

"For Such a Time as This"

In the days of the New Testament, Paul wrote of decay, anxieties, and violence. He portrayed the life of his day dominated by materialism. These are all familiar to us in our day. The world as we know it is far more complex. The issues facing nations are more terrible in that they threaten to engulf the whole world. However, the basic principles are the same. There are freedom and enslavement. There are sin and repentance, carnality and purity, despair and hope. All these are still the same as in Paul's day. The materialism and debauchery in the Rome of that day and the materialism of America are spawned in the same manner. They cause national downfall today as in the past.

We pride ourselves in our enlightenment and scoff at the elementary fears of ancient days. But we have our dreads and anxieties. We cower before bursting atoms. We have no rest because of dictators who drive the world to the brink of destruction. There is no cliff so high or cave so deep that anyone can be safe from immediate physical destruction. Today our world is more difficult to live in, for tensions and discord among the nations have increased immeasurably. . . .

In the good providence of God and the course of events we find ourselves as a church "... come to the kingdom for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14), the time for a great spiritual awakening. For our church, born in a revival, this is a glorious hour. God has given us the gospel. He provides the resources for mighty revivals. Through His leadership we have the physical equipment, the man power, and the ministers. God wants to bestow power and grace upon His people. We do not preach the gospel of a shackled Christ, but proclaim that He can redeem from sin and its dominance in life and soul.

General Superintendent Lewis



Telegram . . .

Gainesville, Florida—July 11 to 15 was a time of great joy for the teenagers of the Florida District—232 institutors joined the staff at Suvannee campgrounds in a week of God's great blessings. Rev. Charles Ide inspired and challenged all by his wonderful messages. Florida N.Y.P.S. moves steadily onward.—Eugene Williams, District Secretary.

Report on Mrs. Everette Howard

Mrs. Howard underwent surgery on July 25 for the removal of a diseased lymph gland under her arm. From all appearances, everything went perfectly. Please continue to pray for her speedy and complete recovery.

Rev. Norman L. Pearson sends word that "after having served the fine folk of our Mohall, North Dakota, church for six years," he has resigned to accept the work at First Church in Fargo, North Dakota.

A growing number of churches are passing the Golden Anniversary mark with appropriate celebrations. Among these is Oklahoma City First Church (Oklahoma), which climaxed its June observance of fifty years of service by sending a chartered busload of members to the General Assembly.

Dr. Carl Bangs of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois, was one of three American scholars invited to participate in the Arminius Symposium held in Amsterdam, Holland, August 4 to 6, 1960, in recognition of the 400th anniversary of the birth of James Arminius. Dr. Bangs is known as one of the leading authorities in this country on the Remonstrant theology, and will take an important part in the Arminius Anniversary Conference to be held at Olivet Nazarene College, October 6 and 7, 1960.

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Loveless, 147 Chandler Avenue, London, Ohio, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary on May 29 with an open-house reception in their home. Their two daughters, Mrs. Hilda Roberts and Mrs. Lois Eades, served as hostesses to the more than two hundred visitors who came from 29 different towns and cities of Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana. They received 346 greetings by mail and telegrams, also many useful and beautiful presents. W. W. Loveless was married

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to Miss Mary Deck in Mount Sterling, Ohio, on May 27, 1900. He obeyed God's call to preach and has given his life in full-time ministry since 1905; he did much pioneer work in the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee in the teens. In 1918 Mr. Loveless united with the Church of the Nazarene, serving as pastor and evangelist on the old Ohio District and the Central Ohio District. At the age of eighty-four, Mr. Loveless is still quite active, often conducting week-end meetings and filling the pulpit on Sundays.

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting (Psalms 139:23-24).

BLESSED HOPE!

Bu A. J. McCREERY

Blessed hope! There waits in heaven
All its joys for us to share,
And our happy heart rejoices
E'en in sorrows here we bear.
For when time is lost in ages,
And we nevermore shall die,
There will be no night of darkness
To bedim our wakeful eye.

Blessed hope! We'll meet our loved ones
They who too were saved by grace;
And we'll know them as we knew them
For we'll see them face to face.
There we will rejoice together
In our great Redeemer's love,
And we'll sing His praise forever
In the heavenly realms above.

Blessed hope! We'll see our Saviour,
Who from sin did set us free;
By His blood He sealed our pardon
On the cross of Calvary.
God, our Father, who created
Us to be His very own—
Through His Son we shall behold Hin
Seated on His royal throne.

This "Age of Anxiety" (Psalms 121:1-2)

By FLORA E. BRECK

A minister referred to the various ages of the past, such as the "stone age" and the "ice age." "But," said he, "a world traveler of insight mentioned that the present is the 'age of anxiety.'"

In observing many peoples he found that each seemed beset with the seriousness of the world situation and the anxiety it entails. "Even in Africa," he said, "the natives are almost beside themselves with the uncertainties, as they confront a world ready to blow up in their faces."

"But thoughtful Christians should know that war is not the answer to such problems. Jesus preached, not the sword, but kindness. If your brother takes your coat, give him your cloak also. Being a real Christian involves, not ease, but hardihood to walk the Jesus' way, doing good to them who hate you, turning the other cheek."

Possibly Christians have scarcely ever met such a testing time. We feel that Jesus is watching—and yearning—and praying—that our faith fail not! Our thoughts, our feelings, our actions, are so very important!

We may lift up our eyes to the hills, but our help cometh from God, and He is able to make good develop, even from the most trying circumstances. Over and over again Christians have found how true this is, and not only in "world-shaking matters," but in the little everyday affairs which have power to add to or subtract happiness.

He Saw Them Toiling

(Matthew 14:22-25; Mark 6:46-48; John 6:16-21)

"He saw them toiling." But they could not see Him. The disciples of Jesus were striving to hold their boat on its way across the Sea of Galilee. Now twenty-five or thirty furlongs from the shore they had left they were about halfway across, "tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary."

Have you ever had such an experience as the disciples were then having? If you have, then you know how frightening it can be. Waves dashing high wherever you looked. Pulling steadily on your oars but seeming to gain not a foot's length. And then it was dark out there on Galilee, for it was nearing the fourth watch of the night. In the darkness they could not at that distance see the place they had left, nor the one they desired to reach. Probably very weary, too, after those many hours of straining at the oars.

Then the question, "Where was the Master?" Was He still up on the mountain where He went to pray while they were battling wind and wave endeavoring to reach shelter and safety? No doubt they thought of that other time when they were out on the Sea of Galilee in a similar storm, but Jesus was with them then, though sleeping in the hinder part of the ship. When they in alarm called Him, He had risen and rebuked the wind and waves, and there had been "a great calm." But this time the storm was sweeping wildly around them and the Master was not with them. What could they do? Nothing! Only keep pulling on the oars.

How often in life we find situations well illustrated by this event in the story of Jesus and His disciples. It may be a personal experience; it may be a family experience; it may be a church experience. Waves beating against us; winds seeking to turn us away from our goal; so dark we cannot see our way; and though we toil on and on, we find ourselves still in "the midst of the sea." And where is the Master? He seems to not be near us when we need Him so much.

But, oh, those precious words, "He saw them toiling." The darkness did not hide the disciples from His eyes. The distance was not too great for Him to see them. Then He came to them walking on the waves that were thwarting all their efforts. He could quiet their fears; He could again rebuke the wind and say to the waves, "Be still." "And immediately the ship was at the land." The storm and struggle were over; the desired haven was reached.

Let us rejoice as we remember He sees us toiling. He knows the waves of circumstances that roll threateningly around us. He knows how fatiguing it is to pull against the winds of life that might turn us in the wrong direction. He knows how dark it is to us, though the darkness does not hide us from Him. "Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee" (Psalms 139:12).

Some things we must remember. They were out there at the Lord's command. They were where He had sent them. They were going to the place He had told them to go. They were going by the route He had told them to take. They could have gone around by land and avoided this trouble they were in, but they went by boat across the water as Jesus bade them. They kept the boat headed in the right direction and kept pulling at their oars though making so little progress.

"He saw them toiling." He sees us toiling—toiling personally, toiling in the church, toiling in the mission fields, toiling on wherever He has commanded us to labor. We need not be discouraged, just keep pulling, pulling on our oars. Jesus will appear walking victoriously on the waves of difficulties and saying, "It is I; be not afraid." Before we are overcome He will rebuke the winds and waves that beat upon us, and will bring us into the port we set out to reach.

By EDITH CAREY

"The Things Which Happened"

By E. W. LAWRENCE

The things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel.

(Philippians 1:12).

"Say, I wonder what's happened to him." Ever seen a man looking particularly sad, and asked that concerning him? The phrase, "What has happened?" unconsciously links happiness with happenings. We imagine some situation has come to the person concerned, and more often than not, we are right.

But the Holy Scriptures teach that you need not be a creature of your circumstances, however adverse they may appear. You can rise over and above them. You need not be overcome by them. You can say of the Saviour that "he maketh my

life a constant pageant of triumph."

Of his years of imprisonment in the Mamertine prison in Rome, Paul said that "the things which happened" worked out for the "furtherance of the gospel." What did it matter, and what did he care, if he was held fast within four walls, so long as God was glorified, His Son honored, His kingdom extended, and the gospel prospered?

"Christ is preached;" said Paul again, "and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice" (Philippians 1:18). The Old Testament patriarch Job was another who had more than his fair share of physical affliction and adverse circumstances. He glorified God in the midst, and even Satan was surprised at his attitude, for he said, "I know that my redeemer liveth" (Job 19:25).

Though attacked from every quarter by "the things which happened," Job and Paul, and a multitude more, conquered. I like this word, as it appears in Arthur S. Way's translation: "I have learned in all things to be independent of circumstances." It's a rare jewel.

Adverse Circumstances

Philippians is the happiest and most radiant of all Paul's Epistles. It is built around the one word "rejoice." In the opening verses he catalogued some of those things that had happened. They were anything but congenial. Paul was speaking here of the realities of life, not of some stale platitudes, and the things mentioned he had already hammered out on the anvil of physical sufferings. While the catalogue may make wearying reading, it's part and parcel of the sacred Word, Spirit-inspired, and listed there for our instruction. That list refers to the earlier years of Paul's evan-

gelistic ministry. No reference is made, for example, to the shipwreck (Acts 28), and the two terms of imprisonment in Rome.

If the word "frustration" could be written over any life, it most certainly could be written over Paul's. He loved preaching and reveled in pioneering. The distant horizon was always before him. "Another continent for the Crucified" was the vision that spurred him on into the unknown. And what a thrill when a new continent—Europe—opened! If he ever realized his desire and visited Spain, and if he stood on Gibraltar Rock, perhaps he cast his eyes to the western horizon and wondered if there was some new world that lay out beyond the sky line.

The pioneer—confined to four stone walls! All his hopes for the future seemed—seemed, I said—destroyed. But like Madame Guyon, in a later day, he proved that stone walls have never yet made a prison cell. His life after all was "hid with Christ in God," and in that environment—over which Satan has no control and say at all—he was gloriously free.

Frustration, and the experience of being "cabined, confined, and caged in," is the lot of many of you. Maybe it's the frustration that confinement to the factory bench, office desk, or farm tractor brings. It could even be the sickroom or hospital ward.

You heard the Saviour's call. Out of deep love for Him you surrendered your life for the ministry, the foreign field, the slum center. Long hours you spent in preparing yourself for the work. Hard cash you paid to increase your studies. Business prospects you cast aside. All for the Saviour's dear sake. In your mind's eye you saw scores of seekers kneeling before the Cross, as a result of your labors. You gave your life as a minister of the Word, but what folk foolishly call "fate" has invaded your life and driven you to the task of the "butcher, baker, and candlestick maker."

Paul may have felt as you do. But he soon got rid of those suggestions. They came from the evil one, in any case. He was then able to testify that he had learned in all things to be content, or as it is in Mr. Way's translation, to be "independent of circumstances."

Forthcoming Consequences

Two thousand years later we are still reading what Paul wrote while he was in the prison cell:

his three "Prison Epistles"—Ephesians, Colossians, and Philippians. The personal letter to Philemon came from the same source. What treasures these are!

In Paul's life the unlooked-for emerged after all, and the unexpected happened. It can also be like that in your life. "My bonds in Christ," Paul said, "are manifest in all the palace, and in all other places." The entire Praetorian guard knew that Paul was there, not for any criminal or political offense, but on account of his faith. And while one preacher—Paul—had his mouth forcibly "closed," others took his place. "Many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds," he said, "are much more bold to speak the word without fear" (Philippians 1:14).

If you want to be in the Paul-Silas tradition, and sing songs in the night watches, then you must look out far beyond your immediate circumstances to the consequences forthcoming in God's time. The advance of the gospel and the glory of God was, after all, all that the apostle was really concerned about. Being chained to a Roman soldier was, after all, immaterial: and in any case he could talk to this man about his soul.

God's sovereignty is such that the other prisoners always hear the saint of God when he is imprisoned "for conscience sake." God is still on the throne, even in the center of the nuclearatomic era! He disposes world events to the furtherance of His kingdom. History and His story agree. His sovereignty makes them! He is working His purposes out, even if immediate circumstances have planted you in the most uncongenial environment.

Evidenced Contentment
"In whatsoever state I am, therewith for there-

ROYALTY VISITED ME! By PEARL BURNSIDE McKINNEY

I lived in a humble and lowly abode,
At the side of a crooked and uneven road;
I had little of riches that others could see,
But Royalty summoned and visited me.

Some things in my house seemed no longer to please; In the glow of His presence, I fell on my knees, And my soul was made new, as I saw Calvary, When Royalty summoned and visited me.

Oh, wonderful day when I learned of His love, And the goal of my life became centered above; When I welcomed the Christ to remain at my side, Then Royalty came to my heart to abide!

My Heart Seeks But One Course

As night so swiftly follows day, my heart
Seeks but one course—to follow after Thee;
Though others deviate to right or left,
There is but one straight path henceforth for me.

Let nothing turn my love to ashes cold!

Let nothing of the world obscure Thy face!

All is well lost if I my Saviour find,

For nothing shall suffice except Thy grace!

By DOROTHY C. STROUD

in] to be content" or "independent of circumstances" (Philippians 4:11). It is what Dr. Paul Rees recently called "adequacy for the extremes of life," that is, as he said: "mastery of life as it swings from one extreme to the other."

Paul had learned this secret true and well. "In all things I am more than a conqueror through Him who loved me," he could have said. He would also have declared that it is the Spirit of God himself who initiates us into the realization of the exhaustless and boundless riches of Christ. "So whatever and wherever, I am content, independent of the common-rut experiences, more than a victor."

The Saviour is with us even to the consummation of the age. And He is praying for us, as He prayed for Simon Peter, that our faith may not fail. In this Philippian letter Paul spoke of what he called his earnest expectation and hope, "that in nothing I shall be ashamed," rather "that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body" (Philippians 1:20). "In my body"—underline those words, for they refer to the conditions under which the Apostle Paul then lived, his imprisonment in the metropolitan city.

The trouble with us is that we want self to be seen. Paul desired rather that Christ would be magnified, that He might occupy that sovereignty of position, that Christ might be pre-eminent.

"I... do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." Say, is that your marching song? It was Paul's, and it could be yours. Could be, I said, for it is not necessarily. First of all you must learn the secret, as Paul did, of this victorious Christian living. It is that which makes you entirely independent of local circumstances and immediate color.

May the Saviour himself fill your heart with that unclouded contentment. And may you never dishonor His name, for the world is watching you and taking careful note of your reaction to the things that are happening. I am thankful we don't have to depend upon the thin spiral of smoke from the end of a tube of paper for-



OUR THRILLS!

By PEARL DERBY WRIGHT

A local high school girl has finally been persuaded by her "friends" to begin smoking. At first, when they gave her a lighted cigarette, she only held it and watched it burn. Later she learned to puff gently on one to hasten the burning, and still later she really began to smoke. However, she was always careful to explain to her Nazarene friend that she smoked only "for kicks."

No doubt the excuse she gave is as good as any other. Certainly no one could smoke with better health as the goal when we are so frequently warned of the damage caused by the use of to-bacco. Good grooming could not be the aim in smoking when we consider the stained teeth and fingers, the odor of smoke in garments and hair, and the reek of stale smoke that follows and surrounds the smoker. One could not smoke for the

Prayer Meeting

There's a blessing that awaits us

Every time we wend our way

To the church on Wednesday evening,

Where the saints all meet to pray.

For the cares that would perplex us, And dishearten or disturb, Are forgotten in Christ's presence, As we feast upon His Word!

When someone arises, shining,
With God's glory on his face,
Every word of Blood-bought victory
Brings new consciousness of grace!

There's a blessing in the singing, In the humbleness of prayer, In the fellowship of Christians. It's God's hour! You should be there!

By FRANCES B. ERICKSON

sake of good housekeeping when we think of the unpleasant sight of cigarette stubs scattered about, the unsightly burns on furniture and furnishings, the smell of smoke in curtains and draperies, and the actual stench of ash trays. The incongruity of it in an otherwise faultlessly kept house!

Economy could not be the aim when only one pack a day is equivalent to burning a watch, a camera, a piece of luggage, or furniture that one might otherwise enjoy. Think of the thousands of musical instruments that are very literally "going up in smoke" every year; and the thousands of children, such as the boy in my junior Sunday school class, who will never know the satisfaction of playing one because the family income will not cover music lessons and cigarettes! The little white cylinder can be an expensive item when we consider the loss of life and property caused by fires from cigarettes. No, smoking must be done for "kicks"; there is no other sensible reason for the indulgence.

As nearly as I can interpret it, "kicks" would be today's parlance for a lift, a pleasant sensation or emotion, a thrilling experience. Surely a Christian would be entitled to experience such a pleasurable sensation, but we would not befoul our bodies and homes with tobacco smoke to attain it. What can and does a Christian do for a lift then?

I think of the wonderful and inspiring messages our pastor has been bringing to us and the uplift they have been. No cigarette could do that! We are also stirred by the messages of returned missionaries, thrilled by the accounts of victories on the mission fields, made thankful that we may have a small part in those victories, and spurred on to greater efforts—all this with no smoke haze!

Most people consider a basketball game a thrilling and an exciting time and it is truly that; I have often dropped a stitch in a tense moment! Who has not experienced that moment of suspense when the score is tied and the game is in the final seconds of play? When we fairly hold our breath and wonder if our boys can make the necessary point when the time may be too short for another chance!

The suspense of a ball game can in no way

compare to that of an altar call in a revival service, however, when the prayers and hopes of days and even months and years wait upon the decision of a friend or loved one! Who can describe those moments when every nerve, every ounce of energy is concentrated on urgent prayer, when the heart scarcely dares to beat lest something disrupt the spirit of the moment, when one thought persists between prayers: Will he make the right decision tonight when the time may be too short for another chance?

What words can tell of the indescribable joy when we see that one make his way to the altar of prayer? Suddenly we discover that our knees are weak and that we have been holding our breath for what seems like many minutes? Who can tell of that time about the altar when all hearts are united in prayer and we know that we have an Advocate in heaven who is united with us? Who can tell of the exquisite joy we know when that soul prays through and is saved or sanctified and the very hosts of heaven rejoice with us? No ball game can compare for thrills; no cigarette can compare for "kicks"; nothing that the world has to offer can compare to the inspiring, stimulating, and altogether satisfying knowledge of the presence of God in our midst.

I am so thankful that we do not have to depend upon the thin spiral of smoke from the end of a tube of paper for our thrills!

MAY GOD MAY GOD AMERICA!

By A. S. LONDON

We are living in a transition period. No man knows what the next few months or years may bring forth. Forces are at work to tear down our ideals, wreck our moral standards, and overcome our spiritual heritage.

We face a crisis. This nation was born in prayer, and we have been a people to seek guidance of Almighty God. Our forefathers set sail from distant shores for a land where they could have religious liberty, and live according to the dictates of God and their conscience. While the storms were raging, the wind howling, and the snow falling, the Puritans were on the "Mayflower" looking for a place where they could build their homes

and churches and live as they believed by the laws of God.

These Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock. It was Saturday. All night they prayed and praised God. And may I say that no nation has ever been wrecked on the principles for which these men and women stood!

Fifty-five men gathered together in Philadelphia, and for five months labored and struggled to give us a document which William Gladstone, "The Grand Old Man of England," said was the most powerful and wonderful ever put out by the brain of man.

Benjamin Franklin said, "I do not believe an empire or a republic can be launched without help from almighty God," and he made a motion that the convention open with prayer, and that "we petition divine guidance and help in the steps we are about to take." Before this republic was organized, the men knelt in prayer. The Declaration was signed in prayer, and every state was launched in prayer.

The Bible is the Foundation of our government, the Source of our laws, and the Anchor of our liberties. From the foundation of this government there has been a deep religious strain.

Toynbee, the British historian, says that twenty-one civilizations have gone down, and nineteen of them collapsed from within. We are in the grip of decay—moral, economic, and spiritual. A baptism of supernatural religion to revive our national conscience is the greatest need of our nation to-day. Someone has said, "It is a revival or a revolution."

Can we be saved from a collapse while seventy millions of our people patronize the liquor traffic at a cost of ten billions of dollars annually?

Can we be saved from decay while thirty-six millions of our young people are not receiving any kind of religious training?

Can we be saved from an inner collapse while a major crime is committed every fourteen seconds and a murder every forty minutes?

Can we remain true to the standards of our forefathers while fifteen million pieces of dirty literature are placed on our newsstands every month of the year?

Communism worked two million men to death in the slave camps of Russia. Millions were executed in China. There were horrible atrocities in Korea. Tens of thousands of innocent people were shipped in boxcars to Siberia and brutally murdered. Communism denies the very existence of God. It has closed churches, expelled missionaries, and murdered Christians.

But our greatest foe is not without. It is within our own ranks. Will we collapse from within? May God save us from joining the other nineteen civilizations that went down from the inside is our prayer!

The Unheralded Virtue

By IVAN A. BEALS

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Everything that man seeks to incorporate in his life may be separated into two distinct principles—good and evil. In general, worldly-minded people naturally pursue selfish pleasures and benefits. On the other hand, we as Christians endeavor to adorn our lives with graces such as patience, kindness, temperance, faith, hope, love, and righteousness in every respect.

Too often we forget, however, that the spiritual gifts offered by God are given by virtue of our humility before God and man. Spiritual power and the fruit of Christian living will not come without denying ourselves. No amount of natural talents or self-satisfying deeds can assume the vital place of humility. There is not one inherent particle of good that we can claim, for we owe our origin, existence, and goodness to Almighty God.

Hence, our life's occupation should be continually spent as a submissive vessel which God can use to manifest His righteousness. Still, how easily thoughtless multitudes disregard the divine prerogative, and how quickly some Christians forget their obligation to the merciful Father! The life-sapping, self-seeking spirit of the world soon follows such laxness, and the genuine attitude of humility dies.

God will not honor the haughty spirit of indifference to His will. This is the reason the Church, the supposed body of Christ, is found powerless and impotent at the very point of crisis. We have shorn ourselves of spiritual vitality by giving more concern to our own ideas, prejudices, and notions than to total dependence on God and the fulfillment of His will through us.

Even some sanctified people apparently place

A PRAYER

(Matthew 5:16)

So let me shine, dear Lord, not like a floodlight, pitiless, revealing,

But like warm sunshine, soothing and healing; Not with a glare that blinds men's eyes to

But with an illumination that points the way for strangers;

Not with a brilliance that draws men's eyes to me, But with a soft radiance that turns men's eyes to Thee.

-Janette C. Royce

restrictions on the extent that God can use them, forfeiting the glory and the love out of their lives. It seems that convenience has become a factor to be considered in expecting the faithfulness of church members. The joy of worship soon flies when people fail to obey God. Sinners will be converted only when self-satisfied Christians become awakened to their continual need of the renewing grace of God to be effective witnesses.

Holiness and humility are inseparable, and the heart purity and love that bless and warm our souls result from our humble obedience to the holy will of God. The peak of humility reached at our cleansing must be maintained day by day, reckoning ourselves worthless without the Spirit of Christ. However, humility is not an assumed front put on by words, actions, or apparel; it is the actual disposition and heartfelt expression of total submission to God.

Humility is the only soil in which the graces root, and the lack of it is the prime cause of every defect in the production of the fruit of the Spirit. Although some strive to please God by their shoddy efforts to produce Christian fruit out of pridesoaked soil, sin soon arises to destroy all evidence of good. Just as it caused the initial defilement of mankind, pride is still the damning morsel that will draw us away from God and into Satan's hell.

God sent His only begotten Son to this earth to restore humility and to save us from our sinful pride. Christ humbled himself to become a man, and the same humility possessed Him as He paid the utmost price of the Cross. The merit in Jesus' death was that, though He was holy and blameless, He took upon himself the sins of the world. Thus the salvation He seeks to impart is naught but a communication of the spirit of His own life and death—His standing and state before the Father.

Yet how hard it seems for the Church to reconcile itself to a lowly life of dependence in Jesus Christ! Too often Christians appear to be more self-conscious than God-conscious. However, the vital virtue of humility must not be shunned even though its price is great. If the selfless message of Christ is to be given to this needy world, we must be messengers who have completely died out to sin and self.

Unless the self is crucified with Christ, we need not expect great outpourings from God. It seems our works seldom measure up to the magnitude of the doctrine and experience of second-blessing holiness. Thus, we need a new awareness of humility, the unheralded virtue, for to be holy we must first be humble. The call to humble ourselves before God is as demanding as the command, "Be ye holy." As the scripture states, "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble" (James 4:6).

A blaring TV next door challenged her to pray-

"Channel My Thoughts"

By CLARA FLOWERS

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee (Isaiah 26:3)

One night as my roommate and I sat at the kitchen table looking at a few old copies of the *Herald of Holiness*, we heard a television program coming from the house next door. The cigarette advertisements were loud and musical as they tried to catch the attention of the members of the family next door.

It was warm in our house, so we naturally had the windows open. There was no way to shut out the voices as we tried to read or as we tried to study God's Word. The meaning of the Scriptures seemed farther away than ever before as we tried to channel our minds to our work.

It made me think of my life as a Christian. I had been brought up in the home of a minister, but still I had entertained many sinister thoughts before I had set my foot down and learned to trust in our God almighty. I had tried to cultivate my mind to think only of the things that would keep my spiritual life clean, but the more I tried, the more Satan put thoughts of evil in my mind. I had no idea of letting a cigarette advertisement take my thoughts away from the Bible that

night, but the television was Satan's way of tricking me and making me wonder about the television program.

All of this has led to another thought concerning the Christian youth of today. These youth face many things in the public high schools that try the Christian experience. Often they have no intention of letting the devil take over, but he has a way of entering into our lives no matter what family we are from or how well our parents have tried to shelter us from the storms of life.

Even though I tried to channel my thoughts to the Word that night, the sounds of our neighbor's television still filled the apartment.

I pray that God will give me strength as I try night after night to shut out the confusion around me. We as Christians must shut out the sounds of the world, that we might steadily grow in grace. Since we have to live everyday with the non-Christians, I pray we can learn to cultivate our minds as we might cultivate our soil each spring. I pray that we may keep our gardens weeded and that we may bear fruit, as we carry the call of God to the sinner. Let's channel our minds toward Christ.

A Neglected Field

I sat today in old Hagerty Hall, in which, across the years, lectures on about every known subject have been given. But this week it is being used by three Christian Fellowships of the state university for a series of lectures about Jesus Christ. Seldom has this hall been used in the manner it is being used today, and although it is not packed with people as it would be perhaps if a scientist were lecturing on some subject about men entering space, yet it is comfortably filled—a scattering of Protestant students, Mohammedans, Jewish, Catholic, and various other groups.

The speaker's topic today was: "Why Jesus Christ Was Executed." He gave a message freighted with the gospel such as you would hear from any Nazarene pulpit, yet in an atmosphere and surrounding where anyone would be perfectly free to come, many much freer than they would be perhaps to come to one of our holiness churches.

After the meeting I began to analyze the project. Here is a method whereby a Christian witness can be given to students of a university that could not be done any other way. It is made possible through our Student Fellowship, which is a recognized foundation of the university; otherwise we

EXCERPTS OF A SPEECH BY THE HONORABLE HOWARD PYLE

Former Governor of Arizona Now Connected with the National Safety Council Program of the United States April 13, 1960

Governor Pyle was a very dynamic speaker and I lift some facts from his address which I thought you would like to look over.

- (1) A good many more people were killed on the highways in 1959 than soldiers were killed in the Korean War.
- (2) In the 1950's more were killed on the highways of America than in all the wars the United States has ever fought in its history.

- (3) The economic loss alone during this decade of the 1950's was over \$100,000,000,000.
- (4) Mr. Pyle asked us if we realize how much \$1,000,000,000 really was. Then he made the observation that if we had started to spend \$1,000,000,000 the day Christ was born, and spent \$1,000 every day since then until now, we would still have \$200,000,000 to spend.
- (5) He further made the observation that the economic loss in 1959 alone due to accidents was over \$12,600,000,000 and that the time loss was over 1,000,000,000 man days of labor.
- (6) Then to highlight his figures a little more he said in the time alloted his speech, 30 minutes, 5 people would die in accidents and 500 would be injured. This, translated on a daily basis, means 250 die daily and 25,000 are injured.—Submitted by Dr. S. T. Ludwig, General Secretary

could not have free use of university facilities. Then in my evaluation I breathed a prayer, "O God, forgive us for being negligent for so many, many years; for in so doing we have missed many opportunities, and have failed in the lives of many students." Our Fellowship, joining with two other Christian Fellowships this week, has made an impact upon the university life in a small way. Our speaker has held sessions in fraternity and sorority houses and the large dormitories. Some of these discussion periods have lasted until 1:00 a.m., with definite interest being shown, and not only by Protestant students, but Jewish and Catholic alike. These few days of touching the lives of the students of the state university have been more far-reaching than anyone could evaluate, and may God bless the seeds that have been sown in these sessions during this week.

This is a ministry that is being neglected in too many college and university towns across the nation in which we have a Church of the Nazarenc. If there is ever a time when our Nazarene students, or Christian students attending our churches, need our help, encouragement, or advice, it is today while they are attending a state university or a college other than our own. Who can say how great a number of our own young people, away from home for the first time, have drifted away from the church entirely because we have failed to provide this vital link between their educational institution and the means of grace? We have an obligation to these students, and it is a thrill and a challenge to work with them once we get busy at our responsibility. Our churches in these areas should be a "home away from home" for the

student that comes from a Nazarene family or one from another denomination who is looking for a church with a spiritual program. We have not yet scratched the surface of the possibilities that lie out before us in this great field of service.

The scripture says that they prayed for "boldness" that they might "stand" for the Lord Jesus Christ, and we today need to pray for this boldness to live and to witness for Christ. The atheist, other nonbelievers, and those whom we feel have false religions, go forth with a boldness for their cause that many times puts us to shame. Let's arise to the challenge that is ours in this field!

-Miles A. Simmons, Pastor,

First Church of the Nazarene, Columbus, Ohio

Music Memoettes

By OVELLA SATRE SHAFER

No doubt you have been informed that the fluent hymn writer Fanny J. Crosby was blind from the age of six months throughout her entire life of almost ninety-five years, but have you noticed that several of her hymn-poems contain veiled allusions to her affliction and suggest how much a guiding hand means to one who is blind? For example, examine the following excerpts from "All the Way My Saviour Leads."

All the way my Saviour leads me.
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy
Who thro' life has been my Guide?

When my spirit, clothed, immortal, Wings its flight to realms of day, This my song thro' endless ages— Jesus led me all the way.

It is said that this hymn was written about 1860 and its birth came as a result of answered prayer.

Then the chorus of "Saved by Grace" contains some great spiritual truths as well as a reference to seeing, and is in keeping with the statement that Fanny made many times in her life, "The first face I will behold will be that of my Saviour, Jesus Christ."

And I shall see Him face to face, And tell the story—Saved by grace; And I shall see Him face to face, And tell the story—Saved by grace.

It was at a summer religious convention in New

England when she first introduced this new gospel song; Ira Sankey was the evangelistic singer, and Dwight L. Moody the preacher. Mr. Moody asked Fanny Crosby for a personal testimony concerning her Christian experience, and with quiet humility she spoke thus: "There is one hymn I have written which has never been published. I call it my soul's poem, and sometimes when I am troubled I repeat it to myself, for it brings comfort to my heart." She then recited:

Someday the silver cord will break, And I no more as now shall sing; But, oh, the joy when I shall wake Within the palace of the King!

The blind composer's songs number eight thousand, and wherever these compositions are sung men and women, boys and girls still catch their fervor and faith, their power and peace.

Hidden Treasures of the Heart

By REGINA EVANS

And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one; to every man according to his several ability; . . . (Matthew 25:15). Thus Christ gives to each of us a special talent and expects us to use it for His glory and the good of others

In reading this scripture we note He gives according to our ability-not by others' standards or what others expect of us! It is like God's plan for every maneach to meet the individual need. Someday the Ruler of the universe will judge us accordingly as He did the stewards mentioned in His parable. How we use what God has given to us will be determined by the lives we live. "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 5:14-16).

Many times we seem to be content in saying, as a friend of mine so humorously quotes, "Little known, little required." Yet how untrue that is! We will be judged

by what we failed to do as well as what we actually did. Christ commands us to do our best, for "the harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few" (Matthew 9:37).

"What is my talent?" you may ask. "There is nothing I can do." Can you pray God's blessing down? Can you comfort hearts? Can you support a missionary on the foreign field? Can you live a life so close to Christ that others will seek salvation? These are some of the highest talents God has given man, yet we as finite beings fail to use all our potential. How worthwhile we would be if we used our lives to the fullest! St. Paul says, "But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:13-14).

Can we forget those mistakes and failures in the past and press forward for Christ? Can we as faithful stewards gain other talents to present to the Lord at His coming? We must!

Do what you can with what you have where you are, and life to you will be blessed indeed!



I THANK GOD!

My helpers have been many while I have served as editor of the Herald of Holiness. First, I thank God. If He had not been with me, I am sure that I would have made many more mistakes than I have. It is blessed to know God and to have His presence in such an undertaking as has been mine for the last twelve years. He is with the Church of the Nazarene and believes heartily in its official organ. This assurance has meant much to me. Many people have prayed for our church paper, and God has heard their prayers and has given strength and leadership to its editor.

Thank You, General Superintendents!

I thank the members of the Board of General Superintendents for the front-page articles which they have contributed. These have become a regular feature of the Herald of Holiness which its readers have appreciated very much. I also thank them for the many other articles which they have contributed to the pages of the Herald. In addition, I am greatly obligated to the general superintendents for their counsel, both as a board and as individuals. They have always been ready to give time to me as editor of the Herald of Holiness. Again, I thank the general superintendents, the General Board, and all of our people for the love offering and other considerations shown me as I retire from the editorship of our church paper.

Thank You, Members of the General Board!

I thank the General Board of the 1956-60 quadrennium and the newly elected General Board, which will serve for the coming quadrennium, for the many kindnesses extended to me as I conclude my work with the *Herald of Holiness*. And through the General Board for these two quadrennia, I thank the people of the Church of the Nazarene, whom they represent. May I add that the General Board is a very important part of the organization of our denomination, and I'm afraid that not many of us recognize as we should the value of the services which it renders.

Thanks, to Many Others!

I have had a great host of other human helpers. Among these, I think first of the Herald familyits members within and outside of the church. They have stood by with their subscriptions, prayers, criticisms, suggestions, and words of appreciation. Then there are those who have contributed few or many articles to the Herald of Holiness. A paper cannot make it without contributors. Further, there are those who have given of their time and energy to secure subscriptions for the official organ of the Church of the Nazarene. In this group, the first that should be mentioned are Dr. M. Lunn, Mr. M. A. Lunn, and those working with them in the Nazarene Publishing House who have been especially responsible for the Herald's circulation. All of these have been genuinely interested in enlarging the subscription list of our church paper, not merely because they wanted it to pay its way financially as far as possible, but also because they believe in its value to the church. In this connection our district superintendents, pastors, evangelists, and laymen should be mentioned. We could not have

How to Address Your Mail

All mail which is intended for the Herald of Holiness should be addressed to Dr. W. T. Purkiser or to the Herald of Holiness. This will save delay for you and time for me. My task from now on will be filling the place assigned to me in the Nazarene Theological Seminary. As much as I would like to, I can't carry on a correspondence with those who have written to me as editor of the Herald of Holiness. May God bless all of you and the church which all of us love!—STEPHEN S. WHITE.

made it without their loyal support in the Herald of Holiness campaigns.

As I continue to think of human helpers, my mind turns to my predecessors, Drs. B. F. Haynes, J. B. Chapman, H. Orton Wiley, and D. Shelby

By Stephen S. White

Corlett. These men, all of them outstanding leaders in the holiness movement and the Church of the Nazarene, wrought so well with their assignment that it was easier for me to carry on than it otherwise would have been. It was my privilege to know all of these former editors personally—starting with Dr. Haynes, who performed the wedding ceremony for Mrs. White and me in Kansas City nearly forty-six years ago. My immediate predecessor was D. Shelby Corlett. He rendered special assistance to me as I took over a position about which I knew nothing.

Next I mention those who have general offices in our church and work here in Kansas City. They are very busy men, but they have always had time to help with the Herald of Holiness when I have called on them. None of them has been more ready to do this than Dr. M. Lunn and Mr. M. A. Lunn, of the Nazarene Publishing House. The relation of the latter with the Herald of Holiness has always been a very close one. Along with these, Dr. S. T. Ludwig and Dr. John Stockton, general secretary and general treasurer of our church respectively, have readily co-operated with me in forwarding the interests of the Herald of Holiness. In addition, the executive secretaries of the different departments have contributed much to what success the Herald has had, not only by the material which they have provided for their various departments, but also by the special articles which they have written for our church paper from time to time. I thank all of these men for their help!

There is another group which comes to my thought now. There are several of the other men who have responsible positions here at headquarters. Among them are Mr. Al Ramquist (deceased), Rev. Alpin Bowes, Mr. Dave Lawlor, Rev. Fred Parker, and Dr. Norman Oke. They are all exceptionally capable men, and almost from the beginning of my service as editor they have assisted me in many ways. For instance, their help with the annual special issues has been invaluable.

There are two other regular contributors who should be named. These are Dr. H. Orton Wiley, who presented a much appreciated column in the *Herald* for several years, and Professor

Bertha Munro, who wrote the devotional column, "Thought for the Day," each week, for a long period of time. Both of these features have been widely read and have added much to the significance of our church paper.

There are two more persons to whom I offer my thanks. The first is Miss Georgia Anderson, proofroom supervisor. She has not only given excellent service as a proofreader, but she has also offered suggestions as to content from time to time which I have much appreciated. This has been especially true of the Question Box. Next I thank Miss Velma Knight, the office editor of the Herald. She has rendered very efficient service in keeping up with the many details connected with the publication of a church weekly. She has served long and well in this capacity and has thus made a large and very worthwhile contribution to the work of the Church of the Nazarene.

Thank You, Mrs. White

I thank my wife, Mary McConnell White, for her constant assistance. With but few exceptions, she has read everything which I have written for the Herald of Holiness. My work has always taken precedence over what she had to do. Her criticisms and encouragement have been invaluable. She is more gifted in spelling and the use of English than her husband and has had some formal training in journalism.

Besides, she dared to talk to me more plainly than anyone else.

A Final Word!

As I finish thanking my many helpers, I must say something else in this connection. As I look back over my twelve years of service with the Herald of Holiness, I realize that I am obligated to many for whatever service I may have rendered. But please remember that those who have assisted me are not to be blamed for my shortcomings. These should be laid at my door, for I have made the final decisions as to what should go into the Herald of Holiness.

The "Herald of Holiness" Will Move Ahead

The Herald of Holiness will move ahead; it will continue to make progress. In fact, it should get ahead faster than it has before. All of us must do more to increase the circulation of the Herald of Holiness. Permit me to say now what I have said many times before: It is never any compliment to a pastor, district superintendent, business manager, or leader of any kind for the work over which he has had supervision to lag or fall behind when he moves on to some other place or position. If he has worked hard while in his place of leadership and takes the right attitude toward the change, what he has left behind will advance. The Herald of Holiness will move ahead under the direction of Dr. W. T. Purkiser.

Though church-living is good, it is better to emphasize—



—LIVING

By ZUMA L. JONES

The Bible is a Book of action. Action-words predominate the written Scriptures. Few words are used to impress the reader or to color description, for every word counts. Persuasion is seldom used, for the Word of God stands on its own merit—the truth. Little effort is made to convince man that God is, for he who comes to God must believe that *He is*. Man believes God's Word to be indisputably true or he does not believe it. To him that believes, all the things of God are possible; therefore Bible believers are people of action.

The accepted substitution of "church work" for Christian living is common today. Church and Christianity are often used synonymously, but there is a wide difference in the two. To live for Christ is a daily life in the world, while "church membership" is often lived totally within the church and contributes to an isolation from the world. There is no place for isolation or idleness in Christ-living; the people of God should be the busiest people on earth.

Bitter persecution of early Christians and the misinterpretation of terms of Christian consecration have led to the practice of "set-apartness, a peculiar people." Thus a twentieth-century church ideal of all Christian work is to be church-centered. The manifold church activities often leave the highways and hedges, the harvest field, ungleaned. Sinners on the outside must fend for themselves.

Seemingly substantive scriptures for isolation from the world are found, as, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world" (I John

2:15). Being in the world but not of it restricts Christians to the spiritual business of the commission, which business relates only to eternal values.

The greatest commission of all ages commands, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19). The adjoining promise, ". . . lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," becomes invalidated when detached from the context. The world is the harvest field.

The early Christians of "whom the world was not worthy" had already obtained a good report through their faith. They had endured the stonings, the sword; they had been tormented, afflicted, and tempted before their enforced isolation in the deserts, caves, and mountains for the preservation of their lives.

Grace was entreated for those whom Jesus soon should leave in the world. Only the strong are assigned to be in the world, but not of it; for the "world" is a tough assignment! As the Father had sent the Son into the world, so the Son sending His own into the world prayed, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." "I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me." "I have given them thy word [the truth]; . . ." ". . . that they might have my joy

The Lord Stood with Me, and Strengthened

(II Timothy 4:17)

The Lord stood with me and strengthened On the day when great sorrow came. His love overshadowed and held me; Enfolded my weak, human frame.

The Lord stood with me and strengthened When trials severe came my way. He accepts no "give-in" to evil; He gives plenteous grace for each day.

The Lord stood with me and strengthened When there was no off'ring to bring. He showed me "myself" accepted And now I'm a child of the King.

He will stand with you and strengthen In the hour that's darkest with care. Trust the Lord and He will deliver, For He's interceding in prayer.

By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

fulfilled in themselves." "That they may be made perfect in one" (with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, their Comforter). "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but . . . keep them from the evil." They were to be in the world, but not of it.

Again, "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's [the Great Commission's], the same shall save it" (Mark 8:35). No idleness here! No isolation! These are words for reckless faith and positive action.

"Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" (Mark 2:49) responded Jesus at the age of twelve. Indeed, it behooves us all to be about our Father's business, daily, hourly, in season and out. An honest appraisal of the Bible will literally push us out into the fields of harvest, if we believe.

Truly, there is much to do for the Master; the day is far spent; midnight fast approaches when none can work. Yet this is the greatest period of all ages—for the busy ones. Their ears are attuned for the cry, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him" (Matthew 25:6). They carry the second supply of oil for their lamps, the requirement for the rapture and the marriage supper of the Lamb. They are in the world but not of

it and their affections are set, not on the things of the world, but on those of eternal values. They live for Christ.

Christ-living glorifies Christ. Abiding in Him we walk in love, reflecting His light. Empowered to keep His commandments, we are able to endure, to suffer, to rejoice, to bear fruit, to be patient in tribulation. Exhorting, praising, watching are daily activities that keep us in the love of Christ. These, too, produce faithful, wise, and profitable servants unto the Lord in this present world, a glorious privilege, and a life of faithful service climaxed by our Lord's returning to claim His own.

For the body of Christ, the Church, there is much to do. To carry out the Great Commission in preaching, teaching, baptizing, salting the earth, illuminating the world is a universal task of tremendous proportions. Seeking the lost, propounding second-blessing holiness—the great commission of the holiness churches—requires united effort. Christian talents are to be nurtured and multiplied. Speaking, living the word of testimony at home and abroad, assembling together in worship, rejoicing in the blessed hope, heralding the signs of the soon coming Prince of Peace to a chaotic world—these are the duties and privileges of the Church of Jesus Christ.

Servicemen's Corner



Persevere—Think—Work

"Some folks have what I call a 'hothouse' type of religion. They have managed to conform to the demands of their church, to work out a satisfactory testimony, and in some instances to perform church duties respectably well. In many instances, religion has been accepted as a mark of maturity, but little more. No personal commitment has ever been made, no Saviour has ever been found, and no new birth has ever been evidenced.

"Now some soldiers are the same as the folks they grew up with—as long as they were surrounded with good influences they felt reasonably 'Christianized.' However, when they were inducted into the service, and their home props were removed, their spiritual void was painfully present. Since conformity had brought relative peace of soul at home, almost unconsciously they find themselves resorting to the same principle of action in the service. This immunizes their spiritual compass and virtually sets them to drift in the tides of a cross section of humanity.

"Of course, all service people are not this way.

Many have based and built their lives upon Christ at home, and still others have found Christ during their period of duty. The faith of these folks is as solid as a rock and their influence for God is tremendous. Careful consideration before entering the service often means the difference between spiritual triumph or defeat.

"If my son were entering military service soon, I would give him the following suggestions:

- "1. PERSEVERE until you find Christ. Don't settle for a form of godliness. Be a solid Christian.
- "2. THINK through your belief, convictions, and opinions about religion. Find reasons to substantiate your faith.
- "3. WORK to win someone for Christ. This will help you to be a missionary in the military, and add confidence and assurance to your own experience."—CAPTAIN CALVIN G. CAUSEY, U.S. Army Chaplain.

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GEORGE COULTER, Secretary

New Missionary Slide Sets Now Available

Children's Slide Sets on South America can be secured for a rental fee of \$1.00. These are prepared to go with the missionary lessons, Sunday school lessons, or vacation Bible school studies.

New Adult Slide Sets are available on the following countries: Brazil, Trinidad, Peru.

Other sets are now being pre-

pared on Bolivia, Barbados and British Guiana, and Argentina. Watch for notice in this column.

Adult sets are offered for a rental fee of \$2.00 for the first showing, and \$1.00 for each additional showing in the same church.

Write to the Department of Foreign Missions, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City 10. Missouri, for a complete listing of available slides on our foreign mission work. tests. The officials decided it would not be compulsory for me to take it. They had me make application for registration of nurses. This was done. After nearly four months my credentials were recognized and now I'm a registered nurse in Nicaragua. Praise the Lord!

Things are going good in San Isidro.

Things are going good in San Isidro. The attendance of the children in Sunday school has fallen off a little, but we are gaining in the adults who are coming. A teacher in the public school was saved a few Sundays ago.

There is opposition of course. A boy of twelve went to the altar Sunday night. His mother has been furious all week, saying many things about the evangelicals and what they are doing. Another mother said she would rather her son would be a drunkard than to belong to the evangelicals. So please help us pray for these who walk in such darkness, that they shall be brought to the Light.

Prayer Request for Piura

Please pray for our special revival services here in Piura, Peru, August 22-28. We are longing to see the Holy Spirit come down in a real outpouring upon these people. Pray that many new people will be drawn to our services.—Grantz, Peru.

Report on Mrs. Ronald Bishop

Latest word received is that Mrs. Bishop has swallowed a few drops of water, occasionally moves arms, hands, and legs, and responded to Mr. Bishop by squeezing his hand.

New Convert in Nazareth

We have a new convert in Nazareth, a young man who is a builder. He seems to be genuinely converted, and we are watching him carefully.—Alex Wachtel, Israel.

Answered Prayer

LESPER HEFLIN, Nicaragua

Thank you to all who have prayed for me during the past months. God answered in an unexpected way. After studying for several weeks in preparation for the state board nurses' exam, I presented myself in March to take the

The Sunday School Lesson

ROBERT L. SAWYER



Topic for August 28:

Warning Against Misplaced Trust

Scripture: Isaiah 30-31; 20 (Printed: Isaiah 30:1-3, 15-18).

GOLDEN TEXT: In returning and rest shall ye be saved: in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength (Isaiah 30:15).

"Might is right," has often been boldly asserted and secretly believed by those who sought power and control. Certainly no one would want to rely upon the haphazard resources of a weak nation. But with Isaiah we must remind ourselves that "men are not God" and "horses are not spirit" (31:3), and scientists are not God and missiles are not spirit. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zechariah 4:6).

The Challenge: The Assyrian armies had taken the Northern Kingdom, whose capital was Samaria. Now a new Assyrian king, Sennacherib, was about to take over Jerusalem to finish the job of conquering Palestine. After insults and injuries and blasphemies, a note came to the King from the commanders of the Assyrian army. Hezekiah took it

Coming in September Missionary Sending Centers

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Dr. George Coulter, executive secretary of the Department of Foreign Missions, will be in charge, and will be speaking.

Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Dr. Sam-

uel Young, Dr. G. B. Williamson, and Dr. Hugh C. Benner will each be present at one of the Centers.

Featured during these two days will be two veteran missionary speakers, groups of missionary appointees who are leaving for their assigned fields of service, and missionaries who are home on furlough.

There will be three services a day: 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

This is a unique opportunity to meet and hear some of God's choicest people. If you live anywhere within walking, driving, or flying distance, we urge you to attend these great missionary Sending Center Conventions. quietly to the Temple and opened it before the Lord and prayed. Some would have had Hezekiah send for help to Egypt; but he, encouraged by Isaiah. decided to depend on God, after he had done everything he knew to do. He had built an aqueduct from the spring outside the wall and strengthened the wall defenses. But he realized that Sennacherib had him caged up in Jerusalem like a bird.

The Commitment: Hezekiah had committed his life to God and to the business of having a real revival among the people in his day. Now he would by quietness and confidence let the Lord accomplish His will for the people of Judah.

To Hezekiah the Lord's voice was as a song in the night (30:29), but to the Assyrians it would be in anger and as fire and tempest and scattering. God would be the Victor! From the military point of view, Assyria would win. Jerusalem could not hold out; but God does make a difference!

The Consequence: After Hezekiah had placed his trust in God, he received the answer, "As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it" (31:5).

When the angel of the Lord got through that night, there were "a hundred and fourscore and five thousand" (185,000) dead. "So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelf at Nineveh" (37:37). There was nothing else for him to do; it is a losing battle to fight the Lord of hosts. We must put our trust in God and not just military might and military alliance.

Prayer is the strong weapon of the child of God. May we use it to preserve our nation in this twentieth century. "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength" (30:15).

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The Swamp That Follows

Out of nowhere, insidiously it surrounds one. Its bogginess steals over the spirit. Its dankness tries to but out the light. It is oozy and in its grip one can scarcely keep his footing-one lives in a twilight zone that would turn into darkness . . .

But the Lord is Light-He is our Rock -He is our Tower, our Strong Tower. He is our Strength-and what following swamp can catch up with the Christian who is defended by the chariots and horsemen of the Lord?

-RUTH W. HOOVER, Berkeley, California.



Would you please explain the words at the head of the different parts of Psalm 119-Aleph, Beth, Gimel, etc.?

There are twenty-two of these divisions, and they are indicated by the twenty-two letters of the Hebrew alpha-

bet. The letters are given, and beside each of them the name of the letter-Aleph, Beth, Gimel, etc.

What do you think of churches and pastors who send letters to members of other local churches asking for contributions toward their local church building fund, or what have you? These things are, I know, against the Manual, but despite that fact, I keep on receiving letters from churches and pastorsunknown to me-and it seems that the matter needs clarification.

Some do this thoughtlessly, but some what is really their responsibility. Howdo not. It is amazing that some people still think that their needs or the needs of their church take precedence over everything else. Also, they hope that God will somehow work a miracle and relieve them of the burden of meeting

ever, it has been my long experience in the Church of the Nazarene that those in this class are decidedly in the minority. Therefore, let's pray for them and hope that in the future they will do better.

When Paul wrote the Epistle to the Romans, he said in chapter seven, "I am carnal, . . . " (v. 14). Did he still have the carnal mind when he wrote this? I do not think so. I believe that he was sanctified long before he wrote this, and was simply describing the carnal nature. What do you think?

Let's talk about Romans 7:7-25; thus we get the whole picture. Much has been written about this passage, and there has been considerable disagreement as to it. First, Paul wrote Romans at least twenty years after his conversion and rather late in his career-not long before his arrest in Caesarea. Because of this, it is impossible for me to believe that he was not sanctified until after he wrote this passage. Undoubtedly this section is autobiographical, but it refers to an earlier period in

Paul's life. Second, many scholars hold that Paul is here describing his struggles as a Pharisee under the law-when he was still unconverted as well as unsanctified. Further, to some extent, it could refer to the struggle which he had when he was saved but not sanctified. In both instances, it had to do with past experiences, and not with the present. Thank God, both struggles ended for Paul, and I believe they ceased before he wrote the Epistle to the Romans.

Is there such a thing as righteous indignation? If so, explain it; also give illustrations from the Bible.

Yes, I believe there is such a thing as righteous indignation. I believe that Jesus manifested it more than once in His life on earth. The outstanding example in His case is Matthew 23, when He pays His respects to the scribes and the Pharisees. Stephen shows it in his address as given in Acts 7, especially in verses 51-53. Paul flashes out in righteous indignation in Acts 13:6-11. Most of the prophets give us

illustrations of this characteristic in their lives. But there is something else which should be said at this point. True righteous indignation is never personal. It has to do with wrongdoing, and not with individuals. Therefore we have to guard our manifestations of righteous indignation lest they become carnal because they are personalagainst the person rather than against his sin.

On page 48 of your Essential Christian Beliefs, you affirm that Jesus Christ could have sinned. I believe that such an idea is weakness, and not strength.

You are not the first good man who has disagreed with me on this subject. In answering you, I'll give only a quotation from Daniel Steele, an Arminian in theology and one of the greatest scholars the holiness movement has ever had. He says: "To deny perfect free agency to Jesus would degrade him below the lowest man he came to save. It would divest him of all his moral attributes and make him a machine. His holiness while on the earth was certain, but not the result of necessity. He was holy not because he could not

sin, but because he would not. God's holiness is the same. He is a free agent, always abstaining from wrongdoing. There is no risk to the universe in the perfect freedom of the Father and the Son to violate the moral law grounded not on the will of either, but in the very nature of things. When it is said, 'God cannot lie,' it is not a natural 'cannot,' but a moral one like that of Joseph when solicited by Mrs. Potiphar (Genesis 39:12) ."-Steele's Answers, pp. 82-83.



EDWARD LAWLOR, Secretary

EVANGELISTIC HONOR ROLL

The districts shown report the following churches as having received the Evangelistic Honor Roll Certificate. This is presented on the basis of members received by profession of faith during the assembly year. The groups and qualification standards are shown as follows:

		GAIN			GAIN
GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	REQUIRED	GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	REQUIRED
I	1-24	4	IV	150-299	18
11	25-74	8	V	300 and above	25
HI	75-149	12			

The entire church and the Department of Evangelism rejoice with these churches and their pastors over the new Christians added to the fellowship of the church.

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		Membership at	
Church	Pastor .	Last Assembly	Gain
	ALBANY DISTRICT	,	
Potsdam	L. Calhoun	28	8
Watertown	W. Rudolph	39	9
North Tonawanda	L. Warner	55	42
Carthage	A. N. Christens	sen 60	19
Rochester Calvary	R. Carnahan	77	17
Rochester Trinity	M. E. Wilson	94	17
•	CANADA WEST		
Winnipeg Beulah	M. Tucker	0	11
Calgary North	H. Griffin	118	13
Edmonton First	D. W. Hildie	184	20
Calgary First	H. L. G. Smith	ı 455	43
0 /	EASTERN MICHIGAN		
Detroit Faith	E. Surratt	10	4
Sandusky	R. Spencer	15	4
Gagetown	R. Stanley	25	12
Williams Lake	P. Coleman	36	8
Beulah	J. Williams	51	11
Flushing	H. Harris	54	8
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	Minnigeon	K. Millici	05	1.5				
	Rochester	T. C. Riddle	72	8				
	Lincoln Park	A. E. McFarland	73	10				
	Ellington	J. W. Mellish	74	11				
	Flint North	G. Hill	95	14				
	Flint West	B. Gill	101	18				
	Flint South	W. O. Welton	132	13				
	Port Huron	U. B. Godman	141	26				
	Detroit Calvary	M. Johnson	145	13				
	Pontiac First	J. E. Van Allen	200	23				
	Howell	W. Varian	220	18				
	Flint First	L. Parrott	371	33				
	Detroit First	E. W. Martin	879	43				
NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT								
	Claremont, N.H.	E. J. Boggis, Jr.	18	5				
	Norwich, Conn.	S. E. Brooks, Jr.	19	5				
	E. Charleston, Vt.	J. D. Thomas	20	5				
	Reading, Mass.	H. M. White	28	11				
	Anson, Maine	E. L. Richardson	35	8				
	Peabody, Mass.	A. Ardrey	44	11				
	New Bedford, Mass.	M. Chavier	51	13				
	Newport, Vt.	P. E. Lockhart	55	8				
	Dixfield, Maine	D. Arey	61	11				
	Brockton, Mass.	F. H. Oxenford	76	18				
	Manchester, Conn.	C. E. Winslow	215	21				
		тнеаят Окцанома						
	Picher	R. Nichols	15	5				
	Pryer	C. Reach	22					
	Barnsdall	T. C. Phipps	24	5				
	Tulsa Parkview	G. Hood	32	8				
	Tulsa Valley View	E. C. Stegall	33	30				
	Dewey	W. Livingston	58	8				
	Tulsa Dawson	A. Noel	63	8				
	Pawhuska	W. Ritter	66	8				
	Okmulgee	J. Danner	67	11				
	South	H DAKOTA DISTRICT						
	Rapid City	R. A. Kellom	45	14				
ATTENTION, PASTORS: Write the Department of Evangelism. 6401 The Pasco, Kansas City 10, Missouri, if you have not received your copy of Suggestions for Success on the "Try Christian Wor" and principles agreement for this fall. It contains								
	Christ's Way" soul-winning program for this fall. It contains valuable information for you and your church.							

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The bills to stop the service and sale of alcoholic beverages on aircraft in flight remained in committee when Congress recessed the first of July until a tentative date in early August.

It is our hope that H.R. 1075 or sim-

ilar bills and S. 1432 will receive attention in committee when Congress reconvenes. The Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee is composed of seventeen men. Their names are as follows:

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Warren G. Magnuson, Washington, Chairman

John O. Pastore, Rhode Island A. S. Mike Monroney, Oklahoma George A. Smathers, Florida Strom Thurmond, South Carolina Frank J. Lausche, Ohio Ralph Yarborough, Texas Clair Engle, California E. L. Bartlett, Alaska Vance Hartke, Indiana Gale W. McGee, Wyoming Andrew F. Schoeppel, Kansas John Marshall Butler, Maryland Norris Cotton, New Hampshire Thruston B. Morton, Kentucky Clifford P. Case, New Jersey Hugh Scott, Pennylvania

Each of the senators should hear rom their constituents in large numbers as early as possible in August.

Each should be requested to cast his vote in favor of S. 1432. If this bill were passed, along with a similar one from the House of Representatives, the service and sale of alcoholic beverages aboard aircraft would be ended.

Letters from all over the United States should be sent to majority leaders, Senator Lyndon B. Johnson and Congressman Sam Rayburn, and to committee chairmen Senator War-ren G. Magnuson and Congressman Oren Harris, urging that legislation to ban alcoholic beverages on aircraft in flight be placed on the calendar and considered by the entire Congress before the final adjournment of this session. Any senator will receive mail addressed to his name and the United States Senate, Washington, D.C. Any congressman will receive mail addressed to his name, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

> EARL C. WOLF. Secretary Committee on Public Morals



New York Prayer Meeting Closes

The Fulton Street noon prayer meeting closed its doors on June 30 after 103 vears of services in downtown Manhattan. Attendance had dropped considerably since the meeting site was moved to 93 Nassau Street seven years ago. Sponsors may decide to reschedule the meeting after a survey of the area.

Our Bloody Air Space

Much concern is evidenced about the slaughter of human beings on our highways, and rightly so. But it is time that Americans became more disturbed about what is being transmitted every day through air space, and brought into millions of American homes. Recently, three hundred college students monitored Los Angeles' seven television stations for two days, and reported: 7,888 commercials, 3,696 acts of violence, 784 drinks of liquor, and 258 acts of property destruction. Actors velled, "I'll break your legs," or otherwise threatened acts of violence or death 1,087 times. In Tokyo, the Japan Broadcasting Corporation has announced it is withdrawing all crime, murder, American Westerns, and Japanese war programs from its television network to protect the morals of young viewers. Mr. Ernest J. Hodges, a San Francisco advertising executive, said in a speech "The men who are fortunate recently: to have air space must sooner or later realize that they do not have an irrevocable, God-given right to beam an unending stream of rubbish over the air."

Bu WILSON R. LANPHER

TV College Credit

A New York City television station is programming two religion courses for college credit this summer. The courses, "Introduction to Biblical Thought" and "Religion and Modern Literature," are presented in co-operation with the Protestant councils of churches in the New York area.

Which Voice Is Authoritative?

The newspaper of the Vatican, L'Osservatore Romano, has published an article labeled "authoritatively binding" on all Catholics. The article said: "The church has full power of jurisdiction over all the faithful and hence has the duty to guide and direct them on the plane of ideas and action. The church has the duty and the right to intervene even in the political field. A Catholic can never prescribe the teachings and directives of the church." This is why thoughtful and freedom-loving Americans are disturbed over the prospects of a Catholic president. This is not big-otry or intolerance. This is simply taking the statements of a man's church that has demonstrated its political power in many countries, at face value. and properly having a deep concern about the pressures a Catholic president would face from his own church, the only church in the world that lays claim to such authority. So when the Roman Catholic nominee for president asserts that such pronouncements will not affect our already cracking wall between church and state, the thoughtful American wonders which voice is authorita-

Methodists Complete Survey

A three-year survey, Methodism and Society, has recently been completed and will be published in a four-volume report. Based on a request by the Methodist church's Board of Social and Economic Relations, the nationwide survey covers a representative cross section of more than 12,000 laymen, ministers, and young people in the church. The results have turned up an entirely new body of data as to the actual beliefs and social attitudes of Methodists. according to a member of the group in charge of the survey, Dr. Walter G. Muelder, of Boston University School of Theology. Here are some of the findings that were given from every eightieth Methodist church taken from an alphabetical list, the pastor of which sampled opinions from every tenth member. Every second American Methodist believes in equality of opportunities for all races, but feels that "present patterns must be changed gradually." another important question, 47.2 per cent feel that they, as Christian citizens, are obligated to support their country in war when its existence is at stake. On the question of race, two out of ten supported abolition of all racial discrimination, and, interestingly, about the same number-two out of ten-held that, although races should have equal opportunities, "segregation is desirable to preserve racial purity." The belief that "Christians should expect through the power of God to attain perfect love in this life" was upheld by only 11.1 per cent of those who responded, and 56 per cent of those responding believe that men are saved by divine grace when they respond in repentance and trustful obedience." Of those polled, only 2.5 per cent took the position they could under no circumstances support or participate in war. The above report was recently published in the Methodist magazine, Together.

NEWS of the Churches

African Mission Council

The thirty-seventh African Mission Council met July 6 to 9 at Arthurseat, Eastern Transvaal, South Africa. Dr. W. C. Esselstyn, who was returned to the office of field superintendent by a unanimous vote, reported the following figures for the past quadrennium: Number of organized churches increased from 218 to 280; now have 37 selfsupporting churches; number of preaching points increased from 176 to 320; full members increased from 4,892 to 5,802; number of probationary members increased from 5,159 to 6,251; Sunday school enrollment increased from 15,795 to 21,968; enrollment in Bible schools

increased from 75 to 109; and total giving of church increased from £7,396.19.9 £10.237.12.1-with many other statistics concerning our medical and educational work.

Dr. Esselstyn challenged the missionaries to lead the African church as rapidly as possible to responsible selfgovernment and to look into the future to prepare the church to send its own nonwhite missionaries to evangelize Africa. He also called for three days of prayer and fasting at the close of the months Sept., Dec., March, and June. Dr. C. H. Strickland, district superin-

tendent of the European work in South Africa, brought a stirring report of the General Assembly. The slogan for the quadrennium, Evangelism First, confirmed the belief of the missionaries that Africa's greatest need during these catacylsmic days is the preaching of the unadulterated Word of God with the unction of the Holy Spirit upon it.

There was a great sense of loss as Dr. and Mrs. David Hynd bade the missionaries farewell after thirty-five years of pioneering missions in Swaziland. We feel that a great man has been in our midst. The name of David Hynd resounds far outside the pale of the Church of the Nazarene as one of Africa's most worthy missionaries. -BETTY EMSLIE, Reporter.

Northeastern Indiana District Assembly

The eighteenth annual assembly of the Northeastern Indiana District was called to order with dignity and spiritual unction by our beloved general superintendent, Dr. Hugh C. Benner. His grace and majestic manner of conducting the business was superb throughout the entire assembly. Both dignity and freedom worked hand in hand under his leadership, and his devotional messages were of the highest caliber. The district is inspired to move forward with a newness of determination, much of which arose out of Dr. Benner's inspiration to us.

Business of the assembly moved in a rapid, but very thorough, manner. This year, for the first time, all assembly business was completed in two days and nights. Pastors' reports were Spirit-filled, and of real inspiration to members of the assembly and the visitors present. We appreciated the visitors and also our guests from sister denominations.

The district reports ninety-six churches, gains in all departments, a better than "10 per cent" giving to missions, and the presence of God upon the entire program.

Dr. Paul C. Updike, district superintendent, gave a splendid report, after which he received a glorious three-year call. A nice love offering was received, as well as gifts for Dr. and Mrs. Updike. We all appreciate the Updikes more than words or deeds can express. God is leading them as they lead the district.

In the auxiliary conventions, Mrs. Updike was re-elected district N.F.M.S. president, Rev. Walter G. Graeflin district N.Y.P.S. president, and Rev. Harold E. Priddy chairman of the church school board.

A dedication service for small infants was conducted in a precious manner by Dr. Hugh C. Benner and Dr. Paul Updike.

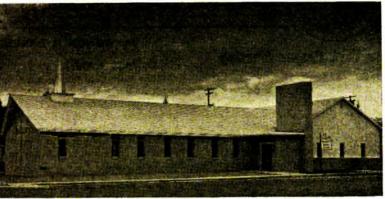
A spiritual high light of the assembly came just before recess for lunch on the last day. Dr. Benner called for a special number in song and, as it was presented, God came on the scene—people shouted and praised God. We were about thirty minutes late for lunch, but no one seemed to mind!

Olivet Nazarene College was graciously represented by President Harold W. Reed and Field Secretary John Swearengen. Several numbers in song were presented by Mr. James Bohi, with David Humble at the piano, and God blessed the music to our hearts. Copy of the Aurora, O.N.C. yearbook, was presented to each pastor having paid his Olivet budget.

An impressive ordination service climaxed the assembly, as Dr. Benner presented elder's orders to Robert J. Ferguson, Cecil L. Morgan, William J. Nichols, and Robert L. Scott. The elder's orders of Rev. Willis H. Brand were recognized and received.

Northeastern Indiana District moves on as "a mighty army," united and blessed of God, into a greater and richer year.—RALPH W. STRAHM, Reporter.

Sparks, Nevada



Sunday, May 8, was dedication day for the new sanctuary of First Church in Sparks, Nevada. Dr. Roy F. Smee brought the message of dedication. This was the third and completing unit of a fine modern plant, valued at \$90,000 with an indebtedness of only \$18,000. Rev. Don Adams, pastor, was the capable contractor and builder, and nearly all of the labor was donated by members and friends of the church. A wonderful spirit of fellowship and unity prevailed throughout the months of construction. The work progressed nicely with both men and women working, and friends spending many hours working on the building. It all started when a member of the church gave a check for one thousand dollars to the building fund. One of the members writes, "Easter Sunday was a day of triumph for us as we worshiped together in the lovely sanctuary that our own hands had built. Without the love of God shed abroad in our hearts the task would not have been so light nor held for us such a sense of joy in the completing of our new building." Never have I seen the completion of a building with such a spirit of unity. Much of the credit goes to a pastor who knows how to work with and love his people.—RAYMOND B. SHERWOOD, District Superintendent.

Central Ohio District Assembly

The seventeenth annual assembly of the Central Ohio District was held at the District Center in Columbus, July 19 to 22, under the inspiring leadership of Dr. G. B. Williamson, presiding general superintendent. It was truly a time of blessing and heavenly visitation to the 360 delegates and hundreds of visitors who attended. Pastors' reports revealed another year of ever-expanding activity.

In addition to the masterful addresses of our presiding officer, we were doubly blessed by having Dr. John Cochran, district superintendent of the Nazarene missionary work in Argentina, as the speaker on Wednesday night. Other missionaries who contributed much to the assembly and the preceding convention were Mrs. Cochran, Rev. and Mrs. Phillip Torgrimson, and Miss Elizabeth Cole.

Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, our beloved district superintendent, gave his seventeenth consecutive report, which revealed among other things: a total of 131 churches, and a membership of 11,430; 32 churches showed a net gain of 10 per cent or more for the past year; total Sunday school enrollment 24.803. Total giving for all general purposes reached a new high of \$155,266; in giving for all purposes there was an increase of \$170,664 over the previous year.

Olivet Nazarene College was well represented by Dr. and Mrs. Harold W. Reed, Rev. J. W. Swearengen, Mr. James Bohi, and Mr. David Hughes. The singing of Mr. Bohi was one of the outstanding features of the assembly. In an impressive ordination service Thursday night, Wendell Kizzee and Ivan V. Beatty received elder's orders, and John H. Lanier was given recognition as an elder from the Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

Dr. Galloway is serving on an extended call given last year. Other district officers were re-elected, including Rev. Miles A. Simmons, Rev. Lester L. Zimmerman, Mr. James Oberlander, and Mr. Paul Forgrave, advisory board members; Rev. W. E. Zimmerman, treasurer; and Rev. Paul K. Hayman, secretary.

There was a full voice of approval given to the quadrennial program of "Evangelism First" for the new quadrennium. Churches large and small are planning this dynamic approach as we enter this the most crucial period in our history.—PAUL K. HAYMAN, Secretary.

Rev. Kendall S. White writes: "I am now completing twelve years of service with our First Church in Beaumont, Texas, and will be entering the evangelistic field as of August 31. I shall be glad to slate revivals, camps, and tours with any of our pastors, churches, and districts. Write me, 755 Euclid, Beaumont, Texas."

Canada West District Assembly

The annual assembly of the Canada West District was held in the beautiful and spacious new facilities of Calgary First Church, July 5 to 10, with the host pastor, Rev. Herman L. G. Smith, and his good people giving us a warm welcome.

Dr. Samuel Young, presiding general superintendent, preached with penetrating clarity, and the Holy Spirit mightily used his ministry to challenge us to "Evangelism First" in the new quadrennium.

Dr. Edward Lawlor, our beloved district superintendent, in presenting his fourteenth and final report, told of one new church organized, three new church buildings and several parsonages dedicated. Gains were reported in all departments. The membership is now 3,031, a net gain of 138; Sunday school enrollment is 6,800, average attendance 4,249, a gain of 178. The N.Y.P.S. membership is 824; N.F.M.S. membership is 824; N.F.M.S. membership is 824; N.F.M.S. membership is 824; N.F.M.S. membership 2,151, an increase of 252. We gave to general interests over \$56,000. The total giving was over \$495,000 with a per capita giving of \$165.16. Value of buildings and property is now \$1,672,213, an increase of \$486,000 in one year.

The Lawlors were loved and appreciated for their zealous and dedicated leadership, and while we will miss them we are glad to share them with the general church as Dr. Lawlor assumes a larger task as executive secretary of the Department of Evangelism. A farewell love offering was presented to the Lawlors.

Rev. Herman L. G. Smith, pastor of Calgary First Church, was elected as the new superintendent on the third ballot. Mrs. Smith was elected as the N.F.M.S. president to succeed Mrs. Lawlor.

Rev. Bert Daniels challenged the Sunday school convention to greater success and preached with fervor in the evening evangelistic services. Rev. Howard Griffin was re-elected Church Schools chairman

After careful and prayerful consideration and in consultation with district leaders, the Board of General Superintendents by unanimous vote is appointing Dr. E. E. Zachary district superintendent of the Northern California District effective September 1, 1960.

HARDY C. POWERS
for BOARD OF GENERAL
SUPERINTENDENTS

We were thrilled by the courage and commitment of Mrs. Wanda Knox of New Guinea, as God spoke through her to the N.F.M.S. convention.

Elected to elder's orders and ordained by Dr. Young on the great closing Sunday were Alden Aikens, J. Clifford Baughman, Dalton L. Marston, Melvin A. Tucker, and Allan L. Wiens.

A. Tucker, and Allan L. Wiens.

The Tink Musical Party had charge of all the assembly music and added much inspiration to the services.

Canada West moves forward with "Evangelism First" our purpose.—PAUL B. HICKS, Reporter.

North Tonawanda, New York—For the past year our church has been privileged to enjoy a wonderful outpouring of God's Spirit, with over four hundred seekers at the altar in the regular church services. The three prayer meetings each week have caused conviction to settle down upon people in the community. The Sunday school has increased in average attendance from 61 to 107. The church roll shows 51 new members added to the membership, with 42 received on profession of faith. Our pastor, Rev. C. Leroy Warner, has been given a unanimous recall for another year. The present church facilities have become inadequate and

the church board has voted to build a new sanctuary. If you have friends in this area who need God's help, write us and we'll be glad to contact them.—RUTH WOODS, Secretary.

Udall, Kansas-Our church recently conducted a simultaneous tent revival and Bible school, with Evangelist Norvie O. Clift as the special worker. He brought Bible-centered stories, taught the children many new choruses, presenting a varied program climaxing with some spiritual truth. The children loved it, and our Bible school attendance nearly doubled. Under the direction and leadership of Brother Clift the work of the lay teachers was made easier. and nearly all the teachers attended the services every night. The revival services, held in a large tent in the center of town, were well attended. Brother Clift presented the truth of scriptural holiness to the hearts of the people and, in service after service, God gave wonderful victory around the altar. After completing nearly three years with this church, I am now moving to Kalvesta to pastor the church there.-MARION Mc-Kellips, Pastor.

Michigan District Assembly

The annual assembly of the Michigan District convened July 13 at the District Center on Indian Lake, Vicksburg, Michigan, with Rev. V. L. Ward as host.

Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presided with compassion, and his usual efficiency and grace. The strong spiritual depth of our people and the presence of the Holy Spirit were made evident in song and shouts of victory throughout the sessions. Dr. Vanderpool's messages centered around living this "Pentecostal Holiness," with much emphasis on "Evangelism First."

High point of our assembly was the report of our splendid district superintendent, Dr. Orville L. Maish. His report of the gains and accomplishments was an inspiration to intensify our efforts to save the lost. The report showed a total of 6,010 Nazarenes on the Michigan District, with giving to general purposes at an all-time high of \$74.278, and total giving for all purposes of \$965,011. Two new churches were organized; Saginaw Shields with a membership of thirty, and Muskegon Eastwood with a membership of sixty-one.

District Superintendent Maish was reelected by a strong vote for another year. A love offering of \$765 was given to Dr. and Mrs. Maish, which reflects the love and esteem of the people.

Rev. John Swearengen presented the Aurora and the work of Olivet Nazarene College. Mr. James Bohi lifted the hearts of all present with his beautiful singing. Dr. Erwin G. Benson represented the Nazarene Publishing House.

Rev. James Estelle and Rev. Harry Stanley were re-elected secretary and treasurer for the district, respectively.

On Thursday evening Dr. Vanderpool conducted an impressive ordination service with elder's orders presented to Owen J. Smith, Ronald Bradford, and Milo DeMint. The pastors' quartet sang the fitting selection "Ready."—HERBERT W. THOMAS, Reporter.

Reprint Still Available

In the light of developments during the past few weeks, requests for this timely article which originally appeared in the March 30 issue of the *Herald of Holiness* have been coming in by the thousands.

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- Q-01 Thursday, June 16, 7:30-9:00 p.m., N.F.M.S.\$9.25
 Music—Nazarene College Choir; Field High Lights—Wanda
 Knox, New Guinea; Special Song—Mrs. Ira Cox, Jr., India;
 Message—Dr. Samuel Young; Closing Prayer—Dr. Remiss Reh-

- Q-07 The International Teen-age Choir, N.Y.P.S.\$5.00 (Playing Time—30 minutes, 8 Selections)
- Q-09 Thursday, June 16, 7:30-9:00 p.m., N.Y.P.S.\$9.2 Chairman—Eugene Stowe; Song Service—Paul Skiles, International Teen-age Choir; Message—"The Way of Holiness. Interby G. B. Williamson
- Eugene Stowe

Q-11 Saturday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.,

- Q-13 Saturday, June 18, 11:00-12:00 a.m.,
- Q-16 Sunday, June 19, 7:30-9:00 p.m., Gospel Service.... \$9.25 Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, Presiding, Song Service—Rev. R. T. Williams; Special Song—"All Hail the Power," the Seminary Singers—Ray H. Moore, Director; Trombone Offertory—Paul Skiles; "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the Combined College Choirs—Naomi Larsen, Director; Message—Dr. Hugh C. Benner
- Q-17 Monday, June 20, 2:00-3:00 p.m., Music Hour\$6.50 Q-18 Monday, June 20, 7:30-9:00 p.m.,

- Q-19 Tuesday, June 21, 2:00-3:00 p.m., Music Hour\$6.50
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Evangelist L. P. Jack Durham writes: "The past two years have been very good ones for me in the evangelistic field. I thank the Lord and my wonderful friends. God has given victories as we labored for souls in preaching the Bible message in Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona, working with some of our finest pastors. These two years were preceded by twenty-one years in the pastorate. the last one being more than seven years in our First Church, Houston, Texas. Feeling it to be in the providence of God, I have accepted a position on the faculty of our Pasadena College, beginning this fall. I am sorry to have to cancel a future slate, but I will not be available for evangelistic work except in the near vicinity of the college. I earnestly hope to be of service to God and the Kingdom in this new field of labor."

Deaths

ELMER WESTLUND, charter member of First Church of the Nazarene, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, died April 4, 1960. He was born in Pennsylvania, February 6, 1882. He was preceded in death by his wife, Tillie, in March of 1959. They had celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1957. He is survived by two daughters, and one son. Mr. Westlund was church treasurer for many years, and he and his wife were faithful to the Lord and the church during the past thirty years. His faith and trust in God, and his hearty "Amen," are missed by his many friends in the Milwaukee church.

JOHN WILLIAM CANTRELL was born March 11 JOHN WILLIAM CANTRELL was born March 11, 1885, and died May 11, 1960, in Tulare, California. He had resided in Tulare County for twenty-three years, and was a member of the Tulare Church of the Nazarene. He left a testimony of the saving grace of Christ in his life. He is survived by his wife, Mary, a son, Glenn; two daughters. Mrs. Odean Kinsey and Mrs. Billy Ruth Hopkins, and one sister, Mrs. Wilson. Rev. Walter Goehring officiated at the funeral service, and interment was in the Woodville cenetery.

BARRETT A., the 3½-month-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Walter Goehring of Tulare, California, died May 4, 1960. He left his three sisters, Linda Sile, Sherry Ann, and Judith Rae, along with his parents, to mourn his passing. He was buried in the Tulare cemetery, with Rev. William H. Dietz, pastor of the Porterville church, officiating at the

PAUL THOMAS, one-day-old son of A/1c and Mrs. David Keener of Fairbanks, Alaska, died May 15, 1960, at Ladd Air Force Base Hospital in Fairbanks. Mr. and Mrs. Keener are ardent Christians and faithful members of the Totem Park Church of the Nazarene. Besides his parents, he is survived by a sister, Rebecca Jane. Funeral services were conducted in Union City, Indiana.

ANNIE MURIL HEBERT EDWARDS was born October 25, 1913, in St. James, Louisiana, and died May 5, 1960, in Port Arthur, Texas. In 1933 she was united in marriage to Ted Edwards. She had lived in the Port Arthur area for forty-three years.

She united with the Church of the Nazarene dur-She united with the Church of the Nazarene during her childhood days; at the time of her death she was a member of Grace Church of the Nazarene in Port Arthur. To the very last, her testimony of God's grace was radiant and strong. She is survived by her husband, Ted; a son, James Edward, in the U.S. Air Force; two daughters, Donna Ann Peters and Patsy Ruth Hamilton; her father, Felix J. Hebert; three brothers, Norris, Don, and Wilton Hebert; and four sisters, Effic Sanders, Pearl Faulk, Eula Mae Parker, and Gloria Mae Bewley. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. B. Curless.

SEAL—First Church of the Nazarene, St. Louis, Missouri, was saddened by the sudden passing in March, 1960, of two of its most respected and best loved members, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Seal. Brother Seal served long and faithfully as a board member, and both were faithful in attendance and in their giving. They will be sadly missed by all who know them.

MARTIN R. JOHNSON was born March 31, 1880, at Seguin, Texas, and died September 9, 1959, in Bethany, Oklahoma. He and his family moved to Bethany from Texas in December of 1926. He was a charter member of the Church of the Nazarene. He lived a consistent Christian life and was a devoted husband and father. He is survived by his wife, Olga E.; four sons, Joyce P., Al F., Marvin G., and William F.; one daughter, Mrs. Orin Murray; and two sisters, Mrs. Ida Walker and Mrs. Annie Mae Fisher. Funeral service was held at First Church of the Nazarene, Bethany, with Dr. E. S. Phillips in charge, assisted by Rev. Floyd Rowe. MARTIN R. JOHNSON was born March 31,

HELEN LEE SIPES was born June 20, 1943, and died September 30, 1959, at Filion, Michigan. She was very popular among the churches on the Thumb Zone of the Eastern Michigan District; her Thumb Zone of the Eastern Michigan District; her singing was a blessing to many. She is survived by her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Eldon Sipes, pastors of the Filion church; a sister, Debora; and a brother, Eldon, Jr., of Vassar. Helen was a member of the Vassar Church of the Nazarene. Funeral service was held at the Vassar church, with Dr. W. M. McGuire, district superintendent, officiating; interment was at Alger, Michigan.
Rairdon of Bethany Nazarene College officiating.

Announcements

WEDDING BELLS

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Miss Roberta Ann Posey of Wellington, Texas, and Mr. Delbert Long of Ponca City, Oklahoma, were united in marriage on July 16 at the Wellington Church of the Nazarene with Professor Jack T. Miss Donna Jean Townsend and Mr. Jack L. Soller, both of Gothenburg, Nebraska, were united in marriage on July 1 with Dr. Whitcomb B. Harding, superintendent of Nebraska District, officiation

Miss Beverly Schroeder of Watsonville, and Howard Scroggins of Baldwin Park, California, were united in marriage on June 10 in Baldwin Park Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. L. F. Schroeder, father of the bride, and Rev. Vernon Kutz officiating.

BORN—to Wayne and Carolyn (Murner) Arnold of Crestwood, Missouri, a son, Michael Wayne, on

-to Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Herrick of Marietta, Georgia, a daughter, Jana Renee, on July 9.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Harold James of Pasadena, California, a son, David Jesse, on July 7.

—to John and Virginia Montgomery of Fallon, Nevada, a son, John Ewell, on June 14.

—to Leland D. and Marilyn (Lake) Watkins of Burlington, Iowa, a daughter, Luann Cheryl, on May 31.

---to Richard and Marilyn Coleman of China Lake, California, a son, Richard Bruce, on May 10.

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