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"Thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he shall save his people from their sins"

The Halo of Christmas

JESUS CHRIST claimed no immunities because of any human superiority of birth; He was never formally elected to any military, civil or religious office; only twice did He distribute gratuities to His adherents, and these were but the barley loaves and small fishes which the peasants usually ate; His much traveling was intensive rather than extensive, for He never was out of the narrow limits of the Holy Land more than four times; He never built a monument, and the only writing He ever did was done in the dust and no one knows what words were there; He exacted no vows and proposed that His followers take no oaths; He established but two ordinances and they of the simplest sort; He required no ritual and demanded no formal and highly developed creed; He died a violent, untimely and ignominious death; His decease was so sudden that it was necessary to place His body in a niche in a borrowed tomb, and even that tomb was not well marked. From every ordinary human angle the life of Jesus Christ was insignificant, if not despised.

But, nevertheless, the majority of people in the world who know how to write letters date them in relation to the visit which Jesus Christ made to our planet; the most successful and most beloved rulers and leaders of mankind are they who most fully acknowledge their own allegiance to the King whose only earthly crown was made of thorns and whose only earthly throne was a cross, and whose only scepter was a reed—the emblem of weakness; the charity of the world is done in the name of Him who commended the donor of even a cup of cold water; the continents have been discovered and explored by those who have gone to spread abroad the message of Him who Himself preached principally to “the lost sheep of the House of Israel;” the shelves of the world groan under the weight of the books which have been written by those who owe their enlightenment to Him who was reproached with the question “How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?” And no matter what men say, the fact still remains that Jesus Christ has influenced more people and influenced them to a greater degree than anyone who has ever lived on this planet of ours. How did He do it? When infidels cry Him down, why does He not go down and stay down?

The answer to all these questions is found in the person of the Christ Himself. Deny His Deity and you have a mystery that not even an angel can solve. Trust Him as Savior and God and the story is fitting and reasonable and satisfying. Christmas is here, and there is still a halo about it, although the child whose birth it commemorates has ascended up on high and is known to saints and sages, to angels and archangels as “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace.” But Christmas is perennial, because Jesus Christ is eternal. Christmas is hallowed because Jesus Christ is glorified. Christmas is a happy, joyous time because Jesus Christ is the vital, joyous, conscious, indwelling Savior of all who believe on His name.

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THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

Editorial Correspondence

We were with the preachers of the Pittsburgh District in their annual convention last year, and we had a splendid time; but it was commonly admitted that the convention this year was better than last, in fact that it was the best the District has ever had.

The convention for the preachers and N. Y. P. S. representatives was held at New Castle, Pa., Dec. 1-5, and Pastor Howard Rowe and his people made splendid arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors. Rowe is one of the liveliest, sanest and most promising young men in the Nazarene ranks. The attendance was good and the spirit of unity was an outstanding characteristic. The papers showed unusual care in preparation and the discussions were interesting and general.

It was our privilege to speak each morning on themes especially interesting to preachers and evenings on evangelistic themes. There was a number of seekers in the evening services and a good spirit of revival was evident everywhere. Rev. F. M. Messenger, president of the General Board of our church, was present and spoke twice on the book of Revelation and preached the best sermon on the Second Coming of Christ on Sunday afternoon that we have heard in a long time. The message was well received and was quite effective. Brother Messenger has given special attention to the study of prophecy and we hope to have some stirring articles from him, dealing with this line of truth, very soon. There is a general conviction that "the coming of the Lord draweth nigh," and of all times, this is the time for stirring ourselves and others with the unfailing necessity of being ready. There is this about it: if a man believes that Jesus is coming soon and prepares himself as such a faith requires, he will be nothing out even if Jesus tarries until he falls on sleep. But if a man believes that the Lord's coming is by no means near and he conducts himself consistent with such a faith, if Jesus should come, he would be left out. So faith in the soon coming of Jesus is the "safe way" at all times.

The Pittsburgh preachers and people are aggressive and pentecostal, and yet they are sane and progressive.

Dr. Sloan has been District Superintendent of the Pittsburgh District for eight years and has done a work which will be a monument to him for all the future. His wife is one of the strongest evangelists in our movement and is as faithful and untiring a "help meet" as any preacher and District Superintendent ever had. Of course I have been on a number of our Districts and my schedule down the line calls for visits to still others; so when Dr. and Mrs. Sloan called the Pittsburgh District the best in our movement, we had to admit that it is "ONE of the very best."

Rev. John Gould, Business Manager of Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Mass., was in the convention for a day or two and made an address in the interest of the school. The Eastern Nazarene College is father of the "Temporary Endowment" plan for taking care of the current deficits of our schools and for financing building programs. According to this plan, an endowment is calculated as the interest on one thousand dollars at six per cent. And the donor is asked to pay the interest in lieu of furnishing the one thousand dollars. Fifty-five such endowments are being taken care of by the Pittsburgh District, and Brother Gould has faith that they will bring the number up to seventy, which was the estimate which the college made for the District. These endowments are subscribed by individuals, churches, Sunday schools, N. Y. P. S. and other such units and are paid at the rate of five dollars per month. It is really a wonderful plan and has been the financial salvation of our eastern school.

Pittsburgh District is one of the pioneers on the budget plan and they work it wonderfully well over there. They are pretty well paid up right now and prospects are that they will keep their affairs in shape every month of the year. But the Pittsburgh people are real Nazarenes and they are passing the word around now that they hope to "over-pay" their budget considerably before their Assembly meets. They think it better to take on a reasonable budget and over-pay it than to take on too large a budget and not measure up to their promises. However, the Pittsburgh budget would look like an exaggeration to many. But they are enthusiastic and systematic and these two things are fundamental to the financial success of any unit that you may name.

Last year the Pittsburgh District set a new high mark for numerical gains by adding over eight hundred members to its churches. A corresponding increase in all our Districts would bring us beyond the 80,000 mark by the General Assembly of June, 1928 (And really had you thought that the General Assembly is only eighteen months away).

There is no more brotherly people in the land than the preachers and people of the Pittsburgh District and I enjoyed my association with them so much

that I was seriously tempted to vary my rule to go to the same preachers' convention no more than twice in succession and plan to go to them again next year. However, a year is not a long time, any more, and so I may get to these dear brethren again sometime.

FORTY THOUSAND SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE HERALD OF HOLINESS

IN FIVE years' time, or there about, the subscription list of the HERALD OF HOLINESS has come up from a minimum of about eight thousand to a maximum of over twenty-five thousand. This is a splendid showing, viewed in the light of the past, but we cannot look backward, we must look forward. Yesterday I was talking with Rev. E. O. Chalfant, Superintendent of the Chicago Central District, and he said, "We are not yet fully awake. We could by proper effort secure forty thousand subscribers for the HERALD OF HOLINESS and there is scarcely any one thing we could do for the promotion of our work that would mean more to us than to do that. It would be a great publicity move on our part and it would bring the message of full salvation to hundreds and thousands of people. In fact we simply ought to go about it and do it." Today I called on the Circulation Manager and told him what Chalfant said, and the circulation man said, "Well, that is within the realm of possibility, and I am in for doing it. Go right ahead and inaugurate the campaign and count on me for any thing I can do."

So we have outlined a sort of "plan of attack," as follows:

I. Illinois, Ohio, Oklahoma, California, Indiana, Texas and New England are to lead off in the vanguard for 3,000 subscribers each. Not three thousand new ones, but to bring their lists up to that figure. The six states that are mentioned appear in the lists above, and New England has approximately 900 subscribers. This will give an idea of the task each will have to perform.

II. Kansas, Michigan, Washington, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Iowa, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama and Nebraska are to constitute the second rank by bringing their lists up to 1,500 each.

III. Colorado-Wyoming, Idaho-Oregon, Kentucky, The Minneapolis District, New York and North Dakota, are to form the third rank by bringing their lists of subscribers up to 1,000 each.

IV. Alabama, Alberta, Manitoba-Sask., Arizona, The British Isles, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, New Mexico, portions of the Pittsburgh, Washington-Philadelphia and other home Districts, not included in the above, with all our foreign fields not expressly mentioned counted as one, are to make up the fourth rank by bringing their lists up to 500 each.

This makes 21,000 for the first rank; 15,000 for

the second rank; 6,000 for the third rank and 6,000 for the fourth rank—48,000 in all. But allowing 8,000 for shrinkage, one may readily see that 40,000 subscribers for the HERALD OF HOLINESS are within the realm of possibility. And what would such a list mean? It would mean the largest possible publicity for our work and the largest possible diffusion of our message. It would mean practically the doubling of the business of our Publishing House, the increase of our missionary offerings and the promotion of our work on a scale never approached hitherto. Brethren, let's do this thing.

In the first place, I want every District Superintendent involved in this matter to write me at once telling me whether you will undertake a program looking to the carrying out of your part of this program. Do this at once. Then we must get every pastor committed to the task. Pastors write your District Superintendents how many subscriptions you will undertake to secure. In the meeting of the preachers of the Pittsburgh District the first week in December, one pastor agreed to get 200 and altogether the pastors of that great District agreed to secure fifteen hundred by the first of February. As Jernigan says, "It can be done."

Yesterday I noticed that Bud Robinson secured 129 subscribers during the first five days of his convention work in Oklahoma. Jarrette Aycock secured 424 subscriptions at Akron, Ohio, and almost 300 at South Bend, Ind. It takes prayer and effort, but really, "It can be done." Let's do it.

OUR LEADING STATES AND CITIES

Perhaps there are those who classify the states and cities of the nation according to population, finance or climatic advantages, but we classify them according to the number of copies of the HERALD OF HOLINESS they receive each week. We started in some time ago to giving the standing of the twelve states and the twelve cities receiving the largest numbers of the paper each week. The lists are examined about once every two months, and the December 1 examination showed the following in regard to the twelve states:

1. Illinois	2,021
2. Ohio	1,440
3. Oklahoma	1,431
4. California	1,174
5. Indiana	1,132
6. Texas	1,010
7. Kansas	754
8. Michigan	551
9. Washington	530
10. Pennsylvania	481
11. Missouri	454
12. Iowa	437

And the following in regard to the twelve cities:

1. Akron, Ohio	294
2. Decatur, Ill.	290
3. Chicago, Ill.	259
4. Pasadena, Calif.	166
5. Los Angeles, Calif.	165
6. Bethany, Okla.	107
7. Portland, Oregon	106
8. Indianapolis, Ind.	103
9. East Liverpool, Ohio	79
10. Norman, Okla.	78
11. Nashville, Tenn.	77
12. Yakima, Wash.	72

This shows Illinois and Akron at the head of the lists for the first time. But you know Chicago Central District has recently concluded one of the most intense and successful subscription campaigns that has been conducted in any part of the church, and Akron has just recently sent in the largest list of subscriptions that we have ever received at one time and from one place. Chalfant, the District Superintendent of the Chicago Central District and the pastors of his churches must have a secret of some sort as to how to awaken a large section of the church in the securing of large numbers of subscriptions, and some of us would just like to know what this secret is. Will the Rev. E. O. Chalfant please come forward and tell us how he and his people went about it to roll up so large a number of subscriptions? And Evangelist Aycock and Pastor Haynie of Akron, will they please come forward and tell us how they went about it to secure 424 subscriptions in one revival meeting? Come on brethren, we would like to know. But there are Schurman at Chicago and Grose at Decatur who did remarkable work during the Chicago Central campaign, brethren how do you do it?

A WELL KNOWN FREE METHODIST PROMOTED

"The Free Methodist," official paper of the Free Methodist Church, in the issue for Dec. 7, 1926, contained an account of the death of Rev. William B. Rose, who for thirty years has served as Publishing Agent, or Assistant Publishing Agent of his church, and who, on that account, was one of the best known representatives of his denomination in the country.

Rev. Rose was seventy-seven years old and was held in the highest esteem by his brethren and by all who knew him in ecclesiastical or business relations. The HERALD OF HOLINESS sincerely sympathizes with the family and with the brethren of the Free Methodist Church who will sorely miss the faithful soldier who has been promoted from their midst to the ranks of the Church Triumphant. "Our people die well."

PREACHERS AND BIRDS

We remember of reading that Theodore Roosevelt made some sort of complaint when all of his sons insisted in volunteering for service in the World War. But Mrs. Roosevelt, reminding her husband of his own attitude toward such things, said, "Well, you can't expect to raise sparrows in an eagle's nest."

But today we ran across a clipping, credited to "Duplex" which says:

When a church seeks a pastor they want the strength of an eagle, the grace of a swan, the gentleness of a dove, the friendliness of a sparrow and the night hours of an owl; and when they catch that bird they expect him to live on the food of a canary.

We had not thought before of likening preachers to birds, but we can at least see that a church should expect to, in some measure at least, adapt the feed to the species of bird.

SUBSTITUTES FOR REAL VIRTUES

There is no place where the use of substitutes are poorer economy than in matters of religion. In this sphere things have to be "genuine" to be valuable at all, and in many instances "nonentity" is better than substitution.

The *Holiness Herald*, our Nazarene organ for the British Isles District, contains the following splendid "Don't" under the title "Be Honest:"

"Don't neglect your secret prayer and Bible study, and then wonder why you have no power with God or souls.

Don't call jealousy *watchfulness*.

Don't call quarrelling *earnestness*.

Don't call covetousness *economy*.

Don't call stubbornness *firmness*.

Don't call fretfulness *nervousness*.

Don't say you are humble when you are bound to have *your own way*.

Don't say you are meek when you are *conceited*.

Don't say you are all for Jesus when you *seldom give a shilling to His cause*.

Don't say you'll bear anything for Jesus when you *fly up about trifles*."

Either Jesus Christ can save from all sin or He cannot. Either He will or He will not. To say that He can and will not is to charge Him with want of goodness. To say that He will but cannot is to limit His power. But He is omnipotent in power and unlimited in goodness, and He can and will save to the uttermost all who come to God by Him.

"Let no man despise thy youth," must mean, among other things, that a young man can get so fully saved by the grace of God that he can live a life that is above reproach, so that being young will be neither an alibi for his weaknesses nor a proper cause for his shame. Full salvation is as well adapted to youth as to maturity and old age.

THE EMPTINESS OF MAN CRYING FOR THE FULLNESS OF GOD

By Rev. W. B. Walker

Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy water-spouts (Psalm 42:7).

THE key words to this pathetic Psalm are "My soul" and "my God." These are two great deeps, and the one calleth unto the other. At the sight of the deep, dark cloud, calling unto the deep sea, by the voice of the whirlwind, creating a waterspout, that may have burst in the hills, flooding the river, again making for the deep of the sea, may have awakened this line of thought and expression. Two deeps; one above, and the other beneath; the God of heaven, and the soul of man. We shall consider:

I. MAN'S SOUL AS A GREAT DEEP

As man is a spiritual and immortal being, there is in him almost fathomless depths.

(1) Man has a great deep need. David said, "As the hart panteth after the waterbrooks, so panteth my soul after thee." This is the language of need. Again David said, "My soul thirsteth after God." These are expressions from a hungry soul crying for satisfaction. This deep, saith satisfaction, is not in me. No, apart from God "darkness is upon the face of the deep." The godless soul of man is but a yawning gulf of emptiness and thirst. This need is deeper than Jacob's well. Humanity may need better educational advantages, larger bank accounts, and better laws and their enforcement, but the world's greatest need is God.

(2) The soul of man has a great deep of possibility. In another place the Psalmist says, "The heart is deep." There is a great deep of capacity in the soul for pain or pleasure, weal or woe. The depth of its capacity is the depth of its possibility.

Who can reckon the possibilities in the earth? Yonder is a poor, struggling farmer, who is altogether ignorant of the possibilities of wealth under his feet. For all he knows, he may be toiling over a rich mine of earth's most priceless treasures. There may be an oil field of great magnitude under his feet. Yet, he is ignorant of his wealth. Who can tell what is bound up in the soul of man? No man can fathom the depth of the human soul. The beast

of the field dies and returns to dust from which it came, but the soul of man will live through the cycles of eternity. The soul is capable of thought, reflection, sorrow and happiness.

(3) Again, man's soul is a deep of responsibility. The soul is of untold value. According to the words of the Master the soul is worth more than rolling worlds. It is more valuable than rolling plains, black land farms, increasing bank accounts, worldly honor, and the most valuable gems and rubies of earth. If the soul was not so priceless there would not be such a tremendous responsibility in the matter of its salvation. Man is endowed with the power of choice. His salvation depends on his choice. He may choose God, and heaven, or he may choose Satan and hell. Hence, the responsibility of preparing for the future is of great importance.

II. GOD IS A GREAT DEEP

He is the living, Almighty, self-existent and eternal God. Who can by searching find out the limits of the Almighty?

(1) God's thoughts are deep. David said, "And thy thoughts are very deep" (Psalm 92:5). His thoughts are perfectly consistent with His character. His character is holy and without blemish, and His thoughts are the same. His thoughts come out of the depth of His infinite mind. He cannot think evil. He does not look upon sin with the least allowance. Isaiah said, "His thoughts are above our thoughts, and His ways above our ways."

(2) His wisdom and knowledge are deep. Paul in writing to the church located in Rome says, "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom

and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are His judgments, and his ways past finding out" (Rom. 11:33). Again the apostle says in his letter to the church in Colosse, "That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and

The Savior's Advent

Hark, the glad sound! the Savior comes,
The Savior promised long;
Let every heart prepare a throne,
And every voice a song.

He comes the prisoners to release,
In Satan's bondage held;
The gates of brass before Him burst,
The iron fetters yield.

He comes from thickest films of vice
To clear the mental ray,
And on the eyeballs of the blind
To pour celestial day.

He comes the broken heart to bind;
The bleeding soul to cure;
And with the treasures of His grace,
To enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim,
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With Thy beloved name.

—PHILIP DODDRIDGE.

of Christ. In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col. 2:2, 3). God can as easily look into the future and tell of coming events, as we can look into the past and tell of past events. God has all wisdom and knowledge. Nothing is hid from Him. The central thought of the apostle in both of these passages is the deepness and fathomless wisdom and knowledge of God.

(3) God's love is deep. His love is as deep as His fathomless heart. Who can fathom the love of God that brought God's Son from heaven, to a fallen and blighted world?

Yonder is a broken-hearted father and mother whose son has wandered from the paths of home training. Oh, that love of father and mother, that will cross burning deserts, swollen streams, and tempestuous seas to bring the wanderer home! The love of God to this sin-smitten, devil-deluded, hell-bound, and broken-hearted world is beyond the expression of human lips. The world has spurned His love, rejected His mercy, and disregard His commands, and rushes on carelessly, and heedlessly to certain destruction. But still His love is ever in search of the lost and fallen. The depth of this love no man has explored. Men may travel from pole to pole of this earth, scale the highest mountain peaks, and explore the most remote places of earth, but no explorer has reached the farthest extent of the love of God. Thank God, for that love that will hold to the sinner in his wanderings!

(4) God's resources are deep. He sent forth water from the flint rock to slake the thirst of the fainting Israelites. He is able to save unto the uttermost every soul that will come unto Him. His arm is not short that He cannot save. He can save from the lowest depths to the highest heights. He can save from the vilest haunts of sin to the loftiest heights of full salvation. He does save from the dark regions of the devil's kingdom to the marvelous light of God's kingdom.

He is able to make all grace abound to the child of God that is tempted of the devil. His grace is sufficient for every howling, blistering, and blasting persecution from the enemy. Paul said, "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (2 Cor. 9:8). God's Son is the only one that ever met old Diabolus on the field of conflict and came forth waving a victor's palm. But His victory is the pledge of our victory. So, fight on faithful, battle-scarred, burden-hearted and misunderstood Christians, there is a better day coming!

III. ONE DEEP CALLETH UNTO THE OTHER DEEP

The deep of man's need calling unto the deep of God's fullness; and the deep of God's fullness is calling unto the deep of man's need. Betwen our empti-

ness and His-all-sufficiency there is a great gulf, but thank God it is not fixed.

David said, "Out of the depths have I cried unto thee." This is the mind and work of the Spirit, for the Spirit searcheth the deep things of God. We ought to say to our souls, "Launch out into the deep." And as Jeremiah said, "Dwell deep."

(1) But the deep of human guilt is answered by the deep of divine forgiveness. All men have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. All have walked in the paths of disobedience. All alike have sinned and incurred guilt upon the soul. We have not walked in the right direction. We have had our backs to God and eternal glory. We have been headed for the breakers. All know the sad experience of having a guilty conscience. Ah, that restless mind and troubled spirit of coming doom. But so long as the conscience is not seared, God's Spirit has access to the troubled soul. But the heavy-hearted soul may cry out of the depth of emptiness and guilt, to the depth of God's fulness and receive a glorious pardon of all sin. To the soul that will cry in desperation of its yawning emptiness, God will come.

(2) The deep of human depravity is answered by the deep of divine purity. Every member of Adam's race is born with a bent to sin. There is a tendency in every child's heart to leave the things that are holy and to cleave unto the things that tend to destruction. There is a principle in the unsanctified heart to sympathize with sin. This in the Bible is called by various terms, such as "the besetting sin," "law of sin," "carnal mind," "the sin of the world," and the "old man." But the soul that will cry out in the depth of a full consecration, God will fill the heart with His holiness and purity. Such an experience must be desired above earthly riches, and worldly honor, before God will bestow this Pearl of Great Price.

(3) Last, the deep of human affliction is answered by the deep of divine comfort. David says, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all." Often God's true and tried ones are called upon to suffer affliction. Sometimes our bodies are borne down with disease. God has made gracious provision in the atonement for physical healing. We like Paul of old, may have a "thorn in the flesh," but God has promised that His grace is sufficient.

But there are human afflictions that are not occasioned by disease. Whatever our emptiness and needs are, God's fulness will fill that emptiness and supply that need. If we need light, there is a light that shines above the brightness of the sun to brighten our pathway and lead us aright. If we need leadership to guide us through the difficulties of life, His Spirit will guide us into all truth. If we need spiritual bread, He is the Bread of Life to the hungry, and will satisfy the longing of every soul. If we need

water to slake our spiritual thirst, Christ is a well of water springing up into everlasting life, of which if we will drink, we shall never thirst again for the things of this world. If we need rest for our weary soul, there is rest for the people of God. If we have a troubled soul, and need peace, there is a peace that passeth understanding. If we need shade to protect us from the burning sun, He is our shadowy rock. If we need purity, He is the Lily of the Valley. If we need spiritual fragrance, He is the Rose of Sharon. If we need healing, He will rise with healing in His wings. If we are weak and need power, He will endue us with power from on high. If we seem to be neglected and set aside by our loved ones because of our integrity and loyalty to God, He is a "friend that sticketh closer than a brother." If we need deliverance in time of trouble, it is He, that will be with us in time of trouble. If we need hope to steer us through the troubled waters of this life, He "is the bright and morning star." If we are sick and distressed, and need a consoling hand to press our fevered-brow, He will be our rod and staff to comfort us. If our hearts are lonely, Christ has gone to the Father and sent us the Comforter to abide with us forever. If our hearts become sick and tired of a world shattered by the fall, Christ has gone to prepare a mansion for us, and will return for us. If we fear the crossing of worlds in the hour of death, He has said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

TEXARKANA, TEXAS.

NO CHRISTMAS FOR THE MODERNIST

By REV. R. PIERCE



WHAT is Christmas to the Modernist, who by one fell stroke slays the infant Christ, and makes Him the offspring of the human only—no different in His conception from any other child? He would destroy forever the very principle that has made Christmas time a season of great joy and gladness for ages past. He would rob every child who looks forward with glad anticipation of the pleasure they experience at the very thought of Christmas Day, and fill their young hearts with gloom instead of gladness. He would cover the bright heavens from which the angel song came, with a barrage of dark clouds as impenetrable as the darkest midnight. He would make the gifts of Christmas a waste of money and foolishness, because he denies that "God gave His only begotten Son" to be the Savior of the world in the Babe of Bethlehem.

No foundation without the divine Child could have given the world a season of gladness and joy such as our Christmas brings. The very fact of its continu-

ance, its power and its spirit proves its truth; and yet the Modernist would give us but a theory.

The Modernist is wrong in his denial of the Virgin birth, else what meaneth the announcement of the angel to Mary? "And the angel said unto her Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favor with God. And, behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Highest" (Luke 1:30-32).

There is something beyond the human here. The angel of God does not appear to the mothers of our race, but here is the annunciation of the "Only begotten of the Father"—His great Christmas gift to the world.

In the face of the Modernists' denial of fact, what meaneth the announcement of the angel of the Lord to the shepherds, "keeping watch over their flocks by night," and the "glory of the Lord" shining round about them. "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Here in this announcement is the promise of One who would be something beyond a mere human being, One who was to be a divine Savior, "Christ the Lord."

The Modernist has no Christmas, because he cannot join in with the heavenly host bursting from the clouds with their glorious anthem, giving praise unto God—such an anthem that has never been surpassed by the accumulated voices of the sweetest singers of the ages for its power and promise—"Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14).

The Modernist has no Christmas, because he could not fellowship with the shepherds, who believed what the Lord had told them, and went to Bethlehem to see for themselves, saying: "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which the Lord hath made known unto us" (Luke 2:15). They went, found and saw, Mary, Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger, just as the angel had said.

The Modernist could have no Christmas because he could not fellowship with dear old Simeon, filled with the Holy Ghost, when he took the child Jesus in his arms, and saw in Him "the consolation of Israel." Simeon did not want to die until he had seen the Lord Christ; and when he saw the child, he said, "Now lettest thy servant depart in peace, . . . For mine eyes have seen thy salvation"—Jesus.

Oh, what would Christmas be without the divine Christ—the God Child: what jesting without the joy; what gloom without the gladness; what sorrow without the divine Savior? What would gifts be without the Gift of God—the infant Babe of Bethlehem's manger?

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

SPECIAL REVIVAL MEETINGS—HOW OFTEN SHOULD THEY BE HELD?

By Rev. C. E. Cornell

THE Church of the Nazarene is primarily a revival church. For this purpose, it seems, God has raised us up. Over a period of twenty years or more, the Church of the Nazarene has demonstrated that a church can have sinners converted and believers sanctified wholly in what are called the "regular" services of the church, as well as, during special revival effort. The older denominations have about concluded that to keep revival fires burning continuously, in the summer as well as the winter, is an utter impossibility. But there are scores of churches belonging to the Church of the Nazarene denomination where revival fires are aglow, and salvation flows like a river each week in the year. This is true of many churches the past ten years and is true today. I presume that there are churches and preachers in our denomination, who have lost the evangelistic note; but these are the exception rather than the rule.

To constantly maintain a spirit of revival is no easy job for a preacher or a church. The evangelistic message must be clear and uncompromising, while the evangelistic appeal must be continuous and with fervor. This requires the most earnest prayer on the part of the preacher and the church. The church must be earnest and persistent in soul-winning activities. The people, as well as the preacher, must bend every effort toward soul-winning. There must be *personal work*, as well as the throwing of the gospel net by the preacher. The preacher and the church should unite in saying, "This one thing we do"—then by united effort and by every legitimate means, press the battle for the salvation of souls.

To hold a special revival in a revival church is not the easiest thing in the world. Such a church usually has a wide-awake fire-baptized pastor. Then too, a church of this character employs the best evangelists in the field. Most of the people have the truth almost before it is uttered by the evangelist. There must be lucid truth, keen and original interpretation, fire and fervor, to attract and hold the attention of the people. Only a few can measure up to this standard. On the other hand, it is a source of real pleasure to preach to, and assist a church in a revival effort where the church is spiritually alive.

How often should a church engage in special revival meetings where an evangelist is employed? How long should these revival meetings continue? It is the opinion of the writer, after spending years in the evangelistic field, as well as in the regular pastorate, that the ten day revival effort is not long enough for effective fruitage. About the time the meeting gets under way, the meeting must close that the evangelist may meet another engagement. This is a seri-

ous blunder for it requires a desperate effort these days to get a revival meeting going. To discontinue a revival meeting just when the Spirit of God is beginning to work, is sad, to say the least, and is detrimental to the church.

A revival to be of *lasting benefit* to the church ought to be planned to run from three to six weeks. This kind of a meeting I would call a *siege* meeting, or a *protracted* meeting. Stay right by the effort until you have prayed down fire from heaven, and got the devil well on the run. In the judgment of the writer, two siege meetings a year are of more value to the church than a half dozen ten day spasms. The siege meeting gives ample opportunity for Holy Ghost demonstration, pungent conviction, the establishment in the faith of the young converts, securing a list of new church members and the wide distribution of holiness literature. In every revival the community ought to be sown down knee deep with first class salvation literature,—the kind our Publishing House sends out.

Siege revival suggestions:

Take ample time to make arrangements and announce the revival.

Use the very best advertising that you can command. The newspapers are valuable and are the cheapest in the long run.

Try to get the church in an expectant frame of mind.

Furnish blank cards for a prayer list. A prayer card should have from three to ten names.

Pray the revival down, and work it up; do both.

Preliminary cottage prayermeetings are valuable.

If possible, have a "personal workers brigade" who will seek the unsaved personally and invite them to the meetings.

The evangelist should avoid long-winded sermons, and the preacher should avoid long-winded announcements.

Never scold your people, commend them.

Appoint one or more capable persons who will secure the names and addresses of the converts. Arrange to follow up at the close of the meeting.

Train a number of persons who will do work in the congregation and at the altar.

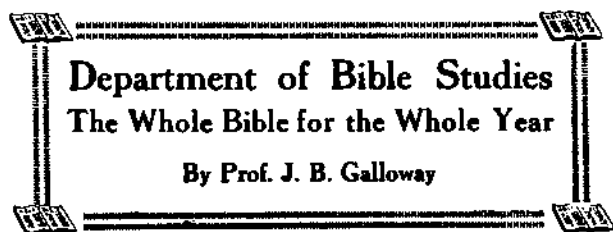
Do your best to secure a large class of new members.

If possible arrange for a morning hour of prayer (9 to 10), each day at the church. Call this the "power house" of the revival.

Sunday afternoon it is often advisable to hold a great praise and testimony meeting. Get in plenty of testimony at the week night services.

Pray to win, plan to win, work to win and you will win.

Not all the pomp and pageantry of worlds reflect such glory on the eye supreme, as the meek virtues of one holy man.
—R. MONTGOMERY.



LESSON FORTY-EIGHT

"A fragment of Scripture which is comparatively dull and dull to a superficial reader, becomes, in the hand of a devout student, a marvel of beauty."

PART ONE. THE FORTY-EIGHTH WEEK'S ASSIGNMENT. Read James and First and Second Peter.

The seven books following James are called the General or Catholic Epistles. They are to no individual or particular church but to the Church in general.

The Book of James. This epistle is practical rather than doctrinal. Stress is laid upon works. It is the Epistle of holy living, applied Christianity. "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only" is his exhortation. He rebukes sin in plain, strong terms. He presupposes the great truths of Christianity. He dwells upon enduring trials, controlling the tongue, the sin of worldliness, the observance of the law, that faith without works is dead, stating that pure and undefiled religion consists in doing good to others and keeping ourselves pure in this world. Canon Farrar says, "The purpose for which this epistle was written was to encourage the Jewish Christians to the endurance of trials by stirring them up to a brighter energy of holy living." It has striking similarities to the sermon on the Mount. Because of its apparent conflict with Paul's teaching on faith Luther called it "a strawy Epistle." But James does not conflict with Paul. A. T. Pierson says, "They stand not face to face, beating each other, but back to back, beating off common foes." *

It is addressed to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad. And was written before the fall of Jerusalem.

As there are several persons by the name of James in the New Testament there has been some confusion as to which of these is the author. It could not be James the brother of John, and there are difficulties concerning making James the son of Alphæus the author. James the brother of our Lord is usually regarded as the author.

James draws more imagery from nature than Paul does in all his epistles according to Dean Hawson.

The Book of First Peter. The General Epistles have been called the Epistles of Creed and Life. First Peter shows that true Christian creed is the basis of genuine Christian life. The writings of Peter excel in zeal, boldness and impetuosity.

This epistle was written from Babylon, 5:13, to

the strangers scattered here and there. Wanderer away from home, read it and get the sweet comfort in it for you. The distinctive note of this epistle is how to have victory in suffering. The term suffering is mentioned about fifteen times. The clouds of persecution were hanging over the Christians everywhere, having fallen on their leader at Rome. This book is written to encourage them. All are to expect to receive sufferings for Christ but the glory will follow. They are called to suffer with Him in patience, and grow in holiness in the pathway to glory. It is the epistle of hope and sufferings, it is also the Epistle of Precious Things. "Unto you therefore which believe he is precious" (2:7) will furnish us a key-verse. Charles Spurgeon's first sermon was from this verse. While yet a lad in his teens at Cambridge he was walking to a country church when his friend said, "I hope the Lord will bless you." He replied "I have never preached." His companion said, "Well, if you don't preach this time, there will be no preaching." He bowed his head and in a few minutes stood up and preached from these wonderful words. The Lord blessed him and the sermon was very precious to those who heard.

The object of this epistle is two-fold—to exhort and to testify, as stated in 5:12.

The Book of Second Peter. This book was written to the same persons as his first epistle and probably only a short time after, just before Peter's martyrdom (See 1:14). This is Peter's farewell. Yet we do not see a tone of dejection or pessimism, for it is the epistle of hope. We may also call it the epistle of knowledge through holiness. This epistle shows that the only way to advance in knowledge of Christ is to live a life of holiness and obedience to Christ. Calvin says, "The majesty of the spirit of Christ exhibits itself in every part of this epistle."

Second Peter was written to warn against the errors of false teachers. He replies to scoffers, and treats the second coming of Christ, showing that the delay, certainty, nature and results all combine in an exhortation to holiness.

While First Peter is one of the best authenticated books in the New Testament, Second Peter was the last to be received into the canon of the Bible.

PART TWO. THE BIBLE AND THE CRITIC'S FOLLY.

As the Word of Truth is the Impregnable Rock of Holy Scriptures, and it has stood the fierce attacks of the enemy for ages the question arises: Does the Bible need any defense? We often hear, "Do not concern yourself about the truth, it will take care of itself." Yes the Bible has proven itself well able to defend itself against all the cavil of man, yet the people need to be defended from the skepticism about the truth. If the truth will take care of itself why did Jesus come in person to advocate and defend the truth? If you will study the New Testament carefully you will find

that the apologetic element is a large part of it. Both Christ and the apostles were often defensive as well as aggressive. Paul often reasoned with the Jews. The apologetic method is commanded in 1 Peter 3:15, "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you." And Jude exhorts us to "contend earnestly for the faith." The reason is "for certain men have crept in unawares . . . ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness" (Jude 4).

A little time spent in exposing the fallacies of the destructive critic is not misspent. Bible scholarship may be divided into three fields; the Liberal, the Mediating and the Evangelical. The Liberal is atheistic, the Mediating is an attempt to hold to what is called the "assured results" of higher criticism and evangelical faith at the same time. So as far as vital faith is concerned we will have to turn aside from both the two first.

The following facts justify our renouncing them:

1. They imagine various authors and editors for the Pentateuch. Green says, "There is no evidence of the existence of these documents and redactors, and no pretense of any, apart from the critical tests which have determined the analysis." The differences of style and vocabulary fade away with careful scrutiny.
2. They depend upon the theory of evolution for an explanation of the history of religion.
3. They make the Bible a product of human working.
4. They deny the supernatural and miraculous element in the Bible.
5. They assign too many of the books of the Bible unwarranted late dates.
6. They use unscrupulous means of propagating their theories, denying scholarship to all who oppose them.
7. They use unscholarly methods under the cover of learning.
8. They say the Bible is only to be trusted in religious matters.
9. They reduce Jehovah to a mere tribal, selfish deity.
10. They deny the authority and deity of Christ, and rob the Christian of his future hope. He is my enemy who takes from me my faith, my Bible, my Christ and my hope.

PART THREE. QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY.

1. What is the purpose of testing according to James 1? What is the source of temptation? What is the test of true religion?
2. Sum up all James says about the tongue.
3. Who are the worldly minded likened unto in Jas. 4-5? Sum up what he gives as the results of worldliness.
4. Compare what is said of trials and temptations in the first chapter of James with that in the first chapter of First Peter.
5. What precious things are mentioned in First Peter?

WORLD WIDE NEWS, NOTES AND COMMENTS TERSELY TOLD

By REV. C. E. CORNELL

According to a recent estimate 65 per cent of the power now used for industrial purposes in the United States is electrical.

Surveys have been made in Haiti for an irrigation projection that will add 60,000 acres to the cultivatable area of the Island.

Members of nine religious denominations in Maine have formed a radio parish and engaged a pastor who broadcasts sermons to them. No churches needed there, a sad indication of empty churches.

The world's first aerial restaurant has been installed in an express airplane flying between Paris and London. A plane in use between Paris and Constantinople has sleeping berths.

The majority of automobile accidents occur at intersections. Motorists should always assume that another driver is just coming around the corners, says the National Safety Council. Watch the corners and crossings and avoid accidents.

Canada's trade balance is now the largest per capita of any country in the world. The favorable trade balance in the Dominion now amounts to \$401,134,405, having been exceeded only once before, in 1918, when it was \$662,637,210.

This country is thriving everywhere according to The Federal Reserve Board. Figures prove it unmistakably. Building construction, automobile manufacturing, retail merchants and farm crops, all exceed last year. Surveying the whole land, analyzing conditions, looking carefully into the trend of business and industry, the conclusion is patent that the country is prospering.

More than 150,000 out-of-state automobiles have entered Southern California during the first seven months of this year over the various trans-continental trails, according to a report of the Automobile Club of Southern California.

Five men imprisoned 153 hours in a Kentucky mine because of a mine cave-in, in mud and mire, resorted to prayer. They sang songs and prayed. Who will say that their rescue was not in direct answer to prayer—that the world in its mad rush toward eternity might be told of their praying and faith in God, and of the certain efficacy of prayer. When calamity comes and men have to face death, they generally pray. Why not pray when in health and there is no trouble. Prayer is a delightful recourse on any occasion. Try it.

The chrome permalloy telegraph cable that is being laid from England to Newfoundland and the United States is expected to increase the speed of messages to 2,500 letters a minute.

On August 19, a press dispatch from Cordova, Alaska, tells of a new volcanic eruption in the vicinity of the Aleutian Islands in Bering Sea, centering on Bogasloff Island. The eruption began at 1 p. m. August 18, and continued a full half hour. Bogasloff was formed by volcanic action according to old records of the Bering Sea. It is said to have appeared above the sea level in 1796.

Through sleeper airplane service has been established between London and Berlin. The following is a description of the airplane:

The first through sleeper airplane, with accommodations for eight persons, has been placed at the disposal of the Ger-

man Luft Hansam, which has brought it to Tempelhofer Field, Berlin, whence it will start a regular service between Berlin and London on August 21.

Eight passengers can sit comfortably in the cabin on seats, the backs of which can be lowered at night to make beds. The cabin is equipped with wash basins and running water. The enormous plane weighs nearly three tons and can carry a load of a ton and a half. It is equipped with two 140 horsepower motors.

The first London flights will be carried out by daylight, in order to test the plane's capacities. Later, it is planned to have a regular night service from Berlin to London, with a single landing at Rotterdam.

The "air bus" is fourteen feet high, and has a wing spread of more than forty-five feet. It is not the largest aeroplane ever built, but it starts a new epoch in passenger air service on account of its internal construction and its conveniences for passengers.

The sale of bathtubs in the United States has gone ahead by leaps and bounds during the last few years, and the total sales are now more than 1,500,000 a year, whereas a few years ago the annual output and sales was about 500,000. The installation of some of these tubs calls for elaborate plumbing. Physical cleanliness is next to godliness, both are very desirable and important.

Remnants of an embankment and pier built in London by the Romans as early as 100 B. C., have been unearthed along the Thames River. More than 90 feet of this work have been uncovered to date, giving greater proof that the early London was one of considerable proportions.

The World's Christian Endeavor Union held a convention in London recently. Dr. Frances E. Clark, founder and President, announced that he knows of no country today without a Christian Endeavor Society. In the United States, Dr. Clark stated, more than 5,000 new societies were formed during the past year, while 6,000 union meetings of young people, held under C. E. auspices, brought together representatives of a hundred denominations.

A new weapon—a radio direction finder—has been put to use by the government against rum runners. By means of this instrument, coast guard vessels will be able to detect readily the location of rum ships which are equipped with radio. More and more the rummies are having their troubles. More and more effectively, Uncle Sam is searching them out.

What a desolate place this world would be without a flower! It would be a face without a smile, a feast without a welcome. Are not flowers the stars of earth—and are not our stars the flowers of heaven?—MRS. BALFOUR.

The Word of God tends to make large-minded, noble hearted men.—BEECHER.

Judge Walter S. Gates of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, California, addressing the Lion's Club of Pasadena, made some startling and timely statements. He said:

"People today are living at too fast a pace. We are trying to crowd too much into too little space of time. The human mind is not able to stand up under the pressure. We must have more recreation, more leisure, more relaxation from this high pressure way of living."

That there are at present confined in six state hospitals 15,000 positively insane persons, besides thousands more on the "border-line" or regarded as senile or children's cases, was one of his statements.

It is part of Judge Gates' duties in the Superior Court on two days a week to go to the Los Angeles General Hospital to hear cases of persons under observation in the psychopathic

ward there. During the last fiscal year, he said, 3,374 such cases passed through his hands.

The cases, said Judge Gates, were carefully heard with all available evidence, including that of the patient himself if he were in a condition to appear. Also, the lunacy commission of the state was constantly in session to review their cases.

One could not but feel sorry, he said, for this pitiful procession of those whose minds were in the shadows' persons who were mentally sick and who needed care and consideration rather than the treatment usually afforded to criminals.

"The human mind is a strange thing," added the Judge. "Our doctors know very little about insanity or why the wires of the human mind become crossed."

Church going should be for personal profit; not for display to show off some new piece of toggery. Church going should be made a habit, just like eating and sleeping. The soul needs the spiritual food and the body needs the rest, and the mind the exhilaration. Church going for spiritual profit is worthy of the best of men.

Insurance statistics disclose that 250,000 automobiles valued at \$218,000,000 were stolen in the United States last year. Four of five stolen cars subsequently were recovered.

Then let us earnest be,
And never faint in prayer;
He loves our importunity,
And makes our cause His care.
—JOHN NEWTON.

Mrs. A. Montgomery Ward, widow of the man who founded the mail order house of the same name, died recently at Chicago, aged 69. Heat prostration hastened her death. During her lifetime she gave away nearly \$10,000,000. She left an estate of only \$1,000,000 which is to be divided by fifty charitable institutions. She was a noble Christian woman.

A copy of the first edition of John Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" brought \$34,000 at an auction sale in London. The purchaser was a London book dealer. John Bunyan's name and book still live.

An agreement between General Andrews, Prohibition Enforcement chief, and Great Britain to stop liquor smuggling into the United States, has been reached. General Andrews expressed great appreciation and satisfaction with the spirit shown by the British government. The agreement is to be kept secret for awhile. The prohibition lines are slowly tightening.

Fifteen years of labor by scholarly Benedictine monks under the direction of Cardinal Gasquet bore its first fruits June 26, when the first volume of the reviewed and amended edition of the Vulgate Bible was presented to Pope Pius.

A new railway in Australia taps an area of nearly 1,500,000 acres of land, about three-fourths of which is capable of producing heavy wheat crops.

Jeremiah Smith, Jr., lawyer and American economist, completed his work of reorganizing Hungary's finances and on June 20, presented his salary of \$100,000 for his services, to the Hungarian people, saying that the friendship and appreciation of the Hungarian people were all that he wished for his services. Let the money "hogs" take notice that not every man is mad after the filthy lucre.

127 principal charity foundations are now flourishing in this country, and it is believed that the total charity foundations of one kind or another is about \$1,000,000,000.

A VISIT TO "UNCLE BUDDIE'S"

By EVANGELIST HOWARD SWEETEN

WHILE meditating over the recent gracious revival, which the Lord gave us at Sparta, Tenn., with Rev. Turner and his good wife, and with Prof. R. C. Rogers and his daughter, Will Edna, as our co-laborers, we are thinking of some of the pleasant features that we enjoyed while there.

It occurs to us that it might be of interest to the readers of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* to take a trip with us out to "Uncle Buddie's" old Tennessee mountain home, the place of his birth and boyhood days.

Prof. Rogers and daughter, and Brother and Sister Turner are now at the gate waiting for Mrs. Sweeten and myself in their "Tin Elizabeth," so the reader is more than welcome to accompany us.

Do not let the reader feel that he is imposing on our generosity in crowding into our four passenger car which now has six in it, even if the thermometer is hovering in the neighborhood of 102. There is always room for one more in a Ford. As we ride along these picturesque mountain roads of Tennessee one soon forgets that he is crowded for seat room. The state of Tennessee is putting on a great road program, so we are going to have most excellent roads for part of our journey; but when we turn from the main road we are now to ride on rough roads of red soil that resembles the red clay of Georgia. The roadsides are lined with blackberries, the largest and finest we have ever seen, and we wonder if a certain little barefooted boy, who in the providence of God was to be a great blessing to so many of God's people, enjoyed them as we are enjoying them today.

The old fashioned meeting house called "Robinson Chapel" is about a mile from the old homestead. This is the place where Uncle Bud's mother used to worship. A revival is now in progress, but it does not happen to be service time as we are passing. However, we all get out and go inside to get a glimpse of the interior. It is a typical mountain church, though kept unusually clean. It is without an organ, and we were informed this was due to the fact that some of the worshipers there had conscientious scruples against such things in the church. After some of the vital parts of the organ disappeared it was decided to take the instrument out entirely.

A few minutes more and we are at the old home of Bud Robinson, the place of his birth and boyhood. We had little difficulty in finding the place, as almost everyone knew where Uncle Jake Robinson (Uncle Buddie's half brother) lived. We were introduced to Uncle Jake (as everybody knows him) and we at once observed a striking family resemblance. Prof. Rogers introduced us as friends of Uncle Bud's.

"So you are our Brother Bud's brother?" began the writer. "Yes," said Uncle Jake, with a twinkle of humor in his eye that reminded us much of our Uncle Bud. "I'm the oldest of the kids."

"That so?"

"Yes, I'm eighty-four."

After a few minutes visit with Uncle Jake he remarked, "Well, I guess you want to go back to the old place where the house stood where Bud was born?" We replied that we did, as we had driven about nine miles for this purpose. We were informed that we could drive through the field back of the present house to where the old house stood, and in a few minutes more Uncle Jake had directed us to the spot. And now we are standing looking upon the scenes of which we had heard Brother Bud speak so often, and had read with marked interest in his "Sunshine and Smiles." The old house is no longer here, but as we stood upon the spot that it had formerly occupied we find ourselves peculiarly interested as we look upon the scenes that surround the boyhood days of Uncle Buddie.

The scenery here is picturesque indeed, and upon these hills,

Uncle Jake informs us, that Bud when a boy used to have to hunt the cows alternately with his Uncle Andy.

"One day," said Uncle Jake, "Bud fell out with his Uncle Andy and did not take his turn in the round up. When Uncle Andy asked him as to why he had not brought them in Bud replied, 'Let every dog wag his own tail.'"

About fifty yards from where we are standing is the same unfailing spring from which Buddie used to drink when a boy, so we walked down and had a drink with Uncle Jake. "It was right under that tree over yonder," said Uncle Jake, where Bud's mother was converted. Old Jess Hickman was carrying on the meeting. You see we had no tents nor meeting houses then and the revival was conducted right out under the tree."

Before we start back we are treated to some apples, and Uncle Jake introduced us to some of his friends as some sanctified preachers that came to see where Bud was born. We enjoyed our visit with Uncle Jake very much. We were received kindly, entertained cordially, and in true keeping with the proverbial southern hospitality. We were invited to spend the night. How we would have liked to do so, but the meeting at Sparta was at high tide and we had to get back on the job.

As we returned, however, we felt that we had enjoyed a rare treat in visiting the mountain home of Uncle Buddie's boyhood days.

A DIXIE LAD ON HELL

By REV. C. E. CORNELL

Rev. John Brown, a Dixie lad, was invited to hold Union Revival meetings at Pasadena, Calif., for the month of May, 1926. He was at Pasadena several years ago with C. P. Curry as his singer. Among other notable sermons, he preached one on hell that stirred the snakes. Here are a few extracts from that sermon:

"God is not only a God of love, but a God of justice.

"People have become so extremely modern in their views of late that they have made God into an indulgent old grandfather, and they have insisted so much upon love as the keynote of divinity, that the church has a tendency to become love-sick.

"Some people argue that they cannot love a God whom they fear, but those parents in this world who command the most love are the ones who command the greatest respect.

"God does not send people to the lost world, they send themselves there, and they are certain of a long stay when they arrive.

"If a man ever gets to heaven, it will be because his giving and his prayers balance. A man cannot pray enough to offset a spirit of stinginess that makes him sing through his nose in order to save his false teeth."

WHAT DOES THE TEST MEAN TO YOU?

By MARION CHILDS

*When your children are fretful, and your life filled with care,
When folks seem forgetful, and there are clouds everywhere;
Is God's grace sufficient to carry you through?
Oh, what does the test mean to you?*

When your loved ones forsake you, and your friends you have lost;

*Do you still shout the victory? or complain of the cross?
Do you still love to walk in the way that is new?
Oh, what does the test mean to you?*

*In your trials and testings, is God glorified?
Are you faithful to Jesus, no matter how you're tried?
Then God's hand will sustain you, and your trials seem few,
Oh, what does the test mean to you?*

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FOR ALL THE FAMILY

By Mrs. J. T. Benson

Dear Girls and Boys:

Several years ago we had our Christmas talk together about Bethlehem, the little town which was the birthplace of our Lord. Another time it was about Nazareth, which was the earthly home of Jesus for all but a few years of His life. This Christmas I want to talk with you about "His sea," as the Sea of Galilee has been called, because our Lord chose it with its cool sweet waters, its clean, hard pebbly beach and its surrounding cities to be the scene of the larger part of His public ministry. This small inland sea is a clear sparkling body of fresh water, shaped like a harp. It is about thirteen miles long, and perhaps eight at its widest point. It lies at the bottom of a deep, natural dent in the earth's surface, and the River Jordan flows into its upper end, and out at the lower. The fact that it is over five hundred feet below the level of the Mediterranean Sea accounts for the warmth of the valley, also for the luxuriance of the growth found here. Josephus, the Jewish historian, who was born a few years after the crucifixion of Jesus, gives us a glowing description of this part of Galilee. He speaks of the sweetness of the waters of the sea, the delightful temperature of the air, the variety of the foliage, the superior excellence of the delicious grapes and figs, olives and almonds, oranges and pomegranates produced in its surrounding country. A beautiful and fertile tract extending along the northwest shore of the sea was known as the Land of Gennesaret. It was here that Capernaum was situated, and Josephus in writing of this particular region says: "The land, because of its fatness, refuses not any plant, and the well tempered air suits the different kinds. The hardy walnut flourishes in vast plenty, but so also does the palm which is nourished by heat, and hard by are the fig tree and olive which require a softer air. One would call it an ambition of nature to bring together plants which are at enmity elsewhere. There seems to be a generous strife of the seasons, each as it were, laying claim to the country, so that fruit of the royal sort is supplied ten months of the year. And in addition to the good temperature of the climate, the land is watered by a most fertilizing spring which is called Capernaum." The sea has not always been known as the Sea of Galilee. Luke speaks of it as the Lake of Gennesaret, a name taken from the tract Josephus has just described for us. Others in our Lord's day called it the Sea of Tiberius. That was because Herod Antipas had built his capital, a splendid and fast growing town upon its shore, naming it Tiberius in honor of the Roman Emperor. But the sea's oldest name, found in the book of Numbers, dating as far back as fifteen hundred years before Christ, was the Sea of Chinnereth. And through all the centuries, this body of water with its fair

MEMORIES OF GALILEE

Each cooing dove and sighing bough

*That makes the eve so blest to me,
Has something far diviner now,
It bears me back to Galilee.*

*Each flow'ry glen and mossy dell,
Where happy birds in song agree
Thro' sunny morn the praises tell
Of sights and sounds in Galilee.*

*And when I read the thrilling lore,
Of Him who walked upon the sea,
I long, oh, how I long once more
To follow Him in Galilee.*

*O Galilee! sweet Galilee!
Where Jesus loved so much to be;
O Galilee! blue Galilee!
Come, sing thy song again to me!*
—ROBERT MORRIS.

border of Gennesaret, has been noted for its unusual beauty. The Jewish Rabbis were lavish in their praise of the land, and tell us that its ancient name, the Land of Chinnereth means "Garden of Princes." As for the sea, the same Rabbis had this saying, "God created seven seas in the land of Canaan, but only one, the Sea of Chinnereth hath He chosen for Himself." The proverb was to be fulfilled in a deeper sense than these rejecters of Jesus could ever dream. For when He came into the world which He had made, He chose this sea and its environment as the place to work most of His mightiest miracles, and do most of His important teaching.

He walked upon its waves in the dark watches of the night. Weary, he slept above its troubled waters as the vessel in which he lay was driven along by boisterous winds. He stilled the storm which tore with savage fury at its breast. Twice He gathered fish from its depths in a miraculous draught. He made a pulpit of a boat, thrust out into its sparkling ripples and from it taught his open-air congregation. He healed the sick; the maimed, the blind, the palsied upon its shores. And in one of those days after the resurrection, when Jesus was about to leave His disciples for the glory home, it was on the beach of "His sea" that He built a fire in the chill, uncertain light of early dawn, laid fish upon the coals and called the cold hungry disciples in from their night's fishing to "come and dine;" probably the last time on earth that our Lord broke bread.

But much as Jesus loved the blue and limpid waters of His lake, much as He enjoyed the refreshing breezes which blew across its waves; restful as He found the solitude of the towering hills to the east, where He often times escaped from the throng that He might pray and commune with His Heavenly

Father, it was not these things that led our Lord to choose the Sea of Galilee as "His sea." No, it was because it formed a center about which clustered thriving towns. It was because its bosom was plowed by hundreds of ships. Roman war-vessels, royal pleasure crafts, and fleets of fishing boats. It was because four great highways touched its shores, traveled by caravans on their way to Jerusalem, to Jericho, to the country west of Jordan, to the port of Acco on the Mediterranean, or going from Damascus to Egypt. In Christ's day this section was the "manufacturing district" of Palestine. It was here that Jesus found men congregated and it was men He had come all the way from heaven to seek and to save.

Some received Him, more received Him not. The years have gone and as Jesus foretold, those cities which were so blessed in seeing His works and hearing His word, those cities have perished off the face of the earth. The bosom of the lake is no longer dotted with boats. Except for the small decaying town of Tiberius, and a few hopeless, poverty stricken huts gathered together elsewhere, the shores are deserted. Only gray mounds, remains of crumbling walls, and fragments of marble columns are to be found where once stood prosperous cities. "Thy waters glass no sail, thy ways have shrunk

*Into a camel path; the centuries
With flood and blast have torn the terrace bare*

*Where the fox littered in the grapes. Ask not
Which was 'His City' mid this ruined life!*

*None surely knoweth of Capernaum
Whether 'twas here, or there."*

But the natural beauty of "His Sea" remains. One who has spent much time in this "land of Naphtali, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles," says: "The lake still lies unchanged in the bosom of the hills, reflecting, every varying gleam of atmosphere like an opal set in emeralds; the waters are still as beautiful in their clearness as when the boat of Peter lay rocking upon their ripples and Jesus gazed into their crystal depths. The cup-like basin still seems to overflow with its flood of sunlight; the air is still balmy with natural perfume; there is still the fringe of flowering oleanders, through whose deep green leaves flash the bright blue wings of the roller bird; turtle doves still murmur in the valleys, and pelicans still fish in the waters. And there are palms, and green fields and streams. What it has lost in population and activity, it has gained in solemnity and interest. If every vestige of human habitation should disappear from beside it, and the jackal and the hyena should howl about the shattered fragments of the synagogues where once Christ taught, yet the fact that He chose it as the scene of His opening ministry will give a sense of sacredness and pathos to its lonely waters until time shall be no more."

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats



BELOVED SAMARITANS:

I left you in my last letter somewhere up about Charleston, W. Va. We closed out on Sunday night of November 28 with a fine service, and early Monday morning Brother Pat B. Withrow and one other good brother took me to the depot and I caught an early train for the West. I am now headed for Oklahoma for the Eastern District campaign that you have been reading about in the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**. I pulled into Cincinnati at noon and spent the afternoon at the Bible School, and at the supper table I heard the young men and young ladies report the day's work at the great Thanksgiving dinner at the Mount of Blessings. It was one of the greatest reports that I ever heard. They had on the Mount 6,800 children, and they had the great tabernacle filled five times and each crowd heard a good gospel message and then were marched out to dinner, and while they fed the first crowd the second was being fed on good gospel in the tabernacle, and when the first table was through they marched in the second. While they were fed they filled the great tabernacle and preached to them, and so on until the 6,800 children had been to preaching and prayed for, and then fed. The last truck load left the Mount at four p. m. And now think of this, for the past twenty years a great Thanksgiving dinner has been served on that holy mount to tens of thousands of hungry children of, I judge, every nation and kindred and tongue and people, and in all that time no child has ever been hurt and no one ever lost. It is nothing short of one of God's miracles. Now, here is a part of the bill of fare: dressed turkey, 1,800 pounds; dressed chicken, 1,300 pounds; gravy, ninety gallons; dressings, 125 gallons; bread, 600 loaves; Irish potatoes, fifty bushels; sweet potatoes, forty-eight bushels. And after 6,800 children were fed there was nothing left. At supper I listened to their reports and then I talked to the student body for about ten minutes and we made a run out to Norwood to the Church of the Nazarene, where our good Brother Kelly is pastor and my old friend, Dr. U. E. Harding was in a fine revival. He brought us a great message and we had with us a great crowd from the Bible School and Brother Schurman down in Cincinnati and his wife and daughter and her husband, who is the assistant pastor with the Schurmans. We also had Brother Albea from Newport, Ky., and Brother J. W. Montgomery from Ft. Wayne, Ind., our beloved District Superintendent from the Northern Indiana District, and one fine young preacher from the Pilgrim Holiness Church. At the close of Brother Hard-

ing's message I had to hurry to catch the train for St. Louis.

I left the city at 9:30 and had a fine night's rest; was in St. Louis at 7:48 on Tuesday morning, and at 9:05 a. m. I left the city over the Frisco for Poteau, Okla., where I was to join Brother Owens, our beloved District Superintendent on the Eastern Oklahoma District. But it was a long run and at 6:45 I pulled into Monett, Mo., and stayed over night and left next morning at 5:40 for Poteau, Okla. This was Wednesday morning of December 1. I pulled into Poteau at twelve noon and went right up to the church and found Brother Owens and Prof. London and wife in a great Young People's Rally. In the afternoon Prof. Messer and his father got in and at night we had a packed house and the machinery was in good running order, and we had a most delightful service, and placed the **HERALD OF HOLINESS** in twenty-four homes. Brother Stockton, our good pastor, is a most excellent young man, and is doing a fine work in Poteau. My home was with Brother and Sister French. They are as fine people as you will meet in the nation.

We left on Thursday morning for Muskogee, Okla., and left Prof. and Mrs. London in charge and a fine revival on. We reached Muskogee at noon and our party met Brother and Sister E. W. Wells, our pastor, at the home of Brother and Sister Lasiter. We had one most delightful time, and after a fine dinner, which was nothing short of the Oklahoma poverty which means everything on earth that is good to eat, we had a fine prayer to close on. In the afternoon we worked some and rested some at the parsonage. At night our party and Brother and Sister Wells and Brother and Sister Spears all met at the home of Brother and Sister Morrisett, and also Sister Morrisett's mother came over from Oklahoma City, or rather from Bethany, and we had one great time. That night we had one great service. My, my! the house was packed to its overflowing. Brother Wells had secured the Congregational Church right in the heart of the city, and it is a beauty. Brother Wells' boys are now about grown and as full of music as young men can be. They all three use their horns and make the music roll. They are simply experts with their horns. We had a fine band and Prof. Messer sang them over the housetop. Brother Wells is doing a great work in Muskogee and he is planning to buy the fine church that we used that night. If he does we are heeled in Muskogee. We had lots of preachers with us, and the good Salvation Army folks were on hands to help us. We were honored with the presence of Mrs. Snider and Miss Lou Jane Hatch from Oklahoma City. We secured twenty-seven subscriptions for the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**.

After a good night's rest we were all

invited to the home of Brother and Sister Spears, and our band of workers and Brother and Sister Wells all met at their lovely home and had one fine breakfast. Then we did a good lot of work and all hands of us went to the home of Brother and Sister Martin, and we were all joined by Brother and Sister Edwards, the mother and father of Sister Martin. Brother Edwards is a fine railroad engineer and Sister Edwards is one of our fine preachers. I held a meeting for her a few years ago at Allen, Okla. We had one fine dinner and prayers, and we had to break up.

Our next run was to Tulsa with our good Brother Morgan. Brother Edwards went along with us and Brother and Sister Wells and all of the Wells boys with their horns. Also, Sister Snider and Miss Hatch all joined us at Tulsa that night. My, my! what a time we had. Well, when it comes to doing the job and doing it well we have no finer people on earth than the Nazarenes of Oklahoma. They are one royal crowd, big hearted and big souled and clever is no name for them. They all claim to be in poverty and all live like rich people. May their tribe increase until the devil and the world will never hear the last of these fine saints. All this I am truly hoping. Well, I am in love and faith and all for Jesus.

BUD ROBINSON.

THE MEASURE OF A MAN

Not—"How did he die?"

But—"How did he live?"

Not—"What did he gain?"

But—"What did he give?"

These are the units

To measure the worth

Of a man, as a man,

Regardless of birth.

Not—"What was his station?"

But—"Had he a heart?"

And—"How did he play

His God-given part?"

Was he ever ready

With a word of good cheer,

To bring back a smile,

To banish a tear?

Not—"What was his church?"

Nor—"What was his creed?"

But—"Had he befriended

Those really in need?"

Not—"What did the sketch

In the newspaper say?"

But—"How many were sorry,

When he passed away?"

—Kansas City Times.

"Behind the bread is the snowy flower,
And behind the flour the mill;
And behind the mill, the wheat, and the
shower,

The sun and the Father's will."

NAZARENE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

D. SHELBY CORLETT, GENERAL SECRETARY

DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE N. Y. P. S.

ONE of the finest suggestions offered by the General N. Y. P. S. executive committee for the help of the individual members of the N. Y. P. S. is the Daily Bible Reading Course. This Course will cover the entire text of the Bible in its narrative form within two years. It provides consecutive Bible Readings for each day in the week, giving a narrative each day; covering a period of reading lasting about ten minutes. These readings will appear in the *N. Y. P. S. Journal* at the beginning of each weekly topic. Together with the suggested Bible Reading there will be emphasized a "key verse" for meditation and memory, and also a short crisp comment giving some application of the reading to our lives.

The importance of Bible Reading and study cannot be overestimated. There is evidently a lack of real spiritual life and devotion in many places because the people do not give the time to their Bible they should. So it is for the purpose of getting our people better acquainted with the Bible and its teachings that we are providing this Daily Bible Reading Course.

The first two months of each quarter will provide readings in the Old Testament, and the last month readings from the New Testament. Instead of giving the life of Christ as recorded individually by the different writers of the gospels, we are giving a harmony of the gospels, bringing the life of Christ in chronological order. For a basis of our New Testament readings we are using Prof. C. A. McConnell's Book II of "The Book's Own Story."

It is impossible to estimate the value of this course to the lives of our young people if they will systematically follow it. The January issue of the *N. Y. P. S. Journal* gives a complete outline and plan of the course. Also the Bible Readings begin with this issue of the *Journal*. Be sure to get your copy and become a regular subscriber. The price of the *Journal* is one dollar per year in single subscriptions, or eighty-five cents per year in clubs of ten or more sent to one address. At least send for a sample copy enclosing ten cents to cover the expense of mailing, etc.

What Those Who Have Examined the Course Say About It

Among the different helps mentioned in the program offered by Rev. D. Shelby Corlett, General N. Y. P. S. Secretary, and his corps of able workers, there is not one of more importance than that covered by the Daily Bible Reading Course, based on the teachings of the Bible and its most reliable exponents, which is to be a prominent and permanent feature in the program that is to appear each month in the *N. Y. P. S. Journal*.

The writer would not only approve of the proposed department of the N. Y. P. S. program, but would most emphatically urge that the President of each local N. Y. P. S. make a definite effort to have every member of his N. Y. P. S. enroll and become a constant, faithful member and student of the Daily Bible Reading Course.

He would further suggest that too much attention cannot be given to the selection and the appointment of a leader and teacher for this, the most important of the N. Y. P. S. program.

Yes, we most heartily endorse the plan and emphatically urge its constant operation, for has not God declared in His Word that the Bible is a lamp to the feet and a light unto the pathway of every eternity bound soul, and to escape the Bible hell and to make the Bible heaven, we must have the lamp, and follow the light of the lamp, the Bible.

H. F. REYNOLDS, *General Superintendent*.

The Daily Bible Readings to be published in the *Nazarene Young People's Journal* for 1927 have been examined by me and it affords me pleasure to commend these studies to our Nazarene young people everywhere. The lesson to be read, the "key verse" to be remembered more particularly, and the brief comments make a very attractive course. It will encourage and promote continuous and consecutive Bible study, Bible memorizing, and Bible meditation, and insure the daily contact with God's Word so necessary to the life of every successful Christian.

E. J. FLEMING, *General Secretary*.

DISEASES FATAL TO A N. Y. P. S.

IV. READO-PHOBIA

"Reado-phobia." What a terrible disease. It makes one shudder as he thinks of it. It suggests the thought of "hydrophobia" and in fact is about as fatal to the life of a N. Y. P. S. as this dreaded disease is to the physical life. But not a few of the young people's organizations are afflicted with it.

"Reado-phobia" robs the individual young person of his initiative, saps his own mental strength and makes him to be merely a parrot passing on what another has said. A party spoke to me some time ago and said, "I visited a society the other day which was using *The N. Y. P. S. Journal*. The leader arose and after reading the Scripture lesson proceeded to read what was written in the *Journal*. During the course of the service he had different people read what was given under the different sub heads of the topic lesson. The meeting," he continued, "was very uninteresting and dry." Of course it was. Any meeting will be where the leaders are afflicted with reado-phobia. There are very few people that can read and make it interesting for those listening. There is no

better book than the Bible; but scarcely one out of one hundred can read the Bible aloud in an interesting manner.

The topic lessons for the weekly devotional meetings appearing in the *Journal* are written with great care, and by competent writers, with the needs of the young person in mind. But these writers are not to do the thinking for the young people. Their material was never intended to be a "pre-digested," "cut-and-dried," "handed-down," "ready-to-serve" lesson for the N. Y. P. S. service. These lessons are provided to help you in your planning, to direct your thought along worth while lines. To have some consecutive order to our lessons, and as well have variety. The leader should read it, study it, learn it, inwardly digest it or meditate upon the theme of the lesson, until he can give in his own words the thoughts provided and others gathered. Thus he has helped himself and has really done some thing worthy of being called a leader in a N. Y. P. S.

People usually like to take the easiest route. They like to do those things which will take the least study and preparation. But young people, this is never the best way for us. We must ever have in mind that we are the future Church of the Nazarene, and that as we will apply ourselves and train ourselves today we will be efficient leaders and members in the church of the future. No one knows just what responsibility will be placed upon him in future years. We do not know the positions of trust that may be ours. So we should ever do our best to be fitted for any position that God may have for us. Was it not Abraham Lincoln who said: "I will study and fit myself for any position that may come to me in the future?" So let us have this same thought in mind as we prepare our lessons, and discuss our topics in the N. Y. P. S. service.

God has endowed each of you with mental powers, the extent of which will never be fathomed. He has endowed us with an individuality, a personality distinctively our own. We owe it to God as a part of our stewardship to develop ourselves, to be ourselves, and to make of ourselves all we can. See what havoc is wrought to your own individual mind and training if you will be satisfied to read merely what another has written; rather than to take that topic and study it, and give it forth as your own. By studying thus you have helped yourself to be something bigger and better. But one says, "I cannot say it as well as it is written." That may be true, but you never will be able to say it any better if you substitute what is written for your own individual thinking and expression. The topics are yours; the thoughts expressed in the lesson are yours; the material in every sense is yours. Not yours to read what another has written, but yours to study, to learn, and then to give forth in your own words, in your own

language, with your own individual stamp upon them.

The remedy for reado-phobia is to change the attitude of your thinking toward this matter; and resolve within yourself that you shall never be guilty of simply reading what another has written, as your part in the N. Y. P. S. service. That you will apply yourself; you will study; you will digest the thought and subject until you can speak upon it in your own words and manner. Refuse to be a parrot and BE YOURSELF.—D. S. C.

POTEAU, OKLA.

Group 4 of the Nazarene Young People's Society, Eastern Oklahoma District, met at Poteau. Services were opened by singing, welcome address by Brother Horace Sherrell, response by Rev. W. F. Green, sermon by District Superintendent, Rev. S. H. Owens, at eleven o'clock. At 2:30 lecture by Prof. A. S. London. Program by Poteau N. Y. P. S. at seven p. m. Preaching by Rev. Bud Robinson, text Jas. 4:8. Song service led by Prof. L. C. Messer.—Mrs. W. F. Green, Secretary.

Sunday School Lesson

January 2

By M. EMILY ELLYSON

LESSON SUBJECT: The Christian a follower of Jesus.

LESSON TEXT: Mark 1:16-20; 2:13-17; 1 John 2:6.

GOLDEN TEXT: *He said unto him, follow me. And he arose and followed Him (Mark 2:14).*

WE HAVE in this lesson Christ appearing as a teacher. A teacher must have pupils, one cannot set up a school without scholars, so our Lord begins his teaching work with these four men whom He called from their business to become His followers. These men were diligent, they were not men of leisure. Christ puts honor upon those who are industrious, "not slothful in business." He who spent years at the carpenter's bench, and thus dignified labor, when He chose His followers picked them from the laboring class. He passed over the great Sanhedrim and the schools of the rabbis, and paused by the seaside among the tarpaulin; there He found some busy men engaged in honest, homely toil, and though they were in the midst of their labors, yet, when they heard the voice of Jesus calling to them across the blue water, immediately they left their employment by the seaside—but not their fishing business—and followed the Master of wind and wave.

We note that these fishermen were not only industrious but they worked together,—there was harmony among them. Industry and unity are two very important factors in establishing and building the work of God. Perhaps there is nothing that so paralyzes the church and brings on a condition of indifference as a lack of unity and love among

brethren. "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

According to Jesus' teaching the work of the minister is to fish for men. When one stops to consider a bit we find there is much that is analogous between the life of a fisherman of the sea and a fisher of souls. Both must be men of great patience, both are exposed to great perils, and both have need of wisdom. They must be tactful and know what bait to use for fish and men differ in appetite. Both must be courageous and persevering for many a draught will seemingly be fruitless, yet they must go on.

Again those whom Christ calls must leave all to follow Him. We cannot be dabblers in the business world and make much headway in our fishing business. It means that we must turn a deaf ear to all the get-rich-quick projects and the flattering of the commercial world. We must sit loose to the world, and forsake everything that will interfere with the fulfillment of our calling to Christ's service. In the 19th verse we are told that James and John not only left their nets but also their father and hired servants. We judge from this that they were doing a prosperous business since they needed help to carry it on.

We also would call attention to the splendid spirit manifested by Zebedee. Without doubt it meant much to this father to be left alone with just servants as helpers. This together with the loss of loving fellowship with his sons, and their interest in the business, doubtless tugged hard at the heart strings of this noble father. But the opportunity for the boys came and he gave them their chance. Children do not always realize it, but more often than otherwise if they make a success in life it is because there is a Zebedee in behind the scenes mending nets and toiling in the storms, often times hard pressed when the draught of fishes in the net does not exceed in value the draft that must be enclosed in the next letter.

We note further that this lesson teaches Christ's attitude toward the publicans and sinners, and His attitude should be ours. We are told that *He sat at meat with them*, probably this was a farewell feast that Matthew made to his friends, Jesus and His disciples being there. This motley crowd followed Him probably because of the report they had heard of Him. They did not follow Him for conscience sake, but for the sake of curiosity and they came to Levi's feast, to see Him. Here and elsewhere publicans are ranked as the worst of sinners because commonly they were such. An honest, fair dealing publican was very rare. The Jews had a special antipathy to them and to their office as an insult to their national liberty and a badge of their slavery. To the Jew it was scandalous to be seen in their company. But such as these our Lord was pleased to converse with when He walked in the likeness of sinful flesh.

The Jews would not go to hear him preach, but they would go to see Him sit with the lowest class and then seek to lower the Master in the estimate of His disciples. It is not new for good motives to be misrepresented. But Jesus

stood by what He did. He would not withdraw though all the Pharisees took offense. How often we decline to do a good work for fear some friend or some nice person would not approve such action. That is not the teaching or the attitude of the Master. The Jews thought the publicans should be hated, but Jesus said they are to be pitied, they are sick, they need a physician, they are sinners and need a Savior.

The Jews thought in order for Christ to maintain a high character He should separate Himself from these publicans and sinners. But Jesus said not so, my commission directs me to them. "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." If the world had been righteous He would not have come. It was to a sinful world that He was sent, therefore His business lay mostly with such as these with whom He was sitting and eating that day. In this lies Christ's highest glory, that He receives sinful men.

The most wonderful hour in any one's life is the hour when one hears the Master's voice calling to a holy life of fellowship and service with Himself. Sometimes that call comes in childhood, again it may come in the freshness of youth. Many have heard that voice while in the midst of pleasures that were ruining both body and soul, and wise indeed is that one who will yield his life in that moment to the Son of God, thenceforward to follow Him with unquestioning faith.

Men, women, and little children—all may follow Jesus. But some one says it is such a venture. Everything is a venture, you cannot enter upon any worldly pursuit that is not a venture, but faith in Christ for salvation and for fellowship is not a venture, and as to service it is the only work one can engage in that cannot fail of being rewarded.

CONCERNING DR. CARRADINE

Having heard and loved Dr. Beverly Carradine and his preaching when I was a boy in Kentucky, and remembering the fondness of my godly mother for his wonderful ministry, I have called upon him in a little sanitarium in our city, where he has been for the past twenty months. His condition is pitiful. He is in what seems to be perfect physical health, but his mind is sadly wrecked. At times he is perfectly sane and tells with enthusiasm of his great revivals, but at other times he is full of strange hallucinations and illusions. He is very busy writing books which he thinks will be published, which of course have no value. He has great piles of these manuscripts in his room.

His daughter writes me from New Orleans that she and her sister have been paying for his support in the sanitarium at the rate of \$20.00 per week, but that her sister has collapsed nervously and physically and can do no more. She herself will continue as long as she is able to carry on her work of teaching school.

It looks as though Dr. Carradine, probably the greatest preacher the holiness movement of the past forty years has developed, will be compelled to end his

days as a public charge in a state hospital for the insane, among raving maniacs, unless God's people come to his rescue. Whatever he has done amiss in the past twenty years, in my judgment, has been due to his failing mentality. Surely his many friends have too much heart and Christian sympathy to let him suffer thus.

Anyone wishing to make contributions toward his keep in the sanitarium may send the money to Mr. J. C. Davis, care Peoples Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are members of the Church of the Nazarene, godly people, and have been noble friends of Dr. Caradine, having had him in their home for a long while.

Sincerely and gratefully yours,
I. M. HARGETT,
Pastor Grand Avenue Temple
(Methodist), Kansas City, Mo.

Our Work in The West Indies

DEAR NAZARENES: We wish to talk to you this week about two visits we have made here on this beautiful Island of Trinidad. We had been very anxious for some time to take a trip back into the interior of the Island and visit some of the towns and villages there, so we expressed our desire to some American friends here who are missionaries for the Pentecostal people, and they were very nice to us and said that they would take us with them out to an Indian village about fifteen miles from the city of Port of Spain. We drove through some of the most beautiful tropical country, heavily timbered with cocoa and large trees of different varieties, and we were just enraptured with the beauty of the scene.

At last we drove into a village where these people had a mission and got out of our machine to look around, and before we had been there ten minutes there was a crowd of children and adults gathered around us, each minute adding to their number. We told them that we would be there for the service that night but they would not leave. When we walked down the road they would string along after us, and when we walked back toward the car they would crowd along with us, and finally we went into a house to pray with a sick man, and they all crowded into the house until they were about to smother the man that was sick, for they filled the little house door and part of the yard. So wife had to take them out into the yard and entertain them while the rest of us prayed with the sick man. I saw seven or eight little girls at one time holding to wife's fingers and dress skirt talking to her and several of them begging her to take them home with her. They would grabble for her fingers, or dress skirt, and anywhere to touch her,—they would kiss her hand and say, "Oh, so white, Oh, so sweet,—Madam please take me home with you!" Bless their little hearts, they are such poor wretched little things. Several have told me that child marriage is still being prac-

ticed among them and today they tell me many of the little girls are forced to marry and are made mere slaves to their husbands and mothers-in-law, even if they are not married they are not thought very much of by their parents, for girl babies are not very welcome in the Indian home. Poor little ragged things,—it would break your heart to see them, they are so poor and needy. One can take an automobile and drive to any of these villages and get a crowd any time in ten minutes to hear you preach, larger than most of our churches have on Sunday morning. As I saw these poor hungry people, and thought of their needs, and then thought of the great nations of India, China and Africa, South America, Central America and Mexico, and other places in the world, and then thought of the wealth of America, and the comforts and ease of many of our own dear Nazarenes, my heart cried out within me, "Oh, Lord give our folks the vision of the needs of earth's millions—help them to see the white harvest field, and make them to look away from self and 'behold the field that is ripe unto harvest.'" We are evidently living in the last days of this dispensation, and what we do must be done quickly, for Jesus is soon coming and our opportunity will be past.

Another night we went with some friends about six miles out in the country to a town to hold a service. We held the meeting in an old church building that looked to be a hundred years old. It was very old, dirty and batty. I thought while I was preaching and the bats were flying so close to my head that they were the largest bats I ever saw,—I am sure they would have measured ten inches from tip to tip of their wings. But the house was well filled and a good many standing at the windows. This is a very strong Catholic settlement and they gathered on the outside to hear what we had to say, and we heard them roaring when we emphasized the fact from John 14:6 that Christ is the Way and the Truth and the Life,—that He is the only one able to forgive sin. These Catholics had greatly embarrassed some missionaries before at this same church, and I thought they might try it again, so for their encouragement I preached it a little stronger, but that was all I heard of them. God is with us,—His glory abides. Hallelujah!

J. I. HILL, District Superintendent.

NEW YORK DISTRICT

Our last report was written on the eve of leaving Syracuse, where Rev. H. C. Stebbins is our faithful pastor. This good pastor carried an auto load to the Young People's Convention, that was in session in Canastota, and we followed them. Rev. W. I. Smith is the stirring and working pastor. God is greatly blessing this loyal pastor, and the church is taking on new life. We preached the closing sermon of the convention, and saw some young people at the altar seeking salvation. Here we met once more Miss Ruth Cooper, a sweet singing evangelist. We are making arrangements to use this talented and God inspired

young singer over our District in revival work. From here we hurried on to New Berlin, where we have installed Rev. Thomas B. Greene, a graduate of our Eastern Nazarene College. He had the work well in hand when we arrived. Brother Greene, with his faithful wife, will make things go in this church. We are already receiving the best of reports from this charge. This is one of the churches we organized when we were District Superintendent a few years ago, and it is made up of some of the finest people of the town. After having a blessed season with this church over Sunday, we left the next morning with Brother Greene and wife for Saratoga Springs, where the Preachers' Convention convened. It was said by all, that this was one of the best conventions held for years. Dr. F. W. Nease, President of our Eastern Nazarene College, did some splendid work, both in preaching and lecturing. Rev. R. J. Kunze, our genial pastor had every thing ready for a great convention. Most of our pastors were present and returned home with one purpose, that was to make the next one greater. These gatherings mean much to our district work. We left for Brooklyn, at the close of this blessed time, and preached over Sunday at our John Wesley Church. Here we have many old time friends, who are loyal Nazarenes. This church is laboring under a heavy burden; but united, and co-operating together for the best plan that will bring victory to this historic church. God is with our work, and always leads us out to greater usefulness at times when we need Him most. We left New York City for Gouverneur, and found our young pastor, Rev. David Keeler, another graduate of our E. N. C., with a campaign ready to launch, and for ten days God blessed the Word. Souls were at the altar in about every service. This was a glorious season of real old time salvation. Miss Ruth Cooper was in charge of the singing, and did some grand work among the young people. Rochester was our next stop. We were with this live church for one week. Rev. C. J. Forcey is the good and faithful pastor. He is a dynamic force. Since coming to this church, he has built up an entirely new membership, of some of the best people in the city. They have also built a tabernacle, seating about five hundred. They have a large Sunday school, with good and true officers and teachers. During my stay with this flourishing church there were large congregations, and seekers at the altar all through the week. We witnessed some very clear cases of Bible salvation. The last night we had to hurry to the train after laboring with seekers, and when we left they were still coming to the altar. Brother Forcey, under God, is going to have a great church in that city. The next two days found us in Bridgeport. We held two services, and during the day we found and rented a good church building, in a very fine location for our work. This week they are moving into their new quarters. We are making plans for a big campaign during the month of January to be held in our new Bridgeport Church. This is a large field, and a good opportunity for a live pastor to build up one of our strongest

churches on the District. We are at present with our Patchogue, L. I. Church. Rev. H. S. Hurd is the pastor. The God of all grace is with us, and the church is being blessed. The kindness and tokens of love shown in all places, are greatly appreciated. We have only one desire, and that is to make our great District a factor in the salvation of souls, and organize churches in every large town and city over this big field. My slogan is, "It must be done." Many calls are coming from new fields, and we are arranging for an aggressive warfare on this District, and we shall never give up until we carry this fight into new cities and towns. The God of battles is leading on and there is nothing short of victory on all lines. We ask all our pastors to look after the general interests of our great church, and while building up the work at home, please do not forget "The other fellow." May God bless you richly.

J. A. WARD, District Superintendent.

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT

After having spent fifteen years in pastoral work and six years in evangelistic work the newly organized Indianapolis District elected me to serve them in the capacity of District Superintendent. At the beginning of this Assembly year, Sept. 7th, we discovered that after the division of the Indiana District into a northern and southern section, we had fifty-six churches on the Indianapolis District. One of the first things we did was to send Rev. Fred Bouse to New Albany, Ind., to assist Rev. Floyd Honchell in a Home Missionary meeting and on Sept. 20th organized a fine church with thirty-three charter members. Since that time the new baby has grown to over forty members, and over eighty in Sunday school. Rev. Fred Corby was appointed pastor and the work is pushing forward with a vim. We went to Franklin, where we have a church property worth \$1,500 and saved it from the sheriff's hammer. I believe we will get a good work going at Franklin yet. From Franklin we went to Jefferson, where Brother F. V. Taylor was in a good revival meeting with Rev. Carrie Barbier. God gave some victory and the work was strengthened. Brother Taylor is one of God's choice men. Jeffersonville has much room for advancement and we believe we can see one of our strong churches there in the future. From here we went to Milltown, where Rev. C. L. Davis and Prof. Burl Sparks were in a good revival meeting. Milltown is a beautiful little city in the foot hills of Southern Indiana, surrounded with great lime kilns. We hope to get a resident pastor here who will be willing to sacrifice for a year or so. There is a fine prospect in Milltown and our people are faithful and tried. We arrived in Terre Haute, Ind., Sept. 25th. Here Brother Singhurst is doing a commendable work. The church in Terre Haute has had many hardships and misfortunes, but with Brother and Sister Singhurst and daughter on the job the work is advancing in a substantial way. Rev. P. P. Belew gave Terre Haute two good revivals this year. From here we went to Black-

hawk, where I found a small faithful class worshipping in a nice tabernacle. We do not have a resident pastor in Blackhawk and the work is supplied through our church at Terre Haute. We arrived in St. Bernice Sept. 28th. Rev. Harry Carter is the aggressive pastor here and I met as fine a class of people as I ever saw. It had rained in the afternoon and we went to church in the rain, but we had a fine wide awake congregation present. St. Bernice has a beautiful church building that would be a credit to any community. From here we motored over to Dana, where we met Brother and Sister J. D. Urschel and people worshipping in a rented church building. We have only twelve Nazarenes in Dana Church, but they are laying a good foundation for the future success of our work there. Brother and Sister Urschel will put the work on the map if anybody can. They told me they believed in the Budget and that it was their practice to raise the Budget where they had labored. Howard was the next stop. We have a nice tabernacle here and a few faithful Nazarenes. Rev. J. B. Mackey is the pastor, and a more self-sacrificing preacher I never met. I found him and his good wife living in a tent near the tabernacle and both on the job to put the devil out of business and possess the land for God—and they have succeeded in a large measure. Our Nazarenes at Howard are farmers and they lost their year's crops in the Wabash bottom lands this summer, hundreds of acres of corn under water for weeks.

Next we came to Brazil Church. Brother J. W. Stoffie is the faithful pastor here and this is his first pastorate in our church. The people love him and Sister Stoffie and feel that they are God's people in God's place and at God's time. This work has had financial reverses and some dark days, but with a persevering people and pastor such as I found on my visit to Brazil Church, they will gain the day.

At Greencastle we found Rev. Fred and Dora Harvey praying and working without ceasing. I found the church and pastors working together in harmony with hope and vision. Our next visit was to Ladoga Church near the northern boundary of the district. Rev. Mertie Hooker is the successful pastor and a wide awake, enthusiastic people constitutes the church,—they have the true Nazarene spirit. We arrived in Fortville Oct. 6th and met our pastors, Rev. Clarence Talbert and wife and faithful people. Fortville Church suffered a few reverses in the past, but I found about eight as faithful Nazarenes as it has been my privilege to meet, and if any pastor gets discouraged and feels like giving up come over and spend a little time visiting Brother and Sister Talbert. The Lord multiply their tribe. They have prayed and wept and stood by their guns and some day heaven will answer to their faithfulness and Fortville will come to the front. We went from here to Stringtown and held a good service with Rev. Richard Rahrar and his good people. Stringtown is one of the best rural churches in our movement. Pastor and people are working together in harmony. Cambridge City Church was our next place to visit. Rev. I. F.

Rodifer is the faithful pastor here of a fine class of Nazarenes, full of enthusiasm and vision. Our people worship in a rented church belonging to the Universalist people but they have bought a nice lot in the down town district and plan to build a new church in the spring. The church here is advancing. Hagers-town was the next place visited. We found our people building a new church under the leadership of Rev. Harley Rahrar. This people are sacrificing and pulling every pound they can to get into the new church before snow flies. We visited our Richmond Church Sunday, Oct. 11th. Rev. M. S. and Garnette Cook have done a great work here, they have remodeled the building and have a splendid church auditorium that is a credit to the spirit of the people who made it possible. Rev. James Miller was in a good revival here. I preached to a fine congregation in the afternoon. This work is certain to succeed. From Richmond, we came to Raymond and found another fine class of rural people under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. R. F. Johnson. The people were in the midst of wheat sowing and attendance was small but God gave a good service. We have a fine church property here. From Raymond we went to Connersville where Rev. S. C. Johnson, the new pastor was holding a revival meeting. We found the people encouraged and a good revival spirit on. We have a nice brick church here and everything advancing. The chief of police in Connersville is a sanctified man and a member of our church. We next came to Shelbyville and enjoyed a fine service with Rev. A. L. Emmert and people. Our people have a basement church here and a parsonage. They will soon have the indebtedness met and will build a nice church on the present foundation. This church has had a constant growth. Walters Chapel was next visited,—another rural church south of Indianapolis. We have a nice church building here out of debt and a fine class of people. Rev. Ira McNew, the present pastor has done a fine work at Walters Chapel. We enjoyed meeting with the Mohawk Church on Saturday night. Rev. Sadie McNeese is the good pastor of this rural church. They have a splendid church building and parsonage here.

We visited our church at New Castle on Sunday, Oct. 17th, and found Rev. Ira and Mary Ackers pushing the battle for God and holiness. They are experienced generals in the work of the Lord. New Castle is one of the strongest churches on the Indianapolis district, with a splendid church building and a nice two story parsonage all modern. The New Castle Church has enjoyed wonderful success under the favor of God, and still great possibilities for the future. They have a live Sunday school here, under the leadership of Rev. J. W. Blansett, Superintendent. To be in this Sunday school makes one think of a bee hive in a clover field. With Brother and Sister Ackers as pastors the work will advance.

I preached at our Greensboro Church Sunday night where Sister C. R. Pearson is the faithful pastor. The Lord gave us a good service. We have a nice

church building here and some choice Nazarenes.

I have talked to our people about the budget and I find our pastors and people in sympathy with our work in general and a willingness to support it. I find both pastors and people encouraged and determined to put the work of the Lord over the top. "Let us all work together in all kinds of weather and see what can be done." Keep revival fires burning and the heavens open, never recognize discouragement if you were to meet it in the big road. Notify the devil that you are on the job to stay and that he may expect to suffer much damage to his cause.

C. J. QUINN, District Superintendent.

CENTRAL NAZARENE ACADEMY

When God continues to bless the efforts of His children in His vineyard it is time to tell others about it so that "everything that hath breath may praise the Lord." Many things go to prove that God is for us and who then can be against us. From all indications the time is coming when C. N. A. will be recognized as a school of merit among other worthy institutions of learning. We hope that C. N. A. has had her portion of reverses for a while and that God will again smile on her.

The writer is now giving his fourth year to the interests of the institution. During this period the school has emerged from a chaotic state in practically every phase to a place where its literary work is recognized by the public schools of this and other states, its indebtedness is only \$2,300, its enrollment has increased steadily and today it has the confidence of the people on the Hamlin, New Mexico and San Antonio Districts.

President W. H. Phillips is meeting with success on the field in an effort to clear the school of indebtedness, pay the teachers in full again this year and secure money for the purchase of needed equipment and make improvements and repairs. We are praising God for His work among the people.

Prof. A. M. Paylor, for years the teacher of music here when C. N. A. was prospering, is with us again, coming to us from Northwest Nazarene College. He has charge of the Piano and Voice instruction. He is developing a fine Ladies' Quartet that has sung in two District Assemblies and one N. Y. P. S. Convention since school opened, rendering songs that blessed the people. The Male Quartet is preparing for public services now. We expect to see them bless many hearts with song before the year expires.

We are also pleased to have Brother H. O. Fanning as a member of our faculty. For years he has taught Bible in our holiness schools and now has charge of our Theological department. Many say they would rather hear him teach than to hear many preachers preach. Besides his regular work in the school he has a night Bible class for parents and others who cannot attend the regular day classes. The Lord is blessing this department and we want it to keep a prominent place in our curriculum.

Our Gospel Team is losing no time

in preaching each week, and visiting and praying in the homes. We have the finest group of energetic Spirit filled young preachers that we have had in years. Others are coming in later. It is not too late to enter now.

Our success in every department of the school is attributed to God's blessings on the school and its patrons, and the efforts of a loyal, efficient, sacrificing faculty. May God abundantly reward all concerned. We are truly thankful for the way God has blessed the work here. Let us join hands and hearts in prayer and service to see the interests of C. N. A. advanced.

J. C. HORGER, Business Manager.

CHICAGO CENTRAL DISTRICT

In the great state of Wisconsin, during the past four years we have been making some progress. We are convinced of one thing thoroughly, that we can plant the Church of the Nazarene in Wisconsin, if we can find the type of workers that will go and pour out their life and blood in that great field with its three million people.

In northern Wisconsin Rev. A. P. Dean has been doing some good work. He has started new churches in Ashland, Iron River, and has had a meeting at Superior. Rev. Stella N. Adams has also been doing some good work in that section and is trying now to open up a new work at Comer, Wisconsin. Rev. A. J. Doke, one of our local men in that section, has been doing some preaching in and around Frederick, Wisconsin. Rev. B. T. Flanery, so well known to readers of the HERALD OF HOLINESS, while engaged in his general evangelistic work, has time to hold some Home Missionary meetings in and around that section of the country, since he lives in Cumberland, Wisconsin. Mrs. C. A. Taylor looks after our work at St. Croix Falls. She is a sister of Rev. P. A. Dean, who raised up the St. Croix work. Rev. J. S. Leggett is our pastor at Durand, where we have recently had a resurrection of our work. We have some of the best people of the earth at Durand. Forest Center, where Rev. Geo. Cornelius is pastor, is one of our best churches in Wisconsin. While this is a country church, yet we have fine congregations. They have a good parsonage in which the pastor lives and they are loyal to every interest of our denomination. This church is a monument to the fact that we can have a country Church of the Nazarene in Wisconsin. Some of the finest people of the earth are members of this church.

Rev. J. J. Gough is doing a good work over around Antigo. We have a strong and growing church at Mattoon, where we have a substantial building, built in the last few months. We are getting a good work at Antigo, the county seat. Also Brother Gough is starting a new work at Whitcomb. We have made substantial progress the past year in both our Racine churches. Brother Geeding reports an increase along all lines at the Central church, and Sister Hansche starts a good year in her third year as pastor of First Church. All this is another proof that we can plant the Church of the Nazarene in the state of Wisconsin. We

have a good work at Richland Center, where Ralph Rice and wife are the pastors. Also we have a good country church near Richland Center called Oak Ridge. Martintown, one of our smaller churches in Wisconsin, is doing a good work.

E. O. CHALFANT,
District Superintendent.

OUR NEW OCTOGENARIAN

On November 1, 1926, Rev. H. D. Brown celebrated his eightieth birthday at his home, 8728 Thirteenth Ave., N. W., Seattle, Wash. The announcement had gone forth that he would keep open house from three p. m. to nine p. m. of that day, during which time his great host of friends and well wishers might pay their personal respects and extend congratulations.

It proved to be a high day indeed. Many were the cards and letters that poured in from those who were unable to be present in person. But a numerous company of friends and admirers visited the aged warrior of the cross during the hours stated, at times thronging the place. In the afternoon when many were present, including a delegation from the W. C. T. U., Brother Brown was requested to preach a brief sermon. This he did, speaking for about twenty minutes with all his wonted clearness and energy.

This day not only marked a rare epoch in his long life journey, as regards advanced age, but the sixtieth anniversary of his entrance upon the gospel ministry occurred during the present year.

The ravages of age have left but few traces on his stalwart frame and striking countenance. The call to the ministry still rings in his ears and stirs his heart as of yore, and his stentorian voice is frequently heard in defense of the great fundamentals of divine revelation.

The loss of his gifted companion left him lonely and sad, but in the Lord's good providence his devoted sister, Miss Mary E. Brown, has taken up the gentle ministry so regrettably laid down, and is tenderly administering to the needs of her "big brother."

Honored officially by his denomination, intimate friend and confidant of the lamented Dr. Bresee, the name of H. D. Brown will occupy a conspicuous place in the early annals of the Church of the Nazarene.

A poem by the writer, written for the occasion, was read twice during the day.

D. RAND PIERCE.

NEW MEXICO DISTRICT

We have been busy almost day and night since our Assembly in May. The work in general on the District has made decided progress.

Wife and I have put in almost all of our time holding meetings with the little struggling churches. The Lord has given us revivals at most of these churches, and we have helped them raise their apportionments.

Have recently had a grand meeting at Las Cruces, where we organized a church a year ago. Miss Leona Forbes has gone there to take charge of the work. Las Cruces is a nice big town in

the rich irrigated Rio Grande River Valley. With a fine aggressive pastor like Miss Forbes the church will move forward to victory. We expect great things from them.

Most of the churches have had revivals since the Assembly. Portales had a very successful meeting with Rev. J. E. Bates; El Paso with Prof. S. S. White; Artesia had the state campmeeting. Dr. Chapman was our evangelist this year. He endeared himself to our people and the Lord gave us the best meeting we have had in several years.

Several of our churches are paying all of their apportionments monthly. We like the monthly pay plan, and we are making a desperate effort to get all of our churches to adopt and to put into practice this system.

Most of our churches are going to bring up their part on this general deficit as is requested by Headquarters.

Good reports come to us from our pastors and churches. Rev. W. A. Huffman, pastor of Hagerman, writes, "The Lord gave us unusual services Sunday. The night service was most peculiarly directed by the Holy Ghost. The Lord is giving us sweet victory in our souls and our faith is strong for the future." Brother Huffman and his church pay all apportionments promptly. Rev. A. I. Metcalf, pastor of Tatum and Plainview churches, writes: "The work in general is improving. We have good interest in the services, many outsiders are liking fine. Have some prospects of some more fine folks that will make good Nazarenes."

Rev. Minnie Timmens of the Moriarty Church, says, "God is putting the people on my heart more and more and I know He will give us a revival. District Evangelist, Rev. F. A. Powell, writes, "We have another big boy, Daniel by name, hope to be out in the field for souls again soon." Rev. J. A. Fickey of Tucumcari, states: "We have just finished painting our church inside and out. We are not discouraged but pressing on." Rev. L. M. May, pastor of El Paso church, says, "Good day Sunday, full house in morning, altar service at night, increase in Sunday school." They had all apportionments paid up to the minute, gave their pastor a \$25.00 bonus besides his salary, provided him a furnished house, gave a big Thanksgiving pounding and still had money in the treasury. El Paso Church is coming to the very front ranks. Portales Church, where Rev. R. C. Gunstream is pastor, is having salvation times, coming on with their apportionments, besides keeping up their heavy payments on their beautiful new church. Portales is the home of Brother and Sister DeArman, who are field agents for Rest Cottage, Pilot Point, Texas. In every church had paying members like Brother and Sister DeArman we would soon put this District on the map. Artesia, with its splendid pastor, Rev. E. E. Hale, still pushing forward.

At the close of our Las Cruces meeting we loaded our babies and luggage in our little Star coach and headed for Clovis. Spent a day and night at El Paso, hurried on up the valley to the little town of Tularosa, nestling at the foot of the White Mountains. Had a precious service with our church there. Rev. W. M. Lovett is the faithful and much encour-

aged pastor. Their services and Sunday school have increased in interest and attendance. As usual they are keeping all apportionments paid up in full. Next morning drove over the White Mountains through the tall pines, passed by Old Baldy which was all covered with snow, hurried on to Roswell for a service at night. Rev. F. R. Whitley, the pastor, and his faithful wife are pressing their way right on to victory. God is going to give us a good church there yet. We had a fine service and afterwards were invited back into the parsonage where the ladies served delicious refreshments in our honor. Next morning we were off for Clovis. We found Rev. Mary I. Hartline, the faithful and efficient pastor, encouraged over the work. We reorganized this church last July. There are some fine people in our little church there and the future is bright.

We are now out in the country holding meetings with the Hollene and Charity churches. Rev. L. E. Forbes is the faithful pastor. He loves his people and works faithfully with them.

We are to have a district preachers' and Young People's convention at Roswell December 29 to January 2. We are expecting great times. God is with us and we are pressing onward and upward.

JOHN F. ROBERTS,
District Superintendent.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT

The Tennessee District covers the entire state of Tennessee, and is nearly two hundred miles wide, and five hundred miles long, and contains a great variety of products and people. In the western part it is a vast cotton field, with other farm products in the fertile Mississippi River Valley, then as one goes east the land gradually rises until you strike the Cumberland Mountains. There coal, iron, fire clay, and many other valuable minerals abound. Here in the mountains also flow over the mountain side great streams of water with its many waterfalls, making many very valuable power sites, which are fast being constructed, and great power lines run in every direction carrying power to the fast increasing factory sites where manufacturing concerns of all sorts are being constructed.

Our people are loyal Nazarenes in most part, but there are many small churches organized into circuits, with as many as four preaching places on some of these. They are a great people coming from a great ancestry. Such men as David Crockett, Andrew Jackson in national life, and here along the Cumberland River is where they had that great revival where hundreds of people were converted in the old time way. Often as many as eight or ten falling off their seats under deep conviction, and running screaming to the altar. Out of this revival came the Cumberland Presbyterian church. In this state also were many mighty Methodist preachers of the old type. In the early days of the holiness movement there were such leaders as Rev. J. O. McClurkan, who founded Trevecca College, and Dr. B. F. Haynes, once the editor of the HERALD OF HOLINESS, and now John

T. Benson who worked with Brother McClurkan, and is still active in our church, and R. B. Mitchum, who was one of the leaders of the first organization of holiness churches in West Tennessee, both of whom are now on the General Board of our church. With such men as these at the helm, and such predecessors we ought to have one of the greatest districts in our connection. When we were elected Superintendent of this great district, I had two meetings already slated in Oklahoma, and these I had to hold—at Hominy and Holdenville. These were both good meetings. We closed at Holdenville, Okla., on Sunday night, and took the midnight train for Tennessee to begin our work. On the night of November 8, we visited our first church on the District, which was Memphis. Here we found a very enthusiastic church led by Rev. J. D. Saxon. They seem to have a vision of a great campaign next summer when they want to inaugurate a great church. We ought by all means to have a strong church in the largest city on the District.

At Paris, Rev. W. G. Pirtle is pastor, and he is doing things. They have a splendid brick church building and a good parsonage, all out of debt, and a live membership. Rev. D. M. Coulson is at this writing in a revival there.

At Erin Rev. E. H. Stout, pastor, is doing a good work. They also have a nice frame church building and no debt. Brother Coulson has just been with them in a revival, and Miss Essie Morris was leader of song, and she knows how to lead the host in song.

At Clarksville we met the pastor, Rev. W. F. Rutherford, our old Texas friend. He has a nice frame church building and good parsonage, and no debt and one of the best financed churches that it has been my privilege to visit. They put all of their finances through the budget, and "they budge it," through the tithe system. Brother Rutherford has a great people.

At Springfield Rev. J. A. McCammon is pastor. They have a good brick church and no debt. Here we found Pastor H. H. Wise of the First Church, Nashville, in the midst of a revival. Brother Wise is a mighty evangelistic preacher. They are moving on good.

At Cookeville we found no pastor, but a small church worshipping in a tabernacle 30 x 50 with a dirt floor, but they are determined to build a good church soon. Cookeville is one of the best opportunities on the District—a growing town with new factories building right along.

At Sparta we found no pastor, but a substantial frame church well equipped that will seat four hundred people, and a great opportunity. We are trying to secure a pastor for Sparta and Cookeville together. Both are good opportunities, just at the edge of the Cumberland Mountains.

Lebanon was once a storm center of holiness in the days of J. O. McClurkan, but now only a few members of our church, but they have a good brick church, well equipped and no debt. Rev. M. L. Garrett and wife have accepted the pastorate, and we are sure they will succeed.

At Decherd they have a nice frame

church and a big open tabernacle in the rear for summer meetings, and a small debt. They have secured Rev. J. W. Crawford for pastor together with Cowan, just a few miles away. Cowan also has a nice frame church and no debt.

At Grace Church, Nashville, with Rev. W. F. Collier, former District Superintendent, pastor, they have a new frame church built last year, and Brother Collier has just finished the inside work in a beautiful manner. Brother Collier is a fine pastor. We preached for them Sunday morning and evening to a full house. They have considerable debt, but well able to handle it.

At Lawrenceburg the hall which had been rented for services, burned a week before; also the piano, and chairs, at a cost of over \$600, with no insurance. But they are in another hall going on. Rev. L. C. Parsons has been their pastor. He is finishing his work at Vanderbilt University this year. They have secured the Presbyterian church for their radio revival which will begin on Monday night, January 3, 1927, at 7:30, Central Standard time. This radio revival will continue through the month of January.

At Shelbyville they have a good frame building well equipped, but only a few struggling members; no debt, and somewhat discouraged. But with Rev. S. A. Jones in the lead he will put them over the top.

At Chattanooga, Grace Church, we found a nice new church with a small debt, and an enthusiastic people, but their pastor, Rev. Mackey J. Brown, is a sick man, and has not preached a sermon since the Assembly, but the preachers at First Church have supplied his pulpit. He is a great pastor, and we predict great things when he gets well. It is a new church, a part of the First Church that swarmed.

At First Church, Chattanooga, we met a very enthusiastic people led by pastor, W. M. Tidwell, who has been there twenty years, and built a great church. Their building is of brick, and will seat eleven hundred people, and we preached to 750 people on Thursday night. This church grew under the leadership of Brother Tidwell from a tent meeting, then a mission, to now one of the strongest churches in our whole connection. Not a Sunday passes that someone does not pray through at their altars.

At West Nashville we found Rev. R. B. Rawls leading a fine flock worshipping in a good frame church, which they have outgrown, and they will build a nice brick church this winter. They have a fine people.

At North Nashville we found Rev. Lige Weaver, who was converted in one of our meetings years ago at Monterey. He is a fine pastor, and he also has a continuous revival in his church, having received twenty-three new members since the Assembly. His Sunday school numbered 174 last Sunday, and they also are compelled to enlarge their borders soon. They have plans now to build a greater church.

As we write these lines we are at Clarksville in a short convention, and it is the easiest place to preach that I have been in lately. Seekers are coming to the altar and praying through.

Pray for us, we must have a great district here.

C. B. JERNIGAN, District Superintendent.

CHURCH NEWS

EVANGELIST CASEY GRIMES—"Just closed a revival with Pastor Ritter at Stuart, Okla. Brother Ritter is a real shepherd and had the confidence of the whole community to start with, and the revival was on from the beginning. Our little church was not convenient for the meeting so we started in the Methodist church, but were forced to move to the high school auditorium to accommodate the crowds. Harmony prevailed among all denominations, and I call it an old time union meeting. Ninety-three souls prayed through to certain victory, either saved or sanctified. Methodists and Baptists received the second blessing and shouted just like anybody else. And some Campbellites got saved and sanctified. Thirteen good members were added to our number, and twenty-seven subscriptions were taken for the HERALD OF HOLINESS. The 'Kinney, Ashford, Princtice' band were with me a part of the time, and I want to say they kept the devil bewildered. Stopped over on my way to my next meeting at Childress, Texas, and preached for the Electra Nazarenes. One was saved and one sanctified, glory to God."

BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—"This church is starting the new year with marked advancement. Brother J. A. Russell was called back for another year and God is in our midst and blessing the church. The Sunday school is growing in numbers and interest. A Junior N. Y. P. S. has been organized of lively boys and girls, with talents, whom we hope to see used for Jesus. They are studying the missionary fields. The finances are in fine condition, with a strong tithing band. The prayer meetings are seasons of refreshing and victory with often an 'extra spread.' The lay members lead these services, the leader appointing the leader for the next meeting. Brother Russell is bringing some great messages. Brother J. W. Dodd and daughter with Miss Maye Russell, a new but successful evangelistic party, held a ten days meeting here in October. Miss Russell has exceptional talent as a song leader and her special songs are used of God to bless the saints and touch the hearts of the unsaved. We are always delighted to have Maye come home. Her beautiful consecrated life is a blessing to all. Miss Cornilla Dodd is an adept on the piano and able assistant with the special songs. She is a sweet sanctified young girl. Brother Dodd is an able teacher of the Word and doctrine, stresses holiness and makes the truth so simple and plain it convinces the mind, and the Spirit carries conviction to the heart. He puts the gospel plow in deep and depends on God. Much good seed was sown but the results were not all that we desired. However, the workers did their best and God was on the scene. There were three who seemed to pray through. One of them has demonstrated that it was truly worth while. With every battle the

foe is driven a little farther back. We are claiming every foot of ground and pressing on."—Mrs. Mary A. Levan, Reporter.

PASTOR D. E. PALMER, TEGARDEN, OKLA.—"We are beginning our second year as pastor of the Cora Church. The past year has not been without its discouragements, neither has it been without its victories. Last March we had Rev. Chas. Robinson and family and Lawson Brown and wife for a three Sunday revival. Much sickness and the worst snow storm of the winter so hindered this meeting that at its close we were just getting up good interest. Then in August we secured Rev. Ray Davis of Bethany, Okla., as evangelist, and Rev. Otho Schwab, also of Bethany, as song leader and soloist, for a three Sunday N. Y. P. S. revival. God came on the scene and twenty different persons mostly young people, bowed at the altar, the most of them testifying to a definite experience. Brother Davis preaches like an old preacher and God honors his messages. Brother Schwab is an efficient song leader and soloist and also a good preacher. We had Rev. Schwab and Rev. W. T. Johnson with us November 12, 13 and 14 for a week end N. Y. P. S. revival, resulting in two being reclaimed and one being sanctified. Brother M. M. Snyder was with us on Saturday, November 13, and conducted a zone rally which proved a blessing to all who attended. Pray for us."

PASTOR G. W. PIRTLE, PARIS, TENN.—"Having closed a very successful two years pastorate with the good people of the Gordonsville Circuit, we have just recently reached our new field of labor, and are truly glad to find a band of true loyal Nazarenes. On last evening the saints brought a shower of good things to eat, and our heavenly Father blessed our hearts wonderfully as we prayed together. We have a good Sunday school which is growing under the superintendency of Brother G. W. Smith, and also a real live enthusiastic Woman's Missionary Society, who are workers together with Him, and we are expecting great things of them this year. Also, we have a real live class of young people who are doing things for God. Our newly elected District Superintendent, Brother C. B. Jernigan, paid us a visit on November 9 and encouraged us very much. We are looking for great things on the Tennessee District this year under the leadership of this man of God. We are soon to begin a revival with Rev. D. M. Coulson and Miss Essie Morris as evangelists. Pray for us here at Paris. We want a great revival."

EVANGELIST URAL T. HOLLENBACK—"The Lord gave us a great victory in the meeting with the Glen Park Church at Gary, Indiana, closing November 14. It was a great battle, hence the victory. The temporary building precludes the possibility of crowds, being too small to contain many outsiders, and none when all the Nazarenes come to church. But Rev. C. C. White, who, under God, raised it from a membership of twelve two years ago to the present membership of fifty, has a vision of better things. The meet-

ing resulted in about thirty seekers for pardon or holiness four adults united with the church and others getting ready to join. \$600 was raised to enlarge the tabernacle. By spring they will have an auditorium seating five hundred people. Everything looks great for a wonderful increase of every department of the church. Mrs. Hollenback assisted in the special singing to the delight of all. Six subscriptions were received for the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**.

PASTORS J. HERBERT AND PANSY S. MORGAN, ROCKFORD, ILL.—"Our revival this month was a prayed down one, having already started before the evangelist came. Rev. Roy L. Hollenback surely was God's man at God's time for the salvation of souls and upbuilding of the church. As we take a retrospective view of the meeting we feel that lasting good has been done. The Word, when it is preached without fear or favor, always accomplishes things. Mrs. Morgan's mother, Rev. Belle Snyder, was in our midst to amen the truth and be a blessing. New people are feeling at home in our regular services. The Sunday school is growing, our young people are demanding a Y. P. meeting, and we will organize a society soon. We are pressing the battle on, listening for heavenly orders."

EVANGELIST OSCAR HUDSON—"In my last report I was in the midst of the great revival at Newport, Ky., with Rev. Albea and his church. This meeting swept on to the close with fruitful altar services. We took in a nice class of members, received large list of subscriptions for the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**, sold a good lot of my new book, 'Gospel Dynamite,' and raised a splendid love offering for the pastor. We closed with a farewell service on Monday night and at 6:45 Tuesday morning was at God's Bible School in Cincinnati, where Brother Standley had called us to preach to the student body. A large number of fine looking, enthusiastic young people, most of whom are preparing for active Christian work, greeted us and we had a great time together. We left immediately for Ft. Wayne, Ind., where we had a three day convention with Brother Himler and his great church. Brother Himler took charge of this pastorate after the last Assembly, but progress is in evidence and he will no doubt carry this work to greater achievement. The heavens opened on us and souls prayed through in every service. Friday night we opened at Elwood, Ind., where Rev. Reese is in charge. He is a young man, but a choice character, with good sense and good religion. The stiffness that characterized the first services soon gave way and we had a steady stream of salvation. The scenes about the altar at times beggar description. As a sense of God's anger at sin would come upon us, seekers, with streaming eyes and uplifted hands, would renounce the world and scream for mercy until deliverance came to their souls. There was a perceptible uplift in the church at Elwood and we closed with an altar service after raising the pastor a nice cash love offering."

DENVER, COLO., LOWELL BOULEVARD CHURCH—"The Lord is continuing to bless our church and pastor. Twenty-seven seekers and three accessions to church during November. Brother C. W. Davis, our District Superintendent, and wife were with us Friday and Saturday, November 26 and 27, and encouraged our hearts with their wonderful messages in song and sermon. Sunday school continues to grow in grace and the outlook for the future is good. Praise the Lord. Our aim is 100 in Sunday school by Christmas. Pray for us."—E. J. Dolve, Reporter.

HENRYETTA, OKLA.—"November 28 closed one of the greatest revival meetings in many respects, that the Henryetta church has ever known. Rev. and Sister Allie Erick were the evangelists and Brother L. C. Messer was the song director. Brother and Sister Erick are wonderfully great preachers. Their messages were filled with divine power and unction. It would be impossible to pen in words the blessing that the church received from them. Undoubtedly these good people are open channels through which God directly talks to His people. Wonderful victory graced every service. Many hungry hearts wept their way to Calvary—both in redemption and sanctification. Seventeen men and women, most of whom were heads of families, were received into the church. Brother Messer is a great singer. His messages in song were great blessings to the people. The financing of the campaign was no difficulty as the majority of our members are strict tithers, and the people of the town responded well. A love offering of \$100 was given to our worthy pastor and family. Several visiting brothers were present during the meeting. Uncle Buddie, while on his way to Kansas City, stopped over and had charge of one service. He and Brother Messer will visit our church again December 10. An all day service, including a basket dinner, is planned. Come! You are invited."—Edna Radebaugh, Reporter.

PASTOR VINCENT B. PERSING, WILMINGTON, DEL.—"In the providence of God we were enabled to come to Wilmington, Del., on the 24th of October, and held a two weeks campaign with Rev. G. W. Andrews, pastor of Trenton, N. J., church, and then carried on the meetings ourselves twice during the week and on Sundays, and God gave us souls, both for conversion and sanctification. We were able to send the good news to District Superintendent Maybury, who came to us on Monday evening, November 29, and organized the First Church of the Nazarene in Wilmington with eleven charter members and more coming later. God has long laid Wilmington on our hearts, and rejoice greatly that He has brought this to pass. Let all of God's people pray for us, that this new infant may grow up and be all that it is possible to be under the Holy Ghost's direction."

PASTOR V. C. MULKIN, CARO, MICH.—"A revival in the Cass City, Michigan, Church of the Nazarene officially closed Sunday, Nov. 21. We began the battle

Oct. 31 with Evangelist W. G. Bennett as our called worker. For three full weeks covering four Sundays the battle waged against sin, both in sinners and in believers, with the result that several were converted or reclaimed and several were sanctified. The weather mitigated greatly against the meeting but though attendance was kept down God gave us a good meeting. I believe the church is in a condition to do business for God and that souls will find God in our regular services. Evangelist W. G. Bennett is an exceptionally strong preacher and a gifted teacher of scriptural holiness. A man with ripened powers, much on his knees, thoroughly conversant with the great doctrines of the Bible and a free easy speaker. He is, in my humble opinion, the type of worker churches and camps should desire to engage. There are not many real teachers of holiness and the fact that so many souls have to get re-sanctified (?) at every revival shows the great need of a teaching ministry to get God's children grounded in the faith. I can heartily endorse the ministry of this godly evangelist. We are now resting a week and Sunday, Nov. 28, we begin the battle at Ellington, the other point on our circuit. Brother Bennett will labor with us here, too. We are pressing on and expecting victory over Satan. May every Church of the Nazarene experience revivals this winter is our prayer. Though we have been Nazarenes but three months we feel perfectly at home."

PASTOR RALPH D. SCHURMAN, CALIFORNIA, PA.—"Six weeks ago we came to California to take the pastorate, and these have been busy weeks, getting acquainted with our folks, and lining up the winter's work. We have found a loyal band of workers numbering some sixty-five in the church, and 150 in the Sunday school. A hearty good welcome was given us the other evening in the form of a pounding, when the parsonage was filled with friends, gospel hymns, prayer and cheer. And when the evening came to a close we found we had been left with enough good things for the table to last for weeks to come. A splendid rally day program was given the first Sunday in November when our attendance record was broken. Our Thanksgiving offering Sunday evening totaled \$144.00. These first weeks have brought blessing in requests for prayer and precious souls finding God at our altars."

PASTOR J. O. DAVIS, BONHAM, TEXAS.—"This is our first year on the Lone Star state, having served as pastor on the Eastern Oklahoma District a part of the time since the Lord has called us into the work. We served the Boswell, Okla., church last year and we can truthfully say that we had a great year with them. We followed Rev. W. A. Carter here at Bonham, and find he is a great man with the church and the people of the town. The Lord is helping us and shouts of victory are heard in the camp, one has been sanctified, one received into the church, and we have other prospective members. And best of all the people all seem to be encouraged and satisfied with our weak efforts, for which we thank the Lord. We

have already started to raise our budget for the year, and expect to be among the people that pay the full budget."

PASTOR O. L. BENEDUM, EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO.—"We have just closed a gracious revival with Dr. C. H. Babcock of Los Angeles, Calif., as evangelist. There was not a service throughout the campaign but was blessed of the Lord. Dr. Babcock's messages were indeed of high order, stirring both saint and sinner, and the unanimous opinion was that this city never had better preaching. A large number of seekers were at the altar during the meeting and six adults joined the church. Rev. Arthur Gould, song evangelist, did his work well; his messages in song were wonderful. Finances were well taken care of before the opening of the campaign. The budget system is working fine here and at the close of November finds us overpaid by \$434.59. We believe in and practice storehouse tithing, and it works just as the Lord said it would. The membership brings into the storehouse and the Lord pours out His blessings. The church is united in her effort to spread scriptural holiness, and we expect to keep it up until Jesus comes."

EVANGELIST J. D. WIGINTON—"Just closed a revival meeting in New Town, five miles south of Electra in the Methodist Church, where holiness had never been preached before. The Sunday school superintendent, among others, got the blessing of holiness. Every seeker was a finder and the finances came without the asking. They were the most attentive folks I ever preached to, not a stir during the service. The congregation was made up of Methodists and Baptists. We have had four years' experience in the pastorate. We dug out our first church in Chickasha, Okla., and pastored there for one year. They now have a thriving little church. Feeling that God would have us enter the evangelistic field, we are ready to go. If you desire our help, our address is Box 1287, Electra, Texas."

PASTOR L. E. WRIGHT, INDEPENDENCE, KANS.—"We have just closed a good revival meeting with Brother and Sister Will H. and Lillie B. Nerry, who did splendid work, winning the hearts of the people. There were several seekers at the altar, some finders of experiences of salvation and one young man healed. Brother and Sister Nerry stood by the work and the pastor in a noble way, and made the sacrifice that it required to conduct a meeting here, with a sweet spirited grace that won the confidence and respect of all that were in the meeting. We have rented a room down town, paying \$20.00 per month and with other expenses we have a financial load, but we propose to keep on the job until we have built a strong Church of the Nazarene here or until Jesus comes and finds us in the effort. Pray for us."

PASTOR JOHN DUNCAN, PIEDMONT, MO.—"We came to the church here from our Assembly which convened in September. We found the people very much discouraged. But we are praising the Lord for victory. He has helped us

to make friends and gain the confidence of the people and we are going forth expecting our God to do great things for us. We have just closed, what the people say, is the best revival the church has ever known. Rev. C. J. Frost, of Jasper, Ala., was the evangelist. He is a preacher of the old time religion and fears neither men nor devils. He did some of the best preaching we have ever heard, and we think him capable of holding successful revivals in any of our churches. I deem him one of the very best evangelists in our connection. He is deeply spiritual, preaches folks under conviction, gets them to the altar and prays them through. In this revival everyone that knelt at the altar was encouraged and prayed with until they prayed through to either pardon or cleansing. Thirty-one were saved, eighteen sanctified, twenty-six taken into the church with others to follow soon, and eleven baptized at the altar with others to be baptized by immersion. We are praising the dear Lord who has made it all possible. We are encouraged. We have a membership now of seventy, our Sunday school is three times as large as it was when we came and the N. Y. P. S. is doing some valuable work. We have as fine class of young people as can be found anywhere. Glory be to Jesus! With this wonderful start, we are expecting to go over the top in every way this year. Some of the best people in the world are in the little church here and we love them with all our hearts. They have stood by us as faithfully as we could ask anyone to do since we have been here."

EVANGELIST MARVIN S. COOPER—"How it delights our heart to see the blessings of the Lord resting upon His people, and the Holy Spirit answering the cry of hungry hearts in these awful days. The days of revivals are not past where the church is on her knees before God crying to Him for the salvation of lost humanity. Our meeting with our Anderson, Ind., Church, which closed last Sunday night, was one of great victory—it was one continuous wave of glory. Some times in weeping, some times in laughter and again in a great outburst of glory followed by seasons of shouts of victory. What a time we had. Souls were saved. Backsliders came back to God and believers were sanctified. The Lord blessed us with fifty-four subscriptions to the HERALD OF HOLINESS, which makes 135 during our last three campaigns. We are at this time with our good pastor, Rev. Earl E. Stevens and his splendid people of Hull, Ill. We have had two services and already the glory of God is moving in our midst. Deep conviction is coming upon the unsaved, and hunger for heart holiness is manifested upon the believers' faces. For all of this we praise God in Jesus' name."

PASTOR JOSEPH RICHARDSON, OXFORD, N. S.—"Our church is still doing business for the King, and holding the banner of second blessing of holiness aloft in an atmosphere of love. We have been much distressed and discouraged during the summer months, because so many people have left us, to seek a livelihood in the states and elsewhere. It is next to im-

possible to build a work with the people leaving in such numbers, as they are doing here. Exceedingly poor industrial conditions explain the reason of this great exodus. Nevertheless, God is with us, and many of our services are seasons of blessing and power. Beginning with September first, we began and carried through, a time of fourteen days of fasting and prayer, after which we made it forty days. Eternity alone will tell the blessing and power of God, and the great assurance of victory, which has since pervaded our services, and we were never so blessed in pulpit work in our lives. Once or twice it seemed as though we were high unto slipping off into the glory world, while bringing our people the message. Our services are such, that when any stranger comes to town and attends our services, they get under conviction, and frequently find God. One such: A young woman prayed through recently, and joined the Young People's Society. Beginning again with December first, we will enter into another season of fasting and prayer, praying until we pray into the presence of God, and the glory envelops us as with a cloud. We want the entire HERALD OF HOLINESS family to unite in real heartfelt, heaven-born, Spirit-inspired prayer for Nova Scotia. Religion without salvation, rum and whiskey, fun and folly, and general worldliness are choking all desire for godliness out of the people."

PASTOR C. E. TONEY, SOMERTON, ARIZ.—"In the past twelve months it has been our happy privilege to conduct some seventeen revivals in the various states in which vast numbers have knelt at our altars and prayed through for pardon or purity. From among these a good number have united with the Church of the Nazarene. At the present time we are working on the Arizona District, having been called as pastor of the Somerton church located in the great Yuma Valley, which is one of the most fertile valleys in the United States, with waving fields of ripened grains, fruit of every description, grapefruit, oranges, pomegranates, and melons of every kind. Cotton, the principal export, yields some two bales per acre, in many instances. Alfalfa crops are harvested from January to December. And say there are many such valleys in this district. Sunday was my first day here as pastor, God marvelously honored. The house was filled to overflow, fifteen in the altar, eleven praying through with great manifestations of divine power. It was made clear that a revival was on, and it was God's time so we have continued this week. Only two nights have passed but we have not needed to preach—the altar has filled. As these prayed through, others came prostrated under mighty conviction. At the recent District Assembly, the work of the District was placed upon our shoulders as we were elected District Superintendent, thus we are in this work with all the powers that lieth in us and God's grace and help to make the work tell this year for righteousness and true holiness. We need your prayers. Do not fail us."

PASTOR J. H. THOMPSON, VONA, COLO.—"Working in a country church is a

new experience for us. We came to this place last June and soon found that country people have big hearts. The people come to church here for a good many miles around and our attendance in general has been good. On September 17, we began a revival meeting, with the pastor as the evangelist. The revival spirit was already on the church and some of the unsaved were under conviction to begin with. Four young people were saved the first two nights of the meeting. The Lord gave us a good three weeks' meeting and I believe our community for a good many miles around was blessed by it. The Lord sent some of our good friends in to help us out during the course of the meeting. We had been going but three or four days when Brother and Sister McDonald from Pueblo, and Brother E. E. O'Brien of Bethany, Okla., came in to give us a lift. Near the beginning of the second week Brother Thomas Hayes from La Junta, came over and did the preaching for us for about five days. While with us Brother Hayes organized a tithing band, which was joined by nearly all of our members and some who were not members. Brother Hayes works with a view to strengthening the influence of the pastor and helping to promote the direct interests of the local church. He is one of those evangelists who has learned some good lessons by having been in the pastorate himself. Brother and Sister McDonald and myself are now in a campaign in the nearby town of Seibert, where there is no resident preacher and where they need a holiness work established."

EVANGELIST B. F. HARRIS—"My last meeting was at Osage, Okla., with our pastor, Rev. C. Scroggins. In this meeting the blessing of the Lord was poured out and the saints often shouted for joy, and quite a number of seekers prayed through at the altar the old fashioned way. The church seemed blessed and helped. Rev. I. D. Farmer and wife of Cleveland, and Rev. Barlow of Hominy, and several members from these churches were present several times and rendered good service in the meeting. Our District Superintendent, Rev. S. H. Owens, was also present at one of the services. One night was designated as "HERALD OF HOLINESS" night, and we secured twenty-four subscriptions to our great church paper. On the last Sunday of the meeting the 11 a. m. service was devoted to the subject, "Storehouse Tithing," and at the close of the service a Tithing Band was organized. The singing was conducted by Brother Allen Sisson, and Miss Iva McClure presided at the piano. Brother Scroggins, the pastor is a consecrated man of God and has his work at heart. May God's blessings ever rest upon him and his people. I have some open dates. I want to keep busy. If you can use me for a meeting write me at my home address, 216 E. Brackett St., Sherman, Texas."

EVANGELISTS J. WARREN AND MAYBELLE LOWMAN—"We are now in the midst of a real revival at Decatur, Ill., West Side Church with Brother Jensen and his good people. Last night it was estimated that there were near five hundred people

in attendance. There were thirty-three people seeking the Lord and many of them found victory. We have another week here. We are expecting God to give us a real sweep of victory and many souls. Pray for us."

EVANGELIST P. P. BELEW—"Since last reporting God has given me two good revivals with our people in Michigan. One was at Cadillac, where Rev. Vernon L. Ward is the aggressive pastor. Here we had sixteen at the altar the first day and a constant stream of seekers throughout the two weeks. Miss Blakesley of Detroit, who sang for the meeting was greatly used of the Lord. The other meeting was at Bay City, where Rev. Alva W. Eastman is the efficient pastor. There was not as many seekers here as at Cadillac, but we had a goodly number in the church and fourteen in a jail service one Sunday afternoon. No finer people are to be found than some of the saints at these places. We enjoyed laboring with them and their good pastors. God bless them."

PASTOR L. S. TRACY, BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—"We have just closed a very satisfactory little meeting during Thanksgiving week with Rev. F. W. Nease, president of Eastern Nazarene College, as evangelist, and Mr. Alton Perkins, one of the students of the college, as singer. The messages were clear, forceful and anointed resulting in about a dozen at the altar, some of whom prayed through clearly. Another result of the meeting was the creation of an attitude toward our work which brought in quite a number of new people and, we believe, made them friends."

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.—"We want to report that God is still blessing and giving victory here. We just closed a week-end Young People's Convention, conducted by Rev. Milton Smith, a student-preacher of Olivet, Ill. He was mightily used of God to bless and encourage our young people and we feel sure all of them are miles up the road in spiritual things. Every service was owned of God but the services on the closing Sabbath were scenes of great power and glory. From the beginning to the close God walked in our midst and all were conscious of His blessed presence, it has been a long while since we have witnessed such shouting and weeping and getting blessed in general by both young and old people. There is a beautiful spirit of harmony between our young people and the older ones. All are interested in getting the young people established in God and every effort is being put forth to this end. We just recently organized them and the blessings of God are upon them and their services, several are using their musical talent to God's glory and the special singing and instrumental music were great factors in making the convention a glorious success. Our hearts are much encouraged, for God has done wonderful things for us since coming to this place. We never served a people who have shown such love and kindness, and best of all God is giving us the glorious privilege of helping immortal souls into the kingdom, bless His name. Our hearts are filled with praise and

gratitude and we are expecting still greater victories as the days come and go, for we believe the greatest blessings and victories are in the future for those who walk in the light and do God's will."—Mrs. E. E. Robinson, Reporter.

PASTOR H. W. CORNELIUS, AUBURN, IND.—"Nov. 22 we closed a revival at this place in which God was presented. It was a hard fought battle, the enemy contesting every step. But despite the opposition of the devil there was some good work done. A number were forward for both pardon and purity, and five were received into the church. Rev. F. P. Cassidy was the evangelist. We found him to be one of the most tireless workers with whom we have ever labored. We enjoyed his fellowship and ministry very much. The evangelist was well paid and a love offering of \$40.00 was given the pastor. The church in general is encouraged to press on and we can see some increase in all departments. Our Sunday school, under the efficient leadership of Mr. Clarence Fretz as Superintendent, is growing by leaps and bounds, while excellent interest is manifested in our N. Y. P. S. meetings. Miss Lottie Rynearson is the capable President. We are enjoying our labors very much among this most excellent people and we are in this battle to win."

PASTOR HARRY CARTER, ST. BERNICE, IND.—"Our meeting with Evangelists J. E. and Ada Redmon was a blessed time of refreshing and salvation from the Lord. We had souls from the beginning, not in large numbers but a constant flow,—fifty seeking pardon or purity, and some of the most wonderful victories we have ever seen. Thank God the days of miracles are not over. A good class was taken into the church and more to follow. Thanksgiving Day was a great day of rejoicing and giving praise to God. We have never known of a meeting anywhere in which the presence of the Lord seemed nearer. An all day meeting was held with the following ministers: Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Towns, of Anderson; Rev. Charles Carmony and family of Harris Chapel; Rev. and Mrs. Bates, of Fairview Park; Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Gerard of Dana, Ind., and Rev. John Drake of Rantoul, Ill., and several Olivet students, making the platform look almost like a campmeeting. After feasting upon the good things spiritually we partook of the temporal, which was a bountiful feast, a great basket dinner being served by the ladies of the church in a nearby hall. One of the greatest services of the meeting was the last Sunday morning. Sister Redmon started to take an offering to apply upon the indebtedness of the church, which was \$4,500. The Spirit of the Lord came down and there was a mighty breaking up of hearts and pocket books, and before they stopped, more than \$5,000 in cash and pledges were taken. The night service closed in a blaze of glory—seven at the altar. This is our second meeting with the Redmons, and we have given them another call. One feature of the meeting was the spiritual singing by the Railroad Men's Chorus—these being saved and sanctified conductors, brakemen, car and shop men. The evangelists were well paid, and

a love offering given the pastor's wife. We have as good a people here as one would need look for; they have certainly stood by me loyally. We feel more determined to press on and win souls for Jesus. Pray for us."

PASTOR ARTHUR MORGAN, GRACE CHAPEL, WICHITA, KANS.—R. 1—"We are enjoying our work as student pastor very much. The Lord is blessing and we feel like pressing on to greater things. We have recently closed a good revival with Lewis J. and Edythe Rice. It was a hard fought battle but the results were pleasing. There were about thirty-one seekers, many of whom were happy finders. Some new members were received into the church and a fine N. Y. P. S. was organized. I consider the Rices splendid evangelists. Their messages were of a high order and they preached and sang with the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon them. I feel there is much ahead to be done. I want to say by way of testimony that Jesus sweetly saves and sanctifies."

PASTOR CHAS. A. JEFFRIES, PALISADE, COLO.—"We are glad to report a very successful revival with Rev. Lewis T. Corlett, pastor of the Grand Junction, Colorado, Church, as our evangelist. Brother Corlett brought some very inspiring and helpful messages which, with Sister Corlett as a soloist, were very much appreciated by our people. We had a wonderful steady attendance and such conviction that we did not feel like it was God's will for us to close at the end of two weeks as was our plan, so we carried the meeting over the third week. Several hundred people were allowed to hear the gospel during this time, and twenty-eight seekers testified to victory in the meeting besides some who didn't get through. With a new vision and a greater determination we are pushing on and believing God for the greatest time we've ever had. Pray for us."

PASTOR G. H. HARMON, HENRYETTA, OKLA.—"Sunday, November 28th closed a very great revival with our church. Rev. Allie Irick was the evangelist and Prof. L. C. Messer the song evangelist. Brother Irick is of the old type, and sounds the gospel message with no uncertain sound. He is deep, safe, and sound. His message brings forth results for God and the church. His past years of experience as evangelist and District Superintendent, have given him a wonderful insight to the need of the church of today. Truly Prof. Messer filled his place as a singer. This was the second time he has been with us here. We believe he is in class A as a singer. He is not formal but Spirit filled, and sings to the delight of all who hear him. We are sure there is a great future for this young man. A few days before the close of the meeting Sister Irick came and joined in the preaching. God helped her to be a wonderful help to the meeting. There was a large number that prayed through to definite victory, and a nice class came into the church. Finances came easy; workers paid well, a hundred dollar love offering for pastor. Truly this people are some of God's chosen. Our Sunday school is progressing

well under the leadership of R. S. Bailey. Our Young People's Society is filling its place under the leadership of W. F. Blankenship. We have a very fine Junior Society, led by Mrs. W. F. Blankenship."

PASTOR I. W. YOUNG AND WIFE, SAN FRANCISCO, FIRST CHURCH—"God has been graciously blessing us all along the way. We have just closed one of the best revivals, in many ways, that the church has had. Rev. I. M. Ellis is an evangelist of first order. He preaches with unction, carries a burden for the lost, and works hard at his job. Many were blessed at our altars and a nice class received into the church. The church is making good progress in all its departments. We believe in and love our leaders. There are no better in the land. And we are interested in the program of our great denomination. While we may not be making a great deal of noise about it, we are just trying to do the job that we think our leaders and the Great Head of the Church want done. We do not intend to stop when our General Budget is paid (we have to pay that to be even religious), but we want to go over so we can have something to shout about. We are just a small crowd, yet our expenses are a thousand dollars per month. But we pay them and shout while we are doing it. We have a good loyal people, in San Francisco, and God is going to bless them more and more as they work and sacrifice for Him. We are expecting a great time with the Aycocks in the spring. Pray for us."

PASTOR L. W. COLLAR, SOUTH BEND, IND.—"The church here is forging ahead along all lines. In our last tent meeting, conducted during the early fall with Evangelist Philip Geiter as our special worker, we reached a new community and good substantial gains were made in the membership of both the church and Sunday school. Our services were hindered this summer and fall while the church building was being remodeled, and while we had many things to endure and contend with the dear Lord did wonderfully bless the work and we not only held our own but made steady increases in all departments of the church during the building program. Now we have a fine new church building with an auditorium that will seat five hundred and a full basement underneath the whole building to take care of our growing Sunday school. Evangelists Jarrette and Dell Aycock conducted our first revival meeting in our new church beginning Nov. 14, and closing Nov. 28. Brother Aycock is a remarkable preacher and Sister Aycock is a wonder in getting people to sing and conducting object lessons. Just to sum up all the good things about them, you have to take your hat off to them for they sure know how to do the thing. We had good crowds, many seekers and some real definite finders. Nineteen were received into membership. Pastor Haynie's Akron church once held the record for on time attendance in Sunday school—but he must surrender the olive branch to the South Bend Sunday school for we had 421 out on time the last Sunday of the meeting. 283 subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS were secured in this meeting and

750 children attended the object lessons given by Mrs. Aycock. I have never seen such interest manifested among the children, and sing—why they fairly made the courts of heaven ring. The Aycocks were called back for another meeting in 1928. The Lord is very near and precious to my own soul. The past is all under the blood, the present is full of glorious opportunities and possibilities in the Holy Ghost and the future lies in the hands of my dear Savior."

PASTOR L. A. WHITCOMB, OAKDALE, CALIF.—"Just closed a revival last Sunday, with Theo. and Minnie Ludwig as evangelists. Weather conditions decreased the attendance somewhat, but in spite of it all God gave a gracious time of blessing and salvation. Rev. Ludwig and his wife preached the old time gospel message without fear and favor, and the Spirit made it effective to many hearts. While some refused to move, many were blessed and a number were definitely helped. On the last Sunday morning of the meeting, after a children's meeting, conducted by Mrs. Ludwig, fifteen children bowed at the altar, most of whom seemed to receive real help from the Lord. There were ten other seekers during the meeting. Among them were a number of fine young people that will make valuable material for the future church. We are expecting to receive a number into the church next Sunday. With a prayer of gratitude to God for these manifestations of His power and mercy, we press on to new battles in the kingdom."

PASTOR MELZA H. BROWN, ALHAMBRA, CALIF.—"We have just closed a splendid revival meeting with Rev. C. B. Fugett as evangelist, J. F. Ransom special singer, and Vernon Wilcox as pianist. Brother Fugett preached the truth as straight as we ever heard it and with unction, and the presence of God was in every service. Every time that an altar call was made there were from ten to forty-five came seeking God for either forgiveness or holiness of heart. Some of the altar services were the greatest scenes the writer ever witnessed. Some who had been seeking for years prayed through and struck fire and shouted the victory. A Christian Science woman prayed through and her husband who threatened to leave her and tried to get drunk on whiskey, got so under conviction he came to church and prayed through and then later was sanctified. People confessed old sins, made restitution, and sought God until He came and then they had a time. The church spent much time in praying and fasting. The building would hardly hold the people who came to hear and see and many were converted the first night they came. We received thirty new members into the church and will take in a few others later. Thirteen were baptized by immersion Sunday afternoon and it was a blessed service. The people got blessed and shouted for joy as they obeyed the Lord in baptism. We do praise God for the good revival spirit in our midst and for the large number of people who are rejoicing over answers to prayer and we give the Lord all the glory. We hope to have Brother Fugett back for another campaign in the future."

TELEGRAMS

Please note that all telegrams must be in our office on or before Thursday 10:00 a. m., preceding the date of publication of the Herald of Holiness. Messages reaching us later than that time must be held over until the next issue.

HULLS, ILL.

The glory of God is resting richly upon the revival at Hulls, Ill. Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper preaching under anointing of the Spirit. Altar filled and seekers getting good victory. Church standing under load. Meeting continues with much interest.—Earl E. Stevens, Pastor.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

A. S. London and wife in lecture course in Muskogee. Sunday recognized by charter members as a record breaking day. Their son, Holland, of Bethany-Peniel College, made visit over Sunday, preached twice. Seventeen professions during day. Pastor E. W. Wells is greatly encouraged over outlook for a great church.—E. W. Wells.

GREENFIELD, IND.

Great revival with F. P. Cassidy. Forty conversions, \$1,200 raised on parsonage, good offering for evangelist, love offering for pastor. Meeting still going. Greater victory expected. Stringtown Church of the Nazarene.—Richard Rahrar, Pastor.

FRANKFORT, KY.

Great revival here despite incessant rain. Numbers of splendid people, not at our altars before, definitely blessed, who will materially strengthen the church. Pastor Martin and wife talented musicians, cultured singers, noble people. They have confidence of citizens and are supporting us beautifully, making results possible. Continue this week.—Oscar Hudson.

CENTERVILLE, IOWA.

Sixteen prayed through to victory in regular service Sunday, Dec. 12. Holding two cottage prayer meetings a week, as many as twenty-five attending. Burden for souls coming on the church. Expecting great revival in January with Nerrys.

REV. DANIEL BRAXTON TURNEY—AN APPRECIATION

H. G. COWAN

On January 18, 1926, Rev. Daniel Braxton Turney, D. D., LL. D., passed from his earthly home in Decatur, Ill., to the home on high, at the age of nearly 78 years, nearly 53 years of which had been given to the ministry of the Gospel in the Methodist Protestant Church. As pastor, Conference president, evangelist and representative in the General Conference he was faithful and efficient. He was best known, however, as a polemic or debater, and during his long life he held over 200 debates with those who represented Seventh-Day Adventism, Mormonism, Universalism, Spiritism, and other debatable subjects which agitate the Christian world, and his opponents always felt that they had met a man whose mental qualities were of a high order. He wielded a trenchant pen, and was a contributor to religious papers on

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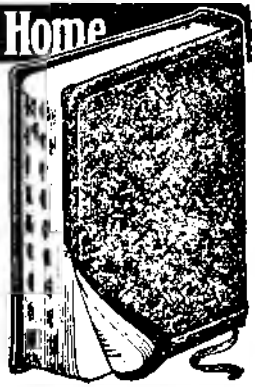
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a diversity of subjects. I was interested in Dr. Turney and his special field of work because, first, I knew him; and, second, because of his position on the Sabbath question. I received some valuable advice from him when the Scriptural Sabbath was in preparation, and after that book appeared, I received from him the following testimonial: "Fifty-four years ago [dated July 1, 1925], at Woodburn, Ill., I met Elder D. M. Canright in a point-discussion of the Sabbath question. He was, at that time, a prominent Seventh-Day Adventist. This was many years prior to the publication of Rev. S. W. Gamble's 'Sunday the True Sabbath of God.' I argued 'that the Sabbath day as kept in the Hebrew economy was the seventh day of an annually mutative week.' Mr. Canright did not succeed in impeaching my line of argument, and subsequent researches have merely strengthened it [This was the D. M. Canright who afterwards left the Seventh-Day Adventists, and wrote two or three monumental books exposing the errors of his former church people].

"I have recently received a work by Rev. H. G. Cowan, 'The Scriptural Sabbath as regulated by the Hebrew Calendar, determined by the authority of Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Sabbath, and fixed by the practices of the early Christians.' It issues from the Nazarene Publishing House, Kansas City, Missouri, 2923 Troost Avenue. I have perused it with increasing pleasure and profit. First, It is polemical—a clear and convincing argument based on the Bible and fortified by church history. Second, Its de-

fects are few and of no bearing on the point at issue. Third, It ought to work the cure of the Sabbatic fallacies that have placed the Seventh-Day Adventists out of harmony with the Scriptural Sabbath, if they can be persuaded to study its line of evidence and argument. I have no hesitation in commending this book to the patronage of all who seek real information on the Sabbath."

D. B. TURNEY.

On June 28, 1902, Dr. Turney published an article in *The Methodist Recorder*, Pittsburgh, Pa., entitled, "Was Saturday The Jewish Sabbath?" in which he took the position: "Did the Jewish nation prior to the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus observe Saturday-Sabbaths for any more than a year at a time? Did that nation have its Sabbath on a fixed day of the week? The one who can respond intelligently and scripturally will not answer in the affirmative." He then gave a clear and convincing exposition of the Hebrew Sabbath, showing that it occurred on fixed dates in the months, and changed from one day of the week, or from one period of twenty-four hours to the next, with the change of the year. "For more than fifteen hundred years, during the whole of the typical era, the Sabbath moved forward a day at the annual feast of Pentecost, and there was thus annually, while the typical era lasted, an alternation of the day of the week on which the Sabbath fell."

Some four or five years ago, while seeking information on the Sabbath, I addressed a letter to the editor of *The*

Free Methodist, Chicago, who referred me to Dr. D. B. Turney as the "foremost authority on the Sabbath in this country," which shows the esteem in which he was held by those who knew him.

FREEWATER, MONT.

No one can estimate the full possibilities of prayer, for they are founded upon the promises of an Omnipotent God; and yet since the climax of prayer is faith, we know that by it kingdoms have been subdued, the mouths of lions have been stopped, the violence of fire has been quenched, the armies of the aliens have been turned to flight, the dead have been raised to life and the world has been overcome (Hebrews 11:33-38).

"Christian growth must be outward as well as upward."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATION—I wish to recommend to our District Superintendents, pastors and readers of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*, Rev. Ira Ison of Grahn, Ky. Brother Ison has just come to us from the Pilgrim Holiness Church and is entering the evangelistic field. He is a good clean young man, a good preacher and a successful revivalist. He is making out his slate for the spring and summer and will be glad to get in touch with all those desiring his services. Address, Grahn, Ky. Willis L. French, Pastor Olive Hill, Ky.

NOTICE—I wish to announce that Rev. H. B. White, now of Bethany, Okla., one of our strong evangelists, has recovered his health, and is anxious to assist any of our pastors in revival work. Brother White is a good, uncompromising preacher. Brethren, keep him busy.—L. P. McCrary, Hamlin, Texas.

NOTICE—A convention emphasizing the subject of the Second Coming of Jesus will be held in the First Church of the Nazarene, Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 28 to Jan. 2. Rev. L. L. Pickett will be the evangelist. All-day meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 30, beginning at 10:00 a. m.—W. R. Gilley, Pastor.

NOTICE—We are glad to announce that Rev. D. M. Spell, 4417 Bexar St., Dallas, Texas, is able to hold meetings again. Brother Spell has been unable to preach for several weeks but God has touched his body and he has been preaching for the past few weeks. Anyone desiring to secure Brother Spell for a revival will make no mistake. You may write him at the above address.—F. E. Wiese, District Superintendent.

SPECIAL NOTICE—Rev. Peter Kiehn and family, who are under appointment as missionaries to China, and who are due to return in the early part of 1927, are quarantined in their home at 1468 Bresee Ave., Pasadena, Calif., on account of scarlet fever. This explains why they are not answering letters promptly. However, friends can write them and they will answer as soon as possible after the quarantine is lifted.—Editor.

RECOMMENDATION—This is to introduce and recommend Rev. I. C. Mathis, our splendid pastor at East San Diego, Calif., to those desiring to engage an

evangelist, as he is entering the evangelistic field after a successful pastorate. Brother Mathis is a clean cut Nazarene preacher who has succeeded as a pastor, and will be a great asset to our evangelistic force. He has had a constant stream of salvation at his regular services in the pastorate. He has a fine personality and will help you put over the Nazarene program, and build up God's kingdom. He is a good preacher who has revivals and succeeds in his labors for God.—J. W. Short, Pastor Bresee Ave. Church, Pasadena, Calif.

NOTICE—We are planning a very aggressive tent campaign for the Kentucky District next summer. We would like to hear from anyone who would like us to come to your town or community and conduct special evangelistic meetings, also we would like to hear from anyone having a tent who would like to work on our District with his own tent. I believe that Kentucky has as good a field for tent work as can be found. We already have applications for revivals and also have some tents and workers, other than those owned by the District, promised for the season. If you are a member of the Kentucky Tent Association, send your dues as soon as convenient to Mrs. L. T. Wells, Treasurer, 262 Loudon Ave., Lexington. Write me at 262 Loudon Ave., Lexington, Ky.—L. T. Wells, District Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATION—This is to certify that Rev. Mrs. S. A. Keel of Des Moines, Iowa, 34 Broadway, who during this year came to us from the M. E. Church, is an efficient evangelist, and is one for calls anywhere. She has had remarkable success in her evangelistic work and hundreds of her converts in this and other states are true to the doctrines for which our church stands.—D. W. Dobson, Superintendent Iowa District.

NOTICE—We will leave Indianapolis, Ind., about Jan. 1st for Dallas, Texas, driving through and the following will be the route: Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Topeka, Emporia, Wichita, Kansas, Guthrie, Okla., Ardmore, Okla., Durant, Okla., Dallas, Texas. Any pastors near this route who would like to have us stop for week end or longer, please write us at once at Roanoke, Ind. We have been in evangelistic work some five years and will be glad to hear from you.—T. L. Terry and wife.

BORN to Rev. and Mrs. P. P. Belew, Marion, Ind., on December 4, a daughter, Lola Ruth.

NOTICE—The Kentucky District: The Preachers Meeting of the Kentucky District will be held March 30th to April 3rd at Richmond, Ky. Dr. James B. Chapman will be the special worker. We have planned to make it more than a preacher's meeting—it will include Sunday school, Young People's and the Woman's Missionary Society. It is our aim to give all these interests a place on the program. Let all the pastors arrange their work so they can be present.

We are believing God for a great meeting.—L. T. Wells, District Superintendent.

NOTICE—It has proven in the past to be advantageous to have a meeting of the Department of Foreign Missions before The General Board meeting and a meeting is called for said Department of Foreign Missions for February 8th and 9th and if necessary to extend into the meeting of the General Board, which has been called by the General Secretary to meet February 10, 1927.—Department of Foreign Missions, H. F. Reynolds, Secretary.

DEATHS

SOUTHALL—Claud Raymond Southall, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Southall of Altus, Oklahoma, was born near Terrell, Texas, August 6, 1905. He was drowned Friday, July 30, 1926, at Grand Saline, Texas, while swimming in a lake. Raymond was saved one Friday during the summer of his fifteenth year. The following Sunday he left the house and went alone to the barn to get sanctified. His consecration and faith were such that when he reached the barn door, the Spirit of God came upon his heart in His sanctifying power. From that time until his departure from this life, Raymond kept a Christian experience. Soon after he was sanctified, he was baptized and united with the Church of the Nazarene at Altus where Rev. J. N. Cooper was pastor. One night about five years ago, after family prayer, Raymond told his parents and sister that he had felt since he was eight years old that if he went to heaven he would have to go through India as a missionary. His life and plans were in keeping with his call. He was a real missionary at home and he was faithful in his efforts to get others saved. Raymond was devoted to the family, to the church and to the work he felt called to do. He was a faithful student. He won second honors in his high school class, and made an excellent record in his one year of college work at Bethany-Peniel College. He was a member of the Bethany-Peniel College Quartet and it was while on a tour with this organization and President Bracken in the interest of Christian Education that he met his death. Raymond was a young man who dared to live his conviction, though at times it brought persecution. He is resting today from his labors, but God will see that his works follow him. Raymond has left us a noble example of Christian young manhood. May God grant that many other young people will take up the armor he has laid down. The funeral was conducted in the Church of the Nazarene, at Altus, Oklahoma, Rev. A. K. Bracken, President of Bethany-Peniel College, and Rev. R. R. Ritchey, a former pastor of the family, conducted the funeral service. The crowd attending the funeral service was said by many to have been the largest congregation at a funeral in the history of the town. The body was laid to rest in the Altus Cemetery. May the God of all grace comfort the bereaved ones and friends.—Mrs. A. K. Bracken.

CRIGGER—On the 19th of October at the age of eighty years Mrs. R. A. Crigger was called from the walks of life into His presence. She was a member of Zion Church of the Nazarene, Rutherford, Tenn. She enjoyed a clear experience of sanctification manifested by a godly life. We feel that in her death we have lost a staunch and loyal member of our church, whose presence will be greatly missed. We can say of her "Great was her faithfulness!"—Mrs. Willie Minton.

GRAY—Mrs. Alice S., 82, who has resided near View, Clark County, Washington, for twenty-one years, died October 27, 1926. She was born in Pennsylvania.

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vania and moved to Iowa where she was married to W. J. Gray March 3, 1878. Their home life was happy and congenial. She taught in schools of higher education for forty years. Her last class room was at Monmouth Normal, Oregon, twenty-one years ago. Her widower, two sisters, Mrs. T. Thompson of Salem, Ore., and Mrs. Ora Harper of Iowa, and one brother, Joseph Stephenson, of Iowa, survive. She died full of faith and the Holy Ghost. Truly, it can be said of her that she was a Palm Tree saint, and bore fruit in her old age. She never lost the burden for lost souls. Her relatives and friends look forward to the grand reunion where sickness, sorrow, pain and death never come. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene, and a faithful reader of the HERALD OF HOLINESS for years. Our loss is heaven's gain. We mourn, not as those who have no hope, for she is safe in the many mansioned home in the more excellent glory. The funeral services were held in the United Brethren church near View by the writer.—John S. Parkins.

CHRANE—Tuesday, October 26, 1926, at four a. m., while Angella Chrane, the three year, two-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Chrane, 815 Dilte St., Moberly, Mo., was closely folded to her mother's bosom (who was keeping vigil over her) she quietly slipped out of this life into the Great Beyond. Angella was a beautiful and very intelligent child, much loved in the home and a charm to the neighborhood, and all who knew her. Thursday night, prior to her death she showed signs of a very deep cold. Friday, when we, the undersigned, visited the home we could see that she was very sick but it was thought she perhaps only had a severe cold. She seemed to get some better but on Monday when the physician was called he pronounced the malady diphtheria to the consternation of all concerned. In life little Angella, though young, was religiously inclined; her favorite songs, which she often sang, were "When the Roll is Called up Yonder" and "Come and Dine." By special request these two songs were sung at the funeral. Why God took Angella away only He himself knows. It seemed a bright future awaited her, and with saved and sanctified parents it would seem a successful future would ensue. We can only say, God's will be done. Though grief stricken Brother and Sister Chrane are saying amen to the providential dealings of our heavenly Father. They are very active members of the Church of the Nazarene here in Moberly. Heaven is more charming for them now, for another gem has been placed there, adorning and making "That Home of the Best" more beautiful. We cannot call her back but we can go to her. The funeral was conducted in the home by the undersigned. She left to mourn their loss a loving mother and father, a little brother, Noel Ivert, aged six years, four grandparents besides a host of other relatives and friends.—Sam. K. Moxley.

CURTIS—Alvin Wilkes, six-year-old son of Rev. J. Sam and Mrs. Bertha Curtis of North Little Rock, Ark., went to be with Jesus on Nov. 19, 1926. His suffering was short, but intense and bravely borne. He was a beautiful, cheerful, lovely, lovable child, with a strong faith in the love and power of Jesus. He was truly one of God's sunbeams. We laid his little body to rest in Edgewood Cemetery beneath a great and beautiful floral offering to await that glad meeting just inside the Eastern Gate.—His pastor, L. Lee Gaines.

BALL—Julia A. Abercrombie was born in Calhoun County, Georgia, January 15, 1866, was married to S. M. Ball October 5, 1872, and went home to be with Jesus October 23, 1926, from her home at Amarillo, Texas. She leaves to mourn their loss four daughters, Mrs. Ellie Russ of Oklahoma City, Mrs. May Chase of Dal-

las, Texas, Mrs. Callie Scott of Waco, Texas, and Mrs. Ida Lister of Lovington, New Mexico; two sons, D. C. Ball of Kansas City and Vernon V. Ball of Amarillo, Texas, besides a host of relatives and friends. Her youngest daughter, Clara Moore, had preceded her to the heavenly world in January of this year and her husband, S. M. Ball, in February. Mother was converted when a child and always lived a life that was consistent with her profession. She was sanctified in 1902 but said she had not had condemnation for any sin committed for at least five years before that time. She joined the Church of the Nazarene in 1908. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. K. Scott, pastor of the Amarillo Church of the Nazarene, assisted by Rev. Bryant of the M. E. Church, South. We are sure that mother and father will be watching just inside the Eastern Gate for everyone of their children, where we confidently expect to meet, an unbroken circle.—Her son, D. C. Ball.

CORNELIUS—Eddie Lee Cornelius, the daughter of Rev. T. M. and Mrs. Cornelius, passed to her eternal reward July 20, 1926. She was converted in early life and sanctified wholly about thirty years ago, and lived a humble, happy, holy and useful Christian life. She was a model saint of God in the home, the church and community. She was prayerful, cheerful and full of holy courage and heroism. She talked much about her Lord to her family and friends before she passed over the River. Her life and Christian testimony will live on in Kelley, Texas, church and wherever she was loved and known.—Allie Irick.

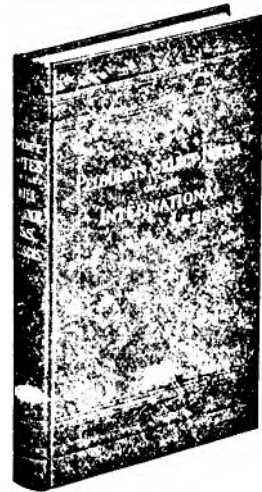
PINSON—Rev. Dr. W. B. Pinson slipped away to be with Jesus just recently while in the third year pastorate of Abilene, Texas, church, and was called to serve the fourth year. He was a godly man, a good preacher, a very faithful pastor, a wise builder, and noble material in the church life and district machinery of our church. The funeral was well high attended by all the city pastors of Abilene and a great host of friends and loved ones. The writer and many others said the last rite over the peaceful form of our precious departed Dr. Pinson. He was converted in his teens, sanctified wholly many years afterwards and was called to preach. He has occupied many pulpits of our church and other positions of trust and honor. He loved his church, believed her doctrines and faithfully performed his many duties as a pastor, teacher, leader, builder and benefactor. God bless Mother Pinson and the two children and host of friends and loved ones who survive him. Peace to his dust.—Allie Irick.

HODNETT—Charles L. Hodnett, husband of Emma A. Hodnett, passed to his reward October 9, 1926, at his home, Dixon, Calif. He was a native of the state of Maine. For nine years he lived at Cedar Rapids, South Dakota, and at University Park, Iowa, sixteen years. He came to California five years ago. He was a distinctive holiness man and a mighty man of prayer. He always seemed to have a burden for souls, loved the fellowship of the saints and always seemed to have the victory. May God bless his loved ones, his dear wife, his son Carey and his sister, Mrs. Emma Brelsford. The service was conducted at Sacramento, Calif., by the pastor of the Church of the Nazarene.—E. E. Mieras.

DENT—Rev. Claude A. Dent, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Red Bluff, Calif., passed to his reward Saturday, October 16, in a hospital at Sacramento, Calif. The service was held in the Sacramento Church of the Nazarene. Several of the ministers over the District were present, and took part in the service. There was a very large attendance, and many said that it was one of the

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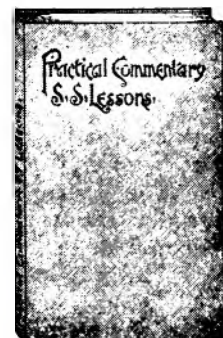
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ter Tubb was a loyal Nazarene and took a live interest in all the departments of the church. You could always count on her being in her place in the congregation as long as she was able to be brought to the services, and though it cost her great physical discomfort, she would remain throughout the entire service. The funeral services were conducted from the church by the writer assisted by Rev. I. C. Lavender, Rev. J. B. Pearson, and Brother J. M. Thompson and others who spoke of the influence of this life upon theirs. We are confidently expecting to see our dear sister again. We are expecting her to be with Him whom she so ardently loved and served when He comes to catch away His waiting Bride.—O. F. Hatfield, Pastor.

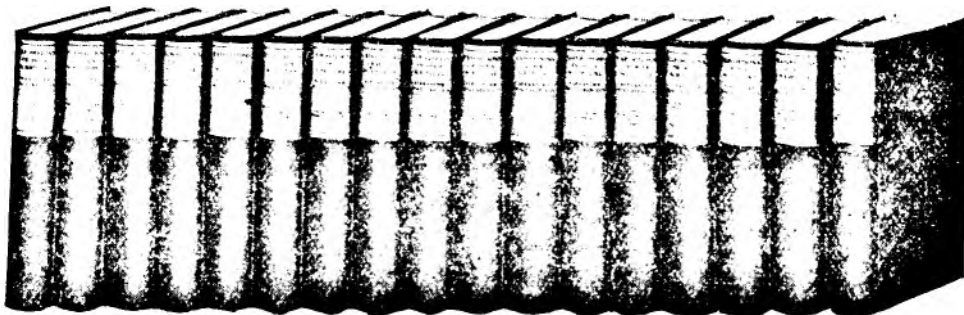
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It is, of course, too early yet to determine any thing of the results of last Sunday's "Love Offering," although some few returns have already reached us. But since we do not close the General Treasurer's books until midnight of December 31, there yet remains eight days in which to send remittances. And our faith is strong that God is going to help us to a great victory by enabling us to close the year "on the minute" and without a deficit. Local church treasurers and District treasurers will, we are sure, make prompt remittance of all funds in their hands belonging to the General Board, so that such remittances will be in our hands before the close of the calendar year, in order that we may account for such funds in our regular report for 1926. All regular budget funds, all returns from last Sunday's "Love Offering," and all special funds of every kind which reach us before midnight of December 31 will be included in the report of the year's work, which we will publish soon after the first of the year.

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