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The Wisest Man in the World

ONE may possess a great deal of knowledge and still be a fool. This is evident from the fact that hundreds of university graduates in this country are tramps. And one may have but little knowledge, and yet make such good use of it that others will gladly pay him a good price for his advice; for wisdom is knowledge plus its proper use.

With some wisdom seems to be a natural endowment, with others it seems to be a supernatural bestowment, but with the majority of men it is an attainment which can be reached only by long, patient toil and application.

Man's initial act of wisdom is to save his own soul. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Just as a man cannot be profited by gaining the world at the sacrifice of his life, so no worthy reward can be bestowed upon a soul which is itself to be banished from the presence of the Lord. It is my own soul that is meant when the poet makes me say, "A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify; A never dying soul to save, and fit it for the sky."

But taking this "first law of life—self-preservation," which is so well approved by the Scriptures and by human conscience, into full account, and including it in the implications of a life of full wisdom, we may properly attach the force of the superlative degree to the words of Solomon, "He that winneth souls is wise." That is, as compared with any other "service for humanity" which we may render, leading men to Jesus Christ is the most blessedly meaningful thing that we can do between the cradle and the grave. There is no joy like the joy of the soul winner, and no eternal reward that even approaches that which is promised to them who "turn many to righteousness."

But let no one underestimate the difficulty of the task of getting men who "drink iniquity as they would water" to turn firmly to Christ and true righteousness and to cling to the Lord with all their hearts. There is a mighty personal Devil loose in this world to deceive and lead men astray. The influence of careless thinking and wicked living surrounds men almost as universally and subtly as the atmosphere which they breathe. And beside these, there is in the natural heart a depraved and fallen nature which is bent to evil continually and which takes to sin much more readily than to righteousness. If men were simply unwilling prisoners in Satan's castle, praying for deliverance from their misery and shame, the task would be simple and easy. But, no, they are the Devil's willing dupes, sin's zealous servants and error's glad patrons, and the task of detaching them from their illicit loves and betrothing them to Jesus Christ is such as to call for all the tact and skill that the very wisest man in the world possesses.

First of all, the soul winner must have a proper appre-

ciation of that which he is seeking to save. When we think of men as backs, we reach our ideal of service to them by giving them raiment. When we estimate them as stomachs, we spend our efforts to fill them with food. When we measure them as brains, we are content to give them knowledge. But when we see them as immortal souls, we are ready to pray for them and plead with them that they may be saved in time and in eternity.

The soul winner must not neglect to seek and obtain the Pentecostal baptism with the Holy Ghost, which is the prime equipment promised and commanded by the Bible. "The promise of the Father" is a complement in scope and provision with "The Great Commission" of the Son.

The soul winner must be able to intercede with God for men. Prayers are scarcer and more indispensable than preachers, and before one can pray successfully for others, he must be well "prayed through" for himself. Soul winning is a test of one's own acceptability at the Court of Heaven.

And finally, the soul winner must be tactful in interceding with men for God. In practice, as well as in theory, "He that rejecteth you [God's messenger] rejecteth me." But though the rejecter may not be clear of guilt in this rejection, the messenger himself is not wise if his eccentricities, peculiarities, boorishnesses or indifferences have contributed to the disaster. Generally speaking, you must win men to yourself before you can win them to God.

But the man who gets converted, definitely sanctified by the baptism with the Holy Spirit, and who obtains through prayer and study a proper estimate of soul values, who maintains a standing with God that makes it possible for him to plead successfully the case of others as Abraham pleaded for Sodom, and who deports himself in deed, word and bearing so as to make his message and appeal acceptable to lost men so that they will trust him to lead them to Christ is, indeed, the wisest man in the world. No matter what his avocation, his real vocation is winning souls. And no matter how small a niche he is given in earth's hall of fame, or how small a place history gives his record in its annals, when the monuments of earth have crumbled, when the pages of history have become illegible by the yellow of age, and when elective offices have all been abolished and thrones and crowns have perished from the thoughts of men, the man or woman or child who has led souls to Christ will shine in undiminished splendor and glory "as the stars, forever and ever." And none of us know so little, or are so little but that we may, by God's grace, be accounted worthy of the companionship of earth's wisest men for having been a winner-of souls.

Educational Day

CONTINUING the plan followed last year, the General Board of Education has designated Sunday, April 19, as Educational Day, and is asking that our churches and people every where observe that occasion in the interest of Christian Education and in the interest of our schools.

Every preacher should expect to make a place on the program of the year for a sermon on Christian Education, just as he does for a sermon on missions, and where it is at all possible, it is hoped that he will make April 19 the date for that special sermon. The knowledge that the day is being observed in so many churches on that day will add meaning to whatever the preacher may say on the subject.

And one of the special immediate purposes of the day is the raising of the budget for the school in the territory of which any church that may be mentioned is located. There will just about be good time to present this matter on April 19, collect in what is subscribed within the week or so following and get the money to the school in time to enable the management to pay the sacrificing teachers the amount still due them on salaries before the vacation begins.

Our pastors and people understand that it is not possible to maintain our schools on the income from tuition and fees, and that since none of our schools are endowed, it is necessary for us to raise something every year for the current expenses of our schools. Most districts have a regular amount in the district or special budget which they expect to raise for the school to which they are assigned. Where this is the case, will not our pastors arrange to finish up the amount due for the year on Educational Day and thus see to it that YOUR school is able to close its year without embarrassment? The management has included the amount you are expected to raise in the calculation of the year's expenses, and there will be disappointment if you should fail or even be dilatory. In districts where no allowance is made for education in the budget, a glad, full, free will offering should be taken on April 19 to be sent immediately to the school to which your district is assigned. Shall not all join in to make Educational Day a notable occasion and a grand success?

A Kansas Preacher's Meeting

Editorial Correspondence

FOLLOWING the plans of the program committee, I was privileged to spend a few days with the preachers of the Kansas District during the last week in February, and to speak to them each day and preach to their congregations at night in their regular annual Preacher's Convention which was held at Hutchinson this year. Although close neighbor to the Kansas brethren now for many

years, this is the first time I have ever been in one of their district gatherings, although I am acquainted with virtually all their preachers and have met many of their people.

The Kansas District is one of the aggressive districts of our church. It had its beginning back in 1908 when Rev. C. B. Jernigan, now of the New York District, was appointed Superintendent and assigned the territory composed of Oklahoma and Kansas and told to go and "hew out a kingdom." Under the leadership of this indefatigable pioneer, the number of churches soon became too large for one man to supervise, so Kansas was set off as a separate district (since then Oklahoma itself has had to be divided), and has continued the aggressive methods and maintained the militant spirit of its founder and early promoters. The membership of the sixty-eight churches of the Kansas District in 1924 was 2,084, and there were fifty-one ordained elders and fifty-three licensed preachers. And no man's education is complete until he has made the round of churches in the western portion of the state, where the towns are small and the country sparsely populated, and beheld the heroism and devotion which enables very small companies of Nazarenes to support pastors and keep up the budget of the church. I made such a round in 1922 and have been a better man for it ever since.

It is truly remarkable how nearly alike Nazarenes and Nazarene preachers are throughout the country. I have read somewhere that the remarkable uniformity of language which one observes throughout the lengths and breadths of the United States is creditable to the universal distribution of Webster's old Blue Backed Speller, in the days when that book was "Hobson's choice" for the schools of this country. But I do not think one can go back that far to find the human source of Nazarene uniformity. Of course our founders did their work well and are deserving of no small credit for having refused both their own and other people's hobbies, so that we are obligated only on fundamental matters in faith and practice. And, having been on the editorial staff of the HERALD OF HOLINESS four years (how time does fly), I cannot ignore the part the paper, and especially its veteran editor, Dr. Haynes, our Sunday school publications and the wonderful power for unification possessed by our central Publishing House have had in making us truly "one people." But I think the principal credit is due to the wise plan for superintendency which our fa-

thers adopted and to the splendid efficiency which has been possessed by the men who have been elected to this important work by our General and District Assemblies. And right now the solidarity of our people depends more largely upon the loyalty and efficiency of our General and District Superintendents than upon any other thing which we could mention.

But, be these things as they may, Nazarenes are Nazarenes whether you meet them in Maine or California, in Kansas or in Manitoba. It is remarkable how nearly they all speak the same thing and approximate the same methods. This is indeed an encouraging thing to me.

In general ability, loyalty to the glorious doctrine of full salvation, fidelity to the special standards and traditions of our church, devotion to the task of soul winning, earnestness in endeavor to build up the kingdom of God through the various arms and departments of the church, clearness of thought in approaching their own peculiar problems and in the characteristics of Pentecostal optimism, the preachers of the Kansas District are not "one whit behind the very chiefest" district in our connection. This is A. L. Hipple's first year on the District, but he is making good and has the love and confidence of his pastors and people.

The preachers were so kind and considerate that it was a pleasure to speak to them on subjects which especially concern the preacher's calling, as I did each morning. And the people were so responsive that the evening preaching was enjoyed at least by the preacher. Dr. A. P. Gouthey was just completing a lecture course in Bresee College and remained for a few days of the Convention, and spoke twice with his usual eloquence and power. He is really one of the finest speakers, one of the most eloquent preachers and one of the clearest thinkers in the ministry of this generation.

Bresee College has some excellent plans for immediate future development, and doubtless we will hear of them very shortly. Prof. A. S. London, the president, is well known to our readers, and we must all feel a deep and unusual interest in any thing he is doing. Watch for news of the plans for the forward movement of his school.

I like these Kansas preachers and people and hope to see them more, and I shall rejoice in every success which they may attain.

Destiny is settled at death and "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord," but the resurrection and the judgment have to do with rewards. We shall not know just what we shall be until He shall come again and we shall become like Him in our immortal bodies and see Him as He is. Remember that heaven and hell are conditions as well as places.

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The Heart Sobs of Parents

By PROF. A. S. LONDON

THE greatest battles of this world are not fought on Flanders field or along the Rhine; they are fought in the hearts of parents.

We are living in a lawless age. It is a common saying among all of us that we have never seen it as bad as it is today. Whether this is true or not, suffice to say that thousands of young people are breaking the hearts of their parents and sending them to premature graves.

The disobedience and lawlessness is not confined just to those outside of our movement. It is among our own young people and quite often found among those who are members of our church.

The spirit of the age is against authority. Everyone seems to want to be a law unto himself. The young desire to run their own canoe and anything that crosses their path seems to rub the fur the wrong way and rebellion is on hand. I think much of this is caused by the way parents have governed their children. But allowing plenty of room for the mistakes of the adults, we are still confronted with the rebelliousness, stubbornness and wilful disobedience of a great crowd of our young people.

Parents find it in the home; pastors find it in the churches and teachers find it in the school room. Every where one goes there can be found those who desire to take the reins in their own hands and take the path of least resistance, whatever the results may be. No one is better prepared to see this condition than the teacher in the school room. He comes in contact with all classes of young people and learns many lessons that otherwise he would never know.

I receive many letters from parents who want to know what to do and how to manage their lost children. The stories are pitiful and quite often we have experiences right in our own work that would break the heart of stone.

A mother wrote me a few days ago and asked me to advise her what to do with her boy who is killing himself smoking cigarettes. She is the wife of a preacher and has had the burden of rearing the children. She is a precious mother and not only is she dying of a broken heart over her boy, but her life is slowly ebbing away. Her letter was pathetic. The boy was once her pride and joy. He was called to the ministry, but bad company allured him away. He comes in late at night and finds the mother alone. She loves him, but it seems that all she says and does amounts to but little. The letter was stained with her tears and over and over again she begged me to write her precious boy and help her pray for him.

Another letter came just last week. It was from a widowed mother with six children. Her oldest daughter had fallen in love with a reckless young man and married him about a year ago. The mother treated the son-in-law as one of her own. All went well for a while, but just recently it came out that the young man had a living wife before he married the widowed mother's daughter. The mother wrote for advice. The daughter is now the mother of a new babe and not yet

able to be told of the awful fact that is before her. The mother said "What will I do and how can I stand it!" She went on to state that she had been in the experience of holiness for sixteen years and had fought her way through many battles, but this seemed to be the hardest struggle she had ever had to meet.

Poor Mother! Certainly God will bring men to account for their wickedness soon and give a reward to the faithful ones who have stood the test and have been loyal to Jesus Christ. Many of our parents are suffering death, while their children break the laws of the home, the school, the state.

There will be an end to this condition. God will not always suffer it to be so. The youth of this land are headed toward the breakers and soon the crash must come. It cannot be otherwise. Disobedience has a penalty. A special promise is given those who obey their parents and calamity will come to those who go rough shod over the prayers, cries and wishes of godly parents.

Just recently a preacher knocked at my door and asked to register his daughter for school. We took her in and for a while she did well. She took a notion to quit school and go to work. Her father pleaded with her to go on to school or go home. Her mind was made up to not return home. The old father sat and wept as he told how he had borrowed money to give her an education. He had given the best years of his life for others and now his own would not listen to his pleadings. Tears and a broken heart meant nothing to this young girl of eighteen summers. The girl is now doing as she pleases and having what she terms a good time. The father went away a broken hearted parent. His own offspring treated him as if he had been a stranger to her.

This probably is an exceptional case, but all through our movement are young people who have broken hearted parents, and it seems there is no end to this sad state of affairs. There are no doubt causes that have brought on conditions such as I have related, but just the same the condition exists. Good parents are toiling day and night to give the best possible advantages to their children. Many are suffering from years of reckless living in the past. Rev. George Stuart, the great Methodist Evangelist, says that every wrecked character can be traced back to a defect in the home. It is pitiful to reap the harvest in our children from the sowing of earlier years.

The home is the first and greatest factor in determining the career of a young life. The school is the next important factor in the life and the teacher is the hub of the school. "As the teacher is, so is the school."

But whatever has brought on conditions as they exist among our young people, the truth remains the same, "children are breaking the hearts of the parents."

I sat yesterday and heard an old mother and father talk to their boy. He has been unruly and caused them much trouble. They have prayed much for him and given heavily of their means to support the church. He is not a Christian and has little interest in Christianity. The old mother sat and talked

to her boy as only a mother can talk. Her heart was broken. The tears streamed down her cheeks and between her sobs, she entreated her child to give his life to Christ and make good in school. The scene was more than I could bear. I excused myself from the room. The boy has blundered and is in trouble. He is suffering, but not half as much as the parents.

There is no end to my story. The heart sobs of parents is beyond the power of expression. I have heard the cries until my heart is broken.

HUTCHINSON, KANS.

Sights and Souls

By REV. A. W. ORWIG

At a certain convention, years ago, I heard a returned missionary from Japan tell of another missionary who had been asked if he were not coming to Tokio. "Why should I?" was the reply. "Oh, because there are so many interesting sights to see." "No, I cannot go from that standpoint; but if there are lost souls to be saved, I will try to go." How greatly was this reply like the noble words of Nehemiah who said, "Why should the work cease, whilst I leave it and come down to you?"

At a certain campmeeting, where missionaries from several foreign countries spoke, I heard a lady missionary say that when she first went to her field of labor, she was taken to a great heathen festival to see many dazzling things. But her soul was so full of concern and love for souls that she was not much affected by the sights, and soon began to weep over the perishing ones about her. A man said to her, "You'll soon get over that." But she cried, "God forbid that I should ever get over weeping for lost souls."

*"Did Christ o'er sinners weep,
And shall our cheeks be dry?"*

And this reminds me of what I heard a preacher say years ago, while addressing the students of a Bible training school in the city in which I live. A Christian lady had gone to Chicago to attend the World's Fair in 1893. But she at once became so greatly interested in gospel meetings conducted by Mr. Moody, where souls were being saved, that, after having attended the meetings for about two weeks, she said she did not know whether she would get to see the Fair or not. Another case in which sights were secondary to souls—*Yes, sights or souls.* In which are we the more interested? As Christians, may we not become too greatly taken up with the beauties of nature and art, as to cool our ardor and impair our efficiency in behalf of souls? The question is not, may we not innocently enjoy the grand and inspiring sights that adorn many parts of the world, and which bewitchingly appeal to our innate love of the beautiful; but, rather, to what degree do they captivate us? The apostle Paul's words are opportune: "All things are lawful unto me; but all things are not expedient." That should settle the question with us. *"Only for souls my life's work shall be,
Only for souls till Jesus comes for me;
I'll strive for these running after earth's goals,
Only for souls, yes, only for souls."*

LOS ANGELES.

Ten Thousand Souls for Christ

By GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT GOODWIN

THE record shows a gain of over four thousand additions to the church this last year. This seems very gratifying indeed when we compare the gain with the beginning of our history. It gives evidence of the presence and power of God in our midst. We thank God and take courage. However, I question if scarcely any of us can say we have done our best at all times. And should we not have done better?

This gain is good fruitage, but our Lord requires much fruit. Shall we not undertake to win ten thousand this year? Let the word pass down the line from every District Superintendent and pastor, let every evangelist and missionary work and pray as never before. Let every church have at least two good revival efforts. Start prayer bands in every church. Have prayer leagues among the men, others among the women. Then let the young people take up the ministry of prayer and organize themselves into prayer bands. If the whole church will awake to prayer and fasting, with a passion to win souls for Christ the results will be far reaching.

The opportunity is ours! The people are hungry for the truth. It is fully as easy to get a hearing as it ever has been. Multitudes are looking to us for the Bread of Life. They call us from all lands. Open doors on every hand invite us to enter. Time is fast passing. The harvest is perishing with no reapers. Souls are tramping the way to eternal ruin. The last call will soon be given to this generation. O to the rescue! Nazarenes everywhere awake to the call of God! "He that winneth souls is wise." Let us pay any price for revivals, but let us have them at any cost. Ten thousand for Christ in 1925! It can be done. Shall we not undertake it for Jesus' sake and in the interest of perishing souls? Let all say Amen!

Christian Education is to be emphasized throughout the Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, April 19.

More on the Degeneration of the Altar Services

By W. G. BENNETT

WHAT was said in a recent issue of the HERALD OF HOLINESS on the degeneration of the altar services was very timely and to the point. However, it seems to the writer that there is a reason, and that the real cause of the degeneration of the altar service lies farther in the background.

I have a fairly strong voice, and when well started, it is not generally difficult for me to pray even in the midst of considerable confusion. But I have been in altar services where the noise was so in evidence and where there was so much confusion that I found it very difficult to pray intelligently. And if that is true, I can easily see that beginners would stand but little show.

On the other hand, I have been in altar services where the noise was almost thunderous, where I found not the least difficulty in praying through, where seekers were so in-

tense in their seeking that they were not the least disturbed by the apparent confusion about them, conviction seemed to be so deep that they were as oblivious to their surroundings as a woman, who had fallen into a steamer's foaming wake, would be to the fashions of this world. I have been in some rather quiet meetings where conviction was deep and where seekers came through very clearly. I have therefore concluded that neither noise nor quietness are the all essential accompaniments of a successful altar service. I have been in some quiet altar services that were much like a grave yard; and some very noisy ones that reminded one of an Indian Pow-wow. Where lies our difficulty?

First, we are not living in an age given to thoughtfulness, where deep conviction is easily produced. You can move men to make a profession of religion much more easily where the preaching is emotional, spectacular, and shallow, than you can where the preaching is thorough, pointed, and such as will produce awful conviction for sin. Hence, there is a great temptation even for holiness evangelists to preach on such themes, and in such manners as to move men to action, even if they are not deeply convicted. Shall we put all the blame on the evangelists? I fear that some of our pastors, and many of our people prefer that type of preaching. And then

when seekers, who have not been deeply stirred, are landed at our altars we gather around and "whoop it up," and try vainly to make up in noise what is lacking in real power and conviction; and, of course, our efforts are abortive.

I fear that the next cause of failure in our altar services lies in a fevered effort for quick, easy results. There is nothing that revives like a revival; there is nothing that puts life into things like real life; there is nothing that stimulates faith, quickens effort, revives dying hope, stirs communities, and creates interest, like newly converted or sanctified souls, who take the witness stand, and not infrequently this will start a great revival where all other efforts have failed. But there is danger that in an effort to bring this about, we attempt to pick unripe fruit, and thwart our efforts that otherwise might have succeeded. And to get people forward to the altar, and then get them to adopt a shibboleth, and coax them to testify, when they have no real testimony because they have no real experience, because they have had no real conviction and the whole performance is abortive; hinders rather than promotes the revival.

Even if we do not hold so many meetings or cut so wide a swath in the evangelistic field, we must take time to let conviction settle down like the gathering shadows of eter-

With the Greek New Testament

By PROF. E. WAYNE STAHL

Do You Dwell in the Hieron or in the Naos?

AND Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple" (Matt. 21:12). Many Bible students reading this have doubtless asked themselves, "How could the temple, where the worship of God was supposed to take place, become a scene of merchandising? Would not all the buying and selling interrupt the divine service?"

The fact is there are two words in the Greek New Testament that are translated "temple." One of these is *hieron*. Its meaning includes "the whole compass of the sacred enclosure, with its porticos, courts, and other subordinate buildings." The other word is *naos*, and it means the temple itself, the Holy Place, and the Holy of Holies.

In the verse from Matthew that we quote at the beginning of this article the Greek word for "temple" is *hieron*, and of course refers to one of the courts of the sacred edifice. It is this same word that is employed in telling us about Christ teaching in the temple (Matt. 26:55; Luke 21:37). This instructing would not therefore interfere with the regular service of the sanctuary. Indeed Jesus never entered into the *naos* during His earthly sojourn. The Mosaic ceremonial would prevent His doing so, as such entrance was only for those who were priests according to the flesh.

This throws light on Luke 1:9, 10, where we read of Zacharias that he "went into the temple of the Lord." Then we read that "the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense." The people were in the *hieron*, while *naos* is the word used to inform us where Zacharias was executing his office.

In Matthew 23:35 we read of another Zacharias. Jesus is speaking, and says that he was slain "between the temple and the altar." Some reading this might ask how, if the altar was in the temple, there could be any space between these two. Their question will be answered on learning that *naos* is the Greek word used in this

passage. The altar was in the *hieron* and was probably the brazen altar. In 2 Chron. 24:21 we are told that the assassination took place "In the Court of the house of Jehovah."

We read (Matthew 27:3, 5.) that Judas brought his thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders and "cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and went and hanged himself." *Naos* is the word for "temple" here. It vividly suggests the desperation and lawlessness of the betrayer in that he forced himself into that part of the divine building into which only priests were allowed to enter. Having been the means of the temple of Christ's body being destroyed (for "three days"), he did not scruple to defile the structure of stone and cedar.

Paul, telling us that we are the temples of the Holy Ghost, uses the stronger word *naos*. Is not such knowledge almost "too wonderful" for us, that in us should be the Shekinah of the Divine Presence? But it is true; it is true. "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is holy. I dwell in the high and holy place with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit."

"The temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

"Such honor have all his saints."

In the town of Olivet there is a certain building which is called "The Lincoln House." For it is reported that the Great Emancipator once spent a night there. A certain sacredness attaches to it. Let us rejoice and shout that a greater than Lincoln deigns in love to be with us, not for a night, but for all time. "Lo, I am with you alway," said our Liberator from sin's black bondage, making us free indeed.

Some day we will be celestial immigrants, going into God's timeless land, where we will serve Him day and night in His temple. And He that sitteth on the throne will dwell among us in unveiled splendor.

OLIVET COLLEGE, OLIVET, ILL.

nity on congregations and communities. And now let me suggest in closing that no amount of manipulation to get people to our altars; no amount of preaching, however much to the point it may be; no amount of vociferous praying about the altar will ever succeed in saving our altar services from degeneration, if evangelists, pastors and people become light, and thoughtless in their deportment, and neglect fasting and importunate prayer during the time between meetings.

BILLINGS, MONTANA

Holy Ghost Revivals Will Never Become Obsolete

By REV. D. RAND PIERCE

THE revival of Pentecost was God's sample for all time. When the human conditions are fully met, God always pours out His Spirit. The results may not always be the same in every place, but all who do come in contact with such a revival will know that the God of Pentecost still lives and answers prevailing prayer. On the other hand, it is an incontrovertible fact that, looking at it from the purely human standpoint, the problem of arresting the attention of the masses, bringing them under conviction and landing them in the kingdom of God, is a vastly greater problem than it was even fifteen or twenty years ago. Those who have been in the work for that period, or longer, will corroborate this statement.

But some of those even, who are on the outside of the holiness movement, are not oblivious to the present religious situation, as the following editorial, taken from a recent issue of the *Portland Telegram (Oregon)*, under the title, "Why Revivals Fail," will plainly show.

The editor writes as follows:

One of the Protestant pastors of this city recently said: "We have just closed a two-weeks' revival campaign in our church. The evangelist preached the old-fashioned gospel in the good old-fashioned way and in good spirit. But it didn't work. The old-time revival doesn't seem to fit this age."

Not only ministers, but all serious minded people are concerned because of this fact; for it seems to be a fact and not a mere opinion. Even the churches as a body seem to be losing faith in the effectiveness of revivals as is shown in the church vote on the call of Billy Sunday to Portland.

There is one outstanding reason why revivals do not work now as they did in the days of John Wesley, Peter Cartwright and Dwight L. Moody, or even in the early days of Wilbur Chapman and Billy Sunday.

The unconverted to whom the evangelist preaches today do not have the spiritual background those people had to whom Wesley, Asbury, Cartwright and Moody preached.

In those days most children of church people listened every day to a chapter from the Bible read by the father—all these chapters containing warnings against the effects of sin and promising blessings for the life well lived. These children grew up in the belief that at death they must stand before the judgment bar of God and give an account of the deeds done in the body. They profoundly believed that either great joy or great grief awaited them immediately after death.

So thoroughly had this thought permeated society; so great a factor was the evangelizing church in the land, that not only the children of the church believed these things, but the children of unchurched people and their parents, too, had this thought more or less vivid in the back of their minds.

The result of this spiritual preparation was that when the evangelist preached he simply pictured in more glowing colors the thought more or less vivid already fixed upon the hearers' brains. And in this

glow the hearers were ready to come to the penitent seat when the invitation was given.

Most people who are converted are converted before age twenty-one. The generation now under twenty-one do not have that biblical background. For more than a generation the "family altar" has fallen into disrepair. Where fifty years ago practically all church people observed daily family worship, today not to exceed 10 per cent of them do so.

The result is logical and obvious. There is nothing in the young mind to which the evangelist can easily appeal. Father and mother have been too busy trying to live high, or to keep up with the high cost of living in the world they see—too busy to teach their children the value of the things not seen. The evangelist in appealing to the popular mind today, is speaking in the main part to an empty house—empty of spiritual concepts.

It is needless to enlarge upon the clearly stated contents of this illuminating survey by the secular press. Has he overstated the situation relative to the alarming condition of the present-day generation that is swarming all about us? I trow not. He merely tells us that, in the main, their minds are "an empty house," with nothing in them to respond to the real gospel message. But he failed to say that those same minds are very largely filled, and sometimes crammed and jammed, with "jazz" and all kinds of suggestive sex filth, picked up from the yellow, trashy, vile "movie" and kindred magazines and other low-down periodicals.

Those of you who have been following up the splendid contributions of Prof. A. S. London, and especially those who were privileged to read his article, entitled, "Face to Face With Facts," are beginning to appreciate the serious responsibility that is devolving upon our own fathers and mothers to see that the children of our holiness families are kept in the Sunday school, and are early taught in the home the fundamentals of our holy religion, till they shall go out into the world with a brain so grooved by divine truth that, should they come under the sound of the old-time gospel, there would be some spiritual concepts and convictions hidden away in the back of their minds that the Holy Ghost could set on fire.

Thank God, old-time revivals are still burning red-hot, and are reaching the crowds in many sections of the country. I believe far greater victories can be seen in our own work throughout the connection, if we fully meet God's conditions. I will note some possible hindrances in another article.

CANBY, OREGON.

Little Sermons for Him Who Runs

By CHARLES ALLEN MCCONNELL
Morning Lesson

THE outstanding lesson of the life of Jesus Christ was the one which shone forth in Queen Esther: that the highest nobility is the truest humility; that royalty is service in self-sacrifice. It was not that Ahasuerus cared ought for the Jews that Haman's plan was thwarted, but that he cared for Esther. It was not man's worth that moved the heart of Jehovah to pardon the sin of the world, but the value he placed upon the sacrifice of his Son. In acknowledging herself one of the doomed race, Esther lost not her high estate, but lifted a race from danger to honor. In the humiliation of the incarnation and death upon the cross, Jesus did not forfeit His eternal glory, but got unto

Himself a name that is above every name in heaven and upon earth, and the sons of men became the sons of God. Why are we so slow in learning the lesson? The great soul is not he who is utterly removed from the afflictions which beset humanity, but he who weeps with those who weep, who suffers with those who suffer, and is bound with those who lie in fetters. The power that lifts the load is evidently greater than the load. He who is able to give, is, in the act, lord of him who receives. In the words of Jesus, "Let him who would be great among you be your minister." A self-centered life can not, in the nature of things, know peace and satisfaction. The individual who plans and toils for self has a poor paymaster. At best he has but one to bless him. But he who forgets self gives his own small loaves and few fishes to bless and be blessed by the multitude. Jesus stands ever between the humble self-sacrifice and a thousand fold increase. To make my life count, I must yield it up.

Evening Lesson

If Jesus had not come! If, before the fall of man, the Father had not prepared for redemption through the atonement of His Son, then had it been better that humanity had never lived. If salvation from wrong choice, from sin and its fearful effects, had no consideration in the creation of Adam, then must his sin have brought the instant, complete and eternal blasting of the wrath of God. But without the promise in the garden, and the promise in the sacrificial lamb, and the promise to Abraham and to Moses and the prophets, earth without hope would have become hell itself. There is nothing good in sin; nothing helpful, nothing constructive, nothing upon which to build progress—and all humanity were sinners. Sin is destructive in its very nature. Adam's race without hope of escape could have had but one ending, utter ruin. But through the mercy of the Father man has not been left hopeless. Hidden away in the heart, buried under much rubbish, hope of One who should come and cure the malady of human existence has kept alive the race. Darkness, through sin, has indeed covered the nations, but the Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world has not utterly failed any child of Adam. But Jesus came! and hope became knowledge, and dimness of eyes gave way to the glory of God revealed in a Savior. Without Jesus, Adam's race had lost its likeness to God, and the plan of the Almighty was spoiled. But Adam the Second came and took his place as the father of a new race. He saw the travail of his soul and was satisfied, so that he could say, "Behold I and the children which God hath given me." Jesus came! He meets my every need. His humanity encourages me to believe that He can enter into sympathy with my humanity. His humble state bids my insignificance lift its eyes to His succor. His suffering proves a kinship with my suffering. His death gives me company as I approach the dread shadows, His breaking asunder the bars of the grave fills in the missing link of life, and my hope is assured that because death was not able to hold Him, I, too, shall live again. Jesus came, and all things through Him shall become new. John saw the consummation: "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he

will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and he shall be their God. And shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death neither shall there be any more pain: for former things are passed away."

GENERAL STATISTICS

Annual Survey Pastoral Activities

The "Annual Survey Pastoral Activities" has just been completed for 1924. This is the first attempt made by the Church of the Nazarene to gather statistics of this order into comprehensive form for use and study. The items listed on this page are the grand totals of the columnar totals from the district charts. Five Districts did not contribute Pastoral Activities charts, two of them because of assemblies held before the charts had been printed. Therefore, this report must of necessity be somewhat incomplete as to full results. However, the results herein noted are worthy of very careful study, and the full charts by districts will be printed in the Year Book.

Let us observe:

That only 861 out of over 1,100 pastors are included in this Survey. These 861 pastors held 70,486 regular services during the year, or 1,355 per week, an average of 49 plus, during the year for each; 25,575 other services during the year or 491 plus, each week, or an average of 29 each during the year; a total of 138,582 services of all kinds or 2,665 every week, or an average of 160 plus for each during the year.

These 861 pastors, in 138,582 services, report 54,882 seekers, or 1,055 plus each week, or an average of 63 plus each during the year.

These 861 pastors preached 75,150 sermons or 1,445 plus each week, or an average of 87 sermons each during the year.

These 861 pastors report a total of 65,021 pastoral calls or 1,250 per week, or an average of 75 each during the year.

These 861 pastors report that they labored 8,747 months, an average of 10 plus months each.

These 861 pastors report that they received for their labors, or support, \$746,159 or an average of \$1,095.68 each for the year, or \$21.09 each per week.

Finally, these 861 pastors report that they labored 8,747 months, made 65,021 calls, preached 75,150 sermons, conducted 138,582 services of all kinds, received \$746,159, and had 54,882 seekers.

Do not think that this is all these 861 pastors have done. We regret very much indeed that the remaining number of our pastors through some inadvertency are not permitted to have a part in this report for what they have accomplished would have been a very considerable contribution to the same. The whole number of our pastors cared for 1,386 churches, organized 82 (net) new churches, added 91 church buildings and 33 parsonages, made a net increase of 4,511 church members, 12,822 Sunday school scholars, 4,221 N. Y. P. S. members, 3,451 W. M. S. members, 106 Sunday school superintendents, 135 N. Y. P. S. Presidents and 150 ministers. They paid off church debts amounting to \$195,314, made improvements on church property amounting to \$504,773, added \$853,963 to the value of church property and raised for all purposes the grand total of \$2,697,533, an increase over the amount raised in 1923 of \$403,892. (These figures are taken from the General Statistical Report which see.) Besides what we have enumerated above they kept a continual spirit of holy revivalism burning on all our church altars, stemming currents of sin, opening springs of righteousness from which flow rivers of salvation, giving a mighty momentum to influences of lofty spirituality and good citizenship, accomplished innumerable deeds of mercy and kindness together with a multitude of other godly, commendable efforts the combining power of which has been projected into this godless, pleasure-loving, mammon-worshipping, Christ-denying world and age, helping to make a place for our Christ which only the Divine Statistician can accurately determine.

To the God Eternal, Omniscient, Omnipotent, Incorporeal and All-glorious, be praise and glory and honor and dominion for ever and ever! Hallelujah! Amen!

PASTORAL STATISTICS

Number Pastors reporting	861
Number regular preaching services held	70,486
Number prayer meetings held	42,521
Number other services held	25,575
Total number services held	138,582
Number seekers	54,882
Number HERALD OF HOLINESS taken	11,970
Number <i>The Other Sheep</i> taken	11,980
Number members reported last year	38,824
Number members at close of year	46,472
Net increase	3,574
Net decrease	1,781
Number sermons preached	75,150
Number pastoral calls	65,021
Time employed (months)	8,747
Salary received	\$698,454
Rent of parsonage (if extra)	47,705
Total salary	\$746,159

E. J. FLEMING, General Secretary.

LION SLAYERS OR HONEY EATERS

By REV. JULIUS A. TENCH

WHILE speaking to a local preacher of the Methodist Church, he referred to a conversation that he had with a member of the Town Council who was not at his place of duty, and he in reprimanding him, said, "Sir, you want the honey but not the work."

I left him with a new thought and asked myself if I, too, would rather eat the honey than slay the lion. After meditating upon the subject I took a mental glance over my little fire baptized flock and wondered just how many of them would rather eat honey than slay lions.

Who are the honey eaters? First I should say they are those who come to church to get a big blessing, but never bring a real blessing with them. Those who want the preacher to pray down a real Pentecostal blessing on the meeting but never spend any time worth mentioning in their secret chamber before the Lord at home praying God to help them to be a real fire brand for Jesus and help set the church on fire for Him.

Second, they are those who when hell's battalions have been turned loose and the church has been Satan's special target. And instead of the shouts of the saints there are groans and weeping, and crying, and travail in prayer. The church seems to be in a spiritual depression; the load pulls heavy its uphill pull. Just a few blocks away is another church where a revival is burning and they have slain their lion and now are eating the honey. Knowing this, the honey eater will say, "Well, let's go over to the church where the revival is. Our church is dead (no wonder too much honey will kill anybody). Away they go-smacking their lips saying, wasn't that wonderful honey. The meeting was all that had been anticipated. Yes, but you didn't slay the lion of self-ease, and you had no lawful right to eat the honey.

Another scene comes to me. The load has been lifted, travelling prayer has prevailed (and it will). Defeat has been turned into victory. Tears have been turned into joy. Groans have been turned into shouts. The cry of new born babes in the spiritual kingdom can be heard. A general time of rejoicing is at hand for the lion in the church has been slain. But in comes the honey eaters with their large spoons, larger than any of the rest. You will hear them say, "Oh wonderful! I knew it would happen, we worked so hard."

This is not only applicable to the laity, but perhaps there are honey eaters among the preachers. Here is one! Rev. Wants-it-easy knows that his mission has ended at the particular church in which he has served faithfully. At the Assembly he is approached by a dear old saint of God, who informs him that they need a preacher at their appointment. He also informs him that it is a hard place, poor pay, only a few members. This preacher knows that the Rev. H., pastor of a large church in the same District, is going into evangelistic work, which will mean an opening for someone. Without a minute of prayer he kindly informs the dear old Father in Israel that he doesn't feel that it is the will of the dear Lord that he should go to such a small church. Oh yes, a good honey eater but a poor lion slayer.

Wanted: Some real lion slayers for the Canadian field. Are you one?

CLARESHOLM, ALBERTA, CANADA.

Questions Answered

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

Q. Was the Passover superseded by the Lord's Supper? How often was the Passover kept? What did Christ's words, "As oft as ye drink it" (quoted by Paul in 1 Cor. 11:25), convey to the minds of the disciples who heard it? What must have been the thought of the Corinthians as to Paul's words, "As often"?

A. All the answers that I could make, except, perhaps, to the last one would seem to indicate that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper should be celebrated but once a year; and while I do not fully agree with this implication, I do think that this blessed institution loses much of its sacredness when a congregation receives it too frequently. Every week, as some receive it, or even every month is too frequent for the maintenance of the spirit of reverence. Every quarter is, in my opinion, full often. Once every six months, or even once a year with full preparation and announcement and with the service gathering pretty much about this holy sacrament is, I think, fully Scriptural and of the greatest profit, though I would certainly condemn the carelessness that would permit longer periods to elapse.

Q. Should not a pastor burn all the bridges behind him when he leaves a charge, and break off correspondence with his special friends, and reject every suggestion of the possibility of a change in affairs which might lead to his reinstatement as pastor?

A. "All this I steadfastly believe."

Q. James 1:14 says, "Every man is drawn away of his own lust and enticed;" how can a sanctified person be tempted this way when he has had the carnal mind eradicated? Was Christ tempted this way?

A. No doubt your difficulty arises from a misinterpretation of the word "lust" which is not here used in the narrow sense with which we are familiar, but in the more general sense of "desire." And truly, one cannot be tempted by a thing for which he has no desire, but when he has desire (which may be legitimate within itself), he can be tempted to satisfy that desire in an unlawful manner, and if he yields to that he commits sin. Yes, Jesus was tempted in this same way.

Q. Ephesians 5:4 speaks of "filthiness, nor foolish talking nor jesting, which are not convenient," what does this "not convenient" mean?

A. The word "convenient" is archaic in this sense and means "not befitting." The Apostle says that all the things which he mentions are "not befitting" to Christians. And then without unnecessary repetition, he says, "but rather giving of thanks." That is, the giving of thanks is befitting.

Q. What attitude should Nazarenes take toward the bobbed hair question?

A. The same attitude that Paul took (1 Cor. 11:5-15).

Q. Does Deut. 22:5 have any reference to women's wearing men's garb today?

A. Well, at least it expresses a sentiment that all old time Christian people feel.

Q. If leaven, in the Scriptures, always represents sin, as some of our Nazarene people say, how do you explain Matt. 13:33? Can the Kingdom of Heaven be likened unto sin?

A. Well, in the first place, I am not sure that they who hold that leaven *always* represents sin are correct. I think the leaven in this parable represents grace or righteousness. But they who hold that it represents sin say that the parable represents the history of sin in the world. Some say that the woman was Eve, and that through her sin the whole human race was made sinful.

Q. Is it not generally believed that Judas Iscariot went out from the last supper before Jesus broke the bread and passed the cup the last time, and instituted the sacrament of the Lord's Supper?

A. All believers in "close communion" believe that this was the order. Others are divided. Read the account in Matthew, Mark and Luke and you will see that it is difficult to determine this point. Especially Luke's account seems to indicate that Judas was there at the conclusion of the sacrament.

For All the Family

Conducted by Mrs. J. T. Benson

ETHEL Thornton did not stop at the gate, as she usually did, for a short chat with her college mates, but bade them a rather hasty goodby, and hurried up the front walk. She ran lightly up the steps, and then walked quietly across the porch and into the hall. Yes, as she had hoped, Cousin Jack was in the living room alone. She had watched during the whole week of his visit for a chance to have a private talk with him and had almost given it up in despair, for he was to leave the next day but that morning at the breakfast table she had heard her mother and aunt making their excuses to the young man because they would have to be away for an hour or two after lunch. "If I can only get home before they come back I will have that talk with him yet," said Ethel to herself. And she had managed it too in spite of being detained by a student's meeting. Cousin Jack looked up as the girl entered the room, and closed the book he had been reading. "Aren't you a little late?" he asked.

"Yes, nearly an hour. We had our annual class meeting for the election of officers for next year," answered Ethel.

He was interested at once. That was one of the lovable things about him, he was always so genuinely interested in other people. "And were you elected to a nice office?" he asked with a smile. "Only that of president," answered Ethel, smiling back at him.

"That is fine. I am sure you will make a wise and faithful leader" he said heartily.

"I shall do my best, though it will mean lots of extra work, for next year will be my senior year in the Normal college," said Ethel. "I am not worrying over that, however, it is the question of what I am to do after my graduation that is giving me concern."

"Have you anything special in mind that you want to do?" asked her cousin.

Ethel hesitated for a few moments, looking down at the piece of paper she was twisting between her fingers. Then she met the young man's eyes. "It is like this Cousin Jack. Of course you know that father and mother are the very dearest people in the world. And yet they are very conservative in their ideas, really old fashioned. They don't realize that the world has moved on pretty fast since they were my age. They want me to do what all girls did when mother graduated; learn a lot more about sewing, cooking and housekeeping than I have had time to learn while in school; settle down to be the young lady daughter of the home, and marry I suppose when the proper time and young man appear."

"And that doesn't appeal to you?" he asked.

"It does not," said Ethel emphatically. "No I want to leave this little town and try my wings out in the big world. But mother and father with their old fashioned views can't understand how I feel and are much set against it."

Ethel paused and her cousin saw that the fingers which twisted and untwisted the tight roll of paper were trembling slightly. "It suffocates me to think of spending my life in the humdrum little rut mother has lived in all these years. I want something bigger and broader. I have but one life to live and I want to make something out of it, to try at least to do something really worthwhile," cried the girl almost desperately. "And because that I think you understand I am asking you to advise and help me in some way."

She might have added that his opinion would mean a great deal to her. He had always been her favorite cousin, first as the big boy she had been extravagantly proud of as they both grew older. And what girl wouldn't be proud of Jack Thornton? He had won the Rhodes scholarship on leaving college and had been a student at Oxford two years when the war broke out. He first joined the English army and was transferred to the American forces when our country entered the great conflict, so that he had seen hard service under two flags. And those terrible years had left their mark upon him not only in a very decided limp, but upon his character as well. "He is just as kind and lovable as ever, but so much older and graver. I know he has a larger view of life and will be able to sympathize with me," Ethel had thought to herself when he first came home. And it was with this thought in mind that she sat waiting for him to speak.

"I quite realize that you are very much in earnest, little cousin and I must be careful to be true to you in what I say. You want me to be don't you?" he asked. Ethel nodded her head.

"Well, then, suppose I shall say to you that I think the woman who makes a real home in these 'homeless days' is doing about the biggest thing she can do," asked Jack.

"I should say you were repeating the same old thing men have always said, older men, like father. I can't think you really believe it," said Ethel rather reproachfully.

"But it happens that I do truly believe it though I wouldn't attempt to persuade you that it is your job. You see Ethel, I have knocked about the world a great deal these past few years, and have seen something of the new woman movement. The result is that I am a bit skeptical about women's cry for a larger, harder place in the world's affairs. I don't mean they aren't perfectly sincere in it. But the conviction is growing on me that underneath it all is the unconscious desire to dodge the big exacting place women have been filling all these years, and find an easier one for themselves."

"Why Cousin Jack," exclaimed Ethel in shocked surprise.

"I may be wrong, but that is how I feel about it. Take your mother and mine as examples. My mother married at nineteen, yours was perhaps a year or two older. They started out with the idea of acquiring and making a home, helping their young husbands get a start in life, and raising a family of children if they came. Some undertaking believe me for a young woman," said Jack with a whimsical smile. "My father like yours was quite a young fellow on a salary and neither of them had any property in sight. But with courage, faith and energy, they all tackled the job and we know that the homes came, and the children and the family life. Do you know Ethel I sometimes wonder how young couples starting out without anything, manage to acquire all the things it takes to make a comfortable home, furniture, rugs, household goods and so on? Why just think of the sheets, and pillow cases, and quilts and blankets my mother has had to hustle after in order to keep clean beds for us seven youngsters all the years we were growing up! And the shoes and stockings and every day clothes with always something nice for each one of us for Sundays! How did she do it? And though she didn't have unlimited means yet somehow she always managed to have a company table cloth and a set of linen napkins, extra nice, for special occasions. And in common with other housewives like herself succeeded in accumulating some china and silver which gave the table a festive air when guests came." Jack was warming up to his subject, and Ethel was too surprised at the turn things had taken to say a word. "And that table! Believe me, Ethel you can't realize the important part a dining room table plays in the life of a family until you have been thrown for a while with folks who have fallen back on the delicatessen shop and live out of paper bags and tin cans. Of course it means a lot of work; daily drudgery some call it; but I am glad mother cooked her meals, set them on the table regularly and gathered her family about her to eat. I learned lessons in promptness, deportment and courtesy which I would never have learned anywhere else. A great institution for training children properly, the family table, isn't it. I am sorry it is falling into disuse."

There was a short silence and then Jack said, "I have thought a good deal about these things since I have been away from home the past few years. Like you I took them as a matter of course when I was used to them daily."

"But Cousin Jack surely you came in contact with big things out in the world, and big people too. And there's your experience as a first lieutenant during the war; don't those things mean a great deal to you?"

"O yes. But listen, Ethel, while it is true I served under some very wonderful commanding officers, when it comes right down to sheer ability to handle some dozen different departments and do it successfully there isn't a general I have ever seen who has anything on that mother of mine. She bore and reared seven children, nursed us in sickness, fed, clothed, trained and disciplined us in health. Sent us to school on week days and took us to church and Sunday school on Sunday. She

was overseer and often cook in the kitchen, the buyer of supplies and kept a strict eye on the finances, was seamstress; and laundered also when it was necessary. With broom and dust cloth she played the part of housemaid daily, yet was always ready in time to be the polite, wellbred, lady-like looking hostess to the guests who came to her home. How in the world she was equal to it I don't know. But I do know that a woman who can do all those things and keep them moving smoothly, not only has the genius and ability of a general; she is one.

I am not surprised that women are tempted to shirk a task which is so arduous and exacting as to demand the best that is in them both in energy and intelligence. But I don't think they should deceive themselves into thinking they are reaching out after something bigger."

"But," said Ethel doubtfully, "I have always thought that a woman lawyer for instance had to have a better mental grasp of things and that a successful business woman had to possess more executive ability than a housekeeper and mother of a family."

"Women who are successful mothers and homemakers have not specialized as to the questions of law or business it is true; but when it comes to all-round ability to handle a large number of varied and important interests I believe the home woman to be really ahead of her sister who has put all her energies into some one phase of life," said Jack. Was he right?

Not for a moment would we forget to honor that woman who has been forced out into the world to make a living for herself and often for others. Such women are usually found doing all they can even though handicapped, toward the homebuilding of our country. This little article has not been written for them, but for the girl possessed with the spirit of restlessness which makes her chafe at the restraints and duties of home life and look upon them with some contempt.

The woman doctor, dentist, member of congress, and governor are still such rarities that we regard them with something of awe. We have an idea that they have grappled with the big task, the hard one, and have become notable victors. It may be the time will come when they will be so common among us that we will lose that feeling. They may be just the ordinary folks then, while those women who undertake the strenuous, exacting and self-sacrificing job of making a home and rearing a family of future citizens will be so scarce that they will be looked upon as the specialists, the experts, the ones who are doing something out of the ordinary.

WINTER FRUIT

IN a little town of western Iowa an interesting phenomenon occurred not long ago. Last spring the blossoms of a cherry tree in one of the yards appeared as usual, but a severe storm wrenched the tree to such an extent that the western branch appeared to die. Its blossoms fell, and the leaves withered. So it remained through the months of fruit-bearing and summer growth. But as fall approached the buds on the western branch awakened and swelled as if spring had come, and before long the branch was in full bloom!

The strange occurrence is counted a wonder in the neighborhood, and yet it is a pathetic thing. Blossoms are the promise of fruit to come, but in this instance the promise could not be fulfilled. Winter was just ahead with its frosts and snow and ice.

What a lesson it is to us! How many people put off till the winter of life is almost upon them the question of accepting the Savior and life through Him! And then, if at last they do turn to Him in old age, the promise of a converted life will truly prove to be an empty promise so far as in this world is concerned. Long before the fruit can mature the frost of death will come. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth while the evil days come not."—*Youth's Companion*.

Politeness is like an air-cushion; there may be nothing in it, but it eases our jolts wonderfully.—*ANON*.

Our sorrows are like thunder-clouds, which seem black in the distance, but grow lighter as they approach.—*RICHTER*.

Success in life is a matter not so much of talent or opportunity as of concentration and perseverance.—*C. W. WENDTE*.

Nazarene Young People's Society

"Let No Man Despise Thy Youth"

DISCUSSION OF N. Y. P. S. TOPIC FOR MARCH 29

Paul's Third Missionary Journey, Acts 18:23—

21:15. Scripture Lesson, Acts 18:20-23.

Paul completed his second missionary journey at Ephesus. He left there in order that he might arrive at Jerusalem in time to keep the feast. Going by way of Caesarea, he went up and saluted the church (probably at Jerusalem), and then down to Antioch. From thence he started out immediately on his third missionary campaign. For the first time he seems to have gone out alone. He went through Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all of the disciples. Then he came to Ephesus where he made his first long stop. Since it is rather difficult to trace each step of Paul's third tour, it will be best to follow the question method for this lesson and thus touch only on the more important places.

1. What question did Paul ask the disciples at Ephesus and to what did it finally lead? Acts 19:1-7.

2. What is said as to the miracles which God enabled Paul to perform at Ephesus? Acts 19:11, 12.

3. Tell the story of the sons of Sceva. What effect did it have on the Jews and Greeks dwelling at Ephesus? Acts 19:13-20.

4. Who was Demetrius and what trouble did he cause at Ephesus and why? How was the confusion finally settled? Acts 19:22-41.

5. Where did Eutychus live and what calamity befell him? Did Paul successfully meet the emergency? Acts 20:6-12.

6. Outline Paul's farewell message to the elders of the church at Ephesus. Where was it given? Describe the leave-taking. Acts 20:17-38.

7. Where did Paul stay in Caesarea and what did the daughters in that home do? Acts 21:8, 9.

8. Who was Agabus and what did he do? Acts 21:10-14.

Timothy is mentioned as being with Paul at Ephesus (Acts 19:22). It is not known where he joined Paul. Luke appears on the scene again at Philippi (Acts 20:6). The use of the first person plural pronoun begins again here. This indicates that Luke, the writer of the Acts of the Apostles, joined the company at this place.

In order to relate the third missionary journey to the closing scenes of Paul's eventful life, it would not be out of place to have someone give a brief review of his trouble at Jerusalem, his trial at Caesarea, his voyage to Rome, his first and second imprisonments, and finally of his death at the hands of Nero. His visit to Rome might well be called his fourth missionary campaign. Its significance for the cause of Christ cannot be overestimated.

There is no more interesting situation in all history than that which is given to us in the relation between Nero and Paul. Nero was outwardly free, but inwardly he was a slave to his passions. He possessed much of this world's goods, but he was poor and miserable in heart. He was popular now, but his popularity was ephemeral. The shadows were already beginning to gather about him. The night of a terrible death and of a much more terrible hereafter would soon enshroud him. He sat on the throne of what was once the greatest of earthly empires, but already this empire was well on the way toward dissolution. His bloody deeds only helped to accelerate the disintegration. On the other hand, Paul though a prisoner in chains was the freest man of his day. He had been emancipated from the bondage of sin and Judaism. He was destitute from the standpoint of this world, but he was rich in the grace of God. The outlook before him was anything but inviting, but the uplook was as clear and bright as anyone could desire. He was the most important human agent in the inauguration of an empire which was destined to triumph over every opposing force and to be without end. He was on the verge of a triumphant death and a glorious future, a crown of righteousness was awaiting him.

GRANDVIEW, WASHINGTON, N. Y. P. S.

God is leading us on to victory here. Have taken in five or six new members during the past few months and have the prospects of three or four more soon. We are studying "The Life of Christ" in our Sunday evening meetings and find this to be a great blessing. We are sure that we should study God's Word now as never before. We need it to help us through the trials and tests.

I have often thought that if every member of the N. Y. P. S. would stand in his place like Gideon's brave three hundred (Judges 7:21), we could win many souls for the Master. This means to be ready for any service for Him.

Our Young People have found great joy in visiting among the sick and needy in our own and near by towns. We would be glad to hear from any society at any time and to exchange ideas.—Myrtle F. Golladay, President.

WESTERN OKLAHOMA N. Y. P. S. RALLY

The N. Y. P. S. Rally for zone 1 of the Western Oklahoma District was held at Capitol Hill Church, Oklahoma City, Feb. 28, 1925, Brother Garsee leading. Brother Brandon of Britton conducted the song service, after which the subject "Revivals of the Past" was discussed in a very interesting way. Rev. A. L. Cargill gave us an interesting talk on the life of Dr. Breese. Then District President Snyder gave an inspiring address of "Why are we here?" Answering this question, he said, (1) to broaden our vision; (2) to promote the kingdom of God; (3) to prepare to serve God more efficiently; and (4) to learn better how to stand on the promises of God.

In the afternoon the census of each society was taken and then interesting talks on "The Revivals of Moody at Home and Abroad," and "Finney's Great Revivals" were given. After this there was an interesting round table discussion led by Guy Rankin of Edmond.

The services of the entire day were of a very interesting nature, and we are looking forward to our next zone rally which will be held at Norman, April 25.—Miss Ruby Radabaugh, Reporter.

IOWA DISTRICT N. Y. P. S. CONVENTION

The first District Convention of Iowa N. Y. P. S. convened at Centerville, Iowa, Feb. 26, 1925, District Superintendent Kinzie presiding. Rev. Horace Ireland of Webster City, led the opening song service. Rev. Alfred Christensen of Muscatine, read the Scripture lesson and Rev. C. W. Guinn of Lacona, led in prayer. Rev. C. E. Ryder of Council Bluffs, brought us an inspiring message on "The Opportunities and Responsibilities of the N. Y. P. S." Twenty-one delegates and fifteen pastors responded to roll call. The constitution for the District Y. P. S. as given in our Manual was adopted and the following officers were elected. Rev. G. B. Williamson, Farmington, Iowa, President; Rev. Horace Ireland, Webster City, Iowa, Vice President; Luella C. Phillips, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Secretary; and Thos. M. Graves, Oskaaloosa, Iowa, Treasurer.

In the afternoon interesting papers were read, committees were appointed, and Dr. John Matthews addressed the convention. He exhorted the pastors to put confidence in and responsibility upon their Young People. Then he exhorted the Young People to hold prayer meetings, to make a systematic study of the Word of God and to go out and spend their strength for God.

The blessings of God were upon us throughout the day and we closed greatly encouraged to press on and accomplish more for God this coming year.—Luella C. Phillips, Secretary.

Be sure to have a good supply of literature from the school in your zone to be distributed in the church April 19.

KANSAS DISTRICT

Our first round of the District has been completed. The Lord is continuing to pour out His Spirit upon our people, for which we praise Him. I have traveled eight thousand six hundred and fifty-three miles, preached one hundred and eleven times, and have seen ninety-two people kneel at the altar for prayer. Three churches have been organized and others are in the making.

Since my last report I have visited the following places: Wichita Second Church, where H. Calhoun was appointed pastor, and is pushing the battle and planning a revival for the spring; Arkansas City, where Pastor Thomas and wife are forging ahead. I preached one night and there were eight at the altar seeking the Lord. Pastor Dudley at Winfield is making some progress, although they are worshipping in their own "hired house." They are planning a tent meeting in the spring and are hoping to see real results.

At Caney, Rev. Mize is doing well. They have completed a tabernacle with plenty of room. Pastor Menneke at Coffeyville, is storming the fort and doing things for God. He has a great crowd of young people. We preached one night and had nine at the altar. At Cherryvale, Pastor Harper is doing good work. Sunday morning we burned the church mortgage amidst shouts of victory. I do like to burn such pieces of paper after the bill is paid. Pastor Cox at Jacksonville, was in the midst of a revival with good attendance and interest. At Pittsburg, we were almost rained out. It just poured, but some came and we had a good service. Brother Stevens is doing good work there.

It was a very cold night when we were with Pastor Windsor at Fort Scott, but the people came and we had a profitable time in the Lord. At Bufalo, Rev. Lehman is forging ahead. Notwithstanding the extremely cold weather we had a good service with our people. Rev. Wright, at Neodesha, is working hard and the Lord is blessing and giving souls and victory. At LaFontaine, we had a good time with Pastor Tabor. Brother Webb is preaching at Elk City, in a mission and they are in a revival now. It was a very cold night when we were at Oak Hill, with Miss Kirk and her people, but the school house was filled and we had a fine time preaching to them. At Howard, Pastor Tanner is doing his best. An old-fashioned revival is our only hope there.

H. O. Davis, (the Irishman) at Pleasant Hill, is doing well. Surely our people have a great opportunity at that place. At Woodbine, Rev. Bean is getting ahead. People are looking our way in spite of the Devil. Pastor Huddleston at McPherson, has had a resurrection in a revival with Evangelist C. E. Allen. At Windom, Rev. Morris is making progress, notwithstanding Sister Morris has had a long spell of sickness. Pastor Lambert at Chase, is going forward and planning for a revival soon. Just recently his church gave him permission to hold a revival meeting which resulted in the organization of a new Church of the Nazarene.

The Lions have not eaten Brother Campbell at Lyons, and he is getting ahead. Our church at Kansas City, Kans., has been going through a hard pull in the battle but we believe Brother Russell is coming out with banners flying. The Rosedale Church and Pastor Cross have been making good progress, especially in the Sunday school. At Goff, Brother Howard is not only holding his own, but is forging ahead. Pastor Clayton, at Topeka, is having salvation times, "The best times Topeka has ever known" the people there say. Had a good time preaching at Lawrence, where Mrs. Lienard is pastor, with seekers at the altar.

Our church at Clearwater, with Pastor Demoret, is making slow but sure progress along all lines. Things seem to be booming at Augusta, with Pastor Vance. We had seven seekers at the altar and a salvation time although the night was very cold. We had a special good time at Browntown, with Brother Duby. There was one seeker who found, and we had shouting victory.

Brother Davis at Eldorado, is doing the impossible, building a church with few to help him, without a big debt. The Lord is increasing the tribe of the Nazarenes at Whitewater, where Brother Elmer Poole is pastor. They had a good revival with Evangelist Claussen. Brother Griffin and his church at Newton are planning a revival soon with Dr. J. B. Chapman. Maize is in need of a revival, and I believe the Lord is able to supply the need. Pastor Lansdowne has been driving to Wichita to work, in order to be able to live. Brother Hulse at Emporia is doing well. The Lord is blessing them in every way.

If I may be forgiven for not reporting sooner I will try to do better next time. On with the battle!
A. L. HIPPLE, District Superintendent.

News and Notes from Washington-Philadelphia District

COMPILED BY REV. J. T. MAYBURY

NORFOLK, VA.—We began a series of meetings March 1 with Evangelist M. M. Bussey preaching for the next two weeks. This revival is starting off well with good congregations; a fine spirit and three prayer meetings a day. The evangelist is preaching a faithful gospel in the power and demonstration of the Spirit and it seems we are on the eve of a truly good meeting in which many souls will find the Lord. The annual meeting of the church was held Feb. 26 and the various reports showed that we have had a good year and the prospect for the future is bright. The delegates elected to represent us at the Annual Assembly are Mrs. Wilcon, Mrs. Owens and Mrs. Gray. We praise God for the victories of the past and step out on the promises for better things ahead.—Reporter.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—We have just closed a most successful Christians Worker's Conference and Missionary Convention. The Lord was with us and the Church received new light and a special blessing. We received in cash and pledges for our local needs \$2,374.00 and for missions we raised \$1,150.00 and best of all it was a soul saving time.—Reporter.

TRENTON, N. J.—The church at Trenton has been having a glorious hard battle under the Captain that leads on, always victorious, even against the very gates of hell. The past year has been one of advance against many odds, nevertheless, territory has been taken and the Lord is leading on. We have bought a parsonage, painted and renovated the church inside and out, and are now altering the basement for the entertainment of the Assembly. Souls have been saved, others sanctified, and a few additions made to the church. The Sunday school is in the best condition ever and we are looking forward to real progress next year. The pastor has been recalled for another year and will return D. V. We wish to extend a cordial invitation to all who wish to visit us at Assembly time, but please let us know you are coming.—W. G. Grouse, Pastor, 172 Passaic St., Trenton, N. J.

BLOOMSBURG, PENNA. The Church at Bloomsburg is moving on to blessed victory. We have had a stiff battle through the year with the powers of darkness, but our God is able and hath made bare His arm to deliver. The one outstanding feature at present is the way in which our Young People's Society is moving on for God. We recently closed a revival with Evangelist M. M. Bussey in which our Y. P. S. took full charge. They held special prayer meetings that would inspire anyone. They would meet each night before service, and would weep and pray and agonize for souls until God answered in a mighty manner. Out of a prayer list that was used there have been recorded forty distinct cases saved through these prayer meetings. The music was also in the charge of the Y. P. S. and it was well handled. Brother Bussey came to us in the fulness of the blessing and preached with grace and unction and we did not have one service without seekers. Some very hard cases clearly got through in a wonderful manner. The attendance was excellent in spite of rain, snow and icy streets working to hinder. We cheerfully recommend Brother Bussey to all our Eastern brethren as a splendid evangelist and one who will stand by the church. Through the meeting our folks gave a fine pounding to the pastor and bought him a spare tire for his Ford. The results of this meeting are apparent in the way our church is working and praying for our next meeting March 15-29 with the Elsners. The Sunday following the revival we received eight junior members on probation and one as a full member. We close this assembly year with victory. Our work at Berwick with J. M. Price as pastor, which we have carried as a part of our Home Missionary work is doing well. Seekers at the altar each week and new people constantly coming. We press on with courage.—J. H. Parker, Pastor.

LANESDALE, PA. Our mid-winter revival with George and Effie Moore closed up with good victory, Sunday, Feb. 1st. There is no way of putting into print the blessedness of some of the services. Since the revival there has been a revival spirit in all the services. A Lutheran woman was sanctified last Sunday night, and was back to service last night with glory on her face. Rev. John N. Nielson, our good District Superintendent visited us Sunday and preached a "huge" sermon in the evening. We were carried out into the deep and up into the glory heights. Our Lenten Feast begins this Wednesday (Feb. 25th) evening with our Baltimore, Md., pastor, D. E. Higgs, preaching. Each Wednesday of Lent will be a special with us and a different preacher each time. The Nazarene way is to convert the Lenten Feast into a Lenten Feast! We are expecting much good out of these services. God has given us a good year. We go to our District Assembly next month to report increases in every department of the church. Our Sunday school is forging ahead as never before with new members almost every Sunday, and there is not a finer set of young people anywhere than here. A few good substantial members have been added to the church during the year, and the prospect for the future is good. Have had three good revivals during the year: reduced mortgage on new parsonage about \$860; spent nearly \$300 for church advertising; given liberally to home and foreign missions, and always have money in the treasury. It is easily done, for our folk pay their tithes and give offerings. No plan on earth can ever beat that. Try it and be convinced. The good folks here raised my salary and unanimously voted for me to return for the fourth year. Pray for us. Never loved the Lord and His work better."—W. D. Shelor, Pastor.

DARBY, PA. "The past month has been a time of refreshing from the skies. The Lord met with us on Communion Sunday in that marvelous way when preacher and people must both stand aside and see the glory of God. The Woman's Auxiliary held a missionary meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 13th, which was well attended and a liberal offering was given to missions. Our Sunday school is a most encouraging department of the church with splendid attendance. Sunday, March 1, a special missionary program was rendered, assisted by Madame Barakat, an Assyrian refugee, who addressed the meeting. The young people are doing splendidly and carrying a burden for the unsaved. God has wonderfully blessed us along all lines."—C. W. Nielson, Pastor.

HARRINGTON, DEL. "We have just closed a meeting with Rev. Monroe Hand as our helper. This meeting was blessed and proved a great help to the church. Also at our other appointment, Laurel, Delaware, Brother Hand was with us for three weeks. This revival resulted in a goodly number of seekers and ten accessions to the church. We have been recalled by both churches on our appointment to serve them for the third year and expect to push on and by the grace of God put things over for the Master. Pray for us."—John Donaldson, Pastor.

RIO GRANDE, N. J. "There is one noticeable feature about the work here, and that is the growth of the N. Y. P. S. Added interest and added members came as a result of the fall revival held here. The Society numbers some twenty members now, and the future of this work is bright. Six new members were taken in recently, and there are others looking seriously our way, expecting to unite with us before or shortly after the District Assembly to be held in April. The spiritual tide is rising higher, for which we thank the Lord. The church building has been raised about four feet and now rests on a concrete block foundation. It adds much to the looks of the building. We are in hopes of putting a basement beneath some day in the future, giving added Sunday school space. As we have not

as yet held our Annual Meeting, and are not able at this writing to give any estimate of what we have done financially, but it can be safely stated that it has been a good year for the church here. This has been our first year in the pastorate here, and it has been to me a most blessed year in the Lord. Souls have been saved and believers sanctified, and the saints have testified to being edified, and so we "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Rio Grande hopes to invite the District Assembly here for next year. If the Assembly accepts the invitation, the preachers and delegates can anticipate the best the land affords, for South Jersey is noted for its plentifulness. The outlook is fine, the uplook is heavenly, our faith is in God for continued victory, and for revivals and souls."—Byron H. Maybury, Pastor.

EVANGELIST W. W. LOVELESS: "On March the 1st, I closed a good meeting at Parkersburg, W. Va., with the little Church of the Nazarene there. I found that there were only five members in the church, and they were much discouraged, being back on their rent for their hall. Their little hall will seat only about sixty people, but we started in and preached, prayed, and sang the best we could, and soon the little place was crowded. Conviction soon began to settle on the people and seekers came to the altar. During the two weeks of meeting, nearly fifty bowed at the altar, and I would judge that at least thirty-five of them were saved or sanctified. We raised some money to pay their back rent, and they gave a real good offering to the evangelist. On the last Sunday, twelve of the converts asked to be received as members of the church, and Brother William Kathary, the pastor, will soon receive into membership, as many as can qualify. Others too, are seeing the need of a Church of the Nazarene in Parkersburg, and we believe that before long the membership will grow so large that they will have to move out of their small quarters and get a larger place. We count this a real victorious revival, considering the fact that the hall was so small and other hindrances were in evidence. We were invited back for another meeting next summer. I am now making out my slate for spring and summer meetings, and have some open dates that I will be glad to give any church or camp needing my services. I come for free will offerings; and am willing to trust God and His people to supply my every need. Address me at London, Ohio."

SOME EASTERN MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS

We have just finished a line of Missionary conventions with Miss Bertie Karns. We were scheduled for Dayton and Akron, which I missed because of illness. Miss Karns reports victory for both the Dayton and Akron conventions. We began at Pittsburgh, Pa., for a six days' convention. Brother Brown had the meeting well advertised for afternoon and evening services. Some good work was done with the women's auxiliary. Evening services were evangelistic. Sunday a nice sum was raised on the budget and some specials for Foreign Missions. We had a very delightful time with the Browns and the dear Pittsburgh people. We believe there are great days ahead of the Pittsburgh work. Went on to East Liverpool and found that work in a blaze of revival. Preached each night and saw a good ingathering of souls, and a great Missionary service Sunday morning. A splendid cash offering for the auxiliary. We were pleased to find that in the midst of their building, and great demand for building funds, they were not neglecting or crowding out Foreign Missions. Brother and Sister Benedum are first, last, and always for Missions. Next we arrived at Washington, D. C., Tuesday morning and soon learned that the pastor, Rev. Marvin C. Cooper, had everything lined up for a real convention. All the services were well attended night and day. Each service showing an increased interest in the meeting. There was a splendid feature in this convention that we had not met before. Different departments of the church manifesting their interest by

The Sunday School Lesson, March 29

By M. EMILY ELLYSON

LESSON SUBJECT: Review; Closing Period of Christ's Ministry.

LESSON TEXT: 1 Cor. 15:47-58.

GOLDEN TEXT: *Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever* (Heb. 13:8).

THE lessons of this quarter cover just seven days of Christ's life on earth from the triumphal entry to the resurrection—Sunday, April 2 to Sunday April 9 A. D. 30 and also the forty days following the resurrection. There seems to be so much more emphasis placed on the events of this short period than on the events of other periods of His life, that it leads one to believe that the emphasis is intended to be placed on His death rather than His life.

The first lesson of the quarter has for its topic "The Kingship of Christ." The triumphal entry while it lacked in worldly pomp and splendor, yet it contained the marks of earthly royalty, with its mounted leader, the multitude of followers, the shouting and the spreading of palm branches and clothing in the way of their leader. The golden text of the lesson furnishes us with a contrast between Christ's kingship and that of an earthly ruler, for He comes in the name of the Lord and was so recognized by the throng that followed Him. In the second lesson we have a study of the practical side of Christianity and its final results, and again we are reminded how closely our Lord identifies Himself with His people. There will be a day of retribution and nothing will be overlooked then. Many things that have long been forgotten will flash into prominence again. The greed that took bread from the widow and crying orphans as well as every helpful endeavor will be on the record books and "just what we are will our neighbors know" at that time.

In the third lesson we have in symbol the facts of Calvary or the institution of the Lord's Supper known to the church as the Communion service. This sacrament is not only to be a reminder of His death but also of His second advent. To remember Christ's death and His return to earth is vital to our Christian experience and to our work.

Lesson four gives us clearly the sources of the Christian's comfort. Let us note briefly some of the things taught in this lesson that come to our hearts as great comforting assurances. Freedom from trouble and care, the heavenly home and the way to get there, the promise of answered prayer, of the coming of the Holy Ghost and Christ's return to earth. Are not all of these of great comfort to our hearts as we journey on?

We have in lesson five clearly set forth the teaching that spiritual life and fruit bearing are not the products of training but of a real union

with Christ. He who would be enlarged in spiritual life must be vitally connected with Christ, who is the source of life.

In lesson six we studied about Christ as our Intercessor. He is our great High Priest, for all believers in all generations are included in this prayer. All are one in their spirit, needs, and aims, hence all may know of these petitions being answered if the believer is willing.

We next gather lessons from Gethsemane. All of His sufferings were for our benefit. The submission seen there should be ours in all our askings, even though the path may lead to death.

Our next lesson has to do with "Good Citizenship." The teaching of this lesson regarding our obligations to human law is so clear that none can say they do not understand. Human law is but a reflection of God's perfect law. Every man's attitude towards constituted law and the officials representing the law is, at heart, his attitude toward God.

We next come to the closing scenes of Christ's life. Lesson nine brings us into the Judgment hall of Pilate where our Lord is being tried. We note how Jesus refuses to defend Himself against His accusers. His forgiving spirit, His clear statements relative to His Sonship—all of these mark Him as the Messiah, God manifest in the flesh.

The next step brings us to the cross, the climax of the Jews' persecution. Lesson ten shows us the world's greatest hate and heaven's greatest love. This rugged old cross is the world's only remedy for the malady of sin.

But He could not be holden of death and on that first glad Easter morning He steps forth from the grave conqueror over death and alive forever more. Lesson eleven speaks to my heart and yours the sweet message that since He has won we too may win.

The closing lesson gives us proofs of His resurrection. He is the ever living Christ. For forty days He tarried, and discoursed to His disciples, walking, talking, and eating with them. Finally, just before He ascended to His Father, He gave them instructions as to their future ministry, and the coming of the Holy Ghost. Then in quiet conversation they walked over the well known trail toward Bethany, where, in the act of blessing them, He was carried up into heaven. There at the Father's right hand He is our Advocate interceding for us.

*The Head that once was crowned with thorns,
Is crowned with glory now.*

A royal diadem adorns

The mighty Victor's brow.

*The highest place that heaven affords
Is to our Jesus given*

*The King of kings and Lord of lords,
He rules o'er earth and heaven.*

furnishing something in the way of a program for the night services. This all tending to an increase of interest. Sunday, after an intense missionary message by Miss Karns, Brother Cooper presented to the church a unique plan for the budget and proceeded to raise about \$2400 on same. Also more than \$1100 for Foreign Missions. People gave and were blessed. They expect to organize an Auxiliary in the next few weeks. There was a healthy spirit of co-operation and that always spells Victory. Our next and last convention was at Brooklyn, N. Y. Sister Fitkin had the arranging of these last meetings and you may know our days and nights were full. Two days at Richmond Hill, and two days at Utica Ave. These were days of interest. Sunday Miss Karns filled three appointments in Connecticut, while we labored on in Brooklyn—John Wesley church in the morning, Bedford Sunday school in afternoon, and Atlantic Ave., at night. The Convention was truly a time of victory. Money was raised for the support of missionaries, new members were secured for Prayer and Fasting League, and several Life Memberships were also secured. All auxiliaries ought to push this plan of getting extra money. It comes easy. We saw salvation at the altars of all the conventions. It was a time of real victory.

STELLA B. CROOKS.

NORTH DAKOTA-MINNESOTA DISTRICT

We wish to report that this District is still living and moving along nicely, making progress along all lines. We have received forty new members on the District and there are more to follow soon. These have all been received on confession of faith. This may

seem like a small number, but when you consider that we had only 298 members on this District at last Assembly, and that some of our churches have been without pastors, and that some of our churches are so situated that it is impossible for them to have revivals during the winter months, it is not so bad, after all.

We are now preparing to launch the spring campaigns and have secured Brother J. Warren Lowman and wife for two meetings, beginning March 1, at Van Hook, N. D., and we are expecting a great season of revivals during the spring and summer.

Most of our churches have already paid up their budgets for the entire year, and all have paid considerable on them. They have also paid considerable above the budgets on both home and foreign missions. The Woman's Missionary Society has raised about \$400 and they plan to make it \$1,000 by Assembly; and I am confident that they will do it, for Sister J. J. Larson of Sawyer, N. D., the president, strikes while the iron is hot and then keeps on striking as long as it stays hot. Our people all say that they mean to go over the top on every thing in the way of finances.

The most blessed spirit of brotherly love and harmony prevails over the entire District. We have not had a misunderstanding or hard feeling during the whole year, so far as I have heard. I have never seen pastors and people love each other as these do. All want their pastors returned for another year. In many respects the North Dakota people are the best I have ever met or labored with in my life. My time as District Superintendent expires June 27, and whoever my successor is will find a people who will stand by him in every good

work. They have been a blessing and an inspiration to me. This has been one of the best years of my life because of the fellowship and sympathy of these dear people.

We have several open doors in new territory with good prospects that we expect to enter soon. In fact, we have already entered some of them and every thing seems favorable for work to be established. We ask HERALD of HOLINESS readers to pray for us in the work.

L. E. SWANEY, District Superintendent.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT

I just want to let the HERALD of HOLINESS readers hear from us in Mississippi. I have visited all the churches in the District except the church in McComb, where they are preparing for a campaign in May. I will be with them then.

There are good reasons why we should make good progress this year. First, we have all the churches supplied, save one near Columbus, and we will open campaign in Columbus soon. Not only are the churches supplied, but it would surprise you to know the men who are supplying these little churches. The Nabor Brothers for instance: are not only Spirit filled men, but they are men of ability. They have fair education, and they are earnest students, and they are developing all the time. Then we have R. B. Gore, a cousin to United States Senator Gore, from Okla. He is dead to every thing but the will of God, and will hammer the truth into anybody who will listen to him. Then there is H. F. Tate, a graduate from Asbury, with a courage that would span the Ocean, and a faith that brushes the skies, and J. G. Coleman, the everlasting fighter. He will weep over a congregation while hammering them with the soul stirring gospel, and laugh in the face of opposition. Finally, we have H. Milligan, from Hot Springs, Ark. He is a new man with us. I cannot tell you much about him yet. I am watching him. I can tell you what he has done since he took charge of the Laurel church. He and his people have rented the Odd Fellow's Hall, right in the heart of the business section of the city, a nice neat building, with rooms suitable for Sunday school rooms, chairs, piano and every thing needed for a good church. He preaches every Sunday, and his congregations are increasing all the time. They have a fine Sunday school, and he is already looking out a suitable place for the new church.

Then we have some real men and women down here. Not many of them, but then it doesn't take many when they are united together in holiness. As long as we don't get discouraged, the Devil himself cannot tell what is coming. Faith and obedience to our Lord will walk through the seas dry shod, shout down stone walls, have sweet dreams in lion's dens and walk through the fire without burning.

It is going to be better farther on. Brethren pray for us.

R. H. M. WATSON, District Superintendent.

OHIO DISTRICT

The revival spirit is on our District and good reports are coming in from the pastors. Evangelist B. F. Neely is in a good meeting with Pastor Egg at Columbus. Evangelist W. R. Cain is having good victory with Pastor Landgrave at Newark. Evangelist Howard Sweeten is having a good meeting with Pastor Henry at Dayton. Evangelist Howard Welsh is with Pastor Montgomery at Hamilton, and they are having seekers and finders. By the grace of God our pastors and people expect to keep the home fires burning.

The most of our pastors are being retained for the new Assembly year, with weeping and rejoicing. This denotes unity and strength. Where pastor and people are united in the holy bonds of perfect love, victory and progress are assured. The Ohio District as a whole was never in as good aggressive, spiritual condition as at the present time.

Rev. D. E. Miller will remain at Mt. Vernon. Rev. George Brinkman will go to Newark. Rev. C. J. Forcy was re-called to Norwalk. So far, the churches have given the pastors a month's vacation with the privilege of holding a meeting. The pastors greatly appreciate this, as it enables them to meet some obligations that otherwise they could not. And I am sure that our brethren will not abuse this privilege so kindly granted them by the churches.

We are about forty-five days from the meeting of the District Assembly. This means that we must all rally to the closing up of the year's work. Please let all the pastors see that the budget funds are brought up in full, or at least bring them as nearly up as possible. Do not get discouraged, but try, and then try again. Also see that each family in the church takes the HERALD of HOLINESS and gets *The Other Sheep*. And do not fail to read the Manual to your people, and give them proper instructions. We must be orderly and observe the

Manual of the church. Remember the offering to help support the Assembly, and send it to Rev. Frank Watkin, Marion, Ohio. Last, but not least, pray much for the Assembly and come expecting the greatest annual feast that you have ever enjoyed. We are expecting many visitors from outside the District. District Superintendent Montgomery of Kentucky writes that he will be with us. And we expect Rev. C. R. Chilton to be present and to preach. Rev. T. W. Willingham of Olivet College will be present. Yes, and Revs. J. W. Short, E. O. Chalfant, Preston Roberts, and Dr. and Mrs. Sloan will all be here.

Begin now to plan to attend the District Assembly at Marion, Ohio, April 28 to May 3. General Superintendent Goodwin will preside.

N. B. HERRELL, District Superintendent.

KANSAS DISTRICT PREACHER'S MEETING

The Preacher's Convention of the Kansas District convened Feb. 24-27, in The First Church of the Nazarene, Hutchinson, Kans., with our beloved District Superintendent, Rev. A. L. Hipple in charge.

There was a good representation of the Kansas preachers and each agreed that it was one of the best conventions ever held in the history of Kansas District.

The Hutchinson Church surely knows how to entertain royally and we are looking forward to the District Assembly which convenes there this summer.

Dr. A. P. Gouthey of Seattle, Wash., was present at the Bresee College giving a course of lectures to the student body, and of course the preachers took full advantage of the lectures. Dr. Gouthey is one of the best speakers we ever heard and his lectures were of untold value to the student body and to the preachers.

Dr. Jas. B. Chapman, Editor of the HERALD of HOLINESS, was our main speaker, other than Dr. Gouthey, and his messages we shall never forget.

Interesting talks and papers were given by the several preachers. A most interesting Educational Service was held Friday night, at which time the possibilities of Bresee College were reviewed by Prof. London, President of the College. It is expected that soon a new building, which will be the Administration Building, will be started and it is expected that this building will be completed and ready for use by the time school starts next fall.

F. R. McCONNELL, Covert, Kans., Reporter.

LATE NEWS, NOTES AND COMMENTS FROM THE WIDE FIELD

By C. E. CORNELL

Thomas A. Edison, the electrical wizard, celebrated his 78th birthday recently at his Fort Meyer, Fla., home.

The closing words of President Coolidge's inaugural address are worth repetition and commendation. "America seeks no earthly empire built on blood and force. No ambition, no temptation, lures her to thought of foreign dominions. The legions which she sends forth are armed, not with the sword, but with the Cross. The higher state to which she seeks the allegiance of all mankind is not of human but of divine origin. She cherishes no purpose save to merit the favor of Almighty God."

It is estimated that more than \$1,000,000,000 a year is spent in America for advertising. This is perhaps why we have a \$300,000,000,000 country.

The office of Indian affairs reports that in 1824 there were about 346,000 Indians in the United States, not including Alaska. Indians of the United States have been slowly, but gradually, increasing.

James 3:8 says: "But the tongue can no man tame: it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison." Only through the grace of God can the tongue be managed.

There were not so many tourists traveling last year as formerly. Twenty-one steamship lines carried over 784,000 persons between this country and Europe—326,000 eastbound and 458,000 westbound. This is nearly 200,000 less than 1923.

The radio enabled President Coolidge to speak his inaugural to at least 25,000,000 persons. More persons heard him than ever heard any other man in the annals of time. He was as distinctly heard on the Pacific coast as nearer Washington. Photographs of the inaugural scenes were published the next morning all over the United States that had been sent by wire to the various newspapers. Great is the achievement of science!

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats

Beloved Samaritans:

I left you in my last letter, I think, just as I had arrived at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. I spent three weeks there trying to break up a cold and a bad case of catarrhal trouble which had settled on my bronchial tubes and had almost closed them up. I improved so much that in nearly three weeks I preached a few times and saw splendid results. But I should have stayed there at least a month longer, and I am planning now to go back down there to spend next winter in that tropical wonder-land, if the Lord wills. For Florida has now become the garden of the United States, if not the play ground of the world. No man can describe that country. I made a run from Ft. Lauderdale up the coast to West Palm Beach. And then, after dinner, we went over to Palm Beach, proper, where the homes are not surpassed, I judge, on the face of the globe. Then we drove back to Lauderdale along the ocean front. We went up the Dixie Highway and came back along the banks of the great old Atlantic. Now West Palm Beach lies at the eastern end of what is known as Lake Worth, one of the beautiful lakes of southern Florida. At a number of places the lake is not over a mile from the ocean, and the lake is, I judge twenty miles long and is fine fresh water. The homes of millionaires are located between the ocean and Lake Worth, and they are so arranged that they have salt water on one side of their great homes and fresh water on the other. Palm Beach itself is nothing apart from the homes of the rich, but West Palm Beach is making a great and beautiful city. A few years ago it was said that West Palm Beach was the home of the servants of the millionaires of Palm Beach, and as usual, the servants have outstripped their masters and have built themselves a city that looks like the Garden of Eden. It will soon be a city of over a hundred thousand. A poor man there can own a home such as a millionaire could not have in the North, for no amount of money in-

vested up North could by any means give what the poor can have in southeastern Florida. Palms, coconuts and grape fruit will grow as well for a poor man as they will for the rich. And the poor have the same climate, and fruit and vegetables and flowers that the rich enjoy.

Twenty years ago I wrote for the *Pentecostal Herald* that Florida was the promised land for the poor man in the United States, and I have lived to see my own prophecy fulfilled. But hundreds and thousands did not take advantage of their opportunities, and it is the same way in divine things. God is able to make a millionaire in grace out of every man of Adam's race, but strange to say they are not taking advantage of their opportunities, but are letting the riches of heaven pass by unclaimed.

Now Palm Beach is some forty-five miles north of Ft. Lauderdale, but as the people are pouring in by the hundreds of thousands, in a few years there will be a great city from Palm Beach down to Lauderdale and then from Lauderdale on south to Miami—and Miami is about twenty-five miles south of Lauderdale. And in a few years, if Jesus tarries, there will be a great city on that southeast coast any where from seventy to one hundred miles long. They have the best climate on earth, the best fruit on earth and water to peddle. Florida is the best watered country in the United States, and if the Church of the Nazarene will get busy now and do what we ought to as a church, we should have a fine lot in every town in that state, and in a few years we would have red hot Nazarene churches all over Florida. They should be a blaze of glory, and there is no way to tell what could be done, if we were to get busy and take advantage of our opportunities for our Christ and the church we are out to represent. We need twenty or thirty men who are willing to make a sacrifice for the cause of Christ and full salvation to help put Florida on the map for old fashioned Scriptural holiness as it has been taught by Dr. P. F. Bresee and Dr. Henry Morrison. More later.

UNCLE BUDDIE

Rev. William L. Watkinson, D. D., LL. D., called the "Wesleyan Chrysostom," the "King of the British Wesleyan Pulpit," (A Preacher of the Golden Lips," has received his coronation. He died in London, February 14, in his eighty-seventh year, having been born at Hull, England August 30, 1838. He is described as a man with a mind well stored, a faith strong and fortified by knowledge of the adversaries' lines of attack, a gift of brilliant literary expression combining simplicity and clarity with a charming play of imagination and wit; Dr. Watkinson achieved immense popularity. The writer had the privilege of hearing him at the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church held at Cleveland, O., in 1896.

President Calvin Coolidge gets a salary of \$75,000 a year, with traveling expenses up to \$25,000 extra and \$117,000 more for clerk hire and White House expenses—\$217,000 in all (subject to change). Vice President Charles G. Dawes draws a salary of \$12,000 a year as President of the Senate.

The aeroplane and the airship are here to stay. The Los Angeles, formerly the ZR-3, recently made a non-stop flight to Bermuda and return, covering the 2,000 miles in a little over 14 hours. During the past six years European air planes have carried 200,000 passengers and thousands of tons of mail and merchandise between the principal European cities. Many of the principal cities of the United States are linked together by air plane service. Air craft has proved to be safe, reliable transportation agents.

Statistics show that there are a less number of paupers in the almshouses of the country than ever before. Only 73,000 against 84,000 a few years ago. Prohibition is the reason; in a few years more many of the almshouses will have to be closed for lack of patients.

Dr. Luccock quoting from the *World Missionary Atlas*, soon to be published, gives some new and startling statistics relative to foreign missionary enterprises in the world since 1900. In 1860 the total income of all Protestant missionary societies

was \$4,000,000. In 1900, \$20,000,000; in 1923, \$70,000,000. Of this latter figure in 1923 the United States contributed \$45,000,000. In 1900 the number of white men and women missionaries was 15,000. In 1923 it was 29,000. The converts have increased from 1,235,000 in 1900 to 3,640,000 in 1923.

"The Parish priest

Of austerity
Climbed up in a high steeple
To be nearer God
So that he might hand
His word down to the people.

In sermon script

He daily wrote
What he thought was sent from heaven;
And he dropt this down
On his people's heads
Two times one day in seven.

In his age God said,
'Come down and die,'
And he cried out from the steeple,
'Where art thou, Lord?'
And the Lord replied,
'Down here among My people!'

The *California Liberator* says that Government officials are elated over the capture of the Canadian rum-runner Coal Harbor with a \$500,000 cargo of liquor off the Farallones. They believe that they have dealt a death blow to the biggest and oldest of the Canadian smuggling—Consolidated Exporters, Ltd. The Consolidated has been hit three hard jolts in the last few months. The Quadra was captured off the Farallones with a million dollar cargo last fall.

Most of the bootleg joints and liquor violations are run and practiced by aliens. The way to stop these inconsiderate violaters is to deport them—send them back promptly to their native soil. To this end the National House of Representatives, by a vote of 312 to 39, passed a bill to deport aliens twice convicted of violation of the prohibition and Narcotic laws.

The National W. C. T. U., is enrolling a million new members for law observance. Abraham Lincoln said: "Let every lover of liberty swear never to violate, in the least the laws of his country." President Coolidge recently said: "The observance and enforcement of law are absolutely necessary for the preservation of our liberties."

At Wilmington, Delaware, on February 2, in St. Paul's M. E. Church there was organized "The Methodist League of Faith and Life." This organization is to combat the rising tide of modern unbelief in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The new organization embraces ten conferences throughout the middle West. Rev. Harold Paul Sloan of Haddonfield, N. J. is the President. The new organization expect to publish an official monthly organ. This is a step in the right direction; the organization is timely.

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes reports that during the past five years since the enactment of the prohibition act, approximately \$24,500,000 has been imposed as fines and penalties; and that over \$15,000,000 of this has been collected. Jail sentences imposed amount to 7,321 years. Over \$1,070,000 in fines and over 800 years in jail sentences have been imposed in conspiracy cases since July, 1923. Prohibition officers are making it hot for law violators. There is a plenty to do yet. Everybody help.

"Count that day lost
Whose low descending sun,
Views at thy hand
No worthy action done."

REVIVAL AND CHURCH NEWS

EVANGELIST LEE L. HAMRIC: "I am just home from Altus, Okla., where we closed a fine revival meeting with Pastor Gilmore and his good church. This was a great meeting in many respects. It seemed to be a genuine revival. Souls prayed through and received a definite work of grace for pardon and sanctification. Brother Gilmore is a great pastor and is much loved by his people and the outside. He and his good church stood royally by us in every way. We were entertained in the parsonage. The finances for the workers came easy, also a good love offering for the pastor. The Altus church has some of the salt of the earth in it. About fifty prayed through during the meeting. There were quite a number of visitors. May the Lord bless the pastor and church at Altus. Our next revival will be at Webb City."

PASTOR L. G. MILBY, Ashland, Ky.: "We are in the greatest revival meeting now ever held in the city, so the folks say. Freddie Thomas, the boy preacher from Bloomington, Ill., is doing the preaching. Sixty-five chairs have been bought to fill up all vacant space in church. At least six hundred people in church every night and police sent to our rescue to help manage crowd. Five hundred people turned away who cannot get in. Street blocked clear across in front of church. 120 seekers the first week. Lawyers, doctors and business men coming with uplifted hands for prayer. City stirred, many voices of great men say they never heard such preaching in their life as the boy is giving. He is safe, sane and powerful, can trust him anywhere and at any time. One more week to go yet. Pray hard for this meeting. Our Sunday school has grown to 288, with an average attendance of 250."

PASTOR J. L. COX, West side church, Decatur, Ill.: "In December we had a good revival with our District Superintendent, E. O. Chalfant. About thirty prayed through to victory and since then folks have been praying through at our prayer meetings and from two to five praying through at our regular Sunday services. Our Sunday school has doubled and the outlook for our church is better than at any time since we have been here, for which we praise and give God all the glory. By request of our District Superintendent wife and I went to our new church at Clinton, Ill., and started a revival New Year's eve. God gave us a great meeting and about forty prayed through. On January 11th Brother Chalfant was with us and dedicated the new tabernacle,

and raised over \$400.00. God gave us a great day. A fine musical program was given by the Decatur folks. Brother Joe Kemp from Indianapolis First Church was with us. At the close of the meeting eight new members were taken into the church. Pray for us here at Decatur."

PASTOR I. F. METCALF of Montrose, Iowa reports a good four-day meeting with Rev. J. B. McBride of Pasadena, Calif. "Our meeting with J. Warren Lowman and wife closed on Sunday night, Feb. 22nd and Brother McBride arrived Monday, Feb. 23rd and spent four days with us, and put the old gospel plow in deep, put on the subsoiler and went down into the souls of men, and planted the old gospel truth of holiness, and our people will not soon run out of good things to feed their souls on. He preached in his whole souled way and souls sought and found God under his preaching. We were more than glad to have Brother McBride with us, as he is an old time friend. We thank God for his deep spiritual messages. Our church was much blessed under his preaching. We are going on with good victory and a united people."

EVANGELIST JOHN FLEMING: "We have just closed a great meeting with Brother and Sister Rich at Huntington, Ind. They came there five years ago and found the folks worshipping in the courthouse with a membership of forty and Sunday school about the same. They bought a lot in a good location and put in a nice basement and worshiped there awhile. Their membership grew until they got a good crowd of folks. Then they saw they needed a church, so they got busy. It looked like they could not build it, but today they have a fine brick church that will seat 750 or 800 people, modern in every way. Their church and parsonage are worth \$40,000, and all the debt is covered by pledges. Riches have the vision. I have held two meetings for them, the first one a year ago, in which he took in fifty-seven members and in this one he took in forty-one. This big church was packed from night to night and there were about three hundred at the altar. Brother Rich has a great church and is doing a great work in that city. He is one of our best pastors. Prof. C. C. Rinebarger was the singer and everyone who is acquainted with Rinebarger knows there is no better in the holiness movement. He is not only a good singer, but a good preacher and is holding some great meetings, doing both singing and preaching."

PASTOR B. F. HARRIS, Peniel, Texas: "The mid-winter revival meeting closed Sunday night, Feb. 22nd. This was truly a good meeting. The presence and power of God was felt in every service and souls prayed through at the altar in the old fashioned way. The meeting was conducted by Rev. C. W. Johnson and Rev. B. F. Harris, and continued nineteen days. Almost every day in either the morning or evening service souls prayed through. There were thirty-one professions of either pardon or purity. The weather conditions were fine and the congregations were usually large and very attentive. The finances came easy in the meeting. On the second Sunday morning of the meeting we took an offering of \$140.00 in about twenty minutes. On the last Sunday night there was a baptismal service,

which was a very sacred and solemn service. During the meeting six members were received into the church. The choir under the leadership of our efficient choir director, Mr. Tedro Ford rendered excellent instrumental music. Brother Johnson's visit has been a blessing to our church. He is an earnest preacher and a good evangelist. We secured a few subscriptions to the HERALD OF HOLINESS. We are encouraged to press on."

EVANGELIST EARL E. CURTIS: "God is giving wonderful victory here. Place full. Nineteen people gloriously saved in the good old fashioned way last night, some of the most wonderful conversions I have ever witnessed. Close here Sunday, March first. Begin at Plattsburg, N. Y., the fourth. Begin with Rev. Domina; Haverhill, Mass., the 22nd. From there to Assembly at Syracuse, N. Y., April 8th to 12th. Address me at all of these places care General Delivery."

PASTOR ARTHUR A. MILLER, Norman, Okla.: "God is blessing us here and giving us souls in our regular services. There were six in the altar Sunday night and four prayed through to victory. We have some real consecrated people here and the church is in good shape numerically, financially, and spiritually. We are getting a greater vision of God and His plan for us. We begin a meeting with Rev. B. F. Neely April 12th. Will the HERALD OF HOLINESS family please remember us at the throne of God for a great revival in this University town of 3,600 students besides the High School and the lower grades. We are in the fight and with Jesus we shall win."

PASTOR GEORGE L. DECH, West Side Church of the Nazarene, Indianapolis, Ind.: "We wish to report victory here. The first of January this good church called us to be their pastor. We got on the field at once and God has been pleased to continue His blessings upon the church. We can report good victory and good interest in every department. Our regular services are well attended and are times of salvation. A number have sought and found the Lord at our mid-week and cottage prayer meetings. At one cottage prayer meeting there were nine seekers. On last Sunday morning we received a nice class of seven into the church. The financial end of the work is coming along fine. We have a wonderful Sunday school field and we are asking God to help us to occupy it. We are boosting the Sunday school and are seeing results. Only two Sundays since the first of the year has the attendance fallen below two hundred. We thank God for these victories and push ahead. We still believe in old time revivals. Also believe that there is room for advancement for any church that wants to go ahead. We start a revival March 6th with Evangelist and Mrs. J. F. Redmond."

"WEBB CITY, Mo., Church of the Nazarene is moving on in victory. During the Christmas holidays the young people of Carthage and Webb City churches gave the musical "The Life and Character of Christ in Song" under the able direction of Mrs. P. H. Lunn from Kansas City. It was rendered one evening in Webb City to a large audience and the next night in Carthage to a packed house. Mrs. Lunn compiled this musical and it must be heard to be appreciated. God blessed us with thirteen souls at the altar during the month of December. Brother P. H. Lunn, the secretary of our General Sunday School Committee, spent the day with us on January 18th, preaching for us in the morning service. In the afternoon the folks from the Carthage, Carl Junction and Joplin churches met with us and Brother Lunn gave such a splendid message on Sunday school work that the churches extended to him an invitation to return at a later date with Dr. Ellyson and assist us in a great Sunday school rally. We ought to keep Brother Lunn busy in our churches speaking on Sunday school work; he has the vision as few men have. God has surely given us a reaping time in the month of February. The attendance has gradually increased in all our services; rarely a barren service—either souls in the fountain or a mighty burden on the saints and deep conviction on the unsaved. God gave us four souls the second Sunday of the month. The third Sunday we had one of the largest Sunday schools this church has ever had with an attendance of 108. This is splendid in view of the fact there

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were only forty-seven the 21st of September, 1924, the first time Brother Blystone, our new pastor, was with us. In the evening four joined the church and there were three gloriously sanctified at the close of the service. Then on the following Thursday evening at our regular prayermeeting, God gave us another soul. Last Sunday the pastor brought his message especially to the children and we had the wonderful privilege of seeing twenty of them bow at the altar and definitely accept Jesus as their Savior. We are so very grateful to God for His divine leading. Our young people are conducting cottage prayermeetings in different sections of the city, which we trust will be a means of salvation to lost souls. The dear folks here are trusting God as never before and in spite of all the Lord has done for us, we feel that there is yet much land ahead to be possessed, praise the Lord. We have engaged Rev. Lee Hamric for our spring revival, which commences March 13, and are praying that God will send us a regular 'gully washer.' Our people not only believe in the 'old time religion' but their lives are really hid with Christ in God and they surely know how to reach the throne in prevailing prayer."—Mrs. Nellie Daugherty, Sec'y.

EVANGELIST JAMES MILLER: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow! We are glad to let all the readers of the HERALD of HOLINESS know that we are able again to be out in the work. We have just closed a meeting at Greencastle, Ind. We were there ten days. Brother Johnson from the North Side Church in Indianapolis, had preceded me four days and had everything in fine shape when we arrived. There were only twenty-six different people at the altar, but almost everyone of those professed to get what they were seeking. The church seemed to be much encouraged and we trust that the good work will go on. Rev. Cerena and Eula Jay are the good and able pastors of this flock and we enjoyed our labors with them very much. The finances came easy and we were able to get eleven subscriptions for the HERALD of HOLINESS. We are now starting out for the spring and summer and invite the prayers of God's people as we go."

PASTOR OSCAR J. FINCH, Placencia, Calif.: "The work here is moving along with a steady increase in interest and attendance, both in the Sunday school and church services. We just closed a good two weeks' meeting with the Balsmeier Party and had a goodly number of seekers. Sisters Balsmeier and Miller brought us many splendid messages in song. These good folk not only draw the crowd, but grip the hearts of the people with their singing. Brother Balsmeier is an old time preacher, bringing the rugged truths of the Book fearlessly and with unction. He brought us some great messages and was tender and kind under trying circumstances. Finances came easy and a fifty dollar love offering was raised for the pastor. We are praying and expecting the Lord to be continually in our midst."

"ST. MARIES, IDAHO, Church of the Nazarene has just closed a gracious revival. Attendance was good, interest fine throughout the meeting, a number of seekers and finders and eight joined the church at the close. Pastor P. C. Thatcher and wife were their own evangelists and they did excellent work. This church has had a hard pull, but is now greatly encouraged."—Mrs. L. Y. Ferguson, Reporter.

EVANGELIST E. T. ADAMS: "We had a splendid revival with Pastor B. H. Franklin and his church (the M. E. Church) at Red Key, Indiana. He has a very spiritual people who know how to pray and work for the salvation of souls. There were about one hundred professions of either justification or sanctification, a good class joined the church and sixty pledged themselves to erect family altars. Brother W. B. Yates led the singing and the people were greatly blessed by his messages in song. We have also had a good meeting with Brother Armstrong and the M. E. Church at Yorktown, Ind. Fifty or more prayed through and they urged us to return next summer for a big tent meeting. We greatly enjoyed the generous hospitality of these pastors and people."

PASTOR H. MILLIGAN, Laurel, Miss.: "Having finished a two year pastorate at Hot Springs, Ark., where the Lord helped us to get the church in good going condition, we were advised by General Su-

perintendent Goodwin to undertake the work here. We arrived Jan. 9, found the Nazarenes few in number, scattered, and with no place to worship. They are holy people, but they could not see their way out. But God is undertaking for us. We now have a Sunday school with a boom on, a growing W. M. S., a fine midweek prayermeeting and preaching twice each Sunday. God has given us a good meeting place in the heart of the city, recently vacated by the Lutherans. Brother A. J. Vallery of Memphis, Tenn., came down and preached for us the opening Sunday. Interest is increasing and the parsonage family does not want for any good thing."

EVANGELIST W. H. TULLIS: "Have just closed a meeting in Toledo, Oregon, in which there were over fifty professions of either conversion or sanctification. Crowds came from the first and it was easy to preach to them. The meeting was in the Methodist Church, where there had been but little holiness preaching. This is a logging town of about 3,000 population, started by the Government during the war, and is in one of the largest bodies of spruce timber in the world. The superintendent welcomed us to any part of the mill where we wanted to go and we got acquainted with many of the men and got them to church. One of these who was saved is called to preach and we believe he will make good. Over twenty joined the Methodist Church."

PASTOR W. M. LANE, Tuscaloosa, Ala.: "Our winter revival closed March 1. It was a time of refreshing and there were fifty professions of regeneration or sanctification. Rev. Robt. Rawls of Nashville, Tenn., was the evangelist, and we can fully recommend him. He is a death, hell and the judgment preacher. We were assisted by Rev. W. O. Self of Birmingham, Ala., who was wonderfully used of God while in our midst."

PASTOR EARL I. STEVENS, Millington, Mich.: "We came here the first of the year and God has given us a number of souls and the attendance at our services is increasing rapidly. Last Tuesday our loyal people and their friends gave us a good 'pounding.' We are encouraged and are pressing on."

PASTOR L. G. MILBY, Ashland, Ky.: "We have just closed a revival with Freddie Thomas, the Boy Preacher, from Bloomington, Ill. There were 190 at the altar, a good class joined the church and more are coming. Our Sunday school had reached 294 with an average attendance of 250. Finances in the meeting came easy. We gave Freddie \$280 and several presents. At least 500 people were turned away each Sunday night, 600 were jammed into our church every night. Every aisle was filled with people standing. Since coming to Ashland we have held a meeting with Pastor Wiggs at

Olive Hill, Ky. Had fifty seekers and took twelve members into the church. Brother Jim Ward; known as one of the most wicked men here, his wife, father, mother and sister have been saved since we came to Ashland and they all came into the church last Sunday. During the revival my wife was very sick of pneumonia and it has left her with a spot on her lung which the Doctor says may make it necessary for us to move away from this river. We could take up evangelistic work now and make it all right. But God has blessed us in old Ashland and we do not want to leave. Please pray that my wife may get strong again. Summer is near and perhaps we can get by this year. We would like to stay and put Ashland on a solid footing. At the Board Meeting last night, the treasurer reported all bills paid, half of the budget for the year paid, and \$244 in the treasury. We have now started a drive for subscriptions for the HERALD of HOLINESS. Pray for us as soon as you read this."

PASTOR HOWARD ECKEL, First Church, Miami, Florida: "We have had a good month. While our friends in the North have been hibernating, we have been basking in the sunshine. Souls have been praying through at almost every service. The Sunday school has about doubled and is now over two hundred, and we are pressing for the 250 mark. Brother Eby is a live superintendent, and is always on the alert for new scholars. We immersed a brother and a sister in the Atlantic Ocean Sunday afternoon. The brother, a big husky fellow, came up shouting and got his arms around me. The crowd

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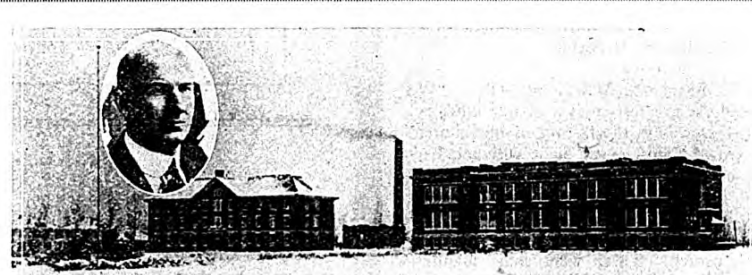


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on the shore thought we were both going down, but we didn't. Brother Bud Robinson preached for us one Sunday and Evangelist Elsner brought us a great message on 'The Close of the Gentile Age,' and seekers were at the altar. 'Our big church is filling up. Strange faces are seen at every service. Our prayermeeting is largely attended and is a time of refreshing. A shout came on the people last Sunday morning and for ten minutes we could do nothing but praise the Lord. We shall soon take a good class into the church. 'It is always June in Miami!'"

Dr. A. O'BANNON, La Belle, Florida: "Have just closed a five weeks tent meeting here, and have secured a lot and lumber, expect to build a church and dedicate free from debt within sixty days. I have entered the evangelistic work again after serving as pastor for several years."

PASTOR Wm. F. McPHERSON, The Nazarene Tabernacle, Chicago, Ill.: "Evangelist John J. Hunt Jr. and Prof. B. D. Sutton and wife have just closed a three weeks' revival here. Results were good. There were thirty-seven at the altar and we took in nine new members and have four or five more to come in soon. Our workers made many friends. Many said they had never heard such gospel singing and preaching in their lives. And personally, I do not believe there are any better than John J. Hunt and the Suttons."

EVANGELIST Wm. SEAL: "The Lord has blessed my work since the Assembly. Have had good meeting at Meta, Iberia, Esther and Annapolis, Mo. Our last meeting was with Pastor C. I. Deboard at 12th and Park Ave., St. Louis, Mo. They have a good location on a busy street. We were there five weeks. Crowds were large and there were 146 professions. They have a Sunday school of 229 and fine prospects for a great work. I have some open dates and anyone wanting my services, please address me at Des Arc, Mo."

PASTOR CLYDE E. GREEN, Newport, Ky.: "We have a great revival on with The Chatfield Evangelistic Party of Hamilton, Ohio. Expect a good number of members next Sunday."

"KINGSDOWN, KANSAS, Church of the Nazarene closed a revival March 1. Evangelist J. L. Bond was wonderfully blessed in giving out the Word. The saints were blessed and encouraged. Entertainment and remuneration of the evangelist and singer were taken care of without a public collection. The writer was invited to take up the duties of pastor here and we ask your prayers that the anointing of the Spirit may rest upon us."—Mrs. Laura Hair.

"FIRST CHURCH of the Nazarene, Bloomington, Ind., is moving up the line. We believe Rev. J. S. Randle and wife are among the best pastors on the District, and we are praying for a mighty revival to sweep this place. Rev. P. C. Pearson of Greensboro, Ind., begins a meeting with us March 8."—Mrs. John T. Lenthicum, Reporter.

PASTOR E. F. BRADFORD, Manchester, Ohio: "We have just closed the greatest revival of our ministry. Had the largest crowds in the history of our church. An overflow crowd almost every night with numbers turned away on Sunday nights. The meeting continued almost four weeks and there were 117 professions. A number of times the power of God was so present that we gave the invitation without attempting to preach. There were some manifestations of the power of God that will never be forgotten. This is my third year with this dear people, and we will almost double our membership this year. The Sunday school has doubled and the outlook is fine. Our present quarters are too small for us and with but little effort we have secured in cash and pledges about \$1,300 toward the new church which we expect to start in the spring."

TELEGRAMS

PASADENA, CALIF.

Sunday March 8. This day 711 in Sunday school. District Superintendent Hill preached powerful message. Church voted on pastor, giving ninety percent vote for present pastor, which was immediately

made unanimous. Missionary Superintendent Scott preached to large audience at night. Revival opens March 15, Oscar Hudson evangelist.—U. E. Harding, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Balsmeier Evangelistic Party closed successful meetings with Hollywood church. Church and pastor highly appreciate work done by these able evangelists. They are called for next year. Hollywood church established year ago last summer is growing spiritually and numerically. Thirteen new members in last three Sundays, more to follow. Victory.—James Proctor Knott, Pastor.

KALAMA, WASH.

Closed good revival Sunday night. Evangelist Martha E. Curry and The Nampa Quartette in charge. Three days of fasting and prayer. Good crowds. Great conviction on people. Between thirty-five and forty seekers the last Sunday. All prayed through but three.—G. D. Dorris.

CADILLAC, MICH.

Big revival in progress conducted by Beulah Quartet of Caro, Misses Parsell, Haynes, Pritchard and Templin. Veritable Pentecost and eighty seekers and expect one hundred by Sunday evening.—Ivan Warren.

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Rev. Willis French just closed a good revival for the Young People's Society of the First Nazarene Church. Forty-two professions. Church greatly helped.—Mrs. Gurtha Phillips, President Y. P. S.

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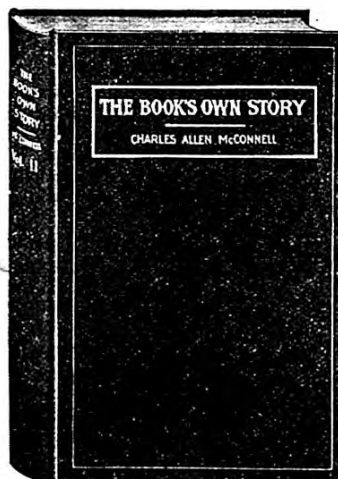
God gave us a pleasant and profitable meeting with Rev. R. E. Griffith at Oakdale, California. Number prayed through and church people blessed. Mrs. Koenig did beautiful singing. Wonderful meeting on here with I. W. Young and wife. Many blessed first week. Dr. Goodwin with us next week. Next meeting with Donnell J. Smith, 606 Elliott Ave., Portland, Oregon, March 15 to April 5.—J. E. L. Moore.

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NOTICE—Rev. Bud Robinson, Prof. C. C. Rinebarger and District Superintendent Oliver will hold a convention in our Hot Springs, Ark., church March 18-22. You are invited to attend. If you are coming, please write to C. A. Dawson, Pastor, Hot Springs, Ark.

NOTICE—Edward C. Oney of 126 Hackworth St., Ashland, Ky., has resigned his pastorate at Rush, Ky., and is entering the evangelistic field, and we recommend him to any church for a revival or campmeeting. He was a student at God's Bible School, has been a missionary to Japan and has been in the ministry for ten years. He is safe and sane on every line.—John and Bona Fleming.

NOTICE—I am entering the evangelistic field again and will be ready to slate meetings after April first. Have had ten years experience in the evangelistic work, with but a few months in the pastorate, and will go any where in the United States to hold meetings.—L. M. Payne, Bethany, Okla.

NOTICE—Rev. August N. Nilson of Pasadena, California, is too well known to the readers of the HERALD OF HOLINESS and the Nazarene family to need my recommendation as a preacher of full salvation. But we would like to say that he conducted the singing in the meeting that the writer held in our East Washington street Nazarene church in Pasadena, California, the first half of January, with acceptance, and also was used in prayer and altar service. Brother Nilson is now ready to enter the ministry anywhere that he can be used devoting all of his time. There are many needy places, and we trust that he will be given plenty to do. His full address will be found in the Evangelistic Calendar of this paper. This notice is not solicited by Brother Nilson.—J. B. McBride, Pasadena, California.

REQUEST—Our oldest son is quarantined in the family home at Cumberland, Wis., with scarlet fever. Please pray for us.—B. T. Flanery, Evangelist.

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NOTICE—Evangelist R. L. Hollenback of Mansfield, Ill., will preach and render special musical selections in our church at Trenton, N. J., March 22-29, and General Superintendent Goodwin will preside at the District Assembly the following week. Provisions will be made for visitors if you will let us know that you are coming.—M. C. Prouse, Pastor.

NOTICE—Those who are planning to attend the North Dakota-Minnesota District Group Meeting at Mohall, N. D., April 24-26, please notify Rev. H. F. Vogt, Mohall, N. D.—Eula Barcus, Reporter.

NOTICE—A Young People's Rally, under the direction of the District Committee on Rallies and Conventions will be held at Carthage, Mo., Sunday afternoon, March 29th. All young people from neighboring churches in Missouri and Kansas are urged to attend. Dr. J. B. Chapman, editor of the HERALD OF HOLINESS, will deliver an address and several papers on subjects pertinent to our young people's work will be read. For further particulars address Rev. G. S. Owen, Carthage, Mo.

NOTICE—Information has reached us that Evangelist T. E. Beebe, 1083 Orange Ave., Long Beach, Calif., is too ill to preach, and also that his wife is very, very ill. Shall we not all remember these dear and useful people in earnest prayer.—Editor.

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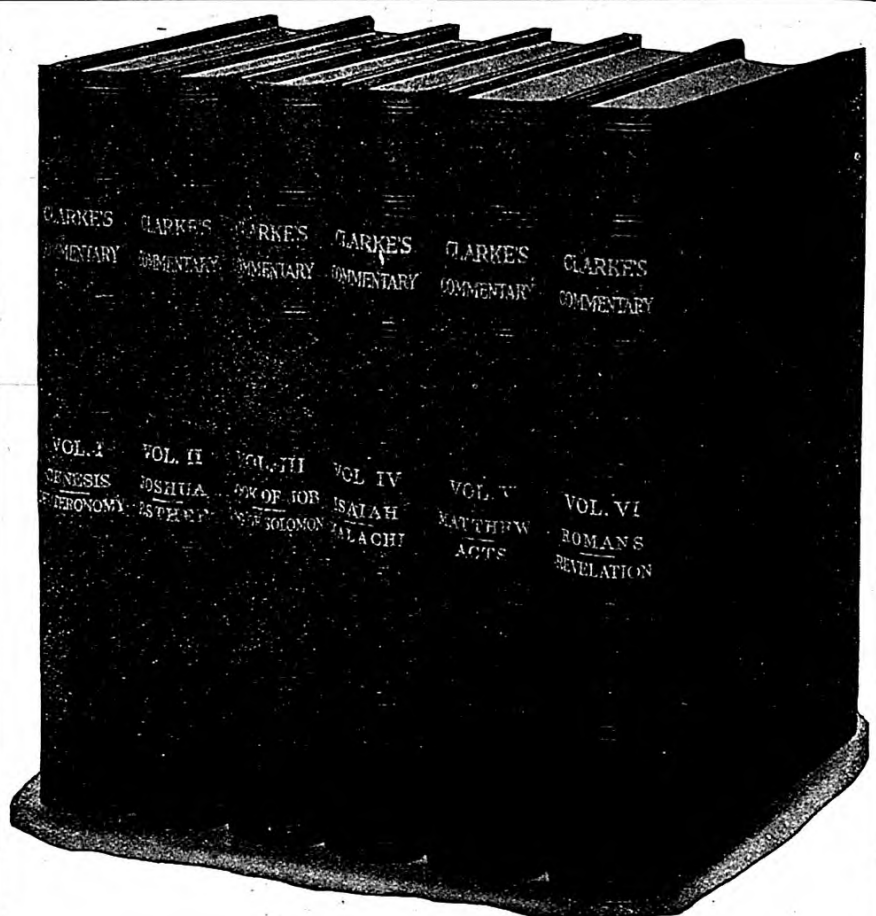
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