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Two Great Occasions Are Near at Hand

By GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT WILLIAMS

SUNDAY, December 28th, is the day set apart for a special offering for the general budget of our church. We are praying earnestly that God will put it into the hearts of our people to make a liberal contribution at this time that all of our general obligations might be met in full at the close of this year. This will not be something separate and distinct, but just a part of the duty we are supposed to perform during the year. It will do us good and will win for the church a great victory. Let every person in our whole connection, no matter what he has done before, give something for the general budget on this occasion, namely, Sunday, December 28th.

It has been our custom during the Christmas holidays to make gifts to our friends and loved ones. This is a beautiful thing to do. The spirit of Christmas, the spirit of cheer and good will, always permeates our homes, our churches and the country in general at this time. Doubtless much money spent for non-essentials, for luxuries and for useless pleasures could be devoted to a better cause if the people would be more careful in their spending. We would advise that every member of our church deny himself some pleasure during Christmas week that he might give to the glory of God and for the happiness of someone else. We are really celebrating the birth of our Lord, the greatest Christmas Gift the world has ever had. Would it not be a beautiful thing to make a gift to the Lord? We give gifts to our friends, but let us make the Lord a direct gift at this time, expressing to Him our love and our devotion. It will be an easy matter for us to pay our obligations in full if every member of the church will do something upon this occasion. If some give and others fail, our success will not be complete, but if everyone gives something, if the giving is general throughout the church, we will close a great year and we will be able to celebrate a wonderful victory in the name of the Lord.

The other great occasion is to be the night of December 31st. This will be watch night, at which time the people will watch the old year pass away forever and the new year come in. This will close a chapter in the history of our lives and will open a new one. On that night we will be able to say, "What we have written we have written." We cannot undo what we have done and we cannot well do in the future what we have failed to do. It is usually the plan of our pastors and people to hold watch night meetings in all of our churches this night. We can make this one of the greatest occasions within the history of our movement. We are urging that our people make it a time of prayer to God for an outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon the Church and upon God's people throughout the world. I suggest that each member of our church fast at least one meal on December 31st and that we spend much of the watch night

service upon our knees for an outpouring of the divine Spirit. We want revivals. We want more revivals. We want deeper revivals. We want revivals that will reach the masses. The hope of our movement is in spirituality and great revivals, but spirituality and revivals are utterly impossible unless the people pray. Our hope, therefore, is in prayer. We are in danger of becoming so busy operating the machinery of the church, looking after material interests, as to neglect God and an earnest, sincere, intercessory prayer life.

It will be the joy of my life to know that every Nazarene in the world was on his knees the most of the time from 8 p. m. until midnight, December 31st, praying for God to bless the year that is past and the one that is coming in, that we may have greater revivals, more souls for the Master and that we may be a greater blessing to a lost world. The night will soon come, when no man can work, therefore let us work while it is day. The harvest is ripe and the laborers are few.

Oh, for a deepening in God, for a greater tenderness, for more tears, for more love and for a greater passion for lost men! This is the need of the Church. This is the hope of the Church, the hope of the world and the will of God for us. If we fail here we will disappoint our Lord. We urge every Nazarene, every friend of holiness and every spiritually minded man or woman who reads the HERALD OF HOLINESS, or who has any connection whatever with our movement, to spend watch night in earnest prayer that God will pour out His Spirit upon our church and upon all churches throughout the earth. We could spend the time on watch night exhorting, preaching and testifying or amusing ourselves, but this would not get the best results. My personal conviction is that the entire church needs to spend this time in prayer, if possible. This will enable us to enter the new year enriched in spirit, encouraged in heart, anointed by the Holy Ghost for greater achievements and greater conquests for the church and for the Lord.

One of the glories of the religion of Jesus Christ is that one never out-grows it. It is near enough to the penitent sinner that he can reach out and grasp it and be apprehended of it. Still its heights and depths invite the saintliest saint on and on. Jesus Himself continues to be the ideal of the maturest soul. No one has ever overtaken Him in any sphere of faith or conduct. "O, to be like Thee," is as much the prayer of the aged, dying believer as of the trusting novice. And the conquests of faith, likewise, have no limits. Whatever anyone has done in believing and in working is but the barest beginning of what he may yet do. "There is no discharge in this war," and no place for us to stop this side of the throne.

Why Every Christian Should Get Sanctified Wholly

SIN as an inward defilement is dangerous beyond compare; for though one may have had his past sins pardoned, so long as sin "dwelleth within" he can never be sure that it will not rise up in some unguarded moment and cause backsliding and infinite loss.

Sin is all about us in the lives and examples of others. The Devil is a mighty personal enemy who seeks the downfall of every follower of Jesus Christ. Our natural human nature, even when we are in the best condition that grace can bring, furnishes a ground for temptation to attack us. So if we are wise we will make use of every safeguard against apostasy possible.

And after all, the Devil cannot get into our hearts except the bolt be dislodged from the inside. The Devil may threaten as a roaring lion, but the bulwarks of fidelity to God are sufficient to keep him out until a breach is made from the inside.

But when the bitter root of carnality "springs up" it troubles the Christian even to the place of bringing him again into the "bonds of iniquity," and into "the gall of bitterness," so that his backsliding is so complete as to bring him into the danger of sinking into an apostate's hell. This danger of itself should be sufficient to stir every justified Christian to make the utmost effort to get sanctified wholly.

Then we must also think of others. Aside from personal, vital knowledge of Jesus Christ, there is nothing in this world that is so valuable as one's influence. You cannot help any person who does not have confidence in your sincerity and faith in the reality of your religion. And always, construction is more difficult and requires more time than destruction. Just the other day a man said in my hearing; "Well, that preacher preached and testified for twenty-five years that he had the Holy Ghost, now he says he did not have Him, but has Him now; so I will have to wait at least twenty-five years for his present testimony to become of any value to me." That is a sad situation, but a Christian can destroy in a few minutes the reputation for righteousness that he has been years in building. "As dead flies in the ointment of the apothecary causeth it to give forth a stinking savor, so doth a little folly him that is of reputation for wisdom." Substitute sin for folly and righteousness for wisdom in this passage from Solomon and you will still have an indisputable proverb.

The up-springing of inbred sin is the most fruitful cause for the overthrowing of Christian confidence; and suppose that by one fit of sinful anger, or by one outbreak of wicked selfishness, or by one plain manifestation of worldly or spiritual pride you should cause one soul to stumble "for whom Christ died." And suppose that that one who stumbles should be your own dear child.

But the warning is against the evil by which "many shall be defiled." "Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth." The salvation of the whole family may very easily hinge upon your constancy in Christ. The revival which would redeem the people of your community may be postponed or kept away entirely by the manifestations of your unholiness.

But no one need take any such fearful chances. The will of God is that everyone of His children be entirely sanctified. The blood of Jesus provides for our complete deliverance from all inbred, as well as out-broken, sin. The Holy Ghost, the Divine Executor of the will of the Godhead is waiting to come into the believing heart and purge it from "the least and last remains of sin."

The City Beautiful

Having traveled in virtually all parts of the United States and Canada, I had about decided that "all cities are alike," and had largely lost interest in them. And when the time for my first visit to Washington, the Capital City, came, I was not largely interested. But from the moment that I arrived in the great union station, I realized that I was truly in a city that was different, and as my friends took me out to Mt. Vernon, the home of the great Washington; to Arlington, the site of the great wireless receiving station; to the wonderful National Cemetery, the home of General Lee, the marble amphitheater which seats five thousand people, to the grave of the "Unknown Soldier"; then across the beautiful Potomac again to the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument, the cluster of wonderful office buildings which gather about the White House as the center; then to the Capitol building which is the pride of the hemisphere and to the cluster of government buildings which gather about it, my wonder and amazement increased all the time, until I was constrained to cry out "the half was not told me." And I was quite ready to adopt the name, "The City beautiful," which others use with reference to this unique and wonderful city.

And as I left the place behind, I was reminded of that city which "Hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God" into which the faithful and true will some day come; and I was stirred with the blessed thought that heaven will exceed our highest expectation and that it will be the only real "City Beautiful" whose wonders will never cease to enchant.

The Rest of Saints in Heaven

A LITTLE while ago there appeared in the papers a report of the conjecture of a great Unitarian scholar on the probable employment which will engage us in the future; and it was argued by some editors, that since this man is several years older than the vast majority of men ever live, his reflections were doubtless of a more or less personal character, and since his scholarship is beyond question, his conclusions are, therefore, worthy of high respect and general acceptance.

But the principal result of the great scholar's reflections was a somewhat veiled rejection of the "conventional" notion of "rest" in heaven. And he suggested that, with him at least, rest is incompatible with happiness. But he made the mistake of defining rest simply as inactivity. This is, indeed, the popular idea of its meaning, but it is not the conception given by the Holy Scriptures. For in the latter chapters of Revelation where the most fully developed picture of heaven is found, there is activity enough to satisfy the most energetic man that ever lived upon earth. There is an unexplored realm there which is great enough to keep the scientist fascinated forever. There are relations so many, so varied, and so wonderful that the philosopher will need periods a million years in length in order to make much headway with his lessons. There is beauty and music enough to enchant the artist with ever changing and never tiring programs unending. The Bible heaven is anything but a dull, humdrum, monotonous place of idleness and inactivity.

What Is Your Testimony?

A Presbyterian elder who has recently made a single contribution amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars, says, "I have never been a bit poorer for anything that I have given, but I am sure that the more I have given the larger my income has been."

So we have probably wasted our sympathy when we have "felt sorry" for the liberal giver. Even those who have impoverished themselves by their liberality can scarcely ever be made to regret it; for "The liberal soul shall be made fat," and the prosperous soul is not the kind that grieves over riches that have been given to God and thus laid up in the treasury of heaven.

Someone has said that Jesus continually brought the highest motives to bear upon the humblest tasks. He would work a miracle to provide money for the taxes of a harassed disciple and would make the giving of a cup of cold water a sufficient warrant for the giving of a disciple's reward. Jesus is no where more needed than in our every day lives and He is no where more at home than in the kitchen or shop, for he wrought as a carpenter at Nazareth and prepared fish upon the fire by the Sea of Galilee. Christ's religion is an every day religion.

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The Art of Making Friends

By PROF. A. S. LONDON

WE had never thought so much of the above subject, until a few days ago when a young preacher walked into my office and asked for a private interview. He broke down and cried bitterly. He is a good young man and a splendid student. I told him to open up his heart and tell me what was on his mind. Between his sobs he told me his story. He said, "I am living to myself. No one seems to want my company or fellowship. I am isolated from everybody. I do not know how to make friends. I have come in to ask you what to do with myself."

Well I began to think. In all my experience I had never had just such a case as this young man presented. I knew he was honest. He studies hard. He lives well. All have confidence in him as a Christian young man. But as he said, he has but little fellowship with other people. Everyone seems to simply speak and pass on. He has no chums. He has shut every one out of his life. He is moodish. He rarely smiles.

As I thought more about this young preacher and his condition, I am convinced that there are a great number of our young people in this same kind of trouble. They have never learned the art of making friends.

"What is the secret of your life?" asked Elizabeth Browning of Charles Kingsley. "Tell me, that I may make mine beautiful." "I had a friend," was the reply. Emerson said "He that shuts himself in; shuts out more than he shuts in."

A true friend challenges one to the highest and noblest thing of which his life is capable of achieving. What would life be without a friend? Everyone who has gone through school will agree that nothing affected him so much as the character of the people with whom he came into fellowship and whom he counted among his friends.

Every student should have a teacher who would be to him what Arnold of Rugby was to his students, or what Mark Hopkins was to President Garfield, or what Garfield was to Bingell.

Life is hopeless without a friend. We are stimulated to do our best by those who believe in us. To come in touch with a great soul is to feel a power which words cannot describe. It is said that a man's life is measured by his friendships. If our friends are few, our influence is very limited. It is a correct saying that "We are known by the company we keep." It could not be otherwise. We make company from choice.

I have often said that the destiny of our young people is to a great extent made by their friends. One cannot take pitch into his bosom and not be defiled. The fact that one chooses bad company is proof of itself that he is in sympathy with the low and debased. If a young person chooses wisely and makes good friends, he is inspired to be clean and to strengthen his character and develop in moral and intellectual ability. One can draw dividends daily from good friends.

I once heard a great preacher friend of mine say that your friends give you the only door through which you can enter and bless

humanity. Friends open doors. It is our business to make good after we enter the room.

History reveals the influence of friends. There is the classic story of the close friendship of Damon and Pythias. It was Hallam who challenged the soul of Tennyson. Mary Lamb helped to inspire Charles Lamb to accomplish great things in life. Elizabeth Browning is seen in the wonderful poems of her husband, Robert Browning. How we love to read of David and Jonathan. It is said that Melancthon, the true friend of Luther, encouraged him at a time when his spirits were low and he was about to fail. Who is it that does not need a friend!

The Bible declares, "He that would have friends must show himself friendly." Do not hold yourself aloof from humanity. Find the point of contact with individuals and learn to win them through this way.

I heard a friend a few days ago in speaking of an individual say "He is a good man; but he seems to have no point of contact with other individuals. He touches almost everyone in the wrong way." In making friends one must agree with them just as far as possible. Do not antagonize an individual where no principle is involved. It is not always best to be dogmatic, even with your

own convictions. Dr. Bresee said to me many years ago. "Professor London, tell your preacher boys that nine times out of ten when they make an individual mad, they have lost their last chance of ever helping him." It is a sad time in one's life when he loses a friend; or a chance to make a friend.

The Bible speaks of Abraham as the friend of God. He loved God. He obeyed His commandments. He helped to propagate His cause. He had fellowship with Him. Ah! the power of friendship. Warm up to your friends. Tell them you love them. When they help you, let them know how you appreciate them: Never be suspicious. Give and take. Never be a traitor. Be cheerful. Look pleasant. Smile often.

Sometime ago I stood by the statue of John Davis. He was a soldier in the war between the states. He was caught by the enemy with papers in his possession that should the enemy be able to secure, would gain a victory for them. He refused to give them up. They told him it was death if he did not turn the papers over to them. He uttered that immortal statement that is chiseled under his statue. "I would die a thousand deaths rather than betray a friend." "Greater love hath no man than this; that a man lay down his life for his friends." Jesus said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you."

HUTCHINSON, KANS.

Witnessing to Holiness

By EVANGELIST ROY L. HOLLENBACK

A CARNAL or semi-carnal church hates the testimony to holiness and seeks to hinder it. A disturbance is soon made if we refer especially to holiness as a second work of grace, using definitely the terms, "entire sanctification." We are exhorted to say very little or nothing about a higher attainment, but to "live it." They would require that we keep still with our mouths, and let our experience be shown by our works; but they forget that the Spirit-life is inward, and that only the effects are visible to the eye. If holiness is worth anything as an experience it is worth naming. A child unworthy of a name would better never have been born. Who can tell of the value of an experience like the one who has it, and knows that he has it?

We contend that the testimony to holiness is for this day the great dispensational need. The battle now rages around that banner flung to the breeze by the old prophet, on which is written in letters of fire, "HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD." Up with this banner! Ring out the testimony to the ends of the earth! Shout it loud and long. In Daniel's day the rallying color was the worship of the one true God. In the Apostolic day the resurrection of Christ was the thing called into question. In the time of Luther justification by faith was the rallying point of fidelity. At the present holiness of heart stands out pre-eminent as the great truth to be proclaimed; and may we come forth and meet the demand of this day as faithfully and fearlessly as those before us.

The very word sanctification is a blow to the carnal affections of the unsanctified, and

this is why the profession to holiness is disdained. But Jesus says, "Whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed when he cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels" (Mark 8:38).

The substance of our testimony should be very definite, and in general it will center around the following points: (1) Exalt the Christ Himself who is made unto us sanctification. He is all in all to the entirely sanctified heart. Exalt Him, and His blood which cleanseth from all sin. (2) Tell of the actual work wrought in the heart negatively. Tell of the deliverance from unholy tempers and passions which formerly you felt, and of the cleanness which you now feel within. (3) Confess to the positive blessings which have attended your heart since the work was wrought. This includes the filling of the Holy Ghost, and His effulgence in love, joy and glory, and the added power with which He enables you to do His work. Confess to the utmost limit of the grace you have, giving extreme honor to our mighty Lord. Do not dishonor Him by clipping off any of it. Tell the story modestly, avoiding as much as possible the appearance of self-boasting, but tell it boldly. Tell it triumphantly. Tell it in season, and out of season. Never cease to tell it. Keep on confessing the grace you have received all along the path of life. Testify at home, in the house of God, in the shop, on the farm, in the marketplaces, and by the wayside. Perchance you may be told that the "old, old story" is not desired, but still testify. Allow nothing to stop your boasting

in the Lord and in the fulness of His saving power.

Unless the experience of holiness is voiced to others it filters out of the heart, leaving it dark and desolate. Over and over again have the sanctified dropped out of their rich enjoyment, and out of usefulness, because they began looking at the opposition and stopped witnessing "a good confession before many witnesses." The more bitter the opposition becomes the more needed is your word of witness, and the more firmly you should "hold fast the profession of your faith without wavering."

MANFIELD, ILL.

"Without Spot and Blameless"

By REV. A. W. ORWIG

IS A spiritual state which may properly be described as "without spot and blameless," possible? It certainly is not through human effort, no matter how rigid and prolonged. But Jesus declares that what is impossible with man is possible with God. And as the apostle Peter exhorts to the above named condition, it is unquestionably obtainable. Other Scriptures also affirm the same, making it the privilege and duty of all God's children. And they are admonished to "be diligent" in seeking it. Mere desire or half-hearted pursuit will never secure it. Only those who really "hunger and thirst" shall find.

Let it be remembered that the question is not whether the intellect and body can be "without spot" and blameless (and yet they are to be holy—Romans 12:1), but that the *spirit* is to be such. In other words, we are to be cleansed from all *sin*. The Word of God makes it plain that we can and need to be made "every whit whole" spiritually.

The apostle Paul, speaking of the Church, declares that it is to be without "spot or wrinkle, or any such thing," and that it is to be "holy and without blemish." And as the Church is composed of individuals, they are to be saved to this degree, and in this present life. In another place the same apostle prays that Christians may be wholly sanctified, and that they may be "preserved blameless" in this state. All of this is the same as being "without spot and blameless" as to outward and inward sin. It is equivalent to being cleansed "from all unrighteousness" or "from all sin." Verily we may be saved "to the uttermost," and then kept "holy and unblamable and unreprouvable" until Jesus comes to gather his "glorious church" to Himself.

"Without spot and blameless." But oh, how many professors of religion carry some very unsightly "spots" upon them! Nor do they seem to be concerned about their removal. They are indifferent to the divine command and standard "to keep themselves unspotted from the world." They largely adopt the world's sinful maxims and customs. Doubtless it is because they have lost the real essence and sweetness of the truly regenerated life, or have never possessed them. Some persons feel worse about the "spots" and "wrinkles" on their face than they do about those on the soul.

A young lady, a professing Christian, dreamed that she passed from earth to the

pearly gates of heaven. But not being allowed to enter, she was astonished, and inquired for the reason. She was pointed to a "spot" on her person, emblematical of some sin. She then awoke, glad that it was only a dream. But she was deeply humbled and began to examine herself and found that the spot represented sinful pride. And she at once sought and soon found deliverance in the all-atoning blood of Jesus Christ.

The Bible tells us that "Christ offered himself without spot to God." And it also declares of the ideal church,—the fully cleansed church,—"There is no spot in thee." God grant that this may be true of all of us as individuals. This is indeed our blessed heritage. The Lord enable us, by true consecration and faith, to claim our full spiritual birthright—deliverance from every stain of sin and made like Him who was "holy, harmless and undefiled."

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

An Incident

By J. G. MORRISON

CHANCING to read a statement by John Wesley that if real Christian people visited together longer than a half hour without having prayer, they were in deadly danger of backsliding, I communicated the same to some of our preachers where I went, and we had a wonderful time putting the Wesleyan suggestion into effect. How the blessings rolled in on us, when we got to our knees every little while, and consulted with the great Head of the Church!

It chanced that I needed to ride some forty miles with Rev. Ernest Kinzler, one of our godly young pastors, who is looking after the Nazarene work at Hecla, S. D. We were bound for the city of Aberdeen, S. D. We proposed to continue the half-hour prayer service while we traveled via the Ford line. I would lead, and let him drive, while I prayed. Then we would stop for a moment, while he led. All went gloriously, when we spied a seedy looking individual, standing by the road side, holding out his hand for a ride. Having a vacant rear seat, we halted, and loaded him on. Under way again, I turned to the seedy passenger, who smelled rather strongly of a certain narcotic herb, and said: "My friend, we are two preachers. It is our custom frequently to pray, while we travel. You will not be frightened, will you, if we engage in our usual devotions?"

"Not at all," said our seedy brother.

"Are you a Christian?" I asked.

"Oh, yes," he replied. "To what church, do you belong?" I questioned. "I am a Baptist," he averred, and spat discolored fluid out between the side curtains.

"Then," I said, "you will enjoy our custom of praying while we travel." He did not look comfortable, and chewed nervously.

It was Brother Kinzler's turn to pray. "The half hour is up, Brother Kinzler," I said. Without a word he pulled "Molly Ford" to a standstill, and jerking off his cap, poured forth a full-lunged prayer, with all his might, not forgetting to pray for the "unknown stranger who has accepted a ride with us."

I watched through the crack of my eye, the effect on the "unknown stranger." He stared

in perfect amazement. It was clear that he had never heard anything like that before, regardless of his church affiliations. His eyes grew as big as saucers, and he glanced around as though meditating escape. He was not sure, apparently, as to the complete sanity of his fellow travelers.

The prayer ended, with hearty "Amen," "Glory to Gods," "Hallelujahs," etc., and on we sped.

Soon Brother Kinzler shouted: "Half hour's up, Brother Morrison!" I jerked my hat off, and poured forth my heart in earnest prayer, while Brother Kinzler drove on twenty miles an hour, and shouted "Amen," and "Glory to God," while he held his suspended cap in one hand, and guided "Molly" with the other. How we were blessed!

I glanced back at our passenger. He surely had a wild look in his eyes. He twisted his fingers together spasmodically, and occasionally fingered the hasp on the car door, as though he meditated a leap to more congenial surroundings.

Soon another half hour elapsed. I turned around and said: "Brother, it's time to pray again, do you ever pray?"

"No, no," he hastily answered, "I never do." "But," I persisted, "you said you were a Christian." "Well, I am not," he fairly yelled! "Aren't you a Baptist?" I asked. "No," he shouted, looking out of the curtains as though he would have leaped out, if he had dared, "I am not!"

"Well," I said, "Brother, you didn't smell like a Baptist, to me." I then urged salvation on him as tenderly and faithfully as I could, while he twisted and turned and alternately ground his teeth on his tobacco quid, and sighed. We rolled into Aberdeen, and our traveler left us apparently without regret.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

A FEW CLOVER BLOSSOMS

By REV. C. E. CORNELL

The bitterest pill that any man can swallow is the memory of his own misdeeds.

Give us life, action; anything is better than stagnation.

Your duties are not wholly discharged until you have prayed, and tugged and labored for the other fellow.

Inactivity is twin brother to indifference; both are sure to furnish a spiritual anesthetic that will put the soul to sleep.

Sleeping in church is an extremely unfortunate habit. Sleep is the striking emblem of death.

A sermon that sticks is a sermon that pricks.

An experience forty years ago is too antiquated, too musty, too cobwebbish—give us something fresh, juicy, up-to-date.

A clean heart produces a clean mind, and a clean mind is forerunner to a tranquil spirit. Both are devoutly to be desired.

Spirituality is a sure cure for domestic infelicity. It will also abolish the divorce courts.

The moving picture in the churches is likely to attract the young to the moving picture theater across the avenue.

Don't deceive yourself; God's requirements must be met. There is no deviation from His law.

To be safe in spiritual life, today must be better than yesterday and tomorrow better than today.

The prayer life is the praying life. The wages of prayer are richness of soul, enlargement of faith, fullness of joy.

Stick-to-it-iveness will always guarantee some kind of success.

To be a friend of Jesus Christ one must be a friend of humanity.

Don't sputter, PULL.

ONTARIO, CALIF.

Bud Robinson Writes About the Hallelujah Offering

*To the Saints Scattered Abroad,
Greetings:*

Within the last twelve months the Lord has enabled me to travel over thirty-nine states and our work has never been so flourishing and prosperous as it is at the present time. We are having revivals from ocean to ocean and around the world. We have sent out seventeen missionaries and three Missionary Superintendents during the year and now have ninety-five American missionaries and some two hundred native workers on the foreign field. We have had more seekers at the altar than ever in our history. We have helped more sick and worn out preachers than ever before and all the interests represented by our General Board have made the best showing they have ever made.

The Lord has enabled me to put the HERALD OF HOLINESS in 2,600 homes since our General Assembly, and it has gone around the world. And besides the home subscribers, I have raised quite a lot of money to send the HERALD OF HOLINESS to the mission stations of various denominations, and we have received some of the most beautiful letters of our lives from the missionaries from almost all quarters of the earth.

As readers of the HERALD OF HOLINESS know, we have been trying out a new system in our church this year, and it has proved a great success. If we can raise \$50,000 within the next two weeks that will be the amount of money needed to enable us to close up the best year in the history of our church. It will simply put us on our feet and we can open the new year in the best condition that we have ever been in the history of our church. And we simply can't fail. We don't want to fail and God does not want us to fail, therefore we will not fail.

If each member of our church were to give one dollar, the amount would be paid. But we have some women and some children that will not be able to give a dollar, but we have hundreds and hundreds of men and women who can give from \$100 to \$500 each, and there is no reason why we should not pay every bill and have anywhere from \$10,000 to \$25,000 left over to start 1925. I believe we can do it. I am willing to pay my part of it. I am like the old lady that Dr. Bresee used to tell about in First Church, Los Angeles, Calif. She said the word "amen" meant, "Yes, Lord, and I will pay my part of it." I be-

lieve this is a good explanation of the word "amen," so here goes for every dollar that the Board needs to close up the business of the year and to start the new year. Thank God, we will do it! We know that God has never failed us, and I know that our people are right on the eve of making the greatest sacrifice of their lives and making it gladly and joyfully.

One year when we did not have so many members and when the business conditions were much closer and harder than they are this year, our little band gave \$70,000 within thirty days and this enabled us to close the year in good shape. Now this year with more members, business better, our church on fire everywhere, the glory in the pulpit, we need only \$50,000 to bring our work up in the best shape of our lives, and we cannot afford to fail.

It would break my heart and I would want to sit down and weep if our 50,000 loyal Nazarenes were to fail to bring up this dollar apiece by December 31.

I woke up this morning on the train between Chicago and Kansas City and had a long season of prayer, and God blessed and I broke down and wept until the whole side of my pillow was wet. It was not for sorrow that I was weeping, but for joy; because I could see the money coming from every quarter. I could see our missionaries rejoicing throughout China, Japan, India, Africa, Mexico and South America and others of our foreign fields. I could see dear Brother Sharpe in India and Brother Bates in Japan and Brother Scott in Central and South America, carrying on campaigns, looking after the missionaries, holding their Assemblies and Bible conferences, putting the work in good shape, and I could see the missionaries getting their monthly salaries so that they could pay their bills; and beloved, when I think about it I want to take off a week and celebrate my independence. It seems to me that this is the Fourth of July, while I know it is December. Yet God is on the throne, the government is on His shoulders and the HERALD OF HOLINESS and *Other Sheep* are going all over the globe.

Just last night, in a little speech, I secured enough money to send thirty copies of *The Other Sheep* every month to one little church. It was no trouble to get it. The people everywhere have a mind to work and a heart to give. There is no

slowing up nor backing down nor rounding off the corners with our people.

By the time I reach home, I will have traveled 38,000 miles this year, will have preached between four and five hundred times and have seen nearly four thousand people kneel at our altars. I have seen many people taken into the Church of the Nazarene; sometimes from twenty-five to nearly one hundred in a single service. Our boys are encouraged. Our church has never been so well organized as now and the plans of the General Board are acceptable to everybody. Our District Superintendents were never so encouraged to buy lots and build churches. In one district on which I put in three months and twenty-one days last year, we have organized in a year and a half nearly thirty splendid churches and have added \$100,000 in church property. In many places we bought churches for \$5,000 to \$7,000 which cost from \$15,000 to \$40,000 fifteen years ago. I know some churches which other people had locked up a year ago, that the Nazarenes have bought and have cleaned them up and made life saving stations out of them, and they are supporting a preacher and are giving from \$250 to \$500 for missions.

But now I want every Nazarene in the United States, Canada, England, Scotland, Mexico and South America and all the other countries of the world, if they read this report, to join me in prayer and fasting on Saturday, December 27. And on Sunday we want every Nazarene church in our connection to bring in a happy, joyous, free will offering for foreign missions. If we do we will go over the top. Some of our little churches might not be able to give over \$15 to \$20; others can give \$500 or \$1,000 and we have several hundred churches that can give \$100 on Sunday morning of December 28th as easy as 100 cents. Bless God, I believe we will do it! Hallelujah to the Lamb! I feel like taking off another week to shout. I say ten thousand blessings on the head of every Nazarene throughout the length and breadth of the world! And, beloved, some sweet day Jesus is going to come. He was the first Nazarene the world has ever seen, but glory be to God, at His coming in the clouds He will find Nazarenes in every nation under heaven. Praise His name!

In perfect love and all for Jesus and all for a great Hallelujah Offering on December 28th,
UNCLE BUDDIE.

THE GREATEST MIRACLE

By REV. P. F. MOORE

MANY are running after special manifestations and signs and miracles; desiring gifts of healing, gifts of tongues, gifts of prophecy, etc., that by such displays men may be turned to the gospel of Christ.

But is it miracles that we need to further the gospel of Christ today? We are living in a day when the wonders of medicine, science,

surgery and chemistry have satiated our desire for daily sensations. But there is one miracle that will cause all to stop and wonder and will do more to bring conviction to hearts and to lead men to God than all other miracles besides. This is the miracle of a man or woman living a holy life in the midst of a vile and godless world. There is nothing in all the world so remarkable as this.

Jesus did not counsel the Church of our day (Rev. 3:18) to add a host of miracles that might save her from her destitute con-

dition and give her prestige among men. He advised her to "Buy of me gold tried in the fire that thou mayest become rich, and white raiment that thy nakedness appear not, and eye salve that thou mayest see." Here Jesus clearly tells that the thing needed for our age is a pure heart on the inside and a beautiful clean life on the outside, and enough Holy Ghost perception to know how to lead those who become hungry into the same experience.

For All the Family

Conducted by Mrs. J. T. Benson

Dear Children:

Some of you who are in school have already learned about Martin Luther. He lived in a very dark, sad time of the world's history, when it looked as if men were going to lose all knowledge of true salvation through Jesus Christ. This good, brave man preached the truth to the people, telling them that no church, or priest or anything they might do for themselves could wash away their sins; that nothing but the blood of Jesus could make them clean and whole again. Some were glad to hear the truth, but others were not, and they hated this man of God and persecuted him sorely. But in spite of the fierce storms which so often beat upon his pathway, sometimes threatening his very life, Martin Luther took time to gather his children about him and tell them the sweet story of Jesus: how He came into the world as a little baby, and was cradled in His mother's arms just as they had been. One Christmas he wrote a special hymn for them about the precious baby which was born in Bethlehem that wintry night so many years ago. I am sure the children in Martin Luther's family felt happy to have a Christmas hymn which was all their own; and that they learned to sing it very sweetly. If we will close our eyes and think quietly for a few minutes, I believe we will be able to see in our minds a picture of this Christian home as it appeared that Christmas night. Very likely snow covered the ground, and powdered trees and house tops, but inside there was the warmth and cheer of a brightly blazing fire. Perhaps there were lighted candles too, and touches of Christmas greens. The father and mother, whose hearts were often saddened by the heavy burdens which pressed upon them, had laid cares aside, and looked with smiling faces upon the children, happy over the simple gifts which had been provided for them.

As a fitting close to the day they talked with them about God's greatest and best gift to mankind, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and then the rosy checked boys and girls stood up and sang the hymn their father had written for them. Do you know the hymn the little Luther children sang that Christmas? Here are the words:

*"Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head,
The stars in the sky, looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep in the hay.
Lullaby: Lullaby."*

*The cattle are lowing; the dear baby wakes,
But the little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes,
I love thee Lord Jesus, look down from on high,
And watch over me singing my lullaby.
Lullaby: Lullaby."*

*Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay,
Close by me forever, and love me I pray;
Bless all Thy dear children, in Thy tender care,
And take us to heaven to live with Thee there.
Lullaby: Lullaby."*

Don't you think this is a pretty hymn? And don't you wish you could have heard the children, for whom it was written, sing it? I believe that they sang with all their hearts, because they were glad that Jesus came as a dear, sweet little baby. You are glad too, aren't you? There isn't anything sweeter in all the world than these darling, innocent little creatures. I hope you have one in your family. We have one next door in my daughter's home. She is such a precious bit of humanity, so helpless, so dependent upon us. She looks up at us out of her clear blue eyes, and her little face breaks into the most winning smile, as if she was trying to get a message something like this to us: "This is a big, strange world into which I have come. I don't know anything about it; and you are strangers too. I hardly know you apart as yet. I can't do a thing for myself, nor even tell what I need. I

am so little and helpless, I don't know what will become of me if you don't love me and take care of me. You will, won't you?"

And we do, oh so gladly. We keep the tender little body clean and put fresh clothes on her and see that she is fed and has a soft, warm place to sleep, and watch over her very carefully so that nothing shall harm her. These are the very same things Mary did for the baby Jesus. She bathed His sweet body, and clothed and fed and put Him to sleep, and cared for Him just as your mother does for baby brother or sister; just as she did for you when you were a tiny creature like that yourself.

It makes us feel very close to Him, doesn't it? Which, I think, is one reason God sent Him that way; for He is very anxious that we should feel close to Jesus. I am glad He came as a dear little baby, aren't you?

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS SONG

Many beautiful songs have been written about the star which guided the wise men in their search for the King. Here are some lines from one which I like very much. I am sorry I can't give you the music too; it is very beautiful:

*"Behold yon star in heaven's blue dome,
Beaming so bright,
Its mellow radiance shedding,
Celestial light.
O, star! So bright! So fair!
What tidings dost thou bear?
Tellest thou of peace?
Or of gory war?"*

*Tidings of peace
To all mankind I bring
As I guide the wise men
To the new born King.*

*It is the Star of Bethlehem!
Bright star of faith and hope and love!
O star, shine on in glory,
Shine on! Shine on!"*

I love to think of that star: it doesn't seem as if Christmas would be quite the same if there had been no beautiful glowing star, sparkling like a jewel in the clear cold heavens. Children, what do you believe about this star? There are people who have studied a good deal on the subject who tell us there was nothing unusual about it. They say that there are some bodies which travel so far off into space that they do not come near enough to our earth to be seen more than once in a great many hundred years. And that this star was one of those bodies. Grown folks are queer, aren't they? It looks as if the more some of them study, the less they know. Now we know, you and I, that this was a very special star: the Bible teaches us that. First, it was sent in honor of the baby King who was to be born very shortly in Bethlehem. It was His own particular star. The wise men knew that, for when they reached Jerusalem they asked: "Where is He that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship him."

Then, this star was a shining, radiant messenger from God, with a special work to do for Him who had made it. It did not act like other stars: It had led the wise men through the many miles of their long, long journey until they reached the city of Jerusalem. Here they made the mistake of seeking counsel from men, and it seems as if they lost sight of their heavenly guide. For the Bible says that when they had "departed," that is when they had left a great, rich, wicked city behind them, lo, there was the star which they saw in the east, and they rejoiced with exceeding great joy when they looked once more upon its pure steady beams. Again it became their guide as they started down the steep,

dark road outside the city gates, and Matthew tells us that it went before them till it came to Bethlehem, where it stopped and stood over the place where the young child was!

If this was just an ordinary star, it was behaving very different from every other ordinary star that anybody ever heard of, wasn't it? Well, the eager wise men knew exactly where to go now, the very house to enter, for there directly above it, stood the faithful star, like a beautiful glowing lamp in the heavens. We do not hear of it again. Its work was ended. It had led these earnest, seeking hearts to the King, and they had gone in to kneel in worship, to open their treasures and present unto Him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh.

ONE OTHER CHRISTMAS HYMN

*O little town of Bethlehem,
How still I see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The quiet stars go by.
Yet in thy dark street shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years,
Are met in thee tonight.*

*For Christ is born of Mary,
Angels gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim thy holy truth;
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.*

—PHILLIPS BROOKS.

The people of Israel had looked forward through long, weary years to the coming of their Messiah. Their scriptures told them where He would be born. It was not to be in the proud city of Jerusalem where so many kings of Judah had been born and buried, but in the little town of Bethlehem, which lay some six miles to the southwest. Seven hundred years before He came, the prophet Micah had said: "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto me who is to be ruler in Israel."

I should think the people in the little town would feel pretty good about that, wouldn't you? When they went up to Jerusalem to the feast and looked upon the splendid sights of the great city, it may be that they said to themselves, "When He comes, the Messiah, it will not be here, rich and great though you are, but in our own little Bethlehem, city of David, for thus hath the Lord spoken." And yet when He did come, the promised One, Bethlehem didn't know it! Angelic visitors were round about them: strains of celestial music floated in the air. Shepherds in the fields saw and adored; found the Child, and adored. But Bethlehem knew nothing of any of these things. Bethlehem was asleep! Poor, poor little town. To look forward so long, and then to sleep through it all!

I hope some lessons have come to our hearts from these Christmas hymns about the infant Jesus, the guiding star, and the little town which missed the greatest things which ever came to it because it was so crowded and tired and heavy with sleep.

OUR BEST FOR CHRIST

By MRS. ESTHER HULING

We can be at our best for Christ only by obtaining a clear testimony that He does truly save and sanctify us; and then by being willing to be led of the Lord in everything, both spiritual and temporal.

We must be willing to sacrifice in our home and business life that we may bring lost souls to Jesus. Our lives must be clean and pure and free from malice, strife and envy.

O may we as Christians in these awful days of sin and wickedness be at our best for Christ

CANON CITY, COLORADO.

Wondrous is the strength of cheerfulness, altogether past calculation its powers of endurance. Efforts, to be permanently useful, must be uniformly joyous—a spirit all sunshine, graceful from very gladness, beautiful, because bright.—THOMAS CARLYLE.

Nazarene Young People's Society

"Let No Man Despise Thy Youth"

N. Y. P. S. RALLY, BLACKWELL, OKLA.

The N. Y. P. S. of the third zone of the Western Oklahoma District held a rally at Blackwell, Nov. 28. There were eighteen delegates, representing the different societies, present. Mr. Snyder of Oklahoma City, District N. Y. P. S. President, and Prof. A. K. Bracken of Bethany-Peniel College were the principal speakers.

The 9:45 devotional was led by Rev. Thomas of Arkansas City, Kans. Pastor Dickerson of Medford led in prayer, Miss Hazel Fisher of Blackwell sang an inspiring song, and Pastor M. G. Jobe of Blackwell gave an address on "How to be Happy and Useful." Brother Snyder gave a sketch of his life, telling of the wonderful way in which the Lord has dealt with him. The Blackwell N. Y. P. S. served a fine dinner at 12 o'clock.

The 1:30 song service was led by Miss Brooks of Enid, devotional was led by Mrs. Dickerson of Medford, Brother Snyder gave some helpful suggestions on the work to be done in these rallies. Sister Thomas of Arkansas City gave an interesting reading and Prof. Bracken gave an address on "The Larger Life," which was enjoyed and appreciated by all. Short talks and reports were given by Miss Velma Lawless of Medford, Miss Iva Brooks of Enid, Sister Thomas of Arkansas City, Miss Florence Lundy of Blackwell, and Rev. M. G. Jobe of Blackwell. Miss Lawless rendered a piano solo and the closing address of the afternoon was given by Rev. Dickerson of Medford.

Rev. Thomas led the song service at 7 p.m., volunteer prayer was offered by three of the young people, a reading was given by Miss Ruth Bonnett of Blackwell, a violin duet was rendered by Miss Florence Lundy and Mrs. Hess of Blackwell, a "Hallelujah March" offering was taken to defray the speakers' expenses, Mrs. Fisher of Blackwell rendered a pleasing solo and Prof. Bracken spoke on "Pioneering for God." His address so appealed to the hearts of his hearers that four young people found their way to the altar of prayer.

We know our societies were greatly benefited by the rally, and we pray that God shall, make us a greater blessing in His vineyard.

REPORTER.

N. Y. P. S. RALLY AT CUSHING, OKLA.

The N. Y. P. S. met at Cushing, Okla., Nov. 22 for an all-day rally. Representatives were present from Cleveland, Yale, Skedee and Davenport. Services opened at 10:30 a.m. with Sister Marlow from Blackwell in charge of the singing and Brother Ingram in charge of the praise meeting. We had some special singing and Prof. S. S. White of Bethany-Peniel College brought a heart-searching message.

An enjoyable dinner was served at the church. At two-thirty p.m. there was a song service, then Brother Tommie Hays brought a message encouraging us to press forward for God. After this there was a "Round Table" discussion of problems and difficulties.

At six-thirty we had a short street meeting, with a good crowd of listeners and then went back to the church for some good spiritual singing and a splendid sermon by Brother White. We then adjourned to meet at Cleveland Jan 10, 1925.

LAURETTA FISHER, Reporter.

A LIVE JUNIOR LEAGUE

In a recent revival at Wayne, Kans., a number of young people were saved and a short time ago we organized the "Junior Prayer and Mission League," with ten charter members. Officers are Herbert Lilly, Pres.; Bulah Hood, V.-Pres.; Carl Holmberg, Secretary; and Lloyd Nelson, Treas. We have had a group photograph taken and will send one to Rev. J. I. Nagamatsu, Fukuchiyama, Japan. Our League is in correspondence with his young people

and we have sent them a small "Christmas parcel." Also we plan to help support that work.

We have subscribed for *The Other Sheep* and are reading the book "African Adventures." We would be glad to hear from other young people who are interested in missions.

CARL HOLMBERG, Secretary.

DISCUSSION OF MISSIONARY TOPIC FOR DECEMBER 28

By STEPHEN S. WHITE

The East Comes to Worship

Matt. 2:1, 2, 8-11.

I. THE WISE MEN.—The Wise Men came from the East. Their dwelling-place was probably Persia. They studied the stars. Their eyes were fixed on things above. They had the upward look. This enabled them to see the Star of Bethlehem. If they had had their eyes focused on things below, they would have missed this significant messenger of the skies. May God give to each of our young people the *uplook* of the Magi.

II. THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM.—The Star of Bethlehem was a supernatural manifestation. Its appearance in the heavens cannot be explained by any natural law or means. It is in the same class as the Burning Bush, the Pillar of Fire by night and the Cloud by day. Its special significance was communicated to the Magi in some supernatural way.

The most striking fact about the whole story is not that the Wise Men saw the Star, but that they were willing to follow it, to commit their way unto it. To press on as it led forward no doubt involved them in difficulties and hardships, but they faltered not. But how could they stop? The Star of Hope had arisen for them. The Magi were probably followers of Zoroaster and the religion which he had founded was monotheistic and had very high moral ideals. Still, it did not satisfy. It did not remove the burden of sin and give rest and peace. Their only hope lay in finding the Messiah, the divine-human Redeemer of all men. Watts pictures Hope thus: "She is a blindfolded woman, sitting on a darkened world, with her ear against a harp, every string of which is broken but one." This was true of the Magi. They were sitting on a darkened world with every string of their harp broken but one and that was the bright Star of Bethlehem with its wonderful meaning.

III. THEY CAME TO WORSHIP.—When the Wise Men found the Christ, they fell down and worshiped Him. This is what we want the heathen of today to do. It will not be sufficient for us to persuade them to recognize Christ as a great leader, a perfect example, an outstanding teacher. Our purpose is not merely to civilize and educate. We shall only be satisfied when the heathen receive Christ as God, when they fall at His feet and worship Him, when they recognize His Lordship over their lives, when they accept Him as the supreme object of their faith.

IV. A SOMEWHAT ANALAGOUS SITUATION TODAY.—Mohammedanism has always been Christianity's most vigorous rival. Comparatively few converts have been secured from her adherents. Last year Dr. S. M. Swemer reported the following facts. One man had worked thirty-three years without a single convert, two women had toiled for years and could produce but one living convert; in the whole of Arabia, after thirty-three years of labors, there were only thirty converts, while in all of North Africa (including Egypt) 300 baptized living converts could not be mustered. But conditions are changing. Mohammedanism seems to be beginning to give away. In a sense it may be said that recently Islam has begun to come West to worship. It is to some extent opening its doors to Christianity, the religion of the Western World. All of this is proven by a late report from Dr. John H. Mott on Mohammedan lands. Here we can give but the briefest sum-

mary of the findings of the Conference over which Dr. Mott presided. The first fact that was set forth was that the Mohammedan world is now physically accessible, that is, practically all parts of it can be reached by railways or motor roads. Secondly, it is politically accessible. "With the possible exception of Turkey every government from North Africa East has become approachable in a new way." Thirdly, it is intellectually accessible. There has been a great gain in literacy and the spirit of inquiry is developing. "More Moslems last year visited Paris than Mecca." Fourthly, they are *religiously* accessible. "Instead of the old self-sufficiency, they are chastened today; they have become teachable; they are asking questions. Not a Mohammedan left a single one of Dr. Mott's meetings this year, so far as he can remember—a new experience. 'In the past it has been common to have them stalk out.'"

Will we as Christians be willing to be the Star of Bethlehem to the Mohammedans, to guide them, worn and weary with centuries of wandering, to the feet of Jesus Christ where they may worship Him?

GROUP MEETING AT COVERT, KANSAS

The Northwest Kansas Group of the Church of the Nazarene convened at Covert, Kans., Nov. 27-30. Most of the churches of the group were represented. Rev. Dunbar and wife of Miltonvale and Rev. Millard from Wayne were visitors from the East Central Group.

The topics which were discussed were very helpful and enjoyable. Every service was blessed of God and on Sunday afternoon the power of God came down in such a way that Brother Dunbar did not even get to take his text. Men and women shouted and testified; two came to the altar for pardon and two for holiness. All prayed through to victory.

At night Sister Dunbar brought a message to a crowded house. All confessed that this was a splendid group meeting. The Covert church is in fine condition, and is expecting great things from God.

GROUP REPORTER.

KANSAS DISTRICT

It has been some time since I sent in a report of our work on the District. Nevertheless we have been busy.

The work at Minneapolis has been moving slowly. Rev. A. R. Bean of Woodbine, and Rev. Frank McConnell of Covert, put on a revival campaign which did much good, and we hope, under the leadership of their new pastor, Mrs. Fannie Lloyd, the work will take a new start.

Rev. Thos. Keddle had a revival recently at Burr Oak with Rev. A. G. Jeffries as evangelist, and much good was done.

We preached one night at a vacant church northwest of Belleville, where Rev. Wm. Millard of Wayne was holding a revival. This is a great, open field which is waiting to be cultivated.

At Wayne, the work is progressing nicely under the leadership of Rev. Millard. Rev. McConnell is making fine progress at Covert, with his church more than full on Sundays. At Plainville we preached Saturday night at the Second Church, with three seeking God. On Sunday we had a good day with our pastor, Rev. Ray Poole, at the First Church with five seekers at the altar.

At our fine country church south of Palco we had a great time preaching to the saints. Rev. H. Tryon, the pastor, is making good progress. Rev. C. R. Dick at Hoxie is planning a revival with Rev. Dunbar and party, and we expect to hear of a real revival in that place. Five hands were raised for prayer when we were there.

At the school house out from Grinnell, Rev. Paul Snyder is pushing the battle, and they are planning to build a parsonage. Brother Hill is our pastor at Wallace, and also at Lone Star which is a country church. At Wallace the fight is on with promise of victory. Lone Star has just had a good revival with Bro. Dunbar and wife, and Miss Sandy.

The territory south of Wallace and Russell Springs is a great open field which calls for our help. At Iola, Rev. Hardin is getting on well, having recently had a revival with Rev. Oscar Hudson. At Chanute the glory came down during the song service and the saints were blessed. Rev. Wilkinson is our pastor there and is forging ahead and planning for a revival.

We organized a church with ten members six miles in the country from Caney, at Cascade school house, and there is a prospect of others in the near future. Rev. E. R. Shook is doing fine work at Ottawa, not only with the church of which he is pastor, but he is responsible for a second church in North Ottawa, which we have recently organized with bright prospects.

A. L. HIPPLE, District Superintendent.

News and Notes from Washington-Philadelphia District

COMPILED BY REV. J. T. MAYBURY

SKETCH BY DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT J. N. NIELSON

This is the day before Thanksgiving. The sun is shining beautifully, the air is fresh and crisp and full of invigoration. Down here in South Jersey, we have been living on the good of the land. Chicken and all the good things that go with it have been sent in by the good people here and there's a Thanksgiving in our soul. I am at the present time assisting Rev. B. H. Maybury in a revival here at Rio Grande. There has been a blessed spirit of victory thus far and a more detailed account will appear in another place on this page by the Pastor. Our faith reaches out for a gracious work to be accomplished here before the meeting closes. Seven seekers were forward the first Sunday night. We began Friday night.

There is also another event that will be of interest to our preachers and people on the District. Tomorrow, Rev. Leslie Woolson and Miss Mary Chambers of Port Elizabeth, N. J., will be united in marriage here at the parsonage in Rio Grande. This will be a real Thanksgiving for this fine couple. God bless Brother Woolson. No more self-sacrificing, or earnest preacher can be found in our whole connection. I am sure I can speak for all the preachers and people of the Washington-Philadelphia District, when I congratulate them and wish them all success and blessing possible. We all take our hats off and give three good rousing cheers.

I have visited a number of our churches in the last month, and every church is looking up and getting heaven down.

At Park Lane a good congregation was present on Wednesday night at their regular mid-week prayer service. Two souls sought God at the close of the message. Both of these were new material. They have been conducting prayer services and the effect of these prayermeetings was felt in the regular service.

We went to Richmond and found them in the midst of a gracious revival. They have at the present time nearly a thousand dollars in the building fund and expect very soon to start on their new church. While visiting Richmond I made a trip out in the country to Hanover County and perfected a tentative organization and appointed Wesley Nuckols a member and local preacher, of the Richmond Church as pastor. A large crowd was out to service, a dozen hands went up for prayer and one man found God as his Savior.

The all-day meeting at Lansdale was a time of blessing. Evangelist Aycock was conducting a revival there and many seekers were coming to the altar.

At Deepwater, steps are being taken for a more acceptable place of worship. Rev. Donaldson was conducting a revival meeting while I was there and three seekers were forward that night.

I also visited Port Elizabeth and Bridgeton, preached one night at Bridgeton in their revival, with hands raised for prayer, and one brother seeking sanctification.

Leighton is pushing on and marks of progress could be seen when I visited them. I spent four days with them in the beginning of a revival meeting. A good spirit was manifested in the services.

Many of our churches are in revival meetings and aggressive campaigns are being conducted.

LANSDALE, PA.

We are glad to report blessed victory in every department of our church work. The revival Jarrette and Dell Aycock held for us recently was a precious season. Good attendance; faithful preaching; inspiring singing; deep conviction; earnest praying; glorious times of salvation and sanctification; and liberal giving made the meeting worth while. The church was blessed; sinners were saved; believers sanctified; the *HERALD of HOLINESS* and *The Other Sheep* were placed in about fifty homes; the pastor was very kindly treated by both church and evangelist and we sent the evangelists away satisfied and happy with a welcome to return for

a third time. Our Sunday school work is encouraging and our Young People's services are times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. With such fine folks and encouraging environment it would be hard for a pastor to feel "blue," should he try.

The glory continues and the Comforter abides. Sunday, last, two sought holiness and seven were anointed for healing. Are now planning for a blessed Christmas service and then for another revival campaign in January with George and Effie Moore.—W. D. Shelor, Pastor.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

BloomSBurg work is on the upgrade and enjoying seasons of refreshing from God. We are having good attendance at all services, especially Sunday nights. Our church is usually well filled at these services and very few Sunday nights go by without seekers at the altar. Our Sunday school is doing fine. 170 reported at the Rally Day service. Another cause for rejoicing is the way our N. Y. P. S. is moving forward. Our young people are getting their feet down to solid rock and are making great strides for God and holiness.

Again, there is a closer spirit of fellowship among our people than has been manifest for a long time. How we appreciated it when on the pastor's birthday they came and filled the parsonage with prayer and song and the table with \$30 worth of eatables! Then our people are intensely "Home Missionary." At our missionary rally we told them of the opportunity to buy the Church at Berwick, Pa., the first payment to be \$500 and we subscribed nearly the entire first payment in less than five minutes, this to be paid by Jan. 1st. One sister lent us the \$500 for first payment at 3%, so we are undertaking to set up a new work in this, our nearest neighboring town. God is also blessing and giving victory, and Brother J. M. Price is doing a good work there. We trust to soon have a good Church of the Nazarene at this point. A few good members have already joined and we are out for more. We are out for victory.

You will be glad to hear that we had a good Home Mission Rally at Leighton. Raised in cash and pledges \$84.50 to be paid in before Assembly. With approximately \$500 here and \$84.50 there, we have nearly \$600 raised in two Sundays. Amen!—J. H. Parker, Pastor.

NORFOLK, VA.

We closed a revival meeting Nov. 23 which had continued for over three Sundays with Evangelist A. A. Price as our helper. The spiritual tide ran high all through this meeting and a number of good old-fashioned cases of entire sanctification were witnessed, and some were saved, while the entire church was edified. We had one service where the Holy Ghost literally took charge, the program was set aside, including the sermon, while the people shouted and wept and seekers prayed through at the altar. The evangelist's Bible readings at 10 a.m., three days each week were well attended and fruitful in results. This church is marching on to better things and a wider field of usefulness.

Thanksgiving Day the Protestant Churches of Berkley united for worship in the M. E. Church and the Nazarene pastor preached the sermon to a large congregation.

The Mission at Kenbridge, Va., is making progress. Rev. S. L. Sowers, one of the devoted and faithful local preachers of Norfolk church, spent Sunday, Nov. 23 with them and preached to a large and interested audience. Kenbridge is 100 miles west of Norfolk.

Rev. Jos. Jackson the converted Greek Catholic, and another good energetic preacher from this local church, preaches each Sunday p. m. at the City Home and has reported a number of conversions. The true Nazarene spirit is onward!—J. T. Maybury, Pastor.

TRENTON, N. J.

Rev. D. E. Higgs of Baltimore conducted a revival here Nov. 17-30. A number were saved and some united with the church. The pastor was given a love offering and his salary was increased ten dollars per week. District Superintendent Jernigan of New York was present all day, Nov. 30.—W. G. Prouse, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

We have secured a larger, neater, and more attractive place to worship, and the Lord is blessing our services. We had a good meeting with Brother John Donaldson of Harrington, Del., in October in which souls were helped and the Church was edified. Have just closed a fine meeting with Rev. Theo. and Minnie Ludwig of St. Louis, Mo. God surely made them a great blessing to us. It was the best meeting our folks have ever had, the largest attendance and best financially in the history of the Church. Brother and Sister Ludwig did some great preaching, and a number of souls were saved and sanctified, and several joined the Church. The closing service and the message on "The Judgment" by Sister Ludwig will never be forgotten by those present; how the glory came down and the saints were blessed, and souls sought the Lord. The Ludwigs are fine workers, intensely spiritual, and work harmoniously with and for the Church and pastor.—G. W. Gottshalk, Pastor.

DENTON, MD.

We have just closed a revival in which Pastor J. T. Maybury of Norfolk, Va., was the evangelist. He is a fine yoke-fellow and declares the whole counsel of God. Others of his congregation rendered good service in singing and in music. The Holy Spirit was present from the beginning, souls were saved and sanctified continually, and the spiritual tide overflowed on the last Sunday morning when 17 of the Sunday school professed conversion and four adults entered the experience of perfect love. To God be all the glory.—A. A. Price, Pastor.

RIO GRANDE, N. J.

Our fall revival closed Sunday night, Nov. 30, with a high spiritual tide. Older members say this meeting exceeded any meeting of former years. The attendance was excellent. District Superintendent Nielson never preached better. Twenty-one sought pardon or purity. Out of these quite a class is joining the church and we are sure permanent good resulted from the meeting. A blessed spirit of harmony prevails among our people here, and we intend to keep the pot boiling. An interesting feature of the meeting was the conversion of an entire family of six or eight. Some of them were also sanctified. One young man struggled seven days and nights before yielding, but he broke through near the last of the meeting. I never saw such desperate struggling on the one hand, winding up with such beautiful surrender to Christ on the other. Rev. John Bradley of Milleville, N. J., will preach at the All-Day meeting to be held here on New Year's Day. We are expecting a gracious time and an outpouring from the Lord.—B. H. Maybury, Pastor.

PASTOR C. R. CHILTON, Warren, Pa., writes, "We have just closed one of the best revivals in the history of our church here. Theo. and Minnie Ludwig were the evangelists. They carry a burden for souls and God blesses their labors. The meeting continued three weeks with services every evening, except Saturday, and with three services on Sunday. One encouraging feature of the meeting was the number of outside people who attended. Between seventy-five and a hundred were at the altar, a number of them being new seekers, and we received a nice class of members into the church last Sunday."

The Sunday School Lesson, December 28

By M. EMILY ELLYSON

LESSON SUBJECT: Review.

GOLDEN TEXT: "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father" (John 14:9).

THIS opening lesson of "The Central Period of Christ's Ministry" is found in Matt. 10:1-8 and as we follow the lessons consecutively through the quarter, we want to keep in mind the Golden Text of this Review lesson, noting how each lesson emphasizes its truth, until at the close of the Quarter we kneel by Bethlehem's manger and adore the Father's matchless gift to the world, realizing that "he that hath seen Him hath seen the Father."

When our Lord chose twelve men to be ambassadors He did not look over the crowd and say, "Now this one will do because he is a fine appearing man and will make a good impression on the people as he travels about, and this fellow is quick witted and a good mixer he will be a social success, and that one over there has a fine business sense and knows how to get the dollars, we will use him as an advance agent to look over situations, and raise money for the meetings and put on big drives and campaigns." No that was not the way He made choice of the standard bearers of Christianity, the men on whom should devolve the great responsibility of establishing the church of Jesus Christ in the earth, but these men mentioned in this lesson, had been in close contact with the Master, they had been His disciples, and in that relationship, had been thoroughly tested and tried before He placed in their hands this great trust of the ministry, with power to act in His name.

Doubtless our Lord took this method in order to teach His future church, that hands should not be laid on any man suddenly but let him first have opportunity to prove himself, and during this time of proving, prepare and qualify himself for the greater trust and larger field, by faithfulness in that which might be called the lesser service. Before one is capable of being an ambassador to this world, Christ must not only be revealed to him but also in him. Again, how can he present the interests of the kingdom unless he first "know the mysteries of the kingdom?" To place such power and authority in the hands of a novice, is but to betray the kingdom into the hand of the enemy. We have feared that this has sometimes been the case. Let us guard jealously the interests of the King.

We note here the authority they were to receive was to be used only in doing good, and there was to be no partiality shown, and no selfish motive should actuate them in the use of their power; they were to receive freely and they were to give freely.

In the next lesson we have a part of the "Sermon on the Mount" wherein Christ gives men full instruction as to life and service. He who would be a follower of Jesus must see to it that all phases of his life, both private and public, conform to the principles set forth here. What a different church we would have, if professed Christians of all denominations would consider these truths set forth in this Sermon, truths actually essential to Christian living, and regulate their conduct, both as to thinking and acting, according to the sentiment here set forth. And also how much more fruitful would be the ministry of the Word if the world could see in the believer a sample of the finished product of applied Christian truth. Nothing we could say or do would fill our altars so quickly with hungry hearts as such holy living on the part of professed Christians. There are weary ones, tired of this vain world's empty show, who really sigh for the simple life of faith and practice as here set forth, but the complicated conditions found in the church everywhere, the lack of fervor in the lives of church members and often in the ministry, the lack of earnest, faithful effort for the enlargement of the kingdom of God, the apparent

neglect of the gifts and graces of the Spirit so freely bestowed, all of these and many such like conditions, keep the would-be seeker, who might be a satisfied finder, in a state of mental confusion.

We have the apostles chosen, the principles which are to govern the kingdom which they represent set forth, and now we turn to the sowing of the seed of the kingdom as set forth in the gospel according to Mark 4:1-20. The seed to be scattered is the word of God, the soil, the hearts of men, the sower, Christ together with the preachers of the gospel. There seems to be nothing the matter with the seed, it is good, and nothing the matter with the sower, the difficulty is with the soil. While we must sow, and keep on sowing, yet we observe from this parable, that only one part out of four ever comes to fruitage; a sad but still a true fact. It is blessed to know that we are not responsible for the harvest, all increase must come from God.

In the "Stilling of the Storm" we have an incident which teaches us the lesson that His power over nature is unlimited. He can command the elements, and stormy winds and raging billows are lulled to quiet. No wonder that they ask, "What manner of man is this that even the wind and the sea obey him?" But great as the lesson of the stilled storm is to us, yet greater far is the wonderful truth, taught by the home coming of the "Prodigal Boy," for no miracle can equal in importance, the miracle of a redeemed soul. "The Feeding of the Five Thousand," teaches us where the world may look for the supply of its great need, for "He is the Bread of Life."

No wonder that Peter, after seeing all of these manifestations of His great power, could say in the words of his confession, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." There is no higher point of faith to be reached than this; there is no greater confession than this; but he who enters into sacred relationship with the Father, must stand upon this pinnacle of faith, and declare his confession so that three worlds may hear.

This great confession just precedes the "Mount of Transfiguration," where God's perfect Man stands in all His majesty, while once more the voice of the Father declares, "This is My beloved Son." But Christianity is not alone a personal experience, it is also a life of service for others. This lesson is taught clearly by the story of "The Good Samaritan." But no more clearly is the importance of a life service emphasized by the Good Samaritan; than is the importance of faithfulness in testimony taught by the healing of "The Man Born Blind." Regardless of the cost or the loss, we should never fail to magnify the Christ for His work in us and for us. It is only here in this world that we can prove our love for Him, and gratitude to Him, by our loyalty under such conditions.

That there are no hopeless cases may be seen by the raising of Lazarus from the grave. Though the wick of a noble faith burned low in the presence of so gigantic an undertaking,—for such are ever the alternating ebbs and flows of faith—yet, with the words of the Lord, "Said I not unto thee that if thou wouldst believe thou shouldst see the glory of God?" faith mounts up again, the stone is removed and faith is rewarded.

It is early winter in Palestine and we are standing on old Judea's hillside under star-lit skies, when suddenly in the distance we hear the strains of wondrous music, caroling the coming of Israel's King, so long foretold in prophecy. Heaven's choirs sweep low. Let us join them in the anthem of praise, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward man." "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."

NORTHWEST DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Fifth Annual Sunday School Convention of the Northwest District was held at Yakima, Wash., November 11-13. Nine Sunday schools were represented. The presence of the Holy Spirit was felt throughout the convention both in the business and in the religious services. As special speaker, we had with us Rev. Donnell J. Smith of Portland, Ore., a member of the General Sunday School Committee. He addressed the Convention on "Graded Lessons in the Sunday School" and on "Sunday School Work in General," and conducted a Round Table Discussion. He also brought a stirring message on the evening of the second day.

Different papers were read as, "How to Keep the Blessing of God on the School," "Teacher Training," "Practical Home Mission Work by the Sunday School," "Missionary Instruction," "Departmental Work in Small Schools" and "Primary Methods."

Addresses were given by District Superintendent Speakes, on "The Music Question," while Rev. D. S. Corlett showed by crayon characters how truths might be brought to the Sunday school pupils "through the eye." His drawings were very interesting.

Speakers for the evangelistic services were Rev. H. B. Wallin, Rev. Donnell J. Smith and Rev. Jos. N. Speakes.

The Convention proved to be a great blessing and help to all.

D. SWARTH, Reporter.

MINISTERIAL CONVENTION AT KANSAS CITY

The second annual Ministers' and Workers' Convention of Eastern Kansas and Western Missouri met November 18-21 at Kansas City, Mo. The services were held in the First Church of the Nazarene. The sessions were presided over by Rev. E. C. Dees, Superintendent of the Missouri District and Rev. A. L. Hipple, Superintendent of the Kansas District. Several ministers and workers from over the two districts were present and it is safe to say that never before were so many of our General men present at a meeting or convention of this kind. General Superintendent Reynolds was there throughout the convention, and his beautiful spirit, enthusiastic and godly counsel were a blessing and encouragement to everyone. His vision for the Church of the Nazarene and its future throughout the world gripped the hearts of all and we returned to our fields of labor more determined to carry out the great plan and program of God for the redemption of a lost world. Dr. Chapman, editor of the best holiness paper in the world, gave several inspiring talks. The one on the "Inner Circle" seemed to draw us closer to the Divine and caused our hearts to burn within us as we listened to his wonderful insight into the Word of God. Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellyson, editors of our Sunday School literature, were both present at all the meetings and spoke to the benefit of everyone. Dr. Ellyson certainly has the Sunday school work of our church on his heart and God blessed his messages to us and our vision of this department of our work was surely enlarged. "The Preacher and His Devotional Life" was the subject of a message brought to us by Dr. John Matthews, which blessed our hearts. Rev. E. J. Fleming, General Secretary, was present for most of the sessions and with the volume of general information about the Church of the Nazarene throughout the world and its activity, that he has always at his command, he greatly encouraged us in the work that we have set our hands to do. Rev. Oscar Hudson, evangelist, of Racine, Wis., who was conducting a revival in one of the Kansas City churches, was present at the day services. Dr. Sanford, President of Olivet College, Olivet, Ill., was with us the last day of the convention and addressed the young people at the last evening service on "Several Outstanding Characteristics of Greatness" and God blessed the message and the truth found its way into the hearts of the young people present.

The Convention met upon the invitation of the Nazarene Ministerial Association of Greater Kansas City and a well arranged program which covered almost every phase of our church work had been prepared. The entertainment was provided for by Rev. A. M. Bowes, pastor of the First Church, and his loyal people. Mrs. C. A. Kinder who had charge of the meals did a most wonderful ministry in providing so bountifully for our physical needs. As someone said "there was not much star dust sprinkled on us" but there were so many good and helpful things brought out in the convention that we all were abundantly repaid for efforts put forth to attend.

E. R. SHOOK, Reporter.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT

We are starting our second year in Louisiana with faith and victory. We were never more determined to push the battle for God and the Church of the Nazarene than we are at the present time.

\$1,530,702.62

By GENERAL TREASURER ANDERSON

THE most remarkable feature in connection with the work of the Church of the Nazarene is the way the church has, from the very beginning, had a vision that was world wide. While it is difficult to prove from a financial statement that the work has been a success, yet it is at least an indication of a willingness on the part of those who are interested in the work to sacrifice and deny themselves in order to contribute to carry on the work. No one will ever question the willingness of the members of the church and the many friends outside of the church to contribute to the cause of Foreign Missions. Since October, 1910, up to October 1, 1924, covering a period of fourteen years, we received \$1,530,702.62 for the cause of Foreign Missions. This large amount was given exclusively for this purpose and has been used for the purpose for which it was given. This amount represents money donated by churches and by hundreds of individuals who have sent their money direct to the missionary office. It is quite evident that God has set His seal upon our missionary activities. Without His blessing it would have been impossible to collect this amount of money. We give Him the glory and praise Him for the wonderful way He has heard and answered prayer.

FOURTEEN YEARS WITHOUT A LOSS

It will be of interest to our people to know that during these fourteen years we have been able to receive and disburse this large sum of money without the loss of a dollar. This amount represents, as already stated, money given for the purpose of Foreign Missions. It does not include annuities or other funds that might be designated as specials, or trust funds, but it represents money given to be used for the spread of the gospel. During this period of time we have not diverted any of the money from Foreign Missionary channels, but all of this money has actually been disbursed in the promotion of our Foreign Missionary work. None of these funds have been invested in loans of any kind or description; neither have any of these funds been used for the purchase of any real estate except such real estate as was needed on the Foreign Fields in connection with our mission stations. The value of our foreign real estate is about \$300,000. This real estate is all free from debt.

LOSSES

Some misunderstanding exists in reference to losses sustained by the Board through investments made of trust funds. These trust funds represent money given on the annuity plan and which must be invested. Sometimes it consists of real estate and other securities. We have sustained losses in this department of our work through the depreciation in the value of the real estate and through a shrinkage in the value of the securities that have been accepted on the annuity plan; but any loss of this kind will in no way affect the gifts to Foreign Missions, as they are fully provided for in our trust department which is separate and distinct from the department where gifts for the foreign work are handled. Therefore, any loss that has been sustained, or will be sustained, through investments of this nature will be charged direct to the surplus in the trust department, and no missionary gifts of any kind or description will be used to take care of these losses. It is natural to suppose that in a business project of this nature we would sustain losses just as other institutions who handle real estate and securities, but in all of our dealings of this kind we have been very careful not to mix these funds with the gifts of the people for Foreign Missions. Therefore, as already stated, every dollar contributed during these fourteen years to Foreign Missions has been used exclusively for that purpose.

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE

It will be interesting to note that during the four years prior to our last General Assembly the administration expense of the Missionary Board was $8\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. This is indeed a very small percentage when we consider the great amount of administrative work necessary, due to the fact that we had no supervision of the work on the field, and also due to the fact that much publicity and activity was necessary in order to secure the large amount of money during this period.

VICTORY

During these fourteen years we have been able to close every year without a deficit in the General Fund. This is indeed an occasion for great rejoicing and we believe that in answer to prayer and through the united efforts of our pastors and people we will again be able to close this year without a deficit and enter the new full of hope and encouragement.

The Holy Ghost is more blessed, the glory of God is more manifest, and the vision of our possibilities as a Church is more real to our heart than ever before. Brethren, I feel like saying, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." His grace abounds more and more.

Our pastors and people seem to have had a new touch of glory and inspiration at our Assembly under the great preaching of our beloved General Superintendent Goodwin. He is truly a blessed man and a wonderful preacher of the Gospel. They are putting their shoulder to the wheel and pushing the work enthusiastically for the glory of God and the building up of the church. We believe that God is going to give us hundreds of souls and a number of Churches this Assembly year.

Brother Theus, our splendid pastor at Shreveport, is now entering his fifth year with unity among his growing church, and a great building project well in hand. In a few months he will have his people well housed in a nice brick-veneered edifice, located on one of the most desirable lots in Shreveport. They have accumulated about \$20,000 worth of property under his administration, and it is all free of debt. His church is composed of some of the best people on earth. And many others are looking his way.

Alexandria was developed last year into a self-supporting church under the care of Mrs. Akin. They now have a nice little church and parsonage with but very little debt, and, one of our strong men to lead them on to victory. Brother Beasley came to

us from the M. E. Church and is getting the Nazarene swing beautifully. His people love him very much, and without a doubt, he will be a useful man among us.

Lake Charles has their old true and tried pastor with them again, Rev. C. E. Woodson. This makes the third time Brother Woodson has served them as pastor. He is starting his seventh year. They have had a most wonderful revival there since the Assembly. Two brothers from Ohio were the victorious evangelists. Rev. Siders and Boman are young preachers, but they are full of the Spirit and know how to win souls. We were glad to have them on the District and we want them to come back again. They won many to Jesus, several joined the church, and the local membership was greatly blessed. Brother Woodson has many friends in Lake Charles. The mission which we organized there last Spring in Goosport addition is under his direction, and is quite a feeder to his church over in the City. Mrs. Akin and I are to hold a meeting in the mission soon.

Ebenezer is without a permanent pastor, but they are being supplied by one of their local preachers, Rev. Oville Hoffpover. They are a fine body of people. We will have them a pastor before long. They have nice property and 80 members to carry on the work of the Lord.

Ellis is well supplied. Rev. J. W. Cook is loved very much by his people. They are standing by him faithfully in every way. He was called for half time; but some of the main members are talking full time to me now. We are here in a splendid meeting. Brother Cook is one of the most lovable men to work with I ever saw. He knows how to enter into a revival wholeheartedly. His people are regular in attendance and seem to have the burden for souls. Much blessing has been ours already. Our hearts have been made to rejoice in the Lord. The revival tide is high and souls are praying through in almost every service.

Our church at Jonesboro is taking on new life under the management of their good pastor, Rev. S. D. Slocum. I have received some favorable reports from there. Both pastor and people seem to be encouraged; and they are believing God for a great year.

Rev. W. M. D. Gaar is our splendid pastor at Oak Grove. He has some as good people there as ever lived. Such men as Tom Dickenson, Brother Standford, Brother Drummond, and Brother Taylor will stand by him with all their hearts with the other members of the church. We are expecting a great year at Oak Grove.

Mira and Hudson are to be supplied. But by the time this report reaches the public, they will be moving on with their pastor. God has given us some mighty fine people at each of these places.

Our people as a whole are loyal to the church and our institutions. We believe in our beloved General Superintendents; we have perfect confidence in the General Board with its different departments and officers; we patronize our own schools; we love our church paper, the HERALD of HOLINESS, including the editor, Dr. Chapman, and, by the grace of God we are having revivals. Brethren, pray for us.

G. W. AKIN, District Superintendent.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT

Truly God is with His people. Our pastors have been well received, and they are making some good plans for the coming year. If we succeed we must plan, and plan well.

Rev. L. L. Swett is making good progress in El Dorado, the home of our baby church. The Sunday school is growing; the preaching services are being blessed with seekers and finders, and now they are planning for a real campaign.

Rev. Joe M. Tyson is the right man for Bentonville. God is putting His seal on the work, and every department is taking on new life. We recently held them a convention of five days, and many were blessed.

Rev. R. G. Reedy is going "over the top" at Vilonia. We have just spent a very pleasant Sabbath with them. Several seekers and some finders. The school at Vilonia is doing nicely. Some good material coming out of that place.

We have grouped the churches, and placed a Lieutenant over each group, and making them responsible for their respective groups. Group meetings were held the last 5th Sabbath at Vilonia, Johnson's Chapel, Hot Springs, Caney, Waldron, and Wicks. Let all our people in those groups push, pull, pray and pay.

Rev. A. H. Lambert is getting his feet down at Searcy, and the people like him fine. Brother Lambert is looking after every interest of the church, and is succeeding.

Rev. H. W. Blackshear, Conway, is adding Morilton to his work, and at the same time pushing the interests of the District Young People's Society. Our young people's work made a net gain last

Uncle Buddie's Good Samaritan Chats

Beloved Samaritans:

The Lord bless thee and thine. Well, in my last letter I left you at New Haven, Conn., telling you that my next letter would be about Yale and the trip to Wollaston. Well, we made the trip there. There is no way for a man with my ability to describe the Yale University. The buildings and ground are worth millions. They have some buildings I think that cost as much as three million dollars and students from all parts of the world. We read in the bulletin of Yale University that in 1637, 250 Puritans, recruited in England by the Rev. John Davenport and Theophilus Eaton, a rich merchant, had arrived in Boston. They had left their native land in search of religious liberty and they stayed around Boston for sometime, but wanted to go farther south and finally put out to sea again and landed in New Haven about April of 1638, and bought the present city site from the Indians. The new settlement at first was called Quinnipiac, and took the name of New Haven in 1640. The land was purchased from the Indians for one dozen coats, one dozen spoons, one dozen hose, one dozen hatchets, two dozen knives and four cases of French knives and scissors. That was a wonderful trade. The land is now worth millions of dollars. The beginning of Yale University goes back to 1701 when a group of Connecticut ministers obtained a charter from the General Assembly of the colony for the foundation of a collegiate school whose purpose was to fit young men for service in the ministry in church and civil state. The Rev. Abraham Pierson was appointed the first rector and the first commencement was held at Saybrook on Sept. 16, 1702. The degree of Bachelor of Arts was first conferred for work in course in 1703 upon John Hart. Of course today the graduates from Yale girdle the globe of almost every tribe and people of the earth, and they are numbered by the thousands, but just look back a little less than three hundred years and see that first settlement buying a fine tract of land for their home and school from the Indians for a few knives and spoons, but they gave all it was worth at that time, the Indians were well paid. Those Puritan Fathers were building better than they knew at that time. We have no way of telling what that University has been worth to the American people. Of course we know that they suffered almost untold agony. They had poverty and faith, but also grit and determination, and the world has heard from that little company of Puritans seeking religious liberty in a great new world. They were a great people with a great vision and we now see what has been wrought.

After bidding Yale good-by we struck the beautiful highway for Boston, which is still about 175 miles on east of us, but O that drive of 175 miles up through that dear old rugged hill country through Connecticut I will never forget. Their beauty is unsurpassed. God shaped those lovely hills and planted the trees for His own glory and the good of the world that He had built for man to enjoy. Bless God, I am so glad that I am saved and some sweet day I will go up and live forever with the God that built the hills of Connecticut and cut the channels for those lovely little rivers and creeks and leveled off those little valleys for man to make bread on.

Well, our trip was one of beauty, added to

beauty, but about five o'clock we pulled into Wollaston where the Nazarene College is located. Here we met old friends from all over the United States. How wonderful God is and how He plans things! Here we have a fine band of Nazarenes from all parts of the nation and a splendid school with our beloved Brother Nease at the head and a fine band of splendid teachers, and everything running like it was oiled. Brother J. C. Henson with Texas and Oklahoma hung all over his big face is getting things in fine shape. When we were there he had just been out to raise the money to pay the school out of debt. They owed about forty-five thousand and he set in to raise not less than sixty thousand and in two weeks he had raised twenty-eight thousand of the amount, and in those two weeks he had spent a little less than \$125.00. J. C. Henson can beat any man to do the thing and keep down expense that I ever saw. Just think of it—in raising Twenty-eight thousand dollars he had spent for all purposes less than \$125.00. The most of our good men in raising that amount would have spent at least several hundred dollars. But there are many things in Brother Henson's favor. He is so big and he looks so clean and honest that he wins the good will of the folks wherever he goes. He naturally looks good and when people look at him they believe that he can do the job and he has such an honest look on his great big face that anybody that would help any kind of an institution, would help him.

Well, after all, no man that knows the Lord and is keeping up with what the Nazarene boys are doing could doubt for one minute that God has raised up this great movement to carry on his work in these last days of awful apostasy, when our pulpits are loaded down with Bible destroying preachers. Let no Nazarene boy think for one minute that he has made a mistake by casting in his lot with this band of fire-baptized, second blessing preachers who stand for the Bible and full salvation. Just buckle up your belt one notch tighter and go in to win or die and have a revival in your church of old-time, heart-felt religion.

Well, while in Wollaston I had a home with Brother Hugh C. Benner, one of our finest young men in the nation. He married one of the finest young ladies that you would meet in a lifetime and their home was so nice. Brother Benner is one of the professors in the Wollaston College and he is a graduate of our school at Olivet, Ill. So thank the Lord for dear old Olivet. They are still turning out the goods. On Friday morning, Oct. 31st, Brother Henson drove me into Boston and at 10 o'clock I got a fast train for New York City and we pulled into the Grand Central depot about 4 p.m. and I went down into the subway and crossed over to Brooklyn, and on that night the National Convention was opened with Dr. H. C. Morrison to preach the opening sermon and W. B. Yates in charge of the choir, and Sister John Norberry to preside at the pipe organ, and on Saturday the preaching was done by Dr. Morrison and Dr. A. D. Zahniser and Dr. Bud Robinson and now the convention is running in full swing, with at least seven good services each day:

In Love,

UNCLE BUDDIE.

REVIVAL AND CHURCH NEWS

JOHNNIE AND JACKIE DOUGLAS: "God gave us the greatest year of our lives last year. We helped hold some 19 meetings in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Kansas. From Assembly year to Assembly year we were encouraged by the great number of souls into the fountain, the way the Church of the Nazarene stood by us financially, the beautiful harmony that existed between the evangelists with whom we worked and us as singers. Since the Dallas District Assembly we have been constantly on the go. We are now in our fourth meeting since the Assembly in October 22-26. We helped in three meetings before this meeting here at Sylvia, Pleasant Hill Church, Kansas, which meetings were: Cleveland, Okla., Hominy, Okla., and the last week of the meeting at Bartlesville, Okla. Already over 100 professions have been had. We are expecting this year to be the greatest of all. Our prospects here with Rev. Will O. Nease look good. Our Pastor Rev. Harrison O. Davis has things well in hand. We have some open dates from December the 15th to January the 25th which we would like to slate with our churches either in Kansas or Colorado. If our services are desired in above states, wire me in care of Bible School, 215 East 4th Street, Hutchinson, Kans."

PASTOR F. P. KERST, Vincennes, Indiana: "We came to this place as pastor at the close of our Assembly. At the first mid-week prayermeeting we found a large crowd present, and the people all well blessed. Brother Johnson, the retiring pastor, was also present at that meeting for which we were glad. It was indeed a delightful time with the Lord. At the close of the meeting Brother Johnson took the offering that was necessary for the moving of our goods to this place, and the next morning he started for Indianapolis where he is now pastor at the North Side church. We certainly found things in lovely shape, and it is a real delight to carry the work on, and a real joy to follow a man like Brother Johnson, who labored with these good people for four years. At our Assembly this church reported eighty-seven members which we had no trouble in finding. We are now just ready to enter our revival with Oscar Hudson of Racine, Wisconsin, as evangelist. We have already been having some gracious seasons with the Lord. There has been a revival spirit on from the very start. In almost every service souls have been praying through. A few days ago the glory of the Lord came upon us while we were singing in the morning service, and before the preacher could take his text to preach, twelve people came to the altar, and all but one claimed victory. Many other such victories have been ours to enjoy for which we all praise the Lord. Up to the present time we have prayed with more than fifty people at our altars for either pardon or purity. The house is too small to hold the crowds at the regular Sunday night services, and we usually have over one hundred out to prayermeeting on Wednesday nights. We have now almost one hundred members, and more to be received at our earliest convenience. The people love their pastor and family, and we feel like traveling on. They have brought us many good things to eat, and given us some valuable gifts, for which we are very thankful. We do rejoice in the gifts of course, but we rejoice in the givers more. They are a blessed people, always looking around to see what other good things they can do to add to our comfort. While God is blessing and we are rejoicing in victory after victory, yet we feel the need of the prayers of all the Nazarenes, for there is yet much land ahead to be possessed. We must build larger as soon as spring opens, in order to take care of the people who want to attend services at our place. We have a building fund committee now and they are working hard on the job with remarkable results. We are going over the top for Olivet College, and while some of our good men are out of employment at present it looks now as if we will be able to meet every financial requirement this Assembly year, both local and General. To God be all the glory."

PASTOR D. SWARTZ, Onaway, Idaho: "Shortly after the Assembly we started a tent meeting in the Upper Crane Creek district, assisted by neighboring

year of 222. Several societies have been organized since the Assembly. Blessings upon our young people!

The Woman's Missionary Society is forging ahead. Three new societies have been organized since the Assembly, and the president is trying to get in touch with all the pastors and the women who are interested in missionary work. Let all such correspond with Mrs. Anna L. Oliver, 715 Magnolia, North Little Rock, Ark.

With an advance in our regular church work; our young people forging to the front, and these noble women getting well into the work. I see no reason why we may not achieve great success the coming year. Pray that it may be so.

Rev. Josiah Tucker is meeting with good success at North Little Rock. His congregations are growing; his people can hardly wait for the Sundays to come; finances over \$500 last month; and several additions to the church. He is planning some good things for his people.

We have not yet gone to the south side of the river, but hope to soon. The reports that come

to my desk speak of success in all lines. Thank God for the privilege of being associated with men like these Arkansawyers. We will put their consecration and self-denial along with those from anywhere else in all the land. We have come to the conclusion that what ought to be done, can be done, and we are the fellows to do it—and we are going to do it.

We would be glad to get in touch with all holiness people in this great state where we have no work that we might make arrangements for some Home Missionary work in these neglected places. God is with us; we are catching the vision; we must enlarge our borders, and forge to the front.

JOHN W. OLIVER, District Superintendent.

It costs a neat little sum to run this government. It has recently been figured out by the National Industrial Conference Board at New York that the total cost of the government of the United States for 1923, national, state, and local was \$70,045,000,000.

pastors and the old Warrior, Rev. C. B. Langdon. 'Old times have come back.' Brother Langdon said, as great crowds were present night after night and old-time conviction was on. We ran four weeks and many souls found Jesus, still we were not able as yet, to launch many into the Church of the Nazarene. We are planning to begin preaching in this district in the near future, as we are sure that we made many friends. Our local pastors are holding meetings every Sunday in schoolhouses in the Rock Creek and Lower Crane Creek districts and many receive the glad tidings of this wonderful gospel, who otherwise would not. We also started street services and preaching services in Palouse, Wash. We have the use of an old Presbyterian church and quite an interest was shown. As there were good prospects for a church in this town, District Superintendent Speakes sent Rev. Mrs. Budd, assisted by Sister Cornelius, to hold special meetings. This meeting closed last Sunday and a class of 10 banded themselves together as a holiness band under the Church of the Nazarene. The pastor of the Onaway church will look after them, until after another meeting early in spring, when they will organize as a church."

PASTOR E. R. BORTON, Cedar Rapids, Iowa: "We have organized here with twenty-nine members and more to come in soon. Purchased a splendid corner 80x140 with nine room modern dwelling on it. This will serve as temporary church and parsonage. Prospects good for our work in this beautiful city of 50,000."

PASTOR G. C. BRADLEY, Poplar Bluff, Mo.: "Our church here is small, but we have a great God and are looking to Him for victory. The population here is about 8,000 and our church is very much needed. We are also serving the church at Mill Spring and have good attendance and fine prospect there. In the minutes of the Missouri Assembly Caruthersville is reported as having 20 members, this should read 47."

REV. JOHN G. BAUER AND WIFE, Houston, Mo.: "We are again located here where we formerly spent two years and had three meetings led by Nazarene evangelists. Many are interested now and ask when we will have another meeting. There is a good church building here for sale at a bargain, if taken soon; and there is a great field here for the Church of the Nazarene."

PLEASE PRAY for a Sister, a member of First Church, Los Angeles, that she may be given special help and strength for a severe trial.

J. M. WATSON, Oil City, Pa.: "Evangelists M. E. and Della Stretch of El Paso, Ill., have just closed a good meeting with us in which there were eighteen seekers, most of whom found what they sought. Four united with the church, and more are thinking of coming our way. Our N. Y. P. S. is more deeply grounded in the love of God and new members are coming. God is giving the increase."

PASTOR J. F. WHEELER, La Moure, N. D.: "Just recently closed a good three weeks' meeting with E. Coryell of Ogilvie, Minn., as the evangelist and Miss Laura Ripley of Fairmont, N. D., as song leader. These workers were faithful and wonderfully blessed of the Lord. God has been good to us and we give Him the glory."

EVANGELIST LAURA HASLEY FERREE: "In August we assisted Pastor A. Stanford of Mt. Pleasant, P. E. I., Canada, in a tent meeting at Harmony, six miles from his church. A number were saved and sanctified and some joined the church. It is wonderful the transformation that has taken place in that community. They cannot say enough in praise of Brother Stanford for establishing the meeting there and leading so many to Christ. I was back there Nov. 23 and held communion. They are growing by leaps and bounds. Brother Stanford goes twice a week, and though so newly converted, they hold their own Sunday school and cottage prayermeetings. If there are more missionary pastors like Brother and Sister Stanford, send them to P. E. I., for this is a needy field. I also held com-

munion Nov. 23 at Mt. Pleasant. This church is doing nicely, though they have suffered the loss of Brother Kenneth Williams, a local preacher, who is now supplying the pulpit of our church at Springhill, N. S. Although our hearts are burning to enter the mission field in Africa where God has called us to labor, we are serving God faithfully on Prince Edward Island until He leads us to that Dark Continent."

REV. C. W. WELTS AND WIFE: "After spending three years in Hawthorn, Calif., as pastors, we came to Placerville, Calif., in September and have rented a building which was once used for a saloon, have taken the partitions out of it and arranged it for services in the front, while we have living rooms in the back. A lady gave us a good piano, and we began services last Sunday with good prospects of establishing a Church of the Nazarene here before the next Assembly. Our friends please address us at 501 Main St., Placerville, Calif."

PASTOR R. A. THORNTON, Jonesboro, Ark.: "Yesterday was a red letter day with us. Nine were saved, three sanctified and we took in five new members; making ten new members and twenty-five professions since the District Assembly; 130 professions and 41 new members since we took the pastorate eleven months ago. We have had some marvelous cases of healing. Especially one man who the doctors said could never walk again without his crutches, but God healed him and the news has spread for miles around. We anoint an average of two people a day for healing. Our people have taken to the budget plan, our finances have doubled and trebled within the last eleven months, we send a check at the end of every month for the District and General budget and are convinced that systematic giving is a blessing to any people. The N. Y. P. S. and W. M. S. and every department of the church are growing wonderfully. With no special announcement, we had 160 at prayermeeting Thursday night. Our watchword is 'Forward!'"

PASTOR THOMAS MURRISH, Corning, Calif.: "At last there is a real revival in the Church of the Nazarene, Corning, Calif. This church is comparatively new, was reduced in numbers, and somewhat discouraged because of failure in the fruit crops, and there was lack of unity. But God honored prayer and used Evangelist W. M. Mack, a mighty preacher of the Word, in a meeting Nov. 11-31. Congregations increased from a few to a hundred and much conviction was on the people. The yielding came the last week, and began with a member who was backslidden. Thanksgiving night there were thirteen at the altar. The last night the altar and several chairs were filled with seekers. Out of these we expect some to unite with the church. We can fully recommend Brother Mack as an evangelist."

PASTOR J. W. WALTZ, Menomonie, Wis.: "George A. Powers, a member of the Forest Center Church of the Nazarene, passed to his reward Nov. 12, aged 62. Seventeen hours previous to a stroke of apoplexy he gave testimony that all was well with his soul. On Nov. 9 he attended three services. He leaves a widow, two daughters, a brother, a sister and fourteen grand children. The writer, his pastor, conducted the funeral Nov. 14."

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EVANGELIST JAMES MILLER: "Praise God for a good meeting at Winchester, Ind. We had many seekers and almost all of them prayed through. While another church had to close for lack of attendance, our place was usually running over with people. We believe the meeting was the result of an all night prayermeeting in which thirty-five adults took part. Pastor Towns is just old-fashioned enough to let God have His way. Miss Edith Dearmin was the singer and she was a great blessing in the meeting." This report was accompanied with a list of 28 subscriptions for the HERALD of HOLINESS. Miller is forging to the front as a "subscription getter"; and you will notice also that he is having good revivals.—Editor.

PASTOR L. E. ROBINSON, New Castle, Ind.: "God is pouring out His blessings upon us here. Our Sunday school is in good condition and there are five hundred babies on the Cradle Roll. Our Young People's Society has become a great factor in the upbuilding of our church. Our last revival in which there were about 125 seekers gave our church a great lift. Our finances are coming in to the supplying of every need, and many seekers are at the altar in our regular services. Our Woman's Missionary Society is doing good work, and all the way around we are expecting a great year."

"THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, Topeka, Kans., has just closed a good meeting in which Pastor Clayton did the preaching and 'home talent' helped on with the work. Quite a number of souls were blessed, and two young women testified to being called to the work of the Lord. District Superintendent Hipple and Pastor Zook from Ottawa, were with us and preached once each in the meeting. We look forward to greater blessings than we have ever had before."—Mrs. Chas. H. Berry, Reporter.

"FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, Emporia, Kans., was organized under the ministry of Evangelist R. S. Ball in January of this year, and early in February Rev. A. Hulse became our pastor. We worshiped in various churches until we could purchase a lot and put up a tent in which Evangelist J. H. Crawford held a four weeks' meeting in which a number were blessedly saved. At the close of the meeting, ten new members were added to the church. We continued to worship in the tent until August when we moved into our unfinished church for the first service. We hope to dedicate in January. We now have a membership of thirty-three, a growing Sunday school, a fine N. Y. P. S. and a Woman's Missionary Society well organized. Much credit is due our faithful pastor for the progress we have made."—Mrs. R. E. Laflin, Reporter.

EVANGELIST E. L. STRIEGEL: "Have just closed at Franklin, near Norman, Okla., for the Methodists. One whiskey maker who has been in the business for many years, paid the price and got old-time religion. They tell us we had the best meeting the place has had for several years and they invited us back for a meeting in the summer. I am open for dates to go anywhere. Write me at Norman, Okla."

THE SOUTHEASTERN KANSAS NAZARENE GROUP recently held a very profitable meeting in which eleven out of the thirteen churches of the group were represented by pastors or other delegates. There were eleven at the altar. The meeting passed resolutions recommending that the pastors preach especially to the young people and warn them of the ill-effects of association and marriage with unsaved people, and asking that our people seek quality rather than quantity everywhere. They urged upon Boards of Stewards the fact that they occupy a very important relation to the church, and called attention to the great danger which threatens "The Faith and Morals of our Children," in which connection they quoted from a recent editorial in the HERALD of HOLINESS.

MRS. NEWTON WRAY: "The graduation of the December class at Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, will occur in the Institute Auditorium at 7:45 p.m., December 18. From June 27 to Oct. 21, 1924, two hundred and fifty-four students have completed courses in the Correspondence School. These students represent forty-three states and seven foreign countries."

EVANGELISTS IRA AND FANNIE DUNBAR: "We recently closed a good revival with Pastor Chas. Dick at Hoxie, Kans. Quite a number prayed through. The pastor will send in some subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS, taken in the meeting. We have some open dates this winter."

PASTORS B. V. AND CATHERINE SEALS, Holtville, Calif.: "We have just closed a good meeting with Dr. Henricks as the evangelist. A good number were saved and sanctified, and the church was greatly blessed under his Holy Ghost messages. His ability in presenting the truth so clear and forceful, can be accounted for only in the fact that he has had years of training, and experience as pastor, and was for five years President of our school at Pasadena, Calif. The Holtville church has labored under adverse circumstances this year, water shortage, etc., yet we are steadily forging ahead and see great possibilities for this church in the future. While we are ten feet below the sea level, we do not believe we are ten feet below the level spiritually. Our last service closed with victory and glory."

PASTOR JOSEPH RICHARDSON, Oxford, Nova Scotia: "District Superintendent Miller held meetings with us Oct. 19-Nov. 2. The meetings had been well advertised and were well attended. Brother Miller preached with great clearness and power, there were over forty seekers for pardon or sanctification and ten have already united with the church. Nearly all the seekers were young women and school girls. And as a number of them were members of other churches and did not wish to join the Church of the Nazarene, we organized a Young Ladies' Holiness Band, with Miss Rhoda Schuman as leader, in order that the work done by Brother Miller might be conserved. So far the plan has worked with 100 per cent efficiency."

PASTOR C. P. LANPHER, Portland, Maine: "Our special revival campaign of three weeks came to a close last night. It is the general verdict of our people that it was the best meeting for years in this church. District Superintendent Miller as preacher with Mrs. Miller at the piano and Prof. L. C. Messer of Oklahoma as song leader, was one of the best evangelistic teams I have ever employed. Brother Miller is one of the best revival preachers in the East, and Brother Messer, as a soloist and chorus leader, captivates the crowd, while Sister Miller simply can make a piano ring with melody. Our crowds were fine, and we have demonstrated that West End Church can get the people. We conducted noon-hour meetings at the Maine Central R. R. Shops. We had splendid Children's Meetings and our afternoon prayermeetings were seasons when the saints stormed the Throne of Grace with their petitions. Many strangers from all over the city were in the meetings. While resistance to the powerful appeals of the evangelist was marked, yet the altar was well lined with seekers and again and again the last service did not close until near the mid-night hour. The last Sunday afternoon we held a big union baptismal service with the South Portland Church of the Nazarene; using the big-Immanuel Baptist Church for the service. Pastor DeWare, District Superintendent Miller and the writer, conducting the service. Brother Miller and the writer administered the rite of baptism to twenty-two candidates from the two churches. At the final service in our own church, eight people were received into membership. District Superintendent Miller made a kindly speech and took a splendid love-offering for the pastor. After a splendid message on "Crossing the Deadline," the altar was well filled with

seekers. The church was much encouraged and profited by the meetings."

PASTOR M. G. JOBE, Blackwell, Okla.: "The Lord is still good to us at Blackwell, and visits us with His precious presence. Our Congregations are good, and our services are spiritual. The Sunday school under the leadership of Superintendent C. N. Bennett is doing fine; over two hundred present last Sunday. The Wednesday night prayermeetings are times of refreshing. Our prayer band, under the leadership of Brother Chas. Moore, is doing good work holding cottage prayermeetings, and praying with discouraged and needy souls. Our N. Y. P. S., under the leadership of President Miss Dott Morrill, and her assistant, Miss Florence Lundy, is doing fine; over forty in attendance last Sunday night. Our junior society is not a whit behind; they too are coming up the hill under the leadership of Mrs. O. J. Houser, with over forty in attendance. And the best of all the Lord is giving us souls for which we praise Him and take courage."

PASTOR W. B. WALKER, Durant, Oklahoma: "Nearly two months have passed since the Assembly. We have been very busy. We have just closed a very helpful revival with Rev. C. K. Spell as evangelist. Brother Spell is a strong preacher and a congenial man to work with. More than a score of souls prayed through. We are enjoying the work here very much. We have a strong church, and are looking for a great year."

EVANGELIST LUM JONES: "We have just closed a meeting (not a revival) with Pastor Meggers of Enterprise, Oregon. We did very little, if anything in the meeting. Usually when we preach we like to end in a storm, but I landed in Enterprise in a real bad snow storm, and some way I could never rise above it. We are always glad to have something to blame when we fail, but in this case I am afraid to say just what was wrong. Perhaps the Devil had something to do with the results, but yet no doubt the Devil gets credit for many things he does not do. Perhaps in this case we ought to take some of the blame. We thought at first, perhaps Achan was around somewhere, but since God did not have anyone killed in the meeting, we were forced to leave that theory. Now we are left to wonder what was wrong, so if we can't lay it on the weather, or on the Devil, we will have to take the blame. Many times in the meeting the load was so heavy we were forced to leave our chariot and take a sled, but thank God we never did stick. The sledding was hard, but we surely did enjoy the fellowship of Pastor Meggers and his good people. I'm sure they will win, for they have not quit fighting. Bless God we will get rid of the Devil some day."

"DETROIT, MICH., First Church of the Nazarene is passing through a serious crisis that may involve the loss of the church property. The Enemy took advantage of a delicate situation, one month before our taking the pastorate at Assembly time. Out of this the Holy Spirit has been grieved. Five months non-payment on church mortgage and interest last year, and debts in current expense last year still unpaid place us in a position extremely difficult. The Baptist association from which the property was bought has written suggesting taking the property out of our hands and reselling it. This would mean a loss to us of eight or nine thousand dollars already paid into the purchase of the property. The next few months will solve the problem either for victory or defeat. We ask the urgent, prevailing prayers of the Nazarene Family that God will defeat the Devil, supply funds and give us the victory."—Howard W. Jerrett, Pastor.

"GARDEN CITY, KANSAS, had Brother Jesse Uhler for a meeting which closed Sunday night, Nov. 30th. The revival began Nov. 2nd and increased in interest to the finish. Quite a number of souls were saved, some were sanctified and church in general was helped. There was not one dry service during the month, and the last night four came to the altar and one was sanctified. The finances came up without even taking a public offering. This was one meeting that was not killed by begging for money. Brother Uhler was at his best and did some good

preaching. He goes from here to Grinnell, Kans., to hold a meeting for Brother Snyder. May the Lord bless him and give him a great meeting."—B. Free-land, Pastor.

EVANGELIST H. B. OSWALT, R. 7., Greenville, Ohio: "We have just closed a two weeks' meeting in the American Rescue Worker's Hall, Dayton, Ohio. There were seven professions of pardon and ten of sanctification. Rev. A. L. Slade of Greenville, Ohio, Church of the Nazarene, who is indeed a Spirit-filled man, was my co-worker. I am open for calls to meetings anywhere. Am a member of the Church of the Nazarene at Greenville, Ohio. Any desiring to write me about dates, please address me as above."

EVANGELIST D. C. W. TETRICK AND WIFE, Henryetta, Okla.: "We are in a revival with Brother and Sister Haun at Bryant, Okla. Six have prayed through in the old-time way and we are expecting great things from the Lord. Wife and I have turned into our 70th year, thirty-eight years in the Holiness Movement. On August 12th, I was robbed of \$12, and again last Friday of \$13.20 all the money I had in the world. But thank God they did not get my soul. If any of my friends feel like helping me replace my loss, address me at 601 W. Denison St., Henryetta, Okla.

"SHAMROCK, OKLAHOMA, Church of the Nazarene has had two good months since the Assembly, with Brother Gilbert as pastor. Has had a two weeks' meeting with Brother Minor as evangelist. Had a good meeting with a number of souls. Attendance at our regular services, cottage and mid-week prayer-meeting is good. We are expecting this to be one of our very best years."—Reporter.

PASTOR J. W. ROACH, Flower Memorial Church of the Nazarene, St. Louis, Mo.: "We have just closed a good revival in which The Edwards Evangelistic Party were the workers. There are four in this party and their singing and preaching was enjoyed by all. There were over sixty professions of pardon, reclamation or sanctification. I have never served a more loyal band than is found in this church."

EVANGELIST H. J. BEAVER, Garnett, Kans.: "Have just closed a good meeting eighteen miles north of this place in a church which is run by the people of the community, without much regard to church distinctions, and where holiness had not been preached. A number prayed through and the meeting closed with seven at the altar. The people stood by us in preaching the Bible and took care of us with good offerings."

"WALDRON, ARK., Church of the Nazarene, has recently had a good revival with the Robinson-Brown Evangelistic Party in charge. God was wonderfully in our midst. The party did splendid work, a number were saved, one was received into the church and we are expecting more to come in next Sunday. On the last Sunday the pastor was given a liberal 'pounding.' We have organized a 'Group Evangelistic Association' consisting of Mansfield, Waldron, Keener, Bailey Branch, Hartford and Cochran's Chapel churches. Our purpose is to hold meetings and organize churches in the towns and communities around us. These meetings will be held by the pastors, and thus the expense will be reduced to a minimum. We are enthused with the idea."—C. C. Dipboye, Pastor.

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PASTOR J. O. SCHAPP, North St. Paul, Minn., writes, "A continuous revival spirit is upon us here. In over a year and a half we have had but three Sundays without seekers. November 9, when District Superintendent Morrison opened our church basement, was a grand day with us. Pastor Wordsworth and a big share of his Minneapolis people were with us; also Rev. L. W. and Ira E. Nolte. We have a nice five room parsonage, and the church basement in which we are now worshipping is 28x50 in a fine location. Not more than \$100 has been spent for labor in the construction of our basement. On the day of our "opening," Brother Wordsworth had charge of the offering and raised the \$1,000 needed, amidst the shouting and rejoicing of the people. Dr. Morrison said he never saw money come so easily. Dr. Morrison preached morning and evening and both services were crowned with souls."

EVANGELIST A. M. SPRAGUE, writing from Arnold, Nebr., says, "We closed a siege meeting at York, Nebr., Nov. 26. Started with fifteen in the congregation and closed with a full house. There were twenty-nine at the altar, counting them as they came. District Superintendent Chambers was with us the last three days and we had a gracious time together. The pastor, Miss Anna Nutter, is serving her fifth year. She has stood by the work there in a noble way. The people gave her a good pounding, and the offering for the evangelist was good. We secured four subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS. We are now in a meeting at Arnold with Pastor Mayhew. Having an encouraging start. We go home for Christmas and then to Western Oklahoma for a revival."

EVANGELISTS OLIVE RIFE AND NINA DEAN, writing from Blackshear, Ga., say, "Just closed a tent meeting in the turpentine woods of South Georgia. This is a needy field in which holiness was never preached before. We were in the midst of a community that has known nothing but the Primitive Baptist faith. The people had never seen anyone pray through or shout and they were prejudiced against women preachers. But large crowds came, God got hold of their hearts, and in a few nights the altar was full and people were getting victory. We are now in a tent meeting not far from this same place. We are expecting God to give us churches and many Nazarenes in this part of the country."

"GOD HAS RECENTLY VISITED THE LAMAR, MISSOURI, CHURCH with a gracious revival. Deep conviction was upon the people before the meeting began and our evangelist, Rev. W. H. Hardin, of Iola, Kansas, came with a burdened heart. His burning, fiery messages under the anointing of the Spirit, his persuasive powers and eloquent appeals made his efforts almost irresistible to both unsaved and unsanctified. Having been converted in old Lighthouse Mission in St. Louis, he seemed to partake of the spirit and power of its founder. Twenty-one received good victory, there were several other seekers and eight joined the church. This gave the church a great impetus and both pastor and people were much encouraged. We were also favored by a visit from our genial, aggressive District Superintendent, Rev. E. C. Dees, who gave us two cheering messages during the meeting"—Carrie M. Flower, Pastor.

EVANGELIST HENRY BELL, writes, "Closed a pretty good revival at Homer, Nebraska, November 23, after a four-weeks' siege. It was a new field. An empty church was secured, free of charge, from a local holiness organization that had almost gone to the wall on account of "tongues" coming to town. However, the trustees of the church stood firm for the faith, among whom was a Winnebago Indian sister, Mrs. D. C. Bristol, who has had the experience of holiness for twenty-four years. She and Mrs. Robert Smith and Andrew Davis were the trustees who stood firm, and the two former are now Nazarenes. I could say the church was filled, but that would be coloring it a little, for it is a small church seating about 125 when crowded. I might also add that people came for seventeen miles to attend the meeting, but that would be a slight departure from the truth, for the ones who did come that distance were "tongues" folks, at South Sioux

City, and they got mad and left before the sermon was over. I could also say that the altar was lined with seekers, but it would be coloring the truth, for the altar would not hold more than eight souls. District Superintendent Chambers was present toward the close of the meeting, organized a church and the property has now been deeded to us. Rev. Gilbert Anderson, pastor of the new church at Hubbard, ten miles distant, will pastor the flock at Homer for a while. Oh, yes, I almost forgot to say that the meeting did not close in a blaze of glory, and that they did not call me back for a campmeeting next summer."

OSKALOOSA, IOWA, CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE is steadily pushing on to definite and lasting victory. The general work of the church this Assembly year has been marked with special blessings. The Sunday services have been times of blessing, refreshing, inspiration, and uplift. Souls have prayed through at the morning and evening services. The prayer meetings have been increasing in attendance, and in devotion. About seventy-five has been the largest attendance, and indications are for an increase. These services have been crowned with salvation from the Lord. At one service four were anointed for healing. A few of the prayer services were partially given over to the study of the "Tithe." As a partial result, at the close of the first three months, all our District and General Budgets were paid in full, as well as the local bills. Seven new members have united with the church since Assembly. A campaign for "The Other Sheep" subscriptions resulted in about fifty subscriptions. Ere long, we hope that the HERALD OF HOLINESS will be received each week in at least every Nazarene home. The Sunday school attendance has averaged about eighty-one while the collections have averaged about \$2.71 each Sunday. The highest attendance was 128. "Indian Head Penny Sunday," the offering for the Indians totaled \$37.27. Brother Farnsworth gave the Church a "Missionary Cow," which when butchered and sold netted \$45.76 for Missions. The Young People's Society has held regular services, decorated their room, and are now selling 200 Calendars. They are giving the net pro-

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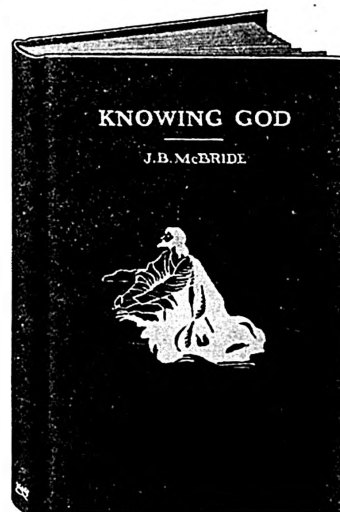
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ceeds of the sales to Missions. Recently the Sub-District Convention of the W. M. S., was held here, which was a great time of blessing and profit to all. Now, the church is in the midst of revival services"—Thomas M. Graves, Reporter.

EVANGELIST J. H. CALLAWAY, Crossett, Ark., writes, "I cast my lot with the Church of the Nazarene and received evangelistic commission from the Mississippi Assembly a little over a month ago—have been a Methodist for years. If God's holy people will get together and stick together and preach full salvation and keep the fires burning, there is no power on earth that can defeat them. I visited Oak Grove, Ia., preached at night from Thursday over Sunday and visited and prayed with the people in the day time. Then went 250 miles to Ozark, Ark., preached once in the church there and then went out five miles into the country and started a meeting which resulted in a genuine Holy Ghost revival."



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PASTOR JOHN S. PARKINS, Vancouver, Wash., writes, "Closed a three weeks meeting Nov. 16 with Evangelist E. Arthur Lewis of Chicago. It was a hard fought battle, but God gave the victory. Brother Lewis' preaching is based upon 'sound doctrine' and it brings results. A number were converted, some were sanctified and many others were deepened in their Christian experience."

PASTOR JOE BISHOP, Shawnee, Okla., writes, "We arrived here October 10 and found every thing in good shape. We have conducted a three weeks' meeting in which there were nine or ten professions. Did our own preaching, except that Brother Ramsey preached twice. Have received four into the church. The church gave me a \$25 Bible for a birthday present, also the people have been very kind in bringing us all sorts of good things to eat, including a turkey for Thanksgiving. A fine baby girl was born to us Nov. 24. We are to have the Group Meeting here soon. We have a fine band of young people who know how to pray. Herschel Morris is their president. We also have a very active Women's Missionary Society. We are planning to do some repairing on our building and we need a parsonage, as we are now living in the basement of the church. We think the HERALD of HOLINESS is the greatest paper on earth. We mean to put it into every Nazarene home and into as many others as possible."

PASTOR CHAS. E. WOODSON, Lake Charles, La., writes, "We have just closed one of the best revivals this church has had in years. There were sixty-two at the altar and we have taken twelve members into the church. James Siders and Wm. Boman of Ohio, were the evangelists and God used them mightily. The church is wonderfully encouraged and other good people are looking our way. Our church has unanimously adopted the Budget plan for general and local finances. We start a revival at Gooseport Mission Nov. 28 with District Superintendent Akin and wife as the evangelists. This is our third time to be pastor of this church since its organization."

EVANGELIST FRED BOUSE: "Have just closed a good meeting at Cadiff, Ohio, and am staying a week longer, raising money for a parsonage. Expect to raise \$1,000, have nearly \$3,000 raised now. I will be at Richland, Ohio, Dec. 7-21, and at Mohawk, Ind., Dec. 28-Jan. 18."

EVANGELIST M. M. BUSSEY: "Will hold a meeting in a store building at 204 E. 8th St., Jacksonville, Florida, during the month of December. Let the saints please pray for this campaign."

PASTOR MORRIS M. HIMLER, Bluffton, Ind.: "Have just closed a successful revival with Evangelist Roy Hollenback. Attendance was good and souls were at the altar almost every night. Evangelist did splendid work. Several members received into the church. Church is progressing on all lines."

TELEGRAMS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT—A cablegram recently received from Missionary Superintendent George Sharpe, announces the engagement of Miss Amber Tresham, one of our faithful missionaries in Western India, to Rev. Clarence L. Wood of the Methodist Mission. The wedding has been announced for December 17th at Buldana, India. We will indeed regret to lose Miss Tresham from our ranks. She has proved to be a very faithful and efficient missionary. She, together with her husband, will be identified with the Methodist Mission in Western India. We bespeak for them a life of blessing and usefulness.—E. G. Anderson, Secretary.

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING—The General Board of Education of the Church of the Nazarene is hereby called to meet at the headquarters of the church, 2905 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo., on Thursday, February 12, at ten-thirty a.m. All members of the Board please take notice, and all persons having business which you desire to have this Board consider, please be on hand.—J. B. Chapman, President.

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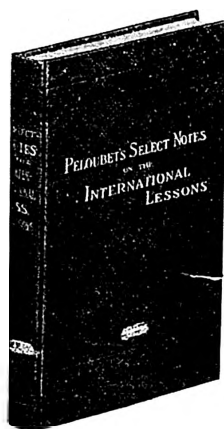
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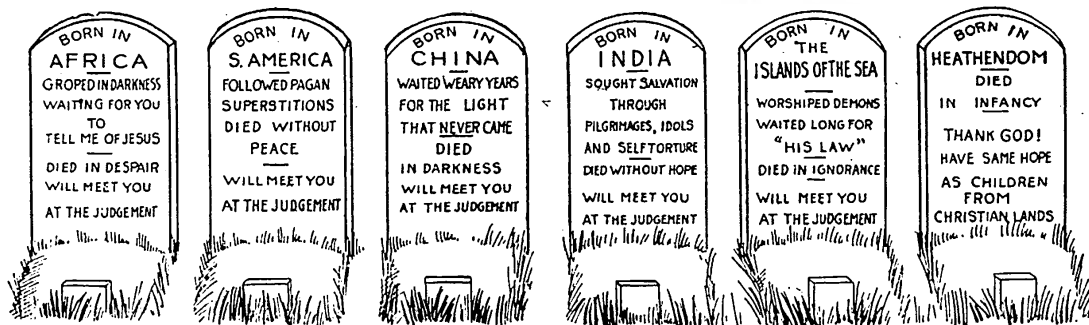
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