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How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things—Romans 10:15

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Bolshevism in the Church

THE bolshevik is a reformer whose ideals may be either right or wrong, but his methods are always bad. As a judge and administrator, he destroys Sodom even though there may be fifty righteous in it. As a farmer, he roots out the tares, even if he must root out the wheat to do it. As a physician, his medicines will not only kill disease, but will kill the patient as well. As a moralist, he will get the mote out of his brother's eye, if he has to gouge out the eye in the effort. As a householder, he burns the house in order to get rid of the leak in the roof. As a fisherman, he throws his nets away because he found some fish in them that were not useful for food. As a politician, he murders kings and opposes all government because he has found rulers who were tyrannical and laws which were unjust. As a religionist, he mocks at sacraments and burns temples because he has known or heard of hypocrites. In all things he demands that the real shall be as faultless as the ideal; he prefers nonentity to imperfection.

In State, Home and Church there is at this time a large element of bolshevism—more of it in spirit and practice than in profession. In the State bolshevism is manifested in the disregard for law—whether the law applies to the paying of a poll tax or to violations of the eighteenth amendment, and whether the violator be a “down and out” or an “oil king.” In the Home the bolshevik breaks his marriage vows, patronizes the divorce courts and breaks down the sanctity of the family unit—though he may still profess to believe in these historic and vital factors in man's civilization. In the Church bolshevism is better known under its well known aptitude and tendency to “rule or ruin.”

It is indeed a happy church that does not have at least a few “disgruntles” in it, and happier still is the church whose dissatisfied people are possessed of reason and consideration. Naturally, we all have a tendency to minimize our own faults and to magnify the faults of others; full salvation really turns this around so that one is hard on himself, but lenient with others. The trouble is all do not get and keep full salvation.

There is probably no more practical or flattering thing that one can say of perfect love than that it “beareth all things,” and there is probably no better place to demonstrate the truth of this than when one is a “dissatisfied minority” in a local Church of the Nazarene. You don't like the

pastor whom the majority have voted in? Well, have you got the love that can “bear all things”? You do not like the District Superintendent? Perhaps you cannot get enough grace so that you will really *like* him, but you ought to have enough so you won't pout or threaten to “quit the church,” etc. You do not admire the Sunday school superintendent, or some other man or method that has been selected by the majority is distasteful to you? Well the love which is described in 1 Cor. 13 will give you the ability to “endure all things.” And a Nazarene, whether he is a preacher or layman, who does not have grace and willingness to *bear* some things that he does not *enjoy* and to stick on and pray on when the vote of the majority is not his own preference is a very poor Nazarene and will come to grief sooner or later.

God and Mammon

GOD is the complement of the soul of man and the normal man craves God, though he may unwittingly accept the world as a substitute for Him. Secular and temporal things make a strong appeal because they are so “near,” so men will consent to leave God out of their plans and hopes for the sake of wealth, position or pleasure. Money will buy what today's pleasures require, therefore money is the shrine at which millions burn their incense. Position flatters the vanity of the “near-sighted” and so it becomes the temple of many a “godlike” man. Pleasure seems to be an end within itself, therefore men gladly offer an eternity of “higher joys” upon its altars.

And many times the devotee of Mammon is so absorbed with the things of “time and sense” that he accepts no man's pity. Rather He pities those who confess themselves “pilgrims and strangers.” The land was never fuller of satiated sinners than at the present time. Their satiation is temporary, but it does serve to keep them from the House of God until their hearts are hardened and their souls are destroyed.

It is a joy to be able to say that those who seek and find God find a satisfaction that is genuine and which brings no sorrow or regrets in life or death or in eternity. The joys and pleasures of the religion of Christ do not fail from endurance. “In thy presence there is fulness of joy, and at thy right hand there are pleasures forever more.” There are to be “songs and everlasting joy” upon the heads of the redeemed.

SMALL THINGS WHICH AFFECT A GREAT CAUSE

NUMBER FIVE

IN the early days of my ministry I have gone to the school house or mission hall for a revival and found the "wheezy, one-lunged organ and the cheap song books from which the covers had been torn and, knowing the poverty of the people, have felt religious in "making out" without a word of complaint or criticism. Still, I thought then and know now that wherever it is possible to do better, it is religious to do better.

But even within the last decade I have gone to well established Nazarene Churches in the company of as great song leaders as there are in any one's movement and have found there a piano that had little more action than a tin pan and which had not been tuned within any reasonable time. I have sometimes found a church that either had no hymn books or which offered its worshipers a book which was to worn and so torn that it immediately destroyed the stranger's enthusiasm. One morning, while in a church like that, the pastor received a note from a stranger saying, "I was at your service last night and I liked your singing and thought I would like to have one of the hymn books; but the book I had was to worn and so worn that I was unable to find the publisher's address, will you please tell me where I can get one of your hymn books." The pastor sent the address, but he also sent an apology and set in at once to "stir up interest" for the purchase of some new books for the church.

You see I acknowledge all along that the things mentioned in this column are "small things," but I also claim that they "affect a great cause" and it is on account of this last fact that I would urge every pastor and every church to banish all suggestions of the old "good enough" idea and provide equipment for the church that will neither hinder actual worshipers nor cause you to become of poor repute with them "who are without." I don't think my friends will ordinarily accuse me of being finical, still I have to admit that I would rather read print off of good, clean, white paper, that I would rather use a hymn book that has a cover on it and the index intact, and that I would rather things in general would be "right," if it isn't too much trouble; and I just think it is the same way with most of us and also with the people whom we hope to reach and bless.

HOW SHALL A PREACHER GET A "PLACE"?

A BROTHER writes from Los Angeles that he wonders why the churches all cry out for preachers and workers when there are so many of them, including the Church of the Nazarene, who feel called to the work but have not been given opportunity to make good. He says he is of this class himself and that he has personally known more than a hundred who are in the same situation. He thinks that too much favor is shown to the College graduate in the average church and that in the Nazarene Church too many want to be evangelists.

He says that he would be willing to work at his trade to help support his family if he but had a chance to get started.

There is not the least doubt but that many good and useful men find themselves in an exceedingly difficult situation in just the way this brother does and if any one thinks that a preacher, or any one else, can make good without an opportunity, he has another guess coming yet. We may not like to call it luck, but certainly it is not *all* pluck—there must be an opportunity.

The ministry, like other callings in life, can best and easiest be entered in youth, and happy the man that heeds the early call and "makes his beginning" in season. It is easy for the young unencumbered man to go out and serve his apprenticeship on "hard scrabble circuit" or in the Home Mission work and then he can grow up with his job until the question of the support of his family coming on gradually, will never be a great annoyance to him. Whenever I see a young man wavering in obeying his call, working at secular work in order "to get ahead" so that he can begin to preach, and spending his time "waiting for an opportunity," I just expect to hear of trouble further on down the road. This is one drawback about going to school "to prepare for the ministry"; for too often the school does not really *prepare* one for the ministry, still the graduate thinks he should not have to go out and make credentials of his own, so he turns aside to some other line of work and "waits." And in a thousand cases it is true that, "He that hesitates is lost." Even going to school can become a business until when it is over the student feels at a loss to know how to go on. When one feels the first impression to enter the ministry, the safest way is for him to begin right then. Let going to school and everything else become secondary to obedience to his call. Even while he is going to school he should be a preacher first and a student afterwards.

But when one is encumbered with a family and is almost old, what shall he do? Well in the first place, California is a land of good preachers, seasoned preachers, and it and other places so well known for their natural advantages is not the place for one who has to yet "find his place" to go. Better go to Montana, to Wisconsin or to Canada. Just the very mention of a preacher in California who is not preaching is sickening. Brother, go to some place where preachers are scarce and where you will not be comforted by the presence of so many "brethren of the cloth" who are mixing concrete, building houses, raising chickens or working at the barber trade and then "strike in." No you won't starve and you will have an opportunity and when you have "made yourself a place" they will then begin to want you to take places which you did not make. There is no system on earth that will assure a man of a place in the ministry unless and until he has made one for himself, after that, it is not so difficult.

Questions Answered

No questions will be answered unless the name and address of the one asking the question appears in the correspondence.

Q. Is it best to attend a church which does not preach holiness, but has good services and a good Sunday school, or would it be better to stay at home? Mrs. E. M., Iowa.

Ans. By all means attend the most spiritual church you can reach, but attend church. Nothing can be gained for yourself or for the cause of holiness by staying away. Make the best out of your opportunities and God will bless you and keep you victorious.

Q. When a Nazarene minister receives information from a reliable source that a member of his church is indulging in sinful practices contrary to the word of God and the church Manual, must the minister himself be an eye witness to the man's misdeeds before he can bring charges? F. E. W., Calif.

Ans. The proper way to deal in such a case would be to go to the member like a brother and tell him of the reports and get his confession or denial. If he denies, then he should have the right to face his accusers. If it becomes necessary to take formal action with reference to his case, the minister, or any one else who has heard the rumors should prepare a "Bill of accusations" which should be placed in the hands of a committee of investigation appointed by the pastor, this committee is to decide whether charges are to be preferred, and if so it is the duty of this committee to prepare and sign the charges (See Manual page 79). We must always remember that our first and greatest aim is to save the erring brother and that charges are preferred as a last resort.

Q. In "Questions Answered" May 30 you state that there is no evidence that Paul claimed to have seen Jesus in the days of His flesh, how then do you explain 1 Cor. 9:1; 15:8? Mrs. P. L. M., Calif.

Ans. These passages refer to Paul's experience on the road to Damascus as recorded in Acts 9:10-22.

Q. Why was Jeremiah chosen to be the prophet of Jehovah? J. B., Kansas.

Ans. The reason exists in the sovereignty will of God. God elected Jeremiah before he was old enough to have merit and preserved him and prepared him for service to which He had called him. And even yet God calls men and women to the ministry and to the special tasks which He has for them to perform, and no one should presume to take this work upon himself. All men are called to seek God in salvation and to serve Him as opportunity offers, but preachers and missionaries and others who are to devote their entire time to the work of God are to be really called of God before they enter such a course.

Q. Should Christians make a practice of kodaking on Sunday? L. D. M., Texas.

Ans. The Bible teaches that both works of mercy and works of necessity are lawful on the Sabbath, but I do not think kodaking could be very well brought into either of these classes, do you?

Studies in Revelation

By REV. F. M. MESSENGER
NUMBER THREE

"And when he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, Come. And I saw, and behold, a pale horse; and he that sat upon him, his name was Death; and Hades followed with him. And there was given unto him authority over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with famine and with death, [pestilence] and by the wild beasts of the earth" (Rev. 6:7-8 R. V.).

THIS seal contains the cumulative results or aftermath of all the seals which have preceded it. This horse is a pale horse, Rotherham calls it a "livid" horse. Its meaning is pale, greenish in color, representing death afoot, and its rider was death, the death horse being a suitable conveyance for scattering death broadcast over a fourth part of the earth; first, by the sword (war), second, by famine, third by death (pestilence), and fourth by wild beasts of the earth. Dr. Seiss predicted that at this stage of proceedings, the population of the earth will be so depleted that wild beasts will multiply and make fearful ravages among the people. This, we think is a mistake; "the beast" as applied to the Antichrist and to the false prophet, (meaning a ferocious wild beast), refers to systems and to men and Dr. Seiss points out that men, when actuated by sinister motives and inflamed by strong prejudices, become imbued with the mob spirit and in such a frame of mind are far more cruel than wild animals of the most vicious type. Man is an animal, but endowed with a spiritual nature and a rational mind, but when excited to a high degree, he can lay aside these higher God given attributes and in that condition, inflamed with lust, greed, or the mob spirit he becomes, not only a beast, but the most ferocious of beasts known.

Again—as we will have occasion to do frequently farther on—we call attention to the fact that we have known but little here of what Europe has suffered along these lines, we have heard of the greater outbreaks, and have had meagre reports of the fearful tragedies in Russia, but can we remember the lesser disturbances in our own country? The East St. Louis riots, the race riots in Chicago, the Omaha riot where they undertook to hang the mayor of the city for doing his oath bound duty in trying to quell the riot, and the Herrin massacre is still too near home and too fresh in our minds for us to forget it. The cold blooded murders, the banditry, accounts of which (dis)grace the headlines of nearly every newspaper that we pick up, all call attention to the fact of man's beastly nature when actuated by certain conditions and inherent principles, and will, we think, furnish sufficient evidence that we are not mistaken in believing that the fourth seal has been broken and that the evidences are overwhelming that the mob spirit is represented by "the beasts of the earth."

We have passed the fourth seal; four is the human number or the number of creation, and the reader will notice that God has thus far been visiting His judgments through human agencies. The world's people have not seen God's hand in these judgments. Notice also that the four living creatures take no further part in the opening of the seals. Bullenger, in his book "Numbers in Scripture," says of these four living creatures, "They have to do with creation always, they are first seen guarding the tree of life, (Gen. 2:15) . . . In the Apocalypse the same four cherubim are called 'the living creatures' (Rev. 4th chap.). These announce the coming one,—whenever they speak it is in connection with the earth—they are the four heads of the animal creation; the lion of wild beasts, the ox, of tame beasts; the eagle, of birds; and man the head of all." Four is the number of the greatest elements—earth, air, fire, and water. The regions of the earth—north, south, east and west. Divisions of the day—morning, evening, noon and midnight. Seasons of the year—spring, summer, autumn and winter. The moon's phases—first quarter, full moon, last quarter, new moon.

Passing the four seals under man's number, we come to the last three, the divine number—Father, Son and Holy Ghost, bringing us to the fifth seal.

"And when he opened the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of them slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held; and they cried with a great voice, saying, How long, O Master, the holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And there was given to each one a white robe; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little time, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren who should be killed even as they were, should have fulfilled their course" (Rev. 6:9-11 R. V.).

Is the fifth seal now broken? We cannot tell, it is a heavenly occurrence and who on earth could know? These souls were seen "under the altar;" the altar is the place of sacrifice; these souls were still under sacrifice, that is, they had not yet received their redeemed bodies. They had sacrificed their bodies; they had sealed their testimony with their blood, but their blood had not yet been avenged. They were souls without the body.

Many writers have called these souls, martyrs of the Great Tribulation, we consider this a great error. There have been, in all probability, more martyrs for God and His truth in the past than will fall as martyrs in the Great Tribulation, at any rate there have been sufficient martyrs for a great prayer-meeting in heaven; but what this *does* foreshadow is the fact that there is martyrdom ahead of us as well as behind us, as is evidenced by the allusion to their "fellow serv-

ants also and their brethren who shall be killed even as they were." Those without doubt will be martyrs of the Great Tribulation.

We believe that this seal has been broken. When we wrote the book in 1918, "The Four Horses of Revelation," we predicted the breaking of the sixth seal in the immediate future, we looked for a tremendous disturbance in the fabric of nature which would equal the predictions of the sixth seal, but further consideration of the fifth seal indicates that these martyrs under the altar of sacrifice who have waited so long, they seeing the wheels of judgment set in motion through the breaking of the four seals, expecting a continuance of these judgments were disappointed by a temporary cessation, (which is certainly now occurring) and are anxiously inquiring, "How long, O Master." We believe that this prayer-meeting has been called in heaven; how long the pause will continue we cannot tell; God is visiting the world with genuine samples of what is coming in the sixth seal as evidenced by the terrible visitation of earthquake in China in 1920, and the recent destruction of life and property in Japan.

"And I saw when he had opened the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; and the stars of heaven fell unto the earth as a fig tree casteth her unripe figs, when she is shaken of a great wind. And the heaven was removed as a scroll when it is rolled up; and every mountain and island was moved out of their places. (In the great earthquake in China in Dec. 1920, about which little has been said, covering an area of over 25,000 square miles, where the native Chinese says that "the mountains walked," the Geographic Magazine for May 1922 publishes an article describing this marvelous event under the title, "Where the Mountains Walked." They show by a photo reproduction on page 454, where one mountain "walked" a distance of three miles). "And the kings of the earth, and the princes, and the chief captains, and the rich, and the strong, and every bondman, and freeman, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains; and they say to the mountains, and to the rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of their wrath is come; and who is able to stand?" (Rev. 6:15-17 R. V.).

That the above will be literally fulfilled is evident in that the world's people not only recognize God's hand, but they attribute it to His wrath. This text has repeatedly been used to represent the final judgment, but it is over a thousand years this side of the great judgment day, in fact it is in the very next crises, the next step in the fulfilment of the Revelation. This will be the supreme test of the Bride of Christ, the separating process, the refining fire, the fuller's soap; not of the individual but of classes of individuals. Some have fixed for themselves a rapture of the Bride in the fourth chapter of Revelation, we say fixed, for there is no rapture there, they do this in an endeavor to escape the testings under the seals and trumpets, and they sometimes ask how we can explain the many promises of God which appear to deliver the

THE growth of the Church of the Nazarene in the last fifteen years is nothing less than miraculous. In sixteen years we have gathered nearly forty thousand people into our fold. This growth has given rise to many problems, such as building new churches, caring for our educational institutions, buying and equipping a new Publishing House, together with an effort to spread the gospel among the foreign nations. At times our people have felt a little burdened with so many obligations and have seemed to wonder what would be the outcome of so many drives. While there have been many defects in our past system, yet we have gotten ahead in spite of it all. Our Publishing House, now worth \$100,000.00 is all paid for. Several of our schools are already out of debt and a heroic effort is being made by the others to accomplish this desired end in the very near future. Many of our churches have also paid off their church debts and we have been able to care for our great foreign missionary interests and closed the last missionary year with this enterprise also out of debt. All this is most encouraging indeed.

The last General Assembly undertook to formulate a better financial system and to eliminate all unnecessary friction and to establish a system of better economy and efficiency. There is a universal conviction among our people that the precious Holy Spirit most wonderfully led the General Assembly in its important matters of decision. The choice of a General Board to care for all the interests of the church is deemed by all a step in the right direction. The General Board at its meeting in December carefully laid plans to care for all the various interests of the church. The church seems enthusiastic to co-operate with the General Board in all its undertakings. I have never witnessed a greater tide of unity and loyalty sweeping the entire church than is now manifest in all parts of the country.

The most notable feature since the General Assembly is the spirit of aggressive

The Budget and Revivals

By J. W. GOODWIN, D. D.
General Superintendent

evangelism which is sweeping throughout the Church of the Nazarene. We are now having more wonderful revivals than ever in the thirty years of the history of the holiness movement. Scores of revivals have been held and many are now in progress. Large numbers have been gathered into the church in nearly every revival effort this fall and winter; one church in Oklahoma having recently received eighty-four new members as a result of a most gracious revival held by Brother C. B. Jernigan in Henryetta. The revival in First Church, Los Angeles, held by Dr. Williams and Brother Robinson has resulted in over one hundred new members. This only indicates what may be possible when our people are ready for aggressive evangelism.

Our evangelists are a large body of devoted and heroic men and women, who preach the gospel of full salvation very effectively. The preaching of our evangelists was never more rugged and radical and full of holy passion. As I talk with many of these men they declare with tears in their eyes they must have revivals or die in the attempt. God has called them to win souls; they must succeed. This noble body of men and women with such soul passion, burning with the fiery flame of holy love, will succeed and win many hundreds and thousands of souls to Christ.

WHAT DOES THIS INDICATE?

Our pastors and churches have discovered it requires much prayer, hard work, with proper advertising to bring about such gracious revivals. These days of fasting and prayer bring greater unity of spirit and effort and often remove hindering causes which sometimes prevent a revival. This work of preparation in prayer and fasting deepens spiritual life in the local church, gives greater freedom and liberty in prayer among the members and some-

times is a great source of blessing in uniting the people for the coming campaign.

BUT WHAT HAS ALL THIS TO DO WITH THE BUDGET?

Much every way; chiefly because of the evident token of divine favor and blessing which must accompany any good financial system in carrying out the work of God. The agitation of the budget has produced some favorable conditions among us.

FIRST, it has awakened better interest in the support of all the interests of the church.

SECOND, it has given a better financial system in caring for all the general interests.

THIRD, the agitation of the budget has created more interest in the tithing system and encouraged our people to practice the same.

FOURTH, it has called the attention of our people to the fact that tithing alone will not wholly support all the interests of the church. There must be not only tithes, but offerings.

FIFTH, bringing in the tithes and the offerings more fully meets God's requirements for His favor and blessing. God's challenge stands out in golden letters as follows: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." I cannot attribute this great revival fervor, with the manifest blessing of heaven upon our church and people, to any other cause than our people are bringing in their tithes and offerings into God's storehouse, the church. I fully believe that a good financial system, together with tithes and offerings will largely assist us in solving all our problems, until the Church of the Nazarene will only need to have more revivals and more marvelous manifestations of Holy Ghost power and blessing. The more we sacrifice, the more we pray, the more we give, the more God will pour His favor upon us.

saints from the Great Tribulation. We answer, that the seals and trumpets are *not* the GREAT TRIBULATION. There is no doubt that the saints will escape that, for the rapture occurs in the twelfth chapter while the Antichrist does not appear until the thirteenth, and the GREAT TRIBULATION is the Antichrist's persecutions; from this the Philadelphian Church was promised delivery. The Bride of Christ have the martyr spirit, they have perfect love which casteth out fear and it is specifically stated that our love is made perfect "that we may have *boldness* in the day of judgment" (1 John 4:17). The Bride is not trying to shirk the tests, their breasts are bared for them and, like the Hebrew children, they know that the God whom they serve is able to deliver them from the burning fiery furnace, "and he *will* deliver, but if not, we *will not serve thy gods.*"

They will dwell in the secret place of the Most High—the 91st Psalm—and when the hearts of the higher critics and of spurious holiness professors fail them for fear, we imagine that they will walk on the edges of the great fissures in the earth's surface as they open up, a thousand falling by their side and ten thousand at their right hand, believing God's promise that "It shall not come nigh thee." We have a rotogravure section from a Tokyo newspaper, a photographic reproduction of a scene showing as far as the eye could reach, 30,000 dead bodies who perished together by fire in one enclosure, having rushed into this place to save themselves from the earthquake. We have yet to hear of a missionary who perished, and so far as we have been advised of only one native worker. A young man, a member of our own church at one time, was known to

be stationed on the island which sank out of sight in the recent Japanese disaster, his friend, we heard, gave up all hopes that he could have survived, but later the news came that he was safe as he had left that island a few days before the quake.

Perfect love begets perfect faith and perfect faith will dare to stand on God's promises when the earth seems cracking to pieces, the heavens darting like a scroll, the sun darkened and the moon blood red; and this is the next step in the program, if you are not ready you would better prepare. "Yet once more I will make to tremble not the earth only, but also the heavens . . . removing of those things that are shaken, as of those that have been made, that those things which are not shaken may remain (Heb. 12:26, 27, R. V.).

YE are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men" (Matt. 5:13).

1. THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH TO THE WORLD. The church is, to some extent, related to the world. We are all the offspring of Adam and Eve and, therefore, are in that manner related; and it can be truthfully said, we are "our brother's keeper."

Charity begins at home, but does not stay there. Christian love goes out to the most distant, destitute, deprived and despairing; those who are already being destroyed by their own vices; for such are emphatically the lost. The very fact of their remoteness from Christianity and Christian privileges is an argument and an appeal to the Church.

The Church is like the air; she goes everywhere on her purifying mission, not seeking to avoid any place, be it ever so foul, doing her duty, never murmuring, but leaving the results with the Lord. She is like the sea: not raising a question as to the policy of going into this or that place, but just flows right into this or that nook; up that small stream; into this pile of drift-wood, doing her duty as laid down by the great Master and Leader. She is like the sun: she shines into this or that dark place, spreading sunshine and gladness and dispelling gloom and sadness everywhere she goes. She is like a light; yea she is a light, "a city that is set on a hill, that can not be hid." She was organized and equipped for the reformation and transformation of the world. Jesus says, in Matt. 5:16, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Paul says, in Phil. 2:15: "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world."

2. THE INFLUENCE OF VAPID PROFESSORS ON THE WORLD

There are three kinds of backsliders, periodical; chronic, and unconscious. Of the latter there is more hope than of the others. Absorbed by business, or troubles, or sorrow they have let the fires of love burn low, and they become alarmed when they awake to the fact that should Jesus come, they would not be just what they desired. To this class, I think, 2 Cor. 13:5, is directed. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith." The symptoms of spiritual decline are like those that attend the decay of physical life. This generally begins with the loss of appetite, a disrelish of wholesome food, namely; prayer, reading the Bible and devotional literature, and a dislike for the preaching of old-time holiness doctrine. Whenever you see these symptoms, be very much alarmed, because your spiritual health is failing, and you need a visit from "the great Physician" to give you something that will tone up your system. Many profess surprise at what they are pleased to term "the slow progress of Christianity." But brother, when we consider the unsavory lives of so many professing Christians, we wonder that Christianity has gone so far, and accomplished so much. It is surely of God. Traitors and poltroons in the camp, are more to be dreaded than avowed enemies.

Vapid Salt

By WADE L. NELSON

Backsliding; receding, going back, faltering and failing in duty usually little by little, often unconsciously. It is marked by all the degrees from the slight imperceptible chill of affection and faith to the paralysis of the whole spiritual nature. Multitudes of men who preach the gospel are backslidden. Deacons and stewards who bear the sacred emblems to the flock are often backslidden. Hundreds who talk religion right on, and often grow vehement unto tears, are backslidden. Peter's backsliding began at the communion; Adam's in Eden; Satan's in heaven; who is safe?

But backsliding is curable. Glory to God! Brought early to the great Physician, it is readily removed and the poor backslider restored. Neglected, it goes to apostasy, and ends in endless death. Cecil said, "None fall so deep in hell as they that fall in backwaters."

3. THE APOSTATE, AND THE CERTAINTY OF HIS DOOM

"If the salt have lost his savor, it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and

to be trodden under foot of men." When you apostatize, you "have trodden under foot, your Savior, and have counted the blood of the covenant wherewith you were sanctified, an unholy thing, and have done despite unto the Spirit of grace." I look forward and behold you are at the judgment. There you stand in murderer's blood; the mark is upon you, it's on your feet; how hard you trod Him down, when you treated with contempt, His great salvation. Oh! how drabbed in atonement blood you are! Look at that multitude of blood-besmirched (not blood-cleansed, but blood-spotted) as they stand and face retribution! It seems that the restrained lightning grows fiery and restless with indignation, and like adder's tongues, lurid and tremulous with charged damnation as if it hastens to be avenged on the spotted throng of Christ-rejecters, and despisers. Oh backsliders! the mark is on you, and though you may mix with common sinners and heathens vast, and think to pass for one of them yet the rankling arrows in God's quiver give signs of the presence of spotted feet in that crowd. Wrath holds a steady aim on thee oh! backslider: now be a man, come back to Him whom you have loved and known, whom you have proven to be the Christ, ask Him to take you back. Come under the shelter, the storm is coming, the roar of it is already heard! You are in the road of wrath, get out quickly.

MILBURN, OKLA.

WITH THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT

By PROF. E. WAYNE STAHL

Carpenter Christ Builder of Eternal Mansions

(Foreword: We earnestly advise all readers of this department to purchase a copy of the American Standard Revised Version of the Bible. This translation preserves the dignity and nobleness of the King James' version, and at the same time is most accurate and reliable. It can be obtained of the American Bible Society (156 W. Washington St., Chicago, or Bible House, Astor Place, New York) for 67c in cloth, or \$1.20 in leather. Postage must be added to these prices. The marginal readings of this version are most valuable. Any one having a copy will find our treatment of Greek words more interesting. Every searcher of the Scriptures should have this peerless translation. For ministers it is a necessity).

EVERY Jewish boy was required to learn a trade. In accordance with this obligation, Christ became a carpenter, the occupation of Joseph. In Mark 6:3 we hear the people saying of the Savior, "Is not this the carpenter?" The Greek word is *tekton*, and means a worker in wood, a builder.

The hands of our Lord were laborer's hands, calloused with toil, scarred doubtless with the saw, the hatchet or the plane. Those blessed hands that on the cross received the cruel nails under the strokes of the hammer had in other days used the hammer and nails to earn His bread. That brow which in the Garden was crimsoned with the bloody sweat had in a happier time glistened with the dew of toil. On a cross of wood our Master died. A worker in wood, He had made His living in the Nazareth years.

Not long before He went to Calvary He said to his sorrowing companions, "In my Father's house are many mansions; I go to prepare a place for you." The word for "mansions" is *monai*. It comes from the Greek verb *meno*, meaning to stay or abide. Its first significance was a staying or abiding or delay. From this we get the idea of a staying or abiding-place; an abode. "The image is derived from those vast oriental palaces, in which there is an abode not only for the sovereign and the heir to the throne, but also for all the sons of a king, however numerous they may be."

Christ is the carpenter of our everlasting

dwelling, one that shall be glorious amid the splendors of the jewelled Jerusalem above. As I have expressed it in a poem of my composing:

*Thou art building my mansion above, Jesus,
A palace all stately and fair;
'Tis adorned with the gifts of Thy love,
Jesus:*

What beauty, what richness are there!

A woman had a dream of heaven. She dreamed that some of the structures there were exceedingly glorious and large, while others were smaller and less splendid. Inquiring the reason for such differences, she was told the mansion of each believer was built of such materials as were sent in advance.

We can win heaven only through the merits of Jesus' blood. But our bliss and glory and exaltation there are largely conditioned on the faithfulness and zeal that we show as servants of the Savior in this life of time. May it not be that He is at times disappointed over the scantiness of the materials that we send up for His fashioning into our eternal abiding place? By our fervent devotion and diligence let us declare plainly our ambition for the most glorious heavenly abode possible.

Years ago, when I was a student at the Northwestern University. I walked one day along the street of Evanston, Illinois, where wealthy people lived. For blocks and blocks I went by magnificent homes, as sumptuous and as luxurious as money could make them. It was an avenue of splendor. I remember particularly the palace of one of the richest men of the city, a man who had made immense sums by speculating in wheat on the Chicago Board of Trade. It seemed to have been built of white marble; it was surrounded by a stately fence that alone must have cost many times more than ordinary houses.

But as I looked on all this magnificence there was no envy or discontent in my heart. For my heart was singing:

*"I know, I know, I have a better building,
I know, I know, 'tis not made with hands."*

ARE YOU USING THE N. Y. P. S. TOPIC CARDS?

NO one thing was more generally asked for by the Young People's Societies of our church than topics and topic helps. In compliance with this the first step taken by the Executive Committee of the N. Y. P. S. has had to do with the matter of topics. While the question of topics might be discussed both to profit and to no profit we believe that recognition of this great demand for such help in the work of our young people, also the good that can be accomplished in this way for the thousands of young people growing up in our church will all join hands and hearts together in an effort to give to the Young People's Society of our church all that could honestly and sincerely be desired along this line.

Thus far we have worked against great difficulties but the way is now opening and we believe marked improvement will be realized in this phase of our work. The cordial reception given our first publication of the Topic Cards is indeed appreciated. Some two thousand, we are informed were disposed of. We believe the topics for the 2nd quarter of 1924 will prove even better than those for the first quarter. And since there are some 12,000 members in the N. Y. P. S. we are expecting that no less than 5,000 cards will be purchased. The very low cost of these cards ought to bring every Society to decide on providing a card for every member together with such friends as may attend regularly. The topic card might properly be used to increase attendance as well as interest.

The topics for the coming or second quarter may be grouped under four general heads; doctrinal, practical, inspirational and missionary. In a word, it is hoped through the topics that are offered to our young people to provide instruction in the great doctrines of our faith; render help in some of the questions and problems that develop when Christianity is put into practice; deepen the devotional life and offer inspiration for greater achievement; and, interest and acquaint the church of tomorrow with the world-wide program and activities of the Church of Christ and in particular the Church of the Nazarene. Instead of digging a rut and eventually dig a grave for the Young People's Meeting we trust and pray to help bring our Young People through these meetings to where the words of John may well be applied to them, "I write unto young men, because ye are strong, and the Word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."

Let every Society send at once for the Topic Cards for the Second Quarter.

— DONNELL J. SMITH.

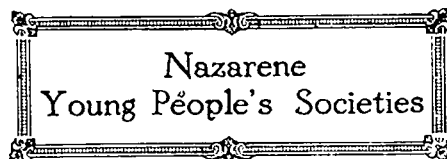
A MISSIONARY TOPIC FOR N. Y. P. S. MARCH 30TH

By PROF. S. S. WHITE.

A Call to Conquest. Scripture Lesson Matt. 28:9, 10, 16, 20.

1. THE SETTING OF THE CALL.—It would seem a bit strange at first that the incident which we are studying should have transpired in Galilee instead of Judea. As we consider the situation, however, the reason is evident. It would not have been appropriate for the call to universal conquest to have been given in Judea, the center of a narrow and selfish nationalism. The particular place in Galilee was a mountain. Many of God's saints have found inspiration as well as rest and relief in the quiet and beauty and the majesty of the everlasting hills. Christ himself loved the mountains. That great "Magna Charter of Civilization," the Sermon on the Mount, was delivered in the mountain. It was on the Mount of Transfiguration that His face shone with the effulgent glory. He often retired to the Mount of Olives as well as other mountains for prayer and meditation. Thus it was altogether in keeping with Christ's habit and the greatness of His present task to meet His disciples in the mountain and there convey to them His significant message. Finally, the meeting was by appointment. This was the only pre-arranged conference which Christ had with His disciples after His resurrection. This indicates its unusual importance for them and for the future of Christianity.

2. THE SOURCE AND THE RECIPIENTS OF THE CALL.—The Risen Lord triumphant over death and the grave, alive for evermore and ready to ascend to the



right hand of God the Father, was He who sounded the bugle call. He was the leader who issued the mobilization order. The summons was given to His disciples. They alone were fit to be the recipients of such a momentous call and the fact that they were His disciples was the one thing which qualified them. Otherwise they were insignificant and unpromising folk. These first forces were marshalled twenty centuries ago, but King Immanuel is in need of new recruits today. If we are His loyal and true followers, we shall not wait to be drafted. We shall rally gladly and quickly to His standard at the very first call.

3. THE BASIS OF THE CALL.—Christ is accredited with power over unclean spirits, power to forgive sins, power over His own life and power over all flesh. These claims were verified by His miracles. But the climactic statement with reference to His dominion is a part of our lesson. "All power [authority] is given unto me in heaven and in earth." This absolute sovereignty was the basis or ground of Christ's right to give the call recorded in the verses which follow. It was if he had said: "I have all power, therefore, go and disciple all nations."

4. THE TWO-FOLD NATURE OF THIS CALL.—"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations." The marginal reading is "make disciples or Christians of all nations." This is one form of what has come to be known as "The Great Commission." The most familiar wording of it is found in the gospel of Mark. But it seems to us that the account given in our lesson is more virile and has more of the challenge in it than either that of Mark or Luke. It commissions us not just to preach, but to disciple, to evangelize all nations. We are to set forth on the conquest of sin. The Legions of Light are to march forth to defeat the forces of darkness. Such a possibility as this is enough to stir the martial spirit of any soldier of the Cross of Jesus Christ. It is an opportunity and an obligation to carry on a victorious campaign in every nation of earth. The other phase of the call is to teach the new converts to observe all that Christ has taught. This commissions us to start out and vanquish spiritual ignorance. It is just as essential to instruct the nations as to how to live the Christian life as it is to bring them to the Christ. There must be the teaching ministry as well as the evangelistic.

5. THE PROMISE FOR THE CALL.—Christ was demanding much of His disciples and that on the eve of His departure. How could His followers disciple all nations without Him? He had been their comfort and support through many months and even into the years and without Him surely they could do nothing. But the Christ was leaving only that He might come again. He would return again immediately in the person of the Holy Spirit. Then He would remain with them always, even unto the end of the age. With His mighty spiritual presence they could undertake the task which confronted them. The Holy Spirit would empower them for service, for the conquest of sin and teach them all things or guide them into all truth in order that they might rightly instruct the new believers.

Questions for Discussion

1. Why did Christ give the Great Commission in Galilee instead of Judea?
2. Briefly give some of Christ's other mountain experiences.—Matt. 5:1; 14:23; 17:1, 2; Luke 21:37.
3. Declarations as to Christ's power outside of the one in the lesson.—Matt. 9:6; Luke 4:36; Jno. 10:18; Matt. 7:29.
4. The Great Commission in Mark 16:15, 16 and Luke 24:47. Compare these with the form in our lesson.
5. The promise: "And, lo, I am with you always" fulfilled in the descent of the Holy Spirit.—John 16:7; 14:26; 16:13.
6. Have someone discuss the achievements for God on a present-day mission field.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY AT GAGETOWN, MICH.

We have just organized a Young People's Society with Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Ling as our pastors. Mrs. Archie Ackerman was elected President and Mrs. Ling Vice-President. We have five full members and twelve honorary members; seven of which are Christians but we are believing in the Lord for the rest of them to be saved. We plan to follow the Topics in the HERALD for our Sunday night meetings. We shall have our business meetings and social times every second Thursday of each month.

We are going to do all we can to increase the membership of our Society and to get souls saved. We are going to make it by the help of the Lord just what He would have it to be. We will gladly accept any help that anyone can give us.

— FLORENCE WARE, Reporter.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY AT FLOWER MEMORIAL, ST. LOUIS, MO.

The Flower Memorial Nazarene Young People's Society has purchased "St. Louis" for Peru. Some time ago Brother Rademacher of Peru conducted a service for us, telling of his experiences in Peru, also how many more souls they could reach, and how much quicker they could travel over the mountains and rough places if they had mules to carry them. Our young people have purchased a mule for the missionaries in Peru, and named him "St. Louis," hoping and praying to have a little share in proclaiming the story of Jesus to the people of Peru.

— LOUISE ROSE, Corresponding Secretary.

EFFECTS OF BEING FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

By REV. HENRY BELL, Evangelist

Paul says in Ephesians 5:18, "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." He indicates that a Spirit-filled man acts in many ways like a drunken man. Of course, it is understood that there are also dissimilarities, but:

1. A drunken man is usually a slave to liquor. A Spirit-filled man is a slave to the Holy Ghost.
2. A drunken man, if drunk enough, is dead to the world. A Spirit-filled man is also dead to the world.
3. A drunkard craves more drink. A Spirit-filled man craves more of God.
4. A drunkard finds that his appetite for alcohol increases. A Spirit-filled man finds that his appetite for God increases.
5. A drunkard gets others drunk, and loves to do so. A Spirit-filled man gets others into the experience, and loves to do so.
6. A drunkard chums with his crowd. A Spirit-filled man chums with his crowd.
7. A drunkard is usually happy and sings and shouts. The Holy Ghost makes us feel like singing and shouting.
8. A drunkard does not fear man nor devils. A Spirit-filled man does not fear man nor devils. It will make a preacher brave enough to preach the truth, even though he knows it means he will lose his pastorate.
9. A drunkard is free with his money. A Spirit-filled man is always a great giver. Stingy folks are not Spirit-filled. This is a true test.
10. A drunkard is free from cares. And so is a Spirit-filled man. He ceases to worry over the fleeting things of time.
11. A drunkard is not easily sobered up. I have known them to be kicked down stairs and get up and walk away as drunk as ever. And a Spirit-filled man can be kicked and still have as much religion as when he began.
12. A drunkard can tell real whiskey. You can not fool him with "white mule" or cheap whiskey. And neither can you fool a Spirit-filled man. He can tell a "Tongues" meeting blind-folded, and he can also tell you blind-folded when he is in a Holy Ghost meeting.
13. A drunkard thinks he owns the universe. A Spirit-filled man goes him one better; he does own the universe. He is joint heir with Jesus Christ.
14. A drunkard's tongue is cut loose. He is not afraid to talk. And a Spirit-filled man or woman is not tongue-tied when it comes to telling what God has done for him.

HOW ONE WOMAN LEARNED A VALUABLE LESSON

MRS. Holcomb was in the midst of spring cleaning when she sprained her ankle. "A sprain like this is worse than a broken bone," grumbled the family doctor as he bandaged the swollen, throbbing limb. "I am not sure that you have not torn some ligaments loose. Anyway you are not to get out of bed for a week. I want this ankle kept perfectly quiet. And when you do get up—you must use crutches for another week, maybe two. I will send around a pair I have at the office," he said as he stood up to go.

Mrs. Holcomb closed her eyes, willing enough to lie quietly between the cool sheets of her own comfortable bed. She was still too sick and faint from the pain in her wrenched ankle to want to do anything else or to worry over the disordered condition of the house. But the next morning it was different. She was quite easy then, and able to think about her unfinished cleaning. It was very trying. Rugs had been rolled up, curtains put to soak, and furniture stacked in one room so that the floors in others might be varnished, and here she lay helpless, with no hope of being able to do any work for several weeks to come.

"You must make up your mind not to worry, mother dear; it is one of those things which can't be helped," Josephine had said as she brought in her breakfast tray. "I will be home early from school and with the cook's help will put down the rugs and move the furniture back and make things look as well as I can for the present."

Her mother knew that she would do the best she could, and Josephine was quite capable for a thirteen-year old girl. "The trouble is that whatever is done can only be a poor sort of makeshift until I am able to fix these floors where I scraped off all the old varnish. I wish I hadn't attempted so much this spring," sighed Mrs. Holcomb when Josephine had gone.

But great trials were in store for her for troubles seldom come singly. On the third morning of her stay in bed, her husband's old aunt who lived with them, was taken very sick. "Pneumonia, and her age very much against her," said the doctor. "I will call a trained nurse for she must have the most careful attention."

Thus it was that the already upset house was turned into a hospital. One or the other of Aunt Emma's two nieces were there all the time. Extra work and the confusion made the cook cross, who threatened daily to leave. "She was tired of having people bother her in her kitchen, that trained nurse particularly," she declared. And Mrs. Holcomb helpless on her bed, hearing the opening and closing of doors, the sound of feet going to and from the bath room and kitchen at all hours of the day and night, groaned in spirit. "How dreadful to be laid up at a time like this! O, if I were only able to get up and take charge of my household once more," she said to herself over and over each day. One morning opening her Bible for her daily scripture lesson, she came to the 16th chapter of John. The last verse read like this: "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

Mrs. Holcomb had read that verse many times: she could repeat it easily from memory, yet today it caught her attention as if she was hearing it for the first time. "In the world ye shall have tribulation," she said thoughtfully. "Why Jesus must have meant that as long as we were in this world we will be having things to annoy and fret and oppose and try us. And He doesn't promise to take them away. No.—He says emphatically that we shall have them." Yet He declares just as emphatically that we shall have peace, also. I am certainly having tribulations just now, O, not big ones but anyhow it is the little annoying things of ordinary life which

THE HOME

Conducted by MRS. J. T. BENSON

try our Christian patience most sorely, but I haven't this peace."

She stopped to read the verse again slowly and carefully, and then the light of understanding began to dawn in her face. "Why, I have been worrying over my tribulations, and longing to get rid of them though I knew there was no chance of that for days and maybe weeks to come. But until I could, until things sort of quieted down about me, I didn't suppose there was any chance of my having a peaceful, restful spirit within. But Jesus is telling me here that I may have peace even though I am not delivered from the tribulations; that it is possible for me to have it in the very midst of them."

She laid the Bible upon the table by her bedside and closed her eyes, and in that quiet hour Mary Holcomb found a victory she had not known before. It wasn't that her surroundings were changed, the spring cleaning was still unfinished, there was sickness, and there were

IMPOSSIBLE!

"Impossible," you say? Nay, nay, my friend!
That is a word for weaklings, not for men.
Ev'n now let prayer unto your God ascend
For overcoming faith, and grace—and then,

Lift up your eyes, lift up your heart, and go
In God's Almighty to attempt the task.
Believing this: Yea, this thing surely know,
Your strength is measured by the things ye ask!

No thing's impossible that "ought to be!"
Though, if you say so, you'll be reckoned odd
By worldlings, who but worldly factors see,
And, oft as not, forgot to count in—God!

—R. AMBROSE ROBERTS.

the outsiders in her home at that most inconvenient time, the cook was cross, and she herself disabled. But peace is not to be found in the absence of annoying things, it is in Jesus and He is greater than the trials; greater than the world itself. That is why He says to His children, while here in this wicked godless world ye shall have tribulations, but be of good cheer, I, your Lord have overcome the world.

Do we believe it? When things go wrong, and people are hard to put up with, do we frantically set to work to get rid of the unpleasant surroundings as far as possible, or have we learned the quiet truth that our peace is not dependent upon circumstances which we can control, for it doesn't rest there anyhow. It is to be found in but one place in the universe and that is in Jesus.

THROUGH FATHER LOVE

Gipsy Smith tells of this incident which occurred in one of his meetings. He says: "My greatest victory was won through fatherhood. I was scheduled to speak in Northampton, England, and an audience of fifty thousand gathered to hear me, drawn more by curiosity than by religious interest. The atmosphere of Northampton is infidel; it is a hot-bed of atheism. My reception was anything but assuring; but I had a mission there, and I was in to win. When I mentioned the name of Jesus, they shouted and raved like mad men. The frightened committee of managers urged me to give up. But, no; here were men who needed the Word of the Master; so I started to sing a hymn, and my choir followed. After forty minutes there was

a slight lull; so I stopped my song and shouted, 'God loves you in spite of yourselves!' and that was my text. I singled out an old man in the front row and said, 'Are you a father, sir?' He said he was, and I asked him how many children he had." "A daughter and two sons," he said. "I have also," I replied. "And are your sons good?" I asked. He hung his head and was silent. "Are they good?" I repeated; and he raised his head and said falteringly, "No, one is a drunkard and a thief and has broken my heart." "You do not love this son?" I accused him. He looked straight into my eyes and said slowly, "Yes, in spite of it I love him." "And God loves you in spite of yourself," I answered. Through a parent's love I snatched victory from defeat, and led a glorious revival in infidel Northampton.

A LABOR OF LOVE

All our words are formed by combinations of some of the twenty-six characters which make up our alphabet. The Chinese language has a new character for every word. A missionary among the Chinese needs to have a vocabulary of at least five thousand words. Can you imagine how difficult must be the task of mastering five thousand characters, many of them, of course, but slightly different from one another? Milne, Morrison's first colleague in China, said that "To learn Chinese is the work for men with bodies of brass, lungs of steel, eyes of eagles, hearts of apostles, memories of angels, and lives of Methuselahs!" It was a capital crime in Morrison's day for the Chinese to teach their language to "a foreign devil," and one of his teachers always carried poison with him, which he intended to take should his work be discovered. Yet under difficulties such as these Morrison succeeded in compiling his Chinese and English dictionary, a work of forty thousand words, which cost sixty thousand dollars to publish. What a labor of love!

WHAT NAPOLEON COULD NOT DO

Jehovah thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." A Brooklyn preacher once said, "Napoleon Bonaparte claimed that his presence on the battlefield was equal to that of one hundred thousand men. But Napoleon needed to be on every battlefield in order to win. When the news of the disastrous naval battle of Trafalgar reached him, he simply said, 'Well, I cannot be everywhere.' But it is not so with God. His saving presence is with His people everywhere, in every contest for the truth, in every fiery furnace of trial, to give them victory.—Selected.

Much of the prosperity of this nation is due to the family prayers which were once held in the homes of our fathers. To a large extent this custom has gone by. Whatever the arguments pro and con may be, the fact nevertheless remains that such family prayers nurtured and developed these spiritual resources to which the prosperity of the nation is due.—ROGER W. BABSON.

On every package sent out by a certain printer in a large city is an impressive trade-mark. It is simply a circle within which is his name and the words, "I never disappoint." Every promise of the Lord ever made to His people might have borne that legend.—Selected.

The Bible has been printed in 360 different languages, and within a century over 200,000,000 copies of this Book have been sent forth.—Kingdom Comments.

HIS PEACE

"Like a river glorious,
Is God's perfect peace,
Over all victorious,
In its bright increase,
Perfect, yet it floweth,
Fuller every day,
Perfect, yet it floweth,
Deeper all the way."

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats

Beloved Samaritans:

WE greet you this week again from the Western Front. We have just closed a great Bible Conference in the First Church of the Nazarene in Pasadena, California. As you know, Rev. U. E. Harding is the pastor of this growing and flourishing church. Brother Harding now has one of the largest congregations in our entire connection. He is a beautiful pastor, loyal brother, a fine companion, and one of the most interesting men you will meet in a generation. He secured this great Bible Conference to be held in his church through Rev. George Kunz. As many of the readers know, Brother Kunz is the President of the National Association for the Promotion of Holiness with headquarters at Syracuse, N. Y. He had as his associate Rev. Joseph H. Smith and our Brother Cecil Troxel the returned missionary from China who is at the head of the National Missionary work in that country. They secured the help of this old soldier as one of the workers. As this was a regular Bible Conference standing for the fundamentals and old time heart-felt religion, this was a most interesting and unique conference. For six days we had three services a day and many interesting speakers. Brother Joseph Smith spoke once a day and this writer spoke once a day and Rev. George Kunz preached once and Brother Troxel preached once; then we had such men as John Hatfield, Frank Stevens, C. E. Roberts, Dr. G. L. McLaughlin, C. H. Babcock, E. A. Girvin, Joseph Bates, Fred Suffield, and Rev. Winfred R. Cox, the General Superintendent of the Pilgrim Holiness Church preached one fine sermon in the opening of the Convention. The Lord greatly blessed Brother Cox in bringing a very great message. There was one fine message by a beautiful Free Methodist preacher from the Free Methodist School at Hermon. He brought us a very beautiful and strong message. We had with us a part of the time Rev. Paul S. Rees, who led in prayer and assisted in Conference work, and I suppose, at least, twenty-five Nazarene preachers, and also a number of Methodists. We also had with us, to make a nice speech and sing one of his songs the colored brother, Rev. C. P. Jones, the noted song writer. He sang for us his beautiful song, "I'm Happy with Jesus Alone." He is a very interesting and remarkable character.

We had unusually large crowds in the Convention. We had fine music by such leaders as Prof. Harry Wenger, Prof. J. E. Moore, and Prof. Lowman. We also had the Acolian Quartet. They ran up from Long Beach and gave us one afternoon, and they did some great singing. In addition to that we had the Emmanuel Male Quartet from Los Angeles. These young men are great singers. Our congregations increased until at times all the seats, both up-stairs and down, were taken, and standing room was at a premium, and this was one old-fashioned, purely Bible Conference. There was not one higher critic in the crowd, and not one Monkey-man, but every man rang clear on a whole Bible for a whole world, and a salvation from all sin for all men provided through the atoning blood of our crucified Lord. I am sure that the holiness

people are going to bestir themselves, and unite in a more close and compact relation to each other in order to stem the tide of Darwinism and Modernism which is nothing short of pure, simple religious infidelity, and the people that believe God and the Bible are going to have to unite in order to save themselves. These Bible Conferences should be held throughout the length and breadth of the United States; and each church that believes in holiness ought to plan to have, at least one great Bible Conference within the next twelve months. They would not always have to secure some great evangelist but secure good home talent, and put on a week's conference on the fundamentals and full salvation. This can be done at a very little cost. The people who believe in the old Bible will come from all parts of the city, and they will all help to make the Convention a success with their presence, money and prayers.

The Convention in the First Church of Pasadena was well taken care of and during the six days thousands of people heard full salvation as set forth in the gospel sermons, and speeches on a whole Bible. Brother Harding secured Rev. E. G. Roberts and Prof. Lowman to continue this great Bible Convention for two weeks. It is now in session in full swing and their altars are lined with seekers—from twelve to eighteen in a service; so it shows you that the good seed was sown that is now bringing forth a great crop. If U. E. Harding can put on such a convention any other man in our connection can put on one. Of course it might not be as large as the one in Pasadena, but it would be useful and beneficial, and a great blessing to the people; so why not get busy and see that every body in town that will have anything from God at all has a chance. In many of our great churches they scarcely hear anything but tad-pole and monkey-men and hot air and poison gas; so it is up to us to give them a whole Bible and a full gospel. Will we do it? I believe we will.

I want the good Samaritans to know that I did my part in getting subscribers for the HERALD of HOLINESS during the six days. I put the HERALD in some forty odd homes. We are now pressing forward for our twelve hundred that we told you in our last letter we thought we would have by the time that letter was in print, but if we don't we will be so close that the Devil will think we are going to get it. Let all pray that I will get my two thousand by the time the District Assembly meets which is June 10th. The Samaritans will remember that I asked you in my New Year's letter for every faithful Samaritan to send at least one name and at least fifty cents to the HERALD of HOLINESS. Good Samaritans, please do this. You can spare fifty cents and send the HERALD for five months to some widow, Orphan's Home, Rescue Home, Hospital, Jail or Penitentiary, or to some charitable institution. See to it that you do this at once. We ought to have fifty thousand subscribers to the HERALD inside of another year.

Ten thousand blessings on the good Samaritan family. Will have more to say next week.

In love,

UNCLE BUDDIE.

WESTERN OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

I have visited practically all the churches on the District since the Assembly and have found our people and preachers much encouraged to fight the battle against sin and Satan. Four new churches have been organized and we are just now getting ready to campaign in the interest of many more new churches. We have four District tents and we expect to keep them in continuous use through the summer months.

There have been a number of good revivals held already on our District and some in progress now that have resulted in the salvation of many souls and quite a few additions to our different churches. I have just closed a revival with our church at Lawton which resulted in quite a few cases of salvation and a good class of new members. This is

what we might call a home mission work. We have just taken possession of our new quarters there which we bought from our Methodist friends some time ago. The work has been under the care of Rev. John Seal for the whole period of its existence and it is largely due to his vision and faithfulness, with that of his wife's, that we have this good beginning for a church in Lawton. We have in our new property one of the best auditoriums that we have in the state and it will only be a question of a little while until we are going to have a strong church in Lawton. Our church property there is worth about \$10,000.

We have now a number of new churches in the process of erection and some just now complete. We feel that one of our greatest needs is well-located, well-constructed, commodious and capacious building

in which to worship. We have just now completed our new church at Erick, Okla. and we will dedicate the same within a few weeks. Waterloo and Waurika are in the process of building, if they are not now complete.

Let all our pastors begin to raise our "budget" where it is at all possible. Some of the interests of our church are being sadly neglected, we fear. Let us boost our missionary offerings for we are sorely in need and few churches are raising their "budget." It would be well for all the churches to put on a great rousing, rally-day, missionary program at which time you could raise a large part of your missionary apportionment. At all means we must not come behind this great and fundamental interest of our work. Let us keep on believing and looking for great revivals, for they are surely coming.

R. M. PARKS, District Superintendent.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

For the past four years there has been a steady growth in every line in the Southern California District, but truly this year has been a banner year. We have had some of the greatest revivals possibly in the history of the District. It seems as if our brethren are determined not to leave one stone unturned that might be turned to bring results, and God has certainly blessed their efforts and rewarded their faithfulness.

During the year we have had some of the best evangelists in the entire church in meetings on our District, among them General Superintendent Williams, the Fleming boys, A. G. Jeffries, C. E. Roberts, I. M. Ellis, Rev. A. O. Henricks, Rev. Fred Owen, and the always welcome Bud Robinson, and several others all of whose services God has graciously blessed.

We have built new churches, new parsonages, raised missionary money, church extension money, money for education, and have tried to do everything that the church desires to have done. Our people take delight in rendering every service to God that it is possible for them to render.

Pasadena University has had one of the best years in its history both spiritually and in point of good representation in their student body.

As we come along toward the close of this Assembly year, and begin to prepare for our Assembly which meets at Long Beach in their beautiful new sixty thousand dollar church, June 10-15, we are asking God to help us close up the year, which is the fourth year of our administration as Superintendent, and give us a great closing time preparatory to taking up the work of Missionary Superintendent to which we have been elected by the church. We solicit earnest interest in the prayers of every Nazarene that God may guide us and hold us steady in the carrying on of all the work which has been committed to our care.

Yours in the Master's service,

J. E. BATES.

IOWA DISTRICT MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Iowa District closed a rousing ministerial convention Feb. 29th with Rev. H. L. McKenzie, District Superintendent in charge. There was a good attendance of the preachers, and Dr. Reynolds, Senior General Superintendent was present the last day, and brought echoes from the south fields as well as stirring messages of truth. Our hearts were inspired and our visions broadened as God poured out His blessings through this great old saint of God.

A sermon was preached each morning at 11 o'clock and each evening an evangelistic service.

Rev. Edwards, evangelist with Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Childers from Ashland, Ky. as singing evangelists were in attendance. These as a party are now conducting an evangelistic campaign on the Iowa District under Home Mission supervision, and will be busy throughout the summer.

Mrs. Esther Williamson had charge of the music and was a great blessing to the convention in her management of the song services as well as in her singing. We were favored with songs by Rev. and Mrs. Borton of Cedar Rapids, Rev. and Mrs. Childers and a mixed quartet composed of Mrs. Williamson and Dobson and the Rev. Childers and Dean.

On Tuesday morning 11 o'clock Rev. Kinzie preached from the text 2 Cor. 13:13, 14, and welcomed the brethren. Tuesday afternoon the keynote of the convention was introduced, "The Old Fashioned Revival." Its greatest need and the plans to bring such to pass were discussed with enthusiasm.

Wednesday morning the discussion of the work of our young people was introduced by Rev. Alfred Christensen of the Muscatine Church. This was a profitable discussion. Rev. Kinzie preached from Matt. 28:19, 20 and read a part of John 21 in con-

nection. Wednesday afternoon the institutions of the Church were presented by the District Superintendent. He urged each pastor to procure a Manual and an Assembly Journal and talk the working plan of the church wherever they go. The "Beautiful" HERALD OF HOLINESS must be distributed freely among the people, by pushing trial subscriptions, new yearly ones and handing out the paper freely. He declared further that Home Missions were absolutely necessary. We must have a strong home base and our preachers must have places in the ministry. The tents for summer work must be kept busy. Foreign Mission money must not be decreased, but other interests must not be neglected. Our people are faithful and full of sacrifice and do their best when they feel the need.

Thursday morning Rev. G. B. Williamson of Farmington, preached from 2 Tim: 2:3, 6, 15. "The Young Preacher and His Work in the Church." It was a masterful discourse. Thursday afternoon was a missionary service in charge of Rev. Mrs. Amy Dobson of Bloomfield, District President of the W. M. S. The discussion was opened by Rev. Maude M. Hume of Webster City, with a paper entitled "The Woman's Missionary Society as an Asset to Our Church." The hour was profitable in that the pastors were moved to push Woman's Missionary Societies more than they have been. Sister Dobson closed the service with a strong missionary message from John 10:7.

Friday was devoted to the financial interests of the District. Dr. Reynolds bringing the messages of the day in the morning and evening.

The devotional services were real spiritual uplifts and some great messages at the night meetings, by the pastors, Rev. R. R. Still of Sioux City, Rev. Ryder of Council Bluffs, and Rev. Craig Weathers of Chariton.

The spirit of the convention was, "On with the great work of God," and each pastor returned to his field of labor with a new anointing and purpose to serve his church more faithfully and work harder for souls.

The report of the Home Mission campaign showed gratifying results, and the Iowa District is moving on determined to take the hard old field for God and holiness. REPORTER.

OHIO DISTRICT

The work of our District is moving forward. We have had some very successful revivals. So far five new churches have been organized with two more in the making. We also have added four church properties and two parsonages to our list, for which we praise the Lord!

Rev. Howard W. Welsh, our District evangelist has been kept busy and at present he and Rev. A. M. Morehead are in the midst of a good home Missionary campaign in an opera house at Sidney, Ohio. We expect a new church from this meeting. Brothers Welsh and Morehead make a strong home missionary party, the Lord has greatly blessed their labors. We hope to keep them busy for we have many new fields to enter.

At this time we are calling the pastors for the coming Assembly year. We are glad to report that a great majority of our pastors are being returned for another year. Rev. Delaney, our pastor at Ironton, has enjoyed a successful year and will return. Rev. Bradford will return to Manchester with a raise in his salary. Rev. R. P. Fitch our pastor at Norwood, Cincinnati with his church has fought many hard battles and won many victories. Our new church property here is worth at least thirty thousand dollars and we have a good Sunday school and growing congregation. Rev. Fitch will return for another year. The work at Lockland has had a hard year because of the factory closing and our men being out of work. Rev. Clymer has labored hard and a good number of souls prayed through. Brother Clymer is not returning. The Chaffields at Hamilton have had a good year, but they have such a pull for the evangelistic field they have decided not to return. Rev. C. C. Hanks at Middletown, just closed a good revival in which he did the preaching and Professor Shell and wife did the singing. Rev. Hanks decided not to return to Middletown. At Franklin Rev. and Mrs. Brandenburg were returned for another year; at Dayton Rev. J. W. Henry has had a good year and his people called him for another year. Rev. Frank Watkin our pastor at Xenia is in the midst of a revival with Evangelist Bona Fleming. Rev. Watkin and his church have had a good year and we expect Brother Watkin to remain another year. Rev. Fogg our pastor at Columbus has had a good year and will return.

Rev. Stahl our pastor at Coshocton has just closed a revival in which he had 173 seekers, he will return. Rev. and Mrs. Landgrave have labored as pastors at Newark for the past six years but decided to make a change this year. Rev. Trumbauer

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON REFERENCE

MARCH 23. THE REIGN OF SOLOMON.

Lesson: 2 Chron. 1:7-12; 1 Kings 11:6-11.

GOLDEN TEXT: The fear of the Lord, is the beginning of knowledge. Proverbs 1:7.

Devotional Reading: Psalm 45:1-7.

MARCH 30. REVIEW: ABRAHAM TO SOLOMON.

GOLDEN TEXT: The Lord is merciful, and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. Psalm 103:8.

Devotional Reading: Psalm 138.

APRIL 6. THE KINGDOM RENT ASUNDER. Lesson 1 Kings 12:12-20.

GOLDEN TEXT: Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. Prov. 16:18.

Devotional Reading: Psalms 131 and 133.

our pastor at Marion will return another year. Rev. D. E. Miller at Mount Vernon will return. This work is growing nicely and by another year doubtless will have a new church to worship in. Rev. Charles Dye has been called back to Findlay. Rev. C. E. Herrell will return to Toledo. Rev. Hewey, our new pastor at Portsmouth has had good success and was called with a good raise in salary. In all, our work is moving forward to a good substantial way. We are planning to enter new fields this summer with tents and workers for the spread and conserving of scriptural holiness.

N. B. HERRELL, District Superintendent.

KANSAS PREACHER'S CONVENTION

The Annual Preacher's meeting of Kansas District Church of the Nazarene, convened at Hutchinson, Kas. Feb. 26-29 in the First Church of the Nazarene. The convention opened with a warm address of welcome by the pastor of the Hutchinson Church, the Rev. F. H. Bugh. This address was one, calculated to make every visitor feel at home and perfectly welcome to all that this splendid church could offer in the way of genuine hospitality. Rev. J. E. Kiemel, pastor at Wichita, responded on behalf of the convention, and made a very commendable address.

Rev. J. E. L. Moore and James E. Campbell, stopped over enroute to a meeting in Oklahoma. Brother Campbell brought several messages in song both at the church and in the chapel at Bresee Theological College, and these were received with great appreciation. Rev. Moore brought two very forceful messages. The Wednesday night service was crowned with a number of souls in the fountain.

The Woman's Missionary Society gave an excellent missionary program on Thursday night to a crowded house.

Rev. C. J. Garrett of Paola, Kansas and Rev. E. R. Shook of Ottawa, Kansas, gave a debate on Friday night. The subject was, "Resolved that Home Missions is More Essential Than Foreign Missions." Rev. Garrett took the affirmative and Rev. Shook the negative side. There were no judges. This discussion was carried on in a sweet-spirited way, and God's presence was manifest throughout the entire service. At the close of the debate, Rev. A. C. Tunnell, District Superintendent made a few remarks, exhorting all to greater zeal and devotion to the cause of the Missions, both Home and Foreign and closed with an earnest appeal for the unsaved to come to Jesus and the unsanctified to seek the Holy Ghost. This met with a hearty response and the altar was lined with earnest seekers and many happy finders.

Rev. E. P. Ellyson, President of the Bresee Theological College, gave an able address to the assembled preachers, both morning and afternoon. The morning remarks were confined to "Talks on Service" and the afternoon was given to "Talks on Doctrine." Dr. Ellyson endeared himself to everyone present by these masterful presentations of the sacred truth.

The papers, presented by various pastors, on, different phases of church work were all intensely interesting and very helpful. The fellowship manifested among those present was very beautiful indeed. The spirit of the convention was beautiful throughout. Not the least thing entered to mar it. Praise the Lord!

Meals were served in the College dining room. Our brothers and sisters at Hutchinson surely know how to entertain and make a fellow feel real glad he came. May God bless them real good.

God's blessing rested upon the entire convention. Many found the Lord. The preachers returned to their respective fields better equipped to serve their King, and all who attended feel that the Third Annual Preacher's Meeting of the Kansas District was one long to be remembered as one of the truly bright spots along the journey of life.

W. A. MENNEKE, E. R. SNOOK, Reporters.

INDIANA DISTRICT

We praise God for His many blessings to us here in Indiana. We are in our fifth year, and in many ways this is proving to be our best and we are expecting the Lord to lead on from victory to victory. A glorious revival spirit is on, pastor, evangelists, and churches which has resulted in many Holy Ghost revivals, and in many places substantial gains on all lines. Much of our work is new and with eighty churches and trying to open up other places, we can't stop long in a place, but in hurrying from place to place God has put the glory on and we have seen many seeking and finding the Lord in pardon and holiness. Our pastors are on the job, most of them keep a revival spirit on their churches constantly with souls at the altar in regular services and shouts of victory. Praise God for a church that stands for an open altar and the glory on the year around.

Brother Pendry at Dunkirk and his good people have recently purchased property, that is used as church and parsonage. The new churches at St. Bernice, Brazil and Oatsville are nearing completion. The new church at Patricksburg is about finished and they are in a splendid revival with Brother Morgan as evangelist. Rev. C. W. Henderson of Olivet is preaching for our new class at Cates, Indiana where Brother Roy Towel had a splendid revival and a nice class was organized. Just recently Brothers Wilson and Winger as pastors at Bicknell and Spencer had a great revival at Stinesville, Indiana and a new church of forty-five members was organized. Rev. Mrs. Grace Boiliff of the Free Methodist Church assisted in the meeting and cast her lot with us and has accepted the pastorate, and it looks favorable for a strong work there.

We recently spent ten days at Olivet at our annual board meeting, and assisting in an old fashioned revival. Brother James Miller had preceded us for four nights and God visited the school and community with Holy Ghost power and victory. Many prayed through to definite victory and we enjoyed our labors with them. Dr. Sanford is conducting a splendid school at Olivet. Brother Grose the pastor, Brother Chaffant, District Superintendent and many stood by us and helped to make the meeting profitable. A splendid board meeting and with T. W. Willingham as our new Field Secretary the outlook is hopeful for a greater Olivet. The Indiana District has twenty-two pastors who have been students at Olivet, and they are making good and building up our work.

Our annual preacher's meetings have in the past been highly favored by the Lord and we are expecting the Lord to meet with us and give us the greatest gathering Indiana District has seen at Seymour, Indiana, April 1-6. Dr. Hardy will give us many helpful messages, and an interesting and profitable program has been arranged. This is one gathering where our Indiana workers attend. Evangelists and visiting ministers are invited and will be given free entertainment. Rev. L. W. Collar the pastor and his loyal people will see that you are taken care of, so let us pray and come.

Time and space forbid me to write of all the churches visited since our last report and the many scenes of victory. We praise the Lord for it all and amidst the many duties and cares, we take time to pray and keep the glory down on our own souls, for without the anointing of the Lord, we are failures.

J. W. SHORT, District Superintendent.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT

We are still pressing the battle in Tennessee. The winter months have been bad but little has been done except the regular work of the pastors. However, we have had some good revivals in a few of our churches. The Erin Church has had a splendid revival with the pastor, Rev. Robert Rawls doing the preaching and Miss Essie Morris of Springfield, Tenn. leading in song. About twenty-five were definitely blessed and a good class received into the church. Rev. Rawls is one of our young pastors from Trevecca College; this is his first pastorate, and God is blessing his labors. Rev. A. J. Vallery, pastor at Memphis has had a great revival, with Evangelist J. E. Gaar of Olivet doing the preaching, Miss Essie Morris leading the music. Many souls sought and found Christ for either pardon or purity in this meeting.

About the first of the year our little church in North Nashville only about two years old, and worshiping in a rented building was sold out, with sixty days to vacate. We planned at once with the pastor to put on a two days' rally at which time we raised in cash and pledges the amount needed to purchase a lot on which to erect a new building. The members of the little church are all laboring people and are not able to make any large offering above current expenses, but they rallied

nobly at this time. On February 4th we laid the foundation of a frame building 32x50 feet. Almost all the labor was donated and having had experience as a carpenter I took charge of the building and spent twenty days in overseeing the work. On Feb. 29th, just twenty-five days from the day we began, we opened the new church for a two days' rally. The house was well filled at the first service on Friday night. On Sunday morning we had a great service and seventy-four were present at Sunday school. In the afternoon service Brother R. B. Mitchum of First Church took an offering of about \$400 on the new church. Rev. H. H. Wise, pastor of First Church, then brought a stirring message to the well filled house. Dr. C. E. Hardy brought the message at 7:30 which was a blessed service. The house was taxed to its capacity. The Home Mission Board is planning to open several tent meetings as soon as the tent season is on. We are in great need just now of means to secure equipment for our summer campaign. We hope the District will rally to Home Missions and give us a chance to plant some new churches this year.

Generally our District is moving on well. Almost all of our pastors are succeeding in their fields of labor. The Paris church has made a substantial addition to their building since the Assembly. Adding four Sunday school rooms, balcony, rearranging the rostrum and choir, and putting in a new heating plant. I was with the pastor one week helping to plan and arrange this addition. We are now in a revival at Springfield with Rev. J. D. Saxon, pastor. Brother Saxon has the hearts of his people and a beautiful spirit of harmony prevails. The revival starts off well. First Church of Nashville opens a revival with Rev. B. F. Neely of Bethany, Okla. as evangelist, on March 9th, West Nashville with Dr. C. E. Hardy on March 16th, hope they may have times of refreshing from the Lord. Our Preacher's Convention meets with the Clarksville Church April 9-13. Program is being arranged and all pastors are expected to attend. We say on with the battle.

W. F. COLLIER, District Superintendent.

MONTANA DISTRICT

Montana, geographically, is one of the longest states in the Union. The total land surface is 145,201 square miles. Its width is 275 miles from north to south, and 535 miles from east to west. It has a population of 547,393, besides 1100 Indians. The state is well watered, being the source of the Missouri, Yellowstone and Columbia Rivers, besides many other large streams. It has some of the most beautiful parks in the world. It has vast resources of timber and some of the richest copper, silver and gold mines in the world, as well as vast deposits of ore that is as yet untouched. It has some of the finest irrigation projects in existence, besides vast areas of pasture and land suitable for dry land farming; and while the country has suffered from drouth in the past, the farmers who are staying by are learning that the dry lands can be successfully farmed, and we predict that in the very near future Montana's population will double.

Now as to the religious conditions, when I say that Montana has been largely neglected as a field for holiness evangelism, I need say no more. Conditions are bad enough where holiness has been constantly and consecutively preached, but infinitely worse where it has not been preached.

When we accepted the District Superintendency for Montana, we began praying that God would give us \$5000 for the spread of scriptural holiness in the state, and aside from pastors established at Laurel and Billings when we came, we have at the present time expended \$5700 in new pastorates and evangelistic campaigns. We are now beginning a new church at Billings and another one at Elmdale circuit. The pastors have reported from time to time the evangelistic campaigns; compared with what ought to be done we have hardly made a beginning. We ought to have \$5000 for our summer tent meeting work alone. Where this is to come from we do not know, but we do know that the resources of our God are unlimited. Our little membership are under the load and lifting every pound possible. We need outside help but trusting in Divine Omnipotence, we are going on.

W. G. BENNETT, District Superintendent.

The gospel breathes the spirit of love. Love is the fulfilling of its precepts, the pledge of its joys, and the evidence of its power.—GARDINER SPRING.

In heaven we shall never regret any sacrifice however painful, or labor however protracted, made or performed here for the cause of Christ.—MARY LYON.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DAY

The General Assembly authorized a General Educational Day and asked the General Board of Education to designate the date upon which it should be observed throughout our church. So now in counsel with the General Board of the Church and with the General Superintendents, we have designated the First Sunday in May as General Educational Day throughout our church.

On this occasion our pastors, as far as possible, are requested to preach on the subject of Christian Education and to emphasize the purpose and importance of the work being done by the schools of our church. Every church should secure a supply of literature from the school of its own zone and should make intelligent distribution of such literature on the date mentioned and should endeavor by every proper means to turn the attention of our young people toward our schools and encourage them to matriculate in them as soon as possible.

Also, every church is expected to raise a certain amount for the educational budget for the school of its own territory. This budget takes the place of income from endowment, which none of our schools have, and is necessary to enable our schools to meet their current expenses. Please raise this budget on the first Sunday in May and send it on to your school at once in order that the year may be closed without a deficit. We expect our schools to operate on a cash basis and make the income each year take care of that year's expenses and it requires this budget from the churches to enable them to do this.

And on Educational Day we should all be reminded of any pledges which we may have made to our schools and we should immediately make the greatest effort to meet such pledges.

Let us all begin now to pray and plan to make May 4th truly a RED LETTER DAY in the interest of the eight schools of the Church of the Nazarene in particular.

JAS. B. CHAPMAN, President of the General Board of Education.

Among the Churches

NEW CASTLE, PA.

—We have just closed a great revival at the Nazarene Tabernacle here. It was the first meeting in our new building and truly it was a revival; one of the best we have ever been in, and we have been in some good ones. Such definite answers to prayer, such old time conviction; men held to the seats to keep from falling, and when they came to the altar of all the praying ever you heard they did it, but when they got through they knew it (and every one present knew it too) those scenes at the altar were undecipherable, such shouts of victory, such shining faces and such definite testimonies. Over 100 seekers at the altar; took into the church fourteen new members, some of the finest folks we have ever taken into the church. Rev. George and Effie Moore were the evangelists and they preached the old fashioned gospel, and it brought old fashioned results. This is their second meeting with us in this Assembly year, we thought the first was good, but this one far exceeds any that we have ever had. Our new building cost between seven and eight thousand dollars, seats 300 people, is located in the heart of town, only two squares from the main street. Crowds were good; on the last Sunday Sister Moore started to raise some money to pay for the seats, and never stopped until she had \$815.00 in cash and pledges. Folks helped us from all over town—Methodists, Christians, Missionary Alliance, Free Methodists, Wesleyan Methodists, and Primitive Methodists—they are giving hundreds of dollars on our new building. They not only come and enjoy the meetings, but they help pay the bills. It is surely a pleasure to labor with such a dear people. We have the finest band of young people I have ever met. The revival is still on, had seven seekers at the altar on prayer-meeting night, and thirty present at Bible Study Tuesday night. We thank God and take courage. —Sadie McNees, pastor.

HOQUIAM, WASH.

—We surely are glad to report victory here in the last year. Just closed a revival and souls are being saved and sanctified through the powerful preaching of Brother Charles Clark and Brother Mack M. Cahill. God is surely working, praise His dear name. Our little church was organized October 8, 1922 with eight charter members. We now have twenty-seven and more are coming. We have fought some hard battles but God has undertook for us and the Devil was defeated for which we give God all the praise. Our church is the only Nazarene Church in Hoquiam, Aberdeen or Cosmopolis but the Lord has promised us greater things. Praise His dear name, the walls will soon have to be pushed out.—Bertha Hazen, reporter.

PORTALES, N. M.

—We just closed a good meeting on the 5th of February with Rev. T. M. Scott evangelist. A number prayed through to good victory, thank the Lord; not as many as we had hoped to see, but there was great conviction, tall men wept all over the house. The convention that followed reaped some of the results of the meeting in which about ten more prayed through. Dr. John Goodwin did some great preaching and his talks to the ministry was great in every way. Portales was glad to have such a gathering as this in our city. We have five names for membership. Rev. Scott did some great preaching, mighty heart-searching messages and won a warm place in our hearts. Those that preached in the convention were Rev. J. H. Thompson, T. W. Scott, Florence Davis, and Rev. C. W. Davis, including three nights with Dr. Goodwin. Great conviction still on after the meeting, and convention closed and we are expecting great results yet. Over five hundred raised by the Portales church during the convention, all cash. Three hundred dollars raised on the pastor's back salary. —A. K. Scott, pastor.

PORTLAND, OREGON

—A most gracious revival campaign closed at this church on Sunday, Feb. 17th, amid scenes of great victory. Rev. A. O. Henricks and Prof. B. D. Sutton were the God-honored evangelists. This was our first opportunity to yoke up with these choice men and the relationship proved very delightful. Brother Henricks did some wonderful preaching that filled the long altar nearly every night, and Brother Sutton sang us almost into the glory world. There were some very striking cases of salvation, and the church has not only been quickened but will receive additional strength numerically. After having guided the destinies of this church through two strenuous years, I have considered it best to pass the reins over to fresh hands at the coming District Assembly, and have so notified the board. This is one of the great outstanding churches of our denomination and has a great career before it if it continues to walk humbly with God.—D. Rand Pierce, pastor.

PLEASANT HILL CHURCH, SYLVIA, KANSAS

—We can report victory in every department of the church here. God has some choice children at this place. They are great prayers, payers and liver. God is honoring us with His presence and we are believing him for one of the greatest revivals we have ever had. The revival spirit prevails with a true vision and burden for souls. Since our District Preachers' Convention at Hutchinson, we are more determined to keep on the firing line for Jesus and souls. Let us all be true to the vision of God.—S. H. Erwin, pastor.

MIAMI, FLORIDA

—We have just closed our third revival here this winter, two weeks with Dr. C. E. Hardy, five weeks with Rev. George Kulp and two weeks with Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Elsner. All of these meetings have been of divine order and with the stamp of the Holy Spirit. Mrs. Etta Hoffman of Philadelphia rendered invaluable service in the revival with Brother Kulp. All were held in what is known as the Nazarene Tabernacle in the heart of the city. The attendance was good when we take into consideration that the city has been full of meetings all winter, and the fact that we had just begun the work down town where a congregation had to be built. It is marvelous the way the Lord is blessing us. The work is really getting a hold and we are encouraged in the Lord. Keep praying. We will receive some new members from these meetings, sixty-five new subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS and other good results. In one very true sense of the word, if we preach to Miami, we preach to the nation. Mrs. S. N. Fitkin of Brooklyn. Dr. Reynolds and our District Superintendent M. M. Bussey are expected here this month. Dr. H. C. Morrison preached at the tabernacle last Sunday afternoon. It was a cyclone of love and tenderness. I never heard Dr. Morrison when he was better.—J. L. Roby.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.

—We are glad to report victory for the church here. There is a unity and fellowship and we are moving on. Just closed our revival. Rev. Jos. N. Speakes was the evangelist. His messages were deep and searching. A number prayed through to victory and the church was strengthened for which we give God the glory.—Ben Mathisen and wife, pastors.

LEWISTON, IDAHO

—The church here has enjoyed a seven weeks' revival, beginning December 30th, with the different pastors of the District. Rev. N. E. Franklin of Garfield assisted a few days, and his songs and messages were a great blessing to the saints. Then Brother C. U. Fowler, pastor of the Lincoln Heights Church, Spokane, gave us nineteen days of excellent service, and the results are far reaching. Some twenty or more were seekers, and some real cases of salvation. The pastor continued two weeks longer waiting for another evangelist; then we closed for a few days' rest, and the Lord sent us Brother J. B. McBride and Prof. B. D. Sutton for one week—that was a feast of fat things, and several seekers at the altar. We thank God for all that He has given us; a few have united, and others have assured us that they will unite soon.—C. B. Langdon, pastor.

HAWTHORNE, CALIF.

—We are now enjoying the spring showers that the Lord is letting come to mother earth, and also some blessed droppings of divine grace upon our church here at Hawthorne; for seldom we have a week but some one or more breaks through to victory and often at our regular services the power comes until the people shout for joy, and we are thanking God for a revival spirit continually with us. They are paving and widening the street in front of our church making it impossible to try to have special revival meetings but the Lord is giving us an increase of attendance both in our church services and Sunday school and they stay by us, and we are not sure but it is better in the long run to sail along with a gentle breeze, picking up here and there one, than to have a great storm followed by the relaxing and deadly calm that generally follows. For a small church we have the best altar workers that we have ever seen for they know how to pray seekers through and those that come to the altar are born alive, and we are looking for the revival to continue.—C. W. Welts, pastor.

VINCENNES, IND.

—We are again glad to report that the God of battles is still fighting for us. And with such leadership as Jesus, the Captain of our salvation, we see naught but victory ahead. Our work in every department seems to be advancing. The Sunday school went past the 200 mark for three Sabbaths. Our midweek prayermeeting of this last week (Feb. 27) had 114 in attendance. Our recent revival with one of the old Indiana boys was a grand success. With seven the day before he arrived we had sixty-eight seekers. One beautiful feature of the meeting was that it went fifty-fifty for pardon and purity. On last Sabbath evening we received six members in the church, making a total of ninety on the roll. With our meeting in April, John Fleming as evangelist, and J. E. Hughes in July, God helping us, we want to report 100 members at the coming Assembly. Pray for us.—Stephen C. Johnson, pastor.

PIONEER, IOWA

—The meeting here began February 1st and closed February 24th with Brother and Sister DeVoll as the evangelists. Bad weather and roads kept people from coming out, but nevertheless Brother and Sister DeVoll put their best in the meeting. Pioneer cannot cry out against them in the day of judgment. No converts but the saints were helped to higher planes. God bless Brother and Sister DeVoll in their labors and give them victory all along the way.—G. W. Dunbar.

MERIDIAN, TEXAS

—The work of the church here is being blessed of God and we are encouraged to press forward. We came to Meridian after the Assembly last November and found a fine class of people here. They received their new pastor with every courtesy and made us feel like we were really and truly welcome in their midst. We have had several treats this year so far, having had the pleasure of having Dr. J. E. L. Moore and his party with us for two services. We had to leave our church and go to the High School building to accommodate the crowds. Next came a visit from our much beloved District Superintendent Rev. W. E. Fisher. He preached for us several times and on Christmas day to the delight of all. It is needless to say that we are glad that Brother Fisher has come back home again for we

truly appreciate him as a great leader and man of God. Then a few days ago we had the pleasure of having with us our former District Superintendent, and pastor of this church, Rev. W. F. Rutherford. He brought us two great messages and God blessed the saints while he preached. We are always glad to have our brethren with us. The Young People's Society is doing fine work and we are delighted to have such a fine class of young people to work with. We have a great program outlined for the summer months. Our Sunday school is doing fine work under the leadership of Brother Jim Brown. We have fine crowds at our regular services. Lawyers, doctors, bankers and county officials came regularly to our Sunday services and we are delighted to have them worship with us. Our midweek prayermeeting is well attended and is a time of refreshing from on high to our souls. On with the battle.—Rev. Joe M. Tyson.

ANDERSON, IND.

—Just closed the greatest revival Sunday night. March 2nd in the history of the Nazarene Church here. Rev. John Fleming of Ashland, Ky. was the evangelist. As near as we could count there were some over 250 seekers at the altar, around chairs and in the seats. About sixty seekers the last night of the meeting. But a few chronic seekers in the whole meeting. The crowds were so great almost every night that we were greatly hindered in our altar work. We had the meeting well advertised, and on the first night of the meeting the house was packed, and was so throughout the whole meeting even on Saturday and Monday nights. Some said that there were 200 people turned away on Monday night when Brother Fleming gave his experience. At the time of this meeting there was a big tabernacle meeting in progress, which we feared would hurt our crowds, but there were plenty for both. Brother Fleming was a great blessing to our church. They love him and have called him for another meeting. Received fourteen new members into the church. This was a ten days' effort, and before it commenced we were fearful it would not be long enough. But we found out with much preparation in prayer, cottage meetings, services in the church and advertisements we could have a good meeting. Brother Fleming will do more in ten days than many will in three weeks. The evangelist presented me with a fine watch and also raised for us a \$40 love offering. The church presented him with a new suit and a good offering. We are pressing forward to greater things. Our Sunday school is growing and the attendance the last two Sundays has been over the 200 mark. Pray for us.—W. E. Albee, pastor.

ELKHART, IND.

—The Lord is with us and pouring out His Spirit upon us. Praise His name. Souls are being saved in the regular as well as in the special revival services. In answer to prayer God gave us an old time Holy Ghost revival Feb. 7-17. Deep conviction settled upon the people under the unctuous preaching of the Word by Rev. John Fleming, evangelist and Rev. Clyde Green, who assisted. Eighty-five souls sought the Lord. On Sunday afternoon Feb. 17th there was a union meeting of the Holiness

Churches of the city. Our present membership is seventy-three, the majority of whom testify to an experience of full salvation or are aspiring to its attainment. The preaching and prayer services are well attended and spiritual and participated in by young and old. The Sunday school, Young People's and Woman's Missionary Societies are increasing comparatively slow numerically, but new interest is awakened and spirituality is in the ascendancy. God has blessed with leaders who have the welfare of the work at heart. Our present pastor is Rev. Lloyd Montgomery, an uncompromising preacher of the Word which accounts for his flock being well fed. Sister Montgomery assists with the manifold duties of the pastorate being actively engaged in every department of the church work. Our church has worshiped in a hall since its organization in July 1919, but excavation is under way for a new church building which is to be constructed this spring and summer and ready for occupancy in September 1924, the Lord willing. It will have a seating capacity of 350 and the approximate cost is \$3000 for which all the money has been provided. We are looking and believing God for great things in the future, for our God is abundantly able to do more than we can think or ask.—Reporter.

SELMA, ALA.

—God has been blessing us all along the way, but for the past two months He seems to be blessing us in a special way. Our regular services are seasons of refreshings from the presence of the Lord. Souls are being saved, reclaimed, and sanctified around the altar, and the church is enjoying good victory in their souls. This is as it should be. Since the first of the new year we have been going each Sunday afternoon to some country school house or church for services, and God is blessing us in this effort to get the gospel of full salvation to the hungry souls in the rural districts. One Sunday afternoon there were five grown people prayed through in one service. And at another time two adults prayed through to good victory. Many of them have never heard a holiness preacher in their lives. So we are doing our best to get the message of holiness to them. We are planning and praying for the greatest year in the history of this church. Amen! On with the good fight.—R. S. Rushing, pastor.

ELLENDALE, N. DAK.

—That sturdy pioneer campaigner of the Dakotas, Evangelist Wm. Griffith, after closing a successful meeting at Dooley's Mission, Minneapolis, came to Hecla, South Dakota on the call of two women who had been praying for a revival. He opened Sunday evening, January 27th, after being denounced by a resident pastor as a ringleader of the church-breaking Nazarenes. The meeting ran for five weeks with wonderful success all through. There were fifty-three seekers, who nearly all prayed through to a definite experience, and several were definitely sanctified. Most of these were sinners who had not been attending any church. A Church of the Nazarene of twenty-nine members was organized, also a Sunday school with fifty enrolled the first Sunday and a Young People's Society. The writer has accepted charge of the class for the present in connection with his work here in Ellendale. The Lord has wonderfully undertaken for us, by having the theatre building with seating capacity of 300, turned over to us free of rent. We are just starting a revival here with Rev. Joseph Speakes, pray for us.—J. M. Butchart, pastor.

STAMFORD, TEXAS

—A new church was organized here February 24th. The meeting was conducted in the City Hall with Rev. L. L. Hamric as evangelist, and Prof. J. J. Douglas and Miss Ruth Lanier singers and Prof. Roscoe Carrell as pianist. The attendance was not as large as we expected on account of sickness and bad weather. We want the great Nazarene family to pray that God will help us, and give us a strong Church of the Nazarene at this place.—Rev. J. L. Bates, reporter.

WORTHINGTON, IND.

—Praise the Lord for victory through the blood. Just closed a good revival Feb. 10th, doing the preaching ourselves, with the exception of three services when Brother Wesley Martin preached for us. Great conviction held the people in its grip night after night! among others two old gray haired men of about seventy years of age were soundly converted, these two were worth the whole meeting. Members said this was the deepest meeting since the church was organized, to God be all the glory. We preceded this revival with two weeks of cottage prayermeetings, going from house to house, which is a good plan for any church. We closed this revival with the people still under deep conviction. We are putting on another meeting April 8th with evangelists J. E. and Ada Redmon.

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MT. VERNON, ILL.

—We are still holding on at this place. We have just closed our revival March 2nd, conducted by Evangelist J. E. Gaar. While the organization is new, and the real establishment of the work is newer we have every reason to be encouraged with the outlook. More than fifty seekers were at the altar during the two weeks of the meeting, and some old fashioned demonstration of God's power was witnessed in the salvation and sanctification of souls. The tabernacle could not hold the crowds of eager, attentive listeners from evening to evening. The messages both in the day services and at night could not be excelled. Evangelist Gaar as his many friends know, is no ordinary evangelist. As a Bible expositor he has few equals, and as for striking home the living, burning truth, he cannot be excelled. A splendid class of strong men and women will come into the church as the result of this clear forceful presentation of God's truth, and others whose confidence has been won are weighing the matter carefully. We have the promise of Rev. Gaar to return to us in the future and complete the work so ably begun and help to establish a work for holiness in Mount Vernon that will grow with the years. Our own hearts are singing praises to God and looking forward to the greatest days we have ever known.—Della M. Smith, Jonnie Dance, pastors.

CHICAGO, ILL., FIRST CHURCH

—We celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of my conversion last Sunday March 2nd. A great day, great crowds, great results. Brother George Benson had over forty boys in the brass band, Mr. Creel, leader. Seventy-five in the chorus choir, Emma Berry and Bess Houseworth have built up a fine choir. This is the second time within a month we have had to open the big double doors to accommodate the crowd. You who have been in the First Church know what that means, we received sixteen into the church, altar services at both morning and evening meetings. Fully two-thirds of our congregation is made up of men, as fine a crowd of men as ever graced a church board stand back of the preacher as a unit. Our young people conduct a Bible class every Tuesday night with Rev. Lawrence Howe of Harvey, Ill. as teacher. They are taking a regular Bible course, this Bible class which begins at eight o'clock is preceded by an old fashioned class meeting, sixty-one present last Tuesday night. God is with us, we are encouraged.—W. G. Schurman, pastor.

POST TEXAS, GRASSLAND AND LYNN CHURCHES

—These are blessed good days, the Lord is giving us some splendid surprises, our crowds are doubled and we have conversions and sanctifications in our regular services. We took in fifteen new members and have a great revival on now at Grassland with Brother J. W. Hipp. Seventeen prayed through the first week and we expect several new members from this meeting. We continue another week with large crowds, they gave the evangelist \$200.00 the first offering and there is more to come. Well praise God the church is in better shape than it ever has been since its organization. They are standing by the pastor. Brother and Sister Ralph Nill are conducting a revival at Lynn Church March 14 to 23rd, we are expecting great times. The church is ready for the revival as they are prayed up in good shape. The Lord is certainly giving us a good crop of young preachers to preach holiness. Well amen and amen we feel like traveling on. Pray for us.—C. C. Montandon.

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The General Home Missionary Board fully endorse the efforts that are being put forth on these Districts, and if they had the funds they would gladly furnish the tents. Notwithstanding there is no money in the general Home Mission funds for this special need the General Superintendents feel that the opportunity for opening up evangelistic work in this great Southeast country should not be allowed to go by for want of equipment placed in the hands of these worthy Superintendents; therefore, we would suggest that anyone who is interested in getting people saved and sanctified in this great Southeast needy field, and can do so, send in funds to the General Treasurer, E. G. Anderson, 2905 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, to purchase one or more of the above named tents, or if they cannot buy a whole tent send such amount as they may feel led of the Lord, and it will not only be greatly appreciated but appropriated to the object given.

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BROOKLYN, N. Y., G. E. MILLER CHURCH

—We are praising God for victory through the blood of Jesus, though the enemy seems most persistent. On Sunday evening Feb. 3rd our Sister Fitkin brought the Word full of the Spirit and power and six souls sought salvation from sin. Our offering for some time has been comparatively low, and a special request was made for an increase beginning that Sunday, resulting in a doubling of the previous Sundays. Our gracious Lord has promised to repay us bountifully for our efforts and to our joy and thankful praise the above was the recompense. Our sister again preached on Sunday the 10th at 8:00 p. m. and took as her text, "What shall I do with Jesus which is called the Christ?" She preached the unadulterated Word, portraying Jesus' infinite love and pity, and the Lord blessed her efforts with the conviction of four souls, two backsliders, one seeking sanctification and one salvation from sin. We praise the Lord for saints like our sister and request the prayers of the entire Nazarene family for our work here. Hold on to the Lord for a great revival in our midst.—L. C. Wallace.

Gleanings From the Field

GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA HOME MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN

The battle is the Lord's. He has greatly helped us in this six weeks' campaign. An old fashioned break came in the revival last Sunday night, at the end of the fourth week. The dear Lord helped me to preach on hell. The Holy Ghost made the truth to break up the people. The altar was filled and a glorious scene was manifested until nearly midnight. The membership of the little church has nearly doubled during the revival and the end is not yet. Pray for us.—M. M. Bussey, District Superintendent.

NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED NEAR EDMUNDS, N. D.
Rev. Ernest Coryell, an evangelist on the Minneapolis District, recently held a revival in the Methodist Church at Bethel, near Edmunds, N. D. There was an unusual out-pouring of the Holy Ghost on the people, and some blessed victory was witnessed. This Bethel Methodist church has seen some displays of spiritual power in other days and has had some spiritually minded pastors in its day. Ira E. Hammer, now secretary of this District, was once pastor here. Rev. A. M. Wiley, now teaching in the Jamestown, N. D. Holiness Academy, was also on that field in the early days as pastor. Rev. G. A. Finch, now pastor of the Jamestown Nazarene Church was once a successful worker there. Of late times the cause has not prospered till Evangelist Coryell came in. As a result of his meeting, a

Church of the Nazarene was organized March 4th and a pastor, Rev. Ernest E. Kinsler, was installed. The old timers are again hopeful of a really spiritual church and the new converts are anxious to push the battle for holiness.—J. G. Morrison, District Superintendent.

MIAMI, FLORIDA

A few days ago witnessed the closing of our campaign in Miami, Fla. with a day of salvation. We feel confident that the best days for the church at Miami are dawning. Due to the faith and efforts of Brother Roby the old Strand Theatre in the center of the city was rented and the Ebenezer raised over the door—"Nazarene Tabernacle." A siege of salvation was next planned with several workers, extending from November to the end of February with practically a meeting every night in that period. Surely only a devoted and consecrated people would stand by an effort of this sort, but they have and did—prayerfully, faithfully and financially. This siege has had its effect. One night seven men led the way as seekers to the altar. The last night the altar was too small to accommodate seekers. Even the editors of the daily papers appeared willing to assist in advertising. One of them wrote a very fine article eulogizing Brother Roby, for the Lord is truly using him to develop a strong Nazarene Church in Miami. When this is fully accomplished our church at large will be benefited, and it will be the means of helping to bring forth new churches elsewhere. Best of all they are not planning to quit, but already are engaging workers for next year and formulating plans for the future and a larger church building. When you pray, remember Pastor Roby and his devoted people at Miami who are determined to stay red hot in the Mecca of the South.—Theo. Elsnor.

SHELBYVILLE, IND.

Closed a great meeting with the Altus, Okla. church, about seventy seekers, most of whom got through. I think they will get at least fifteen members for the church. A nice list of subscriptions for the Herald sent in by the pastor. Oh, how I enjoyed working with Pastor R. R. Richie. He is one of our best pastors, wide awake to every interest of the church, along with his good wife. They are making things move for God. We had a nice cash love offering for Sister Richie. God bless the pastor's wives; let us not forget them. Our fellowship with the saints there was blessed. A great opening here. Amen. Our God is able.—W. E. Ellis, evangelist.

PANA, ILL.

We are in a very good meeting here in Pana, a new Home Mission field. While the vacated church is quite far out, yet we have had a splendid hearing and the largest attendance they have ever had in this part of the city. The truth is gripping the hearts and conviction is heavy on many. Some are seeking God and praying through to a real victory almost every night. We are praying for a real break. We close March 10th. And believe we will soon have a Church of the Nazarene in this needy place. We go from here to Mannington, W. Virginia March 13-30th, and desire the prayers of the saints that we may see a real time of salvation in our church at that place. Victory ahead in Jesus' name.—Theodore and Minnie Ludwig.

ASHLAND, KY.

Have just closed a wonderful meeting at Elkhart, Ind. with Brother Loyd Montgomery as pastor. He had everything ready and the fire fell the first night, and not only the first, but every night. The altar being lined almost every night, we finally had to use the front seats also. The last Sunday afternoon, several of the churches united, and we sure had a real union meeting. The fire fell, the altar lined, and we had Pentecost for awhile. Pastor and all

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FERGUS FALLS, MINN.

Just closed quite a good little meeting for our people of Fergus Falls, Minn. Some good salvation work was accomplished, not all we hoped for, but we praise God for work that we believe will stand when the world is on fire. We have only a small class here, but they are heroic, and hopeful. Brother and Sister Mathisen, the pastors are true blue and working hard to see a strong work established. And the Lord is honoring their labors of love. When once they get housed in a building of their own the work will go forward with vigor and victory. They have purchased a lot and small house in the center of the city, and have fixed the house up in nice shape for the pastors a home, and also arranged it so they are using a part of it for the regular services. Though small it is serving them fairly well for the present. They hope to build this year. I return to them in May for a camp meeting. This meeting we trust will put them on their feet in good shape. God bless them. Starting off with good promise at Ellendale, N. Dak. One of the most promising beginnings that we have had. Am here over the 16th of March, then home and a great campaign with our Kansas City, Kansas people. God is owning and blessing my labors in the evangelistic field. To him be all the praise.—Jos. N. Speakes.

CRESTVIEW, FLA.

Rev. C. H. Lancaster assisted the M. E. pastor and me in a meeting here beginning on the 22nd of January and the meeting continued for about two weeks; some fifteen or twenty offered themselves for prayer and the church people were greatly benefited by Brother Lancaster's good sermons. Then the same day our meeting closed the Congregational Church people began a meeting with Dr. Ralph Gillam of Atlanta, Georgia who is a very able speaker. Their meeting ran for two weeks. They had a few additions to the church and upon the whole the four weeks' meeting was a great uplift to the people of this town.—J. E. Brasher, evangelist.

SALEM, MICHIGAN

The last three weeks with the German M. E. Church at Salem, Michigan were days of blessed victory. I do not know a more spiritual Methodist Church or one with more fire than this one. They wept and prayed and shouted until the fire fell. We found that 163 had been seekers at the altar counting them as they came. Whole families were saved and sanctified. A number of family altars erected, several pledged to tithes their income and twenty-four young folks dedicated themselves for life service. We return for November 1924. I have an open date in December. The dear Lord is blessing us in His work, and we are rejoicing on the way. We are starting well here with the folks at Britton, we go from here to Eagle, Michigan then home for a few days before beginning a busy summer. Brethren pray for us.—J. E. Williams, evangelist.

NOME, ALASKA

Some months ago the Lord called our attention to Home Missions in this country, and after weeks of waiting upon Him in secret and in fervent prayer with the saints of our home churches at Pasadena, Calif. we were directed to this place and are still praying mightily and working for an old time Holy Ghost revival, and which we believe is coming. We have the privilege of preaching often in the Eskimo Methodist and in the Congregational Churches and helping in prayermeetings and the Sunday school work. We are urging the two pastors of the Christian people to engage in effectual and fervent prayer for a great union awakening here in this old sin cursed, deluded and hell bound community. The Holy Spirit is honoring our work in distributing tracts and papers, etc., and in house to house labor among the unsaved and we believe in time He will permit us to open up a full gospel mission here. We need a few fire baptized, holy Spirit-filled workers to help. There are hundreds of souls who will not come near a church that we must reach and save. The dear hard working Methodist folks have a great and intensely spiritual mission here among the natives, and a children's home for native orphans, and outside of the Sunday school of the other church there is not much done for the miners and the common people. There are some 500 white people here and in the summer months some 600 or 800 more, so it is a good field for mission work—about the same number of Es-

timos. I believe that the Macedonian call has gone out and the Lord is opening many doors, in this land which no doubt has a great future ahead. Then too, the call re-echoes from across the sea a few miles west of here, poor ignorant, deluded and oppressed Siberia, which with Russia, we hope will soon be opened to the gospel, where thousands of precious souls are groping in heathen darkness. Oh, saint of God, let us bestir ourselves and wake up and pray as never before, that He will help us to raise up reapers. Amen.—Rev. F. R. Mathews.

SIGEL, KANSAS

I began revival services in Sigel the second Sunday in February and continued for two weeks. Part of the time the roads were almost impassable so that Sister Lienard the pastor who lives in Lawrence, could not be in the meeting except on Saturday night and Sunday and the people living in the close vicinity had a hard time getting there. It looked like the Devil was going to defeat us, in spite of all, but there are some great praying people in the Nazarene Church here, and we had a special day of prayer. The fire fell, and as with Elijah on Mount Carmel the singers fell and old time conviction was on and twelve men and women and young people prayed through to victory. Sister Lienard announced service for Monday night following with a view of continuing the meeting. Sister Lienard is one of the strongest lady preachers of the Nazarene movement and wonderfully gifted in song, which often bursts forth in shouts of praise. This is her third year on the Lawrence work, the people love her and she is leading them on to a better land.—Jerry Clevenger.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

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A sister from Texas desires prayer that she may be healed of rheumatism.

A father of five children, with an unsaved companion earnestly requests the prayers of the saints of God that he may be healed of tuberculosis.

"Pray for the healing of my body, as I am in very poor health. The 'flu' left me with one lung affected."—A sister, Okla.

Prayer is requested for a Holy Ghost revival to come to Saint Bernice, Ind. Special meetings are being conducted at this time.

"Pray that God will save my husband and two grown sons. Please help me to hold on to God for their salvation. I know He is able."—A sister, Calif.

A sister in Indiana desires prayer that she may be sanctified.

"I ask prayers for the complete recovery of my brother in Denver, Colorado who has a nervous trouble and high blood pressure, and that he may be cured of the tobacco habit."—G. B. C., Kansas.

"Please pray for the healing of my brother who is very seriously ill, and that I may meet the conditions of answered prayer."

"I wish to be remembered in the prayers of God's people, as I am not well in body."—Isabel Thomas, Iowa.

"Pray for my wife who fell with great force on the hard sidewalk several days ago and is still unable to walk."—J. H. Higgins, San Diego, Calif.

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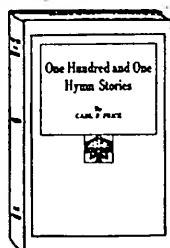
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A TESTIMONY

I promised the dear Lord when I was sick about three months ago if He would heal me I would testify of my healing through the HERALD of HOLINESS. About three months ago I was given up to die with heart trouble. I could not eat anything, could not be raised up in bed, nor take a drink. We called in the elders of the church according to James 5; they anointed me and prayed for me and the blessed Lord touched my body and helped me, but the next morning I was much worse. "According to our faith so be it unto us," it seemed to me that my breath was about gone, yet I knew everything. I saw my dear husband coming up close to my bed with his eyes full of tears, I felt so sorry for him; he fell on his knees and began to plead with the blessed Lord to heal me. I had been trying to pray for my healing but hadn't any burden and hardly any breath but when my husband began praying so earnestly for God to heal me, it gave me some burden to pray.

We kept holding on to God till, praise His blessed name, He heard and answered prayer and healed me instantly. I leaped out of bed and went from room to room and shouted and praised God till I felt satisfied. They said the color in my face was gone and it looked almost impossible for me to get well, but thank God there isn't anything too hard for Him. After I got through shouting and praising God for healing me I dressed myself and went in the kitchen and cooked my breakfast and ate heartily. The Lord has been so good to me that I can never praise Him enough. He has healed me several times and He saves and sanctifies me, how I praise His blessed name, He is all the world to me. —Mrs. M. Moore, Pasadena, Calif.



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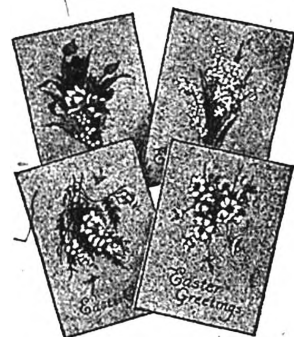
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Notes and Personals

Brother J. McCleod, pastor at Dunfermline, Scotland writes of the blessing of the Lord upon his work there. He says: "The Holy Ghost is working here and we have a revival of interest in the church, and each week end this year has seen souls at the altar. Hallelujah! We are praying that the fruit may abide His coming."

Sister Hazel M. Schocke, wife of Rev. Albert J. Schocke, pastor at Bakersfield, Calif., who has recently undergone an operation for appendicitis is recovering nicely and will soon be able to return to her home. Brother Schocke is grateful for the prayers of the saints in her behalf.

Evangelist R. L. Morgan of Anderson, Ind. states that he has some open dates for summer campaigns and camp meetings this summer.

Evangelist Lee L. Hamric writes of a good meeting at Stamford, Texas and the organization of a new church there.

Rev. Wm. Griffith, evangelist of the Dakota-Minnesota District has recently held a five weeks' meeting at Hecla, S. Dakota. He reports fifty-two seekers and a new church organized with twenty-two members.

Rev. G. H. and Mrs. MacLachlan of the Michigan District, who have been in Scotland for some time, are conducting a three weeks' special meeting at our church at Ardrossan, Scotland.

District Superintendent Morrison writes that "as a result of a fine revival at LaMoure, N. D. a new church has been organized with fourteen members. This is a fine center for a great circuit. The new church has asked for a pastor and will endeavor to spread the holy faith up and down this great valley."

Brother Lawson Brown has from April 17th to May 11th which he could give to anyone needing a singer. His address is 600 Cypress, North Little Rock, Ark.

A new Church of the Nazarene has been organized at Weiser, Idaho with thirty charter members. The Sunday school starts off with fifty-nine in attendance. Brother George J. Franklin has been called as pastor and will remain with them until June.

Prof. C. C. Conley, song evangelist of Akron, Ohio has April and May open. His street address is 586½ No. Howard St.

TELEGRAMS

BEAUMONT, TEXAS
There will be a fifth Sunday group meeting for the south end of the Dallas District, beginning March 27th. All who are in reach be sure and attend.—J. E. Threadgill, reporter.

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Sunday closed the greatest revival in history of the local church, Bona Fleming evangelist and great soul winner. 250 seekers in two weeks, twenty-two received into church, others coming. Large crowds and people turned away. Forty at altar Sunday morning. Saints shouted and praised God all over the church. Pastor given fine love offering.—Pastors Frank and Marie Watkin.

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DANVILLE, ILL.
Pray for our beloved brother, Rev. T. H. Agnew, Waverly, Ill., who is very sick, and in a weakened condition, and is confined to his home, and is unable to get out.—E. O. Chalfant.

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Announcements

NOTICE: Rev. J. W. Purefoy, Mineral Wells, Texas an elder on the Hamlin District and District Colporteur, will be available for meetings any time, anywhere.

NOTICE—Preachers of the Tennessee District: Our Preacher's Convention will meet with the Clarksville Church, April 9-13. Dr. C. E. Hardy, President of Trevecca College, has been secured to give a course of special Bible lectures running through the entire Convention. A special program touching the various interests of our District is being arranged. Plan to come the first day and stay to the last service.—W. F. Collier, District Superintendent.

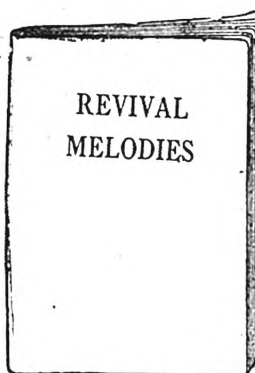
NOTICE: The Second Ministerial and Christian Workers' Convention of the San Antonio District will be held at the San Antonio First Church beginning Tuesday night March 25th, and running over the fifth Sunday. Let every one on the District attend that can possibly do so as matters of interest vital to the best of the work will be discussed. Free entertainment for all who will write and ask for it. Please advise if you are coming so that arrangements can be made for you. Address, T. W. Sharpe, pastor, 1816 N. Colorado St.

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