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A Mother's Prayer

General Superintendent Young

Our Heavenly Father, we come to Thee at the beginning of a new day. While the day is yet young, we seek the light of Thy Word and the purity of Thy countenance. We thank Thee for the rest of the night and for the light of another day. Make it wholly Thine. We want holiness to be written on the very pots and pans of our house. This dusting, washing, mending, and working are so humdrum at times. Thou dost know the pressures of our daily duties, but do not let them get us down.

May our faith fail not. Give us skill in raising these precious children Thou hast entrusted to our care. Give us understanding and patience, too. So many times we are at our wit's end, and our own judgment wears thin. Teach us the spiritual lessons we need to learn out of the daily grind. Sometimes the details engulf us; may they not ensnare us. Help us to be cheerful and radiant always. Give us the undergirding and perspective of Thy Word.

Thou dost know the things that perplex us, the needs that go beyond our resources. Give to the breadwinner of our home strength for today. Grant him courage and devotion for his task. Teach us to be content with what we have and not to envy others. May our love be so strong and true that our children will not miss the luxuries of life. Only save us from the crushing weight of debt.

We thank Thee for Thy abundant gifts: for health and strength, for food and clothes, for shelter and work, for love and service. In our affection for our family, may we not become self-centered or exclusive. So many near us are sick and sinful. Help us to share Thy grace with them, and teach us how to give to others out of our meager store.

If it please Thee, let us live to raise these tender children to the years of responsibility. Our hand is in Thine, and we ask for Thy will. May we be as truly Christian this day as we have admonished our children to be. Teach us how to find delight in duty, even as did our Master. Enable us to take upon us His yoke of selflessness, and give us the daily rest we need for our souls. May it be no fiction for us to declare that we have found Thy yoke easy and Thy burden light. Our Lord worked with carpenter's tools before He taught men Thy will. Help us to follow the way He took in humble obedience. May we find joy while serving at our menial tasks. Give us the needful measure of Thy strength. Let Thy love abound in our hearts today while we work for others with our hands. In His worthy name. Amen.

LATE NEWS

"Rev. William T. Decoe, former pastor at Provo, Utah; Mattoon, Wisconsin; and Torrington, Wyoming, passed away April 5 at Flint, Michigan."—C. L. ELSTON, Pastor, Richfield Church of the Nazarene, Otisville, Michigan.

Rev. C. G. Weathers writes: "At the time of our Florida District Assembly we will be closing a five-year pastorate with our church in Eustis, Florida. We plan to do evangelistic work as the doors may open to us."

Dr. Donald P. Brickley, assistant professor of sociology at Eastern Nazarene College, is one of fifteen social scientists selected by the Social Science Research Council to participate in a summer research institute on the administration of criminal justice, June 27 to August 12, at the University of Wisconsin. Dr. Brickley will be available for week-end meetings during this time (June 27 to August 15) with any pastor desiring his services. Dr. Brickley was pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from 1946 to 1957, when he accepted a position on the faculty at E.N.C. Pastors interested may write him now c/o Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston 70, Massachusetts.

It's All Very Simple

By FLORA E. BRECK

Sometimes church or Sunday school attendants say they're a bit confused when it comes to "believing." Perhaps they declare, "It's all a little confusing to me!"

In one instance the pastor explained: "You see that chair, Jack?" The young man replied, "Of course." The minister continued: "Well, I'm sure you believe in its power to support you and keep you from falling—if you sit in it. But if it's merely head or theoretical knowledge, then you might never actually use it for support. You prove that you believe in the chair by actually resting in it. And, you know, it's somewhat the same regarding believing in Christ. If you actually believe in Him—and the pardon He offers—then you'll receive Him—and His offer of redemption for eternity. In this you'll be strengthened in your faith by John 8:16—*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*" That very simple explanation seemed to clarify the matter for—and satisfy—the young person.

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There Is a Veil Between

By EDITH ROBERTS

*There is a veil between
The Saviour's face and mine;
I cannot see Him now
Because He is divine.
Though friends have found that land
Where streets are paved with gold,
A veil still hides the face
I'm waiting to behold.
To mystic lands of hope
Beyond soft azure skies,
There is a veil, between
Where heaven's treasure lies.
Someday the Lord will come
And rend this veil in two;
Then I shall see His face,
And all things shall be new.*

The Strength of My Life

(Psalm 27)

By F. W. DAVIS

*In the Lord will I be confident;
He will never let me fall.
He's my Light and my Salvation:
He's my Father and my all.
Tho' my enemies assail me,
I will trust His Word so dear.
God will never, never fail me,
And will banish all my fear.*

*When in trouble He will hide me;
His pavilion is secure.
Tho' the storms without are raging,
He's the Rock that will endure.
I will sing and shout His praises;
God has been so real to me.
I will serve Him here while living
And thro' all eternity!*

Gleanings

from the
Office Editor's Desk

"I could not be without my *Herald of Holiness*. It is indeed the finest—articles, comments, editorials, news, poetry, sermons, sermonettes—from the 'best spiritual hearts and minds.' I gain so much pleasure and enrichment from each issue."—Colorado.

"I have been a regular subscriber to the *Herald of Holiness* ever since it first started, and feel like it's one of my family."—Texas.

"My wife and I have been subscribers to the *Herald of Holiness* for over forty years, and in that time have missed only three or four copies (our subscription ran out before I realized it). It is 'tops' in holiness journalism, and we just never want to be without it."—Canada.

"Your paper [*Herald of Holiness*] is a powerful instrument in the winning of souls for God. He has certainly blessed you, and may He continue to do so in the future."—Missouri.

"I do appreciate the good *Herald of Holiness*. It has meant so much to me through the past years that it has been coming to my home. I appreciate the question-and-answer column."—Missouri.

"The article on the front page each week [*Herald of Holiness*] is tremendous. So much good in the paper from outside to inside. There just is no other magazine on earth that is so sound and full of good things. Keep up the good work."—Minnesota.

I wish you could have known—

MY
M O T H E R

My mother loved horses. Since her father was a well-to-do farmer in a midwestern state, she always had a horse to ride, and sometimes one that only the men were supposed to ride.

Mother was a lively, attractive girl and quite popular in her community. It was she who went to the county seat and brought home the new styles in clothes and hairdos. No party was planned without her.

Then she met Christ. Just as she had been "all out" for clothes, parties, and horses, she gave herself completely to God and the church. It was there she met and married my father. He was a nice-looking young man with a gentle disposition and a devotion to God, but with no money. He had a call to preach, but a very limited education, having attended school only parts of two terms. Mother took it upon herself to teach him basic English, pronunciation, and spelling. Mother had a God-given gift for teaching. Her methods were original, but scientific in the sense that they worked. Daddy was a feverish student with an insatiable hunger for knowledge.

But home was not only a schoolroom of books; it was a graduate school of hardship. Into our home came eleven children, five of whom died before the age of five years. Early in her married life Mother's eyes began to fail. Daddy's pastorates always had to be supplemented by manual labor. I can never remember a time when the "wolf" wasn't either at the door, in the yard, or at the table.

During all her years of suffering, hardship, and near-blindness, I never saw my mother when she lacked courage. She always kept her chin up. When we were laughed at because of our odd, made-over clothes, Mother would say with such firmness that no one would dare to doubt it, "Clothes don't make people—you have as good blood in your veins as anyone in town." If a daughter hinted that her dress was out of style, Mother would say, "It's clean," in such a way as to almost make one feel that style was dirt.

Mother taught her little army to work. At eight years of age I baked my first cake by Mother's famous "eggless" recipe. When I was ten I made the family-size "batch" of bread. I do not recall when Mother started me to sew. I do remember

how she would feel of the material for the edges and explain how they should be. Nearly all of the material we sewed was new flour sacks. Only alterations were necessary for some things from the boxes of others' old clothes. At other times, after deciding what was to be made for whom, we ripped up the old garment and pressed it—not with a Sunbeam steam iron either, but the guaranteed-to-last-a-lifetime, walk-to-the-stove irons. I marvel at the patience of my mother, nearly blind, teaching a stubby-fingered girl to sew.

Lest someone think Mother was all work, I'll tell you how we often passed our time. As we washed dishes, swept floors, or dusted, Mother taught us many games. We often played, "I'm thinking of a Bible name that begins with M." The one who guessed the name first was "it." Or, for a change, "Guess where I am hiding." It could be anywhere within the room where we were working. If the work went too slowly, Mother called the changes. Hence, we had to remember to work while we played.

I can remember Mother playing running games in the yard, too, when Daddy would hold her hand while they ran. I remember the funny way her long, full skirts swirled around her ankles. She was so pleased when she and Daddy could outrun the teen-agers in the group.

In the evenings Daddy would read to Mother, and all the group joined in the excitement of *The War of the Rebellion* or of Napoleon's conquests. Other times it would be from Burns or Longfellow. Times of blessing reigned when Daddy read from the great preachers of the past. At an early bedtime, all the other books were laid aside and busy hands were folded. God's Word was read and often explained to young minds. Then we all prayed—Daddy first, then Mother, then from the oldest to the youngest. Frequently, by the time I was to pray, I would be asleep. Mother would call my name, or an older brother or sister would nudge me into prayer.

Mother never rode a horse after sidesaddles went out, but there was never anything sideways about the way she rode the problems of life.

When she could no longer see to read, she would still listen and remember. For years she knew her New Testament so well she could detect a mis-

quotation or improper reading. Many portions of the Old Testament she also new as well. Her favorite passages were the immortal verses telling of the resurrection in First Corinthians 15, and the exhortation, "Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Galatians 6:9).

Mother did not faint! Did she reap? Out of those years of toil came two ministers, one minis-

ter's wife, a Christian schoolteacher and nurse, and a Salvation Army lassie. Yes, she had a happy harvest here.

Then a few years ago, on Mother's Day, our mother, with a clear mind and calm spirit, laid aside her "natural body" with its total blindness and put on her "spiritual body," in the land of eternal light. "O death, where is thy sting? . . ."

Yes, I wish you could have known my mother!

What Is Sanctification? (III)

By E. E. WORDSWORTH

In former articles we have mentioned complete cleansing from all sin, and the Spirit's indwelling presence in Pentecostal fullness, as hallmarks of genuine New Testament sanctification. We now present a third evidence:

Sanctification consists of dynamic empowerment by the Holy Spirit. "But ye shall receive power,

after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). The Greek word for "power" in this verse is not the same as in verse 7, which means authority, but *dynamic* power. In this verse eight we have the Pentecostal promise, power, Person, purpose, and plan.

His Mother

By FRANCES B. ERICKSON

*On that first Christmas morn
When our Saviour was born
In the stable in old Bethlehem,
Did the dear mother guess
That the Child at her breast
Would die to redeem sinful men?*

*Did she know that her Babe
In the crude manger laid
Would one day suffer our shame?
Did she think as she kissed
Each sweet precious fist
That men would reject His dear name?*

*Could she glimpse in her mind
All the sick, lame, and blind
His divine touch so wondrously healed?
And each sin-burdened soul,
Through the ages made whole—
Were these to her heart all revealed?*

*Could her eyes see the Cross?
Did she reckon her loss
As she gazed on that life just begun?
Yes, I think that she knew,
And smiled, knowing, too,
When she gave to the world God's dear Son!*

There are some misconceptions of the power mentioned. It is not predictive, sensational, prophetic, spectacular, pseudo-healing power, but dynamic witnessing power. The Pentecostal purpose is clearly stated: "Ye shall be [My] witnesses." The enduement of the disciples with the Spirit equipped and commissioned them for the world witness—"Jerusalem, . . . Judaea, . . . Samaria, . . . uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8 is the key verse of Acts.

The power for the Church of Jesus Christ is the power of the Holy Spirit himself, and the program is world evangelization. At Pentecost the disciples caught a vision of world needs under the illuminating Spirit that irresistibly impelled them to share the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ by proclaiming it unto the ends of the earth. They were inflamed with a soul passion, and like Paul of a later date, were "not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." The first-century Christians were greedy for souls.

The universal scope of this world witness leaped over national boundaries, broke through racial prejudice, overpowered satanic opposition, ignored sufferings and persecutions, even death itself, and caused pagan Rome to rock and reel under the mighty sway of what Paul called "[the power of] the gospel . . . the power of God unto salvation," of which he was never ashamed.

The efficiency given to the believer in sanctifying grace is like a Cadillac motor installed in the automobile, qualifying him for his office and work. The disciples witnessed to the crucifixion, death,

resurrection, and glorious name of Jesus, as Acts records. A dead church is a non-witnessing church. A live church is an evangelistic force.

It is also well to recall that our word witness includes the idea of martyrdom. "They loved not their lives unto the death" (Revelation 12:11). It is an enabling, enduring witness. We are furnished with adequate means of power. It takes more spiritual power to keep sweet under trial than to shout in camp meeting. Empty wagons frequently make a lot of noise. There is personal power over the world, the flesh, and the devil. It took more power to pray and sing with feet fast in the stocks at Philippi than to preach on Mars' Hill. Paul was left for dead after merciless flogging at Lystra, and John Wesley, beaten by a very angry mob on the streets of England, was picked up for dead; yet both of these illustrious saints kept the victory and tranquil peace. And Wesley once said, "If a man does me harm in any way I am never quite content until I do him a good turn," and he would salute his avowed enemy by lifting his hat.

"Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Be not the conquered party, but the noble Christian, saintly conqueror by love.

A dear saint of God, wife of a very wicked husband, was threatened and often brutally beaten by him. He finally told her that if she ever went to church again he would heat the oven to intense heat and throw her into it and slam the door shut and burn her alive. When the time for the next church service came, she resolutely went forth to the house of God, fully expecting his threat to be carried out. She had prayed much before and, of course, she prayed with great burden while at church. When she returned home she found her husband frustrated and groaning on the kitchen floor with intense physical and soul agony. He could not carry out his threat. He asked her to pray for him, and there and then he was gloriously saved and marvelously transformed. Let us pray, "Dear Lord, give us power to live or die for Thee. Amen."

(To be concluded)

Look DEEP!

By EVA V. BEETS

"So that's your Christmas tree?" gasped my neighbor as she gazed surprisedly at the little tree perched crookedly upon the table in my living room.

"Why, yes," I answered, wishing vainly that she could see the hidden beauty of the fading pine needles, shriveled berries, and colorless chains of paper looped in its small branches.

Horrified, she suggested I discard the homely-looking thing and she would send one over, all decorated out in the proper yuletide tinsels. Groping for words, I tried to show her that she hadn't seen my tree at all; at least in the proper light. Why, my tree was the most beautiful tree in the whole, wide world!

It was a week before Christmas that it just so happened that my grandchildren, four boys and six girls, visited me the same afternoon. All talking at the same time, each described his or her tree. Then suddenly they noticed my living room void of any yuletide preparations; so off to the nearby woods they scampered, bringing back a small pine they had selected for me.

All afternoon little hands toiled. A crude board was fashioned upon which the tree was nailed by the boys while the girls sewed together bright-red yaupon berries they gathered from the swampland surrounding my home, making necklaces and bracelets which they hung among the green needles of the tree. Carefully they painted sheet after sheet

of writing paper, cut these into strips, which they glued together making chains to loop among the branches.

No, my neighbor hadn't looked deep enough to see the labor of love that made my tree so special. She hadn't seen the stars that twinkled in the eyes of my little ones as they proudly presented me with their gift.

I think on these things as a challenge to mind my tongue as I observe the lives of others. For somewhere beneath the rough exterior there may be a beauty I have failed to see. So into the hearts of the cantankerous, the proud and haughty, the alcoholic, or the woman of the street, let us look deep, for there it is we may find the hidden seed of longing to be one of God's children. And it may well be that love is the only tool to be used to loosen the hardness around the tiny seed that can bloom into one of God's most cherished flowers.

For did not St. Paul in his exhortations to the Colossians say to those who be risen in Christ: "Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness" (Colossians 3:12-14)?

WHO GAINETH HIS LIFE

By THELMA GRAY

Not long ago I decided that if a little Hyponex was a good thing, I would saturate the soil around my African violet and produce really fabulous blossoms. The result was less than rewarding. The leaves began to rot off, something happened to the roots, and my plant died. I'm using a different treatment now. I'm not going to feed my new plant to death just to produce a spurious, temporary growth.

Christian life is something like that. Some years ago we knew a middle-aged, unmarried woman who, to a casual observer, had little to live for; but we heard her testimony! It was so radiant that we knew outward circumstances hadn't dimmed the inner glow. No Hyponex needed there! Neither her pastor nor her friends were afraid of offending Beulah—she was too busy loving people to wonder if she was getting her rightful share of attention. She's gone to heaven now.

There's another friend—a valiant young Christian mother—who is just now sealing her testimony

with "blood, sweat, and tears." She is raising her children without benefit of a father's presence, because he has left his home and his responsibilities. But she is not raising them alone. God is standing by, as she struggles to feed and clothe them, and to keep them in the church and under its influence. Her plans are never made for herself, but with her children's best good in view. Her spiritual health is remarkable.

Robert Louis Stevenson remarked in his "Ordered South" that the medicine bottles on his chimney and the blood on his handkerchief were mere accidents—unimportant trifles—unable to color his view on life. How he must have been tempted, at times, to pour on the Hyponex of self-pity, unfitting him for even the certain rebuffs of normal living!

After our father died, I shall always remember our mother's reminders of our blessings. She never let us forget the great good fortune of the commonplace—nourishing food, comfortable beds, and public educational facilities. She kept before our thinking the healthy certainty that opportunity lay before us, but became ours only if we claimed it. She never magnified a teacher's faults to her children, nor stressed the impossibility of Christian living in a necessary—if unchosen—environment; and she never encouraged childish huffs nor teenage resentments to grow or to endure. She often substituted common sense and humor for Hyponex.

Paul has somewhat to say about growing up and using our teeth on body-building meat after a brief gastronomical sojourn on milk. Even modern psychiatry emphasizes "adult attitudes," and the important role they play in satisfying living and in the maintaining of happy relationships. The adult Christian—or even just the adult—can hardly afford the false sense of well-being induced by the "I-love-me" Hyponex. It's certain to bring about spiritual disease—if not death.

Circumstance is incidental, but character is eternal. The vessel whose sail is set aright resists wind and wave. We have a friend whose immediate plans have been thwarted by illness, after years of preparation; but his attitudes haven't suffered in the thwarting. He is still godly under adversity, and we are enjoying the blessing of his fellowship because of an apparently unfortunate circumstance.

*Lord, help me to grow in the wind,
And the storm—if that need be;
But never allow me to wither and die
Because of my love for me.*



PORTRAIT:

My Mother

by
KATHRYN BLACKBURN PECK

*First, let the eyes look forth with understanding,
Calm eyes, where mirth and pathos blend and shine
With constant love, surpassing comprehending;
Clear eyes, that always read the love in mine.
Hair early touched with silver—cloudlike softness,
Framing a face that speaks of gentleness;
Lips firmly chiseled, brooking naught of weakness,
Yet speaking words of wondrous kindness.
Comforting bosom—haven of my childhood,
Where hurts and disappointments were forgot.
Voice low and sweetly vibrant, keyed for singing
Lullabies to a sleepy-headed tot.
Hands deft—efficient; feet that swiftly took her
Through countless duties of the busy days;
Smiling through weariness, but serving others
Gladly, in patient, self-forgetful ways.
Charm of her spirit, ever new and lovely;
Deep faith that God works everything for good,
Faith too in all mankind, that "hopeth all things"—
So I would paint her portrait—if I could!*

We must never appease, never capitulate, never surrender:

"FAITH OF OUR FATHERS, LIVING STILL"

By R. LANTERMAN

Red Deer, Alberta, Canada

For the Lord thy God . . . will not . . . forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore unto them (Deuteronomy 4:31).

"Faith of our fathers, living still"—so wrote the poetic hymn writer in the opening line of his militant song.

The preservation of this faith has been at the price of constant vigilance and self-severity. They who have passed the torch of spiritual life and light to us were never passive. They never held its sacred trust in mediocrity.

Christianity and the Church of Christ have always known combat action. Militated against by a common foe, the Church today is at the crossroads. Her very existence is threatened. The fire of her enemies is that of the heaviest artillery. We must hold the line of our faith at any cost, in face of any peril. To keep that line intact is to save all; to lose that line is to lose all. Today the frontal assault is treacherous and subtle; identity is camouflaged or concealed. The cunning foe may wear part or all of the attire of the patriot, creating confusion and infiltrating by means of stealth and craftiness behind the front line of defense.

Some parade our streets and knock at our doors under the guise of religious pretext. Our forefathers were spiritually sensitive, keen of detection. They recognized the foe in his disguise. Do we still possess that quality of moral and spiritual alertness? The homeland of our fathers is deluged today with a flood of "isms," having a common culture in a common ground—atheism; the lack of the vitality and power of God—all that is opposed to faith.

Lastly, the Church must guard against a passive and condoning spirit. This spawns moral and spiritual inertia, giving wrong the advantage. There are signs all too prevalent of this decadency today. Internal weakness is the certain road to defeat. Common to our time are symptoms that call for immediate correcting. The promiscuous attendance at the house of God; the ever-declining observance of God's day, lost in our modern life in an indefinable vacuity of time element popularly called "the week end"; spiritual illiteracy; the unread Bible; the marriage vow—fast losing its sanctity as a sacred trust; the doubtful moral props, the easy conscience, the ready excuse, and the ever-increasing popular concept of a sin-tolerating and "soft" God.

Twenty years ago Albert Schweitzer remarked, "It is clear to everyone that the suicide of our civilization is in progress." Suicide is self-implemented death.

Mr. Churchill remarked in an address given after the close of World War II, "We can have all the horrors of the Dark Ages ushered in on the gilded wings of modern science." The passing years attest to his veracity.

Where is the remedy for our ever-increasing human ills? Is it not the defending and the holding of the faith our fathers established? We must never appease, never capitulate, never come to terms with the foe, never surrender!

We dare not break faith: the "faith of our fathers, living still."

When Mother Prays . . .

When I think of my childhood and my home, I think almost immediately of my mother on her knees praying. She prayed about our groceries, the dresses we needed, and for God to help her to stretch the material and get the pattern on just right so she could make a needed garment.

Whenever we needed to move, the problem of a house didn't bother Mother. She just told God when we needed it and packed as if it would be there—and it was!

When we had problems or fears, we just told Mother, knowing that they were as good as answered right then. Here's a secret—if we wanted to do something wrong we didn't ask her to pray, but just knowing what God would tell her kept us from doing it anyway.

Did God always answer? Yes, He did, for you see she never prayed selfishly. Nor did she fret and stew about how and when He would answer. It was sort of like writing to a close friend—you don't worry if she will answer; your close friendship tells you she will.

Even though I am now married, with children of my own, it encourages me day by day to know that we are being remembered in Mother's prayers.

In this world of distrust, turmoil, and fear, I wonder what a change we would see if our present generation could say, "When Mother prays . . . !"

—BETTY POWERS RUNYON, *Wakeeney, Kansas.*

Current American Life

Some Observations

By Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States
*Delivered to the National Council of United Presbyterian Men in the
United States, New York, New York, February 13, 1960*

The minds of thoughtful Americans today are greatly troubled. It ill befits these times, or you and me, that I should try to entertain you with the usual after-lunch quips and humor. It is more fitting that I speak bluntly of our difficulties, and try to give you some assurance of the fundamental strengths of America.

We are in the midst of six dangerous crises.

We have in the Communist nations implacable enemies, whose determination—despite their disguises of peaceful co-operation—is to destroy and dominate the free world. And they are succeeding at our very doorstep.

We are not only plagued with their conspiracies but with the infection of Karl Marx in both the thinking of our people and the actions of our own governments.

We are in a crisis of inflation, which steadily saps the earnings and savings of our people.

We are in a crisis in our foreign trade—in which competition and an unfavorable trade balance cause the flight of our capital from fear of the stability of the dollar.

We are in a crisis of the domination of some labor unions by hoodlums, and the use of their gigantic funds to influence elections.

We are in the midst of an increasing moral slump, as witness the increase in major known crimes. From 1946 to 1957 the increase in these crimes was three times greater than the increase in population, and in 1958 these crimes increased over 9 per cent. In 1958 over 12 per cent of those arrested for these crimes were under eighteen years of age.

We can hardly believe that integrity and moral steadfastness are increasing when we witness the daily exposure of municipal corruption, the operation of some television and radio programs, and even the operation of meat, fuel oil, and retail shops.

I could dwell upon this half dozen tribulations at great length—but it is happier to convey some comfort to troubled minds by recalling some of the great strengths of America.

This republic is now 184 years old. It is older than any other great representative government in history. We have gone through seven wars, with series of crises before and after each one. We have gone through three great inflations with crises before and after. We have gone through the inevitable depressions from these inflations, with accompanying crises. We have gone through a dozen crises of corruption in government.

Yet today we still possess most of the Bill of Rights, as handed down by the Founding Fathers 169 years ago. We are well fed, well clothed, fairly well housed; and we have the right to kick about any crisis.

This American way of life has proved to be pretty tough. But it needs to be even tougher right now.

THE GROWTH OF NATIONAL STRENGTH

I have lived a long life, and I have seen our nation rally, exert its strengths to surmount dangers as great as those which beset us today.

A Tribute to Mother:



*If I could take the heartaches
You have had along the way,
And change them into roses,
I would make a huge bouquet.
I would place it on a mirror
Close beside your easy chair,
And kneel in silence by it
With my heart reflected there.
Then you'd know the truths you taught me,
In your kindly, patient way,
Have been my guide and anchor
Through every troubled day.
And you could read life's record
With neither shame nor fear,
For I made it by the pattern
That you gave me, Mother dear.
Then this shall be my tribute,
The best I have to give:
I'm grateful to you, Mother,
That you taught me how to live!*

—CLARA ROSS BAXTER

NEWS in PICTURE



DR. AND MRS. W. E. ALBEA, of Dayton, Ohio, who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on March 18, are shown together in their home. Both enjoy organ renditions of hymns and religious music and Mrs. Albea is holding one of her favorite long-play records of the hymns of Fanny Crosby. On March 31, Dr. Albea retired from the superintendency of the Western Ohio District.

Among the signs of our moral and spiritual strength, I have witnessed the outpouring of compassion which saved the world from two gigantic famines that followed the two great wars. During forty-five years we provided the necessary margins of food, medical care, and clothing to 1,400,000,000 human beings—who would otherwise have perished. And included among them were millions of people in our implacable enemy—Communist Russia.

And in these efforts we have restored healthy minds and bodies to over 16,000,000 children—who would have died from famine and disease—or would have become a danger to the world with their degenerate minds and dwarfed bodies.

Within my span of years I have seen our voluntary organizations and institutions—devoted to religious service, charity, education, and community welfare—increase by tens of thousands in numbers and by billions of dollars in support.

I have witnessed elementary education expand to include practically all our children. Whatever complaints may be made about the system, it has practically abolished illiteracy; and it has embedded in children's minds the inspiring names and events of our history.

I have witnessed the growth of higher education until today our institutions of learning are turning out more instructed men and women each year than the rest of the world combined.

I have witnessed great discoveries from scientific research. With the advance of medical science, our youth are taller than their fathers, and the span of life has been greatly extended.

We can well respect the accomplishments of Russian technicians. But let us not forget that they obtained the telegraph, the telephone, the electric lamp, the speaking sound track, the radio broadcast tube, the airplane, atomic and nuclear power from us.

But with all these evidences of the future strength of America, I cannot say to you that we may be without fear.

A WORD TO THE CLERGY ON THE SLUMP OF NATIONAL MORALS

A major crisis I have mentioned is the slump in morals. From the pulpit you strive, hourly and daily, to mend these evils. But the nation is in need of something more.

It needs to awaken from apathy. It needs a great stir of conscience, that certain evils be ended.

For instance I could prove to you by authorities and statistics that our law enforcement machinery has become deplorably weakened. Something is terrifyingly wrong in our law enforcement system when in 1958 there were 2,340,000 persons arrested for major crimes, and only 88,780 of them landed in state and federal prisons. This number does not include our county and city jails, which hold mostly pending cases and minor offenses.

I know of nothing in the teaching of the Scriptures which advocates the release of mad dogs onto the streets. In fact, I interpret Christ's words on "casting into outer darkness" to include effective sentences in prison.

The constant exposure and demands of the press for reforms in law enforcement need the impassioned force of the pulpit.

TEEN-AGE DELINQUENCY

I will detain you with only one more example where there is urgent need for a stir of national conscience.

J. Edgar Hoover stated that in 1957 an estimated 740,000 youngsters under eighteen years of age were arrested.

Those youngsters arrested in 1958 accounted for about 49 per cent of all arrests for burglary and 64 per cent of auto thefts. Their crime rolls include repeated murders, assaults, and rapes.

We are told that the remedy is the job of the parents, the schools, the press, a cessation of cor-

ruption through our mass communications and that it is the job of the religious denominations.

But we cannot ignore the fact that with the growth of slums and congested areas in our cities a new problem has arisen which cannot be reached by these remedies. These kids outside their school and waking hours are forced to the streets for air and play. It is here where teen-age gangs and crime are born.

The remedy is by prevention—not by policeman. And prevention can come only from alternatives to life on the streets. The many agencies working to these ends are not simply alternatives to the street. They give the kids a chance in life. They build character. They awaken moral conscience, which is the sure guide in life. They need the organized support of the whole clergy of the United States.

A WORD TO THE CLERGY ON THE INFECTIONS FROM KARL MARX

Another crisis which haunts us justifies a further word to the clergy of America. This also is within your particular concern.

That is the spread of the Karl Marx virus. More leaders of the Christian faiths need realize the ultimate end of this infection among us. The real meaning and purpose of socialism is the governmental operation of all commerce and industry, and the reduction of life to pure materialism. This infection creeps through our nation by deluded and misled men and by disguised organizations, fronts, and cults. These agents of infection are like hermit crabs which crawl into such terms as

“liberal,” “progressive,” “public electric power,” “managed economy,” “the welfare state,” and others.

Yet we have before our eyes—both in the preaching of Karl Marx and in the exhibits of government in one-third of the world—the fact that commerce and industry cannot be taken over from the people by the government without dictatorship and the destruction of all independent thought, including religions. They have ostentatiously proclaimed that “religion is the opiate of the people.”

The clergy can perform a great spiritual service to the American people if they would tear away the disguises and expose the meaning, the ultimate consequences, and the destinations of this infection.

IN CONCLUSION

In conclusion, in looking over the current scene in our national life, if we take a worm’s eye view of the crises and forces which surround us, we may worry that we are approaching the decline and fall of the greatest nation in history.

If we take a bird’s eye view, we see the fundamental strength of the American people.

And how can this strength be sustained and expanded?

It must come from growth of religious faith, from our devotion to freedom of men, and from a determined staunch stand against the evils which beset us. With these forces in motion, there can be no decline or fall in this nation.

But we have need to exert all the strengths which God has given our nation. (*Vital Speeches of the Day*, March 15, 1960.)

A Mother's Thanks

My heart is full tonight as I sit in our nine-year-old son's room. I am deeply grateful to my church—the Church of the Nazarene—for what it is doing for my boy. A few minutes ago while cleaning his room I realized anew the blessings that the church brings.

Let me tell you more: There in his “treasure drawer”—amidst marbles, top, peashooter, and countless other articles—was the paper packet that held a comb with a scripture verse, given by the Junior Society; also in the drawer was the name tag he made at vacation Bible school last summer.

As my eyes move around the room, I see the plaster-of-Paris “Indian Chief” and the wooden belt hanger—those “important things” he made in Caravan. On the bottom shelf of his bookcase are copies of *Junior Joys*, the Sunday school paper.

Thank you, my church, whose loyal workers are helping me in teaching my son to be a Christian!

Thank you, every one, who write those stories, poems, and prayers in our wonderful Nazarene literature. Thanks for every attendance pin or Bible pin that my son has earned.

These keepsakes may seem insignificant to an adult, but to my boy they are treasures, and in reality I believe they are symbols of a far greater treasure—the treasure of a personal knowledge of the Christ, who said, “Suffer the little children to come unto me, . . .”

Again, thank you, Church of the Nazarene, for the investment you are making in my child.—NOTA McCALL, *pastor's wife, River Oaks Church, Fort Worth, Texas.*

The Fight Against Indecent Literature

By A. S. LONDON

Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield estimates that sales from the mail-order obscenity racket have now reached five hundred million dollars annually, and unless stopped it will soon become a billion-dollar business.

Sales in dirty, suggestive literature have tripled in the past five years and can double again, says Mr. Summerfield. Much of the reading material on the newsstands of our cities, in hotel lobbies, grocery and drug stores, is absolutely so filthy that it is revolting and nauseating.

Obscene and lewd pictures, films and sex material, with the vilest perversions, are being directed toward the youth of our nation. Salesmen of this type of literature are invading the homes of our land, mostly through the mails, and have their goal set to reach one million teen-agers in the next twelve months.

Most of the advertising matter of this dirty material is being sent out as first-class mail. A mother stood up recently in a service and said that her fourteen-year-old son received one of these letters a few days before.

Testimonies have been given to the United States Congress as to the seriousness of this matter. It is being exposed over the radio, TV, and through the press. Forty-five per cent more convictions for sending out this material were gotten this year than the year previous.

Many of the offenders have been sent to prison for advertising this pornographic material. A new law has recently been passed in an eastern state, calling for a \$2,000 fine and two years in prison for trafficking in obscene literature.

It is now time for all decent-minded citizens and Christian people to awaken out of their complacency, and do something about this matter right in the community where they live. It is striking right at our door.

The Post Office Department is undertaking to secure the assistance of every American citizen to put down this traffic that is knocking at the doors of our American homes. It is poison to the minds of the youth of our people.

We walked into a store and saw six teen-agers down on the floor turning the pages of literature that was indecent to look upon, to say nothing of reading the contents.

It is said that "reading maketh a full man."

What will the reading of obscene literature do for the rising generation?

It is a fact that the Post Office Department can proceed against those who deal in this type of literature only as people receiving letters and pictures report them to the Post Office Department. Courts are influenced by the number of complaints received.

A bonfire of this indecent literature in every town and city, hamlet and village would mean a victory for decency and for the youth of our land.

The Love Cluster

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance (Galatians 5: 22-23).

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love."

Have you observed that the word "fruit" is singular rather than plural? These nine Christian graces are not called the "fruits" of the Spirit, as one might expect.

Why the singular? Is it not because "love," which heads the list, is the master grace of all, and that these other virtues are expressions of love? After all, "the greatest of these is love" (I Corinthians 13:13).

See how it works out according to this pattern:

Take joy—joy is the *gladness* of love.

Take peace—peace is the *rest* of love.

Or long-suffering—it is the *patience* of love.

Or gentleness—it is the *culture* of love.

Or goodness—it is the *character* of love.

Or faith—it is the *confidence* of love.

Or meekness—it is the *humility* of love.

Or temperance—it is the *self-control* of love.

And thus, as Paul says elsewhere, "Love is the fulfilling of the law" (Romans 13:10).—BILL BURCH, Pastor, Arlington Avenue Church, Riverside, California.



EDITORIALS.....

Here's a booklet you'll want—

"Christian Simplicity"

In the April 22 and 29 issues (1959) of the *Herald of Holiness*, there appeared a two-part article by Dr. Albert F. Harper, executive secretary of the Department of Church Schools, on the subject "That Outward Adorning." We received many requests for this discussion to be published in booklet form. This has now been done, and you may obtain a copy of it from the Nazarene Publishing House for twenty-five cents. This is one of the best discussions on "Christian Simplicity" that I have ever read. Many of you will want a copy for yourself, and then a number to give to your friends. Send in your order today for this booklet.

Three Cheers for Grandma!

At this time we are thinking of Mother and her place in the world; and no one can deny that it's an important place. Most women are close to their children and grandchildren. Father or Grandpa doesn't have much chance competing with Mother or Grandma. Something which has happened recently in our family has forced this truth upon me anew.

A few weeks ago I wrote my daughter and her husband and my son and his wife each a letter. Mrs. White usually writes them, but at her insistence I decided to try my hand, since I had received considerable attention from them on my birthday. Instead of using the typewriter, I wrote the letters in longhand. One of my grandsons made this remark to his mother after reading the letter: "Well, I'm afraid writing is something else Grandma has beaten Grandpa at." Now I am sure he

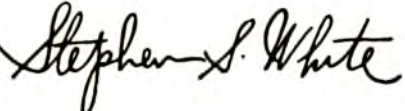
could have said what he did a little more kindly. He might simply have said that Grandma could beat Grandpa in writing, or that Grandma's writing is better than Grandpa's; but he didn't do that. He said, "Well, I'm afraid writing is something *else* Grandma has beaten Grandpa at." It sounds to me as if he was indicating that Grandma could surpass Grandpa in several ways—and of course that's right. These women excel us men in many respects.

It's no surprise to me that we've never been able to do much with Father's Day. It's different, however, with Mother's Day (which includes grandmothers too). It has become an outstanding national celebration. That's the way it should be. Three cheers for our mothers and our grandmothers! Without them this world would be much worse. Usually, when there is competition between them and the dads and granddads, the latter are outclassed.

At no point is this more true than with religion. It would fare much worse than it does without the interest and activity of the women. I don't know what the trouble is—God only knows; but often men seem to say (at least by their deeds) that, after all, religion is something for the women. God have mercy on us men! If any creatures on this earth need assistance from God, it's the men. They should believe in God and make a place for

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it (Isaiah 40:5).

Him and His work in their lives. But we are not here to malign the men, but to laud the women. They deserve all of the honor and good wishes which are given to them on Mother's Day. Among many other excellencies, we call attention once more to their faith in God and the Church.

By 

Called to a Week of Prayer

On the front page of the *Herald of Holiness* for April 6 we have a call to a week of prayer. It is presented for the Board of General Superintendents by its chairman, Dr. D. I. Vanderpool. The date of this week of prayer is May 29 to June 5, and its purpose is to pray for the coming General Assembly. This move on the part of our general leaders was undoubtedly in divine order, and we are thankful to them and God for it.

It is fitting for a church which believes what our church does to call for a week of prayer for its quadrennial convention. We believe in prayer. This means that we are convinced that prayer makes a difference. In other words, we are certain that God hears and answers prayer. Connect with this the fact that the General Assembly is the most important meeting that our church ever holds. Its direction and general activities are determined more by this gathering than any other. Surely, then, we must have divine aid if we would do all that we should. We must have God to help us chart our course or else we will come short of His purpose for us. This makes it worthwhile to set aside a week for prayer in behalf of the General Assembly.

Such a plan is also significant because it provides a way for all of our people to have a vital part in the General Assembly. From ten to fifteen thousand of them will be present as members or visitors. But these will be only a handful compared to the membership of our church around the world. The week of prayer will give the members and friends of our church who can't attend an opportunity to participate in this gathering. If they respond to this call, they may contribute more to the meeting than some of those present and voting. They can't observe the week of prayer *and* be in Kansas City for the General Assembly, as some can do, but they can take every opportunity possible

to pray for this quadrennial occasion from May 29 to June 5.

This time of prayer will be valuable from another angle. The General Assembly will plan and set the pace for the work of our church during the next four years. Those who are present, whether members or visitors, will more easily catch the vision and feel the impact of what is done. But those who belong to our church or are friendly to it who are not there will need special help from God in order to keep step with what has been outlined. They will lack the inspiration which comes from attending the sessions in person. This can be made up for somewhat if they enter heartily into the week of prayer. Thus preparation for the task which the Holy Spirit leads the church to choose for the next four years will be enhanced.

It's Easy to Be Against Something!

Often when I am driving from home to the office, the radio is turned on. Many times all that one can get, except crazy jazz, is someone talking *against* something. Certainly it is pretty dark at present. But this is not new, for it ever has been thus. We have always stood in the shadow of that which might mean our destruction. We continually face circumstances which could bring on a crisis. The subject of the oration given by the writer when he graduated from high school was "The Coming Crisis"; and only a few days ago a famous world leader called attention to six world crises which we stand on the brink of today. This makes it easy to speak out against dangers which are imminent, to talk against something or somebody.

No doubt we should, at times, sound the alarm as to an approaching storm, but woe be to us when we get to the place where we never find anything to talk about except that which is bad! There are still some good people in the world, some good organizations, some good movements, some good trends. Once in a while let's give attention to these things. When pessimism becomes our only thought, then life will be dull indeed, and little which is worthwhile will be accomplished.

Let's look up occasionally and see the bright side of life. Just as there always has been that which is foreboding, there also has been that which inspires faith and hope. There is something to be for, as well as against. God is still on the throne! The destinies of men and nations have not slipped from His grasp. Let's look to Him and thank Him, and make room for the rays of sunshine which meet our gaze at times.



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CRUSADE 1956-60

Department of Evangelism

V. H. LEWIS, *Secretary*

Boys' and Girls' Camp

One of the finest things your district provides for your children is boys' and girls' camp. The larger districts have separate camps divided as to age and often separate ones for the boys and girls. These camps become a high point of the year for the children.

Such camps require an almost unbelievable amount of work upon the part of those who operate them. Most, if not all, of this work is done without pay by pastors and pastors' wives, plus some laymen. They do it because they love God. They love boys and girls. It is an act of real service for the kingdom of God and the church.

These camps require money to operate them. The fee that is required of each boy and girl who attends is necessary for paying the expenses of the camp, since there are no donated funds to operate with. The amount necessary for your son or daughter to attend is very reasonable. You could make no better investment in your child. Remember, you would be spending a part of that sum to feed your child if he or she stayed at home that week.

Boys' and girls' camp requires prayer and spiritual preparation. It is operated for the spiritual benefit of the children. Here is an area in which we can all serve; we can all pray that God will make this summer's camps the biggest, the best, and the most helpful we have ever known.

In some districts an annual study has been made regarding the value of the spiritual help received by the children who attended camp. It is found that those who have the benefit of camp become more established spiritually, as a result. The preaching of the gospel on the receptivity level of the child is a tremendous factor in these results. The counsel and leadership of the godly group leaders are a mighty influence for right upon the campers. The clean, wholesome fellowship of the other Christian children is a stabilizing force.

Boys and girls from beyond the borders of the church can be reached, since winning unsaved boys and girls to Christ is also a very real purpose in these camps. These new friends hear preaching on how to get saved and how to get sanctified. In addition, they have personal attention and counsel of their group leader. This is a real opportunity for a church to reach into a prospective home. Do your best to get friends to send their children to camp this summer. In this day when a church must use every means to win the unsaved, the summer camp program of the dis-

trict should be used as a method to win boys and girls and through them families.

So, Father and Mother, begin now. Plan to send your son and/or daughter to camp. It will be a worthy investment in the character, soul, and life of that child you love. There are so many

things you have to say, "No," to during the year. Here is one place you can say a big "Yes."

Money? Yes, it will take some, but start now to save. Help and encourage your prospective camper to save for camp. Thank God you have a child to send to camp. Thank God you have a church that provides a wonderful camp for your child.

And by the way, if you have no child of your own to send, why not invest in some boy or girl who cannot go without your help? They need to go to camp too!

Nazarene Young People's Society and Nazarene Junior Society

PONDER W. GILLILAND
Executive Secretary

"Back to Camp"

The pastor of the North Little Rock (Arkansas) Church of the Nazarene, Rev. Earl C. Darden, believes that the youth of his church will benefit from attending the district youth camp. And he believes it so strongly that his enthusiasm rubs off onto the youth of his church. The result is a "Back to Camp" program in the church.

A "Back to Camp Club" was organized for the youth of the church a few years ago. The plan was so effective that each year since that time it is reorganized enough in advance of camp to motivate youth to begin saving money for camp and to create real interest in the district youth camp.

Every youth is solicited to become a member of the club for the current year. The club is then organized with a president and a promotion and publicity chairman. Last year's chairman, Nikki Hooper, gives this report of the club's purpose and activities:

The purpose of the club is to create enthusiasm for camp, and the only requirement for membership is that members plan to go to camp. Promotion and

publicity include such things as the wearing of shirts and blouses with the words "Back to Camp" printed on them; the writing of a theme song; making and putting up posters; the showing of pictures of previous camps; short talks given in the regular services of the church to stir up interest and recruit new members.

The members of the club are also "Go-Getters." A credit of fifty cents toward camp expenses was given to each "Go-Getter" who recruited a new member. The club members had a breakfast the Tuesday before camp. After a devotional talk and prayer at the church the group went to a restaurant to eat. The last Sunday night before camp the club had a rally. After the preaching service the members of the club had their picture taken under the banner which they had made, using silver leaves to spell out "Back to Camp," fastened to a badminton net.

Our CONGRATULATIONS go to Robert L. Thompson and James Thompson of Wellington, Kansas, who recently received their God and Country Scout award in recognition of Christian growth and service at ceremonies in our church.



"Back to Camp" enthusiasm ran high when the club members got together for a final rally the day before they left for camp.

The Sunday School Lesson

ROBERT L. SAWYER



Topic for May 8:

The Children of God

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 5:9, 21-26, 38-48 (Printed: Matthew 5:9, 21-22, 38-48).

GOLDEN TEXT: *Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God* (Matthew 5:9).

Here we see another of the Beatitudes, the first of the last trilogy. The promise is to be realized here and now. We shall be called "the children of God"! This is a part of that perfection that Christ demands for those who would follow Him.

Pursue peace. Perhaps no word has

captured the imagination and aspirations of the hearts and minds of this generation as the desire for peace of mind. This certainly is not bad in itself, for in Hebrews (12:14) the command is to pursue peace with all men—as a hunting dog pursues his animal or the hunter his game.

As with Jacob, the desire for peace with a brother is best attained by first making peace with God. The foundation for a peaceful relationship is in the heart of the individual.

Jesus is quite specific in His laying down some principles for the peacemaker. We are not only not to kill; we are not to be angry with our brother. Not "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth," but we are to return good for evil. The turning of the cheek, the giving of the cloak also, the extra mile, the giving and loaning, the loving one's neighbor, and the blessing in exchange for cursing, all add up to the perfection that Jesus demands. We must love our neighbor as ourselves. For some this would mean almost the millennium in their neighborhood, home, or church.

Blessed are the peacemakers. The wonderful thing about being a Christian is that there are compensations here as well as in the hereafter.

The way of Christ is a creative way of life. It demands daring and not minding the cost. It is the adventure of the noble soul. This blessedness is not the mere outward emotion or seeking of happiness. It is the quiet assurance and confidence of one who knows he is doing right and that he is doing it for Jesus' sake.

The privilege to be adopted into the family of God, to have our natures changed and the outworking of our lives to speak of God, and to be joint heirs with Jesus Christ and to be called the sons of God, this is the promise for the one who pursues peace with his fellow men.

The real basis for peace in families, organizations, and nations is found in the heart of the individual who desires peace, not at any cost, not by compromise with standards and evil, but peace in the will of God and built on Kingdom principles.

To be identified with Christ, to do His will, to pursue peace, this is our task today!

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Servicemen's Corner



Get Your Education First!

Attention High School Students and College Age Youth—"Join the Navy and See the World," "Wear Army Green," or "Go Air Force" are phrases you often see on billboards and posters around the country. Recruiting offices have quotas to fill and are anxious to enlist qualified young men and women for existing vacancies. Now these defense forces are absolutely vital to the security of our nation. They are worthy of our interest, prayers, and inevitably our tax dollars. Most thinking Americans agree that we must possess a deterrent power capability so strong that no potential enemy would dare attack us. In this rapidly shrinking world, with modern weapons so awesome and destructive, with the international Communist conspiracy in control of one-third the earth's population, America and her allies must be strong. Our defenses must always be alert and adequate.

However this message is not intended to be a patriotic appeal for enlistments into the military. Rather, it is an appeal for you to face facts fairly and squarely. Let's be realistic, for you're young only once! Young person, if you can possibly do so, GO TO COLLEGE, preferably the Nazarene college on your educational zone. Even

if you have to work part time and all summer, or have to borrow money, GET YOUR EDUCATION WHILE YOUNG. Your military obligation can be fulfilled later. As long as you are in college or graduate school, and making reasonably good grades, the draft boards will not classify you as 1-A. You will be able to maintain a student deferment short of a national emergency. The educational benefits of the "GI Bill of Rights" were eliminated on January 31, 1955. So unless Congress passes a new bill, you're not entitled to a government-subsidized education at this time. There's no finer place to get your feet down spiritually than in one of our own institutions. Study under Christian professors will give you increased spiritual, mental, and emotional maturity, you'll get more out of your military life later, advance more rapidly, and be in a better position to win a commission as an officer. Get your education now. Stay in school. You'll never regret it!—CHAPLAIN CLAUDE L. CHILTON, Major, U.S. Air Force.

NAZARENE SERVICEMEN'S COMMISSION

London W. Gilliland DIRECTOR

Thought for the Day



by BERTHA MUNRO

The Gift of Speech

Monday:

I heard the phrase as if for the first time: "the gift of speech." A broken right arm was making me acutely aware of many "gifts" I had been taking for granted—every painless functioning of a wrist muscle a gift hitherto unnoticed. The power of speech a gift? Then to be grateful for, to be responsible for as to care and use. (Matthew 25:14-17, 19-23.)

Tuesday:

The gift of speech is more than just talking. Animals and idiots jabber. Speech is communication; by it I cross the gulf of solitariness. By it I make myself known to other solitary creatures. What sort of bridge do I throw out? What sort of being crosses in speech? (Matthew 12:37.)

Wednesday:

I must put *thought* behind my speech. Adam's first speech assignment was to give names to the animals, that is, to understand their natures and to express rationally his comprehension of his environment and experience. My world is different and more complex, but my responsibility is to use my mind on it to come to sound judgments, and my speech to pass them on. (Genesis 2:19-20a; Titus 2:8a.)

Thursday:

"She is a woman of few words, but she uses them over and over." We smile at the clever play on words, then go on to do likewise. Words are only symbols of ideas.

*As this temple waxes,
The inward service of the mind
and soul
Grows wide withal.*

(SHAKESPEARE)

If our hearts are truly temples, our speech will show how our souls are growing.

And is perhaps a very vital phase of our "witnessing" this sharing with other Christians the fresh things we learn about Christ? (Colossians 4:6; Malachi 3:16; Ephesians 4:29.)

Friday:

I will put *reality* into my speech. My yea shall be yea, and my nay, nay. I will

be careful not to repeat others' words just because they sound pious unless I have found their meaning for myself. George Bernard Shaw said one true thing: Heaven is the place of reality; hell is the place of fuzzy, empty words, of unreality. (Matthew 5:37; John 3:11a.)

Saturday:

I will put *love* behind my speech. "Love worketh no ill to his neighbour." Love covereth. Love is kind. Love lifts. Even an unpleasant, necessary truth if spoken in love will heal and bless. So my gift of speech can always be profitably invested.

There was that quip of Christopher Morley quoted in the February *Reader's Digest*: that if all of us knew we had only five minutes left to say what we wanted to say, the telephone booths would be filled with people telling oth-

ers that they loved them. So hungry are people for loving words, and so stingy we are about saying them! (Romans 13:10; I Peter 4:8; I Corinthians 13:4.)

Sunday:

My gift of speech can always have behind it the *Spirit's authority*. There is a word! Is it one of those high-sounding but fuzzy phrases? I believe I may experience its simple, beautiful reality: the quiet checking and prompting of that faithful "inner Light"—the Spirit of love himself. (I Peter 4:10-11; Luke 12:12; I Thessalonians 5:19.)

Every physical gift can be lost by accident or illness. May my gift of speech not be forfeited by misuse. When the time comes that I must render it back to God, may I not awake to realize I have wasted its potentialities. (Matthew 25:18-19, 24-30.)



Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

no matter what the cost.—ELWARD GREEN, *Guatemala.*

From Brazil

Earl Mosteller writes from Box 1008, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, requesting that "our people be sure that they are supporting genuine Nazarenes and contributing to Nazarene church-approved projects in Brazil. Let there be no loss to Christ and the denomination in this hour when the Brazil challenge is so stupendous and so much is at stake." God is helping in this new field beyond the reach of our greatest dreams.

Evangelism in Guatemala

February 29 to March 6 was set apart by our Bible schools as a time for special evangelism. The executive committee under the direction of Brother Bryant and Brother Birchard planned a program of advance. The Bible school girls with Mrs. Bryant went to Panzos, our newest area, to conduct a vacation Bible school. Mrs. Birchard also went to Panzos and held a medical clinic, and Brother Birchard preached in special evening services.

The boys were divided into teams and went into various areas of our work. Some went to San Cristobal, some to Carcha, some to La Tinta, and some to Cahabon, another new area. Brother Sedat and Brother Guillermo Danne-mann from the Kekchi Indian School went to help in the Cahabon area.

We are expecting great and lasting victories from this week of special emphasis on seeking the lost. Pray for us as we continue to make visits to these places and teach the people that they can live for Christ and be true to Him

At Lorraine

By PAUL HETRICK
Transvaal, Africa

The Lord is helping and blessing in the work here on the Lorraine Mission Station and in the surrounding areas. The work is much different here from the compound work that we were in formerly, both in its nature and in the strange Pedi language which is used here. We do praise the Lord for the wonderful opportunities that are out before us in this needy field.

Our two girls are in boarding school about 110 miles from here. Only our three-year-old, Pearl, is with us at home now. She is wonderful company and we scarcely know just what we would do without her to brighten up our home.

Pray for Africa

You have all been reading of the critical situation in the Union of South Africa in recent days. Take it to God in prayer.

Pray especially:

1. For God's protection over the lives of our Nazarene church members in these troubled areas.
2. For God's protection over the lives of our Nazarene pastors and their families in these areas.
3. For God's protection over our missionaries who are stationed in these areas.

4. For God's protection over our mission property.

5. For God's protection over all His people who are affected by the riots and unrest in the land.

6. For God's overruling leadership and direction for the authorities who have the responsibility of restoring peace and order.

7. For God's blessing upon Africa until the people of every race and tribe and language shall be able to live together in Christian unity, respect, and love. This really means PRAY for a mighty revival and a wholehearted turning to Jesus Christ, which alone can save South Africa and the entire continent from anarchy.

At this writing none of our people have been hurt in the unrest, but some have been in danger. They need your prayers.

Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance (Acts 2:28).

REVERIE

A beautiful word, soft and poetic; no sharp or rough edges like—retrospect. Reverie—to dream—to look back—to live again; a word, a certain occasion, something that was precious or close to your heart. A regret, or a wish—or a whole lifetime!

It was a newspaper article that started my train of thought. It stated that the human brain is a storehouse and we can place there precious thoughts which we can recall later when our lives have ceased to be active.

The second reason was an elderly lady our pastor and his wife saw when they visited a member in a nursing home. She was sitting quietly with her hands folded in her lap, gazing off into space. This part of our pastor's story caused me to wonder what she was thinking about.

Maybe she was not to be pitied. Maybe her thoughts were so precious that she would not exchange them for anything in this world.

Reverie—we can store dreams, those ethereal things where we become someone else—even kings and queens; or we can fill the mind with experiences which will be so personal that if we miss them we will have missed some of the best and most important things in life. Does it not say in God's Word to think on the things that are pure, lovely, honest, and of good report?

In fact, we might store our memories with the one truth which will be our mainstay when we sit with our hands folded and gaze off into the past!—AL LANCASTER, Rochester, New York.

the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

When we borrow money, should we pay tithe on it? For instance, if I borrow one thousand dollars for a car, do I owe one hundred dollars tithe?

No. When you pay back the money which you have borrowed, you will pay it out of money which you have earned, that is, out of your income. This you will have tithed already, if you are a tither. Thus, if you tithed the money you borrowed and the money you paid the money back with, you would be tithing the same money twice.

What would you think of either our younger or older church groups taking up a study of the beliefs of what we would consider "fringe" religious organizations by inviting representatives of these religious or semireligious viewpoints to be present and speak on their beliefs? Should this be done when it is known that our church is opposed to their interpretations of some of the most important teachings of the Bible?

If I understand what you mean—and too well of it. I certainly would not believe that I do—I would not think recommend it!

Does not the Church of the Nazarene teach that the work of entire sanctification makes the soul free from original sin, or carnality? As I understand it, the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all sin (1 John 1:7). Then how can there still be two natures inside? We do not teach suppression, as a church, do we? We do teach eradication, do we not?

The Church of the Nazarene does teach that the work of entire sanctification makes the soul free from sin. There are not two natures still inside. We do not teach suppression. We do teach eradication.

Why do we limit God to ten days or two weeks in our revivals? Too often we close out just when souls are beginning to get stirred.

Even in our day, I have heard of holiness evangelists who do not so limit their time for revivals. I believe this is good, but I am not at all sure that we could run our whole program of evangelism on this basis today. Besides, I would say to you as a layman, why don't you help your pastor and your church to better prepare for the evangelist and the meeting before it begins? Then it would not take you and your church so long to get started after the evangelist gets on the field. Further, I have held quite a few meetings across the years myself, and I don't think that I have come up to the close of many of them that someone didn't say, "Why can't the meeting continue? It's just getting started." This happened as much or more when we had a good meeting as it did when there had been few visible results. Too often the person who was so anxious to see the meeting extended hadn't got up much spiritual steam until the last day or two. It would have helped the situation if the revival had started earlier in his soul. Remember, also, that the revival doesn't have to stop when the evangelist leaves.

Is there any reason to assume that the experience of Paul in Acts 14:19 is the same as that referred to in II Corinthians 12:2? I had always thought this was the case until a recent discussion in Sunday school class. Then I began looking up references, and now I am not sure that what I previously thought was true. Galatians 1:21 seems to imply that he was in the area referred to in Acts 14:19, but was he translated at that time?

I can't find any reason for connecting Acts 14:19 and II Corinthians 12:2. The latter has nothing to do with the experience which Paul describes in the former. I don't believe anyone knows for sure exactly when Paul had the heavenly experience which he tells about in II Corinthians 12:2.

Does growth in grace come about through hungering and thirsting after righteousness and then obeying when the Holy Spirit unveils our shortcomings and directs our actions in order to match our motives?

Undoubtedly you have mentioned some of the important things which have to do with growth in grace. Generally, however, we connect hungering and thirsting after righteousness with one's intense desire to be sanctified. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled" (Matthew 5:6). Still, there should be a hungering and thirsting for more of God after a person is sanctified wholly. Holiness means health, and a healthy Christian has a good spiritual appetite. It is true, also, that obedience

is one of the factors which opens the way for growth in grace. We must always be ready to do God's will if we

would develop spiritually. In addition, there are other means of growth in grace—tithing, attending church services,

witnessing, praying in public and private, and reading the Bible, may be mentioned.

NEWS of the Churches



Evangelist Orville H. Kleven and wife report: "We have had a wonderful time evangelizing in Norway and Denmark. This summer, July 17 to August 28, we will be in Frankfurt, Germany, spending six weeks conducting evangelistic meetings with our good friend and former pastor, Rev. Jerry Johnson. Please pray earnestly for us and these meetings, that God will give a gracious revival. Our vibra-harp and Scenc-o-felts created much interest in Norway and Denmark, and I am sure they will be helpful in Germany too. We will be sailing home on the "Bergensfjord," arriving in New York on September 8. If there are churches between New York and the state of Washington which would be interested in seeing our colored travel pictures and hearing about our 'one

year evangelizing in Europe,' write us at once, c/o Rev. Reidar Skarung, Box 55, Sandnes, Norway. We plan to resume our evangelistic work in America this fall."

Evangelist T. T. Liddell writes: "Due to changes in pastoral arrangements, I have open dates during the summer; also the date, May 25 to June 5, that I'd like to slate in Colorado or Kansas. Write me, 8819 S. Fairfield Avenue, Evergreen Park 42, Illinois."

Davis, California—Evangelists Bob and Ida Mae Mickey recently conducted the first revival campaign in the newly organized Church of the Nazarene here in Davis. Dr. George Coulter, district superintendent, organized the church

last December 13, with twelve members; we now have fifteen, with a Sunday school enrollment of fifty-two. The attendance was good during the revival, with fifty-five present in Sunday school on the closing Sunday. God gave glorious victory at the altar of prayer, and the freewill offerings for our evangelist amounted to \$158. The church has purchased property and hopes to construct a new building within the next six months; our small chapel now in use will seat only forty people comfortably. The Lord has given us a great open door here in this university town. —DON THURMAN, *Pastor*.

Grove City, Pennsylvania—In March we enjoyed one of the best revivals in the history of this church, with Miss Wilma Jean Ingham as the evangelist. God blessed with more than one hundred fifty seekers at the altar, eighteen new members added to the church, and the pastor was given an increase in salary, including a vote on the part of the people to send him and his wife to the General Assembly. Then on Sunday morning, amid the shouts of the people, he was extended a three-year recall. We all appreciate Pastor and Mrs. L. B. Baltz, and give God praise for His blessings.—*Reporter*.

Rochelle, Illinois



Our church was built three years ago in April; and on November 17, 1957, Dr. Harold W. Reed, president of Olivet Nazarene College, brought the dedication address, assisted by our district superintendent, Dr. Lyle E. Eckley. The church was packed and God blessed the services of the day. Since then we have had several good revivals: with Rev. and Mrs. Jack Sutherland, Rev. Dwight Steininger, Rev. Wm. Phillips, and Rev.

Thomas Hayes as the special workers. God blessed in each meeting and gave souls at the altar. At the suggestion of Evangelist Hayes, in the meeting last November, we increased our pastor's salary ten dollars per week. In January our pastor, Rev. Edward G. Stevenson, was given a unanimous call for another year. He is now in his fifth year with us and God is wonderfully blessing.—CLARENCE E. PETERS, *Secretary*.

Evangelist C. L. McFarland writes: "The Lord has greatly blessed our work with the pastors and churches during the past year, and has helped us to lead many souls to an altar of prayer. We give Him all the praise. At present I have some open dates in July and August, also some time in the late fall and winter which I'll be glad to slate with any church any place. Write me, Route 1, Michigantown, Indiana."

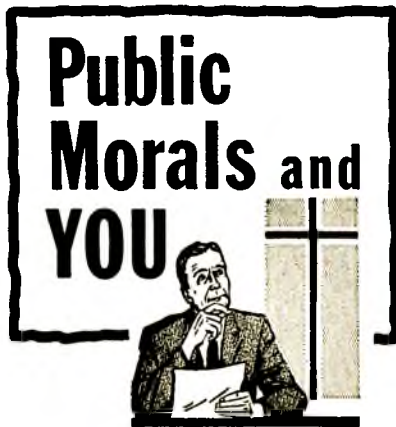
Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London report: "We spent eight days with the First Church of God and their Bible college at Houston, Texas. This group are strict adherents to the Wesleyan doctrine of holiness. The organization, at large, was founded about seventy-five years ago, and the group claim about 140,000 in their fellowship. They had 426 in Sunday school, and they have more than 100 young men and women preparing for Christian work in their college that was started seven years ago. Rev. Max Gaulke is the pastor, and also president of the college. The inter-church conference was held during the week, and it was a joy to speak to the local people and also pastors and laymen who came in from surrounding churches. We had a ten-day tour on the Northwestern Illinois District with Superintendent Lyle E. Eckley and Rev.

J. W. Silvers, district church schools chairman. Dr. Eckley is a devout, sane, and aggressive leader, and has more than 6,000 in his district Sunday schools. In the zone meetings we had 46 pastors, 33 Sunday school superintendents, and 279 teachers and officers. This district is dotted from one end to the other with beautiful church buildings. The people were kind, responsive, and appreciative. Dr. Eckley and his family are a credit to the district."

Kansas City, Missouri—Grace Church has been enjoying good victories under the leadership of Pastor Melvin K. Shrout. Nearly fifty members have been received into our fellowship during the past two years. In January, Dr. G. B. Williamson officiated at our groundbreaking ceremony, and work is now progressing on our beautiful new sanctuary. Long-range planning includes a completely new plant to house our Sunday school. We have enjoyed good revivals and special meetings with such workers as Evangelist and Mrs. J. C. Dobson, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Purinton of the Hawaii District, Dr. A. B. Mackey, and outstanding persons from Headquarters—all of these contributed to our spiritual enrichment. Above all, we are grateful to God for the deep, heart-searching messages our pastor brings to us each Sunday. Under his Spirit-filled leadership we are encouraged to press forward.—KATHRYN B. PECK, Reporter.

Evangelist George M. Gillespie reports: "Since 1937 we have continuously served our beloved church as pastor and as evangelists. For six years Mrs. Gillespie and our sons, Joe and Jim, and I served as an evangelistic family—playing music, singing, praying, and helping the pastors in every way we could. Our burden is the lack of systematic Bible study among our people, and for more than two years now we have been organizing Bible study classes for our churches and helping pastors to lead the people in a systematic study of God's Word. Pastors and laymen have been delighted with the new interest being created in Bible study among the members. We devote our week ends and Sundays to meetings, especially emphasizing holiness and the Second Coming; the other days and nights are devoted to the work of these Bible study classes. If you desire our services, write us, Box 208, Auburn, Indiana. I am a commissioned evangelist on the Northwest Indiana District."

Pastor E. H. Davis reports: "After seven years of prayer and continuous effort, God gave us a fine and growing work in Garden City, Michigan. We leased a three-acre plot with a dwelling, which we remodeled and made into a sanctuary. The lease gave us first option to buy, and under the direction of our fine district superintendent, Dr. W. M. McGuire, and after much prayer, we negotiated the deal. Now the church will be able to complete plans for a new sanctuary. We resigned in February of 1959 to accept the work of the Clintonville (Pontiac) Church, and have had a good year with these loyal Naza-



The Church faces a most difficult task in combating immorality in the movies today. Films from Hollywood do not present Christian standards of sexual morality because most producers are guided by the desire to gain additional profit or prestige.

Dr. Harry C. Spencer, general secretary of the Television, Radio, and Film Commission, stressed this economic factor at a recent meeting of the Churchmen's Commission for Decent Publications, an interdenominational agency to help combat obscene literature.

"The purpose of the producer is primarily financial and to gain status and not to portray the good life," Dr. Spencer pointed out. "It is also because to a large part of the public sexual evil is more interesting than conventional morality."

Degrading films can promote immorality in at least three ways, Dr. Spencer stated.

(1) They may misrepresent the standards the Church would maintain.

(2) They may misrepresent the type of person who supports the Christian moral code.

(3) They may frankly promote anti-Christian sexual standards by making lead characters act immorally, by presenting in an amusing fashion a code of conduct contrary to Christian teaching, and by assuming that any intelligent person would quite naturally have loose standards on sexual matters.

It would seem that Christians need to protest in more positive fashion the evils of Hollywood. It is evident also that the Church must continue to alert and to educate its constituency regarding a film industry that seems to have neither interest in public good nor regard for Christian morality.

**EARL C. WOLF, Secretary
Committee on Public Morals**

renes. Excavation has been made, with plans to start erection of a new sanctuary this spring. In March we had an old-fashioned revival with Evangelist Russell Bowman preaching with the unction and power of God. God blessed

in a special way and gave some wonderful victories. On the closing night of the meeting District Superintendent McGuire was with us and the pastor was given a unanimous call for three more years. We thank God for our fine Nazarenes."

Buchanan, Michigan—First Church recently had a good revival with Rev. D. F. Steininger as the special worker. His ministry in sermon and as a chalk artist as well as his beautiful spirit was greatly appreciated. We had the largest crowds in four years, with many victories at the altar of prayer. Brother Steininger has been asked for a return date. New property has been purchased for the relocation of the church in a choice new residential area of the city, and the pastor has been given a nearly unanimous vote for his fifth year.—W. E. WEAVER, Pastor.

Charlestown, Indiana—In March our church had a wonderful revival with Evangelists Jack and Ruby Carter as the special workers. The Lord met with us and more than fifty souls sought Him to be saved, reclaimed, or sanctified. There was a good attendance every night, and expenses were well taken care of. We greatly appreciated the good ministry of Brother and Sister Carter in preaching and singing. The spirit of the revival continues, and God is giving good services under the leadership of our fine pastor, Rev. C. A. Newby. He is a man of God, and preaches old-time holiness. All departments show a good increase, and our people are united. Brother Newby came to us last June, and we have now given him a unanimous three-year recall.—THOMAS A. McCoy, Reporter.

Northeast Oklahoma District Holiness Convention

The rich blessings of God were upon the Northeast Oklahoma District during the holiness convention, in Tulsa Central Church, February 1 to 3. Dr. I. C. Mathis, district superintendent, gave himself to the task of precipitating a spiritual tide through exhortation, example, and earnest endeavor, and we were not disappointed. The leadership of our district is always appreciated, and with the urgency toward a greater manifestation of the Holy Spirit we know success will attend the efforts of our churches.

Under the providence of God, Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, general superintendent, and Dr. B. V. Seals, superintendent of the Washington Pacific District, were the special speakers. Truly it could be said they "first gave their own selves to the Lord, and [then] unto us." Each service was better than the previous one and, without any pull, the concluding service witnessed the altar filled with hungry seekers who found victory in God in a glorious way.

In spite of the worst winter Oklahoma has experienced in fifty years, the attendance was gratifying. Preachers and laymen alike received a new impetus to "girdle the globe with salvation" and "holiness unto the Lord." We know

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that the message of entire sanctification is the message this age needs, and we intend to plant this message where it will reach more and more people. God is blessing our district, and we give Him the praise.—L. A. OGDEN, *District Secretary*.

Joplin District Midyear Convention

The annual midyear convention of the Joplin District was held March 28 to 30 at Parsons, Kansas. Rev. Dean Baldwin, district superintendent, presided and had the entire program well arranged. Rev. J. R. Smith, host pastor, and his people did a splendid job with the entertainment.

Papers on themes connected with the work of the pastorate were presented by Rev. Paul M. Sodowsky, Rev. Loy Watson, Rev. Wendell Paris, Rev. Robert Leffel, Rev. Harley Downs, Rev. L. A. Bolerjack, Rev. Floyd Hess, and Rev. J. J. Steele.

Rev. Mrs. Emma Irick was at her best in ministering to the needs of the pastors and people. Our hearts were challenged again and again as she drew on her many years of experience and opened the Word to us.

Rev. Allen Miller, pastor of Central Church, Kansas City, Kansas, was blessed of the Lord as he ministered to us in song. His spirit and ministry added much to the convention.

The Nazarene Publishing House was efficiently represented by Rev. George Rice, with Rev. Curtis Smith present to boost the needs of Bethany Nazarene College.

With fifty-two of the fifty-eight pastors of the district present, a spirit of unity and co-operation was manifest throughout the convention. The Joplin District Nazarenes, sensing their responsibility to the church and a lost world, are challenged to go forward for the Lord.—LOY WATSON, *Reporter*.

Honoring Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Albea

On the sunward slope of a joyous and fruitful ministry in the Church of the Nazarene, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Albea celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on March 18, with an open house at their home in Dayton, Ohio, in the afternoon, and an informal program and reception at the Christian Activities center downtown in the evening. Scripture, favorite gospel songs, and a reading interspersed various greetings and responses. Nearly four hundred pastors and their wives and friends attended the program and reception.

Dr. Albea, who retired on April 1, concluding seventeen years as superintendent of the Western Ohio District and forty-three years in the ministry, responded to the words of congratulations, saying in part: "I feel the Lord has been wondrously good to us. We

have had trials and tests, bright and dark days, but the hand of the Lord has been upon us through it all. We are happy in the Lord today and happy that it was only for a short time of our married life that we were not Christians."

Dr. Albea told a reporter that the secret of their long and happy married life had been "faithfulness to God and to each other . . . working hand in hand."

He said that most of all he had enjoyed preaching the gospel and "seeing men and youth won to the Lord and seeing them grow in Christian service."

Dr. Harold W. Reed, president of Olivet Nazarene College, presented a golden wedding certificate that praised the Albeas for the "fifty years that your home has radiated joy and blessing through sunshine and shadow, leaving the hallowed fragrance of holy living in every community, church, and area of life that you have touched."

The platform and reception hall were decorated with baskets of flowers. On the center of the platform, behind a large floral piece, two gilded hoops overlapped like double rings, bearing a blue ribbon with "1910-1960" lettered in gold.

Rev. Carl B. Clendenen, Jr., pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, Springfield, Ohio, was master of ceremonies. The Albeas' three married daughters, their husbands, and families were introduced and sat behind the honored couple on the platform. Mr. Clendenen read some of the greetings received by the Albeas including those from the general superintendents and other general church leaders.—*Nazarene Information Service*.

Deaths

REV. B. G. RODDA

B. G. Rodda was born August 25, 1880, at Plains, Pennsylvania, and died February 22, 1960, in Nampa, Idaho. In his early childhood the family moved to Raton, New Mexico, where he was reared. In 1908 he found Jesus as his personal Saviour, and to Him he gave his all. In 1902 he was united in marriage to Ruth McAbee in Pueblo, Colorado. To this union were born six children, one dying in infancy. Mr. Rodda had an interesting and colorful life. Much of his time was spent in the coal mining fields of Colorado and Wyoming, where he operated the company stores. As a Christian, he couldn't be satisfied to live in these neglected areas without bearing witness to the Christ he loved; so, largely without ministerial credentials, old store buildings and chapels were scrubbed and Sunday schools and churches were opened, revivals held, and souls won for the Master. Receiving light on entire sanctification, he entered into the experience with joy and victory. In 1934, at the age of forty-three, he was ordained, and his major business became preaching and pastoring—at Wheatland, Powell, and Rock Springs, Wyoming, where his health failed. He moved to Nampa, Idaho, as he said, "to get enough strength to tackle another church that needed a preacher." He never retired, but today he worships the Christ he loved so much. He is survived by his wife, of Nampa; three sons: George, of Pasadena, California; Carl, of Denver, Colorado; and Lee, Nazarene pastor in Walla Walla, Washington; and a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Vavold, of Twin Falls, Idaho. The youngest daughter, Mrs. Katherine Morton, died February 5, 1958. He is also survived by two brothers, Harry and Ed.; and two sisters, Mrs. Grace Faucett and Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson. Funeral service was held at First Church of the Nazarene in Nampa, with the pastor, Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer, officiating.

REV. ELBERT F. BURK

Elbert F. Burk, Nazarene elder, died at his home in Sacramento, California, on February 28, of a heart attack; he was fifty-three. He served pastorates in Clinton and Cassville, Missouri; a rural church near Casa Grande, Arizona; Crescent City

TRAVELERS



to the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

If you plan to come to the General Assembly in June, we call your attention to the excellent facilities provided by America's railroads. Kansas City is a major rail terminal in the heart of America and is served by ten rail lines that connect to all parts of the nation and Canada.

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National Transportation Secretary

and Chowchilla, California; pioneered the work at Sparks, Nevada; and was serving at Minneapolis, Kansas, until his health began to fail. He then moved to Sacramento to be near his children. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, and their five children. The children are examples of young people growing up to love God; all five are in the church today, loving and serving their father's God. Brother Burk was a good man whose steps were ordered of the Lord. Funeral service was conducted in the North Sacramento Church of the Nazarene, by the pastor, Rev. Kenneth Vogt, assisted by Dr. George Coulter, district superintendent, and Rev. Donald C. Moore.

REV. J. A. BROOMFIELD

J. A. Broomfield was born February 29, 1876, in Jasper, Indiana, and died February 15, 1960, at his home in Wichita Falls, Texas. He was a retired minister in the Church of the Nazarene, having served in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. He had been a resident of Wichita Falls for sixteen years. He is survived by two daughters, Dorothy, and Mrs. Forrest Garrett; six sons, J. W., Paul, A. J., J. C., A. A., and Clement; also one brother, Millard. Funeral service was held at Wichita Falls First Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Walter Patterson, Rev. D. M. Duke, and Rev. Marshall Stewart officiating. Burial was in Crestview Memorial Cemetery.

ORA V. KRING of Los Angeles, California, beloved wife of the late Rev. J. A. Kring, died January 29, 1960, at a local hospital. A native of Indiana, she had been a resident of that community for the past forty-three years. She was a member of the Breesee Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harriett L. Casey, of Van Nuys; a son, Edward A., of Mountain View; a sister, Mary Jenkins, of Pasadena; and a brother, Tom Parks, of Los Angeles. Funeral service was conducted by Dr. J. George Taylorson and Rev. I. W. Young, with interment at Mountain View Cemetery, Pasadena.

JONAS H. EBY was born May 17, 1869, in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, and died in Miami, Florida, on August 6, 1959, at the age of ninety. He was married to Mary Erb in 1894, in Newton, Kansas. They started a holiness work in 1905, culminating in the organization of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene in 1910. In 1913 he moved with his family to Miami, Florida, where he was instrumental in organizing a Church of the Nazarene in August of 1913—the first one in the state. He was a member of Central Church of the Nazarene when he died. He was a devout Christian and faithful to his church. He is survived by his wife, Mary; five sons, Reuben, Amos, Paul, John, and Earl; and two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Sumner and Mrs. Esther McCune; also one brother and one sister. Funeral service was conducted in Miami Central Church by his pastor, Rev. D. W. Thaxton, with interment in Woodlawn Memorial Park.

Announcements

RECOMMENDATION—After spending four very successful years as pastor of our First Church in Owensboro, Kentucky, Rev. Melvin Dishon has resigned, as of June 1, to enter the evangelistic field. I am happy to recommend him to our pastors everywhere as a man of prayer, an excellent preacher of the gospel; he is entering the field because he feels the Lord is definitely leading him. Not only has Brother Dishon been a successful pastor, but also he was a successful evangelist for a number of years. He is now making up his slate; write him, 65 Woodford Avenue, Owensboro, Kentucky. He is an elder in our church.—D. D. Lewis, Superintendent of Kentucky District.

WEDDING BELLS

Janis Faye Shelton and Lt./JG Howard J. Jennings, U.S.N., both of Merigold, Mississippi, were united in marriage on March 23, in the Sunflower Church of the Nazarene, Merigold, with Rev. Joseph B. Shelton, father of the bride, officiating.

Miss Janice Doman and Richard Wright, Jr., of Kelloggsville, Ohio, were united in marriage on January 28 in the Kelloggsville Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Richard Wright, Sr., father of the groom, officiating.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Paul Schurman of Orlando, Florida, a daughter, Marcie Paulette, on March 21.

—to Rev. Leland and Dorothy Buckner of Fredericktown, Missouri, a daughter, Lana Annette, on March 20.

—to Dick and Darlene (Broom) Kellerman of Bradley, Illinois, a daughter, Cynthia Kaye, on March 19.

—to Rev. Powell and Patricia (Silcox) Wyatt of McComb, Mississippi, a daughter, Karen Janice, on February 21.

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