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By This Sign We Conquer

General Superintendent Young

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THE BADGE of victory in the Crusade for Souls is the cross of Jesus Christ. But it is more than a lifeless symbol; it motivates and empowers. This is our message, received from the past, pertinent to our present generation: "Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures" (I Cor. 15:3). We must keep the Cross central or lose our way.

The light of the Cross exposes the darkness of the human heart; it reveals our own righteousness in terms of "filthy rags." It shows us how coarse sin is, how perverse. It condemns us for our own sin and makes us to feel that it is personal and wicked. Our violation of God's moral order stands in ugly contrast to His holiness. The Cross probes us further until we see sin in its essential lawlessness within. It refuses to let us find the promised land of deliverance without passing by the judgment of Sinai. Jesus "became sin" for us on that cross.

The Cross brings us to our knees until we confess one by one, "I have sinned." It denies refuge based on the multitude of transgressors all about us, for Christ died for all. There is no easy way out; it cost God His

only begotten Son. He became our Mediator—the Man, Christ Jesus. He affords us reconciliation as well as forgiveness through faith in His name.

Christ's sacrifice is our message, and the whole world needs to hear it from ordinary men and women who have experienced His redemptive power. Here is the *why* for the Crusade for Souls. We need to witness that our new-found cleansing is as thoroughgoing as was our sin. We are made new creatures in Christ Jesus. He renews a right spirit within us. He purifies by His indwelling Spirit in response to obedient faith. In the final day it is God's plan to receive the conquerors around His throne, but the secret of their ultimate victory is an open one—"by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony." We must tell it out.

The sign of the Cross is all-conquering, for there are no impossible cases with Him; He died for all. But we must show others the way of faith, which is the way to victory, and often we must lead them in one by one. This is the task of the whole Church all of the time. Victory is assured, for even now the Lamb is on the throne. Hallelujah!

"FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD, EVEN YOUR SANCTIFICATION" (1 Thess. 4:3)

NEWS IN BRIEF

After three years as pastor of First Church in Marion, Ohio, Rev. Carl L. Wooten resigned to accept the call of the North Nampa Church, Nampa, Idaho.

Evangelist Hugh S. Clark is leaving the field to accept a call to pastor the church in Georgetown, Kentucky.

Rev. and Mrs. Reuben Welch, who were released from their pastorate in Hilo, Hawaii, because of the illness of their daughter, have accepted the call to pastor the church in Mesa, Arizona.

After serving the Brentwood Church in Portland, Oregon, for nine years, Rev. Ralph C. Wynkoop has resigned, and is re-entering the evangelistic field.

Evangelist J. Lester Seel is leaving the evangelistic field to accept a call to pastor the church in Newell, West Virginia.

After serving for nearly five years on the faculty of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois, Dr. Ralph E. Perry has resigned to accept a call to pastor First Church in Hammond, Indiana.

Rev. Irving E. Sullivan has resigned as pastor of the church in Taft, to accept a call to pastor the church in Redwood City, California.

On February 4, Miss Mary E. Latham, of the Department of Church Schools, will speak at the Michigan District preachers' meeting. The morning message will be in the interest of young people's work and the afternoon message will be on Sunday-school work.

Rev. V. A. Beasler has resigned as pastor of the Sunflower Church, Merigold, Mississippi, and is entering the evangelistic field.

If the road I travel, and my neighbor follows, is to be smoother this year than it was last, it will be because there have been some definite changes in my course as a result of my having committed my way unto the Lord for examination and correction. Examination of one's course may be valuable, and the reading of the Word a blessing; but the real cleansing is possible only when I examine my way in the light of the Word.—*Selected.*

The Importance of Bible Reading

THE YEAR of 1953 is Bible-Emphasis Year in the Church of the Nazarene. It is good to have such emphasis, but to the genuine and devout Christian every year is Bible-reading year. I was startled when I read the following recently: Says Dr. George W. Crane, "Recently I made a survey of a large church audience and found that only 19 per cent had read the Bible from cover to cover. Among my students at Northwestern University, not 10 per cent had ever read the Bible. Nowadays I doubt if 5 per cent of the usual college student body has ever read the New Testament.

"When I graduated from high school, my mother gave me a Bible as a gift. How many of you other mothers are doing the same? You mothers may find that your sons and daughters don't always do what you would like to have them do, but you should at least clear your own consciences by giving them a Bible of their own. Encourage them to read it. And teach them how to pray."

Read the Bible repeatedly, consecutively, thoroughly, prayerfully, devoutly, and lovingly and your soul will be blessed. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4).—E. E. WORDSWORTH, *Pastor, South Tacoma, Washington.*

Sanctification is a minute-by-minute "Yes, Lord" on our part.—D. B. KIDNEY.

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OVER THE TOP!

The following is a continuation of the list of churches which according to the district reports exceeded their quotas in subscription drives conducted during the latter part of 1952.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Church District	Percentage
Lutes Mountain, N.B.—Maritime	166
Moncton, N.B.—Maritime	79
Halifax, N.S.—Maritime	88
Bass River, N.S.—Maritime	119
St. John, N.B.—Maritime	73
Amherst, N.S.—Maritime	84
Middleton, N.S.—Maritime	75
Rula—Nebraska	111
Sidney—Nebraska	114
Fairbury—Nebraska	104
Ainsworth—Nebraska	98
Wood River—Nebraska	95
Palmer—Nebraska	100
Arnold—Nebraska	84
Broken Bow—Nebraska	88
Chadron—Nebraska	81
Omaha South—Nebraska	80
Valentine—Nebraska	77
Newman Grove—Nebraska	76
Hemingford—Nebraska	72
Omaha Central—Nebraska	69
Cozad—Nebraska	71
Lincoln First—Nebraska	68
Beatrice—Nebraska	68
Broadwater—Nebraska	64
North Platte—Nebraska	61
Grand Island—Nebraska	60
Hastings—Nebraska	60
Lexington—Nebraska	64
Litchfield—Nebraska	63
York—Nebraska	61
Grants Pass—Ore. Pac.	73
Medford—Ore. Pac.	67
Newport—Ore. Pac.	80
Oakridge—Ore. Pac.	92
Parkdale—Ore. Pac.	67
Phoenix—Ore. Pac.	67
Ardenwald—Ore. Pac.	69
Mt. Scott—Ore. Pac.	67
Parkrose—Ore. Pac.	67
Roseburg—Ore. Pac.	68
Salem Keiser—Ore. Pac.	71
The Dalles—Ore. Pac.	76
Springfield—Ore. Pac.	69
Tillamook—Ore. Pac.	72
Toledo—Ore. Pac.	400
Vernonia—Ore. Pac.	115
Akron Goodyear Hgts.—Akron	63
Akron Kenmore—Akron	60
Akron Springfield Hgts.—Akron	69

This list will be continued next week.

THAINE F. SANFORD,
Sales Promotion Manager

EDITORIALS

Stephen S. White, Editor

The General Board Meeting Our Annual Accounting*

ONE OF THE most important factors in progress is regular checkups. An individual or an organization that does not stop at times and have an accounting as to what has been done will sooner or later find itself on the rocks. It pays to coolly face the facts as to what has been accomplished. Businessmen and organizations do this annually, and all other people and organizations should do it.

The Church of the Nazarene has its annual checkup. This is an important function of the General Board meeting which convenes each year in January. Yesterday morning (Friday, January 9) its first session for 1953 was held, with Dr. Hardy C. Powers, general superintendent, in the chair. The session opened with a devotional service—song led by Mr. A. E. Ramquist, scripture lesson by Dr. V. H. Lewis, superintendent of the Houston District, and prayer by Dr. A. B. Mackey, president of Trevecca Nazarene College. This was followed by a brief message by Dr. Powers. He pointed out the difficulties and complexity of our present world and then assured us that the gospel of Jesus Christ is especially fitted to meet this situation. He then added that in Jesus' day it was often "little faith" on the part of His followers which hindered the work of the Kingdom. We must not allow "little faith" to prevent us from meeting the problems of our day. With "big faith" we can go forward and win the victory.

Early in this session time was given to hearing reports from various church officers. The general superintendents who had made foreign visitation tours during the past year told briefly of these. Most of what they said about these journeys already has been given to you through the columns of the HERALD OF HOLINESS. However, it was very interesting and inspiring to hear again these stories by word of mouth. It is not easy for those of us who belong to the rank and file of the membership of our church to realize the importance of these foreign visitation trips. In taking them, our leaders are involved in great responsibility, and a heavy demand is made upon their strength and energy. God bless our general superintendents and guide them in all of the work they do and the responsibilities they must bear!

*More reports next week

NEW MISSIONARIES

(to be sent during fiscal year)

Dr. & Mrs. Quentin Howard	British Honduras
Rev. & Mrs. Donald Owens	General Appointment
Miss Lois Santo	General Appointment
Miss Edna Lochner	Africa
Miss Lois Pass	Africa
Rev. & Mrs. Howard Sayes	Trinidad
*Rev. & Mrs. Max Conder	Haiti
†Miss Catherine Perry	Japan
†Rev. & Mrs. Robert Manley	British Honduras
†Rev. & Mrs. Dean Galloway	India
†Rev. & Mrs. Elward Green	India

*Associate Missionaries

†Under appointment prior to January, 1953

Dr. S. T. Ludwig, General Church Secretary

DR. LUDWIG presented a brief but very interesting report. Two paragraphs of it have to do with the meeting of the General Assembly in Kansas City in June of 1952. They read as follows:

Approximately 10,000 delegates and visitors were here in Kansas City for all or part of the ten days which included the pre-assembly conventions and the assembly schedule itself. We have had many favorable comments from our people concerning the facilities offered by Kansas City for such an international gathering. On the other hand, the reaction of Kansas City to our people was unusually good. From many of the businessmen we received commendation and high praise on the quality of our people and the effectiveness with which they accomplished their mission while here.

I think it is only fair to report to this General Board the fine way in which Kansas City offered the facilities of the Municipal Auditorium to our group. For the use of the three auditoriums and the exhibit hall, including lights, air-condition and janitor service, we were charged rental on the building of \$1.00. There were certain overtime services we took care of in the operation of the public-address system beyond the normal eight-hour day and certain other auxiliary services where we hired help to facilitate the comfort and convenience of our people. But when all of these auxiliary services were taken care of, the actual cost was less than \$500.00.

Also, the statistical record in Dr. Ludwig's report shows that we now have 3,888 churches in

the United States, Canada, and the British Isles, a net gain of 9 per cent during the last year. The church membership for the same area is now 250,223, a net gain of 3.3 per cent during the last twelve months. The value of all of our church property, including that on our foreign missionary fields, has now reached \$98,727,627.00. Thus we are nearly to the \$100,000,000.00 mark in our property valuation.

Further, our people will be glad to know that, according to the statistics for 1952, "we now have sixty-one established districts in the United States, three in Canada, one in the British Isles, one in Australia, one in South Africa (European), one in Hawaii, one in Alaska, a total of sixty-nine."

Dr. John Stockton, General Treasurer

DR. STOCKTON, in his report, brought the General Board up to December 31, 1952, from the standpoint of the records of his office. I shall not give the details of this statement of our church's finances since most of them will appear in connection with other reports. However, there is one paragraph in it which I pass on to our people:

We have been a bit concerned about the 10 per cent program since the General Assembly due to the fact that the enthusiasm regarding it seems to be slowing down. Those churches which have adopted the 10 per cent plan have greatly increased our income for world evangelism, but there are many other churches which would receive a great blessing by joining the 10 per cent program, and at the same time would help carry the load for financing eighty-nine additional missionaries who have been added to the foreign mission staff.

I trust that many of our churches will give attention to this statement about the 10 per cent program and take action at once to adopt it.

At this point I call attention to the recent announcement by Dr. Stockton in the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* as to the Thanksgiving Offering. I rejoice with him and the other general leaders of our church in this attainment of another goal in our giving. God was with us again and helped in our determination to carry out our world-wide mission. More than the six hundred thousand dollars asked for came in, and as a church we have every reason for joining together in singing the Doxology. "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!"

Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt,

Executive Secretary for Foreign Missions

HERE ARE some of the high lights of Dr. Rehfeldt's report: We now have "262 missionaries under appointment and 55 missionary workers without General Board appointment (within the borders of the United States)—a total of 317 splendid representatives." Besides, there are 1,000 national workers and 24 mission fields. Also, during the last fiscal year the sum of \$1,786,486.54 (General Budget and specials) was raised for this phase of the work of our church.

During the last year the subscription list of the *Other Sheep* jumped from less than one hundred thousand to one hundred and seventy thousand; fifty new missionaries were sent out; men were enrolled as active members of our missionary society, since it was changed from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to the Nazarene Foreign Missionary Society; the money received for the cause of foreign missions—\$1,786,486.54—was \$362,945.17 more than the income for the previous fiscal year; and the last and fifth accomplishment for the year was the amalgamation of the International Holiness Union work with the Church of the Nazarene. By this union "32 grand missionaries, approximately 100 native workers, some 2,000 church members, 11 main stations, and 195 outstations plus a hospital, 8 dispensaries, a Bible school, and several day schools became a part of our mission in Africa."

The sad fact about this wonderful report and God's marvelous blessing upon our foreign missionary activities is that, even with all that was done, calls for missionaries had to go unheeded because of the lack of funds.

Dr. Rehfeldt's report closes with these paragraphs:

It is said that a certain missionary faced an obstacle in his work which seemed insurmountable. At that time he wrote in his diary: "I had knocked at men's doors and found them shut; and yet the plan was manifestly good and for the glory of God. What was to be done? I prayed fervently to the Lord, laid the matter in His hand, and as I rose up at midnight from my knees, I said, in a voice that almost startled me in the quiet room, 'Forward now, in God's name!'"

This we can do: request \$1,213,160.00 for the active budget; \$188,775.00 from the current balance; \$165,700.00 from the Alabaster Fund; and \$66,350.00 from approved Special channels. This will be safe on the basis of present income. Then we can pray God to stir every member of the church to see that our most immediate and persistent duty is to give the gospel to earth's millions, thus saving them from paganism and winning the world for Christ.

Dr. Roy F. Smee, Executive Secretary

For Home Missions and Evangelism

DURING the quadrennium ending with the General Assembly in June, 1952, 736 new churches were organized. This was the highest number of churches ever organized in any one quadrennium in the history of our church. Home missionary giving during the past year was 65 per cent above that of four years ago.

The Crusade for Souls Now is one of the most important phases of the work of our church. There must be no letup in this area of our activities as Nazarenes. In order to help in this direction, 100 "grass roots" conventions are planned for the coming quadrennium. These will be held in every section of the church in order to put the burden of this work on all of our people.

The Department of Church Extension is taking on new life. It now has a revolving fund of \$140,000.00 which is being used to assist our

Churches, and it is hoped that the day will come when there will be \$1,000,000.00 in this fund.

The closing sections of Dr. Smee's report read as follows:

The overseas home missions, which consume over 34 per cent of all our General Home Missions funds, are making wonderful progress. Beside the work in Alaska, Hawaii, Australia, and South Africa, we have opened work in New Zealand, where Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Griffith have spent almost two years prior to their official appointment. The beginning in this new field is most promising.

This is all home missions. Never before have I been so impressed with the strategic place home missions holds in the life and the future of the Church of the Nazarene. Our people everywhere are awakening to the importance of large investments in home missions. They realize that the whole future of every department of our church program depends upon home missionary achievement. When I say, "The home missionary dollar is the best invested dollar you can put anywhere in the world," you will agree with me I am sure. The total district home missionary giving for the past four years was \$1,449,585.00. This resulted in the organization of over 700 new churches which are alive and functioning today. Last year alone these new churches paid back into the channels of the church for all purposes over \$2,363,660.00. Besides this, consider the salvation results of this investment.

We say, "On with the Crusade!" Our home missionary pace must not slacken. Our future is wrapped up in it and today God smiles upon it.

*Dr. Albert F. Harper, Executive Secretary
For Church Schools*

THE WORK of Church Schools, under the general direction of Dr. Albert F. Harper, has become one of the largest phases of our church's program. In fact, it covers so many important functions of our church that it is difficult to summarize its report in any brief way. Nevertheless, there are a few items which can and should be called to your attention.

During the year 173 new schools were added, the average attendance was increased by nearly 15,000, and the enrollment by more than 21,000. More than \$2,000,000.00 was raised by the Sunday schools for all purposes. Dr. Harper and his co-workers continue "to urge the Sunday schools to set aside the offering on the first Sunday of the month for missions ten months of the year and to join with the whole church by devoting the offering to missions on the Sundays selected for the Easter and Thanksgiving offerings."

The increases in circulation of Sunday-school periodicals for the past year have more than doubled those of the preceding year. There have been marked increases during the year in vacation Bible schools, Caravans, and boys' and girls' camps. It is impossible to measure the value of these activities for the boys and girls of our Sunday schools and churches.

Miss Joy Latham has joined Dr. Harper's staff as a part-time worker. She will be director of the Nursery work. Her immediate attention will be given to developing a well-defined program of work and materials for our nursery workers

and the building of our own nursery class teaching materials.

Dr. Harper indicated that the promotional activities would have three centers: the General Convention preceding the General Assembly, the Quadrennial Program built around the general theme of Enlargement and Improvement, and Area Conferences to be held annually.

Four special projects were mentioned. All have already been launched and are already meeting with phenomenal success. These are: The Christian Home Series, several books on family life guidance for the Christian home; *Children's Praises*, a children's songbook; *The Nazarene Sunday School*, a general book by Dr. Harper on the work and organization of the Sunday school; and the establishment of branch Sunday schools, a project sponsored jointly with the Department of Home Missions and Evangelism.

*Dr. L. J. Du Bois, General Secretary
Of the Nazarene Young People's Society*

THE Nazarene Young People's Society has had another good year under the leadership of Dr. L. J. Du Bois. There has been an increase of 2,144 members, bringing the total of active and associate members in the homeland to 80,594. Add to this number the 5,741 members listed in our mission fields, and there is a grand total of 86,335 members in the Nazarene Young People's Society.

The total raised for all purposes by the N.Y.P.S. was \$486,136.00. This was an increase over the previous year of \$36,648.00. Since May 1, 1952, nearly \$11,000.00 has been given to the General Budget by the N.Y.P.S., and more than \$14,000.00 was obtained in the offering for the American Bible Society. Also, during Youth Week of this year (1953) an offering is to be taken for Bible colleges in Australia and South Africa (European).

Besides sponsoring various projects from year to year—giving to the General Budget and the Bible Society—the N.Y.P.S. promotes the Lamp-lighters' League, the Prayer Tower Intercessors, and Youth Week. Through Regional Conferences, the General Council, and correspondence, the N.Y.P.S. keeps in touch with every section of the church.

Under the editorship of Rev. J. Fred Parker and Miss Edith Lantz, *Conquest*, the *Young People's Journal*, and *Teen Topics* have filled a worthy place in the work of the N.Y.P.S. *Conquest* averaged 21,338 subscriptions for the year, with the *Young People's Journal* and *Teen Topics* averaging respectively 8,066 and 1,535. *The Young People's Society Leader*, by Roy Stevens, has come from the presses this year, and is of special interest to N.Y.P.S. workers.

In closing this brief resume of the work of the N.Y.P.S. as given by Dr. Du Bois, I mention the HERALD OF HOLINESS campaigns which are sponsored throughout the church by this organization.

I appreciate very much the interest of Dr. Du Bois and his co-workers in this part of the work of the Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. S. T. Ludwig,

Executive Secretary for Education

DR. LUDWIG reports an enrollment of 3,537 in our colleges on college level, and 739 below college level. Add to these, 26 from the Samaritan School of Nursing, and 233 from Nazarene Theological Seminary, and we have a grand total enrolled in all of our educational institutions of 4,525. This shows a slight increase of 60 in total enrollment, and our schools are to be congratulated on this achievement since the national trend in enrollment in educational institutions does not show up as well as ours.

The property valuation of our institutions of learning is \$6,658,600.00 with an indebtedness on this of only \$379,936.00. And all other indebtedness amounts to \$352,900.00. Thus the complete amount owed by all of our schools is very small compared to their total value.

The picture is still better when the annual income is taken into consideration. The total capital income for this period was \$296,066.00 and the current income from all sources was \$2,191,860.00, the two sums equaling \$2,487,926.00.

Dr. M. Lunn,

Executive Secretary for Publications

THERE is no better way to present the report of Dr. M. Lunn as to the work of the Department of Publication through the Nazarene Publishing House than to give you his figures. They speak for themselves. First there are the comparative figures which state the total sales and periodicals published:

	SALES (Gross)	
1912-48		\$11,135,065.88
1948-49	\$1,371,510.51	
1949-50	1,429,324.49	
1950-51	1,669,898.49	
1951-52	1,816,946.74	6,287,680.23
	<i>Total</i>	\$17,422,746.11
	PERIODICALS (Published)	
1912-48		335,567,137
1948-49	27,565,022	
1949-50	29,930,757	
1950-51	31,815,038	
1951-52	34,116,078	123,426,895
	<i>Total</i>	458,994,032

During the past thirty years of operation, these contributions have been made:

Nazarene Ministers Benevolent Fund	1934-52	\$231,456.46
Literature	1922-52	102,579.66
W.F.M.S. Literature Fund	1938-52	16,000.00
Nazarene Theological Seminary	1945-49	60,000.00
Department of Foreign Missions	1933-36	100,000.00

General Board	1923-27	15,000.00
Reserve Army, etc.	1937-42	6,073.63

Total \$531,109.75

CURRENT SALES

At the close of the first six months of the current fiscal period, May 1 to October 31, 1952, the total of gross sales compares favorably with the same period of 1951

	1952	1951
Kansas City	\$802,625.96	\$750,834.84
Bethany	37,309.57	32,908.08
Pasadena	73,442.42	63,673.20
Toronto	20,258.72	20,705.44
	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$933,636.67	\$868,121.56

An increase of \$65,515.11.

(To be continued next week)

Dr. D. Shelby Corlett Elected

Editor of the "Preacher's Magazine"

At its recent meeting, the Department of Publication elected Dr. D. Shelby Corlett editor of the *Preacher's Magazine*. Thus the vacancy resulting from the death of Dr. L. A. Reed was filled. Dr. Corlett needs no introduction to our people. He is well known throughout our church as an outstanding preacher and writer. He has served with distinction as editor both of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* and the *Preacher's Magazine*, having resigned from these positions in 1948 because of ill health. Doctor Corlett, who is now in the evangelistic field, is much improved in health and I am sure that he will again make a significant contribution to our church as editor of the *Preacher's Magazine*.

A New Member of the General Board

Mr. J. F. Chilton of the Georgia District, one of the representatives of the Southeast Educational Zone on the General Board, submitted his resignation to the January meeting. He was forced to do this because of changes in his work. Mr. Charles E. Oney of the West Virginia District, and a son of the superintendent of that district, Dr. Edward C. Oney, was elected to succeed Mr. Chilton. We thank God for our many good laymen and, while we hate to lose Mr. Chilton, we are sure that Mr. Oney will make a worth-while contribution to the activities of the General Board.

THREE ESSENTIALS

- Swift to hear,
- Slow to speak,
- Slow to wrath.

James 1:19

Nazarene Theological Seminary

THE TRUSTEES of Nazarene Theological Seminary met Thursday, January 8, 1953. Much of the discussion of the Board pertained to the completion of the new building and matters incident to that. At present, the building will be completed sufficiently for the Seminary to move in before the opening of the fall term in September.

The board voted for the president to put greater emphasis on the campaign, to encourage districts and churches to pay their full allocation allotted for the Seminary Building Fund by September. Plans will be worked out and the districts which have not paid in full will be contacted to endeavor to get sufficient money to pay for the building as it is constructed.

The board reaffirmed the policy that had been voted in former board meetings, that the money for the furniture for the new building should be secured from private gifts. Publicity will be given to this phase also.

The board elected Rev. James McGraw to fill the vacancy in the Department of Practics caused by the home-going of Dr. L. A. Reed. Rev. James McGraw is at present pastoring Sacramento First Church. He was teacher of practics at Northwest Nazarene College and assistant to the president for a period of three years, besides having a broad experience in pastoring several churches. He will begin his work with the Seminary the second semester of this year.

In planning for the future, the board voted to elect Dr. Kenneth Grider as teacher in theology. This will strengthen the Department of Theology and enable the Seminary to offer more courses in theology than they have been able to provide. Dr. Grider has his doctor's degree from the University of Glasgow in Scotland.

Also, it is hoped that one more teacher may be added to the staff for the coming year.

The board spent considerable time planning for the financing of current operations of the Seminary. In the past, the money has come principally from General Budget funds. Because of the unusual growth of the Seminary and the limitation of the funds available to the Seminary from the General Budget by the General Assembly, the board voted to start charging tuition with the school term of 1953-54. A nominal sum was set which will bring sufficient income for the Seminary to continue to serve the church and to increase the efficiency of its operation, as more room and better facilities are provided in the new building.

A wonderful spirit of unity and harmony existed throughout the entire board meeting, and all were optimistic regarding the future of Nazarene Theological Seminary.

LEWIS T. CORLETT,
President

NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

THE BAPTISM

With the Holy Ghost

By S. E. Nothstine*

THERE he stood a lonely, pathetic figure. In striking contrast to his surroundings he shouted out against the sins of his day. But with all his hard-hitting bluntness, John the Baptist was the very essence of humility, for he cried, "I am the voice." Yes, just a voice, and nothing more—the voice of a herald announcing a greater One to come; and, pointing a strong arm, he urged hearers and followers alike to gaze upon the Lamb of God.

"There cometh one mightier than I after me," John said with pride. "I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost." John insisted that his baptism was but the initial rite into the new and wondrous religion to follow. And John knew that if people were to be ready for that other and greater baptism they must repent with a deep and genuine repentance—so John preached repentance and meant it desperately. Always he pointed men toward the better baptism that was to come. Water baptism, for John, was merely a means to an end; the end was the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Just before He ascended, Jesus promised this baptism and reminded His followers that it was limited only by a failure to repent—otherwise it was universal. Three years and more had gone by since John had shouted out the promise; three busy, crowded years. During this time Christ had ministered to the people, had died and risen again, and after forty days had ascended up to the Father. And then, on the Day of Pentecost, it came tumbling down: the fiery baptism had come. John was right after all.

Five things happened at Pentecost and still accompany this same baptism today. First, the Holy Spirit comes to abide; second, the Holy Spirit cleanses from inner sin; third, the Holy Spirit fills with His fullness; fourth, the Holy Spirit witnesses to His coming; and fifth, the Holy Spirit empowers for Christian service. But the purifying presence of the Spirit is what really counts. The outward manifestations all passed away and only the purifying, empowering presence of the Holy Spirit was the permanent factor of Pentecost.

The Scriptures attest the fact that the major contribution of Pentecost was heart purity. Years afterward Peter testified to this fact (Acts 15: 8, 9), and told us definitely that Pentecost gave them pure hearts. What else but purity could be expected when the source of purity had come to dwell? The Holy Spirit could not dwell with impurity.

The disciples also received power at Pentecost; and there is no progress without power. No

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machinery or organization can substitute for power. But it is not the power of numbers or wealth that we mean; it is the power of the Holy Spirit.

So, friend, listen again as John announces, "There cometh one mightier than I after me . . . he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost." "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

Praising the Lord

By Walter E. Isenhour*

Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Ps. 107:8.)

THE WORDS of our text are found four times in this beautiful psalm. Surely they are of vital importance. We believe that when a writer of the Scriptures says a thing, inspired by the Holy Spirit (as all scripture is given of God), and repeats it again and again, that it is very weighty in meaning.

God would have us praise Him for His goodness, and for the wonderful things He does for us, and has provided for us. Every good and perfect gift comes from God. We could not lift a hand, draw a breath, nor live a minute but for the goodness of God. All we have to do in order to realize the goodness of God is to look about us. We see His hand, so to speak, in everything good and beautiful, lovely and pleasant. The firmament above us tells of His goodness; the world about us tells of His goodness; the Bible tells of His goodness; those who love, serve, and worship Him tell of His goodness. It is by and through His

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Follow the Nazarene

By L. M. Hearn

*Nothing for fortune and nothing for fame,
Nothing for honors to heap on my name;
Naught would I give for the favors of men,
For these are the sweets that entangle in sin.*

*Keep me, I pray, from the canker of pride!
Let me in Nazareth humbly abide.
There let me toil till my heart understands,
And my hands learn the touch of the Nazarene's
hands!*

*I would give healing for sorrow and pain,
Lead back the lost to the love fold again—
Feeding the hungry the manna that warms,
Gathering little ones close in my arms.*

*Nothing for fortune and nothing for fame—
These lend no luster to Christ's holy name!
Though in His service unknown and unseen,
Gladly I follow the First Nazarene!*

goodness that we live, move, and have our being.

God's works are very wonderful, even on earth, which are for our good, our happiness, our welfare. He does great things for "the children of men." How we should love Him, honor and worship Him, serve and obey Him! Such brings glory to His holy and matchless name.

God would have all men so live that they could continually praise Him for His goodness. We are exhorted so much in the psalms to praise the Lord. If I were to substitute a title for the Book of Psalms it would be "The Book of Praise." God delights in praise from the hearts and souls of His people. No doubt the average person, even a Christian, is behind with his praise unto Him. So few praises are heard from professed Christians! They partake of the wonderful blessings from God daily, hourly, and even moment by moment, but praise Him so little. Men seem to pray far more than they praise God. Men talk about the Lord far more than they praise Him. No wonder the Psalmist said in the words of our text, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" Amen, and hallelujah!

Men don't backslide praising the Lord. We believe, however, some backslide because they don't praise Him; at least, failing to praise Him may open the way for backsliding. Men don't grow cold in their hearts by praising the Lord, but may grow cold because they don't praise Him. They don't grow in grace by failing to praise the Lord, but they grow in grace by praising Him sincerely. Men are not made to hate each other by praising the Lord, but maybe hatred comes into hearts because they fail in their praises unto the Lord.

As long as a man honestly and sincerely praises the Lord he won't do you any harm. He won't undermine you, won't say hard and cutting things about you, won't cheat and defraud you, won't lie on you. Praises unto the Lord means good will toward men. Praises unto the Lord keeps one sweet in his heart and soul, mind and spirit. Praises unto the Lord keeps all bitterness out of one's life toward others. Those who sincerely keep in a spirit of praise unto the Lord are good neighbors. They are pleasant to live with and to deal with. They are of a kind and friendly disposition. They are prayerful, humble, gentle, meek, and Christlike.

If churches today would turn some of their preaching and prayer services into praise services we believe it would be worth while. It would change the spirit of the services. There would be a different atmosphere, spiritually speaking, to breathe. No doubt it would bring sinners under conviction and maybe fill altars with penitents praying and weeping their way to God. It would take the deadness and dryness out of many of our services and would bring about a spirit of revival. It would encourage hearts and uplift dreary, droopy, despondent souls. It would

banish clouds of formalism and bring the sunshine of sweet spirituality into churches and services. Praising God even helps to bring a revival during a series of meetings. When saints go to praising God for His goodness, the spirit of revival catches from heart to heart, from soul to soul. Try it. It can't do any harm, and may do great good!

Roger Williams on Stewardship*

By Earl C. Wolf**

WELL KNOWN as the founder of the colony of Rhode Island, Roger Williams was a pioneer, controversial writer, independent political thinker, ardent advocate of religious freedom, social architect, statesman, and religious leader. He is almost unknown as the writer of *Experiments of Spiritual Life and Health*, which appeared in London in 1652, and there was an American edition in 1863. This classic of beautiful devotional literature was rediscovered and published again in America in 1951. This other-worldly New Englander, Roger Williams, did much earthly good. He has a great deal to say to us in his devotional writings that will challenge us to a closer walk with the Master.

From this classic of devotional literature come these stewardship statements:

(1) God's children—as travelers on the land, as passengers in a ship—must use this world and all comforts of it with dead and weaned and mortified affections, as if they used them not. If riches, if children, if cattle, if friends, if whatsoever increase, let us watch that the heart fly not loose upon them. As we use salt with raw and fresh meats, let us use no worldly comfort without a savory remembrance that these worldly goods and comforts are the common portion of men of this perishing world, who must perish together with them. Let us muse upon their insufficiency to content and fill our hearts; upon their uncertain coming and going with the eagle's wings; upon their anxiety and perplexity, full of thorns and vexations; upon their uncertainty of departing, how soon we know not. O let us, therefore, beg grace from heaven that we may use earthly comforts as a stool or ladder to help us upward to heavenly comforts, profits, pleasures, which are only true and lasting—even eternal—in God himself when then these heavens and earth are gone.

(2) It argues strength of grace when we use this world and all the comforts of it with a weaned eye and mind, as if we used it not; as English travelers that lodge in an Indian house use all

the wild Indians' comforts with a strange affection, willing and ready to be gone; or as passengers in a ship, willing and ready (when God will) to land and go ashore in our own country, to our own house and comforts in the heavens. Thus Gideon's soldiers (in a figure of such as are fit for Christ's battles) are not only courageous and depart not with the cowards, but also lap at the comforts of this life with a speedy necessity, and lie not down to them in excess of affection and delight.

(3) How frequent, how constant ought we to be, like Christ Jesus our founder and example, in doing good, especially to the souls of all men and especially to the household of faith (yea, even to our enemies), when we remember that this is our seedtime, of which every minute is precious, and that as our sowing is, so shall be our eternal harvest.

Little Things to Think About:

By Viola E. Hodge*

AS GOD SEES

The Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart (I Sam. 16:7).

DID IT ever occur to you that the person who irks you, and whose attitudes and mannerisms are repulsive to you, may be just as precious in God's sight as you are? That He loves this offensive person just as much as He does you and me is a thought that has stopped me more than once!

The fact is, God looks beneath the attitudes and mannerisms and sees what is in the heart. Perhaps He finds there a sincere and selfless love, a keen desire to serve and please Him, and maybe a greater loyalty to the Master than exists under the polished exterior of a more congenial person.

Perhaps if our eyes were more loving they would also be more discerning; perhaps we would see a hunger for friendship and a need for understanding.

Possibly a little loving thoughtfulness applied in the right time and way would transform unloveliness into beauty that even we could see, and make articulate the awkward attempts at self-expression. If nothing else, the giver would be blest—for God never overlooks any attempts on our part to please Him and bring happiness to another.

Love is a mighty transforming power, and doubtless the most far-reaching prayer that any of us can utter is to pray for more love to be manifest in our lives. "And now abideth faith, hope, charity [love] . . . but the greatest of these is charity [love]."

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THE EVANGELISTIC PULPIT:

Filled with the Spirit

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Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18).

TO BE filled with the Spirit is God's will for every precious heart. It is this heart experience that Paul urges upon the Ephesians when he says, "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." Or, "Be not filled with wine, but be filled with the Spirit." Now substitute for the word wine anything that would tend to crowd God out of the heart or weaken the affection of the individual for God, and you do not appreciably change the meaning of the statement. For instance: Be not filled with worldly pleasure, be not filled with desire for money, be not filled with worldly ambition, but *be filled with the Spirit*. We will be filled with self and the world or with the Spirit. We will never have our longing satisfied, our restlessness stilled, nor our internal conflict abolished until we are filled with the Spirit.



To be filled with the Spirit is a direct commandment of God's Word: just as much so as the Ten Commandments; just as much so as, "Repent ye"; just as much so as, "Ye must be born again"; just as much so as, "Be ye holy." The divinely inspired apostle says, "Be filled with the Spirit"—a direct commandment of God's Word. And John writes, "He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (I John. 2:4).

To be filled with the Spirit is a present necessity. The apostle says, "Be filled with the Spirit." "Be" is in the present tense: now—in this present time, today—this moment—be filled with the Spirit. We are not filled with the Spirit by joining a church or receiving water baptism. We are not filled with the Spirit when God forgives us our sins. This is easily proved by the Scriptures. Jesus, praying for His disciples, said of them: "They have kept thy word"; "I kept them"; "None of them is lost, but the son of perdition"; "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." Then He prayed, "Sanctify them" (John 17). They were saved, their names were written in heaven, but they were not yet filled with the Spirit. But after this, on the Day of Pentecost, it is recorded, "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:4).

That we are not filled with the Spirit when receiving the new birth is also proved by human

experience. Every born-again Christian has the evidence within himself as he wrestles with the dark, corrupt, carnal enemy in his heart that he has not yet been filled with the Spirit. Neither do we receive this experience, as some suppose, at death. But we are filled with the Spirit when we, as born-again believers, walk in all the light we have, consecrate and surrender ourselves completely, die out to self and every hindrance involved, and trust His blood for cleansing. Two things then happen simultaneously: our hearts are cleansed from inbred sin *and* filled with the Spirit.

One who is filled with the Spirit bears evidence of it in his heart and life. Some of these evidences are given in the setting of the text, the fifth chapter of Ephesians. According to this scripture he who is filled with the Spirit has:

A heart filled with sacrificial love (Eph. 5:2).

A life free from outward sin (vv. 3-8).

A heart free from inward and secret sin (vv. 11-14).

A life whose time is being redeemed and constantly given over to God (vv. 15-16).

A heart that is not self-willed, but constantly seeking to know and do the will of God (vv. 10, 17).

A heart and life filled with joy and heavenly song (v. 19).

A heart continually filled with gratitude and thanksgiving to God that finds its expression on the lips and in the life (v. 20).

A life of meekness and submission, not of selfishness and tyranny (vv. 21 to 28).

"Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

The Curse of the Cigarette

By A. S. London*

TWENTY MILLIONS of our people are affected by smoking cigarettes. It is a scientific fact that cigarette smoking interferes with normal digestion, increases the heart rate, raises the blood pressure, aggravates hoarseness, coughing, chronic bronchitis, and tonsillitis.

We have now reached the place where we are consuming 400,000,000,000 cigarettes annually. The cigarette industry is having its day. We are now facing the fact that 800,000 adolescents are being recruited every year to this curse, with an enormous increase in the appetite for narcotics—and tobacco is one!

We were consuming 46 cigarettes per capita in 1903. Today, we face the grim facts that our annual consumption is at the rate of 2,500 cigarettes for every man, woman, and child in the nation.

According to published medical findings, "about one-third of all smokers react abnormally to the nicotine and tars in tobacco." Cigarettes irritate the mucous lining of the mouth, nose, and throat.

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In many involvements of heart disease—the greatest killer of modern times—the first order from the doctor is to cut out smoking immediately.

And now comes the shadow of cancer that looms over every medical discussion of the relationship of excessive smoking to the respiratory tract. The curtain is now being lifted by shocking statistics, showing that the cigarette curse is playing a big part in the rise of cancer of the lung. The Medical Research Council of England says: "Above the age of 45, the risk of developing heart disease increases in simple proportion with the amount of cigarettes smoked."

The Journal of the American Medical Association of May 27, 1952, says, that "deaths increased from bronchogenic [cancer] in the United States, during the period from 1920 to 1948, over ten times. From 1938 to 1948, lung cancer deaths increased 144 per cent. At the present time, cancer of the mouth and respiratory tract kills 19,000 men and 5,000 women annually in the United States."

The death for cancer has quadrupled in the last fifty years. Cancer of the stomach has been the largest cause of cancer mortality for many years. Dr. Ochsner, a leading surgeon of the South, says, "It is frightening to speculate on the possible number of bronchogenic cancers that might develop as the result of the tremendous number of cigarettes consumed in the two decades from 1930 to 1950."

"Cancer of the lung has tripled in the last twenty years. Many authorities have suspected smoking as the major cause." The *American Medical Journal* of May 27, 1952, says, "Excessive and prolonged use of cigarettes seems to be an important factor in the induction of bronchogenic carcinoma."

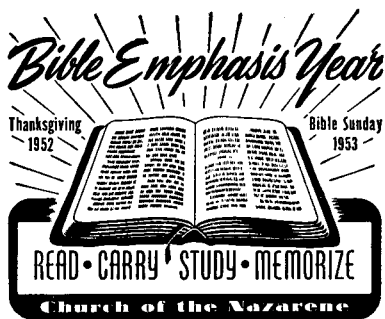
"The more a person smokes, the greater risk of developing cancer of the lung, whereas, the risk was small in a nonsmoker or a light smoker." The *British Medical Journal* says, "We conclude that smoking is a factor, and an important factor, in the production of carcinoma of the lung."

The Memorial Cancer Center in New York lists tobacco as the major factor in cancer of the larynx, the pharynx, the esophagus, and the oral cavity. Tens of thousands of our youth will be inducted into the army of doomed-to-die, because of the cursed cigarette. Hollywood and radio stars, with their glamour, will advertise and the blitz will continue until 800,000 American youth will take up the cigarette habit in the next twelve months.

The cigarette is largely composed of carbon monoxide, nicotine, ammonia, formaldehyde, furfural, tars, and formic acid.

"Switch to smooth, rich, ripe, roasted or toasted, golden tobacco," say testimonials bought and paid for by cigarette companies. No more damaging myth has ever been foisted on the youth of our land!

May God look in mercy upon our nation when cigarette companies spend a hundred million dollars annually to entice more than three-quarters of a million of our boys and girls to take up this habit each year, is my prayer!



Back to the Bible

By Walter Holland*

*Back to the Bible, that teaches of Jesus,
Crucified for us on Calvary's tree;
Raised from the dead, and ascended to heaven,
There interceding for you and for me.*

*Back to the Bible, that calls to repentance,
Faith in the Saviour, the dear Son of God;
Faith in His power to save the lost sinner,
Faith in His deity, faith in His blood.*

*Back from false doctrine and modernist teaching;
Back from the books that with error are rife;
Back to conversion and true Christian service;
Back to the sanctified, Spirit-filled life.*

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Mercy vs. Might

By Donald Metz*

Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels? (Matt. 26:53.)

THE CALIBER of a man's service to his fellow men is not judged by the sacrifices he is forced to render them. The prisoner molding a life away behind musty prison bars is not decorated for bravery because he volunteers to fight for his country in order to have his term shortened. But the young Virginia physician who voluntarily left a promising career to go as a medical missionary and be returned three years later broken and spent does embody the truly heroic spirit.

To a far greater extent the everlasting mercies of Christ are portrayed in their boundless love when we remember that Jesus willingly trod the path of His suffering. "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter." The infinite power of Christ which calmed the sea could have been diverted upon His religious and heathen persecutors, destroying them instantly. The tremendous strength inherent in our Saviour could have shriveled and withered this group of tormentors as easily as it did the barren fig tree.

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Christ himself tells Peter, the militant sword swinger, "Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?" Remember the consternation caused by one angel who placed a crepe on every Egyptian mother's heart by killing the first-born in the land of hardhearted Pharaoh. Think of the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah by the two angels. Recall how the avenging angel of the Lord shattered the haughty regiments of Sennacherib and slew 185,000 Assyrians. But here Jesus talks of "legions" of angels, and according to the military specifications of the Roman army, a legion numbered 6,000 soldiers. And Jesus speaks not of a single legion, but of more than twelve, of at least 72,000 holy, mighty, ministering divine warriors! What an army!

Christ turned his back on the destructive might at His command and gently rebuked defiant, blustering Peter, and with deft hand performed His last act of mercy by restoring and healing the ear of Malchus—mercy superseding might, love rising above hate. The power of Christ was infinite. The mercy of Christ was infinite—and inspiring.

Someone to Run Home To!

By Edwin R. Anderson*

IT WAS one of those simple and homey scenes that can be witnessed a thousand times over and over and over. It is all so very natural. First, I heard the pitiful cry, and it was that which caught my ear and my attention. Then I turned from where I was standing in the middle of the block and saw him. He was a little chip of a chap about four or five, I would say. His hands and feet were pumping up and down, as he came running down the way. The little face was twisted into a pattern of hurt and bewilderment. His eyes were red with running tears, and those tears were mingled with the dirt on his face.

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CAPTIVES

By Nona Keen Duffy

*We wear the chains our habits forge,
Strong chains that gall and bind;
One is a captive to the thoughts
That dwell within his mind.*

*We sacrifice our sovereign power
And every high ideal
Because of chains we've forged and locked
With habits strong as steel.*

*The chains that shackle and offend
Are locked with habit's key,
But God within is power enough
To set each captive free!*

And then before I knew it he suddenly turned in at a gateway to a house, directly to my right. I followed him with my eyes, watching him make for the porch, and to the figure of the lady who sat there. He took those steps in "lickety split" fashion, dashed over to Mother, (for who could doubt that it was she?) and just buried his sobbing little face in her lap.

As I have said, it was one of those simple and homey scenes. But this time as I stood there, it seemed somehow to be a faint picture of something that ought to be very precious to every child of God. I was reminded of that verse, "Truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ" (I John 1:3). For you see that is a "family verse," right from the heart of this "family letter," which the Father sent to His blood-bought children, through His servant John.

And with that verse, there came to mind so many other "family verses," like "casting all your care upon him," and "like as a father pitieth his children," and "He knoweth our frame," and so many more! All of these, added together, lay this precious truth on mind and heart. Thanks be unto Him, we have Someone to run to!

What a wonderful thing is this fellowship which we have with Him! In all of life's griefs and wounds and hurts, we have Someone to go to, Someone to run to, Someone to "bury ourselves" in and weep out the whole business, knowing right well that He is touched with the feelings of our infirmities. Praise His name!

Yes, it seemed so natural, so lifelike to see that little chip of a chap run to bury himself in dear Mother that way. And I found myself saying, "How glad and thankful he can be that he has a mother to run to!" And in saying that, I found myself with this precious thought. We as Christians have the same precious privilege and much more so. We are not orphans in this world, even as He has so clearly reminded us. He has not left us stranded.

In a certain sense, dear friends, we shall always be as children in His sight; and in a way, we shall be "stubbing our toes" many times. Our minds will become tired, our hearts will become faint and weary, our spirits will sag and almost snap. How many times do we feel like crying, "How hard and how long is the way!" especially in the light of the darkness of these last days, when few there be who seem to care. These are things that do hurt and cut. Well, then, we can be thankful that we can take them all to Jesus. Blessed Jesus! He understands and underscores and undergirds!

Yes, that little chip of a chap, running home to Mother, reminded me of a very precious truth and privilege indeed. And as I passed along on my way I turned and glanced at the dear mother. How glad and anxious she was to receive her little boy in that way, all to herself! And how grieved and wounded she would have been if the lad had not so come, upon the instant, leaving the load in her lap.

This is a searching thing, all by itself, is it not?

CRUSADE FOR SOULS

Roy F. Smee, Secretary

The Crusade In Foreign Missions

LAST NIGHT I listened to a missionary nurse tell the story of God's blessings on one of our Central American fields. There was the story of a persecutor of Christians who became converted and went out to tell others about what Christ had done for him. In his daily work, driving a horse-drawn coach, he would witness to his passengers about his Lord. After a time he was called to preach and was given a church. Thrilled with the opportunity of serving his Master, he went to his charge and began to visit among the people from house to house, giving his testimony.

At home and abroad the story is the same—the witnessing church is the growing, spiritual church that is having seekers and revivals and taking new people into the church rolls. Our missionaries have been using visitation evangelism for years, and continue to find it effective. In the home church, we are realizing in a new way its value. More and more churches are finding the answers to the evangelistic challenge of today in systematic, organized, lay visitation. Every church should use visitation evangelism in 1953.

Literature Distribution

In the visitation evangelism kits for a community enrollment, tracts are included for placing in each home. With the tracts, business reply cards are furnished. These provide a means for anyone who reads the tract and becomes interested in finding Christ, to get more instruction. He marks the card, signs his name and address, and drops the card in the nearest mailbox.

These cards come to the Department of Home Missions and Evangelism in Kansas City, and a personal letter is written to the signer, sending a book of scriptural help in finding salvation, *Jesus, the Way*. Then the card is sent to the nearest pastor of one of our churches for follow-up.

Many of these cards indicate an interest in knowing more about how to be saved, and some of them come from some interesting places. Recently we received a card from a lady in a Southern state. She had found the tract in a bus station about a hundred miles from her home. She indicated a personal decision to become a Christian and wanted more information. Unfortunately, there is



not a Church of the Nazarene within three counties of her home.

We have received a card from a serviceman who is now overseas. The tract was given to him in Arkansas before he left this country.

A man in a small town on the West Coast wrote on the card he sent in, "Please send full information."

Another card came from a man who received a tract in the Anchor Hocking Company in Ohio.

Still another card came from a town in Georgia where we have just recently organized a new church.

These are a few examples of the cards that come into our office. Some of them are sent only because a booklet is promised. Some are sent out of curiosity. But some of them are sent in eagerness and a hunger for the gospel. We believe the gospel messages of our tracts are reaching souls for Christ. If your church is not using a tract distributing ministry, write to the Nazarene Publishing House for a catalog and order some tracts. Let us use every available means of spreading the gospel and winning souls.

"Grass Roots" Conferences

Throughout 1953 there will be a number of "grass roots" conferences for the Crusade for Souls. The Northern California District is making its Midyear Convention one of these conferences, February 3-5 at Santa Cruz. A bi-district conference is being held by the Los Angeles and Southern California districts at Long Beach, February 23-25. These conferences are for training and inspiration, and we urge both pastors and laymen from every church on these districts to be present if at all possible.

The plans for such conferences on other districts are rapidly being completed and will be announced in this column from time to time, as well as through the district channels.

The Young People's Society

L. J. Du Bois, Secretary

Project for Bible Colleges

ONCE AGAIN the challenge comes to the youth of the Church of the Nazarene to make possible a forward step in two of our new home-mission areas. Once again we have seen the opportunity wrapped up in the very strategic educational program on these districts and have replied, "That is our job. Give us a chance to put it across in the same manner that we have with other projects in the years past."

It has been several years since the N.Y.P.S. has had a specific financial project such as this. The time has come for us to arise and show our strength and our ability to meet this very vital need. Many of our young people will remember some of the projects of the past. *Alaska! Australia! Hurler College!* In all of these there were expressed the enthusiasm and interest which characterize youth. We saw the needs and stepped in with a will and did the job.

Your General Council, when the needs for Bible colleges in Australia

and South Africa (European) were presented, wholeheartedly voted to sponsor this project. When the idea was presented to the General Convention a similar enthusiastic approval was voiced. The district conventions have also gone on record approving the plan and have passed it on to the local groups. It is a project in which all of the young people's societies of the Church of the Nazarene can have a part.

The goal is for \$50,000.00 in this one offering. This will be divided equally between the two fields and is in a real sense a double-header. We can, with one united effort, establish a fund which will make possible the starting of colleges on both of these districts. For all practical purposes, each society should set a goal for the offering of not less than \$1.00 per member. This is not an assessment, but a goal. If every young person will get this project on his heart, pray about what he shall give, and then make some sacrifice as he gives, we can go over the top this year as we have before.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

This offering will be received in the majority of the societies during Youth Week, January 25 to February 1, 1953. A program may be presented and an offering will be taken. Let every Nazarene Young People's Society and every young person have a part in this project.

Prayer Tower Requests

February 1-7 Nicaragua

God has been blessing the efforts and prayers of our twelve missionaries and twenty-nine national workers in Nicaragua under the leadership of Brother Harold Stanfield. In all of the nine churches and fourteen other places of worship there have been marked evidences of progress. Besides ministering to the souls of these people the nurses also treat several thousand people a year in the dispensaries and many thousand more in the homes. Let us pray for this work, for the missionaries, for the nationals, and for the new missionaries, Brother and Sister James Hudson. Let us pray that the barriers to the work will be overcome and that many will be brought to Christ this year.

February 8-14 Alaska

The Alaskan purchase was called "Seward's Folly" before the immense value of its resources was discovered. Today it combines the ruggedness of a frontier with the bustle of a military camp. The Church of the Nazarene is pressing forward to redeem Alaska's spiritual values in spite of the many handicaps which always confront religious work in a land such as this. We now have churches in Fairbanks, Nome, Anchorage, Seward, Ketchikan, and Juneau. In recent months the pastors have been confronted with the problem of people leaving. Several building programs are in progress. Let us pray for this work and pray that there will be a revival in every church.

As he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him (Gen. 32:31).

Many Christians, bereft of blessing, victory, and grace, are so defeated, for the simple reason they make camp on the wrong side of the river of God's blessing.

Be content with such things as ye have (Heb. 13:5).

If we are to keep out of trouble and difficulty we should not attempt to borrow help from tomorrow, or weep over the shortcomings of yesterday, but accept our today with all that it offers us.—EARLE F. WILDE.

To Teaching Position

MISS Dorothy Ahleman, who has recently completed her work at the Nazarene Theological Seminary, has been assigned a teaching position at the Nazarene Spanish Bible Training School in San Antonio, Texas. Friends may address her at 700 Lombano Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Prayer Requests

Pray for our Bible school and the students as they go out in vacation Bible school work during January, February, and March. Pray that God will give them the hearts of the children and that many will be saved. Also pray for the enlargement of our church building in Chiclayo, so that crowds now attending on special occasions may be accommodated. Pray for the construction of our bookstore and print shop on one of the main streets of Chiclayo.—O. K. BURCHFIELD, *Peru*.

New Missionary Writes

God has given us thirty-five students for this first year of our Bible school. The school is named the Fitkin Memorial Bible College. There is a wonderful spirit among the students. I am teaching them a course in personal evangelism and they are anxious to put it to practical use. Consequently, every week they divide up into groups and tour Trinidad Valley inviting the Igorots to the Sunday evening service in the Bible school chapel. We started these services some six weeks ago and last Sunday our chapel was packed out and not enough seats available to hold the crowd. We plan to take out some of the partitions which are movable and make more benches so that we can seat more people. At least one hundred and fifty people were present in that Sunday night service. It proves that visitation evangelism is just as effective on the mission field as it is at home. If our young people at home were as zealous to work for God as these Filipinos are, we would have packed churches every Sunday night all over America.

Maybe you would be interested in my duties. I am teaching nine hours a week in the classroom and ten hours a week in private piano lessons. The Filipinos love music, both to sing and to play instruments; consequently I have twenty piano students. I am getting so I count "one — two — three — four" in my sleep. Besides

this work, I am dean of women and the only missionary who lives on the school grounds. This means that I must do all of the supervising and the enforcing of rules. We (that is the study body and myself) are setting up a school court and the students are doing their own enforcing of the rules. I suggested the idea to them and they liked it and started immediately to set up penalties for violations. The interesting part of it is that they requested that I be the judge. Still another duty I have is the task of student council adviser. It all adds up to a very busy life for a teacher.—FRANCES VINE, *Philippine Islands*.

Leper Colony

The following figures indicate the number of inmates in the Leper Colony, which is run as a department of the Raleigh Fitkin Memorial Hospital at Mbuluzi, thirty-six miles away:

Number of patients,	
December, 1950	78
Number of patients,	
December, 1951	57
Number of admissions	16
Number of discharges	32
Number of deaths	4

The number of discharges is the largest we have had in any one year, and this is to be attributed to the use of Diaminodiphenylsulphone (D.A.D.P.S.) in treatment. Recently we have tried a few patients on a new drug, Isonicotinyl hydrazide. The medical treatment, together with the general physical, mental, and spiritual care bestowed upon this unfortunate and needy group of people, has brought new hope to them.

We are specially fortunate in having a resident staff who have all felt a special call to minister to sufferers from this disease. This year we were specially glad when we heard that Miss Gladys Dlamini, one of our teachers trained at our Bremersdorp Teachers' Course and who had been serving in one of our outstation schools, indicated her call to give herself to teaching in the Colony school, and she is doing splendid work. Miss Cole, as matron; Rev. Samuel Dlamini, as chaplain; Miss Betty Mamba, as nurse; and the teacher make a devoted team. The medical superintendent makes a fortnightly visit for therapeutic and administrative purposes.

The staff carry on preaching serv-

ices, Bible classes, Sunday school, and considerable personal work among the inmates, the majority of whom are now professing Christians. We keep in touch with those who have been

discharged and endeavor to have them come back for a visit and check-up every six months.—DR. DAVID HYND, Head of Bremersdorp Station, Swaziland, South Africa.

Heaven, the kingdom of God, or the invisible Church. However, as long as we are in this world we can walk out of the Kingdom, the invisible Church, and lose our eternal life. There is no such thing as foolproof salvation in this life. Just as a man can drive his new car over the precipice and wreck it, so the Christian can drive his life into sin and wreck it. We certainly never lose our free will in this world.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. What is meant by the "Jesus only" doctrine or view?

A. I am not very well acquainted with this teaching, which is held by only a small group of people. However, they seem not only to make Jesus God; they also hold that He is the only Person in the Godhead. Thus they rule out the doctrine of the Trinity. The Church of the Nazarene gives to Jesus Christ the central place in the scheme of redemption; He is Saviour. Nevertheless, we do not rule out God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit eternally coexist in the Godhead. They are eternally one and eternally three. Our God is a complex One, a unity of substance which is made up of three Persons. When different branches of the Christian Church emphasize the importance of Jesus Christ as divine, they do not thereby mean to subscribe in any sense to the "Jesus only" theory.

Q. Luke 22:44 tells us that Jesus sweat as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. Is there anything to prove that Jesus really sweat drops of blood?

A. We are all aware of the fact that sweat often breaks out when one is under intense mental strain or excitement. Further, there have been well-authenticated cases where this sweat has been colored with blood. In medical science this phenomenon is recognized and is called diapedesis. Blood corpuscles ooze through the blood vessels without rupturing them. If this be the case, it is not at all unreasonable that Jesus sweat drops of blood in the Garden.

Q. Can a truly saved man have the carnal mind? The Bible says that if we have not the mind of Christ we are none of His. Does not the saved man have the mind of Christ; and if he has the mind of Christ, how could he also have the carnal mind?

A. The carnal mind is a technical phrase which refers to the sin nature with which a person is born, and not to acts of sin. When one is saved and gets the mind of Christ, he still

has the carnal mind. The guilt of his actual sins has been forgiven and he has been born again, but he has not been freed from the carnal mind, or nature. He is a two-nature or two-minded creature, with the Christ mind on the throne, but with the carnal mind still present in his personality, ready to do everything that it can to thwart the purposes of the Christ mind. When a Christian is sanctified wholly, the carnal mind is destroyed and the Christ mind no longer has a rival in his heart.

Q. I heard a radio preacher who has a large following say that you cannot lose eternal life, for if you can lose it then it is not eternal. How would you reply to this statement?

A. In the first place, eternal life when used only in the durational, or temporal, sense means without beginning as well as without end. According to this, then, the eternal life which the brother claimed didn't have any beginning. He must have had it even before he was born, or from all eternity. Of course, the phrase eternal life, found largely in John's writings, has a qualitative rather than temporal meaning. It refers to the life which comes to one who is saved, or comes to know Christ experientially, or personally (John 17:3). You get this life by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you can lose it by ceasing to believe on Him. Eternal life is entering the kingdom of

Q. In tithing, are we to give the Lord one-tenth of all of our income, or just one-tenth of what is left after we have paid all of our honest debts?

A. One-tenth of our income, and not just one-tenth of what is left after all of our honest debts have been paid. One of our honest debts is that we owe one-tenth of all of our income to God. This should be paid along with our other honest debts. Most of us would not have much left to tithe after paying all of our honest debts.

There are conditions for faith, and in any case that condition has its basis in the Word. To the unsaved, "Repent . . . and believe" are the natural condition and sequence for conversion; to the Christian, "present" and "prove," the way to "that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" in heart cleansing. "Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus"—the path ever afterwards of inner peace and rest.—A. E. SANNER.

Oh, the wonderful power of faith! By it mountains are moved, clouds are swept away, men's lives are changed. Personal, living, dynamic faith changes our entire surroundings!—F. FRANKLYN WISE.

Happy New Year!

By Marian L. Knorr

No way to tell what lies ahead

Of blessing or of woe—

But, praise His name, I know

That God will lead me here below;

And as the hours grow into days

And lengthen into weeks,

I'll follow Him whose child I am

And listen when He speaks.

I cannot tell what lies out there,

Of sorrow or of peace—

But this I know, my Saviour's hand

I never shall release;

And through the year as shadows fall

And when I'm tempted sore,

I'll go to Him for strength and grace

And praise Him evermore!

What matters if these coming months

Are full of grief and pain?

What matters if my friends forsake

And Satan seems to reign?

Since I have Jesus in my heart

And He has ransomed me,

I know that He will guide my steps

In nineteen fifty-three!

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

Topic for February 8: Jesus Teaches God's Grace

Scripture: Matthew 20 (Printed, Matt. 20:1-16)

GOLDEN TEXT: *By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God* (Eph. 2:8).

GREAT TRUTHS ABOUT GRACE

There is no word in all Holy Writ much bigger than the word *grace*. I only wish we all understood it better, and I hope we are all trying to. The parable that constitutes the printed portion of today's lesson is fairly bristling with mighty truths about the grace of God.

1. *God Pays Well.* In the parable each worker received as payment "a penny a day." To be more accurate this meant "a denarius a day," which was equivalent to about twenty pennies. According to the wage-scale of that day a denarius was considerably more than the average daily wage. Jesus was putting in a pointed plug

here for decent wages for labor as well as suggesting that God always pays well. However you evaluate the grace of God, it is above payment received from other masters. Worldly possessions, fame, and fortune are based on value for value, but God bestows His grace as payment far above what any other offers. The grace that saves us looms before us more and more as a staggering gift from God; and the mercies daily granted us by God are uncounted and immeasurable. Christians, both new and old, are all embarrassed by God's goodness and extravagance toward them. Yes, God pays well!

2. *God Pays Freely.* Each worker received the same, regardless of time spent in the vineyard. The workers involved were in the mood to throw a picket line around the whole opera-

tion and declare it unfair to organized labor. They thought the householder was evil because of partiality, when the great truth Jesus was trying to get into the stubborn heads of the people was that God was marvelously impartial. God gives His grace to all alike regardless of when they come to ask for it. The grace of God is *eternal life* and that is what all receive whether they come with the bloom of youth on their cheek or in the ashy paleness of age and death. We should remind ourselves that this is not meaning that God doesn't value devotion and long years of service. This parable was teaching in another area of truth. It tells us that God saves the man who comes with but a few dying moments just as freely as He does the child in his teens. It is a story of the staggering grace of God, and all of us thrill when we think that He received us with equal warmth. Praise His name!

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Conducted by Grace Ramquist

Such a Little Thing

IT was not more than a cup of cold water, but it was blessed!

Stanley was only seven years of age. He was a timid lad; and because of his timidity, accompanied by a slowness of speech, the other boys in his class at school poked fun at him. Rarely did he retaliate, but there were moments when he wished he could.

One day he was walking home from school when one of the more mischievous boys of his class grabbed his cap and with one great heave threw it on top of the roof of the porch of a nearby house. There the cap lodged, and from where Stanley stood there was no way in which he could recapture it. He was much too timid to knock at the front door of the house and ask the owner to let him climb out on the porch roof. Nothing was left for him to do save walk home and face his punishment.

As Stanley walked along the street, he softly sobbed. He felt so helpless and if ever he needed a friend he needed one then. Paying no heed to anyone walking down the street, he was startled when a large hand came down gently on his shoulder. Looking up, Stanley saw the pastor of his

church, a large man with a shock of heavy red hair. The tears were quite visible in the eyes of the boy.

"Well, Son, what is your trouble?" were the kind parson's first words.

Quietly the boy told his story. The pastor stood still a moment, holding Stanley's hand tight in his own. Then turning around he said, "Come, Lad, we will go back for the cap."

It was five long, cold blocks back to the house where the little cap lay, but the kind preacher walked those blocks with no word of complaint. Upon reaching the front door, the two stood together as the preacher asked the owner of the house, "Could this young chap climb up on the roof of your front porch and get his cap? One of the boys threw it up there and Stanley would very much like to have it back."

After a short intermission, pastor and boy were on their way toward the home of Stanley. In fact, the parson had been on his way there in the first place. After reaching the home, there was a time of visiting, a time of prayer, and then good-bys were spoken.

Stanley had sat in the pew beside his parents and listened to the big,

red-haired minister Sunday after Sunday. He had never been too much impressed and often he had day-dreamed or nodded during the sermon. But after the cap incident, every word the preacher spoke had real meaning to him. In fact, as the boy grew up he had a deep love and appreciation for all ministers. To him a preacher meant a friend, a real representative of the ever-loving and thoughtful Christ. A preacher meant one who was ready to lead the way even when the path was dark and foreboding. Such a little thing to do, yet it had such a lasting influence!

One Brick Daily

(From a Jewish Legend)

IT is easy for one to desire more of this world's goods than he should. When money may be had for the working and when, if by stretching one's working hours and strength, he is able to get more riches, even though it forces him to neglect other good works, he is apt to set high worldly goals and do the stretching. It sometimes gets him into trouble, too.

During the days when Pharaoh was holding the Hebrews in bondage in Egypt, several times the Egyptians became fearful that the Hebrews would wage war with them and conquer them, for the Hebrews always had so many children. Then, too, the Egyptians became lazy, for the Hebrews did all of their work for them.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Once when there was a sudden fright among the Egyptians, one of the counselors suggested that the Hebrews be given a shekel for each brick they made. This plan was to be followed for a while; then after the overseers had found out how many bricks the Jews could possibly make if they worked to the limit of their physical strength, they would stop paying them, but they would insist that they make as many bricks as they did when they were earning wages. Of course, the Hebrew children knew only of the immediate plans.

The Hebrews worked hard and long, making as many bricks as they could. Many of them made so many bricks that they set records which were almost unbelievable.

Suddenly the money was taken away. The overseers had kept track of the number of bricks which it was possible for each man to make in a day. Every man was forced to live up to his own record, and by this means each day every bit of strength was drained from the bodies of the Hebrews.

Amram, a good and pious man, did not fall for the plan of the wicked Egyptians. He was satisfied with only one shekel during the time when all others were straining their muscles to make more and more bricks. Amram did not neglect his home, did not neglect his study of the Law of God, did not neglect his prayers; but when he had completed one brick each day, he stopped his work. Of course, he received only one shekel, but that was sufficient for his needs; and by stopping with only one brick, he was able to much better serve his God and people. When the wages were taken away, the records required that Amram make only one brick a day. He was never forced to make more.

Because Amram had not been greedy, he was saved much grief and pain. Because he neglected not any of the good works around him when the money could be made, he was able to continue to do his good works when money was no longer available.

The One who measures the size of our hearts in giving is the Heavenly Father. He sees and evaluates the secret springs of motive. If that giving is merely for release from conscience-pressure, or because of what another may think if we fail to give, or to bring attention to our generosity, then that giving has already had its transient reward.—NEAL C. DIRKSE.

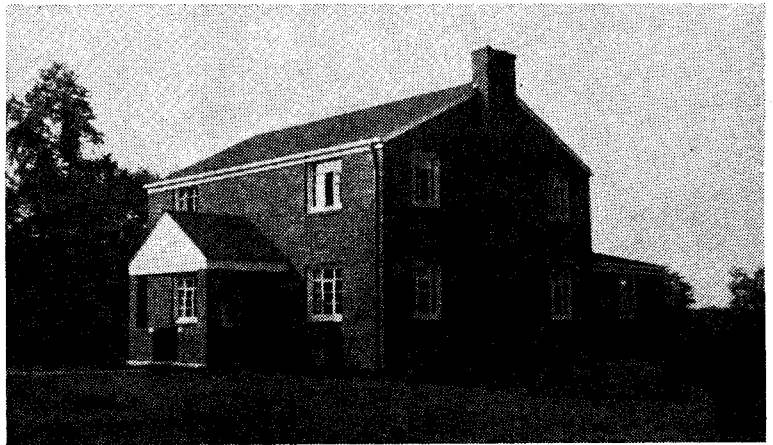
Dublin, Georgia—Our church indebtedness has been paid, and we had a great time on December 31 when the mortgage was burned by the pastor, Rev. W. P. Smithson. Our good district superintendent, Rev. Mack Anderson, brought the message. Also, one of our former pastors, Rev. C. B. Smith, and Mrs. Smith were present and we enjoyed his special singing. We have a beautiful concrete-block building, with brick front. Brother Smithson is much loved by the people of Dublin, our Sunday school is growing, and we are having good attendance at all of our services. We give God praise for His blessings.—Glenn Ladson, Reporter.

Chattanooga, Tennessee—Eighteen months ago when we received a call to our First Church here I felt very humble and unworthy, but surely God was leading, and His smile of approval and blessing has been on us constantly. We have worked hard and enjoyed every minute of the time, and can say sincerely this time has been the most enjoyable of our work in God's service. The church has been co-operative in every way, a good spirit prevails, and God meets with us in the services. The people have been most kind in their support of me and my family. They presented us with a wonderful new car for Christmas as an expression of their love. We feel a deep sense of responsibility and gratitude to this congregation, and pray God may continue to use and lead them

and us. A good foundation was laid here by Rev. W. M. Tidwell, and he did a wonderful work in getting the church so well established in this great city. We are grateful for the help and co-operation of Brother and Sister Tidwell. We are indeed happy working here in the Lord's vineyard.—Roy A. Bettcher, Pastor.

Pampa, Texas—These are good days for us here with this good people. Our fall revival was conducted by Evangelist T. H. Stanley, who proved to be God's man of the hour at this time. The evangelist led us in mighty Holy Ghost preaching, backed up with much fasting and prayer. God came in mighty power, many souls found victory at the altar, the church was greatly revived, and several new people were won to the Lord. Finances were easy and generous, with a liberal love offering for the pastor; and in the first board meeting after the revival the pastor was voted a \$10.00 per week raise in salary. Soon after the meeting the church was presented a lovely grand piano by an individual. We recently had our beloved district superintendent, Rev. Orville Jenkins, and wife with us as special speakers on home-coming day. This was indeed a high day in Zion. We have had a 14 per cent increase in Sunday school over last year. All departments of the church are functioning well, and we are encouraged to push the battle.—Herbert Land, Pastor.

Nazarene Parsonage, Circleville Church, Irwin, Pennsylvania



The new parsonage pictured here was started in September of 1951, and completed in June of 1952. Rev. R. F. Heinlein, district superintendent, was in charge of the dedication service. The building is 38 x 40 feet, with a living room 16 x 24 feet, including a stone fireplace. The pastor's study is finished with a soundproof ceiling, and white knotty pine walls; the kitchen includes white, built-in cabinets,

frigidaire, and electric range. There are four bedrooms, with one furnished with a solid walnut bedroom suite, a tile bathroom, also a very fine garage. The value of the parsonage is about \$25,000.00. We owe less than \$10,000.00 on the entire property which consists of a lot 275 x 180 feet, a basement church, a fine parking lot, and the parsonage. Our next move is to put the upper part on the church.—Thomas S. Fowler, Pastor.

Evangelist C. M. Whitley and wife report: "We recently closed a wonderful revival with Pastor Graham at Tracy, California. We never met a harder working pastor, and God is certainly blessing his labor. We are to return in October. We have some open time in September that we would like to give to California. Also have an open date in February. Write us, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Song Evangelist Flora McGuigan writes: "I am working now in part-time evangelism; God is giving me souls, and blessing in my special singing. I am now in a revival in Muncie, Indiana. Would appreciate opportunity to work in churches in and around Muncie, also missions and tent meet-

ings. I will come for freewill offering and entertainment; write me, 2501 E. 16th St., Muncie, Indiana."

Wilmington, Ohio—I have served as pastor of the Wilmington church nearly eighteen years, and we recently closed the greatest week-end revival we ever had. Rev. P. E. Kuykendall, evangelist, preached with the anointing of the Holy Ghost. His Christlike love for souls and the anointing of God on the messages worked on the hearts of people and brought them to God. Brother Kuykendall gave an altar call Friday night, with twenty-five praying through; on Sunday morning with forty praying through; and on Sunday night, with twenty-one. These eighty-six people praying through has given our people a greater vision for lost

souls. God gave us a full house each night, with the finance coming in easily.—Ray W. Beegle, Pastor.

Titusville, Pennsylvania—Our church has had a good revival with Rev. E. E. Taylor as evangelist. His work among us was very fruitful. His constructive preaching on holiness and soul winning stirred the opened hearts of our people. The church continues in the spirit of prayer, faith, and soul winning.—Paul E. Black, Pastor.

Albany, Oklahoma—We are still doing business here for the Lord in getting people saved and sanctified and the building up of His kingdom. Ours is a small church in a rural section, but the Lord is bringing things to pass. We were a very discouraged group when our pastor, Rev. James Stewart, came to us about fourteen months ago. But the Lord began stirring the hearts of His people, faith revived, and the work began to move forward. We had two good revivals in 1952 with six additions to the church. A spring revival was held by Rev. Leo Lawrence, and another in August by Rev. Ray Davis. Our Sunday school has doubled in attendance and the interest is increasing, which is largely due to the tireless, sacrificial efforts of our pastor, assisted by some of the laymen who have cars and go out and bring in those who have no transportation of their own. Our budgets for the year are all paid, a spirit of unity prevails, and we are going forward with greater determination. We are greatly in need of a new church building and are anxiously looking forward to the time when we can launch a building program. Pray for us.—Mrs. Bessie Polk, Secretary.

Otisville, Michigan—Is there a place for a rural church in this motor age? We say yes; for Richfield is a rural church that is enjoying remarkable growth and God's richest blessings. The fire is falling, shouts of the saints are heard, and souls are finding God at our altars every week. Ninety new members have been received into the church during the three and one-half years of the present pastorate. Our church debt has now been paid in full. This debt was necessitated when the church was doubled in size four years ago. Now we are again embarrassed for lack of room to accommodate our growing Sunday school and church. Our Sunday school has maintained an average of 300 the past two years, with a record of 602. This makes Richfield Michigan's largest rural Sunday school. Everyone remains for morning worship, and our Sunday night and prayer meeting crowds are also large. We will be a 10 per cent church for the General Budget this year. We have an unusually large number of subscribers for the HERALD OF HOLINESS and the *Other Sheep*, and Richfield is enthusiastically back of the entire program of the district and general church.—C. L. Elston, Pastor.

Sunday-School Attendance Report

	1952	December	Percentage
Northern California	13,111	14,099	108%
Western Ohio	12,274	12,723	104
Central Ohio	10,838	11,660	108
Akron	9,401	10,174	108
N.E. Indiana	8,550	9,110	107
Southern California	8,699	9,029	104
Illinois	7,871	8,306	106
Kansas City	7,513	8,061	107
Indianapolis	7,770	7,850	101
Michigan	7,605	7,707	101
Kansas	7,250	7,420	102
Eastern Michigan	7,725	7,407	96
Missouri	6,934	6,929	100
Oregon Pacific	6,236	6,853	110
Alabama	6,346	6,661	105
Northwest	5,856	6,584	112
Florida	5,825	6,159	106
Colorado	5,803	6,148	106
S.W. Oklahoma	5,857	6,145	105
New England	5,932	6,040	102
Idaho-Oregon	5,463	5,741	105
N.W. Oklahoma	5,749	5,639	98
Abilene	5,271	5,316	101
Chicago Central	4,837	5,106	106
Kentucky	4,609	4,927	107
Dallas	4,744	4,638	98
Canada West	4,237	4,444	105
N.E. Oklahoma	3,740	4,163	111
S.E. Oklahoma	4,009	3,979	99
North Arkansas	3,607	3,820	106
South Carolina	4,185	3,797	91
San Antonio	3,594	3,793	106
North Carolina	3,422	3,486	102
Arizona	2,966	3,368	114
New Mexico	2,870	2,898	101
Nebraska	2,617	2,753	105
Rocky Mountain	2,348	2,253	96
Wisconsin	2,056	2,131	104
North Dakota	1,579	1,593	101
South Dakota	716	803	112
Maritime	776	762	98
Nevada-Utah	709	686	97
Alaska	301	383	127
Total average attendance of districts reporting			241,544
1952 average attendance of districts not reporting			109,739
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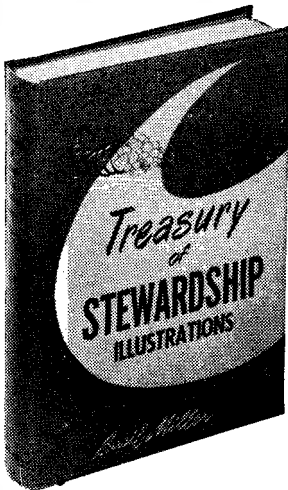
ERWIN G. BENSON, *Field Secretary*
Department of Church Schools

Evangelists W. W. and Wilma Geeding write: "Because of a change in pastors we have had a cancellation of the meeting we had scheduled April 1 to 12; this date was requested in exchange for a March date we had; thus we now have open March 4 to 15. We would like to slate this time in California, since we will be in meetings on the West Coast. Write us, 376 W. Pine St., Canton, Illinois"

McColl, South Carolina—On January 6, 1952, I preached my first sermon in this church, coming here from the church at Hurdland, Missouri. We found some very good Nazarenes who were willing to work. During the year we have seen 152 bow at the altar and receive victory in their souls; we give God all the glory. New members have been added to the church. On January 4, 1953, we lacked only one

of having four times as many in Sunday school as one year ago. We thank God for helping us in getting people to Sunday school and church. We find that in visitation and prayer souls can be won to Jesus. We plan on entering the evangelistic work in the spring as preacher and singer, as my wife will go with me to do special singing. Also our nine-year-old daughter will be with us during the

Reading That Makes Good Stewards



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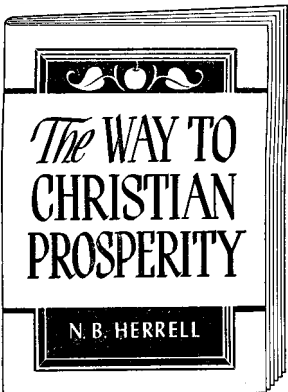
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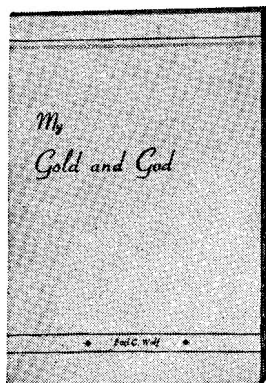
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summer months to help with the singing. We are now making up our slate, and will go anywhere the Lord may lead. We have been with the Church of the Nazarene for ten years, beginning our ministry in Michigan. If you can use us write, Rev. M. E. Haynes, 403 E. Gibson Ave., McColl, South Carolina.

Evangelist Matthew V. Wilson writes: "Through the last summer I was active in home-mission work, and then conducted revival meetings in the fall. God gave a great revival in Mangum, Oklahoma, with Pastor L. A. Beasler. We had about forty seekers. At Vinson, Oklahoma, also we saw good results; then I had one week at Mt. View, Oklahoma. I have some open time in February and March; write me, 506 S. Rock Island, El Reno, Oklahoma."

Rev. Ralph C. Wynkoop writes: "After serving as pastor of our Brentwood Church in Portland, Oregon, for nine years, I have resigned to re-enter the evangelistic field at the time of our spring assembly. I am now slating meetings for the fall of '53 and the spring of '54. Write me, 6520 S.E. Duke, Portland 6, Oregon."

Knoxville, Tennessee—On November 23, Grace Church closed the most fruitful revival of its history. We had as special workers the Holso Evangelistic Party, a talented and spiritual team of gospel workers. Few times in my more than thirty years in the pastoral work have I worked with more consecrated and devoted workers. God honored and used their wonderful talents in reaching and winning new people to our church. More new people were reached in this revival than in any previous revival here; also a class of new members has been received. The spirit of the revival is still evident, and God is blessing the work here. The Holso Party has been invited to return for a revival in 1954. Pastor and people at Grace Church greatly appreciated the work of this talented and versatile trio of gospel workers. Brother Holso was song director, preacher, and singer. Both he and Mrs. Holso sing, and Mrs. Holso is a wonderful chalk artist and accordionist, as well as an accomplished reader. Their daughter, Lilly Ann, in addition to her ability as singer, reader, accordionist, and piano player, is a preacher with unusual ability and force. She did half of the preaching in this revival, and moved the people, young and old, with her forceful and earnest preaching. Finances came easy for the revival, and a special offering of \$200.00 was taken to finish paying for recent repair work on the church auditorium. If anyone has friends in or near Knoxville whom you desire to have contacted, please write the pastor at 3107 Broadway, N.E., in Knoxville.—H. B. Garvin, Pastor.

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				<i>Connecticut</i>			
WAVZ	New Haven	1260 Kc.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WAVZ-FM	New Haven	95.1 meg.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WNLK	Norwalk	1350 Kc.	2:00 p.m.	Sunday			
				<i>Maine</i>			
WGUY	Bangor	1230 Kc.	8:30 a.m.	Sunday			
WGUY-FM	Bangor	93.1 meg.	8:30 a.m.	Sunday			
				<i>Maryland</i>			
WNAV	Annapolis	1430 Kc.	10:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WNAV-FM	Annapolis	99.1 meg.	10:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WASL	Annapolis	810 Kc.	9:00 a.m.	Saturday			
WFMD	Frederick	930 Kc.	2:15 p.m.	Sunday			
WFMD-FM	Frederick	99.9 meg.	2:15 p.m.	Sunday			
WBOC	Salisbury	960 Kc.	*				
				<i>Massachusetts</i>			
WACE	Chicopee	730 Kc.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WACE-FM	Chicopee	100.3 meg.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WHAV	Haverhill	1490 Kc.	5:00 p.m.	Sunday			
WHAV-FM	Haverhill	92.5 meg.	5:00 p.m.	Sunday			
				<i>New Hampshire</i>			
WOTW	Nashua	900 Kc.	6:45 p.m.	Sunday			
WOTW-FM	Nashua	106.3 meg.	6:45 p.m.	Sunday			
				<i>New Jersey</i>			
WPOE-FM	Elizabeth	96.7 meg.	7:00 p.m.	Sunday			
WWBZ	Vineland	1360 Kc.	8:45 a.m.	Sunday			
				<i>New York</i>			
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WVCV-FM	Cherry Valley	101.9 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
WCBA	Corning	1350 Kc.	1:00 p.m.	Sunday			
WVCN-FM	Deruyter	105.1 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
WHUC	Hudson	1230 Kc.	2:30 p.m.	Sunday			
WHCU-FM	Ithaca	97.3 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
WVOS	Liberty	1240 Kc.	12:15 p.m.	Sunday			
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WSLB-FM	Ogdensburg	106.1 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
WKBS	Oyster Bay, L.I.	1520 Kc.	4:30 p.m.	Wednesday			
WIRY	Plattsburg	1340 Kc.	9:45 a.m.	Sunday			
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WWNL-FM	Watertown	98.5 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
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WFNF-FM	Wetherfield	107.7 meg.	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday			
				<i>Ohio</i>			
WHKK	Akron	640 Kc.	8:45 a.m.	Saturday			
WAND	Canton	900 Kc.	1:15 p.m.	Sunday			
WJER	Dover	1450 Kc.	8:30 a.m.	Sunday			
WLIO	East Liverpool	1570 Kc.	1:15 p.m.	Sunday			
WMOA	Marietta	1490 Kc.	9:45 a.m.	Saturday			
				<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
WRTA	Altoona	1240 Kc.	6:15 p.m.	Saturday			
WVAM	Altoona	1430 Kc.	8:15 a.m.	Sunday			
WESB	Bradford	1490 Kc.	9:45 a.m.	Saturday			
WESB-FM	Bradford	97.3 meg.	9:45 a.m.	Saturday			
WESA	Charleroi	940 Kc.	10:00 a.m.	Sunday			
WEEX-FM	Easton	98.3 meg.	4:15 p.m.	Sunday			
WHGB	Harrisburg	1400 Kc.	6:45 a.m.	Saturday			

WARD	Johnstown	1490 Kc.	8:15 a.m.	Sunday
WARD-FM	Johnstown	92.1 meg.	8:15 a.m.	Sunday
WCMB	Lemoyne	960 Kc.	9:15 a.m.	Sunday
WKVA	Lewistown	920 Kc.	9:15 a.m.	Sunday
WHAT	Philadelphia	1340 Kc.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday
WHAT-FM	Philadelphia	105.3 meg.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday
WQAN-FM	Scranton	92.3 meg.	8:30 a.m.	Saturday
WKBI	St. Mary's	1400 Kc.	5:00 p.m.	Saturday
WLYC	Williamsport	1050 Kc.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday
WLYC-FM	Williamsport	105.1 meg.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday

Rhode Island

WPAW	Pawtucket	1380 Kc.	8:45 a.m.	Sunday
WPTL-FM	Providence	91.5 meg.	3:30 p.m.	Saturday

Vermont

WHWB	Rutland	1000 Kc.	8:30 a.m.	Sunday
WTWN	St. Johnsbury	1340 Kc.	9:00 a.m.	Sunday

Ontario, Canada

CKOX	Woodstock, Ontario	1340 Kc.	6:00 p.m.	Sunday
CKOX-FM	Woodstock, Ontario	106.9 meg.	6:00 p.m.	Sunday

Prince Edward Island

CJRW	Summerside, P.E.I.	1240 Kc.	8:30 p.m.	Sunday
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NEW "SHOWERS OF BLESSING" STATIONS

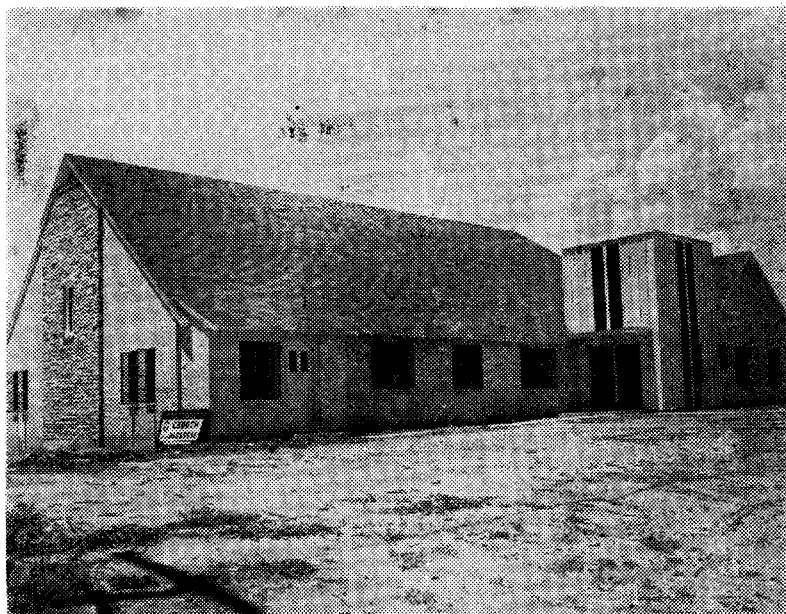
WRAG	Carrollton, Ala.	590 Kc.	8:45 a.m.	Sunday
KRIZ	Phoenix, Ariz.	1230 Kc.	8:00 a.m.	Sunday
KRLN	Canon City, Colo.	1400 Kc.	8:30 a.m.	Wednesday
WRHT	Griffin, Georgia		7:00 a.m.	Sunday
KBKR	Baker, Oregon	1490 Kc.	*	
WACA	Camden, S.C.	1590 Kc.	4:30 p.m.	Sunday
KWIE	Kennewick, Wash.	610 Kc.	*	

*Consult local newspaper for exact time.

November 30 marked the close of twelve great nights of Nazarene revival in Fresno, California. Dr. Russel V. DeLong, dean of Nazarene Theological Seminary, was the evangelist for this united campaign. The series of meetings was sponsored by the four Nazarene churches of Fresno. Ron Lush of Oakland, California, was in charge of the music for the campaign. Again and again God's blessing came upon the scene and crowned the services with results at the altar of prayer. Dr. DeLong was at his very best in preaching. The anointing of the Lord came upon him as he delivered himself without reservation in Spirit-filled appeals for decisions in the hearts of men. Sinners were saved, believers sanctified, and the indifferent reclaimed. Mrs. DeLong added much to the meeting through her consecrated gospel singing. Ron Lush led the great congregation each evening in inspirational singing of gospel songs and choruses. His conducting of the chorus choir each evening proved to be a real blessing, and his trumpet solo work was outstanding. The planning committee was most gratified in its choice of workers. No better could be had than Dr. DeLong and Ron J. Lush; their spirit and teamwork were of the highest quality. Fresno Nazarenes are united to do aggressive Kingdom building in the future.—Frank W. Tolson, George Rench, Frank W. Watkin, A. G. Blacklock, Nazarene pastors of Fresno.

Oak Avenue Church, Duncan, Oklahoma

This church was dedicated last September 14 by Dr. Hardy C. Powers. God gave us a wonderful day, in spirit and attendance, and Dr. Powers was a great blessing to the people. In August of '51 I was called by the district to hold a tent meeting in Duncan, and at the close of the meeting the Oak Avenue Church was organized with 54 charter members. The people had only a tent at the time of the organization. The church and district superintendent asked us to stay and help get a building. Ten months from the time of organization, this buff-brick building, 40 x 84 feet, was completed, with furniture, and we were in it for the first service, with 180 present. The auditorium will seat 325, and has 10 separate classrooms. It is planned for an educational unit to be added later. The building is valued at \$40,000.00 The church has had a splendid growth; for the first two months the Sunday school averaged 61, and now it is averaging more than 130. The membership has increased from 54 to 70, and there is an active N.Y.P.S., N.F.M.S., and Junior Society. After the building was completed, I felt I should continue with my work in the field of evangelism. I appreciate the co-operation of pastors and churches who allowed me to cancel meetings with them that I might help



this new church. Since last September I have worked with our Kenwick Church in Lexington, Kentucky; First Church, Dayton, Ohio; First Church, Terre Haute, Indiana; First Church in

Frankfort, Kentucky; First Church in Burlington, North Carolina; and at Meldrin, Georgia. I praise God for His blessings and leadership.—Evangelist Bert Daniels.

A TRUE STORY

The Tale of the Hymn Books

By Haldor Lillenas

The church was neatly painted white
As every one could
The pews had all been polished bright
As shiny as could
The hymn books were in place
As they should,
But hymn books hid their
And did the best they could.

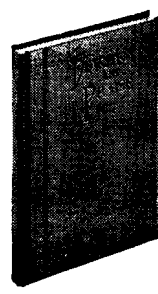
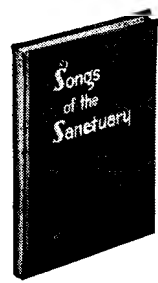
The strangers came with one
To worship and to look,
The ushers with a friendly word
Gave each a
The Lord sang and did his best
And them sing each one,

But half the people took a
The song he sang was gone!
The Pastor tried to find a song
The book was ly tattered,—
He ly spoke, "My soul, how long
Shall all my nerves be shattered!"
The Church board met that very night,
And every one con
Our song books are a fright,
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Evangelist Bernard W. Culbertson reports: "The Lord blessed in giving revivals during the past fall. We have found that preaching scriptural holiness bears fruit and meets the need of human hearts. We had three meetings on the Minnesota District. Rev. Arthur Morgan, superintendent, is leading that district, under God, ahead in so many respects. The home-mission program is large and the Lord is helping. We had good meetings in Duluth, where Brother Archie Rose is doing especially well as pastor; also at Detroit Lakes with Brother G. E. Feighner, where with some help from district home missions and pledges from the local people they are buying a fine church building from the Lutherans; then at International Falls, where Brother E. G. Strong is pastor, a number found spiritual help and a fine work is being done. From Minnesota we went to Morse, Saskatchewan, Canada, for a three-Sunday meeting with Brother Willis Rennick and his good people. Attendance was good here and increased through the meeting, with a number seeking and finding help in both saving and sanctifying power. The Rennicks are doing fine pastoral work there. From Morse we went to Sidney, Montana, where Brother Richard Gilster is doing excellent work, and we found the church ready for revival. A number here found God's help in pardon and purity. I plan to be in Rocky Mountain area and the West this spring and summer, where we have meetings scheduled. Have some open time, however, and may be reached at 1632 Dominion Ave., Pasadena 7, California."

DEATHS

MRS. SUSAN JEANETTE SKEEN of Live Oak, Florida, died August 11, 1952, after only two weeks of illness caused by a stroke which came on her while attending the Florida District camp at Suwannee. For the last twenty-one years she had been a devout Christian, and was a charter member of the Live Oak Church of the Nazarene. Before this church was organized she had been a faithful member of the Suwannee W.F.M.S. She was the first president of the Live Oak W.F.M.S. and was vice-president at the time of her death. She was a willing worker in all branches of the church work and always ready to testify for her Saviour. She was born July 2, 1886, in South Carolina. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, and two sisters. Funeral service was held in the Live Oak Church with her pastor, Rev. Richard Thompson, officiating, assisted by her former pastor, Rev. W. D. Croft.

MRS. CHRISTINA DAHLSTROM was born September 8, 1859, in Lilleby, Sweden, and died November 5, 1952, from her home in Billings, Montana, having passed her ninety-third birthday. She began serving the Saviour at an early age; later she sought and obtained the experience of entire sanctification. She had been a faithful member of First Church of the Nazarene in Billings since November of 1927. The memorial service was conducted in Billings by her pastor, Rev. Murray J. Paillette, assisted by Rev. Alvin L. McQuay, district superintendent.

ELLA REBECCA DAVIDSON, nineteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Davidson, died in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 1, 1952. Besides her parents, she is survived by her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. J. K. Davidson of Post, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bredon of Greensboro, North Carolina. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Dr. A. Milton Smith, with interment in Green Lawn Cemetery.

MRS. ETHEL M. TALBOT was born on February 10, 1889, in Port Albert, Canada, and died at Owosso, Michigan, on October 10, 1952, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Ward, close friends. Miss Ethel Smale was married to William Talbot on October 20, 1909. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Alice Yoder, four sisters, and two brothers. Instead of buying flowers, her friends contributed money to foreign missions in memory of Sister Talbot's wonderful, consistent Christian life; \$118.00 was given. Mrs. Talbot was a devout and faithful member of the Owosso Church of the Nazarene. Funeral service was held in the church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Oliver Morgan, assisted by Rev. Richard Cook and Rev. G. E. Truesdell. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery, New Lothrop, Michigan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. and Mrs. Paul R. Martin have resigned as pastors of the Porterville church and are entering the evangelistic field. They are outstanding children's and youth workers and have been used mightily of God in this type of work. Brother Martin is a successful evangelist. He carries a genuine burden for the lost and will give any church a successful meeting. Mrs. Martin plays the xylophone and assists in the children's services. I am sure their services will be in demand throughout the church. Address them % our publishing house at Kansas City.—George Coulter, Superintendent of Northern California District.

Rev. L. L. Van Houten, of 141 Ferguson Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, is entering the field of evangelism, and is now open for calls. He is a splendid speaker, makes a good appearance, has a nice family, and loves our cause.—J. D. Saxon, Superintendent of Mississippi District.

Professor Ronald J. Lush has recently resigned as music director of Oakland First Church and is entering the field as an evangelistic singer. He is one of the most inspirational song leaders I know. He makes a very valuable contribution to a revival meeting. He is a fine soloist as well as an accomplished trumpet player. Besides giving the church the benefit of his own talent, Brother Lush has conducted successful music conventions in local churches, where he has organized choirs, quartets, trios, etc., to give pastors and churches help in the organizational problems of their music departments. I am sure that our pastors will be happy to know that Brother Lush is available for revival work and will keep him busy in the musical field. Address him % our publishing house at Kansas City.—George Coulter, Superintendent of Northern California District.

This is to announce that Rev. V. A. Beasler has resigned his pastorate of Sunflower Church and is entering the evangelistic field. He and his wife sing well, and she plays. Address them, Route 1, Florien, Louisiana.—J. D. Saxon, Superintendent of the Mississippi District.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Wanda Lou Lowe of Anchorage and Sgt. Virgil R. James of Ft. Richardson, Alaska, were united in marriage on January 3, in the Anchorage Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. M. R. Korody, officiating.

Joyce Delight Tooley of Elk City, and Billy Ray Cole of Udall, Kansas, were united in marriage on January 1, at the bride's home, with Rev. O. D. Samuel officiating.

Marilyn Lee McKay of Missoula, Montana, and Ralph Arthur Myers of Chadron, Nebraska, were united in marriage on December 23, in First Church of the Nazarene, Billings, with Rev. Ralph Myers, grandfather of the groom, officiating, assisted by Rev. Alvin L. McQuay, uncle of the groom.

Miss Mary Edith Harris of Jasper, Alabama, and Rev. John Pope of Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tennessee, were united in marriage on December 20, at East Gadsden, Alabama, with Rev. M. H. Stocks officiating.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. John Theodore Holstein of Sheldon, Illinois, a son, Kenneth Alan, on December 28.

—to Mr. and Mrs. F. Hugh Voss of Iberia, Missouri, a daughter, Carol Jane, on December 14.

—to A/1c and Mrs. Charles E. Baldwin of Wareham, Massachusetts, a daughter, Claudia Sue, on December 12.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Neuenschwander of Roswell, New Mexico, a son, Dwight Edward, Jr., on December 2.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a mother in Ohio for a son who is a backslider, and his wife—they need a Christian home in which to rear three little boys; also for a nephew who has turned from the faith to another belief, that he may meet Christian men in the army camp where he is and come back to God;

by a lady in Missouri for a brother who may lose his eyesight—doctors are not able to help him; by a Christian father in Texas for his son and his home—sin has about wrecked it—that God may undertake in the entire situation.

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Los Angeles	May 26-28
Southern California	June 3-5
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New England	June 24-26
New York	July 3-4
Maritime	July 15-17
Pittsburgh	July 22-24
Northwest Oklahoma	July 29-31
Illinois	August 5-7
Indianapolis	August 26-28
Kansas City	September 9-11
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Colorado	July 8-9
Central Ohio	July 14-17
Eastern Kentucky	July 29-30
East Tennessee	August 5-7
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Eastern Michigan	July 22-24
Western Ohio	July 29-31
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Nebraska	May 27-28
West Virginia	July 3-4
Alabama	July 8-10
Minnesota	July 22-23
Kansas	August 5-7
Iowa	August 12-14
Dallas	August 19-21
Northeast Oklahoma	September 16-17
North Carolina	September 23-24
South Carolina	Sept. 30—Oct. 1



SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

CHAPLAIN Herbert J. Van Vorce writes: "One of the things that has impressed me very much during the month is the interest shown in all of our church literature, especially *Come Ye Apart*.

"Another thing which has blessed me a great deal is the increased attendance of German civilians in our services. Although they cannot understand all of our language, they seem to be blessed in our worship, and enjoy coming. I sincerely believe God is going to give us some victories among them before long, and perhaps get a Nazarene work started here in Bavaria. We are praying to this end.

"We have found a few Nazarene soldiers in other units nearby, and enjoy their fellowship so very much. There is no other Nazarene chaplain nearby."

"I received your very nice letter and Christmas greeting today. When I read your greeting I could not keep the tears back. I am sending it home and having my mother get a frame for it, so I can keep it. I was so proud of it that I showed it to everyone I talked with. You people are sure doing a wonderful job. May God bless you always in your work."—VONDON E. YOUNG.

"I received another wonderful HERALD OF HOLINESS today. A few days ago I received *Conquest* and *Come Ye Apart*.

I am thankful for all the information of the churches and for the many different articles. They have been a great help to me in answering a lot of questions that appear in my life. We serve a wonderful and understanding God. Some things that happen, we can't see at the time, but after a little while we are strengthened and we then rejoice. I never destroy these papers. They are passed on to anyone that is interested in reading them."—LESTER ADCOCK.

"I am very thankful for the papers and books I have been receiving. I am looking forward to this next year's subscription. I have a few buddies that like *Conquest* very much. We exchange our magazines and they and I will be looking forward to them this next year. Thank you very much."—CLINTON PICKARD.

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Life in a Nazarene Parsonage

By Paul Martin*

HOODS AND HALOS

I'VE BEEN through college at least five times. I graduated with Dad, studied with Mother, suffered with Ted, worried through with Leora, struggled with my own education, and let Everett and Mary fight it out alone. Let me tell you of my troubles with a college-conscious Father—for life in a parsonage would not be complete without the picture of a hungry-minded pastor. It seemed Dad was always studying, always reading, figuring, practicing. Strangers or visitors in the home might have wondered if a strange spirit was at liberty in the study, for often for more than an hour Dad could be heard hoarse-whispering his message and shadow-boxing with the devil.

More than one person thought God made a mistake to call a soldier boy with about a third-grade education to preach the gospel. And Mother at times reminded Father of the life-gamble she took when she married an uneducated soldier who said he felt a call to preach. But God never makes mistakes. He created in this rowdy soldier a love of knowledge, a longing to learn. He demonstrated the promise that when He saves a soul He makes a new creature in Christ Jesus!

But the Lord's plan was not through. He found a consecrated layman in Alberta, Canada, who gave Father money to start school, after several years of pastoring. Kind professors, and open doors near Nampa, Idaho, were the next step in God's plan. Then in five years the eventful day of graduation. Six Martins on the front seat felt they were graduating too. As Dr. Olive Winchester tried casually to throw the hood of honor over Dad's six-foot, two-hundred-fifty-pound frame, either his halo or his shoulders hindered, and in the moments lost by several attempts Mother

felt God's blessings and shouted around the front of the building, making it one of the most unusual commencement programs in history!

But this was only the beginning. Father studied everything he could find: law, history, auto mechanics, child psychology, bee culture, anatomy, ethics, and voice training. I always knew that permission for almost anything would be granted if I found Dad literally buried in a book. Often, he never knew I was there. Then the college gave him a D.D. degree. In the gallery, my heart seemed to leap, and I imagined that in heaven, where Mother was visiting, the corner of Main and Hallelujah Avenues simply rang with joy. But even that is not all.

The quest continued, more books, greater fields of knowledge. In later years he began his work on a Master's degree at Boston University. When nearly sixty years of age, his degree was gained with honor. And the last report I have from Gloryland is that he's earnestly browsing in the libraries of Glory, and searching without the hindrance of the darkened glass.

During these years the parsonage guided by this great, hungry spirit made available to every member of the family, including Mother, the facilities of a Nazarene college. We met our wives there. We settled our experiences there. We found the great portion of our friends there. Consecrated, brilliant teachers "worked us over" patiently, carefully and even had hopes that we would succeed.

So you surely can see that life in a parsonage was glorious. We prayed together, laughed together, worked together, and seldom went to school alone.

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