Samuel Young, the Florida Nazarenes pledged \$32,000.00 for home missions this year. A gift of \$20,000.00 in a revolving fund was pledged by Mr. M. J. Casey. Under God's blessings and good leadership, Florida will continue to forge ahead.

AUBREY PONCE, Reporter

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Northwest District Assembly

The Northwest District concluded its forty-eighth district assembly in Walla Walla, Washington, on May 15, with a note of victory and rejoicing over a year of progress. The district through the year saw several new churches added, Sunday-school attendance on the district at an all-time high, with total giving at a high mark and the most given for missions in the history of the district. Reports told of many good revivals in the individual churches, and a revival tide on the district.

The unity of purpose and aggressiveness of spirit on the district were manifest again this year in the fine vote given Dr. E. E. Zachary, in returning him to office for another term as the district superintendent. Dr. Zachary received all but two votes on the first or nominating ballot.

Dr. Hardy C. Powers presided over the assembly in his efficient and interesting manner. Dr. Powers is much loved on Northwest District. His messages to the assembly were much appreciated and will be long remembered.

Rev. A. E. Berg, district superintendent of our Australian work, and Mrs. Berg were guest speakers in the W.F.M.S. convention and during the assembly. Their inspiring and informative messages and their beautiful spirit endeared them to the hearts of the people.

Three fine young men, Robert K. Sporleder, Wallace W. Roseboro, and Virgil Borden, were ordained elders in a beautiful service conducted by Dr. Hardy C. Powers.

HAROLD M. SORWEIDE, Reporter

Sanctification gives power for service. Bob Burkes of Kentucky could not read or write when converted and sanctified. Every year thereafter, until he died, he led an average of one thousand souls to Christ.

N.Y.P.S. Convention Idaho-Oregon District

The twenty-second annual N.Y.P.S. convention of the Idaho-Oregon District met May 5 and 6 in the basement of the College Church in Nampa, Idaho. It was a time of blessing from God.

Rev. I. F. Younger brought the opening message. He challenged us to go out and show more of the spirit of sacrifice for the cause of Christ.

There was a beautiful spirit of cooperation and unity throughout the business sessions.

Our president for the past four years, Rev. Hubert Helling of Gooding, Idaho, is under appointment to go to Japan as a missionary. We will miss Brother Helling on our district. We will not soon forget the good work he has done. He gave his untiring effort toward promoting the N.Y.P.S. across our district.

We, as a district, feel that God was in the selecting of Rev. Dean Gallo-way of Baker, Oregon, as our president for the coming year. He is an

enthusiastic, consecrated, capable leader. Other officers are: vice-president, Rev. Elton Green; secretary, Eula Tombaugh; treasurer, Dale Chappell; and teen-age sponsor, Elmore Vail.

At the close of the convention, the young people met in the Northwest Nazarene College dining room for a banquet. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

Brother Helling brought the closing message at a great youth rally, held in the main auditorium of the College Church. We were all inspired by his message.

MARGARET CROWE, Reporter

District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The twenty-fourth annual N.Y.P.S. convention of the Southern California District was held May 8 and 9 at the University Avenue Church in San Diego. In many respects, this was the most outstanding convention that we have ever witnessed.

Rev. Orval J. Nease, district president, presided with poise and dignity, and was re-elected as district president by a wonderful vote.

Dr. R. J. Plumb, our district superintendent, was a real help and inspiration during the convention.

Dr. Mendell Taylor, our convention speaker, was outstanding in every sense of the word. His messages were so inspiring and helpful. We feel we will never be able to get away from the impact which he made upon our lives.

One of the high lights of the convention was a banquet with some 440 people present. Our convention theme was "Committed for Christ."

The closing service was outstanding in every way, with an altar service crowned with about forty young folk at the altar dedicating their lives to Christian service; at least two of them plan to become missionaries.

The young people of Southern California have committed themselves to Christ for conquest. Our leadership was never better, our vision brighter, our goals more clearly defined, our zeal more apparent, our prayers more fervent.

REPORTER

Akron District Assembly

The Akron District Assembly was preceded by the W.F.M.S. convention convening in Akron First Church with Rev. C. D. Taylor, host pastor. Mrs. D. D. Palmer, district president, presided with her usual efficiency. She was elected to serve another year. The Thanksgiving offering, the greatest in the history of the district, \$31,334.17, was followed by a very fine Easter offering, \$15,669.25. Total giving on general interests was \$70,004.89. Other Sheep subscriptions totaled 10,050. The membership at the close of the year was 3,822, an increase of 289. Miss Jean Darling, missionary from India, thrilled the large crowd in attendance with her messages during the convention. Tuesday night was men's night, and a large men's choir presented a special number in song. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Lewis, missionaries

from Africa, also brought inspiring messages.

The tenth annual assembly of the Akron District opened on Wednesday evening, May 14, at the Akron Armory with Dr. Samuel Young bringing the keynote address.

The report of O. L. Benedum, district superintendent, summarized in a very beautiful way the work of the district for the past year. Three churches were organized this past year, at Powhatan Point, Cadiz, and Newton Falls, Ohio, with a total membership of 88. The total number of home-mission churches on the district for the past four years is 12, reaching our designated quota. All are strong, healthy, growing churches.

New buildings are in the process of completion at Canton Calvary, Cottage Grove, Kent, Leesville, New Philadelphia; new educational units have been completed at Salem, Ravenna; new churches at Tiltonsville, Steubenville; and church parsonages erected or purchased at Dover, Lisbon, Tiltonsville.

The church schools under the able and efficient leadership of Milton Bunker, chairman, have seen an enrollment of 16,397, an increase of 1,102; average attendance for the year of 9,493, an increase of 557; an Easter attendance of 15,423, an increase over the previous year of 2,250. Robert Shoff has been director of Boys' and Girls' Work on the district, and has witnessed a remarkable increase in every phase of the work.

The youth work on the district has been blessed with outstanding leadership in their president, Rev. Carl Hanks. They report a total membership of 2,097, an increase of 64. They have sponsored another successful HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign, Camp and Institute and midyear convention at Toronto, Ohio, where the largest youth attendance in recent years was held.

Financial report—General Budget, \$65,916.72; General Specials, \$11,118.50; N.M.B.F. \$5,679.16; Eastern Nazarene College budget, \$14,634.72; building fund, \$9,648.64—or a total of \$24,283.36. Grand total raised for all purposes for the past year was \$898,247.00, an increase of \$93,421.00. Total membership 8,577, an increase of 255. Our General Budget giving four years ago was \$44,731.34—today, \$77,035.00. Our giving to Eastern Nazarene College four years ago was \$16,324.00—today \$24,283.00. We raised for all purposes four years ago \$555,760.00—today, \$898,247.00. Our total raised for all purposes the past quadrennium was \$3,263,028.00. Our membership four years ago was 7,424—today 8,577, or an increase of 1,153, with a yearly average of 288.

Our district camp meeting held at Sebring, Ohio, was a wonderful blessing to all attending as Dr. R. V. DeLong and Rev. Mel Rothwell from Eastern Nazarene College teamed together to accomplish much in Kingdom building.

Dr. Samuel Young won the hearts of ministers and laity alike as he min-

istered to us out of the riches of his own heart experience. The ministers reported, and delegates to General Assembly were elected in record time, as the work of the district was handled with great grace and dispatch. The evening sessions were given to the interests of evangelism, as Dr. Holland London brought the evening evangelistic messages.

Dr. Young ordained seven fine young candidates to the ministry on Sunday morning in a very beautiful and fitting ceremony as some two thousand people were present. Those ordained were James Kus, Roy Schurman, Dorrance Nichols, Clifford Walton, William Varian, Robert Thomas, and James O. McCaskell.

We of the district love and appreciate our district superintendent, Rev. O. L. Benedum, who was elected for the eleventh time on the Akron District.

L. L. KOLLAR, Reporter

DEATHS

REV. FRANK L. LOGSTON died in May of 1952 in a local hospital in Nampa, Idaho, at the age of eighty-three years. He was born in Goshen, Indiana, in 1868. In 1900 he was united in marriage to Lucy E. Arnett. They worked with the Salvation Army until 1904; in 1914 he was ordained in the Methodist church. They served in churches in Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, and Idaho; also did evangelistic work. Moving to Nampa in 1928, they founded the Northside Church of the Nazarene. At the time of his death, he was a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Nampa. He did supply ministry work at Middleton, Homedale, and Sunny Slope. He is survived by his wife, Lucy; a son, Edwin, with the U.S. armed forces in Panama; two daughters, Mrs. Ira N. Taylor, Nazarene missionary in Peru, and Mrs. Ray W. Johnston. Funeral service was held in First Church of the Nazarene in Nampa.

MRS. E. S. WEST died April 28, 1952, at the age of seventy-five. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene in Fitzgerald, Georgia. She and her husband, who preceded her in death, were pioneer workers in the beginning of the Church of the Nazarene in Jacksonville, Florida. With a large family they came to Fitzgerald, and soon after the organizing of a work here, she became an outstanding worker and influence in this church. She was an outstanding Bible student, much loved by the church and entire community. Funeral service was held in the Fitzgerald Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. John L. Taylor, pastor, and Rev. Byron E. LeJune, former pastor, officiating. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

MAHLON HENRY LEWIS was born September 30, 1883, in Chase County, Kansas, and died on May 16, 1952. Most of his life was spent in Kansas. He was converted in his early life. About fifteen years ago the family moved to California, and joined the Church of the Nazarene in Palo Alto. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, and three sons, one of whom is a Nazarene pastor in Hutchinson, Kansas. The church will miss this good man of God.

EDWARD WASHINGTON FEW, Sr., was born March 27, 1871, in Dickson County, Tennessee, and died March 13, 1952, at his home in Dickson, Tennessee. He was saved and sanctified the first time he heard holiness preached, several years ago, and lived a consistent Christian life until death. He was active in the church as long as he was physically able. He was instrumental in the organization of the Church of the Nazarene in Dickson, of which he was a charter member. He was loved and esteemed by all who knew him. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Isabelle Ewing Few; three sons, Rev. Virgil Few, Nazarene pastor in St. Petersburg, Florida, James O., and Edward W.; and seven daughters. Funeral service was conducted in the Dickson Church of the Nazarene, by Rev. G. C. Hesson, assisted by Rev. J. Don Jernigan, with interment in the family cemetery on Garners Creek, Tennessee.

J. B. HESTER of Melbourne, Florida, died May 9, 1952. He was converted and sanctified when a young man. As a building contractor, he erected one of the buildings at the Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Massachusetts. He came to Melbourne four years ago, married Mrs. Sadie B. Christensen, and they started a mission which was organized into the Church of the Nazarene. He was elected city judge last November. He is survived by his wife and three children. Funeral service was conducted by his district superintendent, Rev. John L. Knight, with interment in Akron, Ohio.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—Pertinent Paragraphs on Temperance: Temperance Education, Inc., an organization that is committed exclusively to education against the use of beverage alcohol, has produced a set of brief, readable, meaningful paragraphs on temperance. They are available, without cost, to ministers who will use them in church bulletins. The single sheet on which they are printed is intended for such insertion. When Temperance Education, Inc., offered the first set to 470 ministers, more than 25 per cent responded with orders totaling more than 30,000. The second set will be ready for use before World Temperance Sunday. Pastors who are interested may write to Rev. Herbert H. Parish, Temperance Education, Inc., 77 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Illinois.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. Edgar L. Carter of Monticello, Illinois, plans to enter the evangelistic field in August. He has had fourteen years of pastoral experience. He is an earnest, forceful preacher of holiness, and is an effective soul winner. I am glad to recommend him, and trust that he shall be kept busy.—W. S. Purinton, Superintendent of Illinois District.

Rev. A. G. Meadows, who has been pastoring our church at Ridgeville for the past few years, is resigning to take up full-time work in the field of evangelism. Brother Meadows has pastored for a number of years, and has felt a divine call to evangelize. God has blessed him in revivals and given him souls. He is a fearless preacher of the Word, and carries a heavy burden for the lost. I recommend him to our people, and pray God will bless him in this new field of service.—Paul Updike, Superintendent of Northeastern Indiana District.

WEDDING BELLS

Mr. James I. Graham of Naboomspruit, Transvaal, and Miss Agnes Clark of Bremersdorp, Swaziland, South Africa, Nazarene missionaries, were united in marriage on May 28, in the Bremersdorp Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. C. S. Jenkins of Boksburg, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. C. Esselstyn, field superintendent.

Miss Dorothy Lee Brown of Oakley, Kansas, and Mr. Andrew Glen Cope of Fort Worth, Texas, were united in marriage on May 8, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, with Rev. I. Everett Brown, father of the bride, officiating.

Miss Betty Lou Kollar and A/3c Jack David Henry, both of Uhrichsville, Ohio, were united in marriage on April 20, at the Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. L. L. Kollar, father of the bride, officiating, assisted by Rev. Mrs. Florence Henry, mother of the groom.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Paul Shields of Albany, Kentucky, a daughter, Rebecca Diane, on June 3.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Myron Richey of Mound City, Missouri, a son, James Eugene, on May 22.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Skodak of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois, a son, Edward John, on May 19.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a friend in Indiana for the salvation of a young man, also two other young men and their wives;

by a brother in Pennsylvania for some young people in the church, backslidden, who are going the wrong way—for someone who has special problems, that God may help to work it all out—several unspoken and important requests;

by a friend in Georgia, that they may be able to get a Nazarene work started in that place;

by a Christian lady in North Dakota for her unsaved husband, who fights religion and makes the home very unpleasant; for his son; for their new twin sons, that she may be able to rear them for God; also two unspoken requests—she is lonely and discouraged;

by a lady in Tennessee who has cancer in her face;

by a friend in Nebraska, that God may keep His hand upon the family, that His will may be done, that sin will not predominate, that burdened hearts may find victory, that a wrong may be made right, and an unspoken request.



SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

DR. W. A. ECKEL, superintendent of our Japanese work, writes: "We thank you so much for directing the boys our way. It helps them and it helps us. We feel that you are doing a great work in this regard. Our Japanese are always glad to see the soldier boys who are Nazarenes. It is tying our work into the great organization. Thanks a million."

"I have been receiving the HERALD OF HOLINESS, *Conquest and Come Ye Apart* for a year now and have appreciated your interest in me as a serviceman very much. I have neglected writing you to let you know that I've been receiving your publications and enjoy reading them. I especially enjoy the HERALD OF HOLINESS Servicemen's Column because it has letters from all parts of the world.

"I'm sorry that there isn't a Nazarene church here in the Zone, but I guess they can't have a church in every corner of the globe. I have been attending a church in the city of Cristobal called the Union Church. I'll certainly be glad when I can be home again to go to my church again."—KENNETH E. DWORSEHAK.

"I want to send my thanks and appreciation for the wonderful magazines you have been sending to me; they are helping me to understand the Bible better. If only I could get all my buddies to read them! Some will and others tell me they don't have time. Since I've found God I have never been lonesome and it has been just wonderful. I must close, but in closing I want to say God bless you for the wonderful things you are doing for all us boys here and all over the world."—BOB PETERMAN.

"I am stationed at an air force and navy base in southern Japan approximately thirty-five miles from the city of Hiroshima. I have visited the Nazarene church there and, in spite of my not understanding the sermon and proceedings, I did enjoy the service a great deal.

"We have a new Protestant chaplain on this base who is starting a very active work among the servicemen. The air force uses this base as a casual unit for men who are on their way to Korea; therefore, the opportunity for dealing with the men is great.

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NAZARENE CAMP MEETINGS

Louisiana District Camp, July 3 through 11, at the district campground, five miles north of Alexandria on U.S. Hi-way 71 (two blocks off the highway). Workers: Dr. T. M. Anderson, Rev. Joseph Pitts, returned missionary, and Rev. and Mrs. Leon Cook. For information, write to the district superintendent, Rev. Elbert Dodd, 1611 Henry St., Pineville, Louisiana.

Colorado District Camp, July 28 to August 3, at the district campground (follow Hi-way 50 to 8600 W. Colfax, then north two blocks on Dover Street). Workers: Dr. S. S. White, Rev. R. N. Raycroft, Dr. T. W. Willingham; Professor Ronnie Lush in charge of music; Mrs. Harry W. Dickerson in charge of children's work. District Superintendent C. B. Cox, platform manager. For information, write the camp secretary, Rev. Wm. Lambert, 1755 Dover St., Lakewood, Colorado.

Suwannee River Camp meeting of the Florida District, July 28 to August 3, at the Suwannee Campgrounds, three miles north of White Springs on U.S. Hi-way 41. Workers: Rev. Glenn Griffith, Rev. W. L. French, Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Abersold, and Mrs. Ben Marlin. For information, write Mrs. C. R. Moor, Box 1049, Lake Worth, Florida. Rev. John L. Knight, district superintendent.

District Assembly Information

EASTERN MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 2 to 4, at Pontiac First Church, 60 State St., Pontiac, Michigan. Entertaining pastor, Rev. R. C. Johnson, 46 Norton Street.

NEVADA-UTAH—Assembly, July 3 and 4, at Salt Lake City Church of the Nazarene, 5th South

and 6th East, Salt Lake City, Utah. Entertaining pastor, Rev. W. R. Ketchum, 468 South 6th East, Salt Lake City.

NEW YORK—Assembly, July 3 to 5, at New York District Campground, Groveville Park, Beacon, New York. Entertaining pastor, Rev. James L. Collom, 73 W. Center Street, Beacon.

WEST VIRGINIA—Assembly, July 4 and 5, at the District Campground, Summersville, West Virginia. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Chester Acton, Summersville, West Virginia.

CANADA WEST—Assembly, July 8 to 10, at Church of the Nazarene, corner of 50th Street and 48th Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Rev. A. R. Gongwer, 4806—50th St., Red Deer, the entertaining pastor.

COLORADO—Assembly, July 8 to 10, at the Nazarene Campground, 1755 Dover St., Lakewood, Colorado. Entertaining pastor, Rev. J. B. Miller, 503 Delaware, Denver, Colorado.

ALABAMA—Assembly, July 9 and 10, at the Alabama District Campground, Millport, Alabama. Entertaining pastor, Rev. H. E. Benson, Route 1, Millport, Alabama.

NORTHEASTERN INDIANA—Assembly, July 9 to 11, at the Nazarene District Campground, East 38th Street Extended, Marion, Indiana. Entertaining pastor, Rev. J. R. Shadowens, 1016 West Fifth St., Marion, Indiana.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Assembly, July 10 and 11, at Church of the Nazarene, West 11th and South Duluth (301 S. Duluth Ave.), Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Ellwood R. Tame, 613 West 11th, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

MARITIME—Assembly, July 16 and 17, at Church of the Nazarene, O'Leary, Prince Edward Island. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Owen Underwood, Box 17, O'Leary, P.E.I.

NEBRASKA—Assembly, July 16 and 17, at Hastings Church of the Nazarene, 5th and Saunders Sts., Hastings, Nebraska. Entertaining pastor, Rev. A. A. Schneider, 2009 West 6th St., Hastings.

CENTRAL OHIO—Assembly, July 16 to 18, at the Nazarene Campground, 2657 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Miles A. Simmons, 481 Arden Road, Columbus.

MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 16 to 18, at the District Campgrounds, Indian Lake, Vicksburg, Michigan. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Joseph Polmounter, Route 2, Indian Lake, Vicksburg.

PITTSBURGH—Assembly, July 16 to 18, at the District Campgrounds, Alameda Park, Butler, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Paul R. O'Brien, 201 1/2 Fifth Ave., Butler.

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