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LIFE! ABUNDANT LIFE! LIFE ETERNAL!

OMEONE has said that life is like a man who lives by the sea, who in the morning walks > down to the shore and looks across the water, then goes home.

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For we are born upon the shore of Time's Ocean, we look out upon its waves for a moment-then go home.

Another has said that life is a narrow plank which all must walk, some falling off at the start, some dropping in the middle, some crossing the whole way.

Life is like rain drops, says another. One falls into the gutter of a barnyard and we call it vile; another glistens on the petals of a rose and we call it beautiful, but it is the same water. So neither the unthinking idiot is responsible for his crimes nor the genius responsible for his greatness.

Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "Our brains are seventy-year clocks. The angel of life winds them up once for all, then closes the case and gives the key into the hand of the angel of the resurrection."

George Eliot, the atheistic novelist, said, "Life is like a game of whist. I don't enjoy the game much; but I like to play my cards well, and see what will be the end of it."

Inspired writers have said, "Life is even as a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." "We all do fade as a leaf." "Man is of few days and full of trouble."

But all these characterizations are based entirely upon man's situation as a sinner cursed by the fall and with Christ left out. Thank God there is a better heritage. In Jesus Christ there is life, abundant life, yea, even everlasting life. In Him there is life that is full and sweet and satisfying.

But it is impossible to know and enjoy much of life if the horizon dips too suddenly into the western sea. Therefore the atheist may consistently despair, and the agnostic is logical who fears and questions and dreads. But the true believer must properly testify, "To me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

Speaking of the dim hope of everlasting life which he cherished, Socrates said to a little company of disciples who gathered about him on the eve of his death, "I think I can see the golden isles; but oh that we had a stouter ship and a stronger hope!" Thank God we have that stouter ship and stronger hope; for with all assurance, Jesus said, "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a the prior you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

The old year is hoary and bent and ready to perish. The new year will soon be on with the rush and freshness of youth. Everything about us reminds us that we are walking in the vicinity of old Father Time's anniversaries. We are both reminiscent and anticipative. What shall we say? Is life a bore, a will o' the wisp, a hollow sham? Nay, it is a joy, an investment, a never-failing miracle of interest and pleasure and unceasing bliss. For it is from, to and for Jesus Christ who is a million times blessed forever more. The Christian life is the real, satisfying, full, abundant, eternal life.

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QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SECOND BLESS-ING

BROTHER who is a member of another church and who lives in a far away mission field writes the editor as follows: "I have been helped by reading your 'Questions and Answers' in your paper, and in my desire for more light on sanctification, I am sending the following questions to you. I hope they may be made plain and that I may be able to help others also."

Question number one: "In Luke 10:20 we read that the disciples' names were written in heaven, and this was before they were sanctified. Does this not teach that Christians can enter heaven without sanctification, for God does not write sinners' names in heaven?"

We would answer this question briefly by saying that regeneration gives one the right to heaven and that sanctification gives him fitness for it. The words of the Master agree exactly with this explanation. When the Israelites were about to enter the Land of Canaan, but while still in the wilderness, a book listing the names of the individuals, families, etc., was made up. To have the name in this book was to entitle one to an inheritance in Canaan, but it did not fully qualify one for that inheritance. And it was customary for the Jews to prepare these "Doom's Day" books even in the days of Jesus and His disciples. And speaking of books of this sort, Jesus reminds the disciples that their names were written in the "Doom's Day" book on high. But to have one's name written there did not altogether prepare for going there and did not guarantee that one would ever go there. There is nothing to indicate that Judas did not hear these same assuring words, but he afterwards fell and missed his part in the heavenly inheritance altogether, while the others were very strictly urged to tarry for the baptism with the Holy Ghost by means of which they were qualified for entering into the heavenly inheritance to which regeneration gave them a right.

Question number two: "How can we harmonize Heb. 12:14 (Follow . . . holiness) with Luke 10:20, as quoted above, if we read it as some preach it? Does not this text rather mean that we are to desire to live a holy life and to follow after holiness as we desire to live at peace with our neighbors?"

Answering this, we would say that, personally, we experience no difficulty here. Regeneration gives us a right to go to heaven and see God, but holiness is the qualification for the fulfillment of this right, and without it our right will be nullified. For example, I am a native born American citizen and have a right to be president of the United States. But there are certain conditions which I must meet before I can enter upon my right in this particular, and so far I have failed to comply with those conditions. So it looks now like I may have to die without ever being president, in spite of the fact that the last legal bar, so far as my right to the office is concerned, was removed when I became of the age required by the constitution. Suppose now that I go over to Washington and attempt to take charge of the White House and of the reigns of government; will I succeed merely by proving that I have a right? Why my name has been in the last four "Doom's Day" books made out by the census authorities of this country. But even a citizen who has a right to be president must be elected and inaugurated before he can take the office. And if I stand up and say, "Without proper election and inauguration no man can be president of the United States," no one will dispute on the ground that every native born citizen has the right. Every justified Christian has his name written in heaven--this is the right. But without holiness no man shall see the Lord-this is the qualification. And on that word "Follow:" Did you ever look it up in the Greek New Testament and in some standard lexicon? If you have, you know that it is one of the very strongest words that it is possible to use in such a connection, and that the metaphor is that of the faithful hunting dog which goes after the game, not simply just to be headed in the right direction, but to overtake and apprehend it. But suppose we say that you are to follow holiness with God just as strongly as you follow peace with your neighbor? How strong is that? And if you follow peace with your neighbor and don't find peace with him, whose fault is it? Now if you follow holiness with God as strongly as you follow peace with your neighbor, you will find it; for although you may have a neighbor who will not give you peace, no matter how strongly you seek for it, our good God will not fail to give the Holy Spirit (who is the Sanctifier) to them that ask Him. Does any soul still feel the movings of inward sin? Whose fault is it? Not God's, we are sure. So if any Christian will follow holiness strongly enough he will overtake it and apprehend it; "For this is the will of God even your sanctification."

Question number three: "Which is the correct translation of Acts 19:2: 'Since ye believed,' as the Authorized Version reads, or 'When ye believed,' as the Revised Version has it? And if the latter, does not this conflict with the preaching that sanctification is subsequent to conversion?"

Answering this, I would say that I consider the Revised Version more accurate than the Authorized, and that for purposes of critical study I use it and follow its renderings. However, I do not think there is much difference. The Authorized is a good translation and no sincere person will go astray by following it. And to me the variation in Acts 19:2 is of no consequence. Read the question, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" and "Did ye receive the Holy Ghost when ye believed?" Read it either way or both ways-no matter. In any case these facts stand out: These people had believed and were now believers, but they had not received the baptism with the Holy Ghost either at the time they believed nor at any time since-they just simply had not been baptized with the Holy Ghost at all. But at this time, following right on after the question was asked and answered, they did receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost. So, in any case, they did receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost after they believed. Or to change the terminology without altering the meaning, they were sanctified wholly after they were regenerated. Now if these men had answered the Apostle's question in the affirmative instead of in the negative you would have a difficult situation for the "second blessingist." But there is a world of difference between "yes" and "no" in a case like this, and they said "no," not "yes," you see. If they had said yes, and we accepted the Authorized Version, then this would have meant that they had received the second work of grace. If they had said yes, and we accepted the Revised Version, then this would have meant that they were sanctified wholly when they were regenerated. But since they said "no" it does not matter whether the word is "since" or "when." But suppose you had asked them these questions, say a year later, what would their answer have been? You can readily see that if you should have asked them "Did you receive the Holy Ghost when you believed?" they would have been bound to have said, "Oh, no. We believed when Apollos was here, but we received the Holy Ghost some months later when Paul was here." And if you had asked, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" they would have said, "Indeed we have. We believed when Apollos preached to us and we received the Holy Ghost when Paul ministered to us some months afterward (since)." This is a great second blessing text regardless of the version followed.

Question number four: "In the case of the Ten Virgins: do the five foolish represent backsliders or unsanctified Christians? And if the latter, does this not conflict with Luke 10:20?"

I would answer the main question here by simply saying "Yes." That is the foolish virgins represent backsliders and unsanctified Christians and all others who are not qualified to enter into the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. The outstanding lesson, I think, is that we are to be "robed and ready" for the coming of Jesus at all times. And that means that we must be up to the last measure of our light in grace and duty. And there is no conflict here with Luke 10:20. The foolish virgins had a right to go into the wedding feast, but they did not have the preparation and qualification. They were not left out because they were not virgins, but because they had no oil in their vessels.

John Wesley and his coadjutors discovered by the reading of their Bibles that men cannot be saved without holiness, and later, and upon more careful investigation, they discover that men are justified before they are sanctified. And with these two interpretations clear in their minds, they testified that God seemed to have thrust them out to raise up a holy people. And all down through the years it has been the men who have made these two discoveries who have gone forth to effectively spread the doctrine, experience and life of holiness. There are questions, we grant, and we will scarcely be able to answer them all to the satisfaction of all, but back of all there is in our hearts a certain "Blessed Assurance" arising from the consciousness that God has wrought in us to the pardoning, renewing and cleansing of our hearts, and this assurance is to us indeed "A pearl of great price." We want to be correct in our thinking and orthodox in our doctrine, but most of all we want to be pure in heart and possessed of a consciousness of the divine presence and pleasure at all times. No argument about the impossibility of holiness is interesting to us, for we know it is not true. If another has found Bible, Pentecostal, satisfying holiness in other than the Wesleyan way of "The second blessing, properly so-called," we are glad. But to us there is certainty behind our theory. That is, we know that a person who has been converted and has received the witness of the Spirit to his sonship, may after this come to God in full consecration and appropriating faith and receive an outpouring of the Holy Spirit which will eradicate indwelling sin and make one conscious of the glorious indwelling Savior all down the years. We know this because this is the route over which we came and the inheritance which we obtained.

STOREHOUSE TITHING

The Bulletin of First Church, Los Angeles, Calif., for November 28, says regarding "Storehouse Tithing:"

The Local Church is the Lord's Storehouse

- A storehouse is not only a center of accumulation, it is equally a place of distribution (Acts 6:1).
 - It is the Lord's storehouse of the Gospel for the sinner.
 - It is the Lord's storehouse for the Gospel for believers.
 - It is the Lord's storehouse of the Gospel for the sick.
 - It is the Lord's storehouse of comfort for the dying.
 - It is the Lord's storehouse of talent for His work,

LIFTING THE BIBLE TO ITS PROPER PLANE

I T HAS become fashionable for even shallow teachers of religion to speak apologetically of the Bible, and to assign it a place among "the books of men." And when we simply deny and logically refute their implications our own voices sound weak and unbefitting to the subject. It requires a positive characterization to do justice to the Book, and among the few such productions now extant, we have seen nothing better than the following clipping sent us by a correspondent, and written many years ago by T. De-Witt Talmage, the noted Brooklyn divine. Using the simple title "The Bible," Dr. Talmage said:

It seems as if to the feet of the sacred writers the mountains had brought all their gems, and the sea all its pearls, and the gardens all their frankincense, and the spring all its blossoms, and the harvests all their wealth, and heaven all its glory, and eternity all its stupendous realities; and that since then poets and orators and painters had been drinking from an exhausted fountain and searching for diamonds amid realms utterly rifled and ransacked.

Oh1 this book is the kive of all sweetness, the armory of all well-tempered weapons, the tower containing the crown jewels of the universe, the lamp that kindles all other lights, the kome of all majesties and splendors, the stepping-stone on which heaven stoops to kiss the earth with its glories, the marriagering that unites the celestial and the terrestrial, while all the clustering white-robed multitudes of the sky stand round to rejoice at the nuptials. This book is the wreath into which are twisted all garlands, the song into which hath struck all harmonies, the river of light into which hath poured all the great tides of hallelujahs, the firmament in which all suns and moons and stars and constellations and galaxies and immensities and universes and eternities wheel and blaze and triumph.

Where is the youth with music in his soul who is not stirred by Jacob's lament, or Nathan's dirge, Habbakkuk's dithyrambic, or Paul's march of the resurrection, or St. John's anthem of the ten thousand times ten thousand doxology of elders on their faces, answering to the trumpet blast of archangel, with one foot on the sea and the other on the land, swearing that time shall be no longer?

In the latter part of the Psalms we see David gathering together a great choir, standing in galleries above each other; beasts and men on the first gallery; above them hills and mountains; above them fire and hail and tempest; above them sun and moon and stars of light; until on the highest round he arrays the host of angels. And there, standing before this vast multitude, reaching from the depths of earth to the heights of heaven, like the leader of a great orchestra, he lifts his hands, crying: "Praise ye the Lord. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord."

And all earthly creatures in their song, and mountains with their waving cedars, and tempests in their thunder and rattling hail, and stars on all their trembling harps of light, and angels on their thrones respond in magnificent acclaim:

"Praise ye the Lord.

"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord."

Behold in this book faultless rhythm and bold imagery and startling antithesis and rapturous lyric and sad elegy and sweet pastoral and instructive ballad and devotional psalm; thoughts expressed in style more solemn than that of Montgomery, more bold than that of Wordsworth, more impassioned than that of Pollok, more tender than that of Cowper, more weird than that of Spenser.

WHO IS A PERFECT CHRISTIAN?

The best men of old were simply said to have been "perfect in their generations." This means that they were as good as their knowledge of what is right or wrong required them to be, and it does not set them up for patterns for all time to come. Some of them lived in the twilight of revelation and are not faultless when measured by the standards of today.

But Jesus Christ commanded us to "be perfect," Paul repeated the imperative in writing to some of the churches, others of the apostles acknowledged perfection as the standard and gave instructions and advice accordingly.

In the minds of men generally perfection has not been thought attainable, and no profession of having approximated this standard has ever been popular. In many instances, however, opposition to Christian perfection has arisen from the fact that it is not distinguished from absolute perfection, and seeing that one could not be absolutely perfect without perfect judgment and omnipotent power, the conclusion has been that no one is perfect.

But the New Testament standard of perfection for this life is perfection in love. The substance of "the great commandment" is to love God with all the heart, soul, mind and strength, and to do this is to be perfect in the evangelical and New Testament sense.

But since a motive as well as a deed must have a proper and sufficient background, it is evident that all hate and envy and jealousy and every evil passion must be cast out and that the heart must be filled with the perfect love of God before one can love God with all the heart. Hence, to be perfect is to be filled with perfect love and to be perfect in conduct is to do nothing that is contrary to love. Christian perfection is therefore perfection in love.

THE PREACHER'S MAGAZINE

The Preacher's Magazine, a publication of interest to men and women who preach the gospel of Full Salvation, regardless of their church affiliations, published by the Nazarene Publishing House, has just concluded its first year of existence, and it has been a successful year. But the new volume will begin with the January issue and now is the time to subscribe. The cost is only one dollar per year. The new volume will possess many improvements over the old and subscribers who have not renewed had better do so NOW, TODAY. New writers have been added to the staff and a year of experience has added to the efficiency of the old writers.

Subscriptions are limited to preachers, but preachers of all grades and orders and of any and all church affiliations are invited to subscribe. Hundreds of testimonials as to the profit received from the magazine have been received by the editor and publishers. Preacher, "Come and join us."

MY RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

By Prof. A. S. London

Y FIRST resolution for the new year is to keep the proper anticipation as a Christian. I will press forward toward the mark of the high calling in Christ Jesus. In this way I will be supported in every suffering and upheld through all the perplexing problems that will come throughout the year. I will keep cheerful amidst all the sorrows that may befall my pathway. With all the friction and competitions that will come during the year 1927, I will be sustained in what may be temporary defeats by my inner vision and the challenge within. I will not be governed by the things to be seen about me. Sight makes a man a pessimist. He finds himself asking, why? I propose to live by my vision of the Christ. This will help to keep me optimistic. I will be true to the heavenly vision.

Love is to be my motive force during this year, as it has been in the past. My purpose shall be to purchase the things that will enrich my heart-life. For I know that here is to be found the secret of high living. I shall cultivate my soul-nature—my highest self, for in so doing, I shall find God. The story is told of a country inhabited only by blind people. They knew no other world. One day a stranger came and assured them of a better country. Only one person believed his story and she was the one that had learned to love the stranger. Love awoke insight in her and she believed and found the new world. Her heart led her into the fields that her mind could not grasp.

In the language of our Pilgrim Fathers, we will push out in His name, and God will watch over us. Where we cannot see, we will trust and be happy while he works out His plan in our life. We will not be like the woman who being asked how she felt, said, "I feel good today. But I always feel the worst when I feel the best, because I know that when I feel good, I am going to feel bad again." Two buckets went into the well one day. One sobbed and said, "Oh, me! it breaks my heart to think that however full we may go away from the well, we always have to come back empty." "Why," said the other, "I was congratulating myself that however empty we come to the well, we always go away full." Two beautiful girls went out to the garden one bright, sunny morning. One little girl saw the beautiful roses and ran back to the house and said to her mother. "Mother, the roses are blooming, but there is a thorn for every rose." The other little girl saw the same roses, and ran back to her mother, and said, "Mother, the roses are blooming, and there is a rose for every thorn." The anticipation of the Christian will give one a proper conception of the things about him.

We do not propose to be "self appointed" inspector of the warts and carbuncles that are to be found in human society. Neither will we be supervisors over the Slough of Despond, or a guide to the street gutters and sewers of our country. We will not sell, give away, or barter in any manner, tickets to the tomb of despair. It is hell to cultivate the habit of seeing a selfish motive in every seeming unselfish act, and looking only for the bad things that are about us.

I read of a man who was placed in the county jail during the period of time when the Boer War was being fought, for the single reason that he was always prophesying disaster. He was a calamity howler. He was a graduate in the school that turns out discouragers. The jail was the place for him. It is the place for any man that gives his time to discouraging others and throwing out his pessimism and doubt. A man of this type is more to be dreaded in a church or a community than is a man with some loathsome disease. He is a menace to progress and impedes humanity in its upward fight for right more than a common tramp on the street. "He who steals my purse steals trash, but he who filcheth from me," my sunny outlook, my expectation of the dawn of a tomorrow, "takes that which does not enrich him, but makes me poor indeed." Ebenezer was a field of defeat before it rang out with the songs of victory. We are to take the discouraging things of life and make them bridges over which we can span the chasms that cross our path and go on to better days. No longer will we be hobbled with the ball and chains that were placed on us in '26. Sorrows came, but we will not pull them over into '27.

Out yonder on a ship that is going to pieces is a man named Paul. The sea, "curls its lips and lies in wait with lifted teeth as if to bite." The sailors' faces are ghastly with hunger and fright. And while despair grips every other heart and death laughs amidst the popping timbers of this wrecking ship, this man is perfectly calm and says, "Be of good cheer, there stood by me this night the angel of God whose I am." This is the secret of the cheerful Christian.

My next resolution for the new year is to believe in my fellow man. Confidence in man is essential to true goodness. A cynic cannot be a good man. We may take a great pride in saying that we are hard to fool in people, and often congratulate ourselves in feeling that we can see more through a key hole than others can see through an open door. We may boast of our ability to read character and read between the lines, detect sham, and tell when one is not sincere; but after all the good and great men of all ages have been those who believed in their fellow men. To be sure, men of this type are not always understood, but, who is it in this world, that is doing things for humanity that is understood? "The essence of littleness is to be understood."

Every man does not have his price, and when a person is heard to make such a statement there is at least one man that has his price and that is the fellow that is making the remark. Any man who has no confidence in his brethren is a man who knows that he himself cannot be trusted. Confidence in others inspires confidence. The Bible tells of one of the greatest enemies of the early Church who one day returned from a tour of persecution in the city of Damascus. He declared that he had been converted. The people did not believe his story. But there was one man who did believe it. His name was Barnabas. He placed utmost confidence in Paul's testimony. And the Bible says that Barnabas was a good man. He had faith in men. Paul and Barnabas started on their first missionary journey and had a young man with them by the name of Mark. He was not equal to the strain of missionary work. In fact, he showed signs of cowardice. But Barnabas still believed in him. Because a boy fails once, it is no evidence that he will not make good the next time. This young man Mark offered to go on their second trip, but Paul did not desire his company. But Barnabas believed that he could and would make good. And he believed in him to such an extent as to break company with Paul. He thought it was possible for a tender-footed fellow to make a sure enough soldier. And his faith in Mark was justified. This young man that failed one time gave us the second book in the New Testament.

Jesus had faith in men. He had faith in the poor woman that was brought to Him, taken in the act of adultery. He said to her, "Go and sin no more." He later placed the responsibility of saving the world on the shoulders of twelve men who failed Him in the greatest time of need. They went to sleep in the garden and ran away when He was arrested. But He says that, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against them." A fellow will die for a friend that will make such a statement about fiim as Jesus made about His followers. Confidence gives encouragement. It brings comfort. It brings both the giver and the receiver into a higher plane of living.

I am resolved to bring happiness during the year, to struggling youth, fighting their way through difficulties, by believing in them. A fluctuating Simon can be changed, by the grace of God, into a rock. A Magdalene can, through the power of the Christian religion, become a herald of the resurrection. Now and then we will lose in the objects of our love, but even in a case of this kind, our own hearts have been made to expand. And, "It is better to have loved and lost, than not to have loved at all."

"There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave; There are souls that are good and true. Then give the world the best you have,

And the best will come back to you."

HOLINESS AND HEALING, SIN AND SOR-ROW, WHICH?

By CHARLES ALLEN MCCONNELL

E MAY look upon the land of Palestine as a miniature world. As God chose Abraham from whose loins to form a nation, it was that in his seed all the nations of the earth should be blessed. What Jehovah desired for the children of Israel, He willed that through them all peoples might enjoy. His promises of blessing in righteousness for the Hebrews, He would not withhold from the Gentiles. His warnings against sin and His forthtelling of retribution certain to the unrepentant sinner, are for Jew and Greek alike. The fate that overtook rebellious Israel and Judah is a fate reserved 'or all nations that reject God and His Ch ist.

we may study the history of the seed of Abraham and read in prophecy the history of all peoplesfinding blessing as they seek righteousness; destruction as they cleave to evil. And, coming closer, the dealings of Jehovah with His chosen people are a faithful picture of His dealings with every individual soul. We may see ourselves, and hear Him speak to our own hearts as we read. There are two facts outstanding in the revelation of God: His outflowing beneficence, always seeking man's good, and His certain, unchanging enmity toward sin. Nor man nor any other creature can create good—all good comes from God, and He wills that man should be a constant recipient of good and good only. Sin, which is hideous rebellion against the purposes of God, dams up the channel of blessing, and leaves man without good, uncleansed, unblessed, hopeless, lost. God hates sin. How faithfully has He warned man against it. How tenderly and to what lengths has he borne with man if at length he might win him away from destruction. How he offers pardon so that the evil past shall be utterly blotted out; cleansing and renewal of the nature so that the image of the heavenly shall be again revealed; filling and empowering by divine Personality so that man shall be Christlike in his walk; protection like walls, like mountains, impassable to the enemy. Oh great is the love of our God. But as great as His love for man that man may be holy, so great is His hatred of sin, man's destruction. Today the choice is ours-holiness and infinite blessing, or sin and the wrath of a just God.

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What if every Christian would say: "Lord, I want a revival. Let it begin in me. Give me the earnestness, faith, and tenderness that I am looking for in others. Make me such a devoted worker as I think my minister or brother or sister ought to be. Let the revival begin in me, and begin now. 'Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?'"—The Congregationalist.

THE SUBTLETY OF SATAN

By J. G. Morrison, D. D.

C ATAN, the great Adversary of God and man, is subtlety personified. The wisdom of the serpent is his. When he approached Eve, it was not with a downright invitation to sin against God but rather an insidious attack on her faith, which resulted in disobedience. When he would make Cain a murderer, he stirred him up over his religion-the sacrifice that he had offered to God. When he would damn the whole old world, it was by inspiring in them the idea of their own greatness and worth, so that they would defy God, and proceed to the vilest lengths of corruption, compelling God to wipe the slate clean with a deluge. In the name of the preservation of their nation, he inspired the Jews to crucify their Messiah; in the name of a world-wide kingdom of God, he inoculated the medieval church with swollen ideas of its this-world greatness; in the name of "liberty, equality and fraternity," he precipitated the nameless horrors of the French revolution; in the name of defending orthodoxy he hatched from the pit the pitiless Spanish Inquisition; in the name of religion he set the fires of martyrdom burning throughout Europe; in the name of law and order he has hanged witches at Salem, branded Baptists with red hot irons, thrust sharpened nails through the tongues of preachers who dared to preach the truth, driven Roger Williams destitute and alone into the forest to harbor with Indians, imprisoned Quakers, maltreated Methodists, and made hell on earth generally for every one that he could.

In these late days he has adopted the garb of learning, and in the name of the college, the university and the institution of learning, he has assailed the deity of Christ, the blood atonement, the damnation in hell of the incorrigibly wicked, the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the ascension, and the Second Coming of cur Lord. Anyone who dares to believe in these sacred events is at once branded as an ignoramus, an obsolete back number with his face toward the dark ages and his back toward progress and advancement. The subtlety with which he has arrayed learning and culture against experiential religion and Bible holiness, commands one's respect for his ability and shrewdness.

Satan has seemingly always had a peculiar hatred for womankind. Just why, is a bit problematical. Possibly she is possessed of some qualities that are superior to those possessed by mankind. The devil seemed to know that if he were able to seduce her loyalty from God, in the Garden, that it would be an easy task to induce her helpmeet to follow her into disobedience. The results, at all events, seemed to justify such a course of reasoning on his part. Satan captured the woman and she captured the man, From that day on his most subtle attacks have been on womanhood. Among pagans she was degraded. No longer man's helpmeet standing at his side, as God had created her, she became a tool, a pet, a pawn, a plaything, until to deceive her was an art, and to cast her off was an item of supposed courage. When paganism degenerated into heathenism, her status became pitifully abject. She was on a par with man's horse, his dog, his weapons. She was a subject of barter, of trade, of ruthless murder. Herded in harems like cattle, she became in turn, an additional factor in the further degradation of the race, and with hellish hatred made willing contribution to the tragedy of human existence.

Jesus Christ saved womanhood. Despite the cavilings of the high-brows, the lofty learning of the Modernists, and the graceless hypothesis of evolution, it is a simple, cold, fact, to every unprejudiced reader of history, that Christianity saved womanhood. It found her degraded and placed her on her feet by the side of man, restoring her again to her rightful place as helpmeet; erect, sharing hand in hand with man the exigencies of human life.

Wherever genuine spiritual religion has prevailed, there has been seen an emancipation of womanhood. Wherever spiritual religion has declined there again she has lost ground and left her created sphere. Her present program in Europe and America is a striking evidence of this.

Not being able again to degrade womanhood in quite the same manner as he has been wont to do. in ages past, Satan with his usual subtlety, is now endeavoring to advance her beyond her station, as heretofore he depressed her beneath it. What other is this subtle spirit of restlessness among women, that is sweeping the land, than an artful plan of the enemy to lead womanhood away from the place which God created her to fill, and to induce her to be something that she ought not to be? She would leave her own pursuits and ape man in his. She would dress as he does. She would cut her hair as he cuts his. She would wear "knickers," take his place in official politics, swim English channels, climb inaccessible mountains, hunt big game in the jungles, smoke tobacco, swear, swagger, and exchange her priceless femininity for the characteristics of an un-sexed mannikin, for a "Billiken-like" neuter gender. Woman's contribution to the human race, when she sprang fresh-created from the hand of God, was grace, charm, tenderness, maternity, affection. Man's contribution was strength, firmness, muscularity and masterfulness. A union of these two, and one has the perfect human. Lose either, and the race is woefully impoverished. Satan is now subtly robbing humanity of the feminine contribution. He well knows that if he can thus ruin a considerable portion of the womanhood of the race it will be easily possible to blast mankind with a more fearful damnation than if he had attacked man alone. Women all over the land are exchanging their grace of figure and appearance for a stiff, board-like, angularity suitable only to hang suggestions of clothing on. Their tenderness has been lost in a roystering coarseness that robs humanity of a priceless heritage. They evade, decry, sneer at, and avoid every suggestion of maternity; when they marry, it is with no intention of carrying out God's created purpose, but rather that they may see how far they can go in their abuse of nature, and how un-maternal they can become. Affection has been exchanged for a mawkish affectation, and almost every mark of old-fashioned, marital, parental, and filial devotion is largely disappearing from hosts of the women of these days. With painted lips and faces, and locks clipped man-fashion, nude arms and bosoms, flesh colored stockings, thus imitating bare limbs, or clothed in male attire, they un-sex themselves, becoming a neuter gender which men cannot love nor respect, and who contribute a most appalling factor to the corruption of the race.

If this condition were limited to the women of the world, it would not be so sad and startling. But look in the church, and in the holiness churches at that! Nude arms, bare bosoms, bobbed heads, and that in some of the churches that profess to be saved and sanctified! Are these things compatible?

But someone may remonstrate that naked arms, bare bosoms and bobbed hair are not a commission of sin. These are not condemned by a direct command in the Scriptures! We would answer, neither is tobacco, nor moderate use of intoxicants, nor standing on one's head, nor appearing indecently nude in public. None of these is forbidden by a direct command of the Scriptures. Yet let any of them be tried in the average holiness church and see where the offender would land. There are hundreds of things, not covered by a direct command of Scripture, that our sense of the "eternal fitness of things" settled for us. It would seem as though the application of the eternal unfitness of holiness women appearing in semi-nude or mannish attire and hair-cut, ought to settle it.

Furthermore, is this not the identical sort of an attack that we would expect the subtlety of Satan would deliver? Note, now, his method: He realizes that womanhood has been lifted by Christian civilization out of the degradation and beastly disgrace into which he had plunged her. He cannot under the present circumstances thrust her again into such abyssmal mire. But he can get her to go too far in the other direction. Consequently, worldly women begin to adopt the vices of men. Then they adopt his attire. Then they disposses him in business and political leadership. Worldly women dictate the styles of dress, hence Christian women find themselves facing such styles. Little by little those styles seize our younger women. Then appears the semi-nude in holiness circles, soon followed by the mannish coat, collar and tie, and the boyish bob. Pastors are afraid to speak out. Backed by no direct command of Scripture, they hesitate to condemn some of their members, and sometimes members of their own family, and at last the custom is in full swing! Could anything be more artful or cunning? Could subtlety be carried out with greater finesse? This is exactly what we would expect the devil to do. The question is, will God's sanctified people fall into this snare?

But another says that this is a custom that has come to stay and that ere long we will regret the opposition to it, and that it is as certain a fixture as the shaving of men's faces, and the polishing of their shoes. Our answer is that if this be the case, let some other generation than ours adopt it. The fact that some of our holiness women are running after these worldly styles and methods of hair dress, and face paint, so eagerly, speaks volumes as to the shallowness of their experiences of the crucifixion of their own hearts, their death to pride, their utter salvation from the world, their full consecration, which they professed, and many still profess, while aping its most extreme and latest demands. Let Nazarenes hold aloof from it, and if it has come to stay, let some other generation of Nazarenes than ours be the ones to try it and ascertain how compatible it is with a real experience of holiness of heart.

The devil is a fallen archangel. He forgets more every day than the whole human race ever knew. His subtlety is as deep and damnable as hell. He will dupe God's people if he can. "He will deceive the very elect." Already, largely speaking, he has the nominal Christian world in full retreat. The holiness people are the only desperate and defiant rear-guard that he has not yet routed. Unable to take them by a frontal assault, he will catch them with subtlety. If the ranks of the holiness churches give way, there will be a complete retreat of all God's forces on earth, and the Tribulation night will be on. Nazarene men, Nazarene women, let us resist with all our might the insidious approach of worldliness, under whatever guise it may come. Let us be eternally on our guard!

NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE, NAMPA, IDAHO

Songs and sermons about heaven are worth very little unless they take into full account the facts that transformation and not transportation is the important thing in the foundation of the hope of glory.

Many people will discuss the doctrine and practice ordinances who will not die out to sin. Many will seek spectacular gifts who will not accept a clean heart. And many will profess power who faint at the profession of purity.

THOUGHTS ON PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

By Rev. F. W. Cox

EEP praying. In speaking of Elijah, James (5:17, 18) says, "He prayed . . . And he prayed again." After the first prayer to shut heaven up as a correction for wicked Ahab and his wife, the prophet hung the keys of the rain clouds upon his belt, and prayed about other matters. Then in three and a half years, "He prayed again" and the rain came pouring down.

We learn to pray by praying. We must pray and believe. "The lame take the prey" (Isa. 33:23). There is too much asking without taking. We must, "pray and not faint." We must "pray without ceasing." This means the habit of prayer not just the act. One has well said that "God rewards more for the habit than He does for the act of prayer." But if we sow an act we will reap a habit.

If you will turn to Phil. 4:6, you will notice that there are the first and second degrees of prayer. "Be careful for nothing." That is, "Be anxious for nothing." We are told to "fret not" (Psa. 37:1). Fretting, worrying, and giving way to anxious distress, instead of sweetly trusting the Lord, is a sin. "But in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God." The large cranes in the big steel mills have both a single and double gear. With the single gear they wind up the slack, then when it gets to the place where the hooks on the chain take a real hold, the double gear is thrown in, and with this second cylinder in gear, one person can pull up as much as ten tons or more with the single barrel. Now prayer in the first stage is the single cylinder. Supplication is the second barrel or cylinder, so to speak. If Satan should bother you when you first begin to pray, and tell you that you are dry and formal, and nothing is being done. Simply tell him that you are winding in the slack. People lack earnestness in prayer. Press your case. "God is still on the throne." Pray the fire, power and glory down. But also remember that you are to do this, "with thanksgiving." Now as a crane in the mill needs oiling, so thanks to God is our praying oil can. Be sure to keep your oil can well filled with thanksgiving to God.

Now notice three things in "the prayer of faith" (Read Mark 11:22-26). Notice the word, "Whosoever" (verse 23). It is the synonym of privilege. It does not say, If Paul, Wesley, George Mueller or some other big praying man asked; but, "Whosoever," that gives every person a chance. Then note the other word in verse 3, "Whatsoever." This brings up the unlimitedness of the privilege of prayer. Thank God we can pray for all our needs. Then notice the third word (verse 24), "whensoever." This has to do with the time and desire of the prayer. It is to be answered, if we accept it in the present tense. And right now. The answer to our prayer is governed by one essential condition, viz., "If ye have ought against anyone forgive." Prayer will never get through to God if we hold one single taint of an unforgiving spirit toward anyone. Would it not be a good thing if all the Lord's dear children would pray the prayer of the pious man in Psa. 119:23, 24? "Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

Make an inventory of this kind, together with the full determination to put everything out of the life, plans, ambitions, affections, thoughts and desires that do not please God. Then touch the blood anew, and enter into the New Year with a clean record, an emancipated soul. It would give any person full swing in the Holy Ghost, and a spiritual liberty that would usher in a foretaste of the glad Millennial Day and make you a soul-winner for Jesus.

LISBON, OHIO.



LESSON FORTY-NINE

"I soon learned that I must take the Scriptures with the simplicity of a little child, and to be content to receive God's testimony, what He has revealed, whether I can unravel all the difficulties that may attend it, or not."—CHARLES SIMEON.

PART ONE. THE FORTY-NINTH WEEK'S ASSIGN-MENT. Read First, Second and Third John and Jude.

The Book of First John. This epistle has a close connection with the fourth Gospel. It has been called the postscript of that Gospel. By comparing the first verse with the first verse of his gospel you will see a close similarity. It was written at Ephesus where John spent the last part of his life, shortly after his gospel was written. It is written to no particular individual or church. He wrote more probably to the Gentiles judging from the few references to the Old Testament and such passages as 5:21.

It is the Epistle of Assurance. "Whereby we know that we know Him" (2:3). "The Really and Truly Epistle." The Epistle of the Manifestation of Christ in Believers. Its theme is Fellowship with God.

The occasion of its writing was the presence of false teachers. See 2:18-26; 4:1-6. In the Early Church there were three errors that began to show themselves even in John's day. They were the denial of the deity of Christ, the denial of the humanity of

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Christ, and the denial of the union of the two natures of Christ before the baptism. John anticipates and answers all these.

We may divide the epistle as follows: 1. God is Light, ch. 1-2:28; 2. God is Righteous, 2:29-4:6; 3. God is Love, 4:7-5:21.

In 1:4 he states his reason for writing this epistle. These things we write unto you, that your joy may be full. The word joy occurs once in each of John's epistles.

The Book of Second John. This epistle is addressed to the "elect lady." The Greek word "kyria" for lady was commonly used for a proper name. It may refer to an individual saint at Ephesus. It was written shortly after the First Epistle and for the same purpose, to warn against heresy. It shows that the believer's life was one of love, and that the sanctified life, embodying the principle of love was the best safeguard against the encroachments of false teaching. For perfect love is the very essence of Christianity. The word "love" occurs four times and the word "truth" occurs five times in this short epistle. It is the Epistle of Authority-Christ the Truth, "For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us." Verse 2 is the key to this epistle. We read: "I love in the truth" (v. 1). "They have known the truth" (v. 1). "For the truth's sake" (v. 2). "Grace, . . . mercy, . . . and peace . . . in the truth" (v. 3). "Walking in truth" (v. 4). We are exhorted to abide in the doctrine of Christ, and warned against those with any other doctrine. It may also be called the Woman's Epistle.

The Book of Third John. This epistle and the preceding one have been aptly called the twin epistles. The theme of the second was "Walking in the Truth," and the theme of the third is "Fellow-helpers in the Truth." The word "truth" occurs seven times in these fourteen verses. This is the Epistle of Fellowship. Verse eight is the Key-verse. The epistles addressed to the well beloved Gaius, a beautiful character. The domineering Diotrephes was creating a faction. John warns against him but commends Demetrius.

The Book of Jude. The author of this epistle modestly styles himself as the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James. He addresses it to the sanctified.

This is the Epistle of Steadfastness. The theme is "Contending for the faith." The Key-word is "keep." "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling" (v. 24). It is a warning against apostasy. Compare those who kept not their first estate and those who are kept (reserved) for judgment (v. 6), with those who keep themselves in the love of God (v. 21), and Him who is able to keep you from falling (v. 24). The following examples of apostasy are given: Unbelieving Israel, Disobedient Angels, Lustful Sodomites, Selfrighteous Cain, Greedy Balaam, Presumptuous Korah and blasphemous mockers. The Epistle is

full of sharp and stern denunciations of the abuses that were creeping into the church. Peter and Jude thought on some of the same great problems before the church. There is a striking likeness between Jude and Second Peter.

PART TWO. THE BIBLE AND ARCHEOLOGY'S WITNESS TO ITS TRUTH.

In this time of doubt and criticism the words of our Savior, "If these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out," takes on a new significance. For as the voice of those who should be supporting the Bible are raised in criticism the Archeologist's spade is constantly digging up new evidence supporting the truth of its messages. The witness of the archeologist is one of the strongest supporters of the Bible's statements. God foresaw the modern skepticism and gave us the proofs for His Word hidden away in the old ruins. We read in Isa. 25:2, "For thou hast made of a city an heap; of a defenced city a ruin." For hundreds of years priceless treasures bearing upon the Bible have been buried in some old heap of stones. And only recently have these been found, and if they were known they would not have been accessible for no one could have read the inscriptions. The opening of these ruins and the key to their languages was left to our day of doubt. The work of Champollian in 1818 on the Rosetta Stone gave us the Egyptian language, and the labors of Sir Henry Rawlinston unlocked the Babylonian libraries, from the dangerous Behistian inscription of Kurdistan in 1835. Now from the monuments of Egypt, and the clay tablets of Babylon the Bible is vindicated. The Greek Papyri discovered covered in the desert sands or stuffed in some old mummified crocodile on the bank of the Nile provides us a means of understanding the New Testament. Sayce shows us the story of the Hittites in the Old Testament is true and William Ramsey follows in the steps of Paul through Asia Minor until he is overwhelmingly convinced of the accuracy of the Acts. Macalister found in Gezer and Jericho a "Mound of Surprises" always confirming the Bible record. Ernest Sellin is still digging away in Palestine. Time after time the destructive critic has had to change his position, being compelled to do so by the researches of the archeologist.

PART THREE. QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY.

1. What is John's chief subject? Note that Love in the New Testament is a life and not a mere passion.

2. What does the First Epistle of John say about assurance and living without sin?

3. Compare the message of First and Second John about the anti-Christ.

4. Sum up and compare the characters of Gaius, Diotrephes and Demetrius. Gather all you can about Gaius from the rest of the New Testament.

5. What about the message of Jude is especially deserving of our study today?

INTERESTING WORLD NEWS IN TABLOID FOR BUSY READERS

By Rev. C. E. CORNELL

The following item of general interest is taken from the Literary Digest:

American churchmen gave \$648,000,000 to religion last year, according to Dr. Luther E. Lovejoy, President of the United Stewardship Council of the Churches of Christ of the United States and Canada. His figures are based upon totals compiled for the Protestant churches and estimates made of the Catholic and Jewish faiths. According to an Associated Press summary:

"The twenty-five boards connected with the Stewardship Council of the Federal Council of Churches gave \$88,845,000 to benevolences, including missions of all kinds; \$332,552,000 to congregational expenses and miscellaneous gifts, to make a total of \$451,000,000.

"Dr. Lovejoy estimates that the Jews gave \$18,500,000, Roman Catholics \$168,000,000, and miscellaneous organizations \$10,500,000.

"Of the Protestant bodies, Dr. Lovejoy said, the combined totals of the North and South branches of the Methodists were \$135,000,000, Baptists \$70,000,000, Presbyterians \$72,500,000, Episcopalians \$39,000,000, Congregationalists \$26,500,000 and the Disciples of Christ \$20,600,000."

A survey has revealed that 30,800 persons were killed and 868,000 injured last year in automobile accidents, according to the American Road Builder's Association. Eighty per cent of the fatalities occurred in the United States; Great Britain was second with 968 deaths, France had 723, and Canada 702.

The New York Edison Company has installed an 80,000 horsepower generator weighing close to 2,000,000 pounds and capable of lighting 300,000 six-room houses, operating 500,000 washing machines or a million vacuum cleaners.

President Coolidge has let it be known that he has no sympathy with the proposals made in different parts of the country for referendums on the wet and dry issue. The President feels that the Volstead Act is the law of the land and if it were allowed to become nullified, law in general would be brought into contempt. The President is right.

> "Sometimes a morning smile will right Things that are mountainous at night.

"Sometimes a word, in kindness spoken, Will mend a heart that has been broken.

"Sometimes the clasp of friendly fugers Will cure a loneliness that lingers."

A happy home where there are children and the children are obedient to parents, where parents are careful to set a good example in speech and demeanor, where there is hesitancy to correct a child but when you do to mean it, is heaven on earth. Such a home reflects the kingdom of God. It makes a lasting and valuable impression on the children that will help them mold character in after years. My friend, strive for such a home.

The eigaret habit is fast degrading the entire race, both men and women. It is stated that there are now SIX BILLION eigarets smoked each week of the year. They destroy the nerve force, make the smoker deceptive, lead to untruthfulness and ill health, stomach trouble, destroy the brain capacity, weaken the lungs and cause the individual user to become enemic. The use of the eigaret by so many is bound to weaken the race, and finally land not a few in a dissipater's hell. Beware of the coffin nail!

Scientists maintain that sunlight received through plate glass

is not as beneficial as sun received direct, for the reason that the glass filters out the ultra violet rays. J. S. Hughes of the Agricultural College in Kansas maintains that chickens raised under glass, so to speak, do not lay eggs having as much vitamin "D" in them as hens raised in the open.

On August 23, L. B. Miller established a new transcontinental automobile record when he reached New York from San Francisco in 83 hours and 12 minutes. The previous record was held by "Ad" Jenkins and Roy Tuck who drove the distance in 86 hours and 12 minutes. Miller drove a Wills-St. Claire roadster.

Quaint forms of philanthropy are evident in almost every part of China. One fund is maintained for transporting to his native province any man who dies away from home, another organization provides coffins for poor children, and another society sets up "drinking fountains" of tea or water for the thirsty coolies who are the lowest in the scale of Chinese labor.

Welding instead of the usual noisy riveting is being tried out in the construction of steel buildings. The electric arc is used to weld the beams together in place of uniting them by the riveting hammer. The new process may be cheaper as well as quieter.

President Calles, of Mexico, is working on such practical problems as itrigating 2,500,000 acres. Providing 16,000 horses and 8,000 sets of plows to Mexican farmers on credit and establishing agricultural banks where the tillers of the soil may borrow money at reasonable rates. Add Christianity to agriculture and Mexico will blossom as the rose. President Calles is evidently on the right track.

While the watermelon is a seasonal delicacy and is not considered in any way as a food necessity, it is estimated that the watermelon crop for this year in the United States will be worth \$12,000,000. With one exception the crop of 1926 has been the greatest in history.

For the past four years the coal production has remained stationary in Europe, at about 1,250,000,000 tons a year, while horsepower developed from water power in Europe has increased from 23,000,000 horse power generated in 1920 to 35,-000,000 horse power in 1924.

W. M. Danner, general secretary of the American Mission to Lepers, returned to New York lately from a ten-months' tour of leper colonies in Japan, Korea, China, Siam, India, Sumatra and Palestine, and under the United States flag in Hawaii and the Philippines. He was instrumental in organizing a Chinese Mission to Lepers with Chinese officers. It is estimated that one million Chinese are lepers. He made three attempts to visit a new colony for lepers on an island in the South China Sea, but was thwarted on each occasion by heavy typhoons.

All traffic at Broadway and Wall street, New York City, one of the busiest corners in the financial district, was stopped recently while a mother cat carried her kitten across from the sidewalk in front of the Stock Exchange to that fronting the J. P. Morgan & Co. building. She had her offspring clasped tightly in her mouth.

Australia has erected a lighthouse with a lamp of more than 1,160,000 candlepower, visible 90 or more miles.

The government of Iceland has granted a 60-year concession for the development of hydro-electric power from five large waterfalls.

The world's largest glass statue, a figure of Shakespeare 24 feet tall, has been cast in England for a London park.

NAZARENE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

D. SHELBY CORLETT, GENERAL SECRETARY

EASTERN OKLAHOMA

The work on the Eastern Oklahoma District is very encouraging. We are very proud of our zone work. The different zone leaders are falling in line and are helping in this work wonderfully. We know that we can accomplish much more in this way. Wherever we go we find our young people are very spiritual. Oh, may we as young people live close to the Lord and live lives that will bless humanity as we go through this life. We feel that our young people are catching the vision and seeing the opportunities that have come our way, and are ready to step in and take advantage of them. May we urge that our pastors boost this part of their work, not only in the local society but that they may work in harmony with the General Board in putting over the program that they have set forth. We are also very glad to announce the date of our next annual convention, which will be held at Madill the first, second and third of June. We have secured our general secretary, Brother Corlett, as special speaker of the convention. Those who were not at the convention last June certainly missed some wonderful sermons and lectures, so we hope you will not miss this one, for I am sure that Brother Corlett will bless your soul. May we kindly ask that our pastors keep this date in mind, and do not have your revivals on this date, but plan above all to be present. We believe that this is going to be the best year in the work of the young people. May we ask that you hold us up at a throne of grace that we may be at our best .- B. J. Wilkins, District President.

WESTERN OKLAHOMA DIS-TRICT

The N. Y. P. S. zone rally was held at Yale, Oklahoma, November 25, 1926.

The towns represented were: Skedee, Cushing, Pawnee, Cleveland, South Field and Yale.

Brother George of Oilton had charge of the morning services, after which everyone enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner.

The afternoon service was held by Rev. Ernest Armstrong, pastor of Skedee, and several songs and talks were given by the different churches represented.

The evening service, beginning at 7:15, was conducted by Rev. LaShay, a young preacher of Bethany, Okla. Also, several songs were given. At the close of the service a young man came forward and found Christ.

Everyone enjoyed the day and we are looking forward to the next rally, which will be held at the Church of the Nazarene of Skedee, Oklahoma, January 1. 1927 - Miss Mae Rose, Reporter.

WESTERN OKLAHOMA DIS-TRICT

The N. Y. P. S. rally of Zone 8 met at Grandfield, Saturday, November 27. There are only two societies in this zone. Both of these were represented. The Lord blessed us during the entire program of the day.

We were very glad to have with us Brother E. G. Gibson, chairman of the District Organization Committee, and Mr. Paul Garett, from Erick, Okla.

Brother Gibson brought the message of the morning. At the close of the service there was one seeker at the altar.

Mr. Garett is a fine young man whom the Lord has called to sing the gospel. His messages in song blessed our hearts, especially as he sang "Keep on Keeping On."

This zone is interested in missions and voted to pay \$5.00 per month toward the support of some native worker,

We have eight churches in this zone and have only two societies. Please pray that God will give us more young people. Our next rally will be at Waurika .-- F.

M. Bates, Chairman.

DISEASES FATAL TO A N. Y. P. S. V. Pet-itis

ET-itis" or partiality is inexcusable upon the part of a leader. It manifests a very great weakness, and should one be afflicted with it, it would practically disgualify him as a leader. This disease has been the cause of much death, dryness, lack of interest, and backwardness in some of our Nazarene Young People's Societies.

I was visiting a church some time since in the interest of N. Y. P. S. work, and after giving a lecture upon some phase of the work, the pastor said, "I am very glad you said some things tonight. Our president does not seem to have any idea that it is her duty to use the membership of the society. But she calls upon a few of her friends and 'pets' continually to have leadership in the services. In the past three months," he continued, "to my certain knowledge she has only used eight different people and we have a membership of over sixty in our society." That society was afflicted badly with the disease of "pet-itis." Afflicted so badly that probably the only hope for its recovery was a completely new corps of officers.

Closely akin to this disease of "pet-itis" is one that we may term, "clique-itis." Where a little clique or group of people have the leadership of the society and hold their hands upon all of its activities; using only those of their own group and forgetting that others are members and have a place in the functioning of the society work. It is always disastrous for cliques to be formed in any religious body. True, we will have our own personal friends, but no one is worthy of the honor preferred upon him as a leader who

does not lift his horizon over the fence which surrounds his group of personal friends. We are elected as the leader of the entire society. It is the duty of the officers and leaders of any society to see that the society enlists its entire membership in its activities.

"Pet-itis" will confer the honor of office holding upon a few pets. It will call upon a chosen few to lead in prayer. Only the members of their particular clique will be called upon to sing, to lead, to carry on the work of the society.

The purpose of the N. Y. P. S. is utterly opposite to this kind of spirit. In its functionings there should be a place for each individual member, regardless of his social, financial, or intellectual standing. It would be folly, to be sure, to assume that all can fill the same places, but that does not exclude those not so gifted or talented from filling some place in the workings of the society. The one talent person needs to have the opportunity for development as well as the one with five or more. I once knew a man who said, that he could not serve the Lord in any public way, and in a very tactful way he had made it his business for years of taking care of the preacher's and evangelists' overcoats and wraps. He said he couldn't sing, he couldn't make much of a prayer in public, he was limited in his abilities; but was determined not to be left out, so filled the humble place of usher and caretaker of the wraps of the preachers. "That service is small," one says. Certainly it is, but if one cannot do anything else, should he not do what he can? So let the leaders of our societies see that each member of the society fits into the organization somewhere-in committee work, ushering, caring for the song books, anything to give the members something to do and make them feel that they are a part of the organization.

It is the great privilege and duty of the church to make the life of the young person center in the church. And the N. Y. P. S. may have a great part in this by enlisting these young people in some activities of the society and church. But a society afflicted with "pet-itis" will never see this opportunity. It will fail and die as sure as they continue in that manner. No person, young or old, will support long that which they feel they have nothing to do with. So if we want the support of the young people, morally and financially, we must make them a part of the organization, boosting them, using them, training them.

The great remedy for "pet-itis" is to push back the horizon of your vision until you will have a place in the functioning of your society for each individual member. Refuse to recognize personal friends in any partial way when it comes to the workings of our N. Y. P. S. See that each member receives the benefits of the training offered by the N. Y. P. S .--D. S. C.

NEWS FROM THE DALLAS DISTRICT Compiled by W. D. McGraw

Nore—Pastors, evangelists, and others reporting from the Dallas District, please get your reports to me by the 5th of the month. This page should be filled with reports of the activities of the churches each month. We shall be glad to have reports from the W. F. M. S., and the N. Y. P. S. and any other departments of the work on the District. Address reports to W. D. McGraw, 298 Harriot St., Beaumont, Texas.

BEAUMONT, TEXAS.

The revival spirit has been manifested in our regular services here for several months. Since the Assembly more than thirty-five have bowed at the altar, and most of them seemed to dig down to bed rock and strike the fire. We have never labored where we had more of the spirit of unity in the ranks than we have here, and with two local preachers, young men full of fire, and with fine talents, and five local deaconesses to assist, besides a membership well saved, and with a burden for the lost, we have the explanation. This condition will bring some success anywhere. Since the Assembly three fine people have united with the church, and several others are coming soon. The Sunday school is constantly increasing under the efficient leadership of our wide-awake superintendent, W. D. McGraw, Jr. We have a large class taking the Teacher Training Course. The attendance at our mid-week prayermeetings sometimes equals our membership, and the services always spiritual and helpful. The N. Y. P. S. has a membership of about sixteen, all with a good experience of grace, and ready to take hold and undertake any thing they are asked to do. The churches of the southern zone of this District are to meet with this church for a fifth Sunday Rally in January. We are expecting a large attendance, and an excellent program. The carpenters are just finishing ceiling our church this week, and the painters will complete it in a few days. This will be one of the completest, and most beautiful chapels on the District-W. D. McGraw, Pastor.

Our Beaumont W. F. M. S. is composed of a band of the most enthusiastic workers we ever saw. We meet every week at the homes of our members and sew, and have Mission study once a month. On the first Thursday evening of each month our society has charge of the prayermeeting hour and gives a program on missions, and takes a freewill offering for Missions, Since the Assembly we have received ten members. Including honorary members, we now have forty-four. Have quilted six quilts, sold fifty calendars, and sent a box for our African district missionary box. It is a pleasure to work with this band of loyal people which compose the Beaumont W. F. M. S.-Mrs. W. D. now. Besides a lot of local work, they have sent a box to the Orphan's Home at

GRAND SALINE AND ALBA.

Since we have been elected District Superintendent of this District we have longed to do our best to be a blessing to every church and pastor. We visited during the month of November 15 churches and we have found that in spite of the financial strain on our people, especially on the northern end of the District, that our people are facing facts and are determined to make the thing go for God and holiness. We arrived at Grand Saline on Saturday night, November 27, and found that our pastor, Sister Lane, had been taken back to Denison where her home is, on account of pneumonia. Sister Lane has been very sick but God has heard and answered prayer thus far and we invite others to pray for her recovery. The doctor has said she must not preach again before spring. Arrangements are being made for a pastor to supply for the winter months. We are glad to report that both Grand Saline and Alba are looking up and expecting God to give them a great year. There are some few at both places that have borne the burdens for a long time and they are untiring in their efforts and surely God will answer their prayers and give them their hearts' desire. -F. E. Wiese, District Superintendent.

LUFKIN, TEXAS.

The Lord has given us a good start here in the beginning of our third year. Four have been added to our membership, with others to come in soon, and the attendance is increasing, both in the Sunday school and preaching services. The Sunday school is prospering under the efficient leadership of our superintendent, Brother Joe Beard. Brother W. R. Behannon has proven himself to be the right man in the right place as choir director and N. Y. P. S. President. They had a tithing program recently, and after a little talk by the pastor, an offering was taken for the general budget which amounted to \$42.00. The W. F. M. S. under the leadership of Sister Walker is making splendid progress, and with good fellowship and harmony in our ranks, we are expecting better days for the Lufkin church-W. S. Harmon, Pastor.

PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS.

The work here is far ahead of what it was at this time last year. Following the District Assembly, Dr. J. B. Chapman preached a week for us, and there were about twenty-five good professions. Several have prayed through in our regular services, and we have received three into the church. The attendance at Sunday school has increased, and the N. Y. P. S. is making splendid progress. The W. F. M. S. was never more prosperous than now. Besides a lot of local work, they have sent a box to the Orphan's Home at Peniel valued at \$40.00. It contained such things as new clothes, pillow cases, dress goods, etc. The finance is coming up fine, and we are encouraged to do our best for the lost of this growing little seaport city.—S. W. Hampton, Pastor.

ORANGE, TEXAS.

We are indeed happy to report that God is blessing us at this place. We arrived here the first of October, and received a kipd welcome from these faithful Nazarenes, which made us feel very much at home. The services are times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and shouts of victory are often heard. God is giving us access to the homes and hearts of the people, many of them not members of our church yet, and we are doing our best to help them to God. Our Sunday school attendance is increasing, the prayermeetings are well attended. The N. Y. P. S., under the leadership of Miss Alice Williamson, is doing fine. Pray for us.— M. M. and Sadie Lowrey.

VALDASTA, TEXAS.

This is our third year with this church. The past two years have been times of victory, and progress, and several have prayed through to victory. About twenty-five have united with the church, during our stay here, and we are expecting this to be the best year of them all. God has given us a fine people, who know how to pray till victory comes, and we are encouraged to do our best to go over the top. We are serving the Westminster church for the fourth time. This is a small church, but is composed of a heroic people, who have the burden for the lost and by the help of God and the co-operation of these good folks we expect to see the work grow and prosper. We are using a rented hall in which to worship, but hope to build a church house soon .--J. A. Sharp, Pastor.

SHERMAN, TEXAS.

We arrived at our new work here late in the afternoon, November 4, and found quite a number of the good people at thr parsonage to welcome us. After greetings, we sat down to a splendid supper. Then in the evening the folks gathered in and such a pounding as they gave us. The effects abide yet. But we are not "sore" with them for it. The good people at Austin gave us a beautiful farewell service as we completed our fifth year with that people. They gathered at the church and had singing and prayers and speeches and special songs, and said so many good things about us that we almost wished we had left sooner. They marched around and told us goodby, after which they served hot chocolate and cake. The good women gave Mrs. Flynn a nice linen shower. Brother Threadgill, the new pastor at Austin, was present to help the people in the farewell service for us. He said many kind things of us. Having been his pastor for two years we learned to love and appreciate that man of God. We are getting started in our work here. Crowds are good and the attendance is getting better. We are expecting better times at Sherman. Help us pray for the work here. We are going on and up. We find a splendid people here whose heart is in the work and they are willing to sacrifice to any extent to carry on the work. Amen .-- I. L. Flynn, Pastor.

TYLER, TEXAS.

This church was organized July 4th, and in spite of all hindrances, splendid progress is being made on all lines and in all departments. The Sunday school has more than doubled in attendance, and four members have been received into the church. There is a real burden for the lost on the saints, and we are planning to begin the year 1927 with a revival beginning Jan. 22, and continuing at least three Sundays. This is a difficult field, but with the co-operation of these loyal Nazarenes, and the help of God, we expect to see a Church of the Nazarene here which shall stand till Jesus comes. We have more than raised our general budget till Jan. 1st and the other apportionments are being met when due. We hope to build a church in the near future. Pray for us.-J. E. Williamson, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Dallas First Church is moving out into the new Assembly year with increased faith, courage, inspiration, and victory. Some are praying through at our regular services. We have received five into the church since the Assembly, and another class is to come in next Sunday. Our Sunday school is on the upgrade, and the N. Y. P. S. is growing in interest and at-tendance. We have a most excellent class of young people. The prayermeetings are well attended and deeply spiritual. We are to have our all-membership day Dec. 5th at which time we hope to have every member present for an all day meeting. This will include General Superintendent Williams, District Superintendent Wiese, and Rev. J. T. Upchurch, Superintendent of Berachah Home. Each of them will bring a message to the church. We have planned a great evangelistic campaign Feb. 25th to March 13th with the follow-ing workers: Dr. R. T. Williams, "Uncle Buddie," and Prof. B. D. Sutton, We are financing the church strictly on the budget plan, and many of our people are storehouse tithers. All apportionments are paid to date with a small balance in the treasury-P. L. Pierce, Pastor.

COLORADO DISTRICT CONVEN-TION

On Nov. 8th the Colorado-Wyoming District Convention opened in the First Baptist Church of Longmont, Colo., and closed Friday the 12th. As our local church was not properly equipped to handle the Convention our good pastor, Rev. F. L. Spindler, had secured the

First Baptist Church. We were well entertained by our Longmont Nazarenes. God bless them much and give them good success.

Dr. E. P. Ellyson was the main speaker and his messages were very helpful, interesting and spiritual. For four mornings his messages were based upon Eph. 4:11-13. His afternoon talks were along the line of Sunday school efficiency. These days will long be remembered.

Many helpful topics were brought before the Convention by various pastors and workers. These times of discussion were helpful to us all and enlarged our vision. Dr. Ellyson preached four evenings.

Dr. Ellyson preached four evenings. God blessed the truth to the good of many hearts. Rev. J. C. Henson was with us for several days. He entered into the discussions with enthusiasm and also stirred us up in regard to our Pasadena College. One night service he preached to the profit of us all. Our District Superintendent was not

Our District Superintendent was not permitted to remain with us after the first day on account of the sickness of Mrs. Davis. His presence was greatly missed.

This was one of the best—if not the best—Conventions that this District has ever had. It was well attended, especially by the churches east of the Rockies.

L. E. GRATTAN, Vice-Chairman.

JOHNSON, VERMONT, COUPLE CELEBRATE FIFTIETH MAR-RIAGE ANNIVERSARY

On Friday, November 19, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Griswold celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Relatives and friends to the number of 132 gathcrcd at their home during the day, filling their home to overflowing. A bountiful dinner was served which was prepared by Mrs. Griswold. A set of china dishes, bought in 1846, and inherited from her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Babcock, were among the dishes used on the dining table.

Mr. and Mrs. Griswold were married in Craftsbury, Vermont, November 19, 1876, living in Eden one year and in Craftsbury two years, and the remainder of their wedded life has been spent in Johnson, Mrs. Griswold coming to Vermont when she was eight years old, residing with her grandmother, Mrs. Roxacelany Babcock, a number of years in the house where they are now living. Five children were given them, all of whom were present except one.

The aged couple are active in church and community work. Both are members of the Church of the Nazarene in Waterville. Mr. Griswold conducts a business of contract and building moving.

The esteem in which they are held was testified to by the large gathering as well as by the many gifts, including a purse of \$135.00 in money, \$112.50 of which was gold, and Jerusalem Cherry Tree covered with golden balls as well as cut flowers.

Many letters, cards and telephone messages were received from friends who were unable to be present.

Rev. M. Kimber Moulton of the Church of the Nazarene of Waterville,

had charge of the program of the evening and made interesting and appropriate remarks. Refreshments were served at the close of a very pleasant evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP CON-VENTION, MARITIME PROV-INCES, CANADA

This Convention was entertained by the Oxford, Nova Scotia Church of which Rev. J. W. Richardson is the hard-working, self-sacrificing pastor. Rev. J. W. Turpel, of O'Leary, P. E. I., President of the Group Executive Committee, presided over the convention with his usual spirit of geniality and kindliness. Brother C. C. McCormack, superintendent of the Oxford Sunday school, and one of the most faithful brethren of our denomination, extended a most cordial welcome to the convention to which Brother Turpel responded. In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Eunice M. Allen of Springhill, N.S., was appointed Secretary Pro-tem.

During the morning session a paper prepared by Sister Libbie Schurman on "How to Teach the Bible Class" was followed by an interesting discussion on several points relating to this subject.

The first paper presented at the afternoon session was prepared and read by Rev. Mary A. Custance of Springhil, her theme being "The Relation of the Sunday School to the Church."

Brother C. C. McCormack's paper on "Childhood and Education" proved to be an interesting treatment of this subject. The next paper on the program was given by Brother Richardson on "The Sunday School—Its Chief Aim." The last paper on the program was presented by Rev. I. W. Turpel on "The Three Objectives of the Sunday School." All of these papers provoked discussions which were stimulating and helpful. The desire for progress in efficiency in Sunday school work was marked and a vote was taken that a Group Convention be held each spring in addition to the regular annual convention required by the constitution and which is held each fall; place of meeting to alter-nate between Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia. Plans were begun at the convention to hold a two-day convention in the spring at Mt. Pleasant, P. E. I., one day to be devoted to the interests of the Sunday school and the other to the interest of missions. The officers chosen for the ensuing year to constitute a Group Executive Committee are as follows: President, Ward Jelly; Vice-President, C. C. McCormack; Secretary, Rev. Mary A. Custance; Treasurer, Gertrude McCormack; Superintendent of Teacher Training, Kenneth Williams.

At the evening session after an inspiring praise and testimony service under the leadership of Rev. A. Stanford, of Mt. Pleasant, Rev. J. W. Turpel was introduced as the preacher of the hour. His message from Amos 6:1 was a stirring appeal for constant zeal in the work of the Sunday school.

We feel that this convention throughout was marked by a special sense of the approval of God and will result in real good to our Sunday schools in the provinces.

EUNICE M. ALLEN, Secretary Pro-tem.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

It is without question time for me again to give an account of my stewardship to the readers of the "New England Page." Since my last writing the time has been largely devoted to campaigns with local churches besides visits by the wavside.

The first meeting was with the Re-formed Baptist Church at Beals, Me., my first opportunity of labor with our sister denomination. It would be difficult to tell about it even though space permitted. My purpose in accepting the kind invitation of the local pastor, Rev. Frank Watson, was the hope of increasing the fraternal spirit between two bodies so closely associated geographically and doctrinally. If all the brethren of the Reformed Baptist Church are like Brother Watson I am anxious to repeat the process. I found some real saints in Beals. The battle was intense but God gave us a grat-ifying degree of victory. Let us hope the day may come when we may all be one and that New England and Eastern Canada shall feel the mighty united tread of God's victorious army.

Next came our Annual Preachers' Convention at Lowell. This gathering was well attended and God's presnce manifested. The instruction and preaching of Dr. Chapman was more than can be described here. The Lord bless him.

Our other battle was with our baby church at Jackman, Me. It is refreshing to work among people unspoiled and sweetly responsive to the truth. Though the tide of opposition to the new work still runs high in the town yet the developments are extremely gratifying. We have a loyal band of forty and the best part of it is, lots of men and young people. Surely a great future is here for the right man who may follow this splendid work God has begun under Sister Mabel Manning.—H. V. Miller.

MALDEN, MASS.

Malden church has not sent you a report for some time but we have a good story to tell of work that has been accomplished in the name of the Lord, and we know that God is blessing us in all our labors. We bought a tent and had a three weeks' meeting in the neighboring city of Melrose during the summer. The first two weeks we had Evangelist Martha Curry with us there, and the last week we had Pastor G. E. Waddle of Cambridge. Although the attendance was rather small yet there was a good interest shown in the meetings and there were several seckers. Our hope is that we may organize a church there later. We are planning another campaign in Melrose in the early summer. We had a fine beginning after vacation. Our Sunday school is doing the best work that it ever has done. Our Rally Day we had the second largest attendance in the history of the

school. Our regular attendance has increased twenty over our attendance a vear ago. During the summer and auturnn we held a contest with Lowell for new scholars, and Malden was victorious with 48 new members to Lowell's 37. We rejoice over the gain for both schools. Up to date we have 51 new scholars. We expect to do a great work this winter in the school. Our fall revival with Rev. R. P. Fitch was an inspiration to all. It is always difficult to get a crowd here but we had some good audiences. Brother Fitch preaches more gospel in each sermon than the average, and he preaches with Holy Ghost unction. We had quite a few seekers and the church was greatly helped in his meetings. We are now plan-ning a Probationers' Class among our Sunday school scholars and trust we will have a good class indoctrinated and saved by Easter, ready for probationary mem-bership. We must win our scholars for Jesus, Our Young People's Society is organized and making definite headway, spiritually and otherwise. "Onward we go, praising the Lord."-Bertha M. Todd, Reporter.

NOVA SCOTIA.

God is blessing here in the church at Springhill. Our company is small but we have a faithful few who are praying and believing God for an outpouring of His Spirit that will arouse sinners to seek salvation before it is too late. Our midweek prayermeetings are seasons of refreshing. Our Saturday evening meetings which are given over to prayer are marked by God's approval and blessing. An encouraging feature of our work here is the Sunday school which is well attended and in which a real interest is manifested. Children's meetings are being conducted here and also at Miller's Corner. Sister Eunice Allen is instructing the children at these services and teaching them many valuable lessons in the things of God. Last Sabbath was a day of victory. God graciously blessed Sister Custance as she brought a Spiritfilled message at the morning service. In the evening the writer preached and again God was pleased to accompany the Word. At the altar service one precious soul came back to God. We are looking forward to bolding revival services with Brother Levi Ecker sometime the first of the year. We are as firmly persuaded as ever that "Prayer Changes Things" and covet your prayers for this work .- Mary A. Custance, Annie S. Allen.

LIVERMORE FALLS, MAINE.

To the HERALD OF HOLINESS Family, greetings: Since out last report we have been making progress in the good old way. The Dryden work is now in the hands of a new pastor, Sister Freda Hayford. Our sister is well liked and is doing a good work in this needy field. They have a new church building under erection and the prospects are encouraging for a good work to be done in the near future. The Rev. John T. Hatfield gave us a splendid meeting at the Falls during the month of September. The singing was in charge of Brother Frank Smith, of South Portland. These brethren who need no introduction to our people worked splendidly together and gave us one of the best meetings in the history of our church. Brother Hatfield is fine in every way, and could he have stayed a week or two longer, the results would have been much more gratifying. However the church was strengthened and additions made. But protracted efforts with a professional evangelist is not all there is; God can and will give great victory without them when He can find a band of praying saints who will follow Him. Thank God, we have such a band here. Since our September meeting we have had a number pray through, mostly young folks. During our ministry here God has given us many young people from every church in town Baptist, Methodist, Universalist and Catholic, but we have lost none of them. Our heart cry is that souls may be won to God and then "go work in His vineyard." Pray for our people here for they are among the best of earth. Yours till Jesus comes .-- C. F. Hurst, Pastor.

SOUTH ELIOT, ME.

We are praising God for His presence with us and His blessing upon the work bere. Our prayer services and Sunday school are both growing in attendance and interest. We believe that this is a shouting point. It is the thermometer which accounts for the attendance and interest in our services, we believe. At a recent prayermeeting the Spirit broke in upon us; folks were weeping, shouting and simply getting blessed. The outand simply getting blessed. growth of this session was partially seen in the altar services the following Sunday. Rev. A. H. Kauffman was with us on the evening of November 15th and gave us a missionary treat. The church was filled to its seating capacity and although there was no sum in arrears to raise on our budget, a liberal cash offering was given. We have every reason to praise God for all His benefits to us and with a shout in our hearts go on to push the battle for holiness in this community.-Irva G. Phillips, Pastor.

WORCESTER, MASS.

We came to our newly organized church at Worcester, Mass., in response we believe to the call of God. This new church had a splendid birth and gives promise of being a child of "lively hope." Twelve new members have joined the church in our first five weeks, with a balf dozen more looking to the moment of opportune time. Our needs have been met, not of course without battles, but always with definite victory. For the past few years we have preached, that such devotion as would go the fullest limit of giving when necessary would characterize men and women filled with the Holy Ghost. Often we have been beset by temptations over the lengths we have gone and will go, for the glory of God. And occasionally we have felt the sharp thrusts of criticisms of those who thought God did not expect it, but with the men and women of the Worcester church, we have met with the most inspiring examples of full devotion to the work of God. This devotion is so spontaneous, so like the primitive Christian church that we look with amazement upon these devoted and loving Nazarenes. Men, strong, dependable, men of positions of trust are willing to make any sacrifice possible to put this work over. One man said, "I'll sell my car, but that we will go through these opening months. Another fine, princely looking man, a man of such caliber as would at once impress you, said with tear dimmed eyes, I will go on one meal a day, but we shall not fail. And the women are of like devotion. Brethren, does not such ready devotion to Jesus and His Church stir you? To us this devotion more than anything else, argues most eloquently that this work is divinely called and divinely blessed. The prospects are as bright as the promises of God .--- E. E. Martin, Pastor.

WEST SOMERVILLE, MASS.

We have just closed one of the best revival meetings in the history of this church with Rev. Bona Fleming as evangelist. Over eighty seekers were at the altar for either pardon or purity. We had a great all day service on Thanksgiving Day with a goodly number of seekers at each service. Some fine young men and women found God in these services. We had a six o'clock prayermeeting each morning which proved a great help to the revival for here the saints gathered unction and vision and the Lord came and answered prayer. Our attendance was good in spite of the fact that it was Thanksgiving week and everyone was busy. Sunday afternoon and evening our church was packed to its capacity and we closed Sunday night the 28th with thirty seekers. This is unusual for New England. Miss Lula Barnard did splendid work as solist and altar worker. We expect to take a goodly number into the church next Sunday. We give God all the glory for what has been accomplished. -T. W. DeLong, Pastor.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

Just closed a fifteen days revival meeting with Brother and Sister Elsner as evangelists. Brother Eisner scented the revival spirit which was on the church and did not waste any time but plunged right in the first sermon, and the result was, fifteen seekers at the altar the first service and seekers at every meeting. The crowds were good in spite of the sudden change in the weather. The last service every seat was filled and over thirty people standing. Twenty-one united with the church, some of them the fruit of the Braley Station work. Brother and Sister Elsner are Spirit filled workers. They

sing well together and Sister Elsner gets the people to sing as she leads the congregation. Brother Elsner in his preaching hews to the line in an effective but kind manner. Finances went over the top, with a love offering for pastor and wife. We are now living in our new parsonage, 62 State St.---R. J. Kirkland, Pastor.

JOHNSON, VERMONT.

The Church of the Nazarene of Johnson, Vt., would like to remind our church in general, that we are still in existence and to be otherwise is far from our present intention, by the grace of God. We feel assured that our church is making progress along spiritual lines, under the faithful preaching of our precious Brother Crossley. Brother and Sister Crossley have a burning zeal for our young people, and there is a very marked difference in their interest and spiritual condition. We are very much encouraged in the unusual attendance at our Sunday night services. There is a wonderful spirit of prayer pervading among our people and we are much encouraged with our work here. We haven't seen as much done as we would have been pleased to have seen, but we have had several at our altars and we feel that the work done is a permanent work, having taken a few into membership during the year. Our church building has just been reshingled and an outstanding note of three years paid, for which we praise God. We are praying for a heaven sent revival of oldtime religion, and covet the prayers of God's people to this end .- E. Bennett, Reporter.



LESSON SUBJECT: The Standard of Christian Living.

LESSON TEXT: Luke 6:27-38.

GOLDEN TEXT: Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect (Matt. 5:48).

HRISTIANITY is a life growing out of a certain relationship to Jesus Christ, a life to be lived after a certain standard set up by Jesus. This standard was first partially revealed in the Old Testament law but the Jewish teachers had so misconstrued the real teachings of the law by their interpretations, weaving into it rabbinical traditions, weaving into it rabbinical traditions and even heathen ethics, that the people had lost sight of much of its truth. In our lesson for today Jesus is teaching the true meaning and spirit of the law and rescues the law from these false teachers and paves the way for the inauguration of Christianity.

Christianity is not the doing awaw with the law, but a fulfillment of the law and an advance over the Mosaic system. Our lesson opens with Jesus' statement of the true Christian standard relative to the correct feeling toward and treatment of enemies, and of course feeling toward and treatment of friends should be no less. We judge that some special emphasis in this statement should be

placed upon the "But I." Others have taught, and some have misinterpreted, but Jesus is the true Teacher with authority to whom we must listen; His interpretation, the meaning which He gives it is the true one. He gives as the true meaning and spirit of the law, the Standard of Christian Living as that of Love, love to all, even enemies. How very many who have professed to be the followers of Jesus seem to have missed this! As we look back over the history of the Church and see the divisions and wars, how much we see that is not after this standard! And is there not today much in the church that falls short of the standard? But remember Christianity has not failed, it is man that has failed to live and apply the standard.

Affection is human but love is divine, affection is animal and soulish but love is spiritual. True love, and especially love for one's enemies, is impossible to the unregenerate. For this to become an actual experience one must experience that change of heart that makes all things new. People may do many things that look like love and yet the motive prompting the act be a purely selfish one. It takes the Christian experience to live the Christian standard. But where there is the real experience there will be the true love in the heart.

Jesus here tells us that this true love to enemies will manifest itself in at least five ways. It will do good even to those who hate you; it will bless even those who curse you; it will pray even for those who despitefully treat you; it will not retaliate with those who mistreat you; it will give to those who ask of you. To sum it up, love will do to others as one would desire that others should do to them. This spirit we know is entirely too rare even among those who profess to be Christians. We are prone to believe that it is our duty to stand by our rights, that is our selfish rights. Jesus, however, teaches that a Christian will yield his rights and suffer unmerited treatment rather than put the cause of Christianity in a questionable position before the world. But it must be remembered that this is a life in the spirit and not a mere observance of the letter. There is the possibility, and may we add also the probability, unless the heart be kept warm and tender with divine love of becoming as legalistic and cold in our conformity to these teachings of Jesus as any Jew to his ritual-istic and ceremonial laws.

Note just a little more closely the Master's teaching here relative to the art of giving. It is quite evident that Jesus desires His followers to be generous givers, but we could scarcely understand Him to mean that we are to respond to every appeal made to us by any and every individual irrespective to the conditions and purpose, for to do this would be to encourage in many instances a spirit of shiftlessness and vice. Saint Augustine interprets this passage thus: "Give to every one that asketh, but not everything that he asks." Were we to give to everyone everything that he asks, or might ask, this would often be as harmful to the recipient as it would be impoverishing to the giver, and much

wealth would pass into the hands of the undeserving.

But while there must be a care against a reckless and unwise giving that would be harmful, that love which is genuine and truly Christian must express itself in a service that is in excess of the things which are done as a result of mere worldlv friendships and affection. Sinners may do many deeds of kindness and charity to those who are their friends or from those from whom they have the chance of getting gain or even for those who make some strong appeal to their human sympathy. The Christian must do all of this but from a different motive, and then must do more, even love and treat with kindness those who may be enemies and mistreat one. The Christian standard of living calls for that which goes beyond the deeds of sinners, even sympathetic sinners. And the best and great testimony for Christianity is not reached until this beyond is reached.

The unselfish life lived after the Christian standard is not at the expense of the best self-interest, there is a worthy reward to self. To work for the reward is to lose it, but to live according to this standard brings a great reward, the very reatest things for the self. He who gives from this motive and after this style shall get, and he shall not get stintingly but he shall receive good measure, pressed down and running over measure. There is a losing that gains, an impoverishing that enriches, a self-forgetfulness that brings a splendid remembrance from others. But the great Christian reward is not from men, but from God.

Note now the closing thought. There is a great law of reciprocity that belongs to life. "With the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." And the same is inferred in an earlier verse when it is said, "Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: Condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven." If many of us would give a careful consideration to this truth we would find the explanation to some of the treatment we are receiving. One cannot expect to find many friends until he shows himself friendly, cannot expect to be treated kindly until he has shown kindness to others.

The Christian Standard of living is the standard of love to all. It does not stop to consider how it is being treated before it loves, it loves enemies and those who mistreat as well as those who are friends. And to live by this standard is the best way to conquer enemies and bring peace on earth. When love reigns upon earth then the will of God will be done on the earth as it is in heaven.

FLORIDA DISTRICT

Our Assembly came right after the hurricane which swept the southern part of the state. Our church property was badly damaged and our people in many cases suffered heavy financial loss. The fact that last year was one of the best the District has ever seen and the optimism and faith of Dr. Goodwin was great encouragement to press on for an aggressive year. Since the Assembly I have made a trip to the west coast. At Avon Park a

very gracious revival has visited the church. Rev. W. E. Melton was assisted by Evangelist W. O. Self. Some substantial people were reached and will unite with our church. This church is little more than a year old and they have a church and parsonage in a fine location with only a small debt. Their future is bright. They will entertain the Assembly next fall.

At Lakeland Rev. J. W. Crossman has rallied some good folks about him and has a good class with weekly prayermeetings in different parts of the city. They are in special efforts now with Evangelist Self and the prospect of a good organization in the near future is bright.

At Tampa we have a small organization which is making a heroic effort to get established and press an aggressive campaign in this large city. We have a building adequate for present needs and practically paid for. Rev. Warren Brown is in charge of the work.

We visited Bradenton where we have several Nazarenes who are anxious for a meeting. We plan to have a tent meeting here in the near future and do our best to get a work started.

Through the generosity of Chicago Central District we have a tent to add to our equipment for the winter work. We appreciate their interest and kindness toward us. We so much need a little money to start meetings in these cities where we have to pioneer our way. If we could have two hundred dollars to get started with in most cases it would come back as the meeting progressed and could be used again. Possibly someone will feel to help us in this needy field.

FRED C. NORCROSS, District Superintendent.

THE OHIO DISTRICT MINIS-TERIAL AND WOMAN'S MIS-SIONARY CONVENTION

The Ohio District Ministerial and Woman's Missionary Convention was held in the First Church of the Nazarene, Springfield, Ohio, November 30 to December 3. First Church and the good pastor, Rev. E. J. Haerr, left nothing undone that would add to the comfort of those attending the convention.

Evangelist Oscar Hudson preached the opening evangelistic message in his characteristic way. A number responded to the altar call. Rev. Fred T. Fuge preached to the delight of all at each of the succeeding evening services, and at the close of each of his messages a number sought either the blessing of pardon or purity.

We were helped greatly by the presence and talks given by the following visiting ministers of the gospel: Rev. T. W. Willingham, President of Olivet College; Rev. C. J. Quinn, District Superintendent of Indianapolis District; Evangelists Oscar Hudson, Fred T. Fuge, U. E. Harding, W. E. Lytle, R. F. Whitehurst, Thomas Price, and Haldor and Bertha Lillenas; Pastors Howard Paschal and Grover B. Wright.

One evangelist who said that he had been attending assemblies and conventions for the last twenty years, testified that the papers read, the discussions that followed and the spirit of fellowship and harmony that prevailed made this the best of all the conventions of like nature that he had ever attended. All papers were good. Among them were: "Wise and Unwise Methods of Dealing with Unruly Members," by Rev. Howard Welch; "The Minister as Student, Preacher, Prophet and Soul-Winner," by Rev. Frank House; "Church Music, Its Use and Abuse," by Rev. E. L. Day; and "Christian Courtesy Among Brethren, or The Ethics of Colleagues," by Rev. Orval J. Nease.

The convention was presided over by our efficient District Superintendent, Rev. Chas. A. Gibson. After a talk on the best holiness paper in the land, the HERALD or HOLINESS, the different pastors pledged themselves as responsible for securing more than 500 subscriptions within the next thirty days.

MILLARD R. FITCH, Reporter.

GROUP MEETING, WESTERN OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

Group meeting of Zone 8 was held at Duncan November 16. Rev. Arthur Green, pastor of the Duncan church, and his good people are moving things for God. There are ten churches in this group, though they were not all represented. There were enough present, however, to make it a worth while meeting, and we certainly did feast on the good things from the Lord. We had with us Rev. E. C. Dees, who brought us a wonderful message at the eleven o'clock hour. Evangelist W. F. Cleghorn was also pres-The afternoon was taken up with ent. helpful discussions. One was, in what way can Christians be the greatest asset to a revival meeting? Some helpful points were brought out which made it a very interesting discussion. A discussion of the different phases of the W. M. S. was also had. This was a very interesting subject and was received with much interest by the people. Our next group meeting will be at Comanche December 21. Our much loved District Superintendent, Rev. J. Walter Hall, has kindly consented to be with us, and we are expecting a great day with the blessings of the Lord upon us .- Mrs. S. W. Ryan, Reporter.

REPORT OF PITTSBURGH DIS-TRICT PREACHERS' MEETING

The Preacher's Meeting, Young People's and Sunday School Convention of the Pittsburgh District, was held in the New Castle Church of the Nazarene, of which Rev. G. Howard Rowe is the pastor, Dec. 5th to 9th.

The convention program was in charge of Dr. J. H. Sloan, District Superintendent, who presided with efficiency and to the delight of all present.

The special workers were Dr. J. B. Chapman, editor of the HERALD oF HOLI-NESS, and Rev. F. M. Messenger of Chicago, III.

The morning messages to the preachers and other workers, given by Dr. Chapman, were indeed of high order and given under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. These timely addresses shall long remain in the minds and hearts of the people, in fact such splendid instruction is not soon forgotten. His preaching at the evening evangelistic services was blessed of the Lord and seckers were found at the altar.

Rev. Messenger's discourses on the book of Revelation were full of interest and thought for those who are interested in the study of prophecy. While the time atlotted to him was not sufficient for him to fully cover the book, yet he spoke to the point and gave many suggestions that were helpful to the student.

The various papers given by pastors were greatly enjoyed, and the discussion of the various subjects by the entire convention was indeed helpful, and all left the convention feeling better able to do the work that is theirs, in the true Nazarene way.

This the new Pittsburgh District now six years and seven months old under the wise leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Sloan, has had a marvelous growth, showing a 90 per cent increase in churches, including such churches as Cleveland, Ashtabula, Warren, Canton, New Castle, Cherry Valley, Barberton and Youngstown. A membership increase of 224 per cent, and financial increase of 103 per cent. Akron and East Liverpool churches of this District hold the record for sending the two largest single lists of subscriptions to the HERALD OF HOLINESS. Akron is also the leading city of the entire church for number of HERALDS taken. The District at this convention has agreed to undertake to increase their subscription list by Feb. 1st 1500 copies. On wITH THE BATTLE.

A number of visiting brethren were at the convention for all or part of the time, among whom were Rev. E. O. Chalfant, District Superintendent Chicago Central, Rev. John Gould representing Eastern Nazarene College, also the following evangelists, Rev. John Fleming, W. W. Hankes, V. W. and Marguerite Littrell, J. O. Rice and Rev. Oney. Our visiting friends were a great blessing and brought an increase of glory and blessing into the convention.

The New Castle church, with its great pastor, Rev. G. Howard Rowe and his good wife, as well as friends of the church who assisted them, are to be congratulated for the splendid way in which they entertained all present. Everything possible was done to make and keep us all happy during our stay in their city.⁴ We all unite in saying, "Let's go to New Castle again." God bless them.

The spirit of the convention was indeed beautiful and the presence of the Holy Ghost was manifested throughout, and it was a delight to listen to the discussions, and although the speakers spoke with great earnestness at times, in the end all was peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. It was truly a wonderful convention and all united in saying it was the best yet. To God be all the glory.

O. L. BENEDUM, Reporter.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT SUN-DAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The seventh annual Northwest District Sunday School Convention convened with Rev. H. B. Wallin and his loyal band of Nazarenes in their beautiful new church, at Spokane, Wash., Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and 2.

The District President, Rev. D. Swarth, pastor at Lewiston, Idaho, had prepared and arranged a splendid and helpful program. The principal speaker was our editor, Dr. E. P. Ellyson. We were greatly blessed, inspired and instructed by his talks and lectures. Truly we could say of him as did the Shunammite woman say of Elisha, "A man of God passed our way." We were made to doubly feel and realize our responsibilities as Sunday school workers and some if not all went from the convention determined to profit by his instructions and run new vehicles in the Old Path and build real schools of Christian education.

We were edified by the presence of General Superintendent Goodwin and his talks to us from time to time on "Characteristics of Soul Winning" were inspiring. Our vision was enlarged, our passion for souls deepened and we made to feel anew the great task which lies before us of winning men for the Kingdom.

The special singing was spiritual and of high order. We enjoyed Brother Fred Canaday, an old fashioned Methodist, who sang from time to time, and Rev. F. A. Anderson of Moscow, Idaho, and Rev. W. W. Hess, Yakima, Wash.

The new officers elected for ensuing year were S. W. True, Spokane, Wash., District President; Mrs. Fred Samm, Moscow, Idaho, Treasurer, and Rev. W. O. A. Wilson of Princeton, Idaho, Secretary. MRS. FRED SAMM, Reporter.

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OUTLOOK OF OLIVET COLLEGE

We are now nearing the close of the first semester under our new administration at Olivet College.

One of the most outstanding things of our institution at this time is that we are succeeding in putting on a good aggressive spiritual program. God is in our midst. Our President and our efficient pastor, Rev. J. E. Williams, are endeavoring to keep the revival fires going each Sunday and during the week. I am informed that there have been from ten to twenty at our altar at our Sunday services and quite recently there has been an outbreak in our regular chapel service.

Quite recently we had a fine missionary program. Rev. E. G. Anderson was with us in several services. They exceeded our District apportionment for the General Budget \$1200 or \$1500.

I think the personnel of our student body is about the finest I ever saw in Olivet. Our teachers and student body seem to be set on giving us a good spiritual school and they are doing splendid work along scholastic lines.

Generally speaking, I think we are getting on a much better basis financially in the running expenses of Olivet College, and as I have frequently said in reports from this institution, there is no way to run a holiness school without outside help from our District Budgets in the school zone and temporary endowments. To keep up the major repairs and take care of the annual deficit in the running expenses it requires at least \$7,500.00. If this \$7,-500.00 is not provided in some way and the cash does not get out of the hands of the people and into the institution, Olivet College will get into debt again.

Now here is something that comes from my heart. We must wake up and keep waked up all over the central educational zone and pay our disTRICT APPORTIONMENT TO OLIVET COLLEGE. IT WILL TAKE MONEY THAT HAS ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S PICTURE AND NOT PAPER PLEDGES AND POOR PROMISES TO RUN A HOLINESS SCHOOL.

Our good President, Brother T. W. Willingham, and our teachers are giving their lives and blood for us at Olivet College. As to Brother Willingham, I never saw a young man lay his life out so much as he has been doing. No one could do more under similar circumstances than he. He certainly needs our prayers.

Generally speaking, the outlook was never brighter for Olivet College than now. Pray for this institution that God may keep us with red hot religion, a good scholastic program, and out of the ditch of debt. E. O. CHALFANT.

TREVECCA COLLEGE SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Trevecca College was founded primarily for the training of a better ministry. Those responsible for the present administration accept this sacred heritage and holy trust and seek to preserve and to enrich this ideal of the founder. We recognize that the most important qualification to success in the ministry and especially in the Church of the Nazarene, is integ-rity of character. There is absolutely no substitute for this and without it, all other things are of no avail. Trevecca strives to build stalwart Christian character in all of her students and especially in her preachers. We feel keenly that if we, as a church school, fail in this one particular, we are not only failing to realize our greatest objective but we are hastening the downfall of the Church of the Nazarene. However, it would be a false deduction to conclude that successful service in life naturally follows goodness of character. While there is no possible substitute for integrity of character, there is positively no substitute for efficient training. Observation and statistics abundantly prove this. Trevecca School of Religion seeks earnestly to realize in her ministers, missionaries and other church workers both character and efficiency.

Through this department three courses are offered:

1. Ministerial Course.

This is our regular four year preacher's course. We offer it to our students in three years, at the present tuition cost of only ten dollars per quarter. This course is offered both in class and by correspondence. If taken by correspondence it costs only fitteen dollars tuition per quarter 2. Theological High School Course.

2. Theological High School Course. This course is for those young people who feel their need of a little more advanced work than the Ministerial Course offers. This is a regular four year course and persons graduating from this course receive the regular four year accredited high school diploma and also meet all the requirements for ordination in the Church of the Nazarene. This is all accomplished in four years at the present tuition cost of only fifteen dollars per quarter. 3. Theological College Course.

This course is for that increasing number of young people who want college work in their ministerial training. It is a three year course with the combination of both theological and literary subjects. Graduates from this three year course receive our accredited Junior College diploma and our Theological degree (Th. B). This is all accomplished in three years at the present tuition cost of only twentyfive dollars per quarter. These courses are so arranged that they will greatly increase the students' efficiency in life service at a minimum cost, both in time and money. Address all communications to our President, Dr. A. O. Henricks.

S. W. STRICKLAND, Acting Head of School of Religion, Trevecca College, Nashville, Tenn.

MISSION WORK IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Ordinarily, it takes four days horse back riding to reach the nearest point on the railroad that takes one to Port Barrios, but now a Ford truck runs some fifteen miles this way and carries freight and passengers, so by rising early the third day one can make the last half of the way in one day—when the truck runs.

I accompanied Miss Sarah M. Cox to the port as she went home in October, and we had a good trip. Good connections and the auto behaved itself beautifully. From Port Barrios I went over to Livingston where we have our mission. We Nazarenes are responsible for Northern Guatemala, from Livingston to Mexico. A large and thinly populated territory.

The church at Livingston is under the care of a native pastor. He and his wife are doing a good work for God. I found the church in good spirits. During the nine days that I was there three grown people accepted Christ and a number sought sanctification. Several professed to obtain the blessing. Thirteen were received into the church. Twenty-five have made profession in this mission during the last twelve months.

On Monday morning at four o'clock I left Livingston for Zacapa, where I made tentative arrangements with two Christian ladies to come to Coban and teach in our schools. The day following I came on to Morazan. When I landed in El Rancho they assured me that the truck would leave for Morazan at one p. m. About one thirty the two boys who manage the truck came in and said it was out of commission and would not run for several days. Now the next thing was to get to Morazan as best I could. My baggage consisted of a suitcase, hand bag and small organ. To leave the baggage and walk would mean no clothes, and no organ for the meetings. A fellow traveler was in the same plight. We tried to rent horses. There were none to be had. After about an hour's wait a boy came along with four pack mules. He said he would take us and our baggage for 300 pesosfive dollars, so we traded. This was my first experience like this during twentytwo years of missionary life, but this was the best we could do, so we mounted the pack mules as best we could. There were no bridles, and the pack saddle had no stirrups. We had four hours of misery. During that time we thought what a hindrance progress is. Had we not depended on the auto we would have arranged to have a saddle horse meet us at the sta-

tion. The government is building good roads now, and it won't be long until we can run over the country in cars without so much trouble.

I was in Morazan five days preaching to a few who dared to draw near and listen. The priest and a few Romanist women have the people scared to come to the Protestant meetings. But God is breaking in on them.

My next stop was at San Jeronimo for three days. The crowd was a little better three. Then I came on to Salama and attended our annual campmeeting. God was wonderfully with us and the people came from far and near to seek the blessings of God. The altars were filled with seekers a number of times. And according to the testimonies many souls were blessed, some saved, some sanctified and some reclaimed.

I reached home Nov. 17th, after being away five weeks and two days. Since then I have been on the jump trying to catch up with the work that got ahead of me.

There is so much clerical and home base work to do that we missionaries do not have the time in the field that we would like to have. The greater part of the field work is done by the native worker. We feel that you are praying for us. Otherwise we would have beavier burdens

to bear. Sister Sarah M. Cox is home on fur-

lough, to take a much needed rest, after practically seven years of faithful service. She leaves a big gap to be filled. We pray that the Board may soon be able to send some one to take her place, and that they may by all means be able to return her after her furlough expires. If any church or District wants to know about our work in Central America, she can tell them.

Pray for us. R. S. ANDERSON.

NEWS IN BRIEF

PASTOR W. D. SHELOR of Billings, Montana, reports a splendid revival with Dr. J. G. Morrison, President of Northwest Nazarene College, as the evangelist. There were many seekers and finders and twenty-eight were received into the church at the close of the meeting. Also the HER-ALD OF HOLINESS received a good list of subscribers as a result of the meeting, and Pastor Shelor says, "I will send you another list soon." Shelor and the Billings church are "coming up the road," and there is splendid prospects all the way around.

EVANGELISTS FRED SUFFIELD and wife have recently conducted a good meeting with Pastor Lambert and his church at Newton, Kansas. The church there has practically entered upon a new era, and the saints have asserted anew that "The devil is a defeated foe."

PASTOR F. R. MCCONNELL and bis church at Sapulpa, Okla., had a great day December 5, when Rev. Bud Robinson and Prof. L. C. Messer were with them for both the morning and evening services. They had three hundred in the Sunday school, twelve seekers at the altar during the day, and received forty-two

subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS. McConnell says, "Our average Sunday school attendance since the Assembly has been 181, and our motto is, 'The livest Sunday school in the livest church on the Eastern Oklahoma District.'"

MRS. LULU A. ELLIS, whose address is General Delivery, Amarillo, Texas, and who was formerly one of our missionaries to Japan, was elected president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Hamlin District at the recent Assembly. She has visited a number of the churches and presented the work and has been greatly blessed in doing so. The District is planning to help the missionaries, support native workers, students and Sunday schools. Mrs. Ellis says, "In a recent service a man took the support of a Sunday school and a woman of another church gave a check saying that she wanted to help push the W. M. S. work. If we can get the burden of prayer on the hearts of the people we can raise money for missions. I shall be glad to hear from each church on the District.'

EVANGELISTS CHARLES STALKER and wife and J. L. Shell and wife will conduct a revival in the Second Pilgrim Holiness Church, 2500 West Third St., Dayton, Ohio, January 16-30, 1927. A great time is anticipated.

ETHEL MEDLIN, Secretary Pro t em, sends a report of the Eastern Division Mid-Winter Convention of the Nebraska District, but as we recently published a report of this convention on the regular Nebraska District page, we are not inserting this one in full. District Superintendent Chambers is on the move in Nebraska and is being greatly blessed in the work. Evangelist B. W. Miller was in a revival at Fairbury, the seat of the convention, and preached in the evening services. The date of the convention was Nov. 16-18.

EVANCELIST W. O. SELF OF MIAMI, FLA., is "abundant in labors" these days. He had a meeting with Rev. John B. Goins at Mt. Pleasant Tenn., in the fall. Then he was with Evangelist Fred St. Clair at Bennettsville, S. C., where at the close of a nine weeks meeting in a tent, the first Church of the Nazarene in South Carolina was organized. There were seventeen charter members, and a mother in Israel. whose husband recently died triumphantly, donated the rent on a hall in a good location, and the good work in Bennettsville moves on. Brother Self's property was blown away in the Miami storm, but he held a special Thanksgiving service over the fact that no member of the family was injured. He has recently had a twenty-one days meeting in Avon Park, Florida, with Pastor W. E. Melton. This was a fruitful revival in an enterprising little church. Brother Self has recently assisted in services in First Church, Miami, where Rev. Howard Eckel is pastor, and attended some services in Brother Roby's church in North Miami. His next meeting will probably be at Lakewood, Fla., and he says, "Will greatly appreciate your prayers that I may make full proof of my ministry."

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Evangelist P. P. Belew, says Mrs. J. Copcland, writing for the Church Board and for Pastor Alva W. Eastman. There were thirty professions in the recent revival, the attendance was good, finances easy and God's mercies were extended throughout. The church especially commends Brother Belew to any desiring a strong, safe, successful evangelist.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT J. A. WIL-LIAMS of Missouri District, in a note which reached us on the morning of Dec. 20, says, "I want to go on record as being FOR the Christmas Love Offering. Nothing could be more fitting than that we should show our love for Him at this season. I am urging the entire Missouri District to do its best on December 19."

EVANGELIST F. W. Cox of Lisbon, Ohio, has recently had a good meeting with Pastor D. E. Higgs in Baltimore, Md. There were good altar services, five new members were received into the church and nine subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLINESS were secured. Of Brother Higgs and his work, the evangelist says, "From a small beginning six years ago, he has built up a membership of over a hundred and has property worth about \$40,000. He is surely one good man." The evangelists were entertained in the home of Brother S. E. Slocum who was a deacon in Immanuel Church, Providence, R. I., twenty years ago when Brother Cox was pastor there.

PASTOR F. N. DEBOARD, CHICKASHA, OKLA.--We are moving on nicely, have moved into our new church building; crowds increasing, Sunday school almost double. Finances coming along fine. Souls praying through. The devil is not dead, but we are fighting to a finish.

CHURCH NEWS

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EVANCELISTS PAUL AND DORA GEIL-"We just ended a great meeting with Brother Parker, pastor at Muncie, Ind., with lots of victory. The power of God was made manifest at every service and the glory came down on the congregation and we had a hallelujah time. We had only one barren altar service in the three weeks we were there. Brother Parker did his own preaching and every message was freighted with unction and nower from on high. Brother Parker is a man of God with a message. We had around one hundred souls at the altar for justification and sanctification with sixty-five really praying through to the ame. The power of God was in our midst. Our closing day, Nov. 28, we had twenty-two souls at the altar. The Lord has surely blessed us and the church. Muncie is the oldest church on the District, and is on fire for God. We surely enjoyed working in the Master's vineyard with these dear people. On the closing Sunday of our meeting there were several taken into the church and many others are looking this way. The church is doing a fine work there under the able leadership of the dear pastor, Wil-ber Parker. They are all working to-

eether for the salvation of souls. They have a class of young people there that are on fire for God. District Superintendent Montgomery was over one night of our meeting and preached and the 'fire fell' and the glory came down, and fourteen came to the altar. We have a few open dates, and anyone wishing our services write to our home address, Frankfort, Ind."

PASTOR IRA L. AKERS, NEW CASTLE, IND .- "We have just closed a very successful three Sunday revival meeting with Rev. U. E. Harding of Pasadena, Calif. The attendance was splendid throughout, with overflow crowds on Sunday nights. It seemed like old times to have Brother Harding back in New Castle, as this was his home city in the days of his super-intendency of the Indiana District. He preached with the old time swing and many of the old members of the church declared he preached better than they had ever heard him. Great conviction was on the congregation night after night resulting in a number of cases of old time salvation. While the meeting is now history its influence lingers with us yet and people are still seeking and finding God. Last night at our Thanksgiving prayermeeting five knelt at the altar seeking the pearl of great price. This is one place where people go to church. We are preaching to from four hundred to five hundred people every Sunday night. We have four hundred on roll in Sunday school, 840 babies on the Cradle Roll and our aim set for 1,000 by Jan.

LAWRENCEBURG, TENN.—"We had a fire yesterday, Sunday morning, at three o'clock, which destroyed our place of worship and everything that was in it. Our little congregation was organized this past summer at the close of a revival conducted by the Jernigan family. We have had Sunday school and preaching services since last year but never organized a church until this summer. We were having our Sunday school and preaching services in a nice new hall over some stores with four extra office rooms as Sunday school class rooms. The fire became so hot that the whole thing exploded, blowing the outside walls down, it being a corner building. We had services yesterday in Brother James D. Vaughan's music hall and will continue until we can do better."-C. E. Hinton.

WERKHAUSER EVANGELISTIC PARTY -"At our last writing in September we were in Hicksville, Ohio, holding meetings in a former Catholic Church building, where God met us. A Catholic, Lutheran section, a set of people, yet it was worth all the effort put forth. Souls bowed at the altar, were saved and sanctified, but at its best it was not an emotional, but a hand picking business. The chorus of the Ft. Wayne Bible School came out with their bus and we were glad and thankful to notice the bunch of young people that gave them-selves to God in a meeting we conducted three years ago. We praise God for the young people that He gives us. We closed there October 3, and began in Cleveland October 10, where we had a wonderful time for three weeks. Among

others thirty young people found God either in salvation or heart purity, fourteen of whom lined up at the close of one meeting for service either at home or abroad."

PASTOR V. B. ATTEBERRY, ABILENE, TEXAS—"We have been on our new field now about a month. God has so blessed our labors together that there has not been an unfruitful service thus far. There has been an increase along all lines of the work of our local church here. Already we have received twelve into the church, with a nice class more to come in soon. We find our people here to be very spiritual and loyal. Our Sunday school is growing rapidly both in attendance and interest, the attendance reaching 124 on last Sunday. Our young people are doing splendidly. The order of their program is in keeping with our Manual, and at the same tme are attracting the attention and interest of both young and old. Our W. M. S. seems to be very much interested in the work to which God has called this great auxiliary of the church. They are a zealous crowd and are sure to come in with their part. At this time we are in a revival meeting with home talent, the pastor doing the preaching, and our splendid choir leader and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Rule, in charge of the music, and they are play-ing their part well indeed. Although the meeting has been going only three days there are souls already praying through at the altar with deep conviction manifest. Sunday was a great day. The heavens seemed to be open above us all day and the glory was down. Our We motto is 'Keep the glory down.' covet the prayers of the Nazarene family. Anyone who has relatives or friends in or around Abilene, and will write us their names and addresses we will appreciate it and try to be a blessing."

PASTOR A. L. FORD, RICHMOND, VA.-"Our work is moving along nicely. We just closed a good revival meeting with Rev. Perry J. Rood of Huntington, W. Va., as the engaged evangelist. The attendance was good, about thirty seekers were at the altar, most of them praying through to victory. About six adults united with the church. Our church was left in a good spiritual condition, and since the revival closed seven other seekers have come to the altar. We thank God for the great spiritual uplift the church has received. This is the first evangelistic campaign to be conducted in our new church building, having only been in it three months. It is a brick tabernacle building, erected at a cost of \$9,500, and seats 350 people. We feel encouraged to keep on the firing line and push the battle for Christ and the Church of the Nazarene. This is a beautiful city of 200,000 people, and this is the only Church of the Nazarene here, but a good brother who comes to our church, living in the northern part of the city, has bought a good church building near him for \$6,500, seats four hundred people and has twelve Sunday school rooms. He will give it to the Church of the Nazarene and expects in a few months to put on an evangelistic campaign and get a Church of the Nazarene started. Also, one of my members has gone to Petersburg, Va., leased a vacated M. E. Church, which seats three hundred people. And at this writing I am preaching for him, helping to get another church started. We are slowly forging ahead for our Christ and the church. Praise God."

"THE BARBERTON, OHIO, Church of the Nazarene was greatly blesed in giving a Thanksgiving dinner for the poor. It was served in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. Automobiles were sent to every section of the city to 'compel them to come in from the highways and hedges.' After the meal, and while we were still at the tables, Rev. B. H. Haynie, the pastor of our First Church, Akron, preached an earnest message of salvation. As a result twenty-five men, women and children came forward to seek the Lord." —F. C. Lehman, Pastor.

CASS CITY, MICH .- "We are glad to report victory through the blood of Jesus. Our church through the prayerful and careful ministry of Brother A. L. Leach, last year took advance steps in the kingdom of God. We are very thankful for the ministry of Brother Leach and regretted so much that we could not have them this year, but we wanted God's will, not ours to be done. But the Lord sent to us Rev. V. C. Mulkin and wife as our pastor this year. They came from the Methodist Church. Brother Mulkin preaches the doctrine of holiness with no uncertain sound, and they not only preach it but they live it, too. We thank God that He sent them here. Our revival meeting with Rev. W. G. Bennett of Montana, closed the 21st of November, running over four Sundays. While we did not see as many sinners coming to God as we would like to the church was strengthened and built up in the most holy faith. We thank God that the revival fires that were started at that time are still burning in our hearts, and with God's help they are never going out. Our hearts are burdened for souls. The prayermeetings are times of melting up, weeping and praying for lost sheep outside the Shepherd's fold. Also, the Sabbath services are times of refreshing from our God. Brother Bennett preaches hell and eternal night for sinners and the unsanctified and an eternal heaven for the blood washed. While preaching a sure punishment for sinners he also proclaims the only cure for the sin dis-ease and that is Jesus. Brother Bennett is a man of God of much prayer, a fearless preacher of the old rugged gospel. No church that calls him will make a mistake. Our Sunday school is growing and we are finding it necessary to secure more teachers and more classes to care for the children. We have organized a home department and cradle roll, and have our survey of the town nearly complete. Also, organized a Junior Mission Band. We give God all the glory for what has been accomplished. It would have been impossible without His help. Today we are launching out on His promises, our faith is better today than ever before. We are going through with Jesus, whatever the cost. Jesus saves me and sanctifies just now. God bless the HERALD OF HOLINESS family."-E. Guinther, Reporter.

NEW HOME OF PHILADELPHIA, PA. CHURCH



After worshiping for some years in rented halls, the Lord has answered our prayers and honored our faith and enabled us to secure a beautiful stone church 36×100 , pictured above, at 5423 Wyalusing Ave., which was used, until recently, by another denomination. It has three sections, separated by folding doors, and is nicely equipped and well built. Without knowing what we paid for it, two different contractors said they would not build it for less than \$35,000. It is situated on a lot 40×175 , and we purchased it all for the very reasonable sum of \$18,000.

Our people here have sacrificed and given splendidly, but we need a little more help financially, to put us over for settlement.

G. W. GOTTSHALK, Pastor, 621 S. 48 St., Philadelphia, Pa.

WARD, ARKANSAS—"Just closed a revival at Williams school house three miles east of Ward, with Rev. W. M. Lusk, as evangelist. God wonderfully blessed in every service. There were ten who prayed through at the altar and twelve sanctified wholly and three reclaimed. Brother Lusk's messages on repentance were great and the one on the Judgment seemed to open the eyes of the whole community. And his message on a pure heart Sunday caused men, women, boys and girls to fall in the altar for sanctification and twelve received the blessing in one service. Prospects look good for a new church at this place."—W. E. West.

ROCKY FORD, COLO.--"After a four weeks' hard fought battle against sin and the devil, conducted by Rev. W. E. F. Dunn, assisted by Geo. T. Bauer as song leader, and Rev. Thos. D. Dunn and Rev. Thomas Hayes, pastor of the La Junta Church of the Nazarene, quite a number were saved or sanctified. District Superintendent C. W. Davis was with us on Saturday and Sunday, December 5, at an all day meeting and organized a Church of the Nazarene with seventeen members. Rev. W. E. F. Dunn was appointed pastor until Assembly by District Superintendent C. W. Davis. If anyone has friends or loved ones living in Rocky Ford please notify our pastor, who will be glad to call on them. If you are moving to Colorado come to Rocky Ford, the home of the famous melons, the vegetable and sugar beet region of the great Arkansas Valley. Any Nazarene preacher passing through Rocky Ford and give us a boost, preach, pray, sing or shout, for the salvation of men and women, until Jesus comes."—Elsic E. Bauer, Reporter.

PASTOR D. C. REYNOLDS, HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK, ARK.—"First Church of the Nazarene in Hot Springs is doing things for God and holiness. We are progressing along all lines, and every department of the church is coming on splendidly. Our Sunday school has been greatly increased because of an auto race contest which has helped the school in many ways. Our Young People's So-ciety, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. D. C. Reynolds is starting off this year with renewed interest, and are making splendid progress. Then very recently we organized a fine band of Juniors who are doing nicely under the leadership of Mrs. John Hilliard. The Woman's Missionary Society is going forward with their part of the church pro-They have rallied to the foreign gram. missionary call sent out by Mrs. Paul Bresee and have sent thirty pounds of bandages to our hospital in China. The church responded heartily to the general appeal sent out by General Superintendent Williams and is today mailing a check to General Treasurer, M. Lunn for Oc-tober, November and December hudget. Besides rallying to the call of the General and District interests we are in the midst of a fight with our building program. Having sold our old church and the brick parsonage to cut down the expense on the lot purchased for the new church site, we yet had an indebtedness of \$2,150 to raise, and on Thanksgiving Day an opportunity was given to the church

to make payment toward this debt. Immediately \$150 in cash was turned over to the building treasurer. Sunday, November 28, was a red letter day, the pastor preaching from the subject "The Task of the Church," and at the close of the message pledges and cash were taken to the amount of \$1,570 to apply on said debt, which is an enormous amount to be raised by a membership of forty-two, most of them women. Pray that God may see us in this wicked little city to win lost men to Jesus Christ."

PASTOR E. W. WELLS, MUSKOGEE, OKLA.—"We reached our new field, Muskogee, Okla., October 4, and from that time until this date God has blessed our efforts. We have just passed through our second month with this church, and according to the local treasurer's report we have both district and general budget, along with the local budget, paid up to date. We have had some fine people in other churches to serve, but we have never served a finer people than this people. In our beginning we had fair crowds at our regular preaching services, but from our first services until this date all of our services have increased until we have outgrown our place of worship, and it is evident that we are compelled to have a larger place. We have seen about thirty seckers in the altar. God has been setting His seal up-on our labors and I am praying God to make me a blessing to the people that have been intrusted to me. On December 2 we had with us Uncle Buddie Robinson and Brother L. C. Messer and his good father, Rev. J. M. Messer, and our much loved District Superintendent, Rev. S. H. Owens. For this service we secured a nice church up town and many were turned away that could not get in the house. Uncle Buddie at his best and Brother L. C. Messer certainly did bless the people with his singing. We have secured the same church for a few days' evangelistic services wih Prof. A.

S. London. We are trusting the Lord for ment. The convention closed Sunday evea great victory."

PASTOR GEO. S. CULVER, CORSICA, SO. DAKOTA-"Our new church building was dedicated with appropriate services last week by the holding of a four day convention which opened on Thanksgiving morning when our District Superintendent, Rev. E. E. Wordsworth, brought us a Thanksgiving message. The glory of God fell upon the meeting as he brought out all that we had to be thankful for and how wonderfully God had wrought the possibility of allowing us to have such a fine home of our own. Corsica is a little town of 450 population with three other churches, these being all of denominations using foreign languages. Up to last August we had rented a room in a Christian school building. Today we have a home that is 32x48, 14 foot ceiling, with a full basement, all plastered. The building is completed in every de-The building is completed in every de-tail, including pews, furniture, curtains, rugs, etc. The property is valued at \$4,500 and this is all paid for either in donations, cash or pledges, with the ex-ception of \$117 and this is on the way, praise God. On Thanksgiving evening Rev. Wesley Armstrong, pastor of the Mitchell Church, formerly a pastor of this charge brought an evaganglistic mesthis charge, brought an evangelistic message, and on Friday and Saturday mornings and afternoons District Superintendent Wordsworth and Brother Armstrong gave Bible readings which were very beneficial to the class, while on these two evenings Rev. H.C. Tittemore, another former pastor now located at Mohall, No. Dakota, brought the evangelnail, No. Dakota, brought the evanger-istic messages. Sunday was a big day. In the morning the dedicatory services proper were held, District Superintendent Wordsworth preaching from the text "And upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matt. 16:18). In the afternoon Brother Armstrong brought a message from Matt. 26:26-28, after which thirty-four gathered around the Lord's table and partook of the sacra-

ning with an evangelistic message by Brother Wordsworth and which was preached to a capacity house. We were indeed fortunate to have our former pastors with us at this time and were wonderfully blessed by the presence of our District Superintendent during the four days."

LAWRENCE, MASS .- "We are still holding on to God's faithful promises and are bound to fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal ilfe, and come out more than conqueror, and make heaven our home, hallelujah! Truly, God is blessing our church as a whole, for which we give Him all the glory and honor. Amen'l Our membership is increasing, praise the Lord 1 Not long ago we took in two full-fledged members, and seven in on probation of six months. Folks are still believing and God is still working. He has never failed us once. Our pastor, Rev. Marshall, is devoting all his time to God's work in prayer, fasting and red hot preaching, inspired by the blessed Holy Ghost. People only stand for it to a certain extent, and when it gets too hot go out, only to return next time, and do it continually, until God's arrow of conviction strikes their hearts, and they yield or either go forward the first time. We do thank God for a man who stands only for the Old Book and preaches it full swing regardless of peo-ple's attitudes. We held two weeks' re-vival services with Rev. E. E. Curtis of Lowville, N. Y. Truly, Brother Curtis is a fully consecrated, fully devoted, whole hearted man of God, and all his mes-sages were most impressive and inspira-tional as well as helpful. He is a man of prayer and has a passion for lost souls, and he with Brother Marshall stands for nothing but real Holy Ghost, radical, biblical, God inspired, heaven sent preaching. The church was uplifted, helped and blessed, and his God inspired sermons were beneficial to all who attended. Many new faces were seen in the services nearly every night for the

A CARD FROM GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT AND MRS. REYNOLDS



ESIRING to express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks at the earliest moment to all of the Nazarenes and our many other friends who are readers of the HERALD OF HOLI-NESS, who have been praying for our recovery to health and usefulness, we are seeking the aid of our most excellent Church Organ. Furthermore, if we should undertake to write each individual we fear we would miss many for want of name and address.

Praying that each may be rewarded by our Lord, whose blessing "maketh rich and addeth no sorrow," we remain

Yours to serve,

MR. AND MRS. H. F. REYNOLDS, 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

two weeks and on Sundays the church was packed, with chairs on the sides and front of the hall to accommodate the outsiders. The devil was working, but ink God, about fifty seekers were at the altar during the campaign. We feel like taking new courage and going ahead as never before, to win lost souls, whatever the cost may be."—Church Reporter.

PASTOR F. C. SAVAGE, JOPLIN, MO.--"Since our District Assembly we have been on the go for God and the church. We just closed a good revival with Rev. J. C. Hafley, an Oklahoma evangelist, and he is a good one. Our church was built up and a number saved or sanctified. The Rev. J. J. Steel and wife, of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, had charge of the singing and did the day preach-ing. He does not fail to let the old gospel plow down deep. And best of all Boshe provide the privilege of taking dear Brother Steel and his good wife into the church. His wife is a good preacher and we just employed them as our home missionary evangelists. He has been busy ever since and has a big year's work ahead of him near Joplin. The pastors and churches are behind him at Joplin, Webb City, Carl Junction, Carthage, Lamar and Monett. Since the Assembly the Monett Church and pastor called us to come and help them for ten days. We went over, found them with a church debt, and having to pay most of their tithes to keep the payments on the church. During the ten days' meeting God gave us a number of souls in the fountain, and over \$800 on the property, so the church can stand by the pastor now with their titbes. Rev. J. F. Babb is the good pastor and well liked by his church. I am expecting great things at Monett this year. They are well located in the city. Last Sunday was a shouting time in our church. They shouted me down and we stopped the wagon and made an altar call and closed with seekers. Pray for us at old Joplin. On with the battle."

PASTOR EUGENE MOORE, ARDMORE, OKLA.—"We are still on the map here, and God is blessing our efforts in His kingdom, and we are having a good time. We have just closed a revival with Rev. W. H. Minor as evangelist, and Prof. A. S. London and wife as singers, both of Bethany, Okla. God gave us a good meeting. There were fourteen professions and four additions to the church. Brother Minor is a good man, a man of prayer and a powerful preacher. He puts his life and all he is into his messages. His family came down for the last four days of the meeting and they were a great inspiration to our people. Prof. and Mrs. London were at home in Ardmore because they were reared in this county, and they were successful in getting many of their old friends to attend the services. Prof. London says he isn't a preacher, but who could tell that he wasn't. He spoke to our Sunday school and made both pastor and teachers feel as though they had been sleeping on the job. He spoke to the young people and stirred our hearts and gave us a vision. He gave his lecture on the evils of tobacco, and one young man quit his tobacco and later in the meet-

ing was saved and sanctified and joined the church. So we are convinced that Prof. London can do something besides sing. Sister London can play the piano to perfection. Their boys, who are in school in Bethany, came down the last Sunday of the meeting. They also know how to sing and preach for boys of eighteen. This certainly was a great help to our young people. The people gave the pastor a nice love offering and a good pounding."

PASTOR F. H. PRINCE, GLENDALE, ARIZ. -"The past five and a half months as pastor of the Glendale Church of the Nazarene have been blessed days in the Lord's service. We came to Glendale after pastoring the Hemet, Calif., Church of the Nazarene for two years, to fill out the unexpired term of Brother M. H. Brown. We were unanimously called to continue as pastor for another year, but feeling that it would be pleasing to the Lord we are entering the University of California the second semester to take work on our Master's Degree. Brother W. P. Colvin of Alabama, has been called to take the work in Glendale, taking charge next Sunday. We have just closed a very fruitful revival with Brother H. N. Dickerson as evangelist. Many said it was the greatest revival in the history of the church. A good number of precious souls found the Lord for either pardon or purity. The closing night of the revival we received thirteen into the church, six of whom were either saved or sanctified during the revival."

NAZARENE GOSPEL MISSION, ANTICO, WISC.—"We wish to report victory. Prayer and faith changes things. Our revival closed Sunday, November 28, with Bröther Lyman Brough of Potterville, Mich., as evangelist. Brother Brough is a fearless preacher, one whom God honors and blesses his work. His messages are so clean and clear cut they reach the hearts of both young and old. Our hearts were blessed and well pleased with the results. Souls were saved, backsliders reclaimed, some sanctified and others got strengthened in their experience. God's approval was on the meeting all the way through. Glory to His name."—Mrs. Elvira Duncan, Pastor.

PASTOR LEO DAVIS. WINCHESTER, IND. -"Three months have passed since our coming to the Winchester Church as pastor. They have been months of great victory. We have a fine type of people in this place, who can keep the glory down. We are united and have no fuss, only with the devil. Our predecessor was Rev. Jesse Towns, now of Ander-son, Ind., who was used of God to do a splendid work here. On arriving we were able to find all our members previously reported and all at the first prayer-meeting, ready to help the new pastor. A few Sundays ago our superintendent, J. W. Montgomery, was with us and raised \$1,100 for a new parsonage. Pre-ceding our revival we had seekers and finders for five Sundays. Our revival began Nov. 7 with Rev. Fred Bouse as evangelist and Rev. Mertie Hooker as song leader. We had more than fifty scekers and an excellent attendance, the house being well filled at nearly every

service. We had a 'visiting campaign' by the women of the church, prejeding the meeting, with marked results in at-tendance. Many new people were at the altar, not the same crowd worked over. A fine class of members were received. The church voted to pay the pastor's rent. We secured thirty-nine HERALD OF HOLINESS subscriptions, and thirty-four for the Other Sheep. The workers were used of God in an unusual way. Sister Hooker sang, prayed, wept and shouted the battle on, while Brother Bouse was used to preach the Word in the good old fashioned way. His ambition was not to get all the church to the altar, but only those who needed it. God enabled him to preach the Word to convict sinners and get believers hungry for holiness. He is well known in this community and through his effort many new friends and acquaintances were made for the church. Many staunch second blessing holiness people are looking our way for membership. Some of the other churches will no longer endure them, but we want all of them we can get. The Lord is opening the way for a meeting in Lynn, Indiana, nine miles southeast of Winchester. We have a hall rented in this town where they have had no revival for years. This is a brand new field for We have planned a meeting there DS. beginning December 26, with Rev. Fred Bouse and Rev. Levi Cox as workers. Pray for us, please."

PASTOR E. H. STOUT, ERIN, TENN.-"We have just recently closed a meeting with Rev. D. M. Coulson, evangelist, and Miss Essie Morris as song leader. While we did not see the visible results we hoped for yet good was accomplished. The folks seemed pleased with Brother Coulson and Sister Morris, and truly it was a pleasure to have them as our colaborers in the battle against the enemy here in Erin. There were three sanctified and two reclaimed and the saints rejoiced, and the Christians were drawn closer together and united with the church. No church will make a mistake in calling Brother Coulson for a meeting or Sister Morris as song leader. We gave the workers a liberal offering and the last Sunday of the meeting Brother Coulson took a love offering for the pastor, which was appreciated by the pastor beyond measure. Truly, Brother Coulson is the pastor's friend. He, hav-ing served as pastor, knows their cares and burdens. We, as pastor of the Erin Church are material in the mean of the Brin Church, are entering in the second year with these dear people. We have some as fine people here as you will find in a life time travel. We covet your prayers for the work here."

EVANGELIST A. D. ASHBY—"During the last eleven months I have held and helped to hold thirteen revival meetings in the following states: Texas, Kentucky, Mississippi and Louisiana. Some of these meetings have been real revivals, others have been hard fought battles, but in all hungry souls have knclt at an altar of prayer and quite a few have prayed through to certain victory. The pastor of one church (a Methodist) where I was holding a meeting in Texas was sanctified and said he had long wanted to be a holiness preacher but didn't have the blersing. One Church of the Nazarene has been organized on my work this year, with thirty charter members, and with this church we get two more good preachers. It has been three years since I cast my lot with the Nazarenes. My only regret is that I didn't get in sooner. I am ready to go anywhere that I am needed to hold revival meetings."

· EVANGELISTS CHESTER ASHFORD AND OATHER PRENTICE, ASHLAND, OKLA.-"We are in a real old time revival. We began November 23, have preached six nights and there have been forty-four seekers. We are in the Methodist Church. The crowd is so large that the preacher has about four feet square to stand in. The people were standing in trucks by the sides of the windows, some climbed up in a tree close to the house, had the windows raised and looked in. Last night the lights went out and they turned on the flash lights and went on with the service. There were fifteen in the altar last night, eleven got victory. God has wonderfully blessed us. There have been something like fourteen hundred people that have prayed through in our meetings, and twenty-eight preachers called since we have been preaching. We got saved in the Albany revival last year, held by Rev. Casey Grimes and Rev. Charley Whitley, in August. We began preaching in September, 1925."

PASTOR CHESTER NEWCOME, WAUSEON, OHIO-"We took up our work in our new field of labor at Wauscon, Ohio, immediately after the Assembly held at Norwood, Ohio. We found a class of twenty-one members here. We started in to fight sin and the devil and push the work for God. We met many ouslacles, but God has given us the victory. We saw twenty different souls pray through at our altar and took in eight new members up to October 1. We had a few people that knew how to pray and with their help we were able to pray through for a revival and we called Evangelists J. V. Cook of Marion, Ohio, and Dwight M. Peffley of Brookville, Ohio, for a meeting, beginning November 14 and closing November 28. They came with a burden on their hearts for the lost. Brother Peffley sang the glory down and Brother Cook put the old gospel plow in deep and uncovered sin. He is a preacher of the John the Baptist type. People made confessions, restitutions and cried out to God for mercy. Some were stretched out on the floor under the power of God. There were about one hundred at the altar, counting them as they came, in all forty-seven professions. The church was greatly strengthened spiritually and we received ten new members into the church on Sunday night, and expect to receive some more in next Sunday and more to follow later. Brothers Cook and Peffley labor for souls and to build up the church, and help the pastor, and for lasting results. I cannot express my appreciation for the good work that they did for us."

PASTOR-EVANGELIST MAREN S. ADDY, HAWTHORNE, CALIF.—"God has graciously owned our activities in different parts of this country as well as east of the

Atlantic, where we had the privilege of a short period of labor. Believing it to be God's appointed time we closed our pastorate at the Hawthorne Church, where for two years we enjoyed the fellowship and co-operation of the church and town, and were blessed by seeing the work come to the top. On the night of August 29, we bade farewell to a crowded house, and closed with souls seeking God. We left to our successor a good crowd of faithful people, a healthy Sunday school with more than sixty per cent increase during the two years of our pastorate, and steady growth in each department, five nice Sunday school rooms, the finances in an easy handling condition, the good will of the people, a spontaneous revival all the year around We are now laboring at Inglewood, about three miles north of Hawthorne in a modest little tabernacle, niccly furnished, and a few consecrated workers who felt that God would have them continue their work with us. The tabernacle is owned by First Church of Los Angeles, but is now operated as a district work. Ours is the privilege to be the first pastor of this yet unorganized church. In less than two months of labors we realized a fifty per cent increase in the Sunday school and attendance. With Paul the Apostle we say: 'For a great door and effectual is opened unto us, and there are many adversaries.' We are rapidly shaping things so that we may spend at least a goodly part of our time in our beloved field of evangelism again. Brethren, pray for us."

WEAR EVANGELISTIC PARTY, MT. VER-NON, MO.—"Another victory for God. We came here October 27 and rented a hall and started a meeting. After running three days we were invited into the M. E. Church, and the bands taken off. We preached holiness as straight as we knew how, and after a week the folks began to pray through in the day meetings, and on Sunday morning the good pastor came to the altar and set a good example for his folk, praying through to the most glorious victory we have seen lately. This good man stayed with us all the way through. God gave him grace to settle some differences between him and his folks, taking all the blame himself and God surely did bless him good. We continued the meeting two weeks longer than we had expected and God continued to bless our efforts until ten were sanctified and four saved. The whole country was stirred and holiness is having a hearing though the doors have been closed against it there for years. This is a county seat of about 3,500 people and the birthplace of the writer and you may guess we had a glorious time. We are now helping in a meeting at Halltown, where Rev. L. E. Swaney is doing the preaching and we are doing the singing. We are having good crowds and expecting a glorious time here. We are not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that will believe. Pray for us, brethren."

WEBSTER CITY, JOWA. — "We arrived here the fourth day of this month to take charge of the work at this place. We have a fine church house and parsonage

PASTOR H. B. SCHLOSSER, WASHINGTON, PA.-"Our church is on the up-grade. God is in our midst. Never before in our history has such unity and vision prevailed among our members. Since the close of our tentmeeting, July 5, we have made steady gains in every department. For a seven month period, ending Nov. 31, our offerings for all purposes averaged about \$200.00 a month. For a corresponding period in 1925 the average was only \$50.00 a month. November 7 we closed a good two weeks meeting with Rev. Lula Kell of East Liverpool as evangelist and George Ward and Ernest Marsh in charge of the music. The trio made a wonderful team and God crowned their efforts with over sixty at the altar. They have been recalled for a tentmeeting the coming June. Five new members were received into the church, which brings our active membership list to forty-two. A number of HERALD OF HOLINESS Subscriptions were secured. The church presented the pastor's wife with a beautiful black silk dress and the pastor with a fine love offering. We open a four Sunday campaign New Year's eve with Rev. Philip Geiter of East Palestine, Obio.'

WASHINGTON, D. C., JOHN WESLEY CHURCH .-- "The Lord has been greatly blessing in every department of the church. It is indeed refreshing to see the steady increase in number as well as in interest, for which we praise the Lord. The spirit of prayer is coming upon our people and our congregation is increasing despite the fact the bad cold weather is here; new faces are seen in almost every service. But the best of all the Lord meets with us. Thanksgiving Day was one long to be remembered. The Lord met with us early and continued throughout the day. Preaching excellent, crowds large, and two long tables filled with every good thing to eat. Praise the Lord, finances are coming in, every bill has been paid, and in the last three weeks our pastor has received five splendid people into the church, and others are looking our way, and the end is not yet, praise the Lord. We are so glad we are serving a Lord that cares, that His eye is on the sparrow, and we do know He is watching over us. Well, praise His matchless name. In our Sunday school there is a steady increase. The Junior Department, under the competent supervision of our Sister Reid, has about doubled in the last two months. Other departments are increasing generously until our Sunday school has about trebled. The N. Y. P. S., under the efficient president, Miss Hilda Pixten, is growing rapidly, and it is indeed inspiring to see so many young people out and out for Christ, and we feel the Lord has a great work for us, as one of the greatest factors of our society is that every member is a worker and booster

and we are sure others will be won for Christ."-Church Reporter.

EVANCELIST J. H. CRAWFORD-"The last report I gave was at the beginning of our meeting at Norton, Kansas, with our baby church there. Our membership is small, only started last spring, but God is helping the folks to push on in that nice little city. Our meeting was held in the Bantist church. These dear folks were so nice to us in every way. The Lord blessed and gave us some real cases of regeneration and sanctification, for which we praise the Lord. Five new members were taken into the church. We expect good things in Norton. Our next meeting was with Lone Star Church, Farnam, Nebr., with Brother J. D. Williams as pastor. Here we found some of God's choicest saints. God surely did give us some gracious, good services there. Quite a number prayed through to definite victory. The church was greatly helped. We preached for our new church in Farnam a few times, which was surely a delight to our soul. May the Lord bless Brother and Sister Williams. They are choice pastors. I have some dates after February I could give anyone desiring my help."

SPRINGFIELD HEIGHTS CHURCH, ELLET, OH10.—"Sunday, Nov. 28, we closed a good revival. Rev. E. H. Stillion, Oil City, Pa., was our evangelist, and he is filled with fire and the Holy Ghost. He preaches with unction and power. The messages were soul stirring and heart searching. Conviction was deep and children sat on front seats and wept. Many found God and children went to the altar without being talked to. E. B. Marsh of Warren, Pa., was the song leader and Geo. H. Ward of East Liverpool, Ohio, was the pianist. They sang and played the piano until the crowd was held breathless, seemingly. Many said they never heard such playing as Brother Ward did and he never seemed to tire. They all three were faithful until altar work was over and such a burden Brother Stillion carries for the lost. Received a nice class of thirteen into the church and more to follow. Some are looking this way from other churches. Our church has suffered great ignominy from former members and heretofore has been hard to get people to attend revivals, but thanks be to God who has marvelously blessed and helped us and has given us the confidence of the people. Then our pastor and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Strong, have won the hearts of the people of the church. How we thank God for sending them to us. Their sane business methods and radical ministry have won the confidence of outsiders. Many new faces were seen in the meetings and some new ones were at our altar. The church is on the up grade. The interest and attendance are on the increase. And the end is not yet, praise the Lord. The primary department in the Sunday school has outgrown its quarters in the basement of the church. We really appreciate our good Sunday school superintendent, Brother Lockhart. He loves the Lord greatly and has the work on his heart. Have two new Sunday schools organized for Sunday afternoons which

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NOTICE

At a recent meeting of the Board of General Superintendents at Headquarters, they, in keeping with the request of the 1923 General Assembly, appointed a commission of four persons who are to cooperate with the Board of General Superintendents in fixing the place where the General Assembly is to be held and the days in the month which were designated by the General Assembly to be held in June, 1928. Following is the commission appointed:

Rev. C. E. Thomson, Superintendent of the Alberta District.

Rev. De Lance Wallace, Superintendent of the North Pacific District.

Rev. J. A. Ward, Superintendent of the New York District.

Rev. C. B. Jernigan, Superintendent of the Tennessee District.

This joint committee will gladly receive invitations for the entertainment of said General Assembly. However, as it will be necessary for us to soon determine the place where the General Assembly is to be held, it will be necessary for such invitations to be forwarded at the earliest possible moment to any member of the commission or Board of General Superintendents. But it would be a saving of time if said invitations were forwarded direct to the Secretary of the Board of General Superintendents, Rev. H. F. Reynolds, 2923 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo., who has arranged that the same be forwarded to all the members of the joint committee.

> REV. H. F. REYNOLDS, Secretary! Board of General Superintendents,

are progressing nicely. Expect Nazarene churches to be organized from these Sunday schools in the near future."-Reporter.

EVANCELIST J. L. GLASCOCK-FOUR churches and their pastors, a few miles, from the city of Cynthiana, Kentucky, agreed to hold a union revival meeting, and invited the writer to be their evangelist. The meeting continued from Nov. 21 to Dec. 5. In the main the weather was favorable for the meeting, and large crowds of people attended the services. We preached holiness constantly, strongly, explicitly and brought it in somewhat in every sermon. After the second service some were sanctified, and the work proceeded along that line up to the closing day. Besides those who were sanctified a goodly number were reclaimed or converted. Many heads of families were either converted or sanctified, and a goodly number of fine young people, together with not a few of promising boys and girls. It has been a long time since we have witnessed more pungent conviction, importunate praying or clearer conversions and sanctifications on the part of the seekers than in this meeting. We had a good praying and working force among the Christian people. Some seekers came to the altar and prayed through before the message was given. A number re-ceived the ordinance of baptism in the last service, and a nice class united with the church, and the meeting closed in the

finest sort of spirit. The pastors, the Rev. I. S. Pineur and the Rev. J. W. Gilbert, together with the people of the church, stood nobly by us in the work, and treated us fine in every way. We are now home for a little rest, but will soon be afield again. We have some vacant dates, and anyone desiring to correspond with us relative to our holding a meeting with him should address us, 1360 Grace Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio."

PASTOR J. A. RUSSELL, BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—"In all of our pastoral work we have never pastored a more loval crowd of Nazarenes in our life than we have found here. They pray and pay, and then shout while the pastor brings the message. Last Sunday was a great day. In the morning service there were four in the altar, and Sunday night they began to shout on the platform and it broke out in the house and they hardly stopped long enough for preaching. There is long enough for preaching. There is someone strved or sanctified in almost every service. Our prayermeeting is great. For the last month there has been someone praying through in every service, for which we give God the glory. Bartlesville is one of the cleanest cities in the state. and we have a nice church building and a nice parsonage. We are slating Uncle Buddie Robinson and Prof. L. C. Messer for a meeting."

PASTOR CHAS. BAUERLE, CANTON, ILL,-"Our revival meetings which lasted a little over six weeks came to a close last Sunday night with eight seekers at the altar. It was a hard fought battle but our God gave us the victory. We had been holding four prayermeetings a week for several months, asking God to send us a revival and also the workers to hold it. So on October 13 the Lord sent Brother and Sister Budd to us and we began the meetings. Sister Budd did the preaching and Brother Budd assisted in the singing and altar work. These precious workers believe in fasting and praying and holding on till something is accomplished. So we battled on for a little over six weeks, during which time thirty-two different persons sought God, some of them coming the second time to be sanctified. On the last Sunday there were ten united with the church, with more to follow later. We are encouraged to push the battle on for God and holiness, praise the Lord."

FIRST CHURCH, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA, -"We are delighted with our new pastor, Brother F. H. Bugh, who comes to us from Hutchinson, Kansas. We find in him a very careful pastor. His wife has also endcared herself to our people and is always found faithful to her duties. Brother Bugh is a good preacher and his messages are owned of God. Our church is steadily growing in interest and in number of attendance. Our Young People's services are especially interesting and spiritual. We have a live crowd of young people. We have recently moved the service into the main auditorium, as our crowds have increased until there is not room where they have been holding. A number of our young people are talented musicians and their special music has added much interest to their propulse. We are pray-Nazaren Watter, Ith.

ing for and looking forward to our Young People's revival to be held in our church during January. Brother Shelby Corlett has been secured as evangelist. Our Sunday school is also a great asset to our church under the leadership of Brother H. L. Short. With our regular Wednesday night prayermeetings, missionary band on Sunday afternoon and several cottage prayermeetings through the week we ex-pect to keep victory."---Reporter.

CUMBERLAND, ALBERTA, CANADA.—"This being our first report we are going to give a brief history of the Nazarene work here, and how it came about. From June, 1908, till September, 1916, our spiritual needs in this (then a newly settled) district were ministered to by Presbyterian preachers. In the fall of 1916 on account of so many Presbyterian preachers enlisting for service in the great war we were unable to get a pastor. A Nazarene family living in the district suggested that we might be able to get the Nazarene pastor from Red Deer, a town twenty-two miles away, to give us services for the winter months. This we decided to do rather than close down our services, though we felt very shy of that particular denomination. We risked it however and for five months Brother F. W. McDowall gave us a forenoon service. This was in the winter season with the temperature sometimes thirty below zero, and many times he had to build the fire in the schoolhouse when he arrived. During these five months he just poured the red hot gospel on us and when it came time for him to leave we were thawed out sufficiently to realize the spiritual condition we were in, and after weighing matters very carefully in our minds we decided that it would be very much to our advantage to ask Brother McDowall to remain with us. In June, 1918, we organized a Church of the Nazarene with six charter members. (We now have thirty.) In September Brother McDowall was sent to Stettler and Brother Wilson Barker took charge. Under his splendid leadership we started to build our church. The membership consisted of four women and two men and everyone of us barely making a living. Loday we feel that this comfortable little church is in a very special way a standing monument to Brother Barket's zeal, industry and faithfulness. He had to leave us after nineteen months pastorate on account of Sister Barker's health. We then had Brother C. W. Bartram for five months and Brother Brooks for nearly three years. The memory of these men of God and their precious wives will be a blessing to us till the end of the way. Under the leadership of our present pastor, Brother J. D. Fowler, we are coming up the road with God's blessing on our hearts. We are encouraged to press on and fight sin and the devil to the very last ditch."-Mrs. Jas. McKay, Deaconess.

PASTOR GLENN GRIFFITH, BROWNTOWN, KANSAS-"A heaven sent old time Holy Ghost revival broke out in our church here due to prevailing prayer daily by the saints of God since Assembly, and seed sown by our former pastor, E. L. Duby, and the faithful uncompromising, Holy Ghost preaching of our evangelist, Rev.

Jesse Tryon, of Pasadena, Calif. About They are soul winners for God. Pray for fifty souls came to the altar and with the exception of very few found Jesus in both saving and sanctifying grace, shouting the victory all over the church. I have never seen any clearer experiences than the ones these precious souls ob-tained through the blood of Jesus. Tobacco, lodges, jewelry and a great many other worldly things were given up, and God did surely bless, hallelujah! Souls came for thirty-five miles around and found Jesus precious to their souls. Six have come into our church already and many more are expecting to later on. The Lord poured out an unusual amount of glory and power on our healing service Sunday, Dec. 5, 1926. Bodies were touched, one healed instantly of heart trouble, and after the service many came and were either saved or sanctified. One man prayed through sitting in the back seat of the church and jumped up praising God for saving him. Praise God forever. God has been good to us while we have been here on our first pastorate. Our budget is well paid ahead and we are looking for greater things ahead in Christ Jesus ?

PASTOR J. W. IRWIN, DES ARC, MO.---"I came to Des Arc the 13th of last May, feeling it was the leading of the Lord, and with the consent of our District Superintendent, E. C. Dees. I found the church at Des Arc very much discouraged. Some were thinking of leaving the church, but by God's help and much prayer they have all become reconciled, and there seems to be a spirit of unity in the church. I was called at the annual meeting by a majority vote of the church as pastor for another year at Des Arc. As to our financial condition, the Lord is helping us along those lines to meet our obligations. We have been able to organize a N. Y. P. S. with thirty-seven members. Also, a Ladies' Missionary Society has been organized. We are now looking forward to our District campmeeting, trusting God for many souls and that the Assembly year of 1927 will close with much victory. We ask an interest in the prayers of God's people."

BENTONVILLE, ARK .--- "God is wonderfully blessing us at this place under the efficient leadership of our dear Brother C. C. Cluck. He is a real man of God. Under the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit he is preaching the old time religion in the old time way. God is putting His seal upon His work here. Several have been to the altar already and prayed through to definite victory. Some regen-erated, some sanctified. Three have joined the church already. The Ladies' Missionary Society, under the wise lead-ership of its president, Sister J. W. Berry, assisted by Sister C. C. Cluck, is doing a grand and noble work. Our Sunday school is well organized in all of its departments and is pressing on from conquest to victory under its efficient, consecrated leader, Brother H. S. Alcorn. God is blessing our Y. P. S. We have one of the best and most noble bands of young people in the world. Our Junior Y. P. S. is just starting. You just watch them.

us."-S. A. Bell.

SPENCER, IND .- "God is graciously blessing in our regular services. Our Sunday school is growing and prospering under the leadership of our superintendent, Brother Roy Sims, and faithful teachers. We are having seekers at our regular services, have had nine at our altar in the last two weeks, all praying through to definite experiences. Our pastor, Brother Small, preached a very encouraging message Sunday morning, December 12, on 'A Successful Church.' God is blessing his efforts here and honoring us with souls. We are expecting to take a good class of members in the church in the near future. Pray for us."-Ethel Johnson, Reporter.

EVANGELIST GEO. BEIRNES-"We just this week closed a splendid meeting with Brother Rahrar of our church at Hagerstown, Ind. The meeting ran for two weeks and two days. It was what you would call a hard fought battle. There were twenty different ones at the altar, and we are sure there would have been many more but for some serious stumbling blocks which were in the way. We had some wonderful demonstrations of carnality, and some marvelous demonstrations of Holy Ghost power in bringing souls through to old time victory. Sin was uncovered and the old man with his deeds exposed. We enjoyed working with Brother Rahrar. He is just a young man and this is his second pastorate. He is spiritual and capable. His good little wife sang specials almost every night. The second Thursday we attended an all day missionary group meeting with the Richmond church, and gave them a mis-sionary address. We closed at Hagerstown on Tuesday night and attended the Sunday school and N. Y. P. S. conven-tion at Morristown. This simply was great. It was well attended by most of the preachers of the District and several visiting brethren out of the District. We heard some wonderful papers, speeches, addresses, discussions and sermons. I think I can truthfully say that it was the finest convention we have ever been privileged to attend. We wish all could have heard Rev. Willingham and Sister Lillenas' address especially. The fellowship was most blessed. We left last night after bringing the closing message of the convention, feeling we were a richer man in grace and experience for being with them. We have some open dates for winter and spring. Write me at Kingswood, Ky."

PASTOR J. A. MCNATT, IBERIA, Mo.-"We are praising God for His goodness to us, and for the victory just now. In August of 1925, after a few gracious revivals of old time power, in which many were saved and sanctified, and the people felt the need of a church, District Superintendent E. C. Dees was called to organize a Church of the Nazarene. Sixteen came in as charter members. At this time the writer was called as pastor of the little flock. We had no place to worship only in the homes and a schoolhouse, yet the people had a vision for the work, and on November 28, 1926, our District Superin-

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tendent, J. A. Williams, was called to dedicate a beautiful church. Truly, the Lord did bless Brother Williams as he preached, and it was a day not to soon be forgotten. The church was called formerly Kerns Campground, but the name was changed to Ricker Memorial in honor of the man who deeded the ground to us for the church. Last Sunday we organized a Sunday school of seventy-nine, with more to come. The membership has doubled, and we are looking forward with the vision before us of greater things to come. We give to Him who is worthy all the praise. We might say, our budget both general and district are up to the first of 1927. We believe in holding up the hands of our General and District officers."

PASTOR E. M. SMITH, WEST SIDE, WICH-ITA, KANSAS-"There is a blessed type of fellowship in this church that is conducive to spiritual life and growth. Cries of new born souls are being heard nearly every week. Three were saved and one sanctified Sunday morning, November 14. Two saved and one sanctified Nov. 28. One sanctified at prayermeeting December 2. Two of these saved, sanctified and joined the church in one week. Praise the Lord. We have organized a children's missionary society with ten members. Our Young People's Society has been organized three months and has thirtyeight members, twenty-six of whom are During this short time it has active. raised \$25.00 for various purposes. Two of our laymen, Brothers Lister and Cathay, have organized a mission in the southwest part of the city and have a Sunday school of thirty-seven members, sixteen at prayermeeting last Wednesday and one soul saved. The Lord is richly blessing our labors and we praise Him. Amen. Three prayermeetings every week hon-ored by the Holy Ghost. We are praying, fighting the devil and getting some of his victories. Hallelujah,"

OLIVET, ILL.-"We are made to thank God at this time for His great blessing, material and spiritual, to the Olivet church. The pastor's salary has been increased \$5.00 a week, and our apportionment to the general interests of the church has been over subscribed more than \$1,-000. Rev. J. E. Williams, now serving his second year here, is one of the best pastors in our church. He knows how to feed the people of the church, and also how to keep their appetites up by giving them something to do. Very few Sundays pass without people being saved or sanctified in the regular services. President T. W. Willingham, who fills the pulpit occasionally, also is an able spiritual leader of the young people. He insists on maintaining a wholesome spiritual atmosphere in the school, in which it is easy for students to get saved and keep saved. We have a live Young People's Society under the leadership of Mrs. Edna Lundgren and Miss Gertrude Sill. The Olivet Sunday school is still on the map. We are doing our best to keep Illinois on top in subscriptions for the HERALD OF HOLI-NESS, the best church paper in the world." --C. S. McClain, Church Secretary.

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"We have just closed one of the very best revivals in this church, of my five years pastorate, with Rev. I. G. Martin, evangelist. The meeting ran twenty days. The last sixteen days were under Brother Martin's ministry, which was truly owned by the spirit of victory. There was not one barren altar service, each service brought its results. Sixty-seven bowed at the altar of prayer and stayed until they heard from the Lord. The last day of the meeting, December 5, was an 'High We received twenty into church day ' membership, and there are others waiting for letters from their church, who will join later. The closing service Sunday evening was graced with several seekers and happy finders at the altar. All praise be unto the God of all grace for victory."

MALDEN, MO .- "We just closed a three weeks' revival here ending November 7. Brother McAnally, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene of Caruthersville, was the evangelist. He did some wonderful preaching and agonizing for lost souls. It was a hard fought battle and the break did not come until the last week of the meeting or nearly so. There was much conviction on the people, and the altar was filled with seekers and about seventeen fine young boys and girls prayed through in the old fashioned way to vic-How we praise God for these tory.

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PASTOR C. L. BRADLEY, FLINT, MICH .--

young people. May God bless them and keep them from the snares and traps of the devil. Help us pray for them to stand. District Superintendent Williams dropped in the last week of the meeting and took charge of the pulpit. He did some wonderful preaching. He is a power in the hands of God, and held the people spell bound in each of his sermons. Our church has had some mighty hard blows and discouraging things in the last few years, but thanks be to God it is taking new courage over all opposing power of the devil, and we have a vision that it is going over the top for God this year. We earnestly ask the prayers of God's people that this will be our best year. Our pastor, Brother Jeffries and wife, who came to us from the Poplar Bluff church, are consecrated people of God. Praise God for sending us these good people in such a time of need. When they came to us our Sunday school attendance was about forty; now it reaches up

toward the one hundred mark. Our faithful superintendent has got a smile on his face for the uplift of his school. We give God all the glory for sending us these good people. We have a fine Young People's Society of as fine a set of boys and girls as you ever saw, mostly all saved. We are asking God for an old time revival in the near future that will bring flood tides of victory to this church. Pray for us."-Mrs. Lizebeth Absher.

EVANCELIST LEE L. HAMRIC-"We are now in our third revival in the Rio Grande Valley, Texas. Our first meeting was at McAllen. Here the Lord gave us a great meeting. Many prayed through. The people were very kind to us. Our home while at McAllen was with Brother and Sister R. O. Thompson. They came from Marlow, Okla., here. Sister Thompson is an old time holiness preacher, has conducted some great revivals and been used much of the Lord. They were so

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kind to us in their nice home. Our sec-ond meeting was at Alamo. Here the Lord gave us a good little meeting. Souls prayed through. We are now in Edinburg, the county seat, under a tent, and we are just started. Souls in the altar. Our helper is Rev. Clyde Dilley. We will continue here until the 19th, then home to spend the holidays with our family."

EVANGELIST E. C. TARVIN-"Our last meeting was with Rev. Mattison, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene at Mackey, Ind. We opened fire on the enemy and for two weeks God helped us to pour out the truth in spite of the mud roads and bad weather. God was with us and gave us victory. Quite a few were saved and sanctified. Many said that this was the best meeting that this church has had for eight years. To God be all the praise. Rev. Mattison and his good wife are fine folk to labor with. They know how to stand by the evangelist. May heaven's richest blessings be upon them and their work. We are at this writing in the bat-tle at Wurtland, Ky. God is blessing, folks are praying through. Praise God, the day of revivals is not a thing of the past. We go from here to Pond Creek, Ky., then on to Illinois. Have a few open dates spring and summer. Anyone interested write us."

TELEGRAMS

Please note that all lelegrams must be in our office an or before Thursday 10 00 a.m., preceding the date of publication of the iteraid of Holiness, Messages carehing us later than that time must be held over until the next leave.

DURANT, OKLA.

Robinson-Messer Party closing nineteen days convention on Eastern Oklahoma District with Superintendent S. H. Owens. 414 subscriptions to HERALD OF HOLINESS taken. Finances came up very generously. A great district with a superintendent equal to the task with a burden and a vision.—L. C. Messer, Bud Robinson.

KEARNEY, NEBR.

Coming to the finish of a fine revival; scarcely a barren altar, and great work is being done by the Holy Spirit. Rev. C. P. Ellis, of Casper, Wyo., with his banjo and powerful messages is surely used of God to break down the strong-holds of Satan.—Rev. W. J. Loder, Mason City, Nebr.

BROMES ISLAND, MD. After Christmas will be in the south a few weeks with mail headquarters at 765 Bonnie Brea Ave., Atlanta, Ga. Can hold some short revivals or conventions before returning north. Wire or write me at Atlanta address. Am closing the best year of my life, praise God.-M. M. Bussey.

SHELBYVILLE, IND.

Closed four weeks' revival at the Church of the Nazarene. Greatest revival in history of the church. A. L. Emmert, pastor-evangelist. He's a Bible preacher. The church was in prevailing prayer. Seventy-eight souls claimed victory, twenty-one people taken into the church. Closed with eight at altar.— Mrs. Rose Sapp, Reporter.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice—Brother and Sister A. B. Barham, whose address is R. F. D. 1, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, are both preachers and singers. After seven years in the pastorate, they are again taking up evangelistic work and are available for engagements for revivals any where. They are sound and safe and successful. Give them a call.—Editor.

Notice-Anyone knowing the address of Rev. L. B. Fretwell, who once preached at Ada, Okla., please write me at once.--C. R. Devoll, Artesia, N. M.

NOTICE—Kansas City District Convention, March 2, 3, 4, Fort Scott, Kans. Rev. J. W. Goodwin, D. D., special worker. Will expect all pastors and Christian workers of the District to be present. Drop Rev. C. J. Howard, 319 S. Judson St., Fort Scott, Kansas, a card telling him that you will be there the full time and to have you a place to be entertained. This is our mid-year feast and coaling station, so come with us and we will do thee good.—Rev. N. B. Herrell, District Superintendent.

NOTICE—*Missouri District*: Any church which has failed to receive copies of the Assembly Minutes, please notify me at once.—Mrs. Erna Patterson, Missouri District Secretary, Malden, Mo.

ATTENTION—Chicago Central District: Chicago Central District Preachers' Meeting at Decatur, Ill., March 29 to April 3, 1927. All pastors on District arrange work to be there. Good program arranged.—E. O. Chalfant.

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Dr. Reynolds, our Senior General Superintendent, says, "We could do no greater thing just now than to put the HERALD OF HOLINESS in 20,000 new homes in this country. And it ought to be going to every jail, every penitentiary, every public library, every old people's home, every missionary on the foreign field and to everyone for whose salvation we pray and labor, individually. Let everybody subscribe for the HERALD OF HOLINESS for himself and for someone else, and let us build up the list to 40,000."

E. O. Chalfant, District Superintendent of Chicago Central District, says, "I am delighted with the plan to secure 40,000 subscribers to the HERALD OF HOLI-NESS. Chicago Central District, with its pastors, people and friends, will be responsible for at least 3,000 of the 40,000, and will get even more if necessary."

P. H. Lunn, the Circulation Manager of the HERALD or HOLINESS, upon whose shoulders much of the extra effort involved must rest, says, "Do I believe that we can raise the subscription list to 40,000? Absolutely! It can be done. Will we do it? Ah—! Yes, in the name of our God and with the co-operation of all our pastors and people I feel sure we will. It's going to take every ounce of energy and loyalty and enthusiasm of every District Superintendent and pastor, as well as the support of thousands of lay members. But it can be done and I'm strong for doing it."

B. H. Haynie, answering our question as to how he put Akron, Ohio, on the map, writes the editor as follows: "You want to know how we secured such a large list of subscribers to the HERALD OF HOLINESS: Well, there really is not very much to tell. You simply have to get the matter on your heart, be convinced of its importance and then set in to get the subscriptions and stay with it until you get them. You must set an objective and you must make it large, because people will rally to a worthy objective and help you reach it when they would not be otherwise interested. "In our case, we heard that Brother Benedum and his East Liverpool, Ohio, church had sent in over three hundred subscriptions at one time. I told my people that Akron is as good a church and as good a town as East Liverpool and that we thought as much of the HERALD OF HOLINESS as Benedum and his people did, and that we simply must send in more subscriptions than East Liverpool sent. Soon we were at it and we kept at it every night of the Aycock meeting. The spirit of the matter came upon us and soon everyone was enthused. We secured 424 subscriptions and we are glad to note that we are at the top of the line.

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Evangelist Jarrette Aycock, who is second only to Bud Robinson in the number of people he can induce to subscribe for the HERALD OF HOLINESS, says, "A goal of forty thousand subscriptions to the HERALD is not too large or at all impossible, if 'all hands will lift' and keep lifting. We have found the only way, or rather the best way to get subscriptions is to keep at it in every service, and as a rule you can get one or more to subscribe each time. This requires only a few minutes and instead of hindering the meeting we have found that it rather increases the interest, for people are always interested in the cause in which they have invested. Every subscription secured will win friends for the church and perhaps bring souls to Jesus. 40,000 is possible."

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