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## The Mantle of Love

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General Superintendent Williamson

**E**VERYONE wears a mantle. It is not a material garment which drapes the body; it is rather a spiritual atmosphere which envelops the entire being. Each person weaves his own mantle. If it is woven of haughty pride, bitter resentment, self-love, contemptuous disdain, caustic criticism, and malicious revenge, then it exudes repellent poisons from which all wary ones will flee. If it is a cloak knit of the silken threads of love, it becomes to the one who wears it a shield of defense against the arrows of hate, and it is charged with a powerful magnetism to draw all kindred spirits within its gentle folds.

St. Paul thought of the Christian's mantle as made of the spiritual qualities of generosity, confidence, optimism, and patience. "Love covereth all things [John Wesley's translation], believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." Love inspires magnanimity. If attitudes, words, or deeds of others are capable of double interpretation, love accepts the better one. If no mistake is possible, love says the motive was not so bad as the appearance. If

there is an obvious thrust of a vengeful dagger, love is quick to forgive and to heal the bleeding wound.

Love is predisposed to credulity. It would rather be disillusioned as to the trustworthiness of another than to mistrust one who is deserving. Love will never reach conclusions based on prejudice. It prefers to enjoy the confidence of the simple rather than boast the canny discernment of the subtle.

Love looks on the brighter side of life. It does not close its eyes to evils and dangers, but it cherishes the thought that all things will get better. It knows that the very fact that defeat is possible suggests that victory is not impossible. It would rather die entertaining hope than to live on in despair. The night is dark, but the morning cometh. The darkest cloud has a silver lining.

Love never gives up. It survives all discouragements. The long-delayed fulfillment of the promise is outlasted by love's endurance. Even treacherous betrayal cannot turn love to hate. Jesus said to Judas, the traitor, "Friend, wherefore art thou come?"

"Love never faileth."

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"Jesus saith . . . I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6).

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## TELEGRAM

*St. Louis, Missouri*—Organized Telegraph Road Church of the Nazarene in St. Louis with twenty-one members to date; Gerald Green appointed pastor at \$50.00 per week. Church built and financed by C. F. Jacobs, with complete auditorium, full basement, six-room modern apartment, costing \$32,000.00; church assumes loan of \$20,000.00. All Nazarene churches and pastors in St. Louis had part in the services that made this organization possible.—E. D. SIMPSON, *Superintendent of Missouri District*.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Rev. Paul R. O'Brien has resigned as pastor of the church in Butler, Pennsylvania, to accept a call to pastor the church in Sarasota, Florida, effective July 1.

About two weeks ago Rev. Edward Dowd, pastor of our church at Newport, Oregon, was suddenly faced with a very serious physical condition—a malignant cyst on his neck. In a recent letter he reports improvement and requests us to thank his many friends for their prayers. His condition is still serious and he would appreciate a continued interest in your prayers.

After pastoring four years at the Lake Mary church, Rev. Jesse C. Brannon has accepted a unanimous call to the Suwannee River Church, White Springs, Florida.

Word has been received from Rev. Marie Brown, pastor: "The Williams Memorial Church in Cullendale, Arkansas, recently closed a mighty revival with Rev. C. B. Fugett, evangelist, and Rev. and Mrs. Harold Glaze, song evangelist and musicians. God came, the altar was lined repeatedly, fine businessmen sought and found God in His saving and sanctifying grace, and young people wept their way through to definite victory. Brother Fugett was never better, and the town was stirred. The Glazes sang under the gracious anointing of God. It was the greatest revival in the history of the church."

Pastor Orville W. Rees sends word that "after closing the sixth assembly year and with a recall for the seventh, I have resigned as pastor of the Goodwin Memorial Church at Anderson, to accept a call to pastor the Hartford City, Indiana, church, on the same district. I do thank God for a fruitful ministry in all phases of the work."

After pastoring the church in Texas City, Texas, for five years, Rev. Charles Oliver has resigned to enter the field of full-time evangelism, as of September 1.

Rev. O. C. Rushing writes: "After organizing and pastoring the church at Oak Hill, West Virginia, for four years, I have resigned to accept the call to pastor the Franklin Street Church in Clarksville, Tennessee. This church is located near Ft. Campbell, Kentucky. If you have friends there, send me their address and I'll be glad to contact them. My address, 715 Franklin Street, Clarksville."

Rev. George M. Galloway, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene in Springfield, Ohio, has just completed a term as president of the Clark County Ministerial Fellowship. This Fellowship includes the ministers of Springfield.

Rev. R. E. Bebout, pastor of the church in Grand Coulee, Washington, has accepted a call to pastor the church in Juliaetta, Idaho.



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A saint approaching life's last mile asks . . .

## Mother, Where Is Your Bible?

By Lydia Estes\*

**W**E SHOULD read the Bible because it is most important—it is the only reading that gives real satisfaction to the mind and heart of a child of God, and it is the only guide to the unsaved person to show him how to be saved. Man can hunt the world over, read every other book, and then he will have to come back to the Bible to learn how to be saved.

Oh, how it grieves my heart to know the kind of reading that is before our children today! They don't know anything else to read. If parents do not read the Bible and teach their children to read it, the children never will know that it is a sin to read the trash that is before them.

I know what I am talking about, because I read novels and all kinds of such "stuff" until I was fifty years old (oh, how it grieves my heart to tell it). But I didn't know any better because my mother was a great reader of such, and I thought that what she read was all right. I can't remember ever seeing her read the Bible—though she was a sweet and good mother to her children. She didn't teach us to read God's precious Word, or that it was necessary for our soul's welfare.

I regret today that I have wasted so much of my life reading other books. How much better I could have taught my Sunday-school class if I had read the Bible instead of other books! I am seventy-five years old, and now see where I have missed a great blessing. I feel the need of it now. My time is about gone, but I want to warn young people to read His precious Word while their minds are young.

Young mothers, read the Bible to and with your children to let them know that it is very important to know God's Word. Tell them why—God wants them to read and study the Word so they will know "the way." "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (II Tim. 2:15).

Yes, I feel I will be ashamed when I meet my Lord because I didn't study His Word when I was younger. I am writing this to help someone along the way—trying to sow the seed while I can. May God bless these few lines as they go forth in my heartfelt prayer to Him.

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## MISSIONARY "TRAVELOG"—

### I. Cape Verde Journeys

(continued)

#### General Superintendent Benner

**F**OLLOWING the evening service at Nova Sintra, Brava, we prepared to embark for St. Vincent. Again we were delayed, this time by motor trouble, so it was midnight before we were under way. Miss Wilke had come to Brava with us, and here Brother and Sister Eades and Margaret Ann also joined our nautical group, since all were to meet on St. Vincent for the District Assembly. Other passengers had been taken aboard to just about the limit of accommodations.

It was the beginning of a rough, thirty-five-hour voyage—all of Thursday night, all day Friday, all of Friday night, and until nearly 2:00 p.m. Saturday. Before we landed, every passenger, except the general superintendent, was seasick. (I had good reason to give thanks often that God had made me a good sailor.) Under such conditions there was little interest in food, so in twenty-four hours a cup of fruit juice, three bananas, and a few cookies constituted my menu. Coming into the channel between St. Vincent and another island nearby, the wind forced us off our projected course toward the harbor of Mindelo. To avoid crashing into the precipitous, rocky shore, the sails were lowered, and under motor power we made our way very slowly, against the wind, around two treacherous points, and after taking nearly two hours to travel the last mile and a half, we were anchored and ready to disembark.

As I indicated earlier, I have given details of this voyage in order that our people may understand some of the difficulties faced in developing and superintending such a missionary field. Our ship, the "Novas de Alegria," is about seventy-two feet long, and that is not too much boat on the open sea. No radio facilities are available on any of the small Cape Verde ships. One small row-boat is carried, not for lifesaving purposes, but only for the use of the crew in handling the ship in mooring, etc. There are no life belts for the simple reason that in shark-infested waters such equipment constitutes "excess baggage." It was under such conditions that Everette Howard traveled the Cape Verdes for years. It is still under those conditions that Earl Mosteller has carried on the supervision of the work in recent years.

As we drew near to the dock at Mindelo, we saw a large number of St. Vincent Nazarenes gathered to greet us. In the group were Mrs. Mosteller and Mrs. Wood, together with the Mosteller children, Kathleen, Virginia, and Elizabeth. Soon we were in the Mosteller home and devoutly grateful that the difficult voyage was ended safely.

Services were held on Saturday evening, Sunday morning, and Sunday evening. The St. Vincent work is only four years old, and the services are held in a second floor hall, which was always filled to overflowing, with scores standing on a veranda and down the entrance steps. In these services were the Bible school students and their wives—a fine-looking, capable, spiritual group. As in Praia and Nova Sintra, a splendid choir directed by Brother Wood sang effectively and with the blessing of God upon them.

After the Sunday morning service, we all made our way to the place where a new church building is under construction and rejoiced in what God is helping our St. Vincent Nazarenes to accomplish. It is said that when completed this will be the finest church building in the Cape Verdes. It is so located as to dominate that section of the city. The head carpenter and mason is a loyal Nazarene. The construction supervisor has been converted recently, and has declared that he desires to be baptized and unite with the church with the first group in the new church building.

In the Sunday night meeting there was a typical Nazarene testimony service in which practically everyone speaking testified definitely to entire sanctification. My message was directed particularly toward the church and had no special evangelistic emphasis. But at the close Brother Mosteller felt led to give an exhortation, and under the anointing of the Spirit he urged the needy to come. About fourteen responded, including the captain of the "Novas de Alegria." Also a woman, eighty-four years old, and from one of the leading families of St. Vincent, who had been converted recently, was beautifully sanctified.

Leaving St. Vincent at 4:00 p.m. Monday, we sailed another twenty hours to Sal, where I took the plane Tuesday morning for Rome. Thus ended my "Cape Verde Journeys," but in my heart I bear the vision of our Cape Verde missionaries and national Nazarenes, and it is of these that I shall write in my concluding report.

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## PRAYER WARRIOR

By Maggie Culver Fry

*All night with Jesus, watching  
Every hour—  
Kneeling, yet somehow feeling  
The need of power.*

*A worn and sleepy pilgrim,  
Watching there;  
Anguish road . . . a heavy load . . .  
Names called in prayer.*

*And yet, on Sunday morning  
Set apart,  
He feels a surging power,  
A love-filled heart!*

# The Astonishing Results

By Ralph L. Moulton\*

## IT IS ASTONISHING—

That no other group in the Church of the Nazarene wins a larger percentage of its members to Christ in a week's time than do our district boys' and girls' camps.

That approximately 6,700 boys and girls between the ages of seven and fifteen attended one of the 71 camps held on 37 districts in 1953. Of these, 3,400 sought Christ as their Saviour or Sanctifier. Several districts reported that all but two or three were saved and no camp was without some definite conversions. Also, it costs less to win souls in camps than it does in revival meetings. Boys' and girls' camps pay!

## DID YOU KNOW—

That camping in a Christian atmosphere affords one of the greatest opportunities for boys and girls to grow in the Christian way of life? That camping provides an experience of Christian living through which campers come to a better understanding of Christian principles and teachings as revealed in the Bible? That camping helps boys and girls to understand God and His purposes as they make discoveries about His work in nature? That it affords opportunities for boys and girls to worship God in the out-of-doors amid nature, His handiwork?

Camping takes boys and girls out of their old environment and places them in Christian society. In this Christian environment boys and girls learn to choose the right in the practical situations of life. This will strengthen their faith in Christ and the Church.

## LET'S BE REMINDED—

That camping in our district boys' and girls' camps will aid in developing leaders for our churches of tomorrow.

Can we expect to reap a good harvest of leaders if we have not sown the seed of developmental wisdom? In our camps the boys and girls are given opportunity to pray, testify, sing, and to think through their problems. Anxiously sharing the burdens and problems of one another, eagerly they pray the unsaved through at an altar of prayer.

Thank God for a church that is interested in her boys and girls. Thank God for district and local leaders who are willing to give their best in time, effort, and prayers in order to reach boys and girls for Christ. Thank God for parents who are interested in their children's spiritual welfare

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and who will sacrifice, if need be, to give them God's best.

The past year has been the best year in the camping program of the Church of the Nazarene, but there are places where no camps are held. If your children do not have a boys' and girls' camp available to them, do something about it. You are missing a great opportunity to point boys and girls to Christ. Parents, do not allow another summer to go by without your boy or girl attending a Nazarene camp! Remember, one soul (especially if it were your boy or girl) is worth the whole world!

## IS THAT ALL?

Camping is wonderful! It is great to bring boys and girls to a saving and sanctifying knowledge of Christ and to help them get established in Christ while at camp. But—are we going to let them go home to lose out in their experience, to fall back into the old rut with the old crowd?

Boys and girls are impressionable and easily persuaded; therefore, they need the tender care and nurture of spiritual leadership and fellowship. The Church of the Nazarene has provided a program known as the CARAVAN organization to meet this need. It is geared to meet the week-day needs of children and young people in the local churches.

We cannot do enough for Nazarene children. It is our responsibility to save the children God has entrusted to us. Success or failure in this depends upon no one but ourselves. We must everlastingly keep at the job of winning them to Christ and the church. Whether your boys and girls attended camp or not, they need Christian guidance and teaching during the week. If you feel God would have you do more for the boys and girls in your class, then organize the Caravan. If you are interested in information regarding the Nazarene Caravan, write to the DIVISION OF CARAVANS AND CAMPS, 2923 Troost Avenue, Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.



The Lord  
Thy God Will Hold  
Thy Right Hand

Isa 41:13



## WHAT They Are Saying About the CARAVAN



*Dallas District*—"It will soon be twenty years since I started in the ministry and I believe the Caravan work is the most gratifying work I have ever done."—Rev. W. E. Boggs.

*Idaho-Oregon District*—"The Caravan program has been a blessing to the church because it strengthens the recreational and catechetical programs for this age group."—Tom Kelly.

*British Isles*—"We are thrilled with the progress our Caravan is making. A number of boys and girls have been saved and plan to unite with the church. How we thank God for the very real breath of His presence!"—Rev. M. W. Quick.

*Astoria, Oregon*—"We have been thrilled at what the Trailblazer organization has done for us. Before the Bible school and the organization of the Trailblazers we were having from none to three boys in the Junior class. Now we have from ten to twenty each Sunday."—Rev. Milton Gardiner.

*New England District*—"When I asked about going to a neighboring church over a Sunday to

help organize the Caravan, my board urged me to go, saying: 'We are sold on the program 100 per cent—go and sell them.'"—Rev. R. E. Howard.

*Southern California District*—"Caravans are helping us reach many new boys and girls for Christ. Our district is really going to push the Caravan this year."—Rev. Wm. D. Howard.

*Western Ohio District*—"Recently we organized the Trailblazers in our church with fourteen boys present. With great anticipation we looked forward to seeing these boys saved. We were not disappointed, for during a recent revival twelve of the boys bowed at an altar and claimed the victory. I contend that the Caravan is one means of reaching boys and girls for Christ and establishing them in our church standards."—Rev. V. E. McCoy.

*Long Beach, California*—"We are deeply appreciative of the aid that is offered by the Church Schools Department in this work. It fills a long felt need. We are in the Caravan program to stay."—Rev. J. Lewis Ingle.

## Holiness and Power

By Edward L. Dowd\*

L. FRANK BAUM's famous story, *The Wizard of Oz*, tells of the small girl, Dorothy, and her pilgrimage to the Emerald City in search of the Wizard of Oz. She has become lost, and seeks to ask help of the Wizard in finding her way home. While the story is only a fable, it contains some apt illustrations of human nature. On her way to the Emerald City, Dorothy encounters several strange and interesting individuals who also need help. They are the Scarecrow, who needs new brains in his head; the Tin Woodsman, who needs a new heart; and the Timid Lion, who needs courage. Dorothy and her friends define four needs of the soul that are satisfied in entire sanctification.

Heart holiness brings guidance to the soul. The undivided heart can seek and find the will of God for life and also for living. We need not blunder and fail in life, for the Holy Spirit will lead the sanctified into all truth. This includes

our life's service to God, our vocation, our location, and our relationships to others. "As God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people . . . and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty" (II Cor. 6:16-18). Amid each changing circumstance of life God gives the power of discernment and guidance to the sanctified life.

The power of God comes into the mind of the man who is baptized with the Holy Spirit. Jesus' promise to us of the gift of the Spirit of truth in John 14:16 and 17 is fulfilled in holiness. Like the Scarecrow in the fable, we need new brains in our heads! Our judgment must become empowered by the Spirit if we are to live the abundant life. For this spiritual knowledge and wisdom St. Paul prayed concerning the Colossian church. "For this cause we . . . do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding . . . and increasing in the knowledge of God" (Col. 1:9-10).

Too often the thought of power has become misused, being considered a strange force in men

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to perform the extreme or the fantastic act. Rather, it is the return of the moral strength of God which brings men into harmony with His will. While the Tin Woodsman in the fable looked strong, he had no heart. Reaching beyond our appearances, the power of God's Spirit graces life's routine hardships, and anoints with love the bruises of disappointment.

Before a man is entirely sanctified he is much like the month of March, "in like a lion and out like a lamb." He resembles the Timid Lion of the fable, ready to charge in upon the scene, but filled with fears and questionings before the battle is well under way. More than the Timid Lion, the soul of man needs courage. This the Holy Spirit brings to the soul in entire sanctification. Stamina, endurance, persevering tenacity—these are the fruits of the purified heart. Beneath the famous painting of the courageous Sir Galahad are written the lines: "My strength is as the strength of ten because my heart is pure." Heart purity brings the power of courageous determination to do God's will.

We are not making our pilgrimage to a fabled Emerald City but to the City of God, the New Jerusalem. For our journey God will give us power in our minds, in our hearts, and in our wills. Heart holiness is the compass of God which, followed to life's end, will bring us at last face to face with Him who is worthy "to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing," the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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## He Giveth Me Songs in the Night

(Job 35:10)

By Ruth R. Boxell

When night shadows gather, my body in vain  
Seeks rest from the cares and relief from the  
strain.

I lay myself down, but my eyes will not close;  
My mind cannot find there a calm, sweet  
repose.

It's then that I turn, as I'm longing for rest,  
To Him who so often my spirit has blessed—  
*And He giveth me songs in the night.*

The long, restless hours of the nighttime must  
cease

When Jesus, my Saviour, brings calmness and  
peace.

He renews my spirit, and refills my soul;  
His own precious blood is still making me  
whole.

I have a new strength to meet a new day,  
New hope and new courage, more faith as I  
pray—

*For He giveth me songs in the night!*

If you would be spiritual, destroy—

## CANKERWORMS

By Isa Sherman Ludy\*

**C**ANKERWORMS are two destructive caterpillars of geometrid moths—the spring cankerworm and the autumn cankerworm. They are found in the United States from Maine to Texas. The spring species is about an inch long, naked, and dark green. It has two pairs of prolegs and three pairs of true legs. The autumn cankerworm is similar. The eggs are laid on fruit and shade trees and the larvae frequently destroy the foliage of whole orchards in a few days.

Other than the destruction of the cankerworm, there is the dreadful canker disease of fruit trees characterized by the splitting and death of part of the bark. This may be caused by carelessness in pruning or various fungi. Whatever the origin, whether canker disease or cankerworm, the results are deplorable.

Christians are likened to fruit trees planted by the Lord, expected to bear fruit unto holiness. Many are the faces of spiritual cankerworms, and we must be quick to detect and destroy them. Although we have received the baptism of love and we walk in the Spirit, this in no way acts as an immunization against satanic attacks. In fact, the very presence of Christ in our lives seems to antagonize evil forces to do their utmost to destroy our precious fruit. For this reason we find an admonition in the Scriptures: "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Eph. 6:10-12).

Have you ever planned an afternoon of visitation, or has a burden of intercession fallen upon you, only to find yourself engulfed in confusion from pressing duties, housework, or other distractions? These are fiery trials clothed in the legitimate to thwart God's work. In times like these, gird up the loins of your mind and determine to do what God is prompting you to do. In the face of such a positive will, the opposition of Satan melts as hoarfrost in the sunlight. "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: but rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings" (I Pet. 4:12-13).

One of the most subtle forms of opposition is in the realm of conversation. "Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. Study

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to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. And their word will eat as doth a canker" (II Tim. 2:14-17).

When Christians meet in everyday life, whether it be on the street, the shop, or in the grocery store, most conversations are consumed with temporal matters. Many hours are spent in "words to no profit." Perhaps they did no aggressive harm, but does an afternoon spent in laughter and visiting actually profit either party? Have you ever left an hour of careless talking with an empty feeling? It is because such wasted time borders on the threshold of vain babbling. Eventually it will eat into your life as doth a canker. "Redeem the time" may, in truth, be applied to our conversations.

The discussion of spiritual topics and prayer should be spontaneous and natural. If a part of each morning has been spent reading the Scriptures and praying, your mind will be dwelling on such, and so, with no *apparent* effort or *forced* openings, your conversation throughout the day will automatically include Christ.

While the Lord approves of provision for the future, and sloth and carelessness are an abomination unto Jehovah, yet too large an amount hoarded in the bank may someday be your downfall. "Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you" (Jas. 5:3). Your own bulging bank account will someday rise up at the judgment—an ugly, naked cankerworm to accuse you!

Are cankerworms spoiling the foliage of your Christian experience? Do you long for a closer walk with the Lord, resulting in a more fruitful life? You want, I'm sure, to hear Him say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

If you would enter into the joy of the Lord, be faithful in these few things:

- (1) Study the Word and pray.
- (2) Flee words to no profit.
- (3) Give liberally to the cause of God.
- (4) Resist evil wherever it appears.

The damage of the cankerworm can be halted in fruit trees by spraying. In dealing with spiritual cankerworms, much depends upon your watchful eyes. "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith" (I Pet. 5:8-9).

Save your precious fruit! With such watchfulness on your part, you can stop evil before it enters. But, although the harm has even reached the leaf destruction stage of bitterness, greed, or gossip, apply the remedy—confess and forsake, for the precious blood of Jesus cleanseth us from all unrighteousness. "There is a balm in Gilead."

## FOR THEE . . .

By Ila R. Monday

*Help me, Lord, to climb the pathway steep;  
To speak where there is need, and silence keep  
When it is best; to let Thy love suffuse  
Each hurtful moment, till there is no bruise.*

*Then give me grace to sacrifice and smile,  
To hurry when it's right—or stop a while  
If Thou so will—that one more soul might be  
Brought to the throne. Lord, help me work . . .  
for Thee!*

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## CROSSING THE BORDER

By George H. Talbert\*

**S**OME time ago my wife and I went up into Canada on a fishing trip for our summer vacation. The fishing was not so good, but we stayed on, hoping that it would be; we stayed two weeks, and they were enjoyable. By virtue of this extended stay we were permitted to bring out \$400.00 worth of merchandise duty free. There was also this proviso: if we had purchased, or arranged for the purchase of, more merchandise than we had in our possession when we crossed the border, we were permitted to "declare" it then, and when it did come through it was duty free because it was "declared."

My wife is very fond of beautiful china and took advantage of this occasion to purchase some Spode at very reasonable prices. However, the merchant did not have the entire set she purchased, but he offered to ship the balance of the set as soon as it arrived from England. When we came to the border, of course we had to "go through customs." There we "declared" what we had with us; we showed evidence, too, as to the length of our stay and then "declared" anything more that might come through later. The customs officials were very kind and courteous and sent us on our way.

Later my wife said: "That is the way I got sanctified. At the border where I crossed I 'declared' all I had by way of human relationships; personal ambitions and earthly store would never hinder me in my relationship to God, and nothing they would ever do would keep me from serving Him. The witness of the Spirit did not come, however; it was not clear. Then I said, 'Lord, if anything comes through in the future, I am here and now declaring it too.' In twenty-two years much has come through, but it was, and is, all declared."

And I thought that perhaps this is the secret of her happy, victorious life.

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# The Greatest Need

By H. M. von Stein\*

**I**T HAD seemed wise to quit the mountains for good—to settle down, as a good church member settles down, leaves the choir and the church board, and takes a permanent seat in a pew not too far from the front, where he can see and where they will not tap him on the shoulder to help take up collection in case of emergency. We had decided we were getting nowhere, leaving our comfortable home every summer to roam the forest trails and fight fire. We could make more money in the valley.

The mountains and the forests were there—we could see them from the big picture window on the homestead where we live, and where our friends say it is wild enough, “for goodness sake!” I could continue to write stories and articles for a long time from the experiences of past years.

But my stories and articles lacked reality. We are back in the forest again, the horses are being groomed for the fire season, and saddles and pack gear are in shape for the high and lonely mountain trails once more.

There is reality only in the presence of its substance. The greatest present need of our church and the individuals in it is a more vital grasp of the reality of Jesus.

That the Word of God tells us that He is a Spirit and has been seen of no man does not mean that there is no mortal avenue through which we can know God. It is this blindness, this willingness on our part to accept the idea of God as an undiscoverable fact, which keeps us from our most precious spiritual development and robs the church of power.

In this concept, we shackle our perceptions by isolating our spiritual experience to our own personalities. We grasp the fact that a spiritual experience is a very personal thing, and squeeze it to death for fear the knowledge that it is also a mutual element will upset our whole idea.

This is one reason why we testify with reluctance. The other reason is that we do not have much to testify about. And our own paucity of grace convinces us with no justification that the rest of the congregation is in about the same shape we are. It is a vicious cycle; we hinder each other.

If we will talk about our personal experiences in the realm of the Spirit with interest comparable to that with which we discuss our business, cars, the weather, or with what fly we caught the limit of trout, we will discover new depths in each other.

I do not think Nazarenes lack spiritual perception or depth. But still water runs slow! Are we ashamed of each other? I know we are not ashamed of Jesus. Perhaps we are ashamed of each other!

“By thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned” (Matt. 12:37) is not aimed at the unconverted only. Neither does “with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Rom. 10:10) mean once in grace, always in grace.

The vital reality is seen in those whom He has redeemed, and in no others. In this perception we do see and touch God himself, through each other. No fact of Christian experience is more sure, and no facet of that experience more urgent.

No, I am going back where I can feel the cool, sweet breath of a cloud in my face, and touch the fir trees as I pass; and next Wednesday evening I shall tell the people of the love God has put in my heart for them and how much good their lives have done mine. I will probably not say it the way I would like, but it will be real, because it will be the truth—just as Jesus is real because He is the Truth.

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*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it (I Cor. 10:13).*

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“GO,

And the Lord Be with Thee”

By John Lambert\*

**T**HESE words have been spoken many times: when a boy was going to war, when a person was going under surgery, or when a person was going to a place unknown.

In I Sam. 17:37 Saul told David, as the boy was ready to go and fight Goliath, “Go, and the Lord be with thee.” Saul and his trained soldiers were afraid to go.

The armor of Saul was too heavy for David, and we see David taking it off. Yet David had on armor that day, for he was wearing faith in God. Some people today are trying to carry too much; they want to have faith in God, yet they carry excess weight around. This is keeping them from being what God would have them to be.

You must take off the weights that are keeping you down. God will supply the armor that you need today to fight the giants of sin.

Though David was a youth, God went with him and he was victorious over a giant of sin. Today our youth are facing giants of sin—the liquor industry, the tobacco companies, and the motion picture industry. We can conquer these giants of sin if we will wear the armor of faith, and let God go with us to fight against sin.

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# Words as a Staff

By Hazel Lee\*

*And the people rested [margin, leaned] themselves upon the words of Hezekiah (II Chron. 32:8).*

THE SITUATION was drastic. The need was imperative. The problem was beyond ordinary solution. Yet how splendidly Hezekiah worked! First he took counsel. Although he was a king, yet he felt the need of advice, showing a humble, teachable spirit. Then he worked negatively by stopping the flow of water to the enemy encamped against the city. He worked positively as he strengthened himself, built up the broken wall, raised up towers, and made darts and shields in abundance. He strengthened himself. Without inner strength there can be no routing of the enemy, no application of the ammunition.

Then the climax of the story comes in his courageous words to his people, "Be strong and courageous . . . with us is the Lord our God to help us, and to fight our battles." And the people leaned themselves upon these heartening words. Hezekiah's strong personal faith in his God, backed by a splendid character and wise action, made his words potent and a staff to the fainting hearts of his people. The words we utter to others can be no stronger than the Godlike character back of them. For how can an impotent man place a staff under a crippled brother?

Words as a staff! How lovely they are! Because "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" (Matt. 12:34), only the heart resting in its God can speak words of strength and power around which shines the radiance of holy love. Isaiah makes an exquisite statement: "The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary" (Isa. 50:5). Here is wisdom and tact one does not learn in university walls—not only knowing *how* to speak, but *when*. Here is where the Holy Spirit leads and guides. A desire to help is not enough; there is always the right time.

Zechariah fed his flock using two staves, one called Beauty and one called Bands (11:7). There is no surer way to bind the poor of the flock to the Great Shepherd than a full use of God's Holy Word in the beauty of holiness. And "verily they shall be fed." The staff, Beauty, points to green pastures and the staff, Bands, protects the flock from the prowling enemy. His Word—a staff!

In moments of bereavement, "I am the resurrection, and the life."

In disappointment and perplexity, "He hath done all things well."

In illness and weariness, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

\*Nazarene Missionary in India

When wounded in the house of our friends, "Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows."

When interceding for the lost, "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied."

When we come to the end of our days, "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee."

In just such measure as we have accepted the comfort of His matchless words, so must we give to others strong, unbending staffs on which to lean. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom" (Col. 3:16).

**DID YOU READ  
YOUR BIBLE TODAY?**

## Hymn of Surprises

By Bess A. Olson\*

THE FAMOUS evangelist, Dwight L. Moody, was in the midst of a sermon one night when a drunkard suddenly interrupted, "Mr. Moody, will you let Sankey sing 'The Ninety and Nine'?" Mr. Moody graciously complied. Ira D. Sankey sang the hymn and the man immediately went to the inquiry room.

This is but one of the many thrilling incidents that accompanied Sankey's singing of the hymn, whose very composition and introduction were unusual.

In 1868 an English lady, Miss Elizabeth Clephane, sat reading a poem in a children's paper, the *Children's Hour*. Her face wore a smile of pleasure, for it was her own poem, "The Ninety and Nine." "Perhaps it will lead some child to the Good Shepherd," she said happily.

Miss Clephane, however, would have been surprised by the great number of people, children and adults, who have been helped through her poem's use as a hymn. In fact, she never knew that it became a hymn, for a year after its publication she passed away.

Five years later Sankey and Moody, on an evangelistic tour of England, were riding on a train to Edinburgh. Sankey's attention was caught by the poem tucked in the corner of the paper he was reading:

*There were ninety and nine that safely lay  
In the shelter of the fold,  
But one was out on the hills away,  
Far off from the gates of gold;  
Away on the mountains wild and bare,  
Away from the Shepherd's tender care.*

He read it through. "This is good," he said to Moody. "Listen." He read it with his best

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expression, but the evangelist only grunted. He was deep in his own paper.

"I still think it's good," said Sankey. He clipped the poem from the paper and tucked it into his Bible, thinking, Sometime I may use this.

He used it sooner than he had expected. A few nights later, Moody preached a message on the Good Shepherd. At the close he said to Sankey, "Sing something appropriate."

Sankey quickly considered numbers. His thoughts turned to the poem in his Bible. But there is no music, he objected to himself. He felt so impressed, however, with the message of the poem that he laid it on his organ as he sat down. He struck A-flat and began to sing the words. The music came to him as he sang—music that has never been changed in all the years it has been sung.

He finished the first stanza. Now could he sing the same thing again? He started the second stanza. The music came again. By the time he had reached the third stanza he was more sure of himself and could concentrate on expression and the message of the song.

He finished to a wet-eyed and hushed congregation. Moody, with tears running down his face, rushed to him exclaiming, "Where did you find that wonderful song?"

"It is the poem I read to you on the train," said Sankey and smiled at Moody's look of surprise.

Far back in the gallery sat a little woman quietly weeping. To her the hymn had been the greatest surprise and pleasure of all. She explained to Sankey in a letter a few days later: "Thank you for singing my dear, dead sister's poem!"

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## From New York City To Bethany, Oklahoma

### NEW YORK AND CLEVELAND

**D**URING April I attended the annual meeting of the Religious Press Association. As usual, it provided a most interesting and valuable program. Every speaker was an outstanding religious, journalistic, or political leader. One whole day was spent at the United Nations, where unusual opportunities were afforded for learning of its work. The climactic event of this day was the opportunity of visiting the Security Council while it was in session. Of course, some of those connected with this world organization have no regard for God or religion. In contrast, there are others who are undoubtedly motivated by the highest religious ideals. They covet the prayers of the Christian people everywhere. It should also be remembered that the United Nations is very limited in its power. Nevertheless, it seems to me that some good may come from the discus-

sion of world problems by authorized representatives of the various nations. Might it not be better sometimes to talk about these problems than to fight it out, especially since we now live in the age of the hydrogen bomb?

The next week after the above convention I was in Cleveland, Ohio, for a few days and visited some of the sessions of the National Association of Evangelicals. Dr. Paul Rees, president of the association, flew back from England, where he had been assisting in Billy Graham's campaign. He gave the opening message to the organization and presided over its sessions until he had to leave. Other prominent religious leaders addressed the general meetings, and much business was taken care of in the departmental groups. It was a joy to meet again some whom I had known before and to fellowship for the first time with other Christian leaders from various parts of the country. As I look back on these gatherings in New York and Cleveland, I am made to thank God again for those in other religious organizations who love Christ and have a passion to promote His cause in the earth.

### A COMMENCEMENT AND AN ANNIVERSARY

It was my good fortune to be in Kansas City for the commencement exercises of Nazarene Theological Seminary. Dr. L. T. Corlett, president of the Seminary, preached the baccalaureate sermon in First Church of the Nazarene on Sunday afternoon, May 16. Monday night following was the occasion of the all-Seminary banquet, at which Rev. Rob Staples, a senior seminarian, was master of ceremonies, and Rev. Wm. Greathouse, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene in Clarksville, Tennessee, and professor in Trevecca Nazarene College, was the speaker. Tuesday morning the last chapel service was held in the new Seminary building. That night the graduation exercises were conducted, with Dr. Harold W. Reed, president of Olivet Nazarene College, giving the address. At that time, Dr. Corlett conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity on sixty-five—exactly the number enrolled in the Seminary the first year.

There was another unusual event in Kansas City in which I gladly had a part. First Church of the Nazarene celebrated the silver wedding anniversary of its pastor and wife, Dr. and Mrs. A. Milton Smith. I performed their wedding ceremony on May 20, 1929, in Bethany, Oklahoma, and I had the privilege of reading the vows to them again on May 20, 1954. This was only a part of a well-arranged program, with the proper organ music by Mrs. Robert Edwards, our church organist; appropriate songs by Professor Ray Moore, our song leader; an original poem on the life of Dr. and Mrs. Smith, by Dr. John Stockton; the reading of greetings from out-of-town relatives and friends, by Dr. S. T. Ludwig; the presentation of a silver tea service from the church, by Mr. Arch Edwards, chairman of the board of trustees. Mrs. G. B. Williamson had general charge of the occasion and was ably assisted by Mr. Vernon Lunn, Sunday-school superintendent.

After the ceremony and program, a reception was held in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Smith, with Mrs. S. T. Ludwig in general charge. I am heartily in favor of such celebrations. We should pay tribute in our homes and churches to those who have made a success of marriage. Also, such occasions give us an opportunity to recognize old-fashioned goodness in those who have served well their God, church, and community.

#### PARKERSBURG AND BETHANY

This report would not be complete without a few words about a convention I held in the First Church of the Nazarene in Parkersburg, West Virginia, the last week in May. Rev. H. H. Hendershot is the pastor, and God is surely honoring his ministry. We began on Wednesday night and continued over Sunday. God broke in on Sunday morning, and I did not get to preach. A woman came to the altar during the singing and others followed until the altar was full. By the time all had prayed through, it was too late to preach. Sunday night at the close of the message the altar was again filled with seekers. It was a good day

—the result of the faithful work of the pastor and the prayers of him and his people. I was well cared for in the Adella Hotel—the owner's wife is a faithful member of First Church, and he is very generous in his entertainment of Nazarene preachers.

From Parkersburg I made a hurried trip by train and plane to Bethany, Oklahoma, where I was scheduled to speak at the alumni banquet of Bethany-Peniell College. Nearly everything went wrong, and I arrived Monday night, May 31, several hours too late for the occasion. However, I did get to be there for the big day of commencement on Tuesday, June 1. Mrs. White and I attended the Honor Society breakfast, a reception in the afternoon, and commencement exercises in the evening. Dr. W. T. Purkiser, president of Pasadena College, gave the commencement address; and Dr. Roy H. Cantrell, president of Bethany-Peniell College, conferred degrees and honors on one of the largest classes in the history of the institution. Altogether, that Tuesday was a great day, and I was glad to visit my alma mater again. —THE EDITOR.

## THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON



By J. GEORGE TAYLORSON

### Topic for July 11: Are We Growing as Christians?

Scripture: I Cor. 3:1-3; Eph. 4:11-16; II Pet. 1:5-8; 3:18 (Printed, same)

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (II Pet. 3:18).*

Paul had the insight, courage, and skill of a great and efficient physician. He was a specialist in placing his finger on the diseased spots and announcing a clear diagnosis. In the passages under consideration, he levels the charge that the people are suffering from spiritual immaturity. Because of this arrested development there is not sufficient difference between the child of God and man on the street who is trustworthy and honorable but who makes no claim to the Christian faith. He tells us that we must grow up.

There are some qualities of childhood, however, that we must not lose. Jesus told us unsparingly that unless we become as little children we cannot enter the kingdom of God. There is, however, a sharp difference between the virtues of childhood and the vices of childishness and immaturity. We can find no better distinction than that given by Paul to the Corinthians: "In malice be ye children, but in understanding be men" (I Cor. 14:20).

We never want to lose the fresh awareness, the joy of living, and the simple spirit of appreciation characteristic of the heart of a child. But still there are spiritual developments to be made. The tantrums common to a child who doesn't get what he wants become an abomination to both God and man when found in professedly mature Christians. What long, tragic history has been written into human nature by the spiritually immature whose spirit is revealed by their partisan divisions, their wranglings, and their great concern over the trivial!

Paul, writing to the Corinthians, said, "When I became a man, I put away childish things" (I Cor. 13:11). The shallow "puppy" love was laid aside for a consuming passion that would spend itself even unto death. The problems of the world are so weighted and trying that it is only a matured devotion that can effectively lift burdens, dispel darkness, erase fear, and bring hope to the hopeless. The world of a child is just as large as the interests of the child, but to the soul in Christ, his world is as far-reaching as God's will and purpose. Childish bickerings, trivial differences, foolish

quarrelings, and small-minded activities are marks of childishness. When one enters into the wealth of Christian love he will lift life to the level of greatness and produce a refreshing goodness that was never dreamed attainable. In view of our world's pressing problems we may well inquire of ourselves, "Just how tall am I?"

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*And as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper (II Chron. 26:5).*

When we cease praying, we open the door to disaster.

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*God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble (I Pet. 5:5).*

How much better to be on the receiving end of the goodness of God than to be the recipient of His disfavor!—EARLE F. WILDE.

## B A N G !

**B**ANG is a good word. It is defined as "a sudden, loud noise." A further definition tells us that it's "a sudden, impetuous movement"; also "energy—go." Now whatever suggested that word to me? Boys and girls—they are a conglomeration of noise and movement. But you may say that applies to boys more than girls. Well, to some extent it does; but you must remember that girls from the ages of four to fifteen are pretty noisy themselves. More than that, they have plenty of energy and movement. We wouldn't want the boys or the girls if they weren't lively; for that would be an indication of the fact that something was wrong with them. Give them time; they'll slow down. I have, and you have. Increasing years, with their burdens, will quiet them down and considerably decrease their energy.

As we grow older it becomes more difficult for us to put up with the noise and the movement of youth, and if we're not careful we'll find ourselves too ready to criticize. We'll forget that once we were just as noisy and active as the boys and girls of today. More than that, if we wait until they slow down, until they cease to laugh, giggle, and scream so much, to work with them, we'll lose them. It's much easier to let them get away from God and the church with their noise and dash than to save them. Thank God, more is being done for these bundles of dash and go than once was. I remember when as a church we didn't give nearly as much time, money, interest, and energy to providing some way to direct or harness the impulsive lives of our boys and girls as we do now.

Today we have our Nazarene Young People's Society, with its teen-age division, as well as the senior young people; and also we provide for the children, in most of our churches, those who haven't yet reached the teen-age years. Here we have the Sunday school, with all the interest it is taking in the boys and girls. But our church does not stop with these agencies. It has also provided the work of the Caravan groups, and our boys' and girls' camps. In this issue of the *HERALD* you will have an opportunity to learn more about these last two phases of our work. You will rejoice with me that so many of our districts are already participating in these programs, and hope that the day will soon come when every district will have a part in them. We are also happy that so many of our local churches are realizing their responsibility as to this work, and look forward to the time when every church in our denomination will emphasize the program of the Caravan work and the boys' and girls' camps.

This program means that we are not going to wait until the "bang" has departed from the lives of our youth before we try to do anything for them. We'll do something for them, and do it now. No other agencies in our church offer

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better opportunities for such activities than the Caravan program and boys' and girls' camps. Anyone who tries to block the progress of these undertakings is laying himself liable to the sin of offending "one of these little ones," and Jesus said you'd better have a millstone placed about your neck, and be cast into the sea, than to offend one of "these little ones."

On then, I would say, with the camp and Caravan activities! If you do not know much about them, learn more about them by reading pages four and five in this issue of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*. If you do not have a Caravan program in your church, get it started at once, and God will make it a means of wonderful blessing to the boys and girls, not only of your church, but also of your community.

### The Way of the Leisured Heart

#### WHAT IT IS

**L**ET US turn now from the negative to the positive aspects of this way of the leisured heart. How can we know what Dr. E. Stanley Jones meant when he used this phrase? I don't believe that he had in mind any of those things which we have mentioned in the previous article. That is why I rule them out. *Jesus lived in the atmosphere of this way of the leisured heart, and none of these negative aspects which I have mentioned was characteristic of His life.* Take the Gospel of Mark, for instance; it has been called the "Galloping Gospel." It is the short Gospel, the Gospel of Action; notice the words "straightway," "immediately," "forthwith," which are often found in it. Christ was certainly anything but lazy as portrayed in this Gospel; and yet, with all the action recorded of Him here, there are the times of retirement. This Gospel, more than any other, mentions the occasions when He retired to the place of prayer. The way of the leisured heart is not the way of no feet, no hands, no deeds; it's the way of inner calm in the midst of action, of inner peace in the midst of work. It makes a place for prayer and meditation which creates energy and power for deeds. Christ was an example of this, and we, through the sanctified experience, may at least approach the standard which was set up by Him.

*The way of the leisured heart means the practice of self-abandonment, of that consecration by which we obtain the second blessing.* It is one thing to put everything on the altar, and it is quite another to live on that level day by day, the level of complete abandonment to the will of God. Are

you still completely given over to God? Religious perfection for the Roman Catholic clergy includes obedience, poverty, and chastity. Those who dedicate themselves wholly to the service of God, like the priests and the nuns, not only take on the task of obeying the commandments but also agree to observe the counsels of perfection—obedience, poverty, and chastity. It is one thing for them to subscribe to these, and it is quite another for them actually to live them. The same is true of you and me who claim to be sanctified wholly. We must not only keep the commandments, but also observe the counsels of perfection—obedience, poverty, and chastity. This means that there must be no question about our obedience to God; and it also indicates that everything we have is turned over to God—we become poverty-stricken. In other words, we become His stewards; and while He may let us keep much of what we have, from then on we must use it wholly in His service and as He directs. What we have then is really no longer ours, it is God's. Following the principle of chastity, we do not resort to celibacy, we do not do away with marriage, but we do agree to put God ahead of the satisfaction of any appetite. God is supreme in our lives; we have completely consecrated our all to Him; we have completely abandoned ourselves to Him, not only in one supreme moment, but moment by moment as the days, weeks, months, and years pass by.

*The way of the leisured heart is the way of selflessness, the way of no selfishness.* This will keep one's ambitions in proper check. You not only will refuse to talk about your ambitions, but you will refuse to act on them—that is, your own personal ambitions. What you do, in their realization, will be wholly for the glory of God, and not for your own glory.

I remember meeting a person once who professed great humility; in fact, I believe he thought he was very humble. He never would talk about himself or his achievements. That was fine; but it did not necessarily mean that he was humble. He almost killed himself in order to realize certain ambitions which he had. He didn't talk about those ambitions, but he "worked" for them, and he worked to realize them, not, as I could see, to honor God, or because of his love for God, but in order to honor himself and give himself position in the world.

If we are truly living a selfless life, we'll have love for all, whatever they may do, and criticism will be out of the question. Criticism, too, often grows out of envy, and envy out of ambitions that are selfish and ungodly. The way of the leisured heart can come only to those who are abandoned completely to God, and who are living a life of unselfishness.

Third, *the way of the leisured heart is the way of faith, and freedom from worry.* If we are really living this life as we should, we'll not let the future disturb us. When we bowed at the altar and were sanctified, we placed the "unknown bundle" on the altar, we turned the future over to God. After we were sanctified we should have continued to live on this level. This will enable us to live day by day without worry as to the future, leaving what is to be wholly in God's hands. As preachers, we'll not worry whether the service in which we are going to preach will accomplish just what we want it to; we'll prepare ourselves for it by prayer and study, and then go into it with but one thought, and that is to leave what happens in God's hands. That is the way of the leisured heart.

Fourth, *the way of the leisured heart is the way of discipline—a joyous, and not painful, self-discipline.* We take up our cross and follow Jesus gladly. The young bridegroom when he starts out on his honeymoon is not mourning over the fact that the day when he could pay attention to other girls has completely passed. No, not at all! He is so taken up with his bride that he never thinks about what has been taken from him—now there is only one girl in the picture, and he is not fretting about that fact. He is not disturbed about the limitations which he has brought upon himself; he is happy beyond measure over what has happened. Yes, he must discipline himself, and limit himself, but he is not worried in the least about it. That's the kind of life one must live in this way of the leisured heart. He will discipline himself in such a manner as to make everything count for God, and he will do it without complaint.

In the *way of the leisured heart we take time to be holy, time for Bible reading, prayer, and meditation.* Even in this rushing, hurrying world, we have to take time for these activities if we would live the sanctified life, or keep in the way of the leisured heart. That's one of the troubles with many of us; we get sanctified and then fail to take time to keep close to God. We come short and do not live in the way of the leisured heart.

Last, and sixth, *living in the way of the leisured heart means we are beyond emergency living.* Some people, even after they are sanctified, live from one emergency to another; if the crisis isn't on, they don't give God the place they should in their daily lives. Then when the emergency arises, their temperature runs up, they get a fever, as it were, and are in the midst of turmoil and excitement. This can be overcome only as moment by moment we companion with Jesus Christ. To keep step with Him, there is a wonderful other-worldliness that grips us; the things of this world, more and more, have a loose hold upon us, and our conversation is truly in heaven. This doesn't mean, as we have indicated time and time again, that we'll do nothing for men in this world. It doesn't indicate that we'll forsake this present world; but it does signify that we'll

have such contact with the world beyond that we are strengthened and calmed in this world of sin and trouble. Further, extra strength comes to us to steady us in the emergencies of this life.

Laymen and preachers, if we'll live in the way of the leisured heart, and live in this way moment by moment, we'll not wring our hands and tear our hair when we face some emergency; we will have already prepared ourselves for it by living daily in touch with God. *This is not the way of lack of concern, but the way of peace, and not turmoil; the way of release for our whole selves; the way in which our subconscious, as well as our conscious, self can manifest itself in its fullest strength.* This is the way in which there will be no unnecessary inhibitions; worry and pride, excitement and disturbance, will be eliminated. These circumscribe the expression of the whole man. A person who works for God cannot be at his best unless he lives continually in the way of the leisured heart. This is the abid-

ing life!

Now for a verse of scripture: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27). And in closing, I present a prayer by John Wesley: "Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our feverish ways. We live in such a feverish world, we fall into feverish ways of speaking and acting. O God, forgive me for those sins of pride and prejudice, of thinking evil things and speaking sinful words. Make me willing to recognize that I should be content in this state wherein I find myself, and to give myself diligently to be a steward of all I possess. May I never be almost Christian, or not far from the kingdom of God, but may I learn the secret of loving Thee perfectly. Do teach me, I pray Thee, that secret today. May I so live that I may witness to those with whom I live and work. In Christ's name, Amen!"

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

### Answered Prayer

June 7—JACK ARMSTRONG writes: "Janet spent six days in the hospital here in Prospect Park and was examined by three doctors, one a heart specialist. They say that with a month's good rest she should be feeling fine. They expect her nervous condition and murmur to clear up, and she should be better than ever. Her illness was the aftereffect of typhoid. She is to report back to the doctor in a few weeks for another check. We do praise the Lord for His goodness and answered prayer." Please continue to pray.

### Prayer Request

Early in June, I will begin my visits to all or nearly all the churches and congregations for annual meetings. There are five congregations that are ready or nearly ready to be organized and I expect to organize some of them. It will be over six weeks with practically every night in a different place, and some widely separated from each other. I need much prayer that God may sustain and give strength and wisdom for the task.—IRA TAYLOR, Peru.

### News from Africa

The Bible school at Stegi has an enrollment well into the twenties this term. They are an eager, promising group.

Our coloured people are rejoicing these days over the opening of the Bible school at Rehoboth. Five young men are enrolled as students.

### REMISS REHFELDT Secretary

By the first of June, Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Best will be living at 18 Albrecht Street, Westonaria, Transvaal, South Africa.

The new T.B. block at the Bremersdorp hospital was opened on April 2 by His Honour, the Resident Commissioner of Swaziland. It will accommodate twenty tubercular patients.

God is continuing to bless in the church work and the wards (at the E.L.M. Hospital, Africa) are proving a very fruitful ministry. We have recently had a number of our patients seeking the Lord. Our greatest prayer is that God will send more workers into this vineyard, so that we may concentrate more than ever on this wonderful opportunity of having a harvest that is ripe and right at our doorstep. We do not have to go and tour for miles to seek our congregation. Truly, the opportunities found in a mission hospital are tremendous.—KENNETH STARK, M.D.

### A Missionary Letter

*Dear Friends in the Homeland:*

Yes, here I am on my way to Barbados, where I am going to evangelize for six months. My visa came through to Chicago at noon on Wednesday, June 2, but through Bessie's grand help my packing was completed and I was on the train by 4:30 p.m., headed for New York City, from whence I sailed Thursday, the third.

It was hard to leave home knowing

I would not be seeing them again for six months. But we had all prayed that if it was God's will for me to go to Barbados He would open the door, but if not His will that He would close it.

We fully believe we are in God's will, but we need your prayers. Please do not forget.

The voyage thus far has been a very pleasant one, with only one rough time, the first morning out. This put quite a number of people in bed, but not P. L., thank the Lord!

I have met some pleasant people from Barbados and Trinidad, whom I plan to contact later on. I find that our "Showers of Blessing" broadcast is well known and appreciated in Trinidad.

The first evening in prayer the Lord gave me a special promise for these six months in the British West Indies. It is Num. 6:24-26. Each time we have gone for a term of service, the Lord has graciously given a special promise. He has never failed us and He will not fail us now.

Please pray that the Lord will give many souls, and some real Holy Ghost revivals. That is my heart cry, and such revivals can come only through much prayer and faith. So please pray much. I am counting on you, each one.—PRESCOTT BEALS.

(Brother Beals's address for the next six months will be Box 253, Bridgetown, Barbados, British West Indies. Until September 20, Mrs. Beals will be at Route 1, Box 25, Walla Walla, Washington.—Editor.)



# The Young People's Society

## Creative Discontent

By Wm. M. Greathouse\*

I FEEL compelled to coin a phrase to characterize the spirit of our General Council sessions in January: *creative discontent*. From every section of our growing youth movement, we discovered, an insistent question is coming to the surface of our thinking: How can we make the local N.Y.P.S. the evangelistic and educational force that under God it should be?

Here in the Southeast the problem came to the fore in a zone N.Y.P.S. workshop on the Tennessee District. The executive council had presented a panel discussion. We were in the discussion period following the panel when one of our local leaders put a question to us rather bluntly: Precisely *what* are we trying to do in N.Y.P.S. anyway? After several im-

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## L. J. DU BOIS, Secretary

pressive clearings of the throat, one or two of us groped through some kind of answer. On the way home that night, however, we began to grapple seriously with that question.

Meeting in Kansas City, the writer discovered that just this kind of question is posing itself rather universally to our thoughtful youth leaders. Surveying the problem, the council decided we have little but praise for our General N.Y.P.S., unless at times it has tended to think too much of simply challenging our local societies with general projects. Back home we have sometimes concluded erroneously that merely in co-operating with these projects we are "succeeding."

We agreed, moreover, that most of our district organizations are efficient. But (and here's where the discontent emerged) *are our local societies succeeding on the local level?* Here, after all, is the true measure of success or failure.

Turning to our Constitution, we found stated an aim big enough to challenge us until Jesus comes:

"The object of the society shall be to build up its members in Christian experience and in holy character, and to instruct them in the doctrines of the church, and to bring about the salvation of other young people. The activities of this society shall be distinctly religious and spiritual."

Your General Council, therefore, reassessed its responsibility. In out-poured prayer and dedicated thinking we solemnly pledged to find *ways and means of implementing* this high goal. We resolved that the time is now to shift the total emphasis of Nazarene Young People's Society to the training of our youth for effective Christian living and soul winning. We shall not rest until every local society is furnishing the church with intelligent, Spirit-filled church leaders and soul winners. To this end every agency of the N.Y.P.S. general, district, and local, shall be directed.

## THE QUESTION BOX

I closed the Question Box last week with the following two questions and answers:

Q. *Are undesirable personality traits curbed or removed in sanctification?*

A. I would prefer to say that they are removed rather than curbed.

Q. *When in the sanctified life does the removal of undesirable personality traits begin?*

A. Without doubt, at the time when a person is sanctified.

Now I present another question which is vitally related to the questions above:

Q. *What is the place of growth in the sanctified life? This refers to growth after the initial experience.*

A. Something has to happen when a person is sanctified, when he gets the second blessing. This, however, does not mean that everything possible has been done for the one who receives the blessing, so that he cannot make any spiritual progress thereafter. The holiness movement has always taught that there is the possibility of advancement in the spiritual life *after* sanc-

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tification. Therefore, no explanation of the second blessing is correct which excludes the possibility of growth in grace after the crisis has taken place. Thus I must emphatically assert that there is a place for growth in grace in the sanctified life, that is, after the initial experience. There are two things which we must guard against at this point—making growth in grace so significant that the initial experience becomes insignificant or giving so much importance to the initial experience that there is no room left for growth in grace. In other words, we must preserve a proper balance between the initial experience and growth in grace.

Let's go back now to the first question given above—a question which I very briefly answered last week:

Q. *Are undesirable personality traits curbed or removed in sanctification?*

A. I would prefer to say that they are removed rather than curbed. Why

did I give this answer? First, because I believe that such an answer is more in harmony with the Bible teaching. From the standpoint of the Bible it is more correct to hold that these undesirable personality traits are removed than that they are only curbed. If this be the case, this is the only answer that we could give to the question; for, after all, we still believe that the authority of the Bible is final. Those who do not believe that the authority of the Bible is final can say that it teaches this, but they do not accept it. However, this is not the case with those who subscribe to the doctrines of the Church of the Nazarene. Second, I am amazed at the emphasis which psychology puts on the elimination, or removal, of undesirable personality traits. It teaches that we are to get rid of them, and not that we are to arrange to get along with them. It may not emphasize the crisis as much as we do, but it does champion removal rather than the curbing of undesirable personality traits.

The second question given above, which was but briefly answered last

week, reads thus:

Q. *Where in the sanctified life does the removal of undesirable personality traits begin?*

A. Without doubt, at the time when a person is sanctified. I stopped here last time, but must enlarge on it in this Question Box. Whatever takes place when a person is sanctified wholly must be epochal. That which is the beginning of the removal of undesirable personality traits must be decisive and affect the whole selfhood of

the Christian. Let me illustrate this beginning thus: A few days ago I read where a present-day famous writer described the new birth as getting a new perspective. He meant that when a person is saved he views life from a new angle—through Christ. Before, his perspective has been from the viewpoint of self and sin, but now it has changed. However, the old perspective is still in the background, ready always to challenge each decision which is made in harmony with the new perspective. The old principle

of self and sin is not dead. At times there is a real battle on—the individual has doubts about the value of his new life. He is not completely sold on the Christ way, but when he gets sanctified the struggle ends. From then on he is completely sold on the new life. In principle there is but one thing which dominates his life, and that is the will of God. The old perspective of self and sin has completely disappeared.

(Next week I shall continue this discussion).

# HOME MISSIONS and EVANGELISM

## NEW CHURCHES

**D**URING the last few weeks many reports of new churches have been received, pushing our total since the General Assembly to over three hundred. The following is a list of churches recently organized and not previously reported in the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*:

- Halstead and Abergavenny in the *British Isles South District*
- Bethel Church in Atlanta on the *Dallas District*
- Calvary Church at Kingsport on the *East Tennessee District*
- East Lake Charles in *Louisiana*
- Kalamazoo Second Church on *Michigan District*
- Ellington and St. Louis Telegraph Road churches on the *Missouri District*
- Chelsea church on the *Northeast Oklahoma District*

- Redway, Marysville, and Livermore on the *Northern California District*
- Spokane South Hill, North Richland, and Selah, Washington, churches on the *Northwest District*
- Bushnell, Peoria Golden Acres, Peoria Sunnyland, Walnut, and La Salle churches on the *Northwestern Illinois District*
- The Empire church on the *Oregon Pacific District*
- Florence church on the *South Carolina District*
- Spring Valley church on the *Southern California District*
- Carbon church on the *Southwest Indiana District*
- Athens, Parsons, Winifrede, and Ashley churches, *West Virginia*

*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me (John 14:6).*

**ROY F. SMEE, Secretary**

## HOME MISSIONS

### Through Branch Sunday Schools

The Northern California District paper reports two new branch Sunday schools. Four ladies from San Francisco First Church started calling in the Crocket Amazon Project. On January 31 at the end of one month of effort, meeting on Saturday afternoon in the open air, they had eighty-one fine boys and girls present to listen to the story of Jesus. They are seeking a place to hold services.

The pastor of the Yreka church reports that one of his members felt led to go to Weed, California, near Mount Shasta, to start a Sunday school. The school has been averaging eighteen per Sunday.

Here is an interesting comparison of figures one year before the Kelso, Washington, church on the Washington Pacific District sponsored a new church in nearby Longview, and the figures for both churches one year after the organization:

<i>Kelso Before Sponsoring Longview</i>		
Average Sunday-school attendance .....	253	
Raised for all purposes ....	\$19,000.00	
<i>One Year After Starting the New Church</i>		
Kelso average attendance .....	316	
Longview average attendance ...	167	
Total average attendance .....		483
Kelso raised for all purposes	\$29,000.00	
Longview raised for all purposes .....	18,000.00	
Total raised for all purposes .....		\$47,000.00

Would anyone suggest that Kelso would be better off if it had not given members and money to start a new church at Longview?



Church building at Abergavenny, Wales, recently organized on the *British Isles South District* by Rev. J. B. Maclagan. It was formerly an I.H.M. mission, but had been discontinued. We have a good congregation in this, our first foothold in Wales.



# NEWS of the Churches



Baytown, Texas—God is blessing First Church in a great way, and we are moving ahead in all departments. Since coming here we have had some of our very best evangelists—Rev. Joe Chastain, Rev. Howard Burson (twice), Rev. Paul Garrett, and we closed with Brother Bill Boggs on Easter Sunday. We received ten new members into the church on the last Sunday of the meeting, all but one by profession of faith. We broke an eight-year Sunday-school record on Easter Sunday. The first Sunday in April we started our building fund for our new church. In fifteen minutes we raised over \$10,000.00 in cash and pledges. We feel that our best days are just ahead.—H. T. McCants, Pastor.

Colorado Springs, Colorado—Sunday evening, May 23, was the climaxing service of a fine week-end convention at First Church with Evangelist Thomas Hayes. There were 34 souls at the altar, and we had 375 in Sunday school. The messages were enjoyed immensely. This was Brother Hayes's first time of lengthy preaching since his eighteen months of sickness. He is now enjoying the best of health. Evangelist Hayes's ministry is solid, sound, and sensible.—C. W. Henderson, Pastor.

Alexander, Arkansas—Collegeville Church, where Rev. R. F. Twining is pastor, was blessed by one of our best revivals this spring with Evangelist Gloria Files and Singer Dorothy Adams. These girls are among the best evangelists in our movement. Their message in song and sermon is clear and sincere. Our church was lifted to a higher plain by the singing and preaching of the girls, and they did our young people good as well as the older ones. Gloria prayed the fire down and preached the old-fashioned gospel. Many seekers found God.—Mrs. Joe Morton, Reporter.

Rochester, New York—On May 16 Lake Avenue Church closed a Sunday-to-Sunday revival with Rev. John Nielson and DeVerne Mullen. The members and friends of the church gave out 996 invitations and, as a direct result, 136 visitors came. As a result of the meeting several people sought God, 4 of them new people, and on the last night many sought help at the altar. Brother Nielson's humble spirit and powerful messages were greatly blessed of the Lord. DeVerne Mullen's stirring and inspiring singing won the hearts of the people. Lake Avenue Church, which is ten years old, averaged 221 in Sunday school this past year which closed April 30. We now have 158 members

and over \$23,000.00 was received during the year. Rochester now has 3 fully organized Nazarene churches.—Morris E. Wilson, Pastor.

Ligonier, Indiana—Our church recently enjoyed one of the best revivals in its history, under the able and anointed ministry of Evangelist D. E. Patrone. His vocal and instrumental music was inspiring and his messages were pungent. A goodly number were saved, reclaimed, and sanctified, and a fine class was received into the membership of the church on the closing day. Convocations were held in the three schools and a noonday service in a nearby factory, which added much to the success of the meeting. There were 188 visitors in the revival. Brother Patrone was extended a unanimous call to return in 1956. Best of all, souls are still finding victory in regular services, a wonderful spirit is on, and we are expecting greater things of the Lord.—L. E. Tcone, Pastor.

Bristol, Tennessee—It was our privilege to have Rev. O. C. Weigel for an old-fashioned revival at First Church. Our people made some real preparation for God's visitation by conducting prayer meetings four or five weeks in advance. The Sunday morning and afternoon before the revival began was a time long to be remembered because of God's presence in prayer. Brother Weigel endeared himself to our people from night to night in a most remarkable way. God gave us seekers at the altar, with over forty victories. There were some new people there who had not been in a church for over three years. We received 8 fine members, making a total of 12 this assembly year, including the heads of 5 new families. We are now laying plans for a new church and parsonage in this twin city of 42,000 people. We feel God's presence in our regular services. Rev. E. B. Moss is our fine pastor and has a real vision and burden for the church. The church has extended him a three-year call, which he has accepted.—Reporter.

Mobile, Alabama—First Church recently closed a fruitful revival with Rev. Harold Daniels as evangelist. Brother Daniels preached under the anointing night after night, and many souls sought spiritual help at the altar. Several new members were received into membership on the Sunday following the close of the meeting. Our spring Sunday-school campaign was very gratifying with an Easter attendance of 304, the largest in over ten years. We pastor a wonderful group of people, and God is giving us the victory.—C. W. Elkins, Pastor.

McCook, Nebraska—We recently closed one of our greatest revivals with Rev. Max F. Peters as evangelist. He preached dynamic messages; he is fearless in his preaching, and he preaches in all love. He has a great burden for souls and personal soul winning. Our altar was lined night after night and many souls prayed through to salvation and sanctification; new people were added to the church. The church was left with a greater vision on personal soul winning. We are in perfect harmony.—Harvey Mullenax, Pastor.

Rev. E. D. Messer writes: "After July 1, I will be leaving the pastorate for the field of evangelism, and will be available for revivals or holiness conventions. I have served the Church of the Nazarene as pastor for a number of years, and on the Florida District fourteen assembly years, having served in this capacity at Ft. Lauderdale, Tampa First, Clearwater, Homestead, and Tallahassee. During my years in the ministry I have given much time and thought to the preaching of the doctrine of holiness as a second work of grace. I believe the Lord has given me some messages on holiness, from the standpoint of the doctrine, the experience, and the ethics of holiness, that would be of benefit to any of our churches. Write me in care of Rev. Ben F. Marlin, pastor of the Clearwater church, 1101 Grove Street."

Wausau, Wisconsin—We closed a good meeting recently with Rev. John Harrold as evangelist. Many souls were saved and sanctified at the altar and the entire church received a renewing of the Spirit of God. Several members were received into the church.—Miles Finley, Pastor.

Evangelist Thomas Hayes reports: "My first trip out of California since the Lord healed me was to Oskaloosa, Iowa, with Pastor McCoy, where I preached Sunday morning and night, with twelve people at the altar, seven of them men. My next service was at Duncan, Oklahoma, First, with Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Cook, where I preached on Wednesday evening and had seven at the altar. Then on Sunday morning I preached at Walters, Oklahoma, where six persons beautifully prayed through. For the evening service I was at the Oak Avenue Church at Duncan, where Brother and Sister Darden are pastors; we had two at the altar. Then I went to Custer City, Oklahoma, with Pastor Vance for a morning and night service, with two at the altar; next at Cedar Springs with the Neufelds, for two beautiful services with four at the altar. Then I went to Colorado Springs First

Church with Brother and Sister Henderson for a week-end convention from Wednesday night over Sunday, with thirty-four seekers, fifteen fine young men and women at the altar the last night. Then I came back to Del City, Oklahoma, with the Andrews, for two services with one fine man at the altar. Recently I preached on Sunday morning and evening at Pennsylvania Avenue Church, Oklahoma City, where Brother and Sister Thrasher are pastors; we had seven souls at the altar. How I thank the dear Lord for these fine pastors and their good people! I have never loved the Church of the Nazarene better in all of my life. I thank God for these good pastors who stood by me so beautifully in every way. I have some time open yet in '54, and all of '55 is open except two meetings that I have just slated. I had canceled all of my meetings and had given up to die. Twelve doctors and three hospitals did all they could but failed, but the dear Lord wonderfully healed me and I am re-slating my time. Please write me, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Evangelist Alden Riepe and wife report: "At this writing we are in a meeting with the good folks at Pineville, Kentucky, where Dr. James Whitworth is the fine pastor; then we have a meeting at Big Rock, Tennessee, June 15 through 27. We have open time in July and August that we would like to slate with any church needing our services. Our son leads the song service and we sing as a trio. Write us at 25 Warren Court, Ft. Thomas, Kentucky."

Monticello, Indiana—We recently closed the greatest revival in the history of our work here. Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Dobbins, with their fine musical program, brought many new people to the church for the first time. The old-fashioned holiness preaching was a real blessing and inspiration. We had forty seekers, and raised a \$100.00 love offering for our pastor. The meeting was highlighted by sixteen teen-agers who dedicated their lives for special service in the work of the Kingdom, in the last Sunday morning service. The pastor said it was the best revival he had been in for many years. The Dobbinses have been slated for a later date.—Delores Lines, Secretary.

Martinsburg, West Virginia—Our church was organized in September, 1951, with nine charter members, this organization resulting from a tent meeting held by Rev. H. B. Huffman. This little band of Nazarenes have had a hard struggle waving the banner of holiness in this city with a population of 18,000, but we feel that God is helping us. Our pastor, Rev. A. V. Kesecker, came to us two years ago. The Sunday school has nearly doubled in average attendance since he came. The church is now in the midst of a building program. An extension is being made to the church

which will be adequate space for three more Sunday-school rooms. The N.F.M.S. was organized since our last assembly and plans are being made to organize a Junior Society. We recently extended a three-year recall to our pastor by unanimous vote. With the Lord's help, we expect to go forward and do greater things for Him.—Lorraine Yeakley, Secretary.

Rev. W. F. Farmer writes: "We are rounding out three good years of pastorate at Spring Creek Church, Bridgewater, Virginia. We have had some gracious revivals with Rev. C. E. Toney, Rev. Don Matheny, Rev. A. D. Holt, the Geedings, and Rev. Gloria Files and Dorothy Adams, who are returning for another meeting this month. God has wonderfully blessed us and given us some choice souls, but after much prayer we feel that our work here is finished, and we desire to evangelize again. We will be glad to slate meetings anywhere the Lord may lead. Address us at Bridgewater, Virginia."

Evangelist H. J. Felter writes: "I am reporting as an evangelist in our beloved Church of the Nazarene. Our meetings for the past year have taken us all the way from Alabama into Canada. We have enjoyed the privilege of laboring with our brethren and pastors in our church. We have seen souls seeking the Lord and many wonderful victories. Wife and I are members of the Washington-Philadelphia District of the Church of the Nazarene and hold evangelists' commissions there. We have some open time in July which we would be glad to give to some church or camp meeting. Write us, Box 87, Leesburg, New Jersey."

Hollywood, Maryland—We recently closed a revival with Rev. L. W. Conway. His soul-stirring messages were a blessing and help to all who heard him. We felt a definite presence of the Holy Spirit in our services. Brother Conway also spoke on the local radio station during his stay here. We pray for God's continued blessings on His evangelists and the people to whom they minister.—Dorothy Thompson, Secretary.

Columbia, South Carolina—Dr. John Knight, superintendent of the Florida District, served as evangelist in the recent revival at First Church. The pastor, Rev. Aubrey Ponce, reports that from the first service until the last God honored the preaching with souls. The church received seven new members, making a total of forty-one for the first nine months of the year. Dr. Knight has a plan that helps a church to bring in the unsaved. The revival was worked through the Sunday school with each class working. The Sunday school has grown from 210 nine months ago, to an average of 393 for the months of April and May. God is blessing the people of Columbia.—Reporter.

Evangelist M. V. Bass reports: "I am now in my eleventh revival since January 1. The Lord is blessing; these are great days for the church and the preaching of holiness. I have an open date, August 24 to September 5. If anyone would like to have it, write me at 18616 Riverview, Detroit, Michigan."

Evangelist J. H. Crawford writes: "Wife and I returned home May 10 after four months in meetings in Illinois, California, Oklahoma, and Arkansas. On May 23 we closed a good revival at Fayetteville, Arkansas. At this writing we are in the beginning of a revival at Rock Island, Illinois, with Rev. Jack Sutherland; Wife is in charge of the music. We are believing God for victory."

Rev. H. A. Casey writes: "For the last five years we have pastored in Florida—Winterhaven, Miami First, and Jacksonville Murray Hill. This year God has been good to us; we had twenty new members to unite with the church. Before going into the pastorate we were in the evangelistic field for a number of years. We are making up our slate now for the rest of '54, '55, and '56. Anyone desiring our services may write us at 1801 N.E. Madison Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Three years ago we made a trip through the Holy Land (Palestine). We carry the whole program in the evangelistic field; we preach, sing, play several musical instruments, and organize group visitation in the mornings of the meetings. We will go anywhere the Lord leads and will appreciate correspondence with any church or pastor relating to meetings."

Howard B. Castle (reporting for the Musical Messengers) writes: "Since the first of the year it has been our privilege to work with twenty-four different churches in revival, weekend, and special services. During this period of time we have seen over 200 souls seek God at an altar of prayer for forgiveness and heart purity. For this we praise the Lord. We recently closed a meeting at our church in Shirley, Indiana, with their very fine pastor, Rev. Lee Bates. At the present we are in a camp meeting at Alexandria, Indiana, with Rev. Wayne States as evangelist. We have some open dates for fall and winter services. If we can be of service to your church, contact us: The Musical Messengers (Powers-Castle Party), Box 106, Saratoga, Indiana."

Evangelist J. W. Henry reports: "I recently closed five months as supply pastor at First Church, Long Beach, California. Here God, through the Holy Spirit, met with us and we had a fine pastorate these months, while waiting for the present pastor, Rev. Mark F. Smith, and family to come from Hutchinson, Kansas. The church and people were appreciative and gave us a very fine love offering of \$450.00

as we left for our district assembly at Santa Ana. In all our pastorates of forty-five years in the church we have never been treated better or loved more by young and old. We bespeak a great pastorate for the Smiths, and they are some of our best in the field. The Church of the Nazarene has been our beloved church for almost forty-six years and we have been treated the best. As we go back in the field to evangelize we have open dates in July, August, and September, for week-end holiness meetings or revivals, or anything we can do to push the beautiful doctrine of heart holiness. If interested, write me at 934 W. Hays Avenue, Banning, California."

Johnson, Vermont—Our church observed the fiftieth anniversary of its organization on Sunday, May 23, with three big services and a capacity crowd. Rev. Vera Weightman, pastor at St. Albans, brought the morning message. The afternoon anniversary sermon was given by our beloved district superintendent, Rev. J. C. Albright. Rev. J. B. Nielson preached in the evening and the Nielson family, also Dr. and Mrs. Roger Mann, furnished special music for the day, which was Spirit-filled and blessed the people. Our pastor, Rev. Dudley Hathaway, very efficiently arranged the program for the occasion and all who attended felt the Lord's blessing in each service. We feel encouraged to press on trusting God for greater victories and continued blessings.—Church Secretary.

Bradford, Pennsylvania—Bolivar Run Church rejoices over a good revival in which Rev. Harvey Amos was the evangelist. Showers of spiritual blessing came and the ten-day meeting closed with a good number of seekers who received definite help from the Lord in some way. These victories resulted in souls becoming established in the Lord and the whole church is encouraged and facing the future with an entirely new outlook. Brother Amos was the instrument in God's hands to bear the truth to needy lives, and the prayers of a good number of our fine Nazarenes here were answered.—E. O. Altic, Pastor.

#### Arizona District Assembly

The high light of the thirty-third annual assembly of the Arizona District was the re-election of Rev. M. L. Mann as district superintendent; he received all but one vote cast. He has served the Arizona District as superintendent for nine years and the gains have been wonderful. During these years he has gathered a strong group of pastors around him who are winning souls, promoting home and foreign missions, and meeting the general and district goals. There are 28 churches in Arizona with a total of 2,538 members, of which 322 were received this year by profession of faith and from other de-

nominations. A new church was organized in the university town of Tempe and it is already overcrowded. Property has been purchased and another new church will be organized in the northwest Phoenix area during the month of June.

The twenty-eight churches gave a grand total of \$325,083.00 for all purposes this year, which is a per capita giving of \$132.00. Nearly \$30,000.00 of this went to general interests, not including the N.M.B.F., for a percentage of 8.8 of the total giving. The Sunday-school enrollment hit a new high with 4,936 enrolled and an average attendance of 3,437. The average attendance increased 312 over last year. The Church Schools, N.Y.P.S., and N.F.M.S. showed gains in every department.

There was a wonderful spirit of unity during the assembly and the committees did some fine work. Rev. George Gardner, Rev. Leo Baldwin, J. R. Porter, and M. S. Lydic were elected as members of the District Advisory Board. Rev. Paul MacLearn was elected as district secretary, and M. S. Lydic as district treasurer. Rev. J. E. Moore, Jr., was chosen again by the District Church School Board as

their chairman. In the two conventions preceding the assembly Rev. Harold Buckner was elected as district N.Y.P.S. president, and Mrs. M. L. Mann was re-elected as district N.F.M.S. president.

Rev. and Mrs. John Roberts of the Pilot Point Rest Home were presented to the assembly. A love offering was received for the work and the Roberts made many new friends for the home.

Our hearts were thrilled with the dynamic and searching messages of Dr. D. I. Vanderpool. He has a love for souls and a love for men. Arizona loves and appreciates this wonderful man of God.

There are wonderful possibilities for our work in this state, for thousands of new families are moving in each year. The responsibility is tremendous and we are limited only by our vision, and our prayer is that we might see that there are no limits as far as God is concerned.

HAROLD BUCKNER, Reporter

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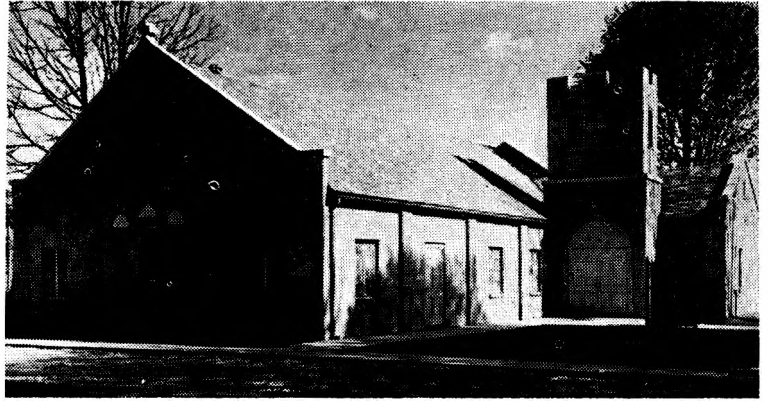
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## Cloverdale, Indiana



The Cloverdale church stands today as a monument of God's faithfulness to a very small group who believed in Him. Claiming the promises of Jesus, three charter members pledged themselves to pray, believe, and work together until God gave them a church at Cloverdale. Taking courage in the Lord, they waited His providences. After more than a year of testing, a centrally located corner lot large enough for church and parsonage was purchased. The building program soon got under way. Some material and much labor was donated. No community solicitation was made, but money came in lots of from one to six hundred dollars. They were able to build better than had been planned. There are six Sunday-school rooms; the pews, pulpit, altar, and choir panel are of golden oak. The lighting is recessed louver type and is restful to the eyes. Two gas furnaces force warm air down under an insulated floor, where it is released around the outside walls. The walls are of blocks made of limestone slag with stone trim. The property is valued at \$25,000.00 and has an indebtedness of

\$8,500.00. The Southwest Indiana District is assisting with the payments on the loan until the local church is able to assume them in full. On dedication day more than 300 people were present. God's blessings are upon the services and new members are being added to the

faithful few. The record attendance for regular services in one day is 129 different people. His people are encouraged to believe that the God who gave the building will enable them to see it filled with Sunday-school scholars and worshipers. — Burton Cummings, Pastor.

### New Mexico District Assembly and Conventions

New Mexico Nazarenes met for three and one-half days of business and blessing at the Clovis church with Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Armstrong serving as most gracious hosts. Dr. Samuel Young, presiding officer, gave wise and vigorous leadership in the business sessions and blessed our hearts with his devotional messages in both day and evening services.

Following a glowing report of advancement: materially, in church buildings and parsonages; financially, in increased giving in every department; numerically, in an almost 9 per cent net increase in membership, Rev. R. C. Gunstream was elected almost unanimously to serve for his eighteenth year as district superintendent. The deep spiritual emphasis, the unbroken unity and fellowship, and the constant note of optimism and aggressiveness that exist on the district are the highest possible tribute to his leadership.

In spite of the fact that a large part of the district lies in the drought area and our people have suffered as a result, the loyal laymen and pastors are making the necessary adjustments and pressing forward with the work of the church.

Mrs. Louise Chapman was the guest speaker for the annual District N.F. M.S. Convention, which met prior to the assembly. Through her inspiration new and higher goals for missionary achievement were set. Mrs. Fred A. Pierce was re-elected as district president. In the Church Schools pre-assembly convention, Rev. Harold Morris, district church school board chairman, presided over the sessions in which local superintendents' reports were heard and the third-year achievement program was carefully presented.

All of the members and friends of the assembly returned from the sessions believing that the business of the church had been well done, and, best of all, there were new heights of blessing and inspiration achieved that will make the ensuing year one of record advancement on this district.

REPORTER

### Washington-Philadelphia District Assembly

The forty-seventh annual assembly of the Washington-Philadelphia district convened May 20 to 23 at the Calvary Church, Reading, Pennsylvania, with Rev. G. Thomas Spiker as host pastor and Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

Following a splendid account of his stewardship for the past year, Rev. E. E. Grosse was re-elected by a wonderful vote for his sixth year as district superintendent. The assembly gave a fine love offering to Rev. and Mrs. Grosse for their untiring labors, and a spirit of togetherness dominated the activities of this past year's accomplishments. Appreciable gains were noted in every department and a total giving for general purposes reached an all-time high of over one million dollars.

Dr. Powers seemed anointed of the Lord and encouraged the assembly to continue to do even greater exploits for the Lord and to adopt 100 per cent the 10 per cent plan in all our churches.

On Sunday afternoon Dr. Powers conducted an ordination service for the following candidates: Robert Mitchell, Ray C. Stabler, and Lewis Patmore.

The assembly closed with a note of victory with the adoption of the slogan "Crusade for Souls Now" in every church.

REPORTER

### Southern California District Assembly

The assembly of the Southern California District was held at Santa Ana, First Church, following the N.F.M.S. Convention. Rev. Andrew Young entertained the assembly with a warm welcome and proved to be a wonderful host.

General Superintendent Samuel Young presided with ease and grace and endeared himself to all by his wonderful spirit and challenging messages. There was a continuous spirit of harmony and burning desire to accomplish more throughout the assembly.

On Thursday morning our much beloved district superintendent, Dr. R. J. Plumb, was presented to the assembly and a packed church heard the splendid report of his activities throughout the year and responded by re-electing him on the first ballot; he received 282 out of the 284 ballots cast. A fine love offering and a thirty-day vacation were presented to Dr. and Mrs. Plumb.

Gains were reported in all departments: 484 increase in membership, or 8 per cent; total giving for missions was \$64,559.00 with many churches reported to be 10 per cent and better in their giving for missions; the district Sunday school reported a gain in average attendance of 1,066, or 10 per cent.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Sanner, Rev. and Mrs. Shelburne Brown, Mrs. Lyle Prescott, Rev. and Mrs. Harold Hess, and many friends of other districts were visitors.

The Southern California District under the leadership of Dr. Plumb, the best group of ministers and pastors found anywhere, and over 6,000 splendid lay members press on to greater exploits for God and His kingdom.

L. I. WEAVER, Reporter

### Nebraska District Assembly

The forty-second annual assembly of the Nebraska District convened in Hastings, Wednesday morning, June 2, with Dr. D. I. Vanderpool as the presiding officer. The pace was set for a great assembly when Dr. Vanderpool, in his opening message, challenged the people to believe in God for greater victories.

District Superintendent Whitcomb B. Harding gave a splendid report of work and progress on the district, and was re-elected by the fine vote of 130 out of 141. There was a contagious spirit of enthusiasm throughout the assembly, indicating a new day of district spirit for our Nebraska Nazarenes. It seemed that both pastors and people were drawn closer together with a greater desire to do more for Christ and the lost. The appreciation of the people for their district superintendent was shown again by their giving in cash and pledges nearly \$500.00 as a love offering.

In the pre-conventions, Mrs. George B. Ronnecamp was re-elected as president of the N.F.M.S., and when Rev. L. C. Schwanz declined, Rev. Douglas Clem was elected district N.Y.P.S. president. Rev. George Mowry was re-elected as chairman of the District Church School Board. Those privileged to attend the assembly heard Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, Dr. L. J. Du Bois, and Dr. Jarrette Aycok in services during the week. Rev. Curtis Smith and a fine quartet from Bethany-Peniel College presented the interests of our college.

In an impressive ordination service, Dr. Vanderpool ordained the following men as elders: Douglas Clem, Herman S. Fales, Earl Rice, William Russel, and Claude Pittinger.

Nebraska Nazarenes are hungering to be a vital part of the Crusade for Souls Now.

T. A. BURTON, Reporter

### Arizona District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The twenty-ninth annual convention of the Arizona District N.Y.P.S. was held at Phoenix First Church, May 17 and 18. From the first service we were all conscious of the Lord's presence and power.

The convention was presided over by our able district president, Rev. Harold Buckner, pastor at Peoria. Our speaker for the convention was Professor C. Edwin Harwood, from Pasadena College. His messages were thought-provoking and centered around the theme of "By My Spirit—Share."

The Arizona District has 25 organized and active societies and every one was represented at the convention; 23 verbal reports were given either by the president or his representative. There was a spirit of victory in these reports. There was a gain of 70 members, making a total of 976 active and associate members. This year the young people have

pledged to raise \$1,500.00 for the new home-mission work in northwest Phoenix.

Rev. Harold Buckner, who was appointed by the council in November to fill a vacancy left by Kenneth Dunn, was re-elected by a wonderful vote. More votes were cast this year than ever before in the history of the district N.Y.P.S. Pauline Newman was elected secretary and A. A. Rust, Jr., was elected as treasurer. Charles Leppert, local president at Phoenix First Church, was chosen to serve as district vice-president. The convention elected Mary Jo Welch as teenage supervisor and Dorothy Hess as sponsor of boys' and girls' work.

Our goals for this year are to organize Lamplighters' Leagues in every society, establish the PAL (Pioneer Activity League) program in every local church, and to study the Bible and doctrines of the church.

REPORTER

### Idaho-Oregon District Assembly

The forty-second annual assembly of the Idaho-Oregon District convened at the College Church in Nampa, Idaho, May 12 to 14. The assembly was royally entertained by the College Church and their fine pastor, Rev. Eugene Stowe.



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Dr. G. B. Williamson, presiding officer, challenged our people again and again with his timely and straightforward messages.

Our beloved district superintendent, Rev. Irvin Younger, was re-elected by

an almost unanimous vote. This is an indication of the unity that exists on the district.

The pastor's reports and the reports of the district officers showed gains along every line. Each department of

the church showed marked progress and the financial report was very gratifying.

Northwest Nazarene College, with its congenial president, Dr. John E. Riley, and the faculty co-operated with the assembly and made a real contribution to it.

Throughout the assembly there was a splendid spirit of love and unity and the Idaho-Oregon District looks forward to another year of progress and blessing under the leadership of the blessed Holy Spirit.

HERBERT E. LILLY, Reporter

### Washington Pacific District Assembly

The eleventh assembly of the Washington Pacific District was held May 19 to 20 at Kelso, Washington, with Rev. Elwood Smith as host pastor. Presiding was Dr. Samuel Young, whose anointed messages were much appreciated by our people and will be long remembered by them. Certainly the manner in which he conducted the business contributed much to the wonderful spirit of the assembly.

In celebration of the tenth anniversary of the district a sixty-eight page brochure was prepared. This brochure contains some very interesting statistics: in ten years the church membership has grown from 2,037 to 3,268 (the district had an 8 per cent increase in membership this past year); Sunday-school attendance has increased from 2,309 to 4,919; the N.Y.P.S. membership has increased from 565 to 1,073. In 1944 there were 33 churches on the district as compared with 50 at the present time. The total amount of money given for all purposes was \$207,462.00 in 1944, with \$424,272.00 raised in 1954. Ten years ago church and parsonage property was appraised at \$270,890.00; at present the appraisal is \$1,328,605.00. The district treasurer's report shows that when the district was divided in 1944 the balance sheet net worth was \$1,625.00 and at present the balance sheet net worth is \$91,384.00. During this period eleven new churches have been built, five have made major building improvements, five church buildings are now under construction, five church buildings have been purchased, twenty parsonages have been purchased or built, and two new parsonages are now under construction.

Since its organization ten years ago Dr. B. V. Seals has served as district superintendent. His re-election this year on the first ballot and a check of \$750.00 as a gift from the district reflects the high esteem in which he is held by our people and their appreciation of his aggressive leadership.

Dr. John E. Riley, president of Northwest Nazarene College, spoke on Monday night; Dr. Young was the speaker in a great missionary service on Tuesday night; and Rev. I. F. Younger, superintendent of the Idaho-Oregon District, brought a message on home missions on Wednesday evening. The Publishing House was ably represented by Rev. Fred Parker.

## Sunday-School Attendance Report

District	1953	May	Percentage
<b>NORTHWEST ZONE</b>			
Oregon Pacific	6,600	7,141	108
Northwest	6,127	6,517	106
Idaho-Oregon	5,596	6,704	120
Rocky Mountain	2,281	3,064	134
North Dakota	1,614	1,783	110
Districts not reporting: Minnesota, Nevada-Utah, South Dakota, Alaska, Washington Pacific			
<b>CENTRAL ZONE</b>			
Western Ohio	12,557	14,560	116
Central Ohio	11,544	13,812	120
Southwest Indiana	8,669	9,626	111
Eastern Michigan	7,552	9,002	119
Illinois	8,076	8,868	110
Michigan	7,720	8,438	109
Indianapolis	7,863	7,669	98
Missouri	6,960	7,204	104
Iowa	5,779	5,754	100
Northwest Indiana	5,060	5,512	109
Chicago Central	4,847	5,416	112
Wisconsin	2,238	2,530	113
Districts not reporting: Northeastern Indiana, Northwestern Illinois			
<b>SOUTHEAST ZONE</b>			
West Virginia	9,400	10,345	110
Tennessee	6,882	8,126	118
Alabama	6,716	7,139	106
Florida	6,013	6,774	113
Georgia	4,646	5,520	119
South Carolina	4,450	4,991	112
North Carolina	3,542	3,837	108
Mississippi	2,454	2,644	108
Districts not reporting: Virginia, Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky, East Tennessee			
<b>EASTERN ZONE</b>			
Akron	9,937	11,503	116
Pittsburgh	7,519	8,756	116
Albany	2,942	3,301	112
Districts not reporting: Washington-Philadelphia, New York, New England			
<b>BRITISH ISLES-CANADIAN ZONE</b>			
Districts not reporting: Australia, British Isles North, British Isles South, Canada Central, Canada West, Maritime			
<b>SOUTHERN ZONE</b>			
Kansas	7,340	7,398	101
Northwest Oklahoma	5,862	5,764	98
Dallas	4,791	4,950	103
Louisiana	4,397	4,275	97
Southeast Oklahoma	3,876	3,906	101
South Arkansas	3,809	3,750	98
North Arkansas	3,824	3,591	94
Houston	2,890	3,405	118
Nebraska	2,708	2,754	102
Districts not reporting: Kansas City, Southwest Oklahoma, Northeast Oklahoma, Abilene, San Antonio			
<b>SOUTHWEST ZONE</b>			
Arizona	3,125	3,458	111
New Mexico	2,914	3,160	108
Districts not reporting: Northern California, Southern California, Los Angeles, Colorado			
Estimated average for May, 1954			375,131
Gain over last year's average			20,843

ERWIN G. BENSON, Field Secretary  
Department of Church Schools



## SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

"One night recently, I saw the power of God work as I have never seen it work before.

"A buddy of mine had been praying for several of his buddies in his company. Last night four of these fellows went home with us. Mom Mincey was praying after two of these fellows had voluntarily prayed out. While she was praying it seemed as though all heaven opened up. We felt the Spirit 'round about us and we were standing at the time. One of the fellows next to me threw his arm around me and we all started praying. We fell to our knees and how the power of God moved upon those souls! The fellows cried out for forgiveness of their sins. They were not one bit formal about it. That is what blessed me so, to see how they realized their sin and opened their hearts and let Jesus come in. Words cannot describe the blessing that we all received.

"While nights previous to last night they were out seeking sinful pleasure, now they are saved by the blood of the Lamb. Coming back on the train last night it was all they could do to hold back from shouting praises to God.

"Thanks for your prayers for these fellows. I know that if it weren't for our Christian friends praying for us in the States and holding us up before God, we wouldn't be able to do what we have been doing for the Lord."

GEORGE MATTHES

"Wherever I go, I always look up our church and attend services. Our people are friendly and spiritual, and I feel right at home in their services.

"The *Conquest* and the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* have been coming to me. I feel that I can get the most good for myself from these periodicals. They are always full of good soul-filling food and often when I am discouraged I can pick up a copy of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* and read something that increases my faith and encourages me to go forward.

"I have about three and a half years to go in the air force. I know that either I can become a greater Christian or I can drift along and lose ground. Thank you for the religious literature and also for your encouraging letters. They have helped me a lot. The Lord bless you all and your splendid work with our servicemen."

IVAN K. BRADLEY

**NAZARENE SERVICE MEN'S COMMISSION**  
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In an impressive ordination service on Thursday night, the following were ordained: Mrs. Marjorie Wordsworth, Arthur Mottram, Carl Wilde, and William Edgebert. Mrs. Alice Stowell was consecrated as a deaconess.

From the reports of the pastors and the comments from the delegates it is quite evident that the Nazarenes of the Washington Pacific District are enthusiastically entering the new decade determined to intensify their efforts to give the gospel to this, the most unchurched state in the union.

H. S. PALMQUIST, Reporter

## DEATHS

J. I. FENN, member of the Church of the Nazarene, Elk City, Oklahoma, died April 25, 1954. He was born near Cisco, Texas, June 29, 1897, and was married to Miss Maude Colson at Canute, Oklahoma, January 25, 1920. Brother Fenn was converted at the age of sixteen and later was sanctified and joined the Church of the Nazarene. Feeling the call to the ministry, he attended Bethany-Peniel College for some two years, was licensed to preach, filled a number of pulpits as supply and did home-mission and revival work. He was very devout and faithful to his home church, where he was a member for many years, serving on the church board and many places of leadership. At the time of his death, he was teacher of the men's Bible class. Rev. E. R. Houston of Comanche, and Rev. L. O. Trimble of Anadarko, assisted his pastor, Rev. Otto C. Perry, with the funeral services.

MRS. ULA GREENE MOSS, age sixty, died May 11, 1954. She was a member of First Church of the Nazarene, Sherman, Texas. She had been a "Dorcas" to the church and community for many years. Her radiant personality and sweet Christian influence were an inspiration to all who knew her. She was a devoted wife and mother. She is survived by four wonderful children and a host of friends. Funeral service was in charge of the pastors, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Crawford, assisted by Rev. Edd Barcus.

MRS. PAULINE SCHULZ (nee Gunz), known by the people of this community as "Grandma," was born in Zuch, Germany, on September 12, 1873. She came to the United States at the age of nineteen, and was united in marriage to August Schultz at Philadelphia, Missouri. Mr. Schulz preceded his wife in death in 1931. To this union were born five children, three of whom survive her: Mrs. Gertrude Wallace, Albert Wallace, and Phillo Schulz. Sister Schultz was a resident of the Storrie Project for thirty-one years. As a child she was baptized in the Lutheran church. After coming to New Mexico, she became a charter member of the Church of the Nazarene at Las Vegas. She was a devoted and triumphant Christian and an inspiration to her friends. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. and Mrs. R. H. White. Interment was at the family plot in the Oddfellows' Cemetery.

MRS. KATE WRIGHT ELDER was born in Green County, Georgia, October 30, 1870, and died in San Saba, Texas, March 9, 1954. She came to Texas at the age of seven. On November 9, 1890, she was united in marriage to L. R. Elder, and to this union were born eleven children. Mrs. Elder was converted at an early age and was a faithful member of the Church of the Nazarene these many years. Funeral services were conducted at Gold-waite by the pastor, Mrs. Jewel Stewart. The husband and four children preceded her in death.

T. A. BATTIN was born September 11, 1871, in Boone County, Iowa, and died April 19, 1954, at Lubbock, Texas. He was converted early in life, and was a devout Christian. He is survived by two daughters and two sons, one of whom is Rev. Buford Battin, Nazarene evangelist. Funeral services were held in First Church, at Lubbock, with his pastor, Rev. Milton Poole, in charge.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEDDING BELLS

Miss Gladys Mae Couchenour of Waterford, and A/3C Chauncey F. Hofacker of Emmlenton, Pennsylvania, were united in marriage on June 2, at the Waterford Church of the Nazarene, with the bride's father, Rev. W. I. Couchenour, officiating.

Miss Florence E. Libby of Portland and Mr. Kenneth C. Wagner of Skowhegan, Maine, were united in marriage on May 22, at the Church of the Nazarene in Portland, Maine, with Rev. Joshua C. Wagner, pastor in Skowhegan, and father of the groom, officiating, assisted by the local pastor, Rev. Grant Cross.

NOTICE—Golden Anniversary services for the Chicago Central District will be held August 13, at Danville, Illinois, in connection with the District Assembly. Dr. Hugh C. Benner will be the speaker along with a number of district superintendents and other friends. Special invitation is extended to all who have had a part in building the Chicago Central District. All others are welcome. Contact Rev. L. S. Oliver, 322 N. Gilbert, Danville, Illinois, for room reservations.—Mark R. Moore, District Superintendent.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

This is to recommend and introduce Rev. A. C. Turner, 111 Juniper Street, Nampa, Idaho, who is available to hold revival meetings as of this month. He has been a co-operative and successful pastor, and is a very good preacher. He is truly a man of God, one who preaches and lives the old-time religion. He has been in the pastorate for twenty-eight years, holding revival meetings during that time. We are sincerely hoping that God will be able to use him through the open doors of our movement.—I. F. Younger, Superintendent of Idaho-Oregon District.

This is to recommend Rev. E. E. Mieras, who is entering the evangelistic field as of July 1. Brother Mieras is one of our finest men, and very experienced in home missions and evangelism. I commend him highly to any of our churches anywhere for meetings or conventions. He may be contacted, 1962 Bridgen Road, Pasadena, California.—W. Shelburne Brown, Superintendent of Los Angeles District.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. James H. Ranum of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, a daughter, Marcia Bernice, on June 5.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Noble V. Hunt of Sylvia, Kansas, a daughter, Robin Ruth, on June 5.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Moore of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, a son, Rodge Cammeron, on June 4.

—to Rev. and Mrs. James S. Shaw, Jr., of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a son, Thomas Gibson, on June 4.

—to Milton and Mildred Brinegar of Bluefield, Virginia, a son, Paul David, on May 11.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in Illinois for the salvation of her husband, for her own healing and that she may have more faith, also for a very special unspoken request;

by a Christian brother in Iowa for definite healing of an affliction continuing for many months, also for the salvation of his loved ones;

by a Nazarene brother in Pennsylvania for a relative missing from home for several weeks and loved ones are very worried—all are unsaved; salvation of his own loved ones, salvation and healing of a sick relative, for adjument of two misunderstandings, and other requests;

by a Christian lady in Ohio for the salvation of her son-in-law, and that God may touch his body so he may support his family;

by a Nazarene brother in Washington for wisdom to be given those in charge of some special district work.

## Nazarene Camp Meetings

July 2 through 11, West Virginia District Camp, at Summersville, West Virginia. Workers: Rev. Glenn Griffith, Rev. Lawrence Hicks, and Professor John E. Moore. For information write, Rev. H. H. Hendershot, 2610 New York Avenue, Parkersburg, West Virginia. Rev. Edward C. Oney, district superintendent.

July 26 to August 1. Southern California District Camp, Costa Mesa, California. Workers: Rev. David K. Wachtel, Rev. Sammy Sparks, and Professor Paul M. Qualls. For information write, Rev. Clive Williams, Box 384, Costa Mesa, California. Dr. R. J. Plumb, district superintendent.

August 6 to 15, Northeastern Indiana Camp, at Marion, Indiana; campgrounds, East 38th Street (extended). Workers: Rev. J. A. McNatt, Rev. Ponder Gilliland, Dr. J. Russell Gardner, evangelists; the Quallses, singers. For information write Dr. Paul Updike, district superintendent, Box 469, Marion, Indiana.

June 30, 1954

**A SMILE:**

*She only smiled as she passed by  
 I never saw her more;  
 And yet the lift she gave my soul  
 Will last till day is o'er.*

—F. C. NICHOLSON

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 Kentucky ..... August 4-5  
 Wisconsin ..... August 11-13  
 Northwestern Illinois ..... August 18-19  
 Mississippi ..... September 1-3  
 Northeast Oklahoma ..... September 15-16  
 North Carolina ..... September 22-23  
 South Carolina ..... September 29-30

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 Minnesota ..... July 21-22  
 Eastern Kentucky ..... July 28-29  
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 North Arkansas ..... September 15-16  
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 Iowa ..... August 11-13  
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 Northwest Oklahoma ..... July 28-30  
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 Tennessee ..... August 25-27  
 Kansas City ..... September 8-10  
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**District Assembly Information**

**CANADA WEST**—Assembly, July 6 to 9, at the Red Deer Church of the Nazarene, 4802 Ross Street, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Entertaining pastor: Rev. D. George MacDonald, 4806 50th Street. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

**COLORADO**—Assembly, July 7 and 8, at the District Center, 1755 Dover Street, Lakewood, Colorado. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Henry T. Leppard, Box 7672, Lakewood. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

**NORTHEASTERN INDIANA**—Assembly, July 7 to 9, at the District Center, Marion, Indiana. Entertaining pastor: Rev. J. R. Shadowens, 1016 W. Fifth Street, Marion. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**CENTRAL OHIO**—Assembly, July 14 to 16, at the Nazarene Campground, 2708 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Miles A. Simmons, 481 Arden Road, Columbus. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**MICHIGAN**—Assembly, July 14 to 16, at Nazarene Assembly Park (Indian Lake), Vicksburg, Michigan. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Vernon L. Ward, Route 2, Vicksburg. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**MINNESOTA**—Assembly, July 21 and 22, at Minneapolis First Church of the Nazarene, 7th Street

at 12th Avenue. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Geret Roberts, 5005 Columbus Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**EASTERN MICHIGAN**—Assembly, July 21 to 23, at First Church of the Nazarene, Wood and Lyond Streets, Flint, Michigan. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Leslie Parrott, 310 W. Wood St., Flint. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

**PITTSBURGH**—Assembly, July 21 to 23, at the Alameda Park Nazarene Camp, Butler, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Paul R. O'Brien, 201 1/2 Rear Fifth Avenue, Butler, Pennsylvania. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**EASTERN KENTUCKY**—Assembly, July 28 and 29, at Newport Church of the Nazarene, 830 Yord Street, Newport, Kentucky. Entertaining pastor: Rev. R. L. Ihrig, 36 S. Grand Ave., Fort Thomas, Kentucky. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA**—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at Bethany First Church, Main at North Asbury, Bethany, Oklahoma. Entertaining pastor: Rev. E. S. Phillips, 109 N. College, Bethany. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**SOUTHWEST INDIANA**—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at the Indiana University Auditorium, Bloomington, Indiana. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Grant Barton, 731 W. Howe St., Bloomington. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

**WESTERN OHIO**—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at the Western Ohio District Center, north shore of Lake St. Mary's on Route 29. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Jay Budd, 615 Hoying Street, Celina, Ohio. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

**EAST TENNESSEE**—Assembly, August 4 and 5, at the Nazarene Campground, Louisville, Tennessee. Rev. Victor E. Gray, Route 1, Louisville, Tennessee, is the one to whom all material should be sent (he is district superintendent). Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**KANSAS**—Assembly, August 4 to 6, at First Church, 211 East 4th, Hutchinson, Kansas. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Wilson R. Lanpher, 500 N. Plum, Hutchinson, Kansas. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

**MISSOURI**—Assembly, August 4 to 6, at the District Center, Pine Crest Camp, Fredericktown, Missouri. Entertaining pastor: Rev. A. L. Roach, 202 Saline Street, Fredericktown. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

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