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Let Us Give Thanks Unto the Lord

T OMORROW is our National Thanksgiving Day! People who are truly saved from their sins and sanctified wholly will find it easy to observe the day in a fitting manner. Under the Old Testament regime there were many feast days and only one fast day in the year. If the expressions of joy over-balanced the marks of mourning so excessively in that day, how full should be the spirit of praise in this dispensation of spiritual realities?

"Praise is comely for the upright." Thanksgiving is every bit as religious as any other form of prayer. Both experience and observation have taught us that gratitude is a virtue that God unfailingly rewards, and gratitude is the basis of true thanksgiving.

We have all received mercies much beyond our merits and, although it is not expected, neither possible, that we should "return" to God all His goodness to us, we should find it easy to pour forth to Him a very large sacrifice of praise.

The people of the United States and of other English speaking countries have reason to be grateful for the political, economical, social and religious blessings which they enjoy. Of course there are many murmurers and there are some things that we all would like to see changed, but as compared with other lands we are the most favored people of the earth. Even other countries listed as Christian nations have sorrows and difficulties that are much greater than those which we have encountered. Civil government is more settled and more satisfactory in the United States and in Great Britain and her dependencies than in any other portion of the earth. Less people are in want of food and clothing in these than in other lands, home life and school advantages are superior here to those of our sister nations, and the nucleus of vital Christianity as it is left on the earth is pretty largely constituted by people of our race.

Our missionaries on "the far-flung battle line," though situated amidst the trying conditions of strange lands, are, nevertheless, being supported by the prayers and offerings of the people at home, so that they can well join in the prayer of praise for the goodness of God to the lands which have sent them out. Let us all give thanks for the measure of peace that exists among the nations of the earth and for every bestowal of wisdom upon our leaders and rulers.

As the people of God we may well be thankful for the privilege we have of worshiping God without molestation. This privilege which neither our Lord nor His apostles enjoyed to the end of their lives, and which many of our brethren in other nations of the earth do not have now, has been purchased for us by the blood of the martyrs in both ancient and modern times. And we have it today, not because we are better than they, but only because they have labored and we have entered into their rewards.

As a church, we Nazarenes should certainly be thankful that our Zion has been saved from the inroads of heresy. Our leaders have been blessed with wisdom to direct our course so that we have gone safely between the rocks of formality and the whirlpool of fanaticism. As Dr. Goodwin says, "There is not a monkey man among us." Our fight against the destructive Higher Criticism and materialistic evolution is waged entirely with those who "are without." God has given our churches revivals and thousands of seekers have lined our altars during the last twelve months. Nothing, apparently, could be more fitting than that we should all stop for a day and "celebrate" for the year of unity and usefulness that has come to us.

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AN ILLUSTRATION AND A CONCLUSION

EOPLE who attended the General Assembly in 1919 will doubtless remember that Detroit. Michigan was mentioned as one of the cities that should be entered as a "Home Missionary" field. Well, about a year after that the work did have a beginning in Detroit. At first the progress was slow and the outlook somewhat discouraging. The location secured was unsuitable and yet the strength of our people there did not justify much plunging. I am not familiar with the work and workers there in those earliest days and am, therefore, unable to do justice to some who undoubtedly did endure the heat of the day in God's vineyard, But about two years ago Rev. M. S. Cooper was called to the pastorate at Detroit and found a small company of less than forty Nazarenes, with a poor, temporary location, eighty-nine cents in the treasury and a number of debts to be taken care of. But Cooper is a rare type of pioneer, not the kind who make a habit of holding scattering meetings in sparsely settled communities, but the kind that can go into a great city and "hold on" and "stay with it" until the work is established. And this is just what he did in Detroit. Just a few weeks ago in company with those peerless singers, B. D. Sutton and wife, I closed a successful meeting with Brother Cooper and the Detroit church. Last Easter Sunday the church entered its new quarters in a splendid, central location. Since that time the church has paid over fifty-three hundred dollars in cash on a property which cost about fifteen thousand. The church now numbers one hundred and twenty-three and new members are being gathered every month. Last Assembly year this church raised for all purposes within a few dollars of eleven thousand. The people who make up this church are in earnest and there is every prospect that this will be one of the strong churches of our denomination within the next five years.

Now here is another observation upon which I make no comment, except to state it as a fact: people good and bad are moving to the cities. Twenty-five years ago they were clamoring for the "broad open places," now they are moving into the centers of population, especially into the industrial cities. They are coming from the country, the towns and the small cities—but they are coming.

And now here is my application; one may well be surprised at the extent of rural evangelism which the holiness people have carried out within the last generation and now that these converts are moving to the cities then there is nothing for us to do but follow them to the city - or, better still - anticipate their coming and found churches and keep the fires of Full Salvation burning everywhere. We must not neglect rural evangelism-we must intensify our program everywhere. We must revive the campmeeting everywhere and we must enter the interdenominational camps with genuine interest and zeal. And we must build churches, especially in communities where the population is somewhat stable. But we must build Nazarene churches in all the centers of population. A tent meeting or an evangelistic campaign will not fill the bill. We must get a man like Cooper and send him to Atlanta, Georgia, and get behind him with home missionary funds and keep him there. All we need to do is to make it possible for him to stay there and give him just this order, "Build a Nazarene church in Atlanta." We must do the same in New Orleans and in every center of population in the United States, in Canada and in the entire English speaking world. Only in this way can we conserve the fruitage of our rural evangelism and only thus can we fulfill our mission to the great throngs of unsaved people who are gathered into the cities of the land.

When our people move away from the country church, the church dies, but when they move away from the city, others will move in to take their places or there are other *reachable* people who will fill up the ranks. It takes good men, strong men to establish these churches, but the job is worthy of the best and the strongest. What greater monument would one want to leave by which to be remembered in this world than that of a well established Church of the Nazarene in some center of population? To what more worthy and profitable cause could any one give money or time?

THE GREATEST TOWER THERE IS

UR attention is often called to the great power which is manifest in the tornado, or the flood, or the earthquake, but it is seldom that any one mentions the marvelous power of the sunshine. Still the net results show that the sunshine is powerful beyond comparison with any shortlived and unusual phenomenon of nature for the millions of tons of water which come back from the clouds in the precipitations of the year were lifted to their enormous height by the power of the sun, and this is only one case of a thousand which might be given. But we see and appreciate the unusual more than we do the usual any way.

It is like religion. If some one goes into a trance, jabbers in an unknown tongue, or manifests some sort of *power*, we marvel and say that the age of wonders has returned. But that exhibition of grace which saves the sinner from past guilt and cleanses inbred sin out of the believer's heart and enables him to live from day to day "in holiness and righteousness", before God and his neighbors is as much greater than all these other *powers* as the sunshine is greater than the unusual phenomena of nature to which our attention is so often directed.

Tongues of men and angels, faith that would remove mountains, knowledge that solves all mysteries—every power, every gift —all pale into insignificance in the presence of "love made perfect" through the merits of Jesus' blood and by the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire. The greatest power one can pessibly have is the power that saves from all sin and enables one to live a life of holiness here in this present world.

Questions Answered

Herald of Holiness readers are invited to send in such questions as they may desire to have answered in this department

Q. Under the Law people were supposed to restore more than they took (Ex. 22:1); are we supposed to do the same today? W. C. H., . Ky.

Ans. It should be remembered that the Law provided for the legally convicted thief, and the extra portion represented the court expenses which the procedure involved. But neither lawyers nor judges received their support from the direct proceeds of their legal services, as they were all supported by the tithe and other regular income, therefore, the surplus went to the original owner of the property, to him from whom it had been stolen. as he was the man who had suffered the loss of time and property. Just the other day I signed an agreement to pay a certain sum of money at a certain time, and one portion of the agreement was that in case it should be necessary for the creditor to sue in order to collect-his dues, I am to pay fifteen per cent in excess of the face value of the note for lawyer's fees. But I have no intention of paying that extra fifteen per cent; for I will acknowledge that I owe the amount and I hope to have it on hand when it becomes due. In like manner restitution as the free practice of a convicted sinner represents, or is represented by the man who acknowledges his debt and makes arrangements to pay it, and in that case only the original amount with interest is due. The Law's case represents the man who does not make restitution and goes on to meet his creditors and his sins at the Judgment, and I am fearful that he will truly repay fourfold in that day.

Q. Please explain Luke 16:8, 9, "And the loid commended the unjust steward because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when these fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations." M. W., Mo.

Ans. The lord who commended the unjust steward for his forethought was the steward's master, and not the Lord Jesus. A careful reading of the parable will make this clear. The ninth verse is the application of the parable and the meaning may appear in this paraphrase: "Make unto yourselves friends by saving souls through the proper use of your money, so that when money and all things that it will buy shall fail, those whom you have saved through your money will welcome you into heaven."

Q. How was the Sabbath changed from the seventh to the first day of the week? H. C., Kansas.

Ans. Please read our answer to this question in the issue of Jan. 17th, and also "The Scriptural Sabbath," by Rev. H. G. Cowan on page six in the issue of April 4th.

THANKSGIVING By Rev. E. G. Theus

TEXT: "O, give thanks unto the Lord"-Psalm 107:1.

T IS a beautiful practice that our nation should observe one day in the year for Thanksgiving. When the Pilgrim Fathers had harvested their first crop in the fall of 1621, they observed a day of Thanksgiving. This was the beginning of what is now a regular national holiday. Until the presidency of Abraham Lincoln this practice was irregular, but since Lincoln proclaimed the fourth Thursday in November, 1864, as a day of Thanksgiving, it has been a custom of all our Presidents to regularly proclaim the last Thursday in each November as a National Thanksgiving Day.

In the New England states, in addition to church worship, it is customary to have family reunions on this day. In this fast age, it seems to me that to gather for public worship and then take time for retiring into family groups to break bread together and for worship around the old family altar would be a delightful and profitable way to spend Thanksgiving.

But, while it is good to observe the day set apart for Thanksgiving in the customary way or ways, it is one thing to go through the usual routine of procedure on that particular day and another thing to really and truly offer acceptable thanks to the Lord for all His benefits.

To my mind there are at least three things that must exist in our lives as real fundamentals in acceptable thanksgiving to the Lord. The first is proper recognition of the Triune God-that God is really the God of the Bible -that He is the omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent and immutable God. That "all thing were made by him," and that "without him was not anything made that was made," that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." How could we be thankful to God unless we believe these fundamental things? We must believe that Jesus Christ is the miraculous Son of God-born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and that He lives today. We must believe that the Holy Ghost is the adorable Third Person in the Holy Trinity, and that He is in the world now wooing the people and saving all who will come to Christ.

The second fundamental for a true thanksgiving spirit is obedience to the laws of God. The Word says, "If ye love me keep my commandments." The child who loves his parents best is the child who obeys his parents. Paul in writing to Timothy connects disobedience and unthankfulness of children in the last days in the same sentence (2 Tim. 3:2). The church member who appreciates his church will obey the rules governing the church. The citizen who loves his country's flag obeys the laws governing his country. God demands obedience before He will accept our sacrifice, whether it be words or deed or both.

The third fundamental in a true thanksgiving spirit to which I wish to call attention is faith in the promises of God. We can not truly enter into the spirit of real thanksgiving without believing that "with God all things are possible," and that "with God nothing is



impossible." We must believe that "he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him," and that "he is the same yesterday, today and forever," and that, further, "he is no respecter of persons," and is "working all things together for good to them that love him."

When we believe in the Triune God, the God of the Bible, with all of its miraculous teachings, when we keep God's commandments and believe His astounding promises, there is no trouble to render unto God thanksgiving. The facts are it works like a hydraulic pump —it just works itself.

While it means much to be in a real attitude of thanksgiving, one can not afford to be otherwise. Ingratitude is base, sinful and blighting. The spirit of thanksgiving and gratitude is beneficial in every walk of life. Nowhere is it without its rewards, and its rewards are most delightful. If one wants to rear a child to be a refined Chrsitian gentleman or lady, teach it the spirit and practice of gratitude

Rev. E. G. Theus who occupies the Pulpit this week and who has given this splendid sermon on "Thanksgiving" is the much beloved and successful pastor of our church at Shreveport, Louisiana. He is a "tried and proven" soldier and one of our best pastors.—EDITOR.

and thanksgiving. A grouch has no place about a real home. (The fact is, a "grouch" is a nuisance to society, and to himself as well). Many a home has lost much of its sweetness because of one grouch in the family. His very presence poisons the atmosphere so that others can scarcely draw a pure breath. Great aspirations and ideals for life are not born in such an atmosphere. Overlook some of the faults in your children and show your appreciation for some of their worthy qualities if you would inspire their little hearts and minds to greater things. The little shoeblack on the corner will appreciate you more and give you a better shine if you will show some appreciation for his work. The President of the United States will be a better President if we appreciate him enough to pray for him. The laborer would be happier in his labors and do more work if the capitalist would show his appreciation of his labors. On the other hand, the capitalist would be more generous if the laborer would show more appreciation of what he does for his laborers.

Ingratitude broke the heart of Jesus Christ. One of the saddest sentences in the Bible is, "He came to his own and his own received him not." Instead of dying, as He did, of a broken heart, His death would have been His delight if only those whom He loved would have appreciated His sacrifice. One thing that adds much to sorrows on earth and in heaven (if sorrow can enter heaven), is ingratitude. How many people use God's timber to build their own houses, God's material to clothe themselves, God's air and water and food to refresh themselves, and never so much as return thanks at the table or erect a family altar! How many people that call themselves Christians, instead of making a thank offering to the Lord, steal His tithes that He wants used to reach a poor lost world, and consume it upon their own pleasures! How we should thank God that right in the midst of so much base ingratitude, He continues to send the sunshine and rain on the just and on the unjust!

It would be impossible to enumerate all the blessings for which we should be thankful. We should thank God for food and raiment and shelter. We should thank Him for the beautiful and for every convenience we enjoy. If you are inclined to complaining and ingratitude, get in a quiet place before the Lord and "Count your blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord has done." Did you ever kneel around your family altar and thank God for the sweet ties that bind, for the house you live in, for every plank and the nails in the plank and the good carpenter who put the house together for you? For the beautiful pictures and mottoes on the wall and the splendid books in the library, and for the old Bible itself?

As we pause for thought and thanksgiving, do we appreciate the fact that the days of the tallow candles, spinning wheels, ox wagons and poor roads have been replaced with electricity, manufactories, railroads, highways and automobiles, with almost every other convenience of which we can think? See the hospitals, asylums, schools and churches, how they have increased. No longer do we suffer many of the deprivations that our forefathers did. Even in our own beloved holiness movement during the past quarter of a century, what a change! Churches and schools and mission stations around the world! with preachers and presses spreading the gospel everywhere. Are we thankful for these conveniences and for the privilege that we have of helping carry the gospel to every land before Jesus comes back to earth again?

But you may say, "It has been a hard year with me; financial reverses, afflictions and death among my loved ones has been my lot." I would have you remember the words of Orvelle Dewey just here. He said, "I would be grateful for all that belongs to my life and being, for joy and sorrow, for health and sickness, for success and disappointment, for life and death; because I believe that all is meant for good." Paul said, "These light afflictions which are but for a moment work for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

As for me, I thank God for all temporal blessings. But, most of all, for His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life, and for the joys of salvation that are unspeakable and full of glory. And, for the mansion that is now in preparation for me in the skies. When I look back at that horrible pit of miry clay from whence I was lifted and my feet put on a solid rock and my goings established, with a new song put in my mouth, my heart wells up in true thanksgiving in gratitude to the adorable Trinty, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost.

Many hearts may ask themselves the question, "How am I to manifest appreciation for God's blessings?" David asked the question and answered it himself when he said, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord." If any one perchance should read these lines who has been negligent of his Christian duties and has let the joys of salvation leak out of his heart, what could be more acceptable to God than a renewal of his broken vows and a returning to the fold of God? Then, instead of just one Thanksgiving Day in the year to thank the Giver of every good gift, he could chime in with David and say, "I will bless the Lord at *all times*. His praise shall continually be in my mouth."

Oh that every one of earth's teeming millions might truly learn to praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Sinners Entreated To Hear God's Voice By Evangelist Roy L. Hollenback

"Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts"—Hebrews 3:15.

T MAY be through the sensitive motions of our conscience impressing us concerning the motives of our acts; it may be through the laws of nature which constantly and in untold ways reveal Him unto us; it may be through His Word as we read it or hear it from the mouths of His servants, or it may be through some providence, or chain of providences, merciful or otherwise; but in some way, loudly or faintly, at some time God speaks to every man. Nor does He speak but once or twice; but again and again in mercy He speaks, He calls, yea, He entreats with all men. He addresses the heart; not merely the ear or the mind, for it is the heart that has supreme need. So He desires a heart response.

"If ye will hear" suggests that there is a possibility that for some cause we may not hear. We will recall that He does not always speak in tones like thunder, neither does the earth always quake at the sound of His voice, for He sometimes speaks with an inward "still, small voice." So if we would not mistake the meaning of His words, we must obey the injunction of the Savior, "Take heed how ye hear!" We should hear attentively, believingly, fearfully—and *hear* to *heed*. To be hearers without also being doers will profit us nothing.

I. We should hear His voice because it calls us to salvation. His voice of mercy is like a life-line thrown to us when we are sinking—sinking nover to rise again! It is like the gliding of a life-boat coming to our rescue when we are adrift on a trackless stormy sea. It is as the beam of light from a rescuer's lantern when we are groping in unbroken darkness to some cataract of destruction. It is the call of a shepherd who has sought, and seeks to saye a wandering one who has strayed from the fold of safety out upon a bleak mountain or a waterless desert. He calls us to a safe fold, to still waters, to green pastures, to paths of peace!

Were His call to misery, or to greater dangers, we might well forbear to hear. Or were He calling us to that which we could never receive, or to that which we did not need, we might be excused for inattention. But He calls us to that which we need—infinitely *need* —and to that which it is possible for us to obtain; namely, *salvation*.

II. We should hear His voice because He has not promised to always strive. His dealings with those of the Bible record show that there is an end to His pleading with those who will not hear. His longsuffering "waited" with the antedeluvians who persisted in being giants in sin. He withdrew His restraining voice from the inhabitants of Sodom because they unheedingly reveled in riot and sensual pleasure. He refused to speak longer with Saul, when he would not obey, but trifled with sacred things. And, though He bore long with their sins, yet there came a time when He ceased to speak longer to the Israelites, who were favored above all with the "oracles of God."

But if He calls and we will not answer, though He may bear indulgently with our inattention, there is sure to come a time when He will not speak. Hence He exhorts us to take heed "today." The reason He ceases to speak in any case is that no amount of added mercies will bring us any nearer to Himself. But on the other hand, notwithstanding these continuous pleadings of mercy, we will become more calloused, more stubborn, and more defiant of His judgments.

III. We should hear His voice "today" because if we delay until tomorrow we will never heed. We have never known any who sought for a "more convenient season" to ever find it. Did you? Procrastination is the surest way to damnation. There is every reason to fear that if you have the disposition to delay your decision you will never commence; for

A Chanksgiving Prayer

O God, we humbly pray To Thee this glad Thanksgiving Day, The time that has been set apart To speak from overflowing heart Of Thy great love.

We thank Thee for Thy watchful care O'er us, Thy children, everywhere: For health, for food, and needs supplied— All has been given, naught denied From Thy great store.

Nor would we scorn our grief and pain, For as the sunshine follows rain, So joy with sorrow ever goes, And even the most lovely rose Must have its thorn.

Keep us from sin: we would not have Sin kept from us, though we are weak. But ask Thee for the strength to rise Above, to where a nobler prize Is ours to win.

Help us, that when at last we know Our work is finished here below We then may go prepared to be Forever in eternity With Thee. Amen.

-C. A. LUFBURROW.

if you defer you must inevitably harden your heart, and to do this is fatal to all hopes. A hardened heart can not receive divine impressions; and without them there can be no relenting, no sorrow for sin, and no penitence. Where these are wanting the soul is doomed. When the moral sensibilities are deadened by constant inattention, the power to seek God is gone, and the soul is left for the scavengers of judgment to devour.

There is but one time to be saved, and that time is now. Count any person or fancy a treacherous enemy which would bid you delay until the future. "Behold, now is the accepted time." There must come a time when your decision is for the present. So long as it is only for the future you are no nearer salvation than you were when you began, but rather, you are farther away. It would have been easier for you to have sought God on the first impression, for then your sin was not so great; nor your heart so hard. Now you have an increased number of sins for which to repent. But what will it profit you to delay longer yet? Will you ever have less for which to account? Will the slate ever be cleaner? Will your heart become softer if you continue in sin? Nay, verily! Your chances for hell will multiply, and your hopes of heaven will diminish with each hour of delay.

IV. You should seek Him now because life is uncertain and you may now be dissipating your last chance. Have you any lease on life? Does the absence of seen dangers guarantee you security? Not at all; for all about you men are falling whose hopes were as wellfounded as yours.

Death enters, and there's no defense,

His time there's none can tell;

He'll in a moment draw thee hence

To heaven or down to hell.

The poet who took shelter on a protruding rock in mid-sea expressed our true condition in these lines:

Lo! on a narrow neck of land,

Between two boundless seas I stand,

Secure, insensible; A moment's time, an inch of space,

Removes me to yon heavenly place,

Or shuts me up in hell.

Standing amid such dangers, how can we be insensible to them? The critical moment for you may be the next one. Will you yet delay? Seek Him now-for time is short, death is sure, and judgment threatens! In eternity will be too late, and your very next step may land you there! Fresh difficulties will clog the channel tomorrow-wade it now! The chain of evil habits will bind you more tightly tomorrow-snap it now! Sin exposes your soul to present dangers-escape them now! Salvation confers present joys-seize them now! - A Judge adjures you-obey Him now! A God of love entreats-be reconciled now! A Father invites you-return to Him now! A bleeding Savior, with wounded hands, beseeches you-yield yourself and trust Him now! "Now is the accepted time."

Underneath all the arches of Scripture history, throughout the whole grand temple of the Scriptures, these two voices ever echo, man is ruined, man is redeemed.—C. D. Foss.

Christ is redemption only as He actually redeems and delivers our nature from sin. If He is not the law and spring of a new spirit of life, He is nothing. "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God,"—as many, no more.—HORACE BUSHNELL.

Titles and Degrees

By W. E. SHEPARD

I HAVE a creeping sensation that if this article gets into the HERALD OF HOLINESS the people will read it. I am glad you are reading it right now. The titled dignitaries of our church will read it, wondering how they will stand the ordeal. Every aspirant to dignified titles will read it and wonder if their doom is sealed. The readers will be *pro* and *con*. I am seeing now in my vision friends and foes. Some will love me more and some will love me less for this article. I am wondering which will be the larger slice—the one cut off or the one put on. Thank the Lord for that "law of compensation" we once read about, that evens things up.

But why should this scribe write on such a delicate subject, where the ice is liable to be so thin, that he will break through into the chilly embrace of scholastic aspirants and have his reputation forever squelched? But if it ought to be said, then some one should say it. Perhaps I have the least reputation to lose and can afford better to run the risk. Maybe I am to be the Arnold Winkelreid to break through the ranks. The poor Swiss army tried in vain to break through the phalanx of spears of the enemy, until Arnold Winkelreid bared his breast and rushed into the embrace of death, where the glittering spears punctured him through. The army back of him, seeing their opportunity, took advantage of the occasion while Arnold was being martyred, rushed in and gained their freedom. So pray for me while I run this awful risk.

Brethren, wet your finger and hold it up in the air, and you will soon find which way the wind is blowing concerning the title of this article. Education is one of the noble assets to one's life, and any one who would cast any

reflection on such only exposes his own ignorance and folly. But are we not laying too much stress upon titles and degrees? Are we not placing too much dependence upon them? Surely there is a certain and proper prestige which the best education brings, but what about leaning to much on that prestige? A certain student graduated at college, received the proper diploma, went home and prefacing the remark with a slang word said, "Now I'm educated." If one feels that because he has taken a few years of college course and received a sheepskin, he is necessarily qualified for the work of life, let me advise him to take the lecture platform and choose for his subject, "ROOM AT THE TOP," for it would be literally true in his case.

Why the necessity of so much of these scholastic and honorary appendages? Does the kite need this tail for ballast, as it soars into the heights above? Does it add to one's dignity, ability to accomplish results, and gain in the end more for the glory of God and His kingdom? I am afraid that while too much of this exploitation is indulged in, others who may not properly understand, may cry out with one of old, "Thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee M. A., D. D."

Surely there is a place to make known one's degrees; for instance, in the college catalog. But why flaunt'it before others too profusely in the printed page as if to say, "I want it continually impressed upon your mind that I am educated," or that "I am a preacher carrying a doctor's degree." If it were known to the public in general how some of these honorary degrees were obtained, how they were sought, what manipulations and wirepulling to bring them to pass, and from what sources they came, there would not be so much made over them. Years ago I was conducting revival meetings in the First Methodist Church of Pasadena when the pastor opened my eyes along these lines. He told me that the doctor of divinity pastor of the First M. E. Church of Los Angeles had no more than a common school education, yet for some reason or other he had obtained his doctor's degree. He told me that a certain preacher who had considerable of a pull in a college where they manufacture doctors of this degree, obtained them for aspirants for the sum of ten dollars. Ten dollars to have one's divinity doctored! Too much-hardly worth it! Not sufficient guarantee that it will cure!

H Fymn of Thanksgiving W thank, Thee, Father, for the years Thy love has shared our hopes and fears; We bless Thee for Thy guiding hand, Which points us toward the promised land. Thy cloud by day, Thy fire by night, Have clearly shown the path that's right; Our marching orders from the Word Have made us sure, "Thus saith the Lord." We bless Thee for a faith that knows The reason for its heart's repose; We praise Thee for a love that bears The burden of our sins and cares. Abide with us, O Christ of God, Thou who hast traveled on our road; Be with Thy church for years to come, And daily cheer our journey home. -CHARLES M. SHELDON, D. D.

I may be an old fogy and a fossil, but really it has lingered with me all down my ministerial life a question mark concerning the use of the word "Reverend" in its application to a clergyman. When I read through my Bible and discover the word but once and that only in relation to God---"Holy and reverend is his name," I wonder if we have not overstepped the bounds in applying it to mortals upon earth. But custom has been so long that we fall in line and let it be so.

"What is the motive underlying this hunger for this honorary title of doctor of divinity? How about such aspirations? Do they make one more spritual, more Christlike, more able to win souls to Christ? Is there not an inflation that accompanies this new appendage to one's name? Does it tend to humility or exaltation? If you seek it, connive for it, hunger for it, does it not show in your heart something besides the meek and lowly spirit of Jesus? I was told that the president of a certain holiness college showed to the student body a pile of letters which had come to him from preachers asking for the degree of doctor of divinity. He then wore to a frazzle such aspirations. An old preacher told me one time that when he was thirty years old he delivered an address, I think a commencement address, to

a certain college of some note, which so pleased them that they conferred upon him the degree of doctor of divinity. If there is any excuse at all for carrying this degree, it would certainly be in a case like this, where it came unsolicited and with surprise.

It might be argued, that when we see de-' grees attached to names, it shows that such people are educated; therefore, if we exploit it before the readers of our literature, it will be evidence to them that we have educated people in our church. But the fact is, that if the goods are inside a person, they will show in spite of everything, and if the goods are not there, all the appendages in the world will not bring them out. If the preach is in a person, that person will make a preacher if he has never seen the inside of a schoolhouse. If the preach is not in him, every degree conferred in an honorary way, or achieved through scholastic achievements will not make that one a preacher. But we would not overlook the fact that if one would be a success without an education, it would stand to reason he would be a far greater success with an education. If one has the goods, the people will find it out. Was not Emerson right when he said, "He that writes a better book, or preaches a better sermon, or makes a better mousetrap, though he build his house in the woods, the world will beat a path to his door"?

Personally, I fear for the trend in the direction of these honors. I fail to find anything in the Bible where any stress is laid upon them. Jesus never urged any one to seek the honors that come from men, but rather commanded otherwise. The nearest text bearing upon titles that I have been able to find is the one in Job 32:21, 22, where it says, "Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man. For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my maker would soon take me away."

Now, my dear brethren, the deed is done. Can you say that you still love me? This has been working in my system for some time, and now having gotten it out, I feel better. I trust that every reader feels the same. But whether we agree or disagree, let us continue to love one another. Amen!

SENTENCE SERMONS Compiled by Rev. Henry Bell

No artist will paint a picture on a canvas until he is sure the canvas belongs to him, and neither will Jesus stamp His image on you until He is sure you are His.

If you throw clubs at dead churches, some one may be walking toward you to inquire the way to God, and you will bit him and drive him away.

If you have the Holy Ghost, it is sure to get out on you.

Nearly all your heartaches and troubles have come because you tried to have your way.

If our voice does not reach to the other end of the telephone line, we have the line repaired immediately, but how often we neglect the prayer line when it is out of order.

Every soul has to go through these two trials, applause and condemnation.

The thing that convicted the thief on the cross was the way Jesus acted when under great trial. It is better to meet a bad bull dog than a man with a grouch, for you can shoot the dog.

The movie crowd buys its happiness by the reel, but it is not real.

Just as a pain is not the discase but only a symptom of it, so sinning is only a symptom of sin within. A few months ago I went to see a young girl who was in the Detention House of our city. I knew something about the case of this girl from the newspapers, but I am going to tell you what she told me about herself.

"I am not an ignorant girl," she said, "I am a high school graduate, and had a course in a first class business college. I was reared by a Christian nother who taught me the difference between right and wrong, and up to the time I was sixteen years old I not only loved my mother but trusted her judgment and was willing to be guided by it. Then I began to grow dissatisfied. I saw that other girls were doing things I was not allowed to do, and their mothers seemed to think it was all right and part of a young girl's good time in life. So I concluded that my mother was narrow; yes, and old-fashioned. After awhile I began to look down on her a bit, feeling that it was a pity she had let herself get so behind the times. And of course I did not want to obey her as I had been used to when I looked up to her.

"It wasn't because I was a very bad or wilful girl. No, it was because I was silly enough to imagine myself smarter than my mother. I truly believed that I had a better, more up-to-date understanding or life than she had and therefore was much more capable of choosing wisely for myself than she could possibly do. "After my business course was finished I

sceured a position in a town some distance from my village home. I was glad of this as it left me free to order my life in the way I thought best. I had no idea of going into sin. But I was determined to have a good time, and if this led me to take a reckless chance now and then, like going on a long automobile ride at night to a dance with some boy I didn't know very well, I wasn't a bit afraid but that I could take perfectly good care of myself. Poor little fool that I was! My good, wise mother had been able to keep me a pure, respectable girl for sixteen years of my life. It didn't take but three years for me to reach the end of the course I had chosen, and to land me in this place, a ruined, disgraced girl, the young man I was with in jail, and our shameful story published broadcast over several states." The girl had finished her story and sat staring out of the window, such a forlorn, miserable looking young creature that my heart ached for her.

"Can I help you in any way?" I asked, putting my arms around her. Her eyes filled with tears. "I thank you for your sympathy," she said, "but you can't help me. No one can. How could they? I have utterly wrecked my life and what I have done no one can undo, not even God himself. No, I have thrown away.my chance, and my case is absolutely hopeless. But you might be able to help some one else. Tell other girls to trust their mothers, and to believe that they know more about life and its dangers than they have ever heard of. Maybe some girl will listen, and take warning by me."

And that is why I am telling you this sad story. It may be that some of you dear girl and boy readers are beginning to look down upon your parents as old-fashioned and behind the times in their views. If you are doing this, look out I You have already reached the danger point when you reject their wisom and wide knowledge of life and put it down to narrowness. You don't have to be bad and depraved in order to fall into sin and wreck your life. When you lose confidence in the wise and tender care of your parents, and are not willing to obey their commandments, but choose rather to go your own way, you have already set you feet in the path which has led countless thousands of young lives to just such loss as I have told you about.

PERSONALITY

No two days are alike. No two temptations are alike. Personality, and not machinery, must therefore steer the craft of life for each of us. As the steer is uncertainty.



A VERY DIFFERENT CASE

The Youth's Companion tells a very sweet and refreshing story about a young girl who thought her mother's way was always best.

Louise Benton and her mother had gone to the city on a very special shopping expedition. Louise was much excited over the purchase of a new aress and when she met an old schoolmate in the aisles, of a large department store she merely nodded and would have hurried on. But Mrs. Benton stopped and greeted the plain shy girl cordially asking about the different members of her family. Louise grew impatient and showed it.

"Mother would have me entertaining all the girls I ever knew in grammar school," she mused to herself.

Later, as mother and daughter were seated on the shaded side of the piazza in the afternoon,

SUPPOSE "Suppose that you should never frown, When people frowned at you, But that you traded smiles for frowns-What would those people do? "Suppose that when you hear a tale Against a friend or foe, You shut your heart and shut your lips, How far, think you, 'twould go? "Suppose you worked as hard at work As you now work at playthink that duty would be spelled In quite a different way! "Suppose the Golden Rule were law And no one disobeyed Don't you suppose we'd all suppose That into heaven we'd strayed?" -Young People's Messenger. Louise asked with sweet-tempered tolerance in her voice, "What's wrong, mother dear?"

"I was thinking of a little experience of my girlhood days." replied Mrs. Benton. "Our meeting with Ella Moore recalled it very vividly to me."

A slight flush crept over Louise's face.

"I should love to hear it, mother," she said.

"You have heard me speak of the academy in my old town," began Mrs. Benton. "My desk mate and dearest friend was Effie House, a bright, clever girl. I loved her dearly. The fact that her father was one of the wealthiest men in the country mattered little to us. We were inseparable, and Effie was as dear as a sister to me. When the time came for us to leave the academy, Effie went away to college, and I found employment in the millinery store in our little town. For the first time I realized the difference between our stations in life. How dear Effie was to me. how much I missed her, no one ever knew.

"Effic's four years in college passed, and I heard of her and read of her in the society columns of our papers. One day who should descend upon our little millinery store but Effie and her haughty mother.

"The milliner gave them her own personal attention—I was only an assistant. In our little back room I listned to Effie's voice. Obeying a sudden impulse, I stepped out, looked full at Effie and smiled. If she had not recognized me at all, I might have thought she had forgotten me, but she knew me instantly and gave me just the barest,

chilliest little nod. It hurt-because I was young and thought all the world must be like the small town and narrow life about me. Perhaps it might have been mere thoughtlessness on Effie's part, her life was so full; she never knew how empty mine was."

In a moment Louise was kneeling by her mother's chair, with her arme about her waist. Tears stood in her eyes. Presently she spoke, and there was a new carnestness in her voice.

"I am glad to have a mother like you, mother darling. I am so thankful you told me about yourself and your friend. I had thought it was hardly worth while to be nice to people whom I didn't particularly care about. I was wrong, of course, as wrong as I could be. I can see that your way is best—that of being kind and courteous to all."

HE WANTED TO KNOW

A Presbyterian minister was at one time pastor of a church in a town where the richest and most prominent man never attended church and openly opposed the minister. One day the minister seeing this man in his carriage before 'a store, felt a desire to "go near and join" himself to his chariot and ask the liberty of speaking to him of the Savior. Fearing a scene if he obeyed, he passed on. Six weeks later he met the man in his carriage again and felt the same desire to speak to him. He consulted one of the deacons of his church, who advised him to keep away from the man, as he would surely be driven away and insulted. But the minister could not rest. He felt God was calling him to speak to that man. The next day he went to call, and with fear and trembling approached the stately mansion. To his surprise the man himself met him at the door. He expected an insult. Instead two trembling hans were extended in welcome and the man exclaimed, "I have been looking for a visit from you for six weeks. I want to know all you can tell me about the Lord Jesus Christ whom I have neglected so long." He called in his wife and daughter and gladly the minister "preached unto them Jesus." All three soon afterward "believed" and "went on their way rejoicing."

ON BEING DESPISED

When Kepler, the great astronomer, had discovered the laws which govern the planets, he was despised and scorned by the ignorant and jealous around him. Reduced to misery and want, he lay upon his death-bed, and a friend asked him if he did not suffer keenly in dying thus, without seeing his discoveries accepted. "My friend," was Kepler's great and beautiful answer, "God waited five thousand years for one of His creatures to discover the laws which He has given to the stars, and can not I wait also until justice is done me?" That is the way to receive disdain and scorn. Receive it with sorrow for the meanness of the disposition of the disdainful and with the conscious satisfaction that God knows the truth about your life.

If you ever show disdain at all, don't show it to people; show it toward meanness and cowardice, show it by refusing to have anything about yourself that is mean and cowardly, show it by being generous and brave and kind to the unworthy.

OUR FAITH

How does our faith look in the eye of heaven? That is the question. Our faith is not a painted something which we hand around to be judged by the color and by the perspective. Faith is a sacrifice, or it is nothing. When the church, as represented in Christian congregations, believes this we shall have what is called a revival. At present what is there to revive? Who would die for his faith?—JOSEPH PARKER.

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats

Beloved Samaritans:

Another beautiful driveway is through what they call the "Hoodoos." This wonderful drive-way is built right through a great plot probably twenty-five or thirty acres where the rocks stick up out of the ground about as big around as a big tree and some of them about ten times as big and they stand up out of the ground about twen-ty or thirty feet high. They look so rough and by it was a great forest of large trees and the tops all blown off and the great trunks of the trees becoming petrified and now it is known as the "Hoodoos." But it takes all of this to make up Yellowstone Park. Without the Hoodoos I suppose the park would be incomplete.

On another beautiful driveway we go through a beautiful forest of pines, probably the most peculiar in the nation. The trees and limbs all have big knots on them, thousands of them as big as large buckets and others as large as big pump kins and almost every tree has either on the trunk or the limbs some of these large knots. It is one of the most peculiar things of its kind that the tourist will see. The cause of such peculiar growth is to this old preacher a wonder. In the large store and the curio shop at Old Faithful Inn all the logs in the buildings are from these woods and every one has a large knot on it and all of their tables are made from these peculiar trees. It was very interesting to see a long table made probably twenty feet long with legs to it just made out of a young tree and every leg with a big knot on the side of it as large as a water bucket. The tables and legs themselves made a wonderful curio but the reader must remember we are tying to tell him about Yellowstone Park and don't forget we are now in the wonderland of creation. These pine trees with knots swinging from the limbs as big as buckets were not brought about by evolution but by divine Providence.

In traveling over these highways the tourist is reminded by this fact that the poet was correct when he wrote, "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps on the sea and rides upon the storm." Many things in the park would convince a man that there is a God and that He could create worlds, even if he had never seen a Bible.

In driving toward the western gate from the Mammoth Hot Springs, the highway is literally belted with beautiful lakes, bubbling springs and some beautiful rivers. Some fine old beaver dams some beautiful rivers. Some fine bid beaver dams along this highway and beautiful falls, not so large as the Yellowstone and the Grand Canyon, but nevertheless beautiful. On this driveway there is one peculiar geyser called the Minute Man. Tust about every two minutes you hear an explo-

sion and you see a stream of water squirting into the air probably twenty feet high. This is not as high as Old Faithful and the Daisy and the Giant and the Beehive, but the reader must not forget that it is unusually interesting. Every time Old Faithful plays once, the Minute Man plays about thirty times. Some of these geysers are called Growlers, and some Sizzlers, and some are called the Sawmills, and various names too numerous for us to put in this letter, and the reader must not forget that for him to drive his car up by the side of a mountain towering fifteen hundred feet in the air and with literally hundreds if not thousands of holes in the mountain where the steam is boiling out and the great mountain roaring and growling like a large locomotive pulling a hill.

On our way westward we come to a -place known as the great Norris Basin. Here must be forty or fifty acres of land not only hundreds but multiplied thousands of boiling springs and growling geysers and mud volcances. It seems that underneath the whole block not very far down must be seas of fire for almost every foot of the land has boiling springs. Its little geysers are no bigger around than your finger spouting hot water out three or four feet high and then a great bubbling boiling spring that looks like you can see fifty feet down in it almost reaching the fire. A man feels like taking off his hat and saying, "Behold, what God hath wrought," for here we have all kinds of peculiar fumes coming out of the earth, some so fearful that you have to hold your nose as you stand by them to keep the fumes from almost taking your breath. It looks like they are coming from the lower regions, but as you turn and walk away you are compelled to say that God's ability to do things has been brought into display in the building of this wonderland of creation.

But we drive westward until we come to the western gate, drive out and bid good-by to beautiful Yellowstone. But promising ourselves that some day if we live and Jesus tarries we will make another trip through that wonderland. How wonderful and glorious are boiling springs, sparkling rivers, snow-capped peaks, growling volcances and beautiful geysers. none but God could have planned and built. Thank God for a salvation that will enable a man to enjoy everything that God built.

May the richest blessings of heaven rest upon the Good Samaritans. Make your plans, beloved, to visit the Yellowstone National Park. I have only touched a few of the interesting points but you will have to go and behold it for yourself. go and bener. In perfect love, UNCLE BUDDIE.

PASADENA NAZARENE COLLEGE

After the passing of nine weeks of our present school year it is but just to make a report to the Nazarene constituency. Under the guiding hands of our new president, Dr. Widmeyer and our vice-presi-dent, Professor L. A. Reed, the college is making a distinct advance along best lines. The body is larger than ever before at this date. The student

But best of all there is a very manifest increase in the spiritual life of the student body. God sent us some very choice young people this year who are making their influence felt amongst us for good. The spiritual thermometer has been rising from the This chapel service until now. A marked increase of prevailing prayer has brought the usual result. Our officials wisely planned a chapel service revival, to begin Monday morning, October 29. Professors preached with unusual unction a sermon each and Rev. Joseph Smith preached one morning. Perhaps there were as many as twenty at the altar the first week

Provientially Pastor Harding of First Nazarene Church had planned a revival to begin Sunday morn-ing, November 4th, with the "Kentucky Race Horse Evangelists," Bona and John Fleming as his helpers. He kindly brought them to our chapel services five morpings. They proved to be a wonder of God among us, as truly as Dwight L. Moody was to Oxford University in England.

The younger brother John spoke Monday and Pro-fessor Reed made the altar call, also Brother Har-ding, and twenty-eight came to the altar. Tuesday morning Bona spoke and forty were at the altar. Wednesday John, spoke and nearly forty more came. About the same humber Thursday and the voice of prayer was never hushed and the seeking and find-ing never ceased from 11:30 a. m. till 4:00 p. m. On

Friday there were nearly fifty at the altar and the previous day's experience was repeated, groaning, and shouting and prayer and victory all day long. Perhaps not a half-dozen adult students are now out of Christ. We have seen no such victory here since I reached California in 1915. The very place seems like holy ground and while I am writing these lines the students and people are down at First Church spending Armistice day in fasting and prayer.

So far as we know John and Bona Fleming never rubbed their backs against the corner of a college building, or saw a book on Homiletics, but they have three things far more important. They have their Bibles, a marvelous case of full salvation and the mighty power of the Holy Spirit upon them. No wonder they can "do exploits."

A. M. HILLS.

ALABAMA DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

The Fifteenth Annual Assembly of the Alabama District, Church of the Nazarene, has gone into his-tory as one of the "very best" thus far. It convened with the church at Alabama City, Ala, and was pre-sided over by General Superintendent Reymolds. From beginning to end the tide of blessing flowed constantly, breaking out frequently amid the busi-ness sessions. We have never seen Dr. Reynolds so anointed of God in his ministry, nor more wise and expeditious in the conduct of business. A wonderful spirit of love and harmony prevailed throughout the Assembly. In spite of hard times and many other difficulties the reports showed that advance ground had been taken during the year numerically and financially. Four new churches have been organized. Rev. H. H. Hooker was re-elected District Super-

intendent, and this alone bespeaks that we may look forward to greater and better things on the Alabama District this year. W. G. Jackson was re-elected District Treasurer, C. C. Butler, Secretary.

The election of the Advisory Board was also complete on the first ballot. The Assembly greatly rejoiced over the elections as they prove the unity of spirit and mind of the members of the District.

The reports by the pastors, licensed preachers, evan-gelists, deaconesses, Sunday school and Young Peo-ple's Societies, were indeed gratifying, and showed that which makes the Church of the Nazarene successful to be hard work.

The Assembly elected a committee of five members to arrange Preacher's and Worker's Conventions on the District. The first one will be held at Cordo-va, beginning Wednesday night before the fourth Sunday in April, 1924. General Superintendent R. T. Williams and C. E. Hardy have been engaged for this convention, and a great time is in store for those who attend.

Salvation times were enjoyed by large crowds each night. A number of precious souls were made happy in Jesus and no doubt will shout throughout eternity because of the Fifteenth Alabama District Assembly. These services were held by Superintend-ent Reynolds and Dr. C. E. Hardy of Nashville.

The Methodist church was tendered the Assembly for the business sessions and by special request Dr. Hardy preached for the pastor of the church at the 11 o'clock hour on Sunday and Rev. C. E. Toney preached for them at night.

The ordination services conducted by Superintendent Reynolds and Dr. Hardy at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon was a time of special blessing.

Dr. Reynolds gave us a great "around the world missionary trip," at 3:30, which was greatly blessed of the Lord. The greatest service of the Assembly was the closing service Sunday night when Dr. C. E. Hardy brought the message to a crowded house, and many were the hearts that were blessed and encouraged and thus closed the "Greatest Assembly of the Alabama District."

C. C. BUTLER, Secretary.

+ GROUP MEETING

The Southeast Kansas Group Meeting convened at Coffeyville, October 25-28, and we were royally en-tertained by the local church. The Coffeyville church is in a flourishing condition and the pastor of this church with the hearty co-operation of his people are getting the church on a sure foundation and are putting the work over the top for Jesus. They had 187 in Sunday school and thirty-five in the Young People's meeting. This was the greatest group meeting in every respect that I have been privileged to attend. The spiritual condition was excellent. The discussion of the various topics were very helpful. The preach-ing services were all honored of the Lord. We never had a single barren night service. There were over thirty bowed at the altar for either pardon, reclamation or purity. Something like twenty-five prayed through to definite victory. The greater part of these were for sanctification. The following churches were represented: Pittsburg, Neodesha, Cherryvale, Lafontaine, Oak Hill, Liberty, Havana, and Coffeyville.

W. H. SMITH, Secretary.

Among the Churches

HUGO, OKLÀ.

-We are in our new field, we came to Hugo the 6th of November. We found a nice clean town and in it a Church of the Nazarene and a nice parsonage and it well furnished, and a fine bunch of loyal Naz-arenes. The first night that we moved into the parsonage the church gave us a surprise, twenty-four came two by two with tubs, boxes and sacks full of good things to eat, after they filled the table we read the twenty-fourth Psalm and had prayer and an old-fashioned love feast. This bunch of Nazarenes sure know how to do things in a business way. We are exus. We have a good Sunday school and a fine N. Y. P. S., the young people sure do work at their job.— J. A. Russell, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORECON, FIRST CHURCH

-We have just closed a very blessed revival cam-paign with Evangelist J. E. Gaar of Olivet, Ill. Therewas scarcely a service when souls were not seeking either to be reclaimed, converted or sanctified. We found Brother Gaar to be a wonderfully well

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equipped worker. Though a close, probing preacher, when necessary, he is always Christlike and winning, both in public and in private. His Bible readings are clear, exhaustive and uniquely conducted. His seven years as a college pastor have enriched his resources and increased his love and adaptability for ministering to young people. He proved to be the "man of the hour" for our present need. Our church is well "tuned up" and will be appreciably reinforced for the more strenuous work of the year which is still before us. Brother Gaar ranks with the greater praying evangelists of the holiness movement, past or present. He gets under the meeting and stays with it "till the last gun is fired."—D. Rand Pierce, Pastor.

A Confidential Chat

HIS article is just for "common folks." – Sunday school superintendents, pastors, and such like are not supposed to read it. If their curiosity should chance to get the best of them and they do "get wise" to our secret, we will trust them to forget about it.

Now for our confidential chat: You may not realize it but Christmas is just a little piece down the road. Now is the time to plan for the little surprises that make the Yuletide a special time of joy and good cheer. Most of us remember to provide for our friends, relatives, etc., but in the midst of our activities we pass by many an opportunity of gladdening the hearts of those who have served us faithfully throughout the year, sometimes in the face of criticism and under extreme difficulties.

In this class are found our pastors, superintendents, Sunday school teachers, organists, choristers, etc. It's such a small matter, involving no hardship on any one, but this is likely the reason for it being so often overlooked. For a trifling amount from each individual a class may thus remember their teacher; a school the superintendent and a church their pastor. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

There is no arguing the matter of the most appropriate gift for a teacher, superintendent, or pastor. You'll never miss it on a book or Bible. The class of people under discussion—if they're any account at all—are students; both of the Bible and of books pertaining to religious subjects in general or of books treating the special work in which the individual is engaged.

Publishing Headquarters will be glad to assist you in your selection. That's what we're here for. We have a number of splendid books for pastors, superintendents, and teachers, besides a fine assortment of special teacher's Bibles; also Bibles and pocket Testaments for preachers. It would be fine if we could list all these things, with prices right here, but that would take up too much space.

If you are undecided as to what would make a suitable gift just tell your troubles to us. Between us we ought to arrive at some satisfactory solution. We can at least send a catalog so that you, or the committee appointed for that task, can make a selection.

NAZARENE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

BROUCHTON, KANSAS

-We have just closed a good revival, truly God was with us, and the church takes on new courage and new interest. Rev. A. F. Balsmeier of Topeka, Kansas was the evangelist and Brother Balsmeier preached the Word clean and clear and won the hearts of the people, and God came on the scene in power. It was a hard fought battle of two weeks duration, the Devil contesting every inch of territory, but there were some professions. The church was greatly helped by the searching and inspiring messages, finance came easy and we feel like traveling on.-Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Copeland, Pastors.

KINGSTON, OKLA.

—As quite a number of our people attended our District Assembly at Ada, Okla., all seemed to catch a new vision of our possibilities and privileges in Jesus. All came home determined to go over the top for the Lord. Our new pastor, Brother Arthur L. James, is in charge, who came to us from the Dallas District. We truly thank God for sending-this dear man and his good wife our way. He truly has the vision and a message for a lost world. The presence of the Lord has been manifest in every service. We are expecting great things of the Lord this year. Our Sunday school is doing fine under the supervision of our good superintendent, J. Hamp Willis, who has the burden of the work on his heart. Our Young People's Society has a great future with our beloved president, R. C. Jackson, who has a vision of the possibilities of the young people. We have one of the best classes of young folks on the District. We are going over the top for Jesus. Pray for us. We have also adopted the budget system and our finances are coming easy.—B. J. Wilkins, Reporter.

FT. SCOTT, KANSAS

-The First Church of the Nazarene at this place is still on the map with both feet. We are in the third week of a great revival and the saints in Ft. Scott say they never saw such a meeting in the history of the church. Rev. L. A. Windsor, the pastor, is doing the preaching and R. T. Shaffer of Pittsburg has charge of the singing. There is lots of conviction and there have been several saved, reclaimed and sanctified and four taken into the fold. We have cottage prayermeetings and God is surely blessing the people here. We extrestly request the prayers of all the praying people for Fort Scott and the great work here.-R. T. Shaffer, Reporter.

MARTINTOWN, WIS.

-The blessing of the Lord is upon us at this place and the work is going on slowly, but surely. Uncle Buddie and Brother Chalfant were with us on October 4th and we feasted together at our Father's table. Attendance at the services is not large, but the people are earnest, faithful, prayerful and we feel that interest is increasing. Prayermeetings are seasons of very gracious refreshing from above. The members and friends have just made the parsonage family a handsome present, a beautiful, heavy winter coat for the pastor and a dress pattern of French serge for her sister. This kindness is certainly appreciated. May the Lord richly bless every one of these dear friends. The way grows brighter and the Word more precious to my soul.-Marietta Shake, Pastor. YUMA, COLO.

-We have just closed a good meeting with Rev. W. A. Eckel and wife from Japan. They drew large crowds and many seekers were at the altar. On the last Sunday we were until midnight praying seekers through. One lady and her husband were having a great struggle and finally she took a diamond ring from her finger, giving it to the missionaries to be sold and the proceeds to go to missions. She and her husabnd got through. Our boy did some good preaching, much conviction was upon the people.---Howard Eckel, Pastor.

NEODESIIA, KANSAS

-God gave us a gracious day Sunday, November 4th. There was a shout in the camp. After a missionary sermon by the pastor, a number came forward and gladly offered themeslves for service and we organized a "Ready for Service Prayer Band." The glory broke in upon us as we closed with a general handshaking, singing, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," and prayer. The night service was one of victory; the oil of joy and gladness was upon us in the praise service. At the close of the preaching service several came to the altar for sanctification. Three prayed through to definite victory and we are believing for the others. Our tent meeting with Brother Wm. O. Nease closed October 27th. God helped him to plow deep, and some old stumps were uprooted, restitution made, and old scores settled. Preaching, praying, testifying and shouting have been made easier. Our people have more of a mind to work and we are pushing on to victory. We have been brought out into a wealthier place. Brother Nease did some mighty preaching and was wonderfully blest of God. We were hindered some by rainy weather, but nevertheless the crowds were good and the results encouraging. We are glad Brother Nease came our way and gave us a big lift. The people gave him an invitation to come again.—Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Smith. Pastors.

MERIDIAN, IDAHO

--We just closed a successful campaign with Rev. C. P. Ellis as evangelist. His messages were pointed, full of truth, and backed by the Spirit of God! No one was left to guess what was to be done to get or to keep right with God. Several sought the Lord for pardon or purity and most of them were happy finders. The greatest gain was to the church, which was revived and caught an enlarged vision as to what God was expecting of us as a people in this place. We are determined to let the Holy Ghost lead us as He sees best. We also enjoyed entertaining the District W.-M. A. and the District Ministerial Convention. Both were very profitable. We have recently had some repair work done on the church building, the spire taken off of the belfry, and both the parsonage and church painted with three coats of white paint. The ground was plowed up and will be seeded to lawn. Personally we can say these are the best days of our life. God is smiling on us and we feel that there are better things ahead.--Watson M. Franklin, Pastor.

UPLAND, CALIF.

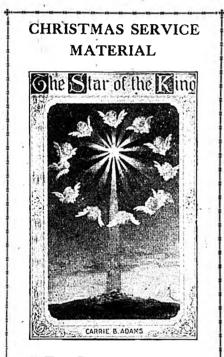
—We recently had Rev. C. J. Kinne with us for three nights giving his illustrated lectures on China. He showed plainly the needs of the field, the progress our missionaries had made, and the results on our own field, dealing especially with the Bresee Mememorial Hospital. The congregations increased from the first night until the main auditorium was filled at the last service. At the close of this service the congregation voted to build and equip a room in the hospital in memory of Rev. W. C.



Wilson, the organizer and pastor for several years of this local church. In just a short time the necessary amount of \$500 was raised. Our people have never given so freely to any cause. Brother Kinne's lectures are interesting, educational and inspiring. He should be kept busy giving these lectures in our churches. Our church is progressing along many lines. The congregations are splendid and a large number of young people are attending. Fully fifty per cent of our Sunday evening congregations, which are made up of young people. The N. Y. P. S. is planning to conduct an evangelistic rally, beginning November 18th with the student preachers of the Decaders' University in charge. We are averting Pasadena University in charge. We are expecting great results from this meeting. The writer is serv-ing his fourth year as pastor here and we are glad to report that so far it has been the best year. We are expecting things from our God, for "if God be for us who can be against us?"—D. Shelby Corlett, Pastor.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SOUTH SIDE CHURCH

-We came here to do the duties of a pastor at the close of the Indiana District Assembly the first of September last. We found some of the Lord's choice people here. A more willing people to work I have never met. They have a reputation of loving and supporting their pastors. This church is about five years old and at the present time has a recorded membership of roo with eight prospective members. We had hardly settled in the parsonage until the members and friends of the church gave us a good



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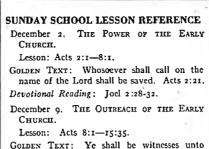
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"pounding." A few days later they gave us a love offering of \$25.00 and sent us to the General Assem-bly. Evangelists C. C. and Flora Ruth Chatfield just closed a very successful revival meeting with us. It can be truthfully stated that this was a very suc-cessful campaign. Brother and Sister Chatfield are evangelists of an efficient and practical character and their fruit remains. Forty-three souls claimed definite victory, and the church is greatly edified. Several new subscriptions were taken for the HERAD or HOLINESS. All expenses for the revival were easily met and a love offering of \$36 was given the pastor. We have outgrown our present church building and are praying and planning to build a new church in the spring. After Dec. 25th the church and parson-age will be clear of debt and a balance of nearly \$1,000 in the treasury. Our prayermeeting attendance almost fills the seating capacity of the church and the presence and glory of God is with us. We have in the person of Mrs. Mary Knose one of the best and one of the most efficient deaconesses in our movement. She reports from 150 to 200 calls per month and some remarkable conversions and answers to prayer. She not only has a passion for souls but she knows how to do the work of a deaconess, and does it. We have a willing and efficient corps of Sunday school workers and a fine class of talented clean young people in our Young People's Society. May the pentecostal fire ever burn in our midst.— C. J. Quinn, Pastor.

ELLET, OHIO, SPRINGFIELD HEIGHTS CHURCH

-We have just closed a very gracious revival with Rev. W. E. Ellis, evangelist, from Ada, Okla. He is very able preacher and a sweet spirited soul winner. There were about one hundred seekers at the altar and the power of God was very manifest in saving and sanctifying souls. Some very unusual cases of salvation were brought about when the Holy Ghost came upon some consecrated people who had wicked loved ones. One woman fell under the power and her two daughters, her father-in-law and mother-inlaw all went to the altar and were saved. They all got sanctified before the meetings closed and are a happy family now. Many other remarkable cases might be mentioned if space permitted, but sufficient to say that in every case of those men who were special objects of prayer in the past year (wives members of the church) the men were saved. God hears prayer. We witnessed sights as near Pentecost as I ever saw in all my life. As many as four at one time under the power with shouts of triumph all over the church mingled with the cries of penitent and seeking souls. God was present. Thirty-four united with the church and more to follow, practi-cally doubling our membership of forty, bless His name.—Rev. D. D. Palmer, Pastor.

WINCHESTER, IND.

-Sunday night November 11th was the closing night of a three weeks campaign here. This in many respects was the greatest meeting that the Church of the Nazarene has ever held here. The victory and blessing was on in almost every service. The people from other churches came and the spirit and har-mony that prevailed among the saints was wonder-There were twenty-five or more that bowed at the altar, and the shouts of victory and blessing was heard from those who found relief to their troubled souls. Rev. James Miller from Indianapolis, Indiana, was the evangelist. Brother Miller is one of the best all round evangelists we have ever met. Miss Edith all round evangelists we have ever met. Miss Edition Dearman of Greenwood, Indiana, was the song evan-gelist; her beautiful solos and shouts of victory added much to the meeting. Finances came easy for both singer and evangelist. Our finances are all paid in full for the first quarter and we are going on to greater things. We are thanking God for all to greater things. We are thanking God for all these blessings and giving Him all the glory.—Jesse Towns, Pastor.

EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO

-The blessings of the Lord are upon the church here and the people are greatly rejoicing in Him. The spiritual tide is high and each service (including official board meetings) is a time of praise and thanks-giving and our people do not find it a hardship to attend church and worship the Lord, but it is a real delight. Our young people are great, having from sixty to ninety in attendance at each of their meetings, and they are young people, not childrent or adults, but from fourteen to twenty years of age, and about equal in number of young women and young men. They have an orchestra of twelve pieces under the leadership of Wm. E. Foden, and thirty-five are in the choir under the leadership of the pastor's wife. Our Sunday school under the leadership of Thos. Durbin, is a source of great pleasure to our hearts. The attendance is large, the offerings are a surprise to many, the school for some years has raised one thousand dollars each year for Foreign Missions and are well on the way for this year, raising \$502 for the first six months. The financial condition of the church was never better. hnancial condition of the church was never better. During the month of October the envlope and loose offerings amounted to over \$160 per Sunday without any special effort. Our budget amounting to \$310 per month is paid in full to the last of February, 1024. We all feel like traveling on and giving God with Rev. W. E. Ellis of Ada, Okla., as the evangelist, and souls are praying through each service.----O. L. Benedum, Pastor.

HOLLIS, OKLA.

-Rev. Arthur Green, our pastor, returned Friday to begin his second year here. The Sunday morning service will not soon be forgotten by pastor or his people. After a good song and prayer service, Professor Lewis made an appreciative talk, read a letter of greeting from the church to pastor and wife, presented them with a substantial check and then had them stand while the congregation sang and welcomed them with handshake. After Pastor Green recovered from the surprise of the greeting, he



preached an uncluous sermon which was enjoyed by all present. From all appearance the pastor and his people are looking forward to and expecting a great year's work in Hollis.—S. R. Jones.

DAYTON, OHIO -The Church of the Nazarene at this place has just closed one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church. Rev. W. R. Cain of Wichita, Kas., was the evangelist and he was mightily used by God in his preaching and singing, also in the masterly way he conducted his altar services. Brother Cain is a real true gospel preacher and one that gets real re-sults around the altar. There was not a barren suits around the altar. There was not a barren service and almost every night the altar was not only filled but overflowing. The church attendance was the largest of any meeting that we have yet held during our pastorate. The last Sunday night all the seats from the Sunday school rooms were used to accommodate the crowd. Some people were under such conviction that they ran from the church. The church here stood by in a loyal way along all lines and held up the hands of the evangelist and pastor. They gave the evangelist a Corona typewriter in exchange for his old one, and made the pastor a present of Stoo to finish pay for an operation that he went through. This is a church that loves real, redhot gospel and the hotter the better they love you. I have been here two years and the church has stood by and prayed and paid until the church today is in unity and love with each other and they have more unity and love with each other and they have more than three times the congregation, and goodly number of new members in the two years. We have a good number looking our way at this time. They have also repaired their parsonage and church and paid about $S_{1,000}$ indebtedness. To God be all the glory.— J. W. Henry, Pastor.

NAMPA, ІДАНО

-The conditions here are most encouraging at the present time. First and best of all God is with us. A spirit of revival prevails and the burden is coming on for a great ingathering of souls in the near fu-ture. During the month of October there were twenty-eight seekers in our regular services and ten out for prayer the first Sunday in November. Thirtyfour new members have been received into the church since the first of July and the congregations are very fine from week to week. The college which will probably be reported more fully elsewhere is well under way and a finer body of young men and women than are gathered here from this great North-west could scarcely be found anywhere. It is truly a delight to hear them sing and testify and to preach to them and pray with them. Many of the new students have prayed through and indications are good for an early revival at the school. Rev. S. L. Flowers, and Brothers Harold Hart and George Bauerle, two of our promising students, filled the pulpit most acceptably while the pastor was attending the General Assembly and Rev. Earl C. Pounds and Rev. J. T. Little have contributed effectively along this line since his return. The people' are standing to-gether beautifully which fact has already become a terror to the Devil and a delight to the rest of us. The new pastor has been received to the church and District with open hands and hearts and feels in the center of the Lord's will and most thankful for such a place to work for the Master. We covet an interest in your prayers.—R. J. Plumb, Pastor.

DUNREITH, IND.

-On Sunday night, Nov. 11th, a twelve days' meeting closed as far as the preaching was concerned by the two evangelists, Rev. George A. and Effic Moore, of Indianapolis, but we feel that the spirit of God is sfill working as the result of the old-time gospel that was preached by the Moores. There was a good attendance each night and God's people from miles around came as colaborers. God certainly

blessed us both-spiritually and financially, this being our first meeting. Both Brother and Sister Moore brought good messages in sermons and songs and the people listened as for eternity; no disturbance at any time and the people were moved by the Holy Spirit and prayed through. We are sorry that Sister Moore's health was such that they had to go home and we pray that God will heal her so she can con-tinue in His work of proclaiming the old-time gospel that causes men, women, boys and girls to repent and get ready for heaven.—John H. Cude, J. Clay Sorrell

OAKLAND, CALIF.

-"According to the riches of his grace," and because of the faithfulness of our devoted people, God is giving us one of the best years that Oakland First. Church has ever enjoyed. Spiritually we are gaining ground . We have enjoyed two blessed revivals Both of these meetings brought in the usual lately. fruit of an old-time, God-given revival. We are en-deavoring to keep the revival on the year round. We want every service to be revivalistic in spirit, where the fire will fall and where it will be easy for people fo find God. This is the supreme objective of the pastor and people of the Oakland church. Our attendance is largely on the increase. New faces are scen at nearly every service. God has given us a fine band of new members since the Assembly. Under the leadership of the Holy Ghost and with the efficient and aggressive management of Brother Z. E. Bells, superintendent, our Sunday school, is enjoying the largest attendance and the best days in all its history. We expect to reach the three hundred mark by Christmas, and are going in for five hundred by the close of the year. Our finances are coming very good. So far God has helped us to close each month with all local, District and general budgets paid in full, and a little surplus in the treasury, besides the money raised for carrying on our revival campaigns. We carry an intensive missionary spirit in this church. Our ladies missionary society really does things for God and Missions. Our goal for the year is $\$r,\infty$, of which we have raised about $\$s\infty$. I believe I can truly say, for pastor and people, that we are entering the closing half of the year with a richer experience of grace, and a greater faith in our God than we have work at Oakland.—Ralph C. Gray, Pastor.

BLOOMSBURG, PENN.

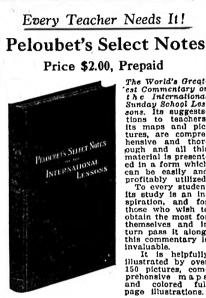
-God has been richly pouring out of His Spirit where and many are the tokens of His Spirit We recently closed a meeting in which the Rev. J. H. Neilson was the evangelist. This meeting was a real uplift to the church and most especially to our young people. Also in the regular run of meetings we are having most excellent attendance and souls at the litar nearly every Sunday night. The people are loyal Nazarenes and they know how to take care of a pastor. We are also having good success in the Sunday school. Last Sunday the attendance reached 138 and we are not going to stop until we feel that we have all that we can crowd into our building. One reason for this success is the everlasting keeping at it on the part of all our workers. Another is the kind of a superintendent we have. Brother F. C. Eastman has a remarkable record. For thirty years he has been connected with this society, and has attended the church on an average of four times a week, having a walk of two miles every time he attends, and in thirty years this reaches the total of 12,480 miles in going to church. For the last sixteen years he has been Sunday school superintendent and has the record of never being late in all these years. This record is so unusual that I felt it should be given to our people at large. Our Sunday school

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recently presented Brother Eastman a beautiful Bible in honor of his sixty-sixth birthday. God is also helping us in temporal matters. Finances are coming good and the outlook is bright for the best year financially in the history of this church. We have improved the appearance of the building by installing a new lighting system and last night the pastor presented the cost of the same and raised the total amount in five minutes. So pressing on, we are looking for bigger and better things. Our winter workers. Pray for us.—J. H. Parker, Pastor.

DULUTH, MINN.

--Very recently Rev. W. L. Brewer, Superintend-ent North Dakota-Minnesota District, came to this city of over one hundred thousand souls, where a



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few Nazarenes had been watching and waiting for a long time, and organized us into a church. There was no special evangelistic effort put forth at this time and only those who were vitally interested were gathered in, hence a small beginning, but the prospects are great. This is a strategic point. The city itself is the coming Chicago-New York of the Northwest, a metropolis with almost unlimited resources, great wealth, magnificent homes, factories, mammoth ore docks and grain elevators. The rails and lakes meet here. All around are the vast virgin, unevangelized fields, the Iron Ranges, with many prosperous and growing towns and cities, the broad farming areas, with their rapid development, the monster lumber industries, employing large armies of lumber jacks. For some reason, however, perhaps because of the geographical location, not many Nazarene preachers have ventured this way and consequently the territory is unworked. We see a new day dawning. The opening of the work here is forming a base from which to go forth a mighty evangelistic flood-tide. The great need now is an army of fire haptized warriors. Men and women to go out into these ripened harvest fields and gather in the grain. Our little band has opened a mission right in a very now be heard the noise of battle mingled with the shouts of the redeemed. God is working. Victory ahead.—C. C. Beatty.

DETROIT, MICH., FIRST CHURCH

-We repoice to say that the Lord honored us with the presence of His Spirit during the campaign that closed Sunday, October 28th. Dr. J. B. Chapman was our evangelist, and we thank God for his faithful ministry that was owned and blest of the Lord. He preached the simple gospel, and the people heard him with great pleasure. His logical manner of preaching was uplifting in every respect and those who heard him went away feeling that they had heard God's Word dealt with, prayeriully, reverently and with scriptural soundness. The crowds were not large, but they came steadily and heard the preaching with intense interest, and when moved upon by the Holy Spirit they responded, came forward and sought the Lord with earnestness of heart, and the pastor is still gathering the harvest. Professor B. D. Sutton and wife had charge of the singing, and we feel safe in saying they did it to perfection. God blessed their spirit of carnestness, and the pastor and his people rejoice together for all that the Lord has done for First Church.-Marvin S. Cooper, Pastor.

BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.

-We are moving on with victory in every way at this place on our new year. Last year was a good year but we are expecting this one to be the best yet. We have our new church finished except about three days' work and it is a good one. We have had twelve saved in the last month at our regular services. We are trying Dr. Goodwin's plan he offered at the District Assembly to evangelize the country places close by and it works. Let all remember us in prayer at Bartlesville.-F. C. Savage, Pastor.

JONESBORO, ARK.

-Thank God the Church of the Nazarene on the hill is not dead nor dying. Yesterday morning was a great day, a real feast day. We have been without a pastor for about six months. I have been preaching all that I was able and our District Superintendent has visited us two or three times. In spite of all the church is taking upward strides. The morning service commenced with a prayer and praise service and soon the tide was rolling so high that the whole church plunged in and such waves of glory flooded the whole place that shouts and thanksgiving echoed and almost shook the place where we were assembled. We are looking for and expecting a pastor soon. I am glad we are learning not to lean on an arm of flesh but that all our help comes from God. I claim victory for our church, oh, how ripe the harvest is everywhere and surely there never was a time when laborers were so few. I have been over in Lawruce this fall; preached at three different places to as hungry a class of people as I ever met, had calls to go to other places but was too worn out to go. There are places in five and ten miles of our town that are asking for help, no one to go. Let us pray and keep on praying the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers especially Nazarene laborers. There are churches near here of other denominations who would drop their own preacher if they could get a Nazarene preacher. The world is crying, yea, dying, for something that will satisfy their longing heart. Remember me in prayer as my hearing is getting pretty bad and also pray for a friend of mine who is sick.—Mrs. Emmie Smith.

TEXARKAŃA, TEXAS

—We are getting started in our second year as pastor at this place. Every department of the church is getting along fine. Our Sunday school has increased 2 per cent in the last year; we have a Young People's Society of twenty-five members, which is doing excellent work. Our Missionary Society meets every two weeks. We have had a number of Nazarene families to move to Texarkana in the last few months. This has added a great deal to our strength and yet we have room for many more.— C. C. Cluck, Pastor.

THE DALLES, OREGON

-The Home Missionary campaign which started September 5th by evangelist E. T. Campbell, is now in the third month of meetings every night. The attendance and interest and results have increased since the start. The Northwest District advanced $\$_{200}$ and the meeting soon became self-supporting. October receipts increased 250 per cent over September. A committee of twenty-five nominated by the evangelist met and sufficient money was raised to warrant proceeding with plans to erect a 32×80 tab² ernacle to carry on the revival in the winter. The building is now under way and will be opened early in December. The influence of the meetings have been felt throughout the country for many miles, many having driven in automobiles thirty miles and more. On a recent Sunday two cars loaded with Nazarenes drove in from the Sellwood church in Portland for the day, a distance of 180 miles. One of

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the great attraction of the meetings is the music furnished by Mr. Will S. Godfrey leader of song, and Mrs. Laura Miller Godfrey. Brother Nerry, District Superintendent, preached one week with many at the altar. Mrs. Nerry accompanied him and assisted greatly. The last night we could not seat the crowd. A church was organized, some have come in since and others will later. Mrs. Ella Cornelius of Colfax, Washington, did a great work in the homes and in the services as deaconess. The revival continues and God is leading on. A call was extended by the congregation to the evangelist to remain as pastor and to Brother Godfrey as assistant, the party will continue for a time at least.—Reporter.

MARLOW, OKLA.

-We arrived here less than a week ago and found a beautiful little parsonage of four rooms, all modern, waiting for us, and a fine church building located just two blocks from the business part of town; and the best thing of all a band-of-people that have-the blessing of holiness good. We have had one prayermeeting and two Sunday services. The fire from heaven did burn, the glory of God was flowing, folks were shouting and conviction was on the people. Truly we could'say with Jacob, "The Lord is here." We begin a revival here the 17th of November with Brother C. B. Jernigan and daughter of Bethany, Oklahoma, and we ask the dear saints to pray that God will visit us and give us an old-time Holy Ghost revival. Brother J. C. Short and wife will be the song evangelists.--E. L. Strigel and wife, Pastors.

Notes and Personals

Evangelists G. F. and Byrdie Owen write from Holtville, Calif., "The old-time swing is on and people are getting victory at almost every service. The crowds are splendid."

A list of 40r subscriptions for the HERALD OF HO-LINESS within a month after the close of the General Assembly is the record of Brother Bud Robinson. He says, "If Aycock and Roberts keep up with me they are going to have to run so fast that they will not have time to tie their shoes."

Rev. B. H. Edwards, Iowa District evangelist is in a Home Mission campaign at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and writes that there is every indication that a good organization will be perfected at that place.

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"Will all who read pray for God to send conviction to my heart and save me. I have been deceived by the enemy and am in great darkness. Do pray for my salvation."—A needy one in Pennsylvania.

"I carnestly desire to be sanctified. Pray for me, I must have the Holy Ghost."—Mrs. Roper, Oklahoma.

"Pray that God will send some holiness workers to this place. To my knowledge there is not one here, and I hunger for the fellowship of the fully saved."-E. W., Grand Forks, B. C.

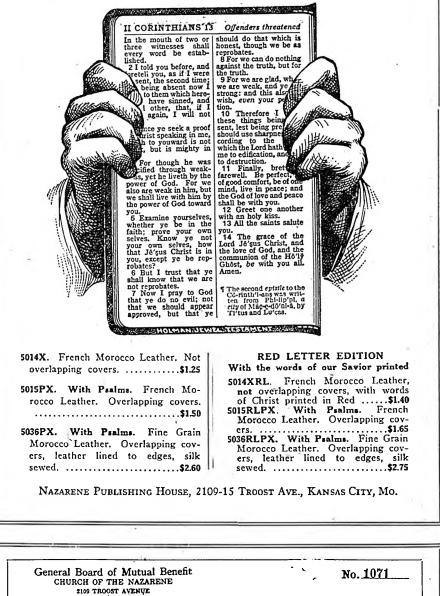
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NOTICE-Any one wishing the services of a pianist and soloist, please notify me.-Hazel Sandy, Covert, Kansas.

Notice-There will be a great Bible Conference between the Pilgrim Holiness and Nazarene Churches of Kentucky, February 5-10, at the Church of the Nazarene Ashland, Ky. Rev. M. G. Standley, presi-dent of God's Bible School, Cincinnati, will speak morning and afternoon. Good evangelistic services will be conducted each evening by speakers selected by the committee. Two interesting papers will be read and discussed each day. The Kentucky District Superintendents of the two churches will have charge, and will do all in their power to make all present feel welcome and at home. Do not fail to hear Brother Standley's lectures.—Johnson and Montgomery, Superintendents.

TELEGRAMS

HERALD OF HOLINESS: Austin, Texas Rev. A. G. Jeffries just closed the greatest meeting in recent years here. The last night more than fifty in the altar, almost all praying through. Great crowds heard Dr. Jeffries. Not seating room last night. Money was raised to buy pastor a car. IVAN L. FLYNN, Pastor.

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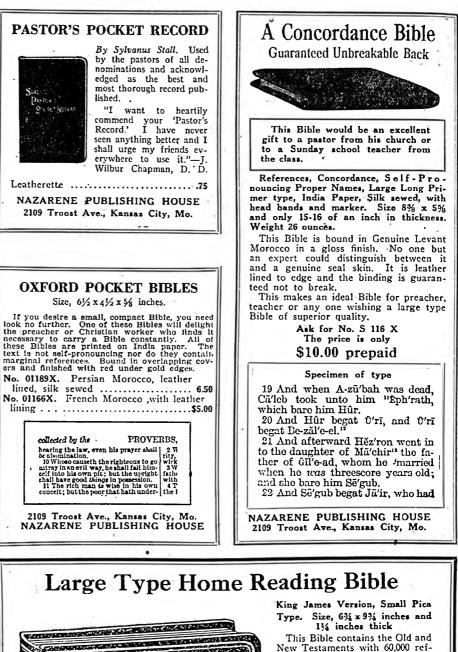
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