

"Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him" (Psalms 37:7). "For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength" (Isaiah 30:15).

Throughout the Word of God we find this clear implication of the deliberation of faith. For that one who truly and completely trusts in God there is a blessed absence of the need for hasty, impetuous, rash action. An impressive patience undergirds the soul. In such a faith the individual moves normally and unhurriedly to accomplish the will of God.

When the Israelites crossed the Jordan River, there is no indication of haste or worry. Apparently everyone involved moved at a normal

The Deliberation of Faith

General Superintendent Benner

pace. And as if to underscore this deliberate quality of faith, Joshua commanded twelve men to take a stone each from the bed of the river and pile them at the first camping place as a monument to the faith of the people. From a human standpoint it would have seemed the part of wisdom to get away from the threat of the collapse of that wall of water. But genuine faith made them fearless and unhurried.

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego had incurred the wrath of an idolatrous court and had come under the penalty of a burning death because they refused to worship the image of Nebuchadnezzar. Into the fiery furnace they "fell down bound." Instant death seemed certain, but strangely enough, they suddenly had become incombustible. Only their bonds would burn, and an astonished monarch declared, "Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt: and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." *Walking!* Good sense obviously would have sent them running for their lives. But there they were, strolling about in blessed fellowship with the Son of God. Deliberate faith!

And so it goes. It is the Master saying to His bewildered disciples, "Let not your heart be troubled." It is Paul, assured by an angel voice in the midst of the tempest, exhorting, "Be of good cheer: for I believe God." May our confidence in God be so complete that we too may know the deliberation of faith.



Telegrams . . .

Anadarko, Oklahoma-The tenth annual assembly of the Southwest Oklahoma District closed in a triumph of victory. Dr. Hugh C. Benner graciously presided. Superintendent W. T. Johnson re-elected with a good vote; Mrs. Johnson re-elected president of N.F.M.S. Love offering of \$700 presented to the Johnsons. Mr. and Mrs. Al Ramquist very ably represented the Nazarene Publishing House; 21,000 copies of the special "Herald of Holiness" ordered. District gave over \$56,000 for general interests. Rev. C. D. Gadbow re-elected church schools chairman. Seven men and one woman elected to elder's orders. Host Pastor Willie W. Voigt and host church cheerfully supplied accommodations.—Lavern S. Day, Reporter.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma-Bethany Nazarene College, under leadership of Dr. Roy H. Cantrell, began year with tide of victory in opening convention with Dr. Mel-Thomas Rothwell as special speaker. Five per cent increase in enrollment. Wonderful success in debt reduction campaign; goal for 240 services was \$130,-204.06; amount pledged was \$131,-335.11; eight districts yet to be covered. Future is bright.—Curtis Smith, Director of Public Relations.

Mrs. Eunice Williams, wife of the late Dr. R. T. Williams, general superintendent, died October 1 at Bethany, Oklahoma, at the age of seventy-eight years. Dr. Williams died in 1946. Funeral services were held at the Bethany First Church on Friday afternoon, with graveside services on Saturday morning in Green Lawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.

Word received that Evangelist Bona Fleming, retired Nazarene elder of Columbus, Ohio, died Sunday night, September 28,

Rev. Ira E. Miller, retired Nazarene elder of Coshocton, Ohio, died on Monday morning, September 22, as he was preparing to leave home to attend the Central Ohio District Preachers' Meeting.

After serving as pastor of the Elmhurst Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana, for five years, Rev. Virgil G. Meyer has resigned to enter the field of evangelism.

Rev. C. W. Grim has resigned as pastor of the church in Grandview,



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Washington, to accept the pastorate at Wasco, California.

Rev. Gene Fuller has resigned as pastor of the Streator, Illinois, church to accept a call to pastor First Church in Pensacola, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Townsend, for many years members of First Church of the Nazarene in Charleston, West Virginia, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on August 29, with a dinner given by a daughter. Brother Townsend joined the Church of the

Nazarene in 1929 and has been very active in the work of the church since that time.

After serving in the pastorate for more than ten years, Rev. Orville Firestone is entering the field of evangelism.

After more than six years as pastor of First Church in Indianapolis, Indiana, Rev. Clyde C. Dawson has resigned to accept a call to pastor First Church in Akron, Ohio,

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New Churches:

Fairview Boulevard, Hurst and Stinnett, Abilene District; Arab, Alabama District; Donald, Canada Central District; Portsmouth, Central Ohio District; Hoopeston Westside, Chicago Central District; Greenfield Second Church, Indianapolis District; Yale, Northeast Oklahoma District; Kingfield and Elwood, Tennessee District; Hampton, Virginia District; Colliers, West Virginia District; Federal Way Church, Washington Pacific.



Heavenly Harmony

What beauty comes to your mind when you hear the word "harmony"? If you are a music lover you will think at once of some classical masterpiece in which the composer has skillfully blended the sweet sounds of many instruments to make an exquisite harmony of sound. If the natural beauty of the world has a greater appeal, you will recall some breath-taking view where every shade of an artist's palette was combined with sunlight and shadow in unforgettable harmony of color. Perhaps you have the architect's eye for harmony of line and form, and the most moving beauty for you is the contrast of jutting rocks and the sweeping contours of freshly plowed soil. Whether of sound, color, or form, harmony is a quality of lasting beauty. But the sweetest harmony is not seen, nor heard, but rather experienced. It is the harmony of a soul in tune with God.

When a man receives forgiveness of sins and begins to walk in the direction of heaven, his heart rings with a new song. The soul which once was unresponsive now yields to the Master's touch and vibrates with praise unto God. All too soon, though, the soul is discouraged to find that the song lacks perfect harmony. There is discord of which he is conscious, sounding from the deepest recesses of his heart. The Scriptures make it clear why this is so. The "carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be" (Romans 8:7). This sin principle within is in antipathy to God's purpose.

There is no harmony between light and darkness, between right and wrong, between love and hatred, between holiness and sin. There can be no true harmony between a soul and God while the sinful nature has its place.

Anyone who has lived in a home where individuals pulled against each other knows the tension, the unrest, the frustration of a house divided against itself. How much greater is the discord when two opposing forces are resident within the human soul --the one seeking God's glory and striving after His will, the other actively opposing the Spirit's leadership! It was to deal with this source of inner discord that "Jesus . . . suffered without the gate."

His work on Calvary meant that repentant man could not only be forgiven his sins, but cleansed from all unrighteousness (I John 1:9). He that hungered and thirsted after righteousness could be

By MAUREEN BOX

Pastor's wife, Mackay, Queensland, Australia

filled because his heart was "purified by faith." "The God of peace, . . . through the blood of the everlasting covenant" (Hebrews 13:20) was indeed able to make His children "perfect in every good work to do his will." What harmony is this!

No wonder then that this work is spoken of also as a rest! Where there was inner striving and strain there is an unshakable calm, a "peace . . . that passeth all understanding." Where the old nature struggled against God's leadership there is an unquestioning acceptance of His will. Thus, inwardly transformed, the sanctified child of God is able to prove "what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Our Saviour, very God and very man, human as well as divine, proved by His perfect life that it was not humanity itself which opposed God but the sin which tainted it. Thus on the Cross was provided that uttermost salvation through which men might be purged from sin's stain and freed to serve God with their whole beings. Thus do we read Paul's prayer to the Thessalonian church: "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (I Thessalonians 5:23-24). Through the sanctifying work of the Spirit the whole being could be brought into harmony with God and an integration of personality around the divine purpose achieved, which could not otherwise be known.

It logically follows that if two beings are in perfect harmony with a third, they will find a harmony existing between themselves. Here then is another miracle. The work of sanctification transforms the relationship of the brethren. The Lord saw that only thus could the Church accomplish her mission and so He prayed: "Sanctify them through thy truth: . . . that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:17-21).

Thus the greatest testimony to a sin-weary world of an all-sufficient Saviour is a life lived in harmony with God and with our brethren. This harmony is ours as we experience the sanctifying grace of God. In a shrinking world we must either—



PERISH

By CHAPLAIN KENNETH B. MATHENY

Never before in the history of mankind have men thought in such global terms as today. Slowly we are learning as inhabitants of this little tennis ball that "we are all in it together." The vastly improved communication systems have made us aware of what is happening in distant lands. Just this past week in the American Pavilion at the World's Fair I stood watching the huge light board of the New York Herald Tribunal newsstand. Current world news flashed in lights across the board. Think of it! News of events happening all over the world was being shown thousands of miles away only a few hours later. Modern methods of transportation have greatly shrunk this planet. I read recently that the first practical application of rocket travel will be between Washington and Paris-a thirty-minute jaunt. One will climb into a small capsule at the Washington airport and thirty minutes later climb out in Paris (if there is no layover in Mars!).

In the past we have failed to recognize how interdependent we are as peoples of the earth. We have been like the Pharisees. When Judas threw down the thirty pieces of silver which he had earned for betraying Christ, he said: "I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood" (Matthew 27:4). And the Pharisees answered, "What is that to us? see thou to that." When Japan had a resurgence of Shintoism and invaded China, we said, "What is that to us?"-and soon our boys were dying with the Chinese in the Pacific. When Hitler and Mussolini revealed to the world their dream, we said, "What is that to us?"-and soon their dream became our nightmare. When Russia laughed God out of court and sneered at the Bible, we said, "What is that to us?"-and now we are beginning to see that it is a matter of life and death.

Our world is closing in on us. One hundred years ago it would have been ridiculous to think that a struggle in faraway Korea could have any effect on the peaceful communities of North America. But today we are so interrelated that a struggle anywhere vitally affects all of us. War anywhere bothers us. Economic recession anywhere bothers us. In a world that is becoming a *neighborhood*, but not a *brotherhood*, nothing that happens anywhere can be rightly dismissed by saying, "It is their funeral!" It is likely to be ours too.

Huge alliances of nations are replacing smaller units. One hundred years ago Germany was just a number of city-states, independent sovereign states. Since that time Germany has been unified (only to be split again by the Soviets). Among alliances there are the huge Soviet satellite empire, NATO, the Arabic Federation, the European Community of Nations including Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Luxembourg; and then there is the UN, which, at least, has provided a step toward world integration.

Now if we understand God's purpose to be to make "in himself . . . one new man, so making peace" (Ephesians 2:15), then can it be that this coming together of the nations even in opposing camps may be laying the groundwork for a possible unity in Christ? Can it be that the merger of the peoples of the earth is actually "playing into the hands of God"? Can it be that this spurious amalgamation is actually accelerating the purpose of God?

Since we are living in a shrinking world which has the destructive means to blow itself sky-high, we must either find some principle of integration, some source of compatibility, or we will utterly destroy ourselves. This is why the American scientist Oppenheimer made the statement in Paris just the other day that no plan of disarmament will save us—that we need to become *changed men*. All this is tantamount to saying that we must either LOVE . . . or PERISH!

In the tenth chapter of John, Christ tells us He is the Good Shepherd, who alone can gather all the sheep of the earth into one fold. All other would-be shepherds are called "thieves and robbers." Christ is the only *true* Shepherd, the only *true* source of compatibility, the only *true* source of integration. In Christ there can be "... neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither bond nor free, there can be no male or female" (Galatians 3:28, Phillips' translation).

Most politicians think men can be united only by human fiats of authority. But external authority cannot bring unity. Two cats with their tails tied together is not a picture of unity in its truest sense. Every effort to impose integration from external regulations will fail. Napoleon on the shores of St. Helena said, "The more I study the world, the more I am convinced of the inability of brute force to create anything durable." What a shame he did not learn this before Austerlitz, Jena, and Moscow!

The power to overcome the things that separate men, namely, hatred, pride, and prejudice, must come from a changed life—life in which God has, in a sense, been reincarnated—a life in which Christ takes up residence. This is why Christ alone is the Good Shepherd, why Christ alone is to be the center to which all the peoples of the earth must gravitate. For Christ alone can change the lives of men so as to make it possible for them to live peaceably together. It is God's will to make "in himself... one new man, so making peace."

The "law" offered an excellent code of conduct, but, according to Paul, "it was weak" in that it was powerless to change man's nature from within. But Christ's coming into a life remakes, remolds, reorganizes that life around a new theme-love!

Now let us summarize. This world is being shrunk. The means for destroying every trace of human life rests in the hands of man. Some source of compatibility must be found or the shrinking of a world infested with atom bombs will only add to its peril. The nature of man which causes murder, divorce, hatred, and prejudice must be changed if we are to refrain from destroying ourselves. We must either *love* . . . or *perish!* It is God's purpose to unite men under the banner of love, but first He must change them, and the power and source of this change are found alone in Christ. The most important issue that confronts any of us is the question, Is my life co-operating with the purpose of God?



Life is like a vessel which is striving to perform her voyage through a sea which roars with hardship. There are times when the waters seem calm and peaceful and everything seems to be going well. But before long we see the sign of a storm. It forces the question—"Will your anchor hold in the storms of life?" We begin to check and see if the anchor is adequate to provide spiritual stability in the time of stress.

Too many times the anchors are not dependable, but men pass their approval without considering the cost in spiritual defeat and destruction. Some depend upon anchors labeled good works, church membership, honesty, charity, friends, pleasure, money, and things, but none of these alone can save the soul from the storms of life.

Then suddenly there comes a storm. As it breaks in its fury, the waves dash and roll. The anchors are lowered and dangle hopelessly from their cables. After hours of anxiety, there is a drive at the cable and it snaps and breaks because the materials are lacking something basic. We turn to our Bibles for an answer and we find that Christ is to be the Anchor of the soul. That basic something that was lacking proves to be that essential Someone, even Jesus Christ. The answer is the Anchor. Hebrews 6:19 tells us, "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, . . ." It is with Him, that vital, basic, essential Someone, that we can be both sure and steadfast. He is our Salvation, and He is able to keep us safe in the center of His will.

With Christ as the sure Anchor of the soul, we can challenge the raging waters of the sea of life with the song writer—

We have an anchor that keeps the soul Steadfast and sure while the billows roll, Fastened to the Rock which cannot move, Grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love.

Let the storms of life come if they will. With Christ there is a confidence and trust that we can put in no other anchor. As the sea rages, the vessel swings out the length of the cable, but it rides the storm with assurance of faith.

We can afford to trust no other anchor, lest we go down in spiritual defeat on the sea of life. But we can trust Him, for He has proved himself trustworthy and has never failed yet. "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast."

THE SECOND LOOK

By WOUTER VAN GARRETT

You probably recall the story of the brownie in Small's "Vision of Fairyland." He was busy all day long picking up snails and bugs in his little wheelbarrow. Early each morning the king of the world passed through the part of the woods where the brownie lived and made all things bright and new. Even though the brownie wanted to see the king,



By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

Tired?

You've washed and ironed, canned and baked, Mowed the lawn, watered, raked; Perhaps have suffered for another's sake-Jesus bore the same for you!

Weary?

From early morn 'til late at night You've carried on by faith, not sight; Endured reproach for doing right. Jesus bore the same for you!

Worn?

The enemy has shown his power. You've fought in prayer for many an hour; The critics scorned-nor gave a flower. Jesus bore the same for you!

Rejoice!

Take heart, My child, nor fear That God's kind Spirit lingers near. The trial passes. Be of cheer. Jesus bore the same for you! and tried to catch a glimpse of him as he passed by, he never saw him.

And why did he never see him? It was all because of a lovely little green blanket. This pretty green blanket had fallen out of the fairy queen's chariot and the brownie had found it. At night he wrapped himself up in it and was as warm as toast. It was so warm and comfortable in the blanket that he never woke up in time to see the king of the world pass by.

One day a shepherd came along and he scemed to know more about the little brownie than he knew himself. He asked the little fellow if he ever saw the king and then went on to say that he saw something down deep in the brownie's soul that looked like a blanket. *That* kept him from the vision.

Did you ever stop to think of the little green blankets which men wrap around themselves? A bottle can be a green blanket; so can self-pity, or vanity, or egotism—oh, so many things! We want to be so many things. Perhaps patient like Mother, courageous like Father, kind like Uncle John, unselfish like Livingstone, unconquerable like Helen Keller, or peaceful like William Penn.

We could be many things, and we could resemble many people whom we admire, were it not for one thing—our little green blanket. Are we willing to give up the little green blanket? If we are honest with ourselves we must admit that we cannot succeed in any worthy endeavor until we are ready to do something about the soft little green blankets.

We must learn to do something about this temptation, and something can be done. What can be done with temptation usually depends upon the second look. It's usually the second look that trips us up. It was the second look that tripped up Eve, and later on Adam as well. Instead of taking one look at the tree of good and evil and then moving on, Eve sat right down and took not only a second look but many more. By that time she was already losing what little fight there had been in her heart. The only way to get rid of the green blankets is to leave them behind. Without a second look! With no post-mortem!

Many a man or woman has gone down the street and had one look at temptation as the doors of the saloon swung open. Very rarely did that one look do any harm. But so often halfway down the block he turned back to get a second look, and there defeat entered into the picture. It's like the person who stops smoking. It's simple if the smoker keeps from taking the *first* smoke. All he needs do is to control the impulse for that first step; all the others will be easy. So it can be with the second look.

A wise old man of long ago once said that you can't keep birds from flying over your head but you can keep them from building nests in your hair.

And, of course, both the green blankets and the second look depend a great deal upon the company we keep. A man is not only known by the company he keeps but he is also helped or hurt by it. He can afford to be selective. He can profit by

keeping the right company. There are few situations where the wrong companionship does so much harm as in the field of liquor or narcotics. The wrong company usually leads to a second look and a second drink—a chain reaction that often leads to defeat.

Temptation can be overcome; it has been done again and again by men and women like yourself. There is a certain technique that will help a great deal. Probably the first step is to be careful of the company you keep, of the friends you make; then guard against taking the second look; and, finally, lay aside the little green blankets. Since you are a Christian, God is on your side, but He must have your co-operation in the time of temptation if you would be an overcomer.



HI-FI Christians

By D. EDWIN DOYLE

Are you a hi-fi enthusiast? Of course if you like music at all you will be enthusiastic over hi-fi. Hi-fi is the ultimate in sound reproduction, and cannot be attained through the use of inferior quality components.

We, as Christians, are like a record-player. We can be just ordinary Christians or we can put higher quality components into our living, thus producing hi-fi Christians. The kind of Christians we are or will be is up to us individually. We have the power to choose the components that go into our living, and the components are the determining factors between ordinary and hi-fi.

As Christians, we are intended to reproduce the life of Christ. Christ is the Master Record, and as such, is perfect in every detail. His life was challenged, and His record was laid open at His trial, and Pilate said, "I find in him no fault at all." We are required to reproduce what is on the record with all the harmonics and overtones which it is possible to bring out.

The first of our components is parallel to the pickup arm. This is the contact link between the record and the amplifier. In life this component may be likened to our organs of perception, eyes and ears. What we get from the record, we get through these mediums. With our eyes we read the printed page. With our ears we hear the preached Word. The important thing is that we make contact with the record through both these mediums.

In order for us to have hi-fi quality reproductions the motor which operates the turntable must be of such quality that the speed will be constant. In the Christian life it is the consistency with which we live. In hi-fi there is no room for fluctuations. We are in the world, but we must never be of the world. The Christian religion demands our all or nothing at all.

Without an amplifier there could be no sound reproduction at all. All amplifiers have two stages: first, the input; second, the output. In the life of a Christian these two stages are found to be the two experiences of grace which are so essential to full Christian living. The input is the experience of regeneration. We take from God a pardon from all our sins which gives us a desire to tell others of His mercies. The output is the experience of holiness, and gives us the power to fulfill the desire of the first stage. St. Paul said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

The speakers of the hi-fi set must be matched to the output power of the amplifier. This is also true in the Christian life. We are able to judge whether a Christian is hi-fi or not by listening to his conversation. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" (Matthew 12:34).

Since the possibility of hi-fi has been established, it is then reasonable to assume that hi-fi quality will be required of all who would aspire to the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Hi-fi Christians are the ones who are going to inhabit the mansions of heaven.

DR. P. F. BRESEE and the Pittsburgh District Assembly

By E. E. WORDSWORTH

In the spring of 1914 Dr. Bresee was the presiding general superintendent at First Church of the Nazarene, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It was known as the Pittsburgh District, though its boundaries far exceeded the state of Pennsylvania. It was an unforgettable assembly. It was marked by intense evangelism, divine anointings, shouts of praise, and full altars. It was customary in those days to begin assemblies in the early part of the week and run over Sunday night. The evening services were characterized by Holy Ghost evangelism. Many were "the slain of the Lord."

The writer will not forget to his dying day the Sunday morning service. The large church was packed to the doors. Such anointing, such blessings, such freedom in the Spirit, such mighty shouts of praise, such divine glory on the whole assembly are indescribable. Dr. Bresee used for his text that morning these words, "And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ" (Romans 15:29).

I have never heard a preacher preach with more unction than Dr. Bresce had that morning as he told his congregation of Saul the Pharisee—his conversion on the Damascus road, his sanctification in Damascus, in the school of one Tyrannus, his labors in the pastorates, evangelism, and missionary work, his arduous journeys and varied perils on land and sea, his imprisonments, his care for all the churches in administrative superintendency, his many inspired Epistles, his glorious martyrdom in Rome, and his final welcome and crowning in heaven. He electrified his congregation with his holy, burning eloquence and spiritual power.

Spontaneous shouts were frequently heard. Saints wept, rejoiced, gave praise to God, waved handkerchiefs, walked the aisles, and shouted their "Hallelujah's," "Glory to God's," "Amen's" as freedom in the Spirit was the accepted order of the day. Toward the close of his sermon the whole assembly was "enswathed in divine glory," "liquid glory" using Bresee's language—so that the entire congregation arose en masse to their feet and remained there for some time while "liquid glory" swept over the congregation in sacred billows of holy fire and love. An unforgettable experience! Yet as I distinctly recall there was no fleshliness, extremism, or any kind of fanaticism. There was no projection of the human self or man-made emotionalism, but the holy anointing oil was manifest and God was glorified. It was like being with Christ on the Mount of Transfiguration—it was good to be there.

After a few moments the sacred lull came and Dr. Bresee, master of assemblies and fiery evangelist, knew full well how to draw in the net. He gave the altar call and soon the long altar was filled from one end to the other and additional seekers were weeping and praying in the front seats. Dr. Bresee himself kept full charge of the altar, moved about among the seekers, gave suitable instructions, and ere long led out in the singing of:

Here I give my all to Thee: Friends, and time, and earthly store; Soul and body Thine to be-Wholly Thine forevermore;

and with the chorus,

I am trusting, Lord, in Thee, Dear Lamb of Calvary. Humbly at Thy cross I bow; Save me, Jesus, save me now,

led the many scekers into glorious spiritual victory, while saints again shouted, wept, and rejoiced in the Lord.

A lesson learned at a smorgasbord-

Choose Ye This Day

By WINONA MacMULLAN

One warm spring day a friend and I visited a country restaurant noted for its excellent food and interesting surroundings. As I picked up a plate and followed my friend I marveled at the abundance of delicious foods set out in endless variety. It was a smorgasbord, a table-setting native to Sweden, and popularized within recent years in this country. Brass chafing dishes sent forth enticing aromas, pickles of many different kinds were to be sampled, and salads galore coaxed the vitaminconscious. As I spooned a few Swedish meat balls onto my plate, then added rice pilau, baked macaroni, and cole slaw, the thought occurred to me that life itself is very like a smorgasbord.

Every day, many times a day, we experience the exquisite torment of choice: some decisions that may change our very lives, others less important, but still necessary to daily living. Which dress or sweater to wear, which television program to watch, where to go for fun-all involve choice. When we





REV. E. B. GALLOWAY celebrated his ninety-ninth birthday on August 17. As usual, he was in the morning worship service in Santa Ana First Church, where he has been a member for nearly forty years.

Following the morning sermon, his pastor, B. Edgar Johnson, presented him with one hundred new dollar bills arranged in the shape of a cross.

pay out our money for reading material at the newsstand we can choose from among the many gaudy or dignified covers displayed to attract the reader. We ought to know which magazine will entertain or enlighten without leaving us soiled and besmirched by unpleasant fiction or exposé articles so prevailing at the present time.

"Choose you this day whom ye will serve" (Joshua 24:15), is a Bible verse which admonishes us to select the clean, decent reading, pictures, and television entertainment that leave a pleasant taste and a happy memory. Those who choose to follow the Saviour and His way of life know the perfect peace that passeth all understanding. Not for them the shallow, worldly pleasures that leave the participant sick at heart, restless, and unsatisfied.

Sunday observance is another problem facing every Christian family today. Jesus tells us, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). So many commercial enterprises flourish that church attendance is pushed into the background, if not completely ignored. Halfhearted Christians try to partake of worldly pleasures while giving lip service to the Master, but Christ said, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Matthew 6:24).

In the smorgasbord of life what have you chosen--Christian virtues like thoughtfulness, responsibility, stewardship, and reverence, or the highly spiced pleasures that leave one with an uncomfortable feeling? "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15).

The Stronger Cord

By JEAN M. LOW

Earthly ties are transient cords That very loosely bind; My soul would seek its Maker In a higher, rarer clime. No chains can hold it captive— No bars its prison make; No sorrows can effect a tomb Though earth herself forsake.

Knit Thou, O Lord, my soul to Thine And draw me closer still; Help me to stay submissive To Thy whole and perfect will. Keep me strong, determined, For I must not temporize. The cords that bind my soul to Thee Outlast all mortal ties.

The Effect of a Burdened Church upon Its Community



By C. B. McCAULL, Pastor, Ulysses, Kansas

Rev. Paul Watson, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Miami, Oklahoma, recently gave the following quotation: "The world will not become concerned about its lost condition until the Church becomes concerned."

We can join with others in putting this another way and say, "When the Church does become concerned, the world will become concerned."

Yet again we can say, "Until the Church becomes stirred enough to make the world aware of its concern for it, the world will remain unconcerned."

No thinking person today would charge the Church with being totally unconcerned about the lost. Thousands of missionaries, a gigantic home mission effort, and millions of dollars in giving are conclusive proof of a burden. However, the question before us is, "Is the Church stirred enough to stir the world?" Or, to bring it closer: "Is my church burdened enough to stir my community?"

The regular program of the church (three or four services a week) is a necessity. To carry such a program seems a big job nowadays for the average congregation. It shows a burden for the lost, inasmuch as the doors are kept open. But, in time, the community comes to accept such a schedule of events as the nominal thing. The townsfolk appreciate it only as "churchism." To them it is not Christianity-on-fire, or anything that shows a concern. Therefore we must (with the help of God) go beyond, at times, our regular, accepted program.

How far, you ask, are we to go? Have we not already gone farther along this line than others? The answer to this question is found only in the doing of the task. We must go far enough (however far that might be) to stir the area we serve, to make it aware of our concern.

There are several oft-repeated signs or evidences of a burdened church which have always had a telling effect upon a community.

1. Prayer sessions, other than regular serviceschain, hourly, all day, all night, or early morning. 2. Personal work. Sincere approach, especially on the part of the laity, in the shop, factory, home, or on the farm. The pastor is expected to do this. When the layman does it, it is beyond the regular procedure and has more effect.

3. Sacrifice. Nothing will incite concern so quickly in the average sinner as to know that someone has made a personal sacrifice in the interest of his salvation.

4. Revival services other than the regular, twoweek, twice-a-year schedule. We must go beyond the regular revival program--at least do something different so that our concern will be noticed.

If my church becomes stirred to the extent of manifesting any one or all of the above signs it is certain to have an effect upon its community.

As a Layman Sees It-

Don't Sharpen Your Pencil with God!

The conditions of God's promises are certainly interesting and extremely meaningful. Take a look at Malachi 3:10, for instance. The prelude to this promise is first *personal*, then *complete*, then *specific*, then *reasonable*—then *with promise*.

It was certainly personal, for it was aimed directly at God's own people, "Bring ye." (Sounds like that must mean me!)

"All the tithes." (You don't suppose that the prophet has quit preaching here, do you, and gone to meddling!) Malachi didn't say it in so many words but I believe he must have meant "before deductions." That word "all" is quite comprehensive. It is complete.

"Into the storehouse." Not to your favorite radio preacher; not to that persuasive independent missionary; not to any other social or religious organization however benevolent its activities may be—"into the storehouse." If he had used the general article "a" we should have had an argument; he used the specific article "the." I believe he must have meant my local church, the place where I secure my spiritual food and shelter. That is specific!

"That there may be meat in mine house." That's reasonable. How can Hc spread a table if there is no meat? How can the sheep be fed if there is no pasture? How can the world be saved if there is no plan? From whence the heat if there is no fuel?

"And prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts." Now it gets interesting! Now it's God's turn! He has the reserve. He has the power, He opens the windows of heaven. He pours out an

Right thinking produces right doing; for as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. What is in the heart will surely come out in the life, for "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Speech will always betray what is in the heart. To think aright, therefore, one must be right—right with God, and right with men.—T. Harold Jones, M.D.

abundance of blessing (there is not enough room to receive it).

I furnish the channel. Is my funnel too small? Do my blessings come in dribbles? Do I really get "filled"? The channel is drawn by my pencil. The name of the channel is "faithfulness."

Don't sharpen your pencil with God. Draw a wide channel. His way is the way of "faithfulness." God is bound by His promise—if we meet the conditions. I say again, "Don't sharpen your pencil with God!"



Prayed with a Pioneer Joday

Did you ever pray with a pioneer? I mean a Nazarene pioneer? I did, today. His name? Rev. William Phillips, retired evangelist and pastor, of Apple River, Illinois. He is selling out and moving to California, and I heard he had some books to sell. Now old preachers have good books and young preachers need good books, so I called on Mr. Phillips.

He is eighty-three, tall, erect, white-headed, and saintly. Naturally, we talked of the "good old days." He was at the historic meeting of the East and West in Chicago in 1907.

"Who was there?" I inquired.

"Well, I don't remember all of them, but Dr. Bresee was there."

"Can you remember anything that he said?"

"Yes, he was preaching on Isaiah's vision. Dr. Bresee said that after the prophet's spiritual cleansing, he answered the call of God in humility, saying, 'Here am I; send me.' He did not say, 'Lord, look me over; I am just the man You want. I can handle the job'; but rather, 'Lord, look me over, and if there is anything about me that You can use, I am perfectly willing.'"

As we chatted of fond memories of the past, of

battles fought and victories won, I realized what a privilege it was for me to sit at the feet of this saint; to hear him recount, with tears in his eyes and a shaky voice, how God had led the church and of the blessings of the Lord upon his own life. I felt that I wanted this Nazarene warrior to pray with me and for me. We knelt; tears flowed, angels descended, and God broke through as this aged holiness preacher prayed that God would bless this young man and his church, and give us many souls.

Driving home, I too prayed that God would help me to be true to the faith of our pioneers and that in this Golden Anniversary year I might catch again that spirit which enabled our fathers to hew out a holiness church, to lift up a standard in this generation.

May God bless Brother Phillips and others like him who "through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions" (Hebrews 11:33), and unfurled the holiness message around the world. They have "fought a good fight," they have finished their course, and they "have kept the faith" (II Timothy 4:7). Soon they shall receive the crown of life. -J. T. HOLSTEIN, *Pastor, Freeport, Illinois*.



ARE WE TOO TAME OR TIMID?

Rev. B. S. Taylor, a preacher who stood somewhat alone in his class, was a great preacher. He was well known during the early part of this century. I never had the privilege of hearing him, but I grew up while he was still preaching and read his sermons and heard about his fiery, judgment-day preaching. He preached many unusual sermons, one of them on "Stephen." His text was Acts 6:10: "And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake." He also connected with these words Psalms 51:13. It seemed to him that they teach the same truth; and what is that truth? The irresistible power of the Holy Ghost in the conversion of sinners on gospel conditions. He begins his sermon with these words:

"I mean exactly what I say. I believe in prevailing prayer. You may not agree with me in this sermon, but hear me through and then decide. I know it is very different from what many preachers and teachers inculcate; but I believe it is truth. In answer to the prevailing prayers of the Saints who ask God and believe Him; He does irresistibly convert men, against their will. No, I do not say convict! God convicts men all the time, more or less; His spirit strives with their guilty consciences, and He keeps them in trouble under 'conviction' of sin. That all Christians concede. But I mean more than that! Not only does He awaken and enlighten the conscience, and excite the emotions and move the affections; but He constrains the will; He compels men to obey His word; to repent and forsake their sins and lead a new life."

Later in the sermon, Mr. Taylor goes on to say: "God in answer to prevailing prayer breaks down the will, terrifies the soul, hangs it over hell until it cries for mercy, and quits all sin and obeys its heavenly Master. This may last a week, a month, a year or more. Then the Lord hands back his 'free will' and says to the converted man, I have saved you, pardoned you, blessed you and made you my child by a new birth, and adopted you into my family. But now the door is open. I compel and hold you no more, you can turn away and backslide and go down to hell and be finally and forever lost, but you cannot deny your 'experience,' you cannot be an infidel or an atheist, for the evidence will always stay in your mind; you cannot forget it through all eternity; you had salvation once, and must come to the judgment day without excuse! Thus and thus only can God judge men! At that great day He will make men face their record. and they cannot deny the experience of irresistible conversion. God is Sovereign. He suspends the free will of man for a season, makes up a record against him, an indictment for the judgment day; and leaves him, oh! Man! whosoever thou art, without excuse!"

In another paragraph the preacher declares: "The God who made the face of Stephen shine brought down Saul from his high horse, for he 'was not able to resist.' The glory of the upper world that shone on the dying face of Stephen while they stoned him, while he prayed for his enemies, while he cried out in joy beholding his Saviour's face, that same glory above the brightness of the sun in all its dazzling halo of holy splendor struck Saul blind for three days, until the hands of the holy man he sought to murder had been laid on him in prayer! There was no coax, beseech, plead, beg, in any part or spot of this wonderful picture of God's way of saving men! And if the church today was filled with Stephens and Philips and Peters and Johns, full of faith and wisdom and the Holy Ghost, we would see like results."

By Stephen S. White

In order that the reader may get the full meaning of this message on Stephen, several other paragraphs are quoted. They come from different sections of the sermon and read as follows:

"I believe that God sits on the throne of sovereignty. Not man but God is supreme: He watches over us and the very hairs of our head are all numbered. Do you say, you have to sin? 'This is my day for stealing chickens.' That won't stand in a police court; you'll go to jail. You can steal or you can let it alone. Yes, your will is free. But there is just one and only one exception: Converting grace by the irresistible Holy Ghost. Are your children growing up in sin? Are they a disgrace to God? Then get hold of God and convert them by the oxgoads of His sovereignty, and these 'sinners shall be converted' (Psalms 51:13). The great Captain of my salvation has not employed me to be turned in by the rebel pickets. Let us turn our poor, weak, cowardly hearts to God and go as He directs. Do you hanker for tobacco and beer and theatres and card parties? You are not a Christian! You are a poor, mean, brass-mounted hypocrite; Another Lot's wife turned to a pillar of salt! You have no anointing, no power from on high! Do I deny the free will of man? No, but I am showing you that God is God almighty, the Supreme Ruler and Eternal Sovereign, and the one and only occasion when man's will is not free is when, for a season, God rules over it, and hangs him over hell, and compels him to turn, repent, obey, quit, and cry out for mercy.

"This truth provides a way for God to answer the believing prayer of a prevailing saint, on whose heart in awful agony God has laid the burden of souls. This truth meets all the necessities of the case and harmonizes all the scriptures in perfect unity. After conversion God gives His child back

his free will, his moral agency, gives him the witness of the Spirit that he is saved, and says to him, 'Now you can go forward and get a clean heart; now you can backslide and go to hell! While you may do so, you need not, I will uphold you if you will trust and obey.

"A few years ago, just before he died, I had an evening with William McDonald at the Johnson, Vermont, camp meeting. [William McDonald was a Methodist and one of the great leaders of the holiness movement in America.] Among other blessed topics we discussed, I brought up this: 'Brother McDonald, do you believe in irresistible grace to convert a man against his will?' He replied, 'Yes! the early Methodists preached and practiced it and prevailed with God. But the modern New England Methodists, in their dread of Calvinistic extreme. They have exalted the *Human Will* above God, and made it supreme instead of Him! We ought to get back to the doctrine of the fathers.'"

I have presented enough of this lengthy sermon on Stephen to give you its main emphasis. More than once in this message the writer emphasizes the fact that he is not a Calvinist in any sense; he is an Arminian. He advocates only a temporary suspension of the will of man in answer to the prayer and faith of God's persistent people. Nevertheless, I must confess that I can't go along with him at this point. I can't believe with him that God forces sinners to get saved even though His followers may persevere mightily in prayer. On the other hand, I have wondered as I have read this sermon if we are not becoming rather tame and timid as Christians today. How many of us ever pray until we are ready, from the depths of our hearts, to say to God, I will not be denied? We are short on prevailing prayer, not because His power is lessened, but because we do not have the faith and perseverance and the willingness to suffer in Gethsemane with Him in order to see our loved ones and our friends saved. We are not taking the position they are in as seriously as we ought to take it. We are not feeling as our forefathers felt, and as this preacher felt, the terribleness of a soul lost forever-maybe one who is bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh.

Even though we do not go along with the writer of this sermon in his teaching, perhaps if we had more of what Stephen had when they stoned him to death, what the early Methodists had, what Jacob had when he said, "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me"—if we had more of such as this, more of our prayers would prevail and would be answered. We can't force conversion on those about us who are lost, but we can force conviction on them, and oftentimes much more than we are forcing on them. And the result of such conviction would be that many more of them, in spite of everything that might hold them back, would find their way to an altar of prayer and get to God.

No matter how much we may disagree with the carly Methodists at this point, if that were really what they taught, or however much we might dis-



Victory in Temptation

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 4:1-11 (Printed: same)

GOLDEN TEXT: For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted (Hebrews 2:18).

At the outset of this narrative we are brought face to face with the existence and power of the tempter. These temptation experiences of Jesus apparently occurred shortly after His baptism. Great issues were at stake, and Satan would contest every step to ultimate victory.

To be tempted: These words speak of momentous struggle through which Jesus went. But how glorious to know that through His victory in temptation He is able to "succour [help] them that are tempted"1

In this lesson we note:

1. The way of faith—"Man shall not live . . . but by every word . . . of the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:1-4).

2. The way of common sense—"Thou shalt not tempt . . . God" (Matthew 4:5-7).

3. The way of dedication-"... him only shalt thou serve" (Matthew 4:8-11).

In each temptation the appeal of the tempter was to a perfectly innocent natural instinct or appetite: to hunger, to faith in His Father's care, and finally to His sense of responsibility and mission. Again, in the first temptation, Satan would have Jesus to use power for private and selfish ends; in the second, to overstep His bounds of dependence; and in the third, to choose the casier path. Like Jesus, we are constantly confronted with temptations to spare ourselves, to verify our relationship with God by some fantastic sign, and to gain power by the sacrifice of the right. Let us, however, guard against the cry for material sustenance, for our source of constant strength is found only in that which God gives. Let us watch lest we presume upon His mercy and care, for we live a life of constant trust in God. And let us refuse to be sidetracked from our clear sense of purpose, for our mission is to serve Him only.

agree with William McDonald and B. S. Taylor, we'll have to confess that there was something about their faith and their perseverance in prayer which reached out and through mighty conviction moved people to come to God. "They were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake" (Acts 6:10); and, "Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee" (Psalms 51:13).

> May we remember that no man is exempt from temptation, that the best way to meet the adversary is by the Sword of the Spirit, the Word, that temptation is not sin, and that there is no temptation which may come to you but that God will make a way of escape.

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Nazarene Young People's Society and Nazarene Junior Society PONDER W. GILLILAND **Executive** Secretary

Echoes from Estes Park

I feel like, and have felt like ever since I've been home, the International Institute helped me. I know I felt God's call for me at International Institute. I intend to carry out that call as He has told me to do.

My school term started last week and I have already witnessed for Him. I feel much stronger, for I know He is keeping me in His will. I shall never forget my good times at International Institute. I got acquainted with a lot of Christian youth from around the world. An OKLAHOMA BOY

I have never felt so close to God in all of my life as I did during that wonderful communion service on Sunday night at the close of the Institute. God wonderfully moved on my heart and I noticed that it was true of every other person I could see. How God metted our hearts! It was that night that I realized as I had never realized before that I am not my own-I have been "bought with a price."

A TEEN-AGE BOY

Thursday night Campfire Service devotional s k i t—"The Ten Virgins." The log altar soon overflowed with seeking hearts.



Every person participated in sports.



V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

Moving Nazarenes

Souls are worth more than all the world. Because of this fact and our responsibility to them, we follow our "Moving Nazarenes." Here again you may "look in" with us on the wonderful results of this service.

CALIFORNIA: "Mr. and Mrs. were thrilled to know that Rev. of ____, Oregon, had sent word of their presence here. They were also happy to receive the card from Kansas City, urging them to look up the church here."

TEXAS: "Mrs. _ was desirous of attending church and since she lived in another area of our city a member of our church in that section took her to Sunday school and church."

FLORIDA: The results of the call were "very good. Mrs. _____ came last Sunday evening. She is a good Christian. Please send me more names.'

ONTARIO: "Mrs. and her daughter joined our church."

MICHIGAN: "The children all attend our church every Sunday."

"We had contacted Mr. UTAH: _ several weeks ago and he is attending all our services. We appreciate your work."

OREGON: "The results of the call were children in Sunday school first Sunday. Good prospects. Sure appreciate the promptness of the card giving us the contact.'

TEXAS: "The results of the call were gratifying. In fact, Mrs. _____ and the boys attended our services before we received the card from your office. Wouldn't it be grand if all Nazarenes who move to a new community would be as prompt in finding the church! This is a wonderful service you are rendering. God bless you."

ILLINOIS: "They attended two days later. Had I not called they would have been lost to our church."

ARKANSAS: "I received the card from you the evening of December 23 and called the morning of the twenty-fourth. Found fine family. Have them promised for church and Sunday school, December 29. I will go after them, so I'm most sure of getting them in church. Thanks for letting me know about them. This is a very fine service."

NORTH DAKOTA: "Have received the card forwarded to us in regard to Mr. and Mrs. ____, who have moved to our city. They are a fine young couple, and have been in our services two Sundays now. Thank you."

"Ńr. OKLAHOMA: was sanctified and joined the church. Mrs. was saved and sanctified. He was also baptized."

MICHIGAN: "After two calls, this family came to Sunday school last Sunday. They have promised to return. Thank you.



FROM GERMANY-"As I have just finished reading our copy of the Herald, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Church of the Nazarene, through the Servicemen's Commission, for all the holiness literature we receive. It has really been an uplift to our souls to read the stirring articles from holiness men and women.

"Being here in Nurnberg, Germany, while my husband spends his time in the armed forces, we can say these papers and books along with our Bible have really encouraged our hearts.

"I learned to love the Nazarene church, with its complete gospel, when my father, Rev. Erman A. Peters, started the East Side Church of the Nazarcne in Springfield, Ohio, in the basement of our home, with Rev. Samuel Carson, who has gone on to heaven now, as our pastor.

"Will appreciate all prayers for my husband's prayer meetings God has told him to conduct in the barracks, that they may be the means of winning some soldier to Jesus.

"We hope to attend the next Nazarene Retreat at Berchtesgaden, Germany, if the Lord tarries. May God bless you for your needed help."--PFC AND MRS. JAMES SEYMOUR.

DISCHARGED-"Please cancel the papers which you have so generously sent for the past two years, since I'm getting out of the army. Your Herald of Holiness and Conquest have meant more than I can describe; it's all wonderful reading and food for the soul. Please continue your fine service to the men and women of the armed services."-PAUL STIENSTRA.

THANKS-"I am writing to let you know how much my wife and I have enjoyed the literature the church has sent to us for the past fourteen months that we have spent in Europe. We sincerely want to thank the Church of the Nazarene and the Servicemen's Commission for the splendid job of reaching our home with the various publications. May God continue to bless you."-MR. AND MRS. RANDALL PORTER.

"A serviceman never leaves the Green Acres Church of the Nazarene in Denver, Colorado, on Sunday morning without an invitation to a homecooked meal." The pastor, Rev. Ray Hawkins, was once in military service-and makes a large place in his ministry for service personnel.

SERVICEMEN'S	
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TEXAS: "He had received your letter, which had prepared the way for my call. He is attending regularly and his brother with whom he stays has come once."

ARKANSAS: "They are coming to our services. We are grateful for your help. Appreciate it very much."

TENNESSEE: "We organized a church at _____, with four memberschurch and parsonage given to church. Your letter certainly brought results."

ALABAMA: "Family are attending and are being enrolled in our Sunday school."

NEW MEXICO: The results of the call were "they have joined our church." OHIO: "They are now coming to our

Sunday school with the entire family." WASHINGTON: The result of the call were "good and they have been attending services."

CALIFORNIA: "Thanks for this infor-



An elder now seventy-four years of age, retired and living in one of the Great Lakes states, writes:

"I cannot tell you in words how much I appreciate this kindness of the church to us now that we are on the retired list of elders. How I have enjoyed working for the Lord in the active ministry for forty-one years! I pray daily for all the departments of our beloved church." This man still has a ministry. . the ministry of intercession. Our church

SPECIAL NOTICE

Our six special Golden Anniversary radio programs were aired in fortytwo states with a few outlets in other countries. However, churches in many communities were not privileged to hear these programs, and for the benefit of such we have produced a limited supply to be sold to churches desiring them for local use.

The Publishing House is offering as a sales item the series of six programs on six fifteen-minute tapes. The programs are the same as were used on the air and they are cut for standard equipment $(7\frac{1}{2} \text{ ips})$.

The Publishing House is carrying them as a service feature without profit, and the Nazarene Radio

mation. I contacted these fine Nazarenes and they are coming into our church this Sunday night. God bless you and thanks."

ARKANSAS: "These young people have attended our church a few times and have promised to become regular. We are in constant touch with them and have them on our weekly mailing list."

ARIZONA: "They have been in services every Sunday. Fine kids. Thanks a million."

WEST VIRGINIA: "They were pleased and we have arranged to have the children in our V.B.S. in July. Thanks for your promptness."

TEXAS: "I passed this name on to the pastor of our ______ church, as they lived right near his church. He has called and they have attended the church there. He feels the contact will enable him to win the family. Thanks."



DEAN WESSELS, Secretary

is now assisting him and over 500 like him . . . men and women who have given many years of glad and faithful service. We can show our appreciation by supporting the N.M. B.F. budget, which helps those who are *inactive*; for "more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

WHILE THEY PRAY, WE SHALL PAY . . . gladly, cheerfully, thank-fully.

League is also bearing part of the expense.

Your church is given the opportunity to purchase the package of six at a cost of only \$10.00. The retail price of the tapes is more than that. After they have been used by the church, the six tapes (if in good condition) may be returned within thirty days to the Publishing House for a credit of \$5.00, thus reducing the cost of their use to \$5.00.

Here is a wonderful opportunity to have these services used in your Sunday school, N.Y.P.S., or church services at a very nominal cost. This offer will terminate December 31 of this year. Order from the Nazarene Publishing House.

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Another good organization to encourage youth to live an alcohol-free way of life is the Youth Temperance Council. This is the teens' and twenties' age-group of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It has a fourfold program: S p i r i t u a 1—Interdenominational

Spiritual—Interdenominational Christian youth comprise its membership.

Intellectual—Through its training program youth learn the scientific effects of tobacco, alcohol, and narcotics upon the human body.

Physical—Our bodies are the temples of God; so we keep them clean and undefiled.

Social—Through the recreation periods youth exemplify the National Y.T.C. motto, "A Good Time with a Purpose."

Why not check with your local W.C.T.U. and see what is being done to further the Youth Temperance Council work in your area? Also write Miss Ethel Riddle, 1730 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Ill., for further information about the Youth Temperance Council.

KENNETH S. RICE, Secretary Committee on Public Morals



Thought Starters

Monday:

"Thinking by Can-Opener" (Uncle Dudley in *Boston Herald*). "Air waves, teeming with hair-oil voices telling us what to think." "Too much a nation of lookers and listeners."

Lookers at what? Listeners to whom? God said, "My beloved Son: hear him." "Looking unto Jesus." (Luke 9:35; Hebrews 12:2.)

Tuesday:

"You can't write yet?" Pitying remark of a six-year-old watching John Gould (Christian Science Monitor) pound away at his typewriter. Other similar lacks might be inferred today: "You can't walk?" "You can't talk?" "You can't read?" Automation producing a world of the handicapped? Even in church, "specialists" hired to sing and speak our worship? (II Samuel 24:24.)

Wednesday:

The Pursuit of Excellence: the Rockefeller Fund Study finds in our educational situation no desire for the best. Rather, acceptance of the "shoddy and shallow." What is defined as the "best?" "Great meanings, great objectives, great convictions." Christ gives all these; but the adjective should be stronger: supreme. (Colossians 2:3; John 14:6a.)

Thursday:

"Bored consumers"—the advertisers met in conference declare that business requires a cure for these. *"The age of boredom"—the* repeated reproach doesn't stir us any more.

Young people I know, vacationing with their parents at a magnificent mountain lake, were bored beyond endurance after a few hours: no television, no movies, no "fun," nothing to do.

The Son of God on earth redeeming the souls of men-the infinite price of Calvary, the perfect human life lived before us, the promise of "life more abundant" given-with such intimation of supreme meanings, what excuse for empty living? (Hebrews 1:1-2; 9:14-15; John 10:10.)

Friday:

"The Want-to." A well-known actress, to get the role (of a farm girl) she desired, actually went to the fields to learn the part. Driving two horses hitched to an old-fashioned plow—"I never worked so hard!"

Nothing so dull as working without knowing what for, "lost in the means, ignorant of the ends." Nothing so thrilling as throwing all your energies into something worth dying for. A poor leader who says, "I offer you this," not, "I ask this of you." Jesus doesn't make that mistake. He shares with us His supreme objective: He asks our supreme devotion. (John 12:24-26.)

Saturday:

A Declaration of Conscience the great Albert Schweitzer entitles his protest against the runaway nuclear arms race, "an obligation to tomorrow."

And the courageous editor who recently took an unpopular stand in order to be true to the Constitution of the United States pronounced an editor responsible for daily accounting to his community and to his own conscience, and at last . . . final account for his high mission and his great opportunity. . . . If he keeps the faith he will fight



Last year we received a number of copies of the special issue of the "Herald of Holiness," and not one of them was passed out. This year we received five thousand of the special Anniversary issue of the "Herald of Holiness," which is so attractive, and so far not one of them has been distributed. This matter has been brought to the attention of our pastor, and several of the members have offered to help pass them out. We are disturbed about this—what can we do?

I am sure that this is an exceptional case. Especially this year, since we have had many letters telling about the results of the use of the Anniversary issue among our friends and others who might be reached for the gospel of Christ. It is truly a waste of money to buy these special *Heralds* and not

give them out to the people. They are a means of advertising the local church and are very valuable indeed for this purpose, considering what they cost. The slogan should always be with our pastors and their people, "Buy the *Heralds*, and then get them into the hands of the people."

What do you think of a leader in our local church going to see "The Ten Commandments"?

I would not go to see any moving picture in a regular moving picture theater. Further, I would not go to see this one anywhere. It does not have a very good reputation, even among some who are outside of our church. They criticize it because it misrepresents the part of the Bible with which it deals. These people are not cranks or fanatics; they are capable of passing judgment on such a picture.

Would you please give references from the Bible which prove that entire sanctification is instantaneous?

John Wesley believed that this work of grace is instantaneous on two grounds, chiefly. He said that the people he met who had this experience (and he met quite a few of such people) always testified that they received it instantaneously. This proof is based on experience, and not on the Bible. However, he did have a Biblical proof. He said that this blessing comes by faith, and not by works. In this connection, he goes on to explain that if we get it by works, then it will take time, but if by faith, we get it in an instant. The scriptural basis for this position is found in Acts 15:8-9, where we are told that our hearts are purified by faith; and Acts 26:18, where we have these words: "sanctified by faith that is in me." The "me" here refers to Christ, as anyone will see who reads several of the verses which precede the one in which it is found. Another proof for the instantaneous character of entire sanctification is found in the story of Pentecost, as given in Acts 2:1-4. Here the baptism with the Holy Ghost comes upon the 120 in the Upper Room suddenly. The baptism with the Holy Ghost is the active agent in the sanctification of the Christian. Also, if we had time and space we could discuss the significance of the aorist, or lightning tense, in the Greek, which is often used when the sanctification of believers is spoken of. Finally, there is some argument in holding that what God does directly is always instantaneous. When He acts, He acts immediately. It takes time for human beings to meet the conditions. but God does the work immediately, once the conditions have been met. At this point I add that there are many scriptures which teach that it is God who sanctifies. One of the best of these is I Thessalonians 5:23-24.

Doesn't the Bible teach temperance rather than abstinence as to alcoholic beverages? It seems to me that it does, and yet I have never heard this position taken from a Nazarene pulpit.

Thanks for the compliment! I hope that you never hear the position of temperance as opposed to abstinence with reference to alcoholic beverages taken by a preacher in the Church of the Nazarene. Study the use of light, sweet, or new wine, and "must" in Bible times. Also note the references to the use of the fruit of the vine (Matthew 26:29). These and other words and teachings in the Old and New Testaments bring out very clearly the fact that wine in the Bible does not always mean a fermented drink. Besides, the Bible does not always specifically forbid that which the principles of Christian living are intended to finally exclude. For instance, slavery isn't forbidden in the Bible, but the truths set forth there as to Christian brotherhood meant that at last this social custom would be eliminated. The same is true as to intoxicating beverages. a good fight." Supreme convictions-Jesus said His word shall judge men. (John 12:48.)

Sunday:

"Bored with God?" Dr. Elton Trueblood wrote recently that 95 per cent of adults are church members, but few of them have a vital Christianity which expresses itself in regular attendance, sacrificial giving, and a personal relationship with God. They don't care much.

"God has set eternity in our hearts and we have chosen time instead. Bogged down in local interests we have lost sight of eternal purposes... correct in doctrine, but weary of prayer and bored with God."-Alliance Weekly. "Wilt thou not revive us again?" (Psalms 85:6; Habakkuk 3:2.)



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By HUGH C. BENNER

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REMISS REHFELDT. Secretary

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Missionaries on the Move

August

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Rev. and Mrs. Robert Gray, missionary appointees to Peru, are now in Mexico City for language study. Their address is: Apartado 30170, Admon. 27. Mexico 7, D.F., Mexico.

Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton, on furlough from Uruguay, are living at 408 No. Locust, Centralia, Illinois.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Alstott, on furlough from Haiti, are living now at 854 No. 35th St., Decatur, Illinois.

Rev. Lester Johnston and family, on furlough from Argentina, are now living at $1471/_2$ No. Main St., Bourbonnais, Illinois.

Miss Agnes Willox has recently furloughed from India. Her home address is 84 Kent Road, Glasgow, Scotland.

Correction

Recently we gave the home address of Rev. Earl Hunter and gave the wrong state. His correct home address is: Route 2, Box 332, Moses Lake, Washington.

Puerto Rican Work in Eastern U.S.

We organized the mission in Manhattan yesterday into a full-fledged church with twenty-eight charter members. We are quite pleased with the organization, although there is a tremendous lot of work yet to be done within this group alone, to say nothing of branching out. But we felt it was better to be on an organized basis. Rev. Espada-Matta is the pastor. We have found him a nice house in Nixon, New Jersey, about forty-five minutes from the center of New York City.-HAROLD HAMPTON.

NOTE: Rev. Harold Hampton's new address is: 16-09 George Street, Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

	August	August	Number	
	1957	1958	Increase	
Wisconsin	2,237	2,352	115	
Western Ohio	13,411	13,373	-38	
Missouri Iowa	7,239 * 6,508	7,164 6,304	-75 -204	
Northwestern Illinois	* 5,278	6,504 4,964	-204 -314	
	Eastern Michigan, Illino	is. Northwest Indiana	-511	
	SOUTHEAST ZONE			
Florida	7.889	8,739	850	
Eastern Kentucky	4,630	5,239	608	
Alabama	* 6,745	7,259	514	
East Tennessee	5,738	5,872	134	
Georgia	5,706	5,824	118	
Virginia Mississippi	3,078 2,906	3,099 2,851	21 -154	
West Virginia	10,576	9,950	-626	
Tennessee	* 8,399	7.400	-999	
Districts not reporting:	North Carolina, Kentuck	ky, South Carolina		
EASTERN ZONE				
Akron	11,113	11,348	235	
Washington	5,190	4,968	-222	
Philadelphia	5,191	4,956	-235	
New York	* 2,148	1,907	-241	
New England Albany	* 7,041 * 3.284	6,636 2,215	-405	
District not reporting:		4,419	-1,069	
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Canada Pacific	BRITISH COMMONWE 854	1,097	243	
Canada West	3,684	3,878	194	
Canada Central	* 1,922	1,913	- 9	
Maritime	1,073	956	-117	
British Isles South	* 3,055	2,867	-188	
Districts not reporting:	British Isles North, Aus			
	SOUTHERN ZONE			
Abilene	5,217	5,720	503	
Kansas Nebraska	7,152 2,601	7,492 2,708	340 107	
Northeast Oklahoma	3,913	3,898	-15	
South Arkansas	* 3,991	3,951	-40	
Northwest Oklahoma	5,269	5,208	-61	
Houston	* 3,729	3,634	-95	
North Arkansas	3,712	3,596	-116	
Southeast Oklahoma San Antonio	3,677 3,481	3,561 3,362	-116 -119	
Louisiana	3,641	3,288	-353	
Districts not reporting:	Kansas City, Dallas, So	uthwest Oklahoma, J	oplin	
	SOUTHWEST ZON		•	
Arizona	3,330	3,603	273	
Southern California	11,033	11,168	135	
Hawaii New Menico	* 668 3,174	768	100	
New Mexico Los Angeles	9,583	3,187 9,172	13 _411	
Northern California	*15,380	14,903	-477	
Colorado	* 6,457	5,880	-577	
Northwest Zone				
Washington Pacific	5,042	5,616	574	
Idaho_Oregon	5,328	5,520	192	
Nevada-Utah	818	859	41	
Minnesota South Dakota	2,281 716	2,256 682	-25 -34	
North Dakota	1,551	1,488	-63	
Rocky Mountain	* 2,451	2,259	-192	
Oregon Pacific	* 7,564	6,997	-567	
Districts not reporting: Northwest, Alaska				
Estimated average for		379,075		
Decrease below average	e for August, 1957	4,615		
Per cent of decrease 1 *Average attendance last assembly year.				
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ERWIN G. BENSON Field Secretary ber Continued from page 2

Pastors Harold S. and Flossie Richardson send word from Eaton, Indiana: "Recently closed our fourth and best revival with Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep; great preaching, singing, Scene-o-felt, and colored slides. All attendance records broken, both in Sunday school and in the night services. Great altar services, and nice class of new members. Workers recalled for fifth time."

Mr. J. L. Chandler, Sr., member of the Board of Trustees, First Church of the Nazarene, Charleston, West Virginia, for many years, was killed instantly in an automobile accident on September 13. Brother Chandler had a tremendous influence for holiness in his church and in his community.

After serving for nine years as pastor, five years at Inez and four years at Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, Rev. Martin Stepp, Jr., has resigned to answer the call to full-time evangelism.

Pastor Albert H. Louis sends word: "The new church at St. John, New Brunswick, was dedicated on September 21 by Rev. Bruce Taylor, district superintendent. Mayor of the city and distinguished guests of the community among the record attendance; many new contacts. Property valued at \$28,-000; indebtedness, \$9,000. Progress possible by city property grant in expanding area and loan by Department of Church Extension. Church faces future with unity and faith."

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bailey of San Diego, California, send thanks to the many friends who sent cards and remembered them in many other ways during Elton's heart surgery at Mayo's and loss of Mary's mother, Mrs. V. P. Drake. They give God all glory for Elton's miraculous recovery; doctors gave him one month to live before surgery. He is now well on the road to recovery. They send thanks to hundreds of people all over the world who prayed for them.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Knippers of 420 Lawrence Street, Lawrence, Tennessee, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on October 15. They have served as Nazarene pastors and evangelists for nearly forty years, working in Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Michigan. Their six children are all Christians and living useful lives. They are Rev. Cecil C., Hawaii; Senator Ottis J., of Tennessee; Rev. Shural G., of Bethany, Oklahoma; Professor D. Harold, of Tennessee; Mrs. Dorothy Coburn, of Bethany; and Mrs. Lora Lee Dunkin, of Florida.



Wisconsin District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The Wisconsin District N.Y.P.S. convention enjoyed the best attendance this year in the district's history. More than 250 people attended the inspirational and business sessions of the convention on August 9 at Camp Byron, Brownsville.

The district dues were pledged at the convention by the local presidents, and the amount pledged exceeded the assessments given to the local societies in former years.

About 150 young people attended the district N.Y.P.S. banquet, with Dr. G. B. Williamson bringing a most challenging message as to youth's task in the future in the Church of the Nazarene.

The following district officers were elected: Rev. Dwight Millikan, president, with an almost unanimous vote; Rev. Jack Nash, vice-president; Rev. Wayne Sharpes, secretary; and Albert Pemble, treasurer.

During the convention reports given showed many numerical and spiritual gains made in the past year.-R. WAYNE SHARPES, Reporter.

Lake City, South Carolina-Recently our home mission church enjoyed a wonderful revival. Rev. and Mrs. Dave Erickson were the evangelists and singers, and God blessed. Brother Erickson's messages were Spirit-filled and powerful, and their singing was a blessing to the hearts of the people. Souls sought God at the altar of prayer, and four fine members were added to the church on profession of faith. We give God praise for His blessings and what has been accomplished.-WARREN COFE-LAND, Pastor.

Evangelists Dayton and Patricia Lockard report: "God has given us another wonderful year in the evangelistic work, with some great revivals and a good number of seekers at the altar. We thank the pastors and people with whom we have been privileged to work. We are now making up our slate for 1959 and will be glad to go where the Lord may lead. Write us at our home address, Route 2, Box 312-C, Charleston, West Virginia."

Western Ohio District Camp

August 11 was the closing date of a wonderful twelve-day camp of the Western Ohio District, at the Nazarene Center, St. Marys, Ohio. From the early morning prayer meeting until the last seeker prayed through, the Spirit of God was present.

Dr. Ralph Earle brought heartsearching messages, and held a class each afternoon, using his book on *The Minor Prophets* (for which C.S.T. credit was given). In the morning sessions Rev. Ponder Gilliland brought a series of messages on holiness; also his evangelistic messages were soul-stirring. Song Evangelist Paul Qualls, in his unique manner, presented messages in song which blessed the congregation. Each afternoon the children's services were ably led by Mrs. Noel Whitis.

Únder the leadership of our superintendent, Dr. W. E. Albca, Western Ohio District had one of its best camps.— ROBERT L. ELLIS, Reporter.

Sand Springs, Oklahoma-Recently our church had a good revival with Evangelist Joel Danner. God blessed and gave more than forty seekers at the altar, and on the closing Sunday we received twenty-two new members into the church on profession of faith. God is richly rewarding our ministry here.--HIRAM E. SANDERS, Pastor.

Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Miller write: "We have open dates, January 21 to February I. and March 18 to 29 (1959), and will be glad to go anywhere the Lord may lead. We are in our fifteenth year in the evangelistic field, and carry the whole program—preaching, singing, special music, chalk artistry, and children's work. Write us at our home address, 307 S. Delaware Street, Mt. Gilead, Ohio."

Northern California District Camp

The "Golden Anniversary Camp Meeting" of the Northern California District, under the efficient leadership of District Superintendent George M. Coulter, was used by the Holy Spirit to bring young and old to a deeper realization of God's power and a deeper devotion to the cause of holiness.

Dr. John Logan and Dr. B. V. Seals, camp speakers, preached messages that brought waves of blessing and mighty conviction. Time after time the altars were lined with seekers and God's power was evidenced in many miraculous answers to prayer.

Dr. H. Orton Wiley was wonderfully used of the Lord as he led us in a study of the Book of James in a beautiful outdoor setting among the redwoods. One afternoon God came so near that some testified later they would not have been surprised to see the heavens open and Christ come to take us home.

The music was a special benediction. Rev. Gilbert Rushford, camp soloist, sang with God's anointing, and the 175voice, teen choir presented the hymn arrangements of their director, Paul Skiles, each evening. Such beauty and blessing are difficult to describe. The work of Rev. Hal Bonner with the "tween-teens" and Rev. and Mrs. Ted Parrott with the children was greatly appreciated and added much to the camp program.

A time of special significance for the pastors was in the pastors' prayer and fasting service led by the district superintendent. No pastor present could ever forget that service. It was a hallowed time of soul searching and renewed dedication to our task. In answer to our prayers, the Holy Spirit came in great power and blessing until time was forgotten and schedules were set aside. Truly, the joy of heaven was poured out upon us!

The entire district will feel the impact of this "Golden Anniversary Camp" for a long time to come.-WALTER M. HUBBARD, Reporter.

Northwestern Illinois District Assembly

The tenth annual assembly of the Northwestern Illinois District convened on the Manville campgrounds, August 20 and 21, with Dr. Samuel Young presiding. A spirit of unity prevailed throughout the assembly, with indications of great concern for district-wide, Holy Ghost revivals. Dr. Young's messages, so filled with kindly humor and deep wisdom, were inspiring to all. His administrative efficiency made the entire assembly run smoothly.

tire assembly run smoothly. Dr. Lyle E. Eckley, serving the first of a three-year call as superintendent, gave his tenth report of the district. It was highlighted by a survey of the progress made on the district in its ten-year history. Contrasting 1958 with ten years ago, Dr. Eckley showed 66 churches and 1 mission, as against 40 at the beginning of the district; 3,301 members as against 2,100; 8,858 Sunday school enrollees as against 5,906; 802 juniors as against 355; 1,242 in N.Y.P.S. as against 889; 2,117 in N.F.M.S. as against 923. And, in the finances, \$1,-948,325 in church property as over against \$461,650; \$377,200 in parsonage property as against \$151,500; \$155,677 paid to pastors as against \$83,358; \$10,-525 paid to home missions as against \$4,798; \$13,204 paid to district budget as against \$8,027; \$7,050 paid to Olivet Nazarene College as against \$3,715; \$529,-467 paid for all purposes as over against \$276,555; and \$37,473 paid to General Budget as against \$16,976. In the tenycar period, 42 new church buildings and 21 new parsonages have been erected. Brother and Sister Eckley and the family are sincerely loved and appreciated throughout the district. They are devoted leaders.

The assembly concluded with an excellent ordination service under the direction of Dr. Young, with the following receiving elder's orders: Mrs. Mary Raker, Reine Noland, Russell Gravatt, and Kenneth McClain.

Special tribute was paid to the Harry Morrows, who have so graciously opened their hearts to the district. Rev. Harry Morrow is the founder of the old Manville Holiness Camp, just south of Streator, Illinois. The camp is now being turned over to the district for its development into the district center. Eight more acres adjacent to the camp have been purchased for this purpose.

We give God praise for His blessings in Northwestern Illinois.-ROGER A. FLEMMING, Reporter.

New York District Youth Institute

The theme of the 1958 New York District youth institute, "Prospectors for Christ," was in keeping with our Golden Anniversary year celebration.

Fifty-seven teen-agers and twelve staff members spent four enjoyable days at Nazarene Nugget Noll, Kent Cliffs, New York. The institute was a huge success in that practically all those with spiritual needs sought and found God. At the close of the consecration service, four testified to having received a definite call to foreign mission fields, and three testified to having received a call to Christian teaching. Another high light of the institute was the candlelight communion service on the last evening.

On Sunday afternoon the weary but happy "prospectors" returned home with true riches-the riches of His grace.-ROBERT F. UTTER, Reporter.

Kansas City District Young People's Convention

The Kansas City District young people's convention convened September 1, at the District Center, near Kansas City. There was a wonderful spirit of harmony and co-operation throughout the entire convention.

District President Edwin Murphey gave a wonderful report of the work done on the district during the past year. He was re-elected by an overwhelming majority. The convention showed their appreciation by giving Brother Murphey a very deserving love offering.

Other officers elected were: Ralph Jared, vice-president; Ken Meredith, secretary; Carl Pratt, treasurer; Jack Scharn, teen-age supervisor; Jerry Sue Locke and Justin Rice, teen-agers at large.

Not only has the district shown wonderful strides during the past year, but the challenge was extended and accepted that should show marvelous results in the coming year. The blessings of the Lord have been upon the young people of the Kansas City District.—LELAND BUCKNER, Reporter.

Benton Harbor, Michigan-God has graciously blessed the work here, with an average attendance gain in Sunday school of fifty-one per Sunday. We have just completed our eight-unit Sunday school project. We have had a 12 per cent increase in church membership, with all budgets paid. God's Spirit has been manifested in our regular services, and people have been praying through to victory. The pastor, Rev. R. D. Bredholt, has been given a unanimous threeyear call.-BILLY S. BERRY, Secretary.

Rev. Herbert Land reports: "Sunday, September 28, marked the close of our ministry with the good people at Dalhart, Texas. We have enjoyed our work with this fine people, who have

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proved their love to the pastor and family in many ways. Also it has been a thrill to minister in the beautiful new church with its fine facilities. Feeling that God is leading, we resigned as pastor and entered the field of evangelism on October 1. I have conducted one hundred revivals in Texas, and pastored some of our good churches. I am making up my slate for fall and winter and will accept revival dates as they come. Write us, Box 246, Dalhart, Texas."

Rev. Erden R. Craven writes: "I am a commissioned evangelist on the Northwest Oklahoma District, and am open for calls for week-end meetings. After January I, I will be in the field full time. I am willing to go as the Lord may lead. Write me, Box 443, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Limestone, Illinois-In the first revival of this newly organized church, the Lord met with us and blessed the preaching and music of Rev. and Mrs. T. T. Liddell. Our charter membership was closed with the last service of the revival, on August 31, giving us a total of twenty members. We praise God for His goodness.-MELVIN G. RID-DLEBARGER, Pastor.

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Portsmouth, O h i o-God graciously manifested His presence in the organizational ceremony on Sunday afternoon, August 31, and brought into being the Northside Church of the Nazarene under the auspices of the home mission board of the Central Ohio District. Rev. Bernard W. Knox, pastor of Portsmouth First Church, authorized by District Superintendent H. S. Galloway, officiated at the organization. Fifteen persons were accepted as charter members of the new church. Rev. Everett Park, graduate of Olivet Nazarene College, and former pastor of West Portsmouth and Coal Grove churches, was appointed as pastor by Dr. Galloway. A modern, ranch-type chapel to accommodate the new congregation is to be erected in the near future.--MARTHA VOGEL, Reporter.

North Little Rock, Arkansas-Revival fires are burning in First Church here. During the entire month of August, God moved upon our people in an unusual way, with good altar services on four of the five Sundays and a total





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of twenty-six seekers in the regular services. Sunday, August 31, was a glorious day. During the morning service the Holy Spirit came and there was spontaneous testimony and witness to the blessed experience of heart holiness. In the midst of shouts of victory, without preaching, six people prayed through to God; also we had another good altar service at night. We have just closed our assembly year-fortyfive new members received, thirty-five by profession of faith, and twenty-six

baptized. Every department of the church co-operated to give 12 per cent to world evangelism, and the total given for "others" exceeded 26 per cent. We are now in a week of religious education, using *The Fullness of the Spirit*, and to date nearly one hundred people enrolled.—EARL C. DARDEN, *Pastor*.

Cullman, Alabama-First Church recently enjoyed a profitable revival with Rev. Wayne Sears, pastor at Norman, Oklahoma, as evangelist, and Brother Kenneth Moore as the song evangelist. God blessed with a spirit of revival from the first service, and souls were saved and added to the church. We thank God for the ministry of Brother Sears and Brother Moore, and feel this was one of the most fruitful revivals we have had.—A. M. PRUITT, Pastor.

Evangelist W. Lawson Brown reports: "Fifteen months ago I resigned a good pastorate in McAllen, Texas, to enter the field of evangelism. I have been busy in twenty-two meetings; God has blessed and given many souls at the altar of prayer. God and the people have been good to me as I have preached and sung. I am enjoying the work and feel I am in the will of the Lord. I have labored on ten districts and in nine states. I have an open date in December and also one in January, and will be glad to slate this time as the Lord may lead. Write me c/o our publishing house, or at my home address, 611 Madison, Jefferson City, Missouri."

Canada Central District Young People's Institute

A wonderful week of helpful training, social fellowship, and spiritual blessing enjoyed by the largest enrollment of our history, capped by a Labor Day week end of inspiration, challenge, and victory as larger numbers of young people moved in, combined in making our Golden Anniversary year institute a truly memorable one.

The ministry of Dr. Leslie Parrott, of Flint. Michigan, revealed a wonderful and God-given understanding of youth. Many definite victories were recorded with several testifying clearly to the experience of entire sanctification. Rev. J. G. Anstey was used of God in a refreshing and fruitful ministry on Sunday, at which time our beloved district superintendent, Rev. H. Blair Ward, also presented the challenge of home missions to our youth.

A total of 104 Christian Service Training credits—which included 54 on the new Holiness Institute Scries—were awarded. Instructors in this area included Mrs. Dorothy Harrison, Rev. D. R. Morrison, and Rev. S. Roy G. Hall, who also served as dean of the institute.

Rev. Ross R. Cribbis, district teenage supervisor, ably served as director of the camp. His leadership further endeared him to the youth of our district. Others included on the camp staff were: Athletic Director Wm. Johnston, Mrs. Ross Cribbis, Mr. Tom Rook, and Camp Nurse Gertha Rice. Brad and Dorothy Harrison efficiently handled the duties of camp "pa" and "ma," with the former also serving as treasurer. Rev. Carlton Gleason, with a devoted and hard-working kitchen staff, took excellent care and made ample provision for the physical needs. DeVern Mullen, beloved gospel singer, was generous in his contribution to the institute, which was also spiced by campfires, skits, and an institute choir. Bob Boden and Jackie Whan were chosen camp "king" and "queen" respectively.

Canada Central youth returned to their home churches with vision and optimism. challenged by this year's theme: "We cannot but speak!"—S. Roy G. HALL, *Reporter*.

Indianapolis District Assembly

The twenty-third annual assembly of the Indianapolis District was held August 27 and 28 at the district campgrounds at Camby, Indiana. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presided with efficiency and gave messages of inspiration and challenge.

The report of the district superintendent, Rev. Luther Cantwell, showed progress along all lines, with \$895,663 given for general interests. There was expansion in new and improved buildings all over the district, and home mission work has been started in several new places. The N.F.M.S. is a "star" district society, and the district center has become one of the best in our movement. This year a new kitchen and dining room were completed and modern rest rooms installed.

Superintendent Cantwell was reelected for his sixth year with a very excellent vote. Our people deeply appreciate the leadership of our good district superintendent and his wife and, as a token of esteem, they were given a love offering of \$1,075 for the expenses of a vacation trip.

Mrs. Cantwell was re-elected to the office of district N.F.M.S. president at the convention immediately preceding the assembly. During the convention our hearts were deeply moved by the stirring, anointed messages of Mrs. Louise Chapman, general N.F.M.S. president, and the reports of progress in the work in Italy given by our missionary, Rev. Earl Morgan.

Rev. J. W. Swearengen and the Treble Tones represented Olivet Nazarene College, and Brother Swearengen brought the Wednesday night message. Brother Charles Harper very ably represented our publishing house.

A note of sadness was evident in the loss of an elder during the year, Rev. Robert Johnson, who had pastored for many years on the district. Worthy of mention is the fact that his twin brother, Rev. S. C. Johnson, has given nineteen years of service as district secretary.

On the closing night, in an impressive service conducted by Dr. Powers, three men were ordained as elders—Kenneth Riden, Donald Myrick, and Clifford Wilson.—MARY BANE, Reporter.

Deaths

MRS. ROSE PAYTON, mother of Evangelist Gertrude Ward, died in her sleep on May 23, 1958, at Fern Park, Florida; she was eighty years old. On May 2 she fell and broke her hip and complications caused her death. Converted at the age of eighteen and sanctified three years later, she lived a victorious Christian life for sixty-two years. Her membership was in the Church of the Nazarene, Portland, Indiana, where she lived before moving to Florida two and one-half years ago. For eight years she traveled with her daughter in evangelistic work, and all who knew her loved and appreciated her for her sweet spirit. She had been in failing health for several years but, as a prayer warrior, spent hours praying for revivals and lost souls. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. James Fisher, pastor of the Fern Park Church of the Nazarene, with interment in Glen Haven Memorial Park, Winter Haven, Florida.

VICTOR H. ANDERSON was born in Galeton, Pennsylvania, May 23, 1904, and died April 15, 1958, in Fontana, California. Converted eighteen years ago, he joined the Church of the Nazarene



FRANK J. GRISA was born January 18, 1889, in Germany, and came to this country with his parents in 1903. In 1914 he was married to Minnie Shade; she died in 1938. In 1940 he married Mable Patterson, who survives. He died on April 26, 1958, following a heart attack. Converted as a young man, in Chicago, he later moved to Merrill, Wisconsin, and was instrumental in starting the Church of the Nazarene there. He served as treasurer for fourteen years. He was active in district affairs. Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Frank, Jr., and Mark Eldor; also three daughters, Mrs. Lester (Mildred) Ringhiser, Mrs. Dauglas (Verna) Nixon, and Ruth; also one stepdaughter, Edith McNeely; two brothers, Gus and Fred; and one sister, Mrs. Willlam (Mary) Krueger. Funeral service was held in Merrill, Wisconsin, by his pastor, Rev. Elmer Danner, assisted by Rev. D. J. Gibson, district superintendent.

MRS. MYRTLE LENORA SNYDER was born May 9, 1889, in Stanton County, Kansas, and died June 9, 1958, in Nampa, Idaho. In 1913 she was united in marriage to Paul C. Snyder. She and her husband joined First Church of the Nazarene in Nampa in 1918 and have held continuous membership here for forty years. By her diligence in church work she made an invaluable contribution to the church in its early beginnings, and aided greatly in its growth and development. She worked faithfully and carried on under great hardships, also labored valiantly for the salvation of her fami'y and others. She spent the declining years of her life in calling on shut-ins and visitation evangelism; and when her strength abated, she continued a ministry of helpfulness through encouraging letters to scores of people. Her life was built around her home and her church. She was a mother par excellence, a loving wife, and a devoted servant of God. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer, in Nampa First Church.



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CHARLES C. TREFRY was born July 7, 1879, in Arcadia, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, and died May 14, 1958, in Beverly, Massachusetts. In 1904 he was united in marriage to Mabel May Saunders. To this union were born fourteen children, four of whom preceded him in death. Converted and sanctified as a young man, he and his wife became members of the Beverly Church of the Nazarene in 1917. He was active in the work of the Church, serving in various offices—Sunday school teacher, Sunday school superintendent, church secretary, trustee, and a local preacher. He loved God, his church, and his family; he was an understanding father. He lived a faithful and consistent Christian life. Besides his wife, he is survived by four church, and his family; he was an uncerstanoing father. He lived a faithful and consistent Christian life. Besides his wife, he is survived by four daughters (one is the wife of Rev. Carl Harr, Naza-rene pastor, Upper Sandusky, Ohio) and six sons. Funeral service was held in the Beverly church, with his pastor, Rev. G. H. Keeler, in charge; burial was in the North Beverly Cemetery.

ALBERT SCHMIDT was born October 6, 1886, in Le Mars, Iowa, and died June 11, 1958, in Nampa, Idaho. In 1911 he was married to Rebecca Walden in Yoder, Colorado. They moved to Nampa in 1926. He joined Nampa First Church of the Nazarene that year, and remained a faithful mem-ber until death. Rebecca Schmidt died in 1937. In 1939 he was married to Ruth Cunningham. He was a capable businessman, fair in all of his dealings. His quiet, unassuming manner bespoke a richness of soul and depth of personality. After many years of chronic heart trouble, he died sud-denly on June 11 while working in his garage; he was seventy-two years of age. He is survived by his wife; one son, Gerald; one daughter, Mrs. Maris Stetson; one brother, L. R. Schmidt; and a half brother, W. E. Hauser, Funeral service was con-ducted by his pastor, Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer, in brother, W. E. Hauser. Funeral service was con-ducted by his pastor, Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer, in Nampa First Church.

Announcements

NOTICE—Anyone having complete years (copies) of the "Herald of Holiness," willing either to sell them or trade them for books, please write me, 1956 S. Towne Avenue, Pomona, California.—Rev. Clyde W. Rather.

RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS This is to recommend to our people Rev. C. R. Watson, who has resigned as pastor of our First Church in Baytown, Texas, to enter the evangelistic work. Brother Watson will be conscientious and sincere in his obligation toward the revival and will pray and carry a burden for the lost. His preaching will encourage the church, bring conviction to sin-ners, and cause believers to become hungry for holiness. Write him, General Delivery, Sealy, Texas. —W. Raymond McClung, Superintendent of Houston District. District.

I would like to highly recommend Rev. V. S. Rushing to our people everywhere as a strong and wholesome evangelist. I have known Brother Rushing personally for many years, know that he is a loyal

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Nazarene, and recommend to my many friends in the church Brother Rushing as a good evangelist. Address him, 104 E. Haven Road, Montgomery, Alabama.—C. E. Shumake, Superintendent of Tennessee District

I want to recommend to our pastors and churches Rev. Herbert Land, who is entering the evangelistic field this month. He has been an excellent and successful pastor on our district for several years, successful pastor on our district for several years, and has continually maintained a burning heart for evangelism. It is only after months of earnest prayer that he has decided to resign his pastorate and return to the field of evangelism. He is an excellent preacher, and with a tender spirit. I heartily commend him to our people. He may be contacted at 521 S. Pemberton Street, Fort Worth, Turase Owillo W. leavier Surgeitendent of Abit. Texas .--- Orville W. Jenkins, Superintendent of Abilene District.



After serving for seven years as pastor of First Church, Houston, Texas, Rev. L. P. Durham has resigned to enter the evangelistic field. He was a member of the advisory board and the district church school board for nearly all the time that he pastored on our district. His previous pastorates have been on the Abliene, Dallas, and New Mexico districts. Brother Durham is a good preacher and will hold successful revivals. He has a beautiful baritone voice and will sing if his services are desired in this capacity. He has open time and may be contacted at 1823 E. Abram Street, Ar-lington, Texas.—W. Raymond McClung, Superin-tendent of Houston District.

WEDDING BELLS

Mrs. Ethel Jean Cramer and William F. Langloys, both of Winfield, Kansas, were united in marriage on September 12 in the home of Mrs. Joe Kelley, with the Nazarene pastor, Rev. Ralph E. Shafer, officiating

Miss Carol Ann Fenno of La Moure and Darrell E. Brademeyer of Oakes, North Dakota, were united in marriage on September 1 at the Church of the Nazarene in La Moure.

Miss Ethel Swearengen of Bourbonnais, Illinois, and Mr. Fred Fortune of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, were united in marriage on August 30 in College Church of the Nazarene in Bourbonnais, with Rev. John W. Swear-engen, father of the bride, officiating, assisted by Rev. Forrest W. Nash, pastor.

Miss Martha Sue Keller and Mr. Larry Lovern, both of Muncie, Indiana, were united in marriage on August 30 at South Side Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. W. B. Greek, officiating, assisted by Rev. H. W. Cornelius.

BORN—to James and Beverly Smith of Kanka-kee, Illinois, a son, James Scott, on August 23.

Boyd and Barbara (Stirratt) Fees of Kankakee, Illinois, a daughter, Jodi Renee, on August 21.

-to Rev. and Mrs. Raiph Leon Seager of Muscatine, Iowa, a son, Randal Ralph, on August 3.

to Professor and Mrs. Mervel S. Lunn, Jr., of Bethany Nazarene College Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, John Frederick, on June 26.

-to Professor P. Loring and Jen (Shoemaker) Beals of Nampa, Idaho, a daughter, Shelley Louise, on June 17.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a lady in

SPECIAL PRATER IS REQUESTED by a lady in Mississippi for her husband, who has been in a bad accident; also he needs help spiritually; by an "anxious grandmother" in Ontario for her granddaughter, who has had a nervous breakdown, that her health may be restored and that she may get saved;

get saved; by a friend in California for a soul in great distress, mentally and spiritually—has been a real burden-bearer for souls, but now in great darkness and confusion and needs special help and deliver-ance from God; Delia for Gode help and service services

by a reader in Ohio for God's help in a serious problem in the church, for an unspoken request, for healing of wife and son, and for help in a problem in the home;

in the nome; by a reader in Ohio for a young girl whose parents are keeping her from church and she is having a difficult time to keep the victory, that the parents may see their need of God; by a wife and mother in Kansas who needs spe-cial help and direction from God in a financial

matter, also that she may stay true to God whatever comes:

y a Christian mother in British Columbia for son in Washington, past fifty years of age, in r health and has never been saved—he needs by her poor God:

by a lady in Pennsylvania—"not a Christian, I need God, I want peace in my heart"—that she may find definite victory and peace in God.

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