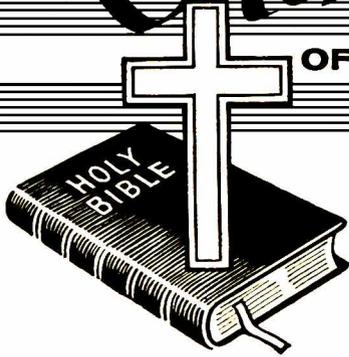


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FRET NOT THYSELF because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

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For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

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Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

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Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

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Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

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And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

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Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

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Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

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For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth (37:1-9).

Psalm
of
David

LATE NEWS

Telegrams

Yakima, Washington—Most outstanding assembly of Northwest District just completed (June 6). Dr. E. E. Zachary elected to three-year term as district superintendent; granted three months' leave with full pay and \$1,500 love offering for tour of overseas Australian home mission district. Record breaking giving to world evangelism with district reaching "10 per cent" for first time. Rev. P. J. Bartram, host pastor, unexcelled in care of convention and assembly delegates and visitors. Dr. Samuel Young, general superintendent, friend of the people and leader of preachers, carefully and graciously, with keenness of mind and humility of spirit, generated the most harmonious assembly to a fitting close in the ordination of two lady missionaries Friday afternoon.—J. Paul Downey, Reporter.

Red Deer, Alberta, Canada—Dr. A. E. Airhart, after highly successful service at Canadian Nazarene College for the past eight years as teacher and administrator, and as president for the last five years, has resigned and accepted a call to the St. Clair Church of the Nazarene in Toronto, Ontario; he will be assuming his new duties in mid-August.—E. Drell Allen, Reporter.

Pastor Ernest Rice of Ottawa, Illinois, sends word: "District Superintendent Lyle Eckley (Northwestern Illinois) took an offering of \$6,191 on June 9 at Ottawa First Church to be used to start a second church on the south side of Ottawa."

Rev. William R. Dillon writes that, after serving nearly six years as pastor of the Little Sandy Church in Bruceton Mills, he has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Third Church in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

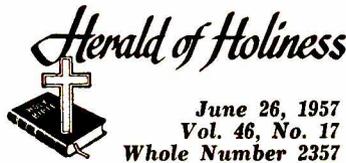
Rev. Ben F. Marlin has resigned as pastor of First Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to accept the pastorate of the church in Denison, Texas.

After serving for more than four years as pastor of the church at Handley, which he helped to organize, Rev. John J. Hancock has resigned to accept the pastorate of Central Church in Huntington, West Virginia.

After serving for nine years as pastor of Central Church in Huntington, Rev. J. C. Wallace has resigned to accept a call to pastor First Church in Charleston, West Virginia.

After serving the church at Costa Mesa for the past six years, Rev. Clive Williams has accepted the pastorate of the church at Oceanside, California.

After serving the church at Juliaetta, Idaho, for three years, Rev. R. E. Bebout has resigned to accept the pastorate of the church in Arlington, Oregon.



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Gleanings

from the Office Editor's Desk

"I look for the *Herald of Holiness* each week and usually I sit right down and read it! I enjoy it very much. I don't see how any Nazarene could be without it."—*Massachusetts*.

" . . . I have been taking the *Herald of Holiness* for over forty years. I enclose three dollars for our renewal and for a new subscription."—*Florida*.

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"I thank you for the copies of the *Herald of Holiness* which I have received thus far. I actually pounce on them when they are brought to me. When I read them they are passed on to others, so the good things they contain are thoroughly enjoyed by many more. . . I wish so much that I had found the *Herald of Holiness* before my husband was called home; he would have enjoyed the inspirational items it contains."—*Ohio*.

Dr. CHARLES A. GIBSON

Retires from District Superintendency

I read somewhere recently that a man asked John D. Rockefeller how much money it would take to satisfy a man. His reply was, "Just a little bit more." Money and things can never satisfy the human soul. There is always craving for "just a little bit more," but this is not the case with a Christian. He has found a source of satisfaction and life brings rich compensations at every period, for, like Paul, for him to live is Christ.

Dr. Charles A. Gibson has lived just such a life and his recent retirement from the superintendency of the Wisconsin District has called attention to a most remarkable life of service for Christ and His church. He has spent thirty-five years in the district superintendency of the Church of the Nazarene—first on the Northern California District, then on the old Ohio District before its division, then in Michigan before the division

there, and finally in Wisconsin. And in each of these places his record has been outstanding.

During his superintendency of the Ohio District at least four different times the district showed an annual net gain of one thousand or more members. So far as I know, this record has never been equaled in our church. Scores of churches were organized on each of these districts, for no man in the church has had a greater home missionary vision nor has anyone pushed this phase of the work so zealously as has Dr. Gibson.

His consecrated talents, deep insight, and inspiring vision have been sought after in every phase of the work of the church. In the district superintendency, in the pastorate, as an author and writer, and as a member of Olivet Nazarene College Board of Trustees for thirty-one years, he has rendered outstanding service. For nineteen years he has given a lecture series to young ministers at Olivet Nazarene College and for a number of years he conducted the Question Box in the *Preacher's Magazine*.

Back of such a valuable life there has been a workable philosophy, hammered out on the anvil of experience—a philosophy in which I am sure we are all interested. Dr. Gibson has stated it thus: "Know you are right and then proceed to bring to finality the desired goal. Be ever at it. Concentrate on a few sure goals rather than shoot at everything in sight. Keep optimistic. We cannot make everybody good but can add to the general work being accomplished. Work plans that are your own as well as plans that, if you had the chance, you would change completely. Keep your work up to date. Read extensively. Keep ready for the next job—and heaven."

These words will explain the many years of most valued service in the building of the Kingdom and the Church of the Nazarene. The entire denomination is indebted to Dr. and Mrs. Gibson. They have not retired from active service. They are available for camp meetings, conventions, preachers' meetings, and so forth, and I trust that we will keep them busy. We do feel it is appropriate, however, to pause and thank God for that great multitude of souls and churches who today rejoice in the love of the Saviour because Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Gibson have lived and loved and served.

HARDY C. POWERS, *General Superintendent*

"Whatever Things"

By MABEL NEWMAN

*A ship at sail, a blooming rose—
The brilliant evening star;
Leaf shadows on a moonlit wall—
How beautiful they are!*

*A little town with greening trees,
And houses painted white;
The quietness which covers it
At evening's waning light;*

*A happy child with honest eyes,
And smudges on his face;
A church's mellow, golden chimes,
Recalling us to grace—*

*Why not forget a little while
The tragedies life brings?
The true, the pure, the beautiful—
Let's think upon these things.*

How Old Is "Old-time" Religion?

By LEO C. DAVIS

Superintendent of Southwest Indiana District

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time . . . (Matthew 5:21).

Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. . . . (I John 2:24).

We need the help of the Holy Ghost to enable us to think the thoughts of God. Men are damned because they do not think. They lean to their own understanding and they think the thoughts of the natural man. World dictators have big ideas and they proceed to clothe them with words and then with actions. Millions are thereby enslaved and damned. Thought patterns make a difference!

We hear many voices within the church. Some think this and some think that. All our thinking must be guided and guarded by what God declares. Many are saying, "It is this way or else!" "Come, get in my little red wagon and I will roll you right into the New Jerusalem!" Wonderful campaign promises! I used to try to accommodate them all, but I have quit. The highway of life is strewn with the wreckage of numbers of "little red wagons." In the beginning they were nicely painted and they glistened in the moonshine of carnal reasonings. But how depraved the human mind! How deceptive, untrustworthy, and cumbersome!

I am far more anxious to imbibe the mind of Christ and the plain teachings of God's Word than ever before. I deeply appreciate those who crossed my pathway in the years gone by. Many of these leaders were wise indeed and they laid their foundations deeply. Some of them were shortsighted and unwise. The wise considered themselves as instruments in the hand of God and they submitted all to God for His final approbation. The unwise left the impression that they themselves were gods and their word final in every detail and "old-time religion" would die with them. But it didn't! It lives on!

I have concluded that just because some well-meaning individual came across the country twenty-five or thirty years ago declaring he was the final and last edition I am not to be too hasty in running off after him, but rather, in spite of all his bold assertions, I want to "prove all things; hold fast that which is good" (I Thessalonians 5:21). The world was here a long, long time, even before my well-meaning friend arrived. Those of "old

time" must lead me to Him who is "from the beginning," lest I build upon the sand.

I thank God for the old-time religion but my criticism of much that goes under that name is that it is not old enough! It does not go back to the beginning. It many times leaves me stranded with something somebody said two or three hundred years ago. "Them of old time" have said a lot of things. It was even so in Christ's day, but He countered all their statements by saying: ". . . but I say unto you." The teachings of the past must be brought up into the light of the ever-present Christ, who was and is from the beginning. I am professing and I am enjoying "old-time religion," but it is more than thirty years old. It is from eternity.

Let us keep right on sitting at the feet of the Master Teacher. We can never go astray heeding His teachings. How wonderful the New Testament in each of its parts and when taken as a whole! The Gospels are the foundation for the Book of Acts; the Book of Acts precedes the Epistles, and the Epistles go before the Book of Revelation. Those who major on the Book of Revelation need to get further back into the holiness of the Epistles, for of what value is prophecy without holiness? We cannot rest in the Epistles however, for our holiness needs the fire and the vigor of the Book of Acts. The *fire* must, in turn, have its base in the life of Christ as depicted in the Gospels. Otherwise our fire might be wildfire or fox fire, striking everybody dead who happens to come within the radius of its influence. In short, we must see to

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"God's arithmetic is this: \$10 minus \$1 equals \$10 plus. Sometimes this blessing is an enlargement of wealth; sometimes it is a spiritual blessing only."—W. J. Werning, in "Investing Your Life."

it that our "old-time religion" stems from Him who is from the beginning. I must not rest secure in the sayings of some who have been "of old time" unless they lead me to the Rock "that is higher than I." I do not propose to rest in anything said today nor in the yesterdays unless such sayings harmonize with the sayings of Him who declared, "Before Abraham was, I am" (John 8:58).

I am a thousand times grateful for my church and for the way her leaders are pointing out to me "the old paths." I am a thousand times grateful for our *Manual*, for our General Rules, and for our expressed and written standards of conduct. They all stem from and grow out from Him who was and is before all things. I want nothing new if it does not speak out from the old, and I want nothing old unless it harmonizes with the new commandment which, in fact, is the very essence

of both the teachings of Christ and the person of Christ. "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another" (John 13:34). That is a lot of love!

I am all out for the old-time religion. It just suits me. However, I want to make sure that it is old enough. If it is, then it has the God of all grace for its Author, and its Finisher as well, and will stand all the assaults of men and devils. With God as my Hiding Place, my Rock, and my Defense, I can rest easy in my modern day of confusion, with its many voices saying: "Hear me," for I know that He is the same "yesterday, and to day and for ever," sanctifying my present moment. By the old all things are made new, and in the new my pathway glistens and shines with gleams of immortality.

Through the Kansas City tornado I learned afresh
that God has brought glorious deliverance to many but . . .

"Others Were Tortured"

By NORMAN R. OKE

In the eleventh chapter of Hebrews we read of mighty achievements of faith. Great men, under the hand of God, shook the world by faith. And some have walked away with the impression that if every man had faith in God he would be delivered from trouble. But look again! We read of the worthies who "through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises." But in almost the same breath it is stated, "Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance."

What does this mean? Just simply this: God did not deliver all Christians from trouble. But were they also good people with faith in God? Yes, they most certainly were, for we read that they were the kind "of whom the world was not worthy." They also walked with the Lord, but while others were miraculously delivered, these met a tragic fate. What does this say to us? Simply this, loving and serving the Lord does not guarantee perpetual freedom from tragedy.

That plain, unvarnished truth needs to be told again and again in these days when the ether waves and presses promote a "health and happiness" gospel. Some moderns must overlook Hebrews eleven with their repeated assertion that God will *deliver everybody* from sickness and trouble. This "believe God and live happily ever after" type of salvation has one thing wrong with

it—it just isn't scriptural, that's all! For the Bible records that, while some were delivered, "others were tortured."

No! God does not deliver everybody, not even all of His own beloved children. Ask me why! I don't have the answer, but there stands the stubborn fact—"others were tortured."

This was etched more clearly on my mind a few days ago when the terrible tornado tragedy struck Kansas City. Two men who work in the Nazarene Publishing House come to bear witness. I want you to hear from Cecil Smith and Paul Unterkircher. These two fine Christian men with their families lived just a few houses apart in the suburb of Hickman Mills. On the twentieth of May about eight in the evening a vicious tornado struck with unbelievable fury across the edge of Kansas City. Hundreds of homes were destroyed, many were killed, scores injured.

This tornado demolished Cecil Smith's house, yet just a few yards away Paul Unterkircher's home stood with relatively minor damage. Was God smiling on Paul while frowning on Cecil? No—a thousand times no! Both are God-fearing Christians, both serve the Lord, both families belong to the same church, both are devoted to their Saviour. One was delivered from the fury of the storm; the other was permitted to pass right through the

worst of it. It is Hebrews eleven being written again: while some "escaped the edge of the sword, . . . others were tortured."

But let both of these men testify of God's goodness through all the terror of the brief half-minute when homes were shattered, stores burst like bubbles, and debris was flying everywhere. Cecil Smith views the foundation from which every vestige of home and belongings is gone and says, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." I can testify that this verse holds true. God's grace has sustained me and mine in this tragedy. I thank Him for sparing me and my family from death. I praise Him for His keeping power."

Now I want Paul to take the witness stand. "It was dusk, the sky was black with storm. In the distance could be heard the terrible roar of the tornado rushing toward us. Our first thought was to flee, but it was too close, so we ran for the basement. Seconds later, as we prayed, it struck with all its fury; in a few seconds it was all over. We hurried out to look, fear gripping our hearts. But, thank the Lord, our home was still standing. Gratitude and thanks to God poured forth as we walked from room to room—glass scattered everywhere but only minor damage. Across the street whole blocks of homes were totally demolished. Truly our hearts could say, 'The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.' Our lives have been laid afresh on the altar of God. We shall never cease to praise Him for His protection over us."

For many of us . . .

The Tithe Is No Longer Enough

By R. L. LUNSFORD, Professor, Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois

My pastoral ministry was begun during the depth of the great depression. In my first parish only two of my men were employed—their wages were fifteen dollars per week. The others were either on relief or were working on W.P.A. projects, earning eleven dollars per week. Later I was transferred to a church in another community, where the factories put their men on two six-hour days per week in order not to lay off anyone.

In those days faithfulness in tithing was an act of heroism. But most of my people tithed—and God stood by. The pastor was paid (though seldom in full); budgets were sent in, our mortgage obligation was met. How? Because God kept His promises! Many times our congregation stood be-

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I hope the proponents of the "prosperity for everybody" gospel will read these testimonies. Some walk with God and are delivered as by a miracle; others walking with the same Lord will be permitted to pass through fiery furnaces. God saves some from trouble; others He allows to weather the blast, giving them His companionship through it all.

May we be able to see God's hand as readily amid the shattering tempest as we can in the path of peace. Some will escape the edge of the sword—but others will be tortured. Let's read Hebrews eleven again.

neath the open windows of heaven to receive more than we could measure. It was unpleasant to be poor, but it was glorious to be blessed!

Now we have come on more prosperous days. For a decade and a half our people have been enjoying increasing incomes. Many among us are beginning to know the taste of luxury—and that brings us face to face with a challenge. Tithing is no longer an act of heroism. To many of us, especially when a small bit of planning is applied, it is a simple matter. Hence we are faced with this sobering fact: *For many of us the tithe is no longer enough!*

Simplicity, according to the Bible, must ever be the watchword of the Christian: simplicity in our

manner of living, simplicity in our wants, simplicity in our faith. We must never let the love of money capture us!

How to avoid it? Perhaps we could take our cue from John Wesley. It is said of him that at the beginning of his ministry he received an annual salary of £30. He managed to live on £27 and returned the balance to the church. Later, it is said, his income was increased to £3,000. He continued to live on £27 and returned the balance to the church. When he died, it is reported, he left a well-worn rector's gown, a small library, a set of silver spoons—and the Methodist church!

In these days of shrinking dollars, however, so rigorous a program of giving would hardly be possible. It is true that, year by year, rents are higher, cars cost more, and furniture and clothing are more expensive. Perhaps a more practical pattern might be found in the experience of William Colgate. Orphaned before his teen years, he had left to him only a family recipe for making soap and a promise to his mother to tithe conscientiously.

As he peddled soap from house to house he carefully laid aside the tithe. Beginning to prosper, he increased his giving to 20 per cent, to 30 per cent, then to 50 per cent, to 75 per cent, and finally to 90 per cent. In his later years he found it possible to live entirely from his savings, and to put all his earnings into a philanthropic foundation.

Wouldn't that be a wonderful thing! A Nazarene foundation! A foundation into which all of us could put our surpluses as we accumulate them, having disciplined ourselves to simple living. A foundation out of which funds could be drawn to start home mission churches, to enlarge our missionary borders, to assist needy students, and to help support poorly paid pastors (professors, perhaps?).

But whether to a foundation or through the regular channels of the local church, let us learn to give larger and larger portions of our income to the Lord's work. Let not the love of luxuries rob us of our souls.

For many of us, brethren, *the tithe is no longer enough!*

MY DESIRE

By ALICE W. NORTON

*To use such talents as I may possess
For spreading peace of mind—and happiness—
Not as I will but as the Lord suggests,
Untouched by greed or gain or selfishness.*

*To be a little kinder every day
To those with whom I live along life's way;
To claim my share of work and play,
And never feel ashamed to kneel and pray.*

Has The Church Changed?

By VAN TURMAN
Pastor, Channelview, Texas

I never heard of the Church of the Nazarene until ten years ago. Bound by the habits of sin, I knew nothing of the love of God or the redeeming grace of Jesus Christ.

Then I met and married a girl that attended a Nazarene Sunday school. I later attended the Sunday school and found that the people were different from any I had ever met. They loved God, each other, and my poor lost soul. They began praying for me so strongly that I almost died under conviction. A few weeks later those Nazarenes led me to an old-fashioned altar. There I heard my name called out to God in prayer for the first time in my life. Their prayers touched deep in my soul and I surrendered all to the Master.

A few months later I was instructed in the doctrine of holiness and God truly sanctified. Who guided me? Ah, those Nazarenes guided me!

God soon called me into the ministry and a few months later I entered Bethany Nazarene College. That Nazarene school did its best to prepare me for the ministry. If I am a failure it is not the school's fault, for those professors put their very souls into helping me.

But I was in Bethany for only a short time when I began hearing a few say, "The old church has changed from what she was when she started." I have been listening to this statement occasionally now for almost eight years and all I can say is, if the church changed, I wonder what more she was doing then than what I just testified to.

Well, praise God for the Church of the Nazarene!



Are You Getting Him Ready?

By **MARY E. LATHAM** Director, Vacation Bible Schools, Department of Church Schools

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give opportunities to experience personal salvation. Nazarene materials give definite guidance for providing such experiences. Suggestions are given to help boys and girls to grow strong in Christian faith.

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provide learning experiences to develop creative abilities. Learning through guided exploration now will lead to wider fields of service tomorrow.

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For Board Members Who Can Work in Harmony . . .

provide opportunities for sharing and pupil co-operation. Mature, spiritual leadership can be developed through such activities.

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Think on This!

SIN DESTROYS

By **J. M. YARBROUGH**

Some time ago during the building of a boat a workman lost his hammer in the lower interior of the craft. Soon the search for it was abandoned and the boat was completed without its being found.

The boat was taken in for repairs and refurbishing some years later. This required the removal of the planking in the bottom of the structure, and there the hammer was found. The rhythmic wash of the waves had caused the hammer to slide back and forth until at first a groove was formed; then a deep slot was cut through the

wood, leaving the copper plating on the very bottom of the boat as all that remained to be worn through.

It takes little imagination to visualize what would have occurred if the boat had been used a little longer and the hammer had worn through. Perhaps the last wearing movements might have taken place in a raging sea under circumstances such that even the most seaworthy craft could have scarcely done more than survive.

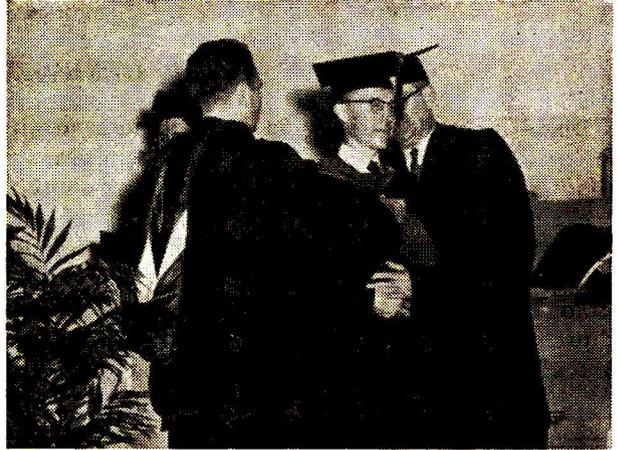
Picture what it would have been like to have outridden a major storm and to have the sea become calm except for the rhythmic roll of rippling waves and then have the boat bottom wear through, causing all on board to be swamped and physically destroyed.

Such would have been another tragedy in the history of the sea, but that would have been only the loss of mortal life and comparably far less tragic than for some so-called "little sin" to gratefully mar and destroy the spiritual life of some immortal soul and ultimately bring on eternal destruction.

Sin maims, destroys, kills! And although the person in whose life it is may think it completely under control and out of sight, one of these days when the steadying power of righteous character may be sorely needed, temptation or death finds him unready. The cancerous, corroding, wearing effects of sin come to the full, and eternal night soon settles upon another lost man or woman. And this eternal night is not for an hour or a day or a year or even an age, but *forever!*

The Bible says that "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" Or in the third chapter of Romans the truth

NEWS in PICTURE



ONE OF THE FORTY-NINE 1957 SEMINARY GRADUATES, Clinton Wickham, being "hooded" by Dean Taylor and Registrar Gish. Dr. Corlett reports that the Nazarene Theological Seminary has given diplomas to 490.

is noted that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Thus it is seen that the wearing, destructive power of sin is ever present in every life unless or until its removal comes about by divine interaction and power.

One can't afford to gloss it over or leave it to run its wearing and disastrous course.

If you have not had such a cleansing, oh, be entreated to come to Calvary and find cleansing *now!*

THINK ON THIS!

Countless Thousands

By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

*Countless thousands, countless millions
Stars and galaxies appear
Through the telescopic systems
Of observatories here.*

*Countless thousands, countless millions
Souls in heathen darkness lie.
God can see them—God who loves them—
You and I just pass them by.*

*Astronomical impressions,
Time-exposure pictures clear,
Many students and professors
Hold their hard-won knowledge dear.*

*Yet throughout the ceaseless ages
Images, yet more fair and bright
Than any telescopic vision,
Can be seen with heaven's light.*

*There's an Expert up in glory
Looking through the glass to find
Hearts of love (the stars of beauty)
Reaching out to save mankind.*

*High above and all around you
Let the universe be still
As you bow to give God honor
With your love, your life, your will.*

*Countless thousands, countless millions
Blood-bought, saved by grace divine,
Singing, shouting thro' the ages,
Stars you've won, for aye to shine!*

One Person Can Pray Down Revival

By GENEVIEVE THOMPSON

Recently, while visiting in my old home town in Missouri, some friends and I were reminiscing about a revival which swept a small country church back in the 1930's. There was no Church of the Nazarene there at that time and the other four churches of the small town were being slowly strangled to death by worldliness and sin. The church we were discussing was about four miles out of town, a community church, also dead, or

nearly so. It had no people who were capable of paying the price of a revival, in soul travail. Yet that little country church experienced a revival which shook the whole community. In that revival several persons were saved who later helped to build the Church of the Nazarene in that town.

Did the *church* bring the revival? Indeed not. There were several hungry souls, perhaps five, who were saved and reaching out for a deeper life. They

By Evangelist
C. W. Davis

While cattle were lying dead and property was seriously damaged, the church marker was . . .

gave forth *before* the storm and *during* the storm. To all who passed by it was saying that just ahead a short distance is a Church of the Nazarene with a sanctified pastor, a burning message of full salvation, an old-fashioned mourners' bench, and a company of happy, spiritual people worshipping the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

My heart was thrilled! As I read that sign I thanked God for the Church of the Nazarene. I

STILL STANDING THROUGH THE STORM

In early April we drove across the panhandle country of west Texas, and through the city of Amarillo. Only ten days earlier a very severe snow-storm of blizzard proportions had swept that great country and done much damage. We saw dead cattle along the way which were silent witnesses to the severity of the storm.

As we drew near Amarillo, a great many advertising signs, large and small, had been blown down, and well-nigh destroyed. They too were saying that the storm was too strong for them. Then just a little farther on a most beautiful sign came into view. It was a little bit worse for the storm, but was not in bad condition. This sign was easy to read, distinct, neat, and attractive. It read, "Church of the Nazarene," and gave the exact location of the church.

My, but it looked good to Mrs. Davis and me! It was the most important announcement we saw. It had weathered the storm. Someone knew the importance of its message and had planted it there so firmly and securely that after the storm it was still standing firm, with the same message that it

thanked God too for faithful, spiritual, empowered Nazarenes who stand true to God and holiness through all the storms of life. Winston Churchill warned his nation that the test of any people is how they behave when they are tried. The test of any Christian is how he behaves under pressure and in the storms of life.

These must be the last days. Surely the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. There is a fearful falling away and the love of many is waxing cold.

As that beautiful sign in Texas, with its announcement, stood firm before the storm, during the storm, and after the storm, may our beloved church hold true to her doctrines and standards, and may she witness more of the mighty outpourings of the Holy Ghost that have characterized her during the first half century of her history. May we keep our identity as a rugged, spiritual, evangelistic, unworldly holiness church. I pray that I may be so rooted and established in the love of Christ that I will always be found true and witnessing for my wonderful Lord until He comes or calls for me.

could not pray, nor testify with power.

Did a *pastor* bring revival? No, there was no pastor. Occasionally one came from a distant community for a service or two.

Did any *evangelist* bring revival? Again, no. There was no money for an evangelist. The wife of a minister who had formerly pastored there came from another part of the state, stayed in the home of one of the members, and held nightly services, at the invitation of the church. She was a Spirit-filled woman. She did not preach any homiletically designed sermons. She had no powerful delivery. She just stood and talked quietly, sometimes in tears.

Talking about it nearly twenty years later, we asked one another how revival came to that church, and we all agreed that it was through the prayers of a frail little old man who did not even live in the community. He had been a close friend of one of the pioneer couples of that church. Their children and grandchildren made up a large percentage of the same church in the 1930's. For many years this old family friend had prayed for the family. He had visited them at every opportunity, had witnessed to them, counseled with them, loved them, wept for them. His prayers and tears paid off in a great revival.

One of those present at our recent discussion was the husband of one of the daughters of the pioneer couple. His conversion was the greatest miracle of that revival. He had been brought up in a Christian home but had refused the grace of God until, at forty-six, he was as hard as granite. Despite his solemn promise to his dying mother, he rejected the Christ she loved, and seldom could be persuaded to attend revival services. When the revival fires fell and others were entering the Kingdom, he hid out completely, refusing to attend even one service.

But real soul travail laid hold on the newly roused church, and such prayer went up for him as cannot be denied. Powerful conviction seized him, though he did not enter the church. For three days he could neither eat, sleep, nor work. As he rode a farm implement around the field he felt he was dying under the pressure and at last climbed down and leaned on a fence post and cried out to God. But he did not find peace. That night he staggered into the church, stumbled down the aisle, and literally collapsed on the altar. Needless to say, God met his heart's need there and he almost shouted the roof off.

He shouted all the way home and he shouted the remainder of the night. He got his children out of bed and held them on his knees, testifying and exhorting. The fact that they were high school age did not deter him. He shouted until he ran clear down the next morning and had to rest from sheer physical exhaustion. For nearly twenty years

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This Is What They Say About

John Biggers

Song director of the North Sacramento Church of the Nazarene

I've had a lot of dealings with John Biggers—N.Y.P.S. zone chairman, member of the district N.Y.P.S. council, camp meeting enthusiast, district convention booster, song leader for revival, and song and choir director of the church in North Sacramento. And I figured he'd be doing well in business, too. Here are the facts!

John joined the firm of Gerlinger Motor Parts in Sacramento in 1944 following three and one-half years with another automotive wholesaler. He has been a part of this growing, ever-increasing business since that time. When the company moved into its present quarters, John was moved up from head counterman to the post of store manager. Then a little over two years ago he assumed the duties of general manager.

He is well known to other jobbers in the area, having served two terms as president of the Sacramento Automotive Parts Jobbers Association. And, lo and behold, I saw his picture in *Jobber Topics* for October, 1956, an Irving-Cloud publication.

But as busy as he is, when he enters the church John Biggers is ready for song, ready to boost, and ready to pray. You get the idea from him that good religion is happy religion. And in this steady march to responsible places he has always had time and real enthusiasm for church jobs, district jobs, big or little.

—EVANGELIST PAUL MARTIN

he has been a stalwart in the Kingdom.

As we lived it over again the other day, he said, "Yes, I believe it was old Brother Adams' prayers which brought revival." We all were forced to agree. And in our hearts we faced the sobering challenge that *one person's prayers can bring revival*.

Does your church need revival desperately? Then resolve that your prayers will bring it. In God's Word we read, "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none" (Ezekiel 22:30). The implication is that God could not extend mercy to Israel because He could find no intercessor. Are many churches today cold and dead for the same reason?

Not Again Until 2008!

Next year, 1958, we celebrate our fiftieth anniversary as a church. Every Nazarene will want to have a part in this, for we cannot have another such celebration until 2008. By that time most of us who participate now won't be here. It's not surprising, therefore, that our church is making big plans, and that our people are rising to the situation and praying that God will make 1958 a banner year. We want to make it a spiritual as well as a historical landmark.

For several years now we've been having an annual special issue of the *Herald of Holiness*. Next year this issue will celebrate our Golden Anniversary, and will represent the work of many minds and be superior in spirit and quality. The prospects are good that our churches will buy two million or more copies of this 1958 special issue. Every Nazarene will want one to keep for himself; he'll also want copies to send to all of his kinsfolk. In addition to this, our local churches will want to present every family in the town or city of which they are a part with a copy of this Golden Anniversary issue. Already the district assemblies which have met have ordered unusually large numbers, the largest yet being the Northern California District, which has contracted for 150,000 copies. The price of this special issue will be five cents per copy, only one cent more than the price of the usual special issue. This low charge is made in spite of the fact that this issue will be nearly three times the size of the regular special issue.

Little Talks on the Holy Spirit:

19. Other Descriptions of the Holy Spirit's Activity in the Second Crisis

In articles 16, 17, and 18 we discussed the baptism with the Holy Spirit, the infilling of the Holy Spirit, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. These are different ways of describing the work of the Holy Spirit when He comes into the Christian's heart in His fullness. This truth is also set forth in other forms. Here are some of them: The Holy Ghost "fell upon" (Acts 10:44; 11:15); "received," or "receiving" the Holy Ghost (Acts 8:15; 10:47; 8:18-19; 19:2; and John 20:22); the Holy Ghost was "upon" or "came upon."

Further, sometimes this experience is spoken of as that of the "indwelling" Spirit. There are passages in the New Testament which seem to justify this language; that is, we are told about the indwelling Spirit in such a way as to imply more than the presence of the Spirit in His saving power. Jesus prophesied the coming of the Spirit in His fullness; He likened that coming to "rivers of living water" flowing from within one's heart (John 7:37-39). Paul seems to indicate the same

truth in Romans 8:9-11 when he speaks of the Spirit of God dwelling within us. The same is true of I Corinthians 3:16 and II Timothy 1:14. Again, in the highest sense when we walk "after the Spirit" and not after the flesh, we have the Holy Spirit in His fullness (Romans 8:1-6).

Then there are the Paraclete sayings, where the Greek word *Paraclete*, which is translated "Comforter," is found or implied (John 14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7, 13-14). It is clear that the Master in these five passages is talking about the baptism with the Holy Ghost, the sending back of the Holy Ghost upon His disciples at Pentecost. This, then, is another way of setting forth the wonderful experience that every Christian may come into if he is willing to meet the conditions of consecration and faith. When John speaks of the Holy Ghost

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as the Comforter, he is not thinking alone of His special function in helping the bereaved. His work in our lives when He comes to abide is much wider in range than this. He becomes our Adviser, Attorney, Advocate, Helper, Friend, Servant, and Counselor. In other words, Jesus sends Him back to live in the life of the Christian for the purpose of assisting him in every time of need.

Neither the word "Comforter" nor the "Holy Ghost" is used in John 17, the great prayer which Jesus prayed for His disciples. We must remember, however, that there is a vital connection between this chapter and John 14, 15, and 16, which contain the great discourse Jesus brought to His disciples on the night before He died. The prayer immediately follows this farewell address and is a fitting climax to it. In this connection it should also be mentioned that Jesus promises (John 14:16) to pray the Father for those who love Him and keep His commandments that they might receive the Comforter, who is to abide with them forever. John 17 is the fulfillment of this promise, and Pentecost is the answer to this prayer which Jesus promised and prayed.

We may be baptized with the Holy Ghost, filled with the Holy Ghost, or given the Holy Ghost. And we can describe the Holy Spirit's coming in His fullness by other words or phrases. Further, it is this coming in of the Holy Ghost, however it may be described, which cleanses the heart from sin and makes it possible for the Scriptures to say we are sanctified by the Holy Ghost (Romans

If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? (Ps. 11:3.)

THE IMMEDIATE TASK

By PAUL HENDRIX, *Schoolteacher, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma*

Certain aspects in our national structure are alarming to many people. Some would contend that the foundations have all but crumbled; others would vouch that our sociological structure is as intact as ever. But the startling truth is that there are gaping fissures in the foundations. King Solomon said, "There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up" (Prov. 30:13). Perhaps this is descriptive of our nation. Any nation in this position would have difficulty in analyzing its weaknesses.

In spite of all the adverse evidence, we, as Chris-

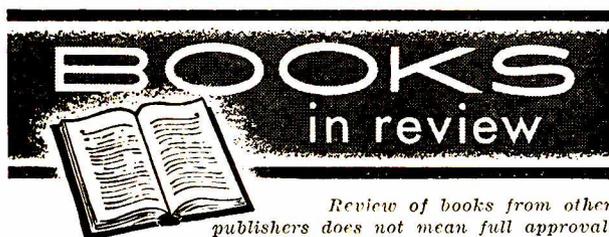
tians, are not to become entangled in the throes of pessimism. We may be aware of the increase in social drinking among college students in many universities; we may be aware of the increase in disobedience and disrespect on the part of many young people toward parents; we may be aware of an increase of pleasure seekers and a decrease of knowledge seekers. But be these facts as they may, they must not act as a deterrent to the task that lies before us.

Part of our task involves being a preserving influence in a perverse generation. Christ has said, "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted?" As Christians, we must maintain spiritual growth in order to preserve our immediate sphere of influence, whether it be in an office, schoolroom, factory, laundry, or grocery. We may not transform cities or states, but people who cross our pathway should sense that we are Christ's ambassadors.

Furthermore, we must heed the imperative of Christ when He said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16). The light of the gospel must shine through us and penetrate spiritual darkness. The foundations of a nation cannot remain strong without the guiding light of the gospel. We must glorify God before a wicked and willful generation. The immediacy of our task is compelling, but it does not stop here.

A very important aspect of our task is that of instilling Christian principles and concepts in the lives of our children. A spiritual heritage must be transmitted or there will be failure within the fortress. We should live such exemplary lives that the coming generation will accept Christianity as an experience, not merely as an inheritance.

Although we have not witnessed a consummation of David's statement, "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" we are confronted with the fact of its reality and the possibility of its consummation. Our task is urgent because of prevailing complacency. Solomon declared, "There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness" (Prov. 30:12). Our task is immediate, for "the night cometh, when no man can work" (John 9:4).



Review of books from other publishers does not mean full approval.

THROUGH GATES OF SPLENDOR

By ELISABETH ELLIOT

(Harper, \$3.75)

You will see this book advertised in nearly any religious periodical you pick up these days. It is the "missionary book event" of fifty years. It is the story of the five missionaries who engaged in "Operation Auca" and were martyred in the process. They gave their lives in the rain jungles of Ecuador trying to evangelize the Auca Indian tribe, one of the cruelest to be found in this hemisphere.

Through Gates of Splendor is a missionary book that will thrill you and carry you along with unflagging interest. It tells the story from the diaries kept by these five young, devoted missionary couples who knew privation and loneliness in their missionary outposts. Yet the book is written with tremendous spiritual impact and there is an atmosphere of victory and heroism all the way through it.

This is a book that you do not read as a distant spectator. You find yourself a participant in one of the most heroic missionary chapters written in all the annals of Christian history. It is very nearly a "must" for all Christian young people and adults as well.

—NORMAN R. OKE, *Book Editor*

This book may be ordered from the Nazarene Publishing House, 2923 Troost Avenue, Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri



Department of Evangelism

V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

MOVING NAZARENES

The service that the Department of Evangelism is giving regarding our people who move away from their locality is a very rewarding one. Already our pastors have contacted 198 different families and have most of them attending church.

Everyone should co-operate in this program. It must become nationwide. Remember to send us in Kansas City the name and new address of any and every church member, Sunday school member, or attendant to your church that moves away from your area or community. We will contact the pastor where he is moving. We are all responsible for the souls of these people. They are worth too much to the kingdom of God to lose! Notify the Department of Evangelism as soon as they move. Time is important in these cases.

To show this we present two cases where too long a time elapsed after the families moved. *A northern state:* "I appreciated very much the two families you referred me to contact. Your department is starting a program that has been long needed in our church . . . I called on Mr. and Mrs. ——— and discovered they had been in our city for three months. Their two children, J—— and B——, were contacted by another denomination right after moving into the community and are attending that church. As a result of their children's attending, Mr. and Mrs. ——— have united with that church and are apparently lost to our church. The other family, Mr. and Mrs. ———, have been in our city about six years. They had made no contact with our church upon coming to this large city, and forgot

God. As a result—after six years the husband had gone—the home broken, and the week I called the police had caught their only son for larceny. The woman was brokenhearted and discouraged and regretted deeply that they had neglected their souls. I did my best to deal with her and get her to come back to Jesus."

Now here are some results that make us know such a service is worthwhile:

Ohio: "Thank you kindly for letting me know about the young couple, Mr. and Mrs. ———, coming to our city. They are now located and are attending our church. I think this service that you are giving is wonderful. Thanks again."

Texas: "They have been in ——— for about ten months and promised to be in Sunday school at our church."

New Mexico: "She and her family were coming to our church a couple of Sundays before receiving your letter. I consider this a wonderful service to the churches. I thank you. I believe she is well adjusted and will be happy here."

Florida: "She and her husband have lived here about four years and she seemed to be waiting for a Nazarene pastor to call on them. She has promised to attend our church after Easter."

Colorado: "They promised to attend but they haven't succeeded in making it yet. I will still keep in touch with them until they are in church."

California: "They are attending church and plan to as long as they are here."

Washington: "They seem very friendly and promised to come to church. I am sure we can reach them."

Louisiana: "After a friendship-developing visit, they promised to attend our church."

Confidence

By MARION B. SHOEN

*I can do
All things new,
Through Christ, who
Is ever true.*

*I can go
Anywhere;
Christ, I know,
Goes with me there.*

*I can learn
Anything,
When I turn
Within, and sing.*

are two graduate seminaries located here: Central Baptist (Northern) and Nazarene Theological Seminary. There is also a preparatory school for Catholic theologians. The Methodist church already has plans under way to establish a seminary in Kansas City within the next two or three years. These, with the new Southern Baptist plans, will bring the total to four Protestant graduate schools. Dr. L. T. Corlett, president of the Nazarene Seminary, in commenting on the Baptist news release, said: "We certainly welcome this new seminary to the area. This not only adds to the theological interest within the city but also will in time make additional library facilities available to all graduate students."

Air Raid Church

Christianity Today reports that an "Air Raid Church" is being planned in the rapidly growing Swedish industrial city of Vasteras. The project is designed to meet two major needs of the city—an A-bomb shelter and a new church. Vasteras, with 70,000 inhabitants, has only one state church, its 700-year-old cathedral. According to plans, only the belfry will project above ground. The church, which will seat 500, will be reached by stairs and elevators.

Tornado Churches

Speaking of churches and community disasters, the recent tornado disaster south of Kansas City saw the churches playing an important part. Many people without basements in their own houses fled to the basement of the Presbyterian church. While the church was destroyed, all of those who had sought refuge there from the storm were saved. Ministers and churches in the immediate community of Ruskin Heights and the surrounding area have



By L. J. DU BOIS

Baptists Plan Seminary in Kansas City

The annual convention of the Southern Baptist church meeting recently in Chicago voted unanimously to locate its sixth seminary in Kansas City, Missouri. This location, which is ultimately to represent an expenditure of five or six

million dollars, was favored over strong bids from at least two other midwestern cities. Construction is to begin in 1958 according to the present plan. This announcement was met with enthusiasm by civic leaders in Kansas City. In an editorial in the *Kansas City Star* the comment was made that this would make this area one of the theological centers of the nation. At present there

been active in helping the tornado victims rehabilitate.

Attacks on Revivalism

The Christian Century, principal sounding board for American liberals, continues its attacks upon Billy Graham and "revivalism" in general. In a recent editorial an evaluation was made of the "conversions" at Madison Square Garden. The import of the article was that Christians made in such a theatrical-political atmosphere could not be genuine. They must be verified in the days to come within the frame of the local church. One of the tests of such genuineness of conversion would be to take sides in the integration war now waging in America. Graham was scored for remaining silent when challenged by Reinhold Neibuhr to publicly take sides in the issue. While certainly all Christians must witness to their faith by their lives and their service, yet certainly the force of the Graham appeal to sinners should not be bound by their concept of a social-political issue such as this one. One of the by-products of the current campaign will be to give the *Century* and the liberals of the country something to talk about and write about. The comments of those to whom vital conversion is obviously an unknown and unexperienced factor in making people Christian are hardly significant in evaluating the place of evangelism in our day, however.

Music Memoettes

Why Sing?

By OVELLA S. SHAFER

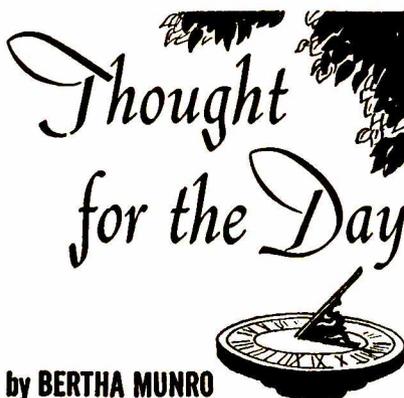
Because the Bible exhorts Christians to sing (Ephesians 5:18-20).

Why sing? Because the Word of God exhorts us to and gives us examples of those who did. We have probably the greatest Bible song enthusiast in King David, writer of "psalms" or songs.

Why sing? Because songs have untold lifting power. Suppose your voice is mediocre and your musical ear common—you can improve both by practice. If your heart is in tune you may pry a troublesome stone out of a passing neighbor's way or turn wandering feet to the way of safety and service. You may not know it, but songs of joyous faith inspire and lift the soul heavenward. Music was born in eternity, for Job states, "When the morning stars sang together"; music will continue throughout eternity, for Revelation puts it this way, "The song of Moses . . . and the song of the Lamb."

Please read Colossians 3:16 and practice singing!

Why sing? Practice for time and eternity!



by BERTHA MUNRO

"THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING"

(John 1:1-16)

Monday:

"There has to be something to give us strength to stand firm against our disasters." A mid-twentieth-century Athenian was speaking, and the "something" cited was the wonderful Greek sunshine, a light they say is different, "unearthly," "piercing," "pure," "translucent," "the essence of light." For us all "there has to be something." Well for us if that something is light.

Tuesday:

"There has to be something" to give meaning to our days. The young think they will find it in human love. Joseph Conrad has a story of a young Malay who carried away the girl he loved from another tribe—sacrificing his own honor and a brother's life—to a lonely, secluded spot, thinking to drown dishonor and death in heart's desire achieved. He found disappointment and death and a dark emptiness. There has to be something higher than self.

Wednesday:

"There has to be something" for courage to keep going, for physical energy to meet each day as it comes, clear light for motivation, for goal, for purpose—to see life as a trust to be invested, a "great entail" lent us for a space, but lasting in its effects.

Thursday:

"There has to be something" to make life livable. Many have thought to find it in human love—only to meet disappointment in life, and abrupt ending in death. Others sought the stimulus in learning, or art, or drink, or drugs. Everybody has to have something—real or substitute. Remember this, as you recommend the Real.

Friday:

"There has to be something" when life's sorrows break upon us. "There has to be something" for faith in people in the day of shattered ideals, clear light to see the One who never fails and to trace His likeness in others. "There has to be something" for faith in oneself in the day of failure and discouragement, clear light to see oneself as worth the death of God's only Son.

Saturday:

"There has to be something"; but that something is makeshift unless it is good for the three not-to-be-evaded stark realities: sin, and pain, and death. No cheap substitutes will stand up against them.

Sunday:

"There has to be Someone"—that Someone greater than life. It has to be the Light of Lights, Conqueror of sin and pain and death. In the light of His Cross sin is conquered and pain has meaning; in the light of Easter morning death is done away with. It is gloriously possible to live a life irradiated, shot through by Easter light. There has to be Christ, whatever else goes.



Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary

Montana Zone Rally

By ELVIN DOUGLASS, Peru

When we learned that the brethren had voted to hold the rally here in Pucara, we were very nervous, not knowing where the meeting could be held in this mountain village of 200 families, especially during the rainy season. We were worried, too, about the lack of experience of the brethren here in handling a big meeting like that, and we wondered just how many would come so far to this out-of-the-way place.

But when the time arrived, the Lord took care of all the worries and if's in a marvelous way. The brethren came, the necessities were all supplied, the people had an abundance to eat and a good place to sleep. Everything worked

perfectly according to program and the church proved adequate in everything. The Lord gave us a most profitable time together.

Our special speaker was Brother Esperidion Julca, the pastor at Chiclayo, and he brought the Word of the Lord to us with evident anointing and revelation. God's blessing was on the rally from start to finish. It was a real boost to us here in Pucara. The last day of the meeting eight couples were married, fifteen children were consecrated, fourteen adults were baptized in the river above town, and sixteen adults were taken into probationary membership. This town had never seen anything like it before and showed its interest in many ways.

How it thrilled our hearts to see the

hunger and joy with which the brethren hung on every word, and the spontaneous co-operation in all the details of the work!

The morning after the meeting closed it was impossible to find transportation out, so the brethren gathered together and had a spontaneous praise service in which a backslider was reclaimed. We also had wonderful altar services during the rally at which I'm sure that at least twenty-five people were sanctified. There were about eighty-five people present, from six different churches.

Prayer Request

Pray for the Millers and Holsteads in Formosa. As you know there has been considerable unrest and anti-American feeling there recently, and they need the prayers of God's people that their work for Him will not be hindered.

Also, Mr. Miller has been quite ill for six weeks with what seems to be a virus infection of some sort. An allergic reaction to some medicine made him very ill, but God was there, and he is now some better, though he has had another flare-up of fever since then. Pray for Brother Miller.

Nicaragua District Assembly

Our eleventh district assembly in Nicaragua was held March 6 to 10. God blessed in the making of plans for the coming year, and the devotional and evangelistic services were times of refreshing and inspiration. The new day school building in Rivas provided excellent accommodations. Thank God for the wonderful spirit of joy and victory among our Nazarenes in Nicaragua!—RUTH MILLER, Reporter.

The Iloilo Work, Philippines

By J. W. PATTEE

The Lord has been graciously blessing us during the last few days. We were having outdoor meetings in Molo, a part of westside Iloilo. Mrs. Pattee began to fast and pray and the Lord began to work. For eleven days we saw thirty to forty people seek the Lord each day.

April 30 we had 141 in Sunday school, which was the largest for several years. When we arrived the attendance was averaging less than 40. Also we had our biggest break, with the altar crowded with seekers. Yesterday the attendance soared to 171 and again we had about 30 seek in the morning service and 10 at night. Our people are encouraged and looking forward to 200 next Sunday.

Tomorrow or the next day we plan to go again to Culasi for more meetings and then we want to return to Iloilo and have some outdoor services near our church. We want to have all the meetings we can right now before the rainy season breaks upon us.

the Question box

Conducted

by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

What about a man with a family, who says that he is led by the Spirit to pass out tracts and witness on the job against the employer's wishes? This person has been fired on the last two jobs for this, and thinks his employer is wrong. He declares that he must continue to pass out tracts and witness regardless of the number of jobs he loses. Don't you think that if God has provided us with a good job, then in all fairness to our employer we should work diligently for him, and do our personal work after hours?

I think that this man has zeal without wisdom. He owes his employer a full day's work. He also owes his family a living. None of us should allow per-

sonal work for God to prevent us from meeting our legitimate, God-given obligations to our employers and our families.

What about the selling of indulgences? Isn't selling religious books in the church somewhat akin to the selling of indulgences?

The selling of indulgences is Roman Catholic, rather than Protestant. The selling of indulgences means the remission, or forgiveness, of temporal punishment by the Roman Catholic church for sins whose eternal punishment has already been remitted, or forgiven. Eternal punishment, of course, means the punishment one would get in hell for unforgiven sin. To put all of this in another way, if a person has been forgiven of his sins, then the Roman Catholic church, for so much money, agrees to save him from temporal punishment, that is, the punishment which usually accompanies sin in this life.

Indulgences came to especially refer to penances, which the sinner was required to do here and now because of his sins. These were not demanded of the person if he would pay so much money. The selling of religious books, therefore, is not in any way related to the selling of indulgences. They have nothing to do with the remitting of any kind of punishment for one's sins. I believe that it is perfectly all right to sell religious books in our churches provided it is not done on Sunday. Religious books, like sermons, help to forward the work of the Kingdom.

Was Judas Iscariot at the Last Supper?

Judas was at the last Passover in the Jerusalem upper room, but he was not present when the Eucharist, what we often call the Lord's Supper, was in-

stituted. He left the room before that time arrived. Read John 13 and Matthew 26:1-30 carefully.

I understand the Bible teaches that God created the heaven and the earth and all the host of them in six days. But I heard a man say the other day that God did not provide rain. He stated that no rain fell on the earth for the first fifteen hundred years, or until the Flood. When do you think the first rain fell on the earth?

There are many things we do not know about the creation and the beginning of the history of the universe and man. The Bible account is brief and emphasizes the fact that God is the source of all that is except sin. The Bible does not say specifically that no rain fell upon the earth until the Flood. The conclusion which you mention above might be drawn from the first and only mention of rain which we have before the Flood; especially is this true if with this verse the one preceding and the one following are read. Here are the three verses: "These are

the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, and every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground. But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground" (Genesis 2:4-6). The next mention of rain in the Bible is in connection with the Flood (Genesis 7:4).

What do you think of a Nazarene teen-ager being a majorette in a high school band? I have this opportunity.

I'm against it. I do not think that it is the kind of opportunity you should accept. What you say in your letter indicates that there are doubts in your

own mind about it. God will bless you as you take your stand for the right. I appreciate our teen-agers, and believe that as a group they are A-1.

The Sunday School Lesson

MELZA H.
BROWN



Topic for
July 7:

Miriam, a Leader in Israel

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 2:1-10; 15:19-21; Numbers 12; 20:1; 26:59 (Printed: Exodus 15:20-21; Numbers 12:1-10, 13-15)

GOLDEN TEXT: *For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee* (Psalms 86:5).

Our lessons for this quarter are concerning thirteen Old Testament characters of different callings in life but all of whom had one thing in common—each found his place in the will of God and served Him in his generation.

The early life of Miriam was lived in Egypt. She was the daughter of God-fearing parents who evidently had great influence for good. Their three children, Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, became leaders in Israel. Miriam also played an important role in the saving of the life of Moses when he was a baby.

Miriam evidently was recognized as a leader and also as a prophetess. She led the singing and music of the religious dance at the giving of praise to the Lord for the victorious crossing of the Red Sea. The song of Exodus 15:1-18 has much of prophecy and concludes with the declaration, "The Lord shall reign for ever and ever." This song of Moses was answered by Miriam (Exodus 15:21).

Miriam, though a great woman, was defeated by the subtle temptation to jealousy. Evidently she was the first lady of the great company of the Israelites and mixed multitude that came out of Egypt. Perhaps Zipporah, Moses' first wife, had died previous to this time. Now Moses had taken another wife, which would take away some of the honor and prestige from Miriam, his older sister. She led her brother Aaron in complaining against Moses and criticizing him. She made excuse for her criticism on the grounds of Moses' wife being an Ethiopian. However, her statement, "Hath the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he not spoken also by us?" reveals that jealousy was really her trouble.

God immediately judged Miriam and Aaron for discrediting His servant, and Miriam was stricken with leprosy. Aaron confessed they had sinned and begged Moses to intercede for his sister; thus God vindicated His servant Moses and

Servicemen's Corner



News from the U.S.S. "Hissem"

"I am an ordained elder of the Church of the Nazarene of the Pittsburgh District and now serving God in the United States Navy. I thought it might be of interest to you to know of the way God is helping me and blessing us aboard the U.S.S. 'Hissem' (DER-400).

"I was assigned to duty aboard this ship in August 31, 1956. I was soon after placed in charge of the Protestant services and there I began my first experience of conducting divine services in the navy. At first the outlook was discouraging with only a handful attending. But from the very first service we began to increase in number until now with the help of God we have the largest attendance in divine services of any of the ships of our squadron. However, we are pleased to hear good reports from many of our other ships as well, and our squadron chaplain, Lieutenant Oney Olson, needs much praise for his hard work and efficient service.

"We are at the present laying plans for a Wednesday night Bible study and we are also getting a bookrack in which religious literature might be displayed and available at all times.

"God is still blessing and helping to increase our number. In almost every service we have a fine group of sailors, and our ship as a whole boasts a very good conduct record. We believe this is all due to the way God is helping in our services.

"We however still have many who need spiritual help and we ask the interest of all who read this article to pray for our servicemen everywhere, and don't forget to write them often. I find that the biggest problem with most of our boys who yield to temptation is loneliness—being away from home and friends and church. Thus your writing them often and reminding them that you are thinking of them, that you love them, and will continue to pray for them will do more good perhaps than all of the sermons they might hear. So with your help and prayers, along with the fine work of our chaplain and lay leaders, I believe, and I am sure, that we will see many of our servicemen won to Christ. —FRED E. DRAYER."

From Japan

"I wish to thank you very much for sending the various church periodicals to me for almost two years. It truly has been a great help in many ways. Some of the things I knew before and didn't quite realize, I now understand. And with everything all put together, I do believe I have a much better outlook on the future. I do know one thing, it is great to be an American and have the many different types of freedoms that we have.—JACK E. SHEFFERT."

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exalted this servant in the eyes of the people.

Moses again displayed his greatness of spirit and interceded in behalf of his sister, who had just criticized him.

The sin of jealousy is always destructive and is dangerous indeed. May we all beware. The loss of power or fame often drives men to the brink of despair. He who can take it and still be humble and holy is indeed great.

If Miriam was judged thus for her sin of speaking against Moses, what will the judgment be for those who speak against the power, authority, and deity of the Christ? "For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house" (Hebrews 3:3).

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Do you ever wonder about being

Whiter than Snow?

By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

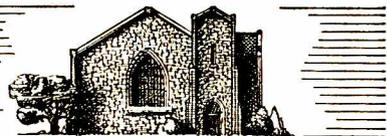
I used to wonder how it would be possible to be whiter than snow, yet I had heard songs about it used in church services. I had heard sermons about it and knew that folks prayed to be whiter than snow. Then in a sermon preached by Brother W. O. Nease (the father of our late General Superintendent Orval Nease), the truth was presented in such a way that I could easily see how we could be whiter than snow. He ex-

plained it like this:

Every snowflake is formed around a particle of dust. It is scriptural to say that we are as white as snow when we are forgiven of our actual sins. *How would you ever be whiter than snow?* Well, gather up a panful of that white snow, set the pan on the stove, and if there is a fire in the stove the snow will melt. All the dirt particles will sink to the bottom, so that you can pour off the liquid that is free from dirt. Put it in a clean vessel and you will have something that is whiter than snow. The heat from the stove acts like the heat from the Holy Spirit that will melt us and cleanse us until we are whiter than snow.

That is the way I want to live every day, whiter, yes, whiter than snow!

NEWS of the Churches



Little Rock, Arkansas—March 31 was a memorable day in the history of Westwood Church—day of dedication for the new building. Twenty months ago the church was organized as the result of the efforts of District Superintendent W. L. French, and Little Rock First Church with their pastor (then), Rev. Ponder Gilliland. On the day of organization, 20 were present as compared with 112 on March 31, and an average of 84 for April. The first building was a log chapel, seating about 80. Thanks to the church extension loan we now have a beautiful sanctuary, which will seat about 178 people, and room for expansion. Eventually this building will be converted into an educational unit, and the master plan calls for the erection of two more units. G. W. Bowers, a building contractor, member of the local church, supervised the building from the beginning and also did much of the labor; he did not charge for his services. Due to his ability, the total cost for the new building was held to \$7,800. The first year we gave a total of \$6,000 and this year the finances will reach at least \$8,000. General Budget is overpaid, and we are reaching for "10 per cent"—a goal that was set and reached last year. Rev. Ponder Gilliland, secretary of the General N.Y.P.S., brought the dedicatory message, with about 250 people present in the afternoon service. District Superintendent W. L. French prayed the dedicatory prayer, with other ministers assisting in the service. The pastor is well cared for with a good salary and a nice parsonage.—BOB LINDLEY, *Pastor*.

New York District N.Y.P.S. Convention

A Spirit-anointed message by Rev. Joseph D. Blinco, associate evangelist of the Billy Graham New York Crusade, concluded the New York District N.Y.P.S. Convention held at Butler, New Jersey, May 10 and 11.

Other high lights included judging

the district Religious Talent Contest finals; unveiling the plans for celebrating the Golden Anniversary year; hearing the glowing testimonies of Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Hysong of Danbury, Connecticut (who were preparing to fly to Panama to establish a new Church of the Nazarene); promoting "Cruise with Christ" at youth camp by means of colored slides and attractive brochures; announcing district reading contest winners and Honor Rating societies; listening to interesting reports from local societies and convention committees; enjoying the Eastern Nazarene College representatives, Rev. Stephen Nease, field representative, and a male quartet; and re-electing Rev. Al Stiefel as president for his fourth year with fifty-three votes out of the fifty-six ballots cast.

Other district officers elected were: Rev. Ralph Montemuro, vice-president; Ben Szymanski, treasurer; Miss Muriel Hassell, secretary; Mrs. June Conner, teen-age supervisor; and Miss Lois Williams and Robert Mahood, teen-age representatives.

The host church and pastor, Rev. James L. Collom, were most cordial hosts.—*Reporter*.

Washington Pacific District Assembly

"The best assembly I have attended" was the almost universal remark of delegates and visitors as the fourteenth assembly of the Washington Pacific District closed. The Lord's presence was keenly in evidence from the preliminary conventions through the final service.

The re-election of Dr. B. V. Seals as superintendent for his fourteenth year with a very nearly unanimous vote, followed by an overwhelming vote for a three-year call, was the high point of the week. The high esteem and love for Dr. and Mrs. Seals by the folk of the district were shown by a spontaneous love offering of more than \$600.

Reports showed a net gain in mem-

bership of 200; almost as many were voting in the assembly as voted just prior to the division of the district fourteen years ago. A total of \$546,618 was raised for all purposes compared to the \$374,388 raised before division. The significance of these facts is increased in consideration that this district at division comprised only two-fifths of the previous district.

The masterfully delivered addresses of the presiding general superintendent, Dr. G. B. Williamson, were deeply appreciated. Dr. John E. Riley, president, presented the work of Northwest Nazarene College and delivered the Wednesday evening sermon. The presence of Dr. and Mrs. Riley contributed much to the assembly.

In an impressive service, Dr. Williamson ordained as elders Dick Ivester, Verd Cochran, Wayne Smith, and Lee Sullivan.

The Nazarene Publishing House was ably represented by Mr. A. E. Ramquist, director of sales and public relations. It was a delight to have both Mr. and Mrs. Ramquist in the assembly. Thirty-two thousand copies of the Golden Anniversary issue of the *Herald of Holiness* were ordered.

In the conventions preceding the assembly Rev. Fred Fowler was re-elected district N.Y.P.S. president, and Mrs. Ernest Baker was re-elected district N.F.M.S. president. The Church Schools adopted goals which included 500 increase in average attendance, 1,500 increase in enrollment, and 15 branch Sunday schools.

The continued high quality of leadership of Dr. Seals, with the demonstrated united support of pastors and people, and the wonderful spirit of Christian love which prevails, plus the evident full devotion to God, to the church, and to the work of the Kingdom, bespeak greater advancement in the days ahead. This district is ready to share without reservation in the world-wide task of our beloved Zion.—THAINE F. SANFORD, *Reporter*.

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada—Canadian Nazarene College choir, from Red Deer, under the direction of Professor Roger Taylor, sang and provided music for the nineteenth anniversary services at South Side Church, Sunday, May 5. The afternoon service was a special time of blessing and fellowship. Our fine junior choir rendered several numbers, and greetings from several visiting ministers were most inspiring. Pastor A. J. Loughton mentioned briefly that South Side Church was organized with only seven members; two of the original members were present in the service. Rev. J. Cheeseman, first pastor, had been a member of Brother Loughton's young people's society several years ago. Professor Chester Mulder, of Canadian Nazarene College, was the guest speaker. He pointed out that "hitherto" the Lord had helped us, but our fine building which was dedicated on May 6, 1956, was only the beginning of what God could do for us.—I. L. HENDERSON, Reporter.

Los Angeles District Assembly

The fifty-first annual assembly of the Los Angeles District, May 22 to 24, was held at Bresee Avenue Church, Pasadena, with Rev. J. George Taylorson as host pastor to sixty-nine churches.

Dr. G. B. Williamson presided with his characteristic poise and grace. The high note of victory which prevailed during the assembly was begun when at the close of Dr. Williamson's opening message the ministers gathered at the altar for prayer, and a veritable Pentecost swept across the entire congregation amid shouts of victory and blessing.

District Superintendent W. Shelburne Brown gave his splendid report on Thursday and his re-election followed with a nearly unanimous vote for one year, and then for three years. A rising applause of appreciation and a spontaneous love offering of \$400 gave evidence of the people's affection.

The total giving of the district was \$1,212,982; the per capita giving was \$156, an increase of ten dollars over last year; total giving to missions was \$104,000 for an 8.6 per cent; membership of the district now stands at 7,667; the average Sunday school attendance 10,004, an increase of 627 over last year.

The splendid Golden Anniversary issue of the *Herald of Holiness* was presented by Rev. George Rice, publishing house representative, and the churches subscribed for 40,000 copies. The Home Mission Loan Fund now has \$28,116 in cash; five new churches were organized during the year.

In an impressive ordination service on Thursday night, Roy Orrin, Bill J. Prince, and James D. Smith received elder's orders. The elder's orders of Stanley Yu were recognized.

Bresee Avenue was also the entertaining church for both conventions. Dr. George Coulter, superintendent of Northern California District, brought the keynote address for the N.Y.P.S. Convention held on Monday. Rev. Glen Chaffee was re-elected with a strong vote. The N.Y.P.S. membership now stands at 1,752. Mrs. E. C. Martin, who led the 3,241 members of the N.F.M.S. to a

victorious year, was almost unanimously re-elected. At the close of Dr. Williamson's challenging evening missionary message, \$5,000 in cash and pledges was raised for the new mission field in Nyasaland, Africa.—DON H. HUGHES, Reporter.

Florida District Assembly

The annual assembly of the Florida District was held May 22 and 23 at the Bradenton church with Rev. Charles Oliver as host pastor.

Dr. Hugh C. Benner presided with his usual efficiency. His graciousness and Christlike spirit endeared him to the hearts of all those present. God's glory and the unity of the Spirit characterized all the sessions of the assembly.

The assembly reports showed progress

in every department—notably, a net gain of 399 church members, bringing the total district membership to 5,760; 393 families reached through the "Family Outreach" program; an increase of 2,335 in Sunday school enrollment and of 644 in attendance; a new high in Cradle Roll enrollment (1,577 babies with two-thirds of them from non-Nazarene homes); 5 new churches organized; more than \$100,000 in the District Home Mission Revolving Fund, and the highest General Budget giving in the history of the district.

The district superintendent, Dr. John L. Knight, was re-elected for the twelfth time with a good vote, and was given a love offering of \$1,012 by the Florida Nazarenes. The reporting pastors consistently expressed their gratitude for his energetic, Spirit-filled leadership. Dr. Knight's far-reaching vision received enthusiastic response from the churches of the Florida District—with plans to organize one new church a month during 1958, they have accepted a General Budget of more than \$61,000 for 1958, and have ordered over 111,000 copies of the Golden Anniversary issue of the *Herald of Holiness*.

The district treasurer, Mr. Titus J. Eby, retiring after thirty-nine years of continuous service, was presented by the assembly with a gift certificate in recognition of his loyalty and efficiency.

Elected to elder's orders and ordained by Dr. Benner in an impressive service were Clifford Weller, Kenneth Price, Paul W. Wright, Eugene Williams, and Jack Watson.—LOIS BLANCHARD, Reporter.

Washington-Philadelphia District Golden Anniversary and Assembly

May 14 to 17 marked a high period for the Washington-Philadelphia District as it celebrated its Golden Anniversary and consummated its division in the assembly. The celebration and sessions were held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, with Rev. Robert Mitchell, host pastor.

The celebration began on Tuesday evening, at a banquet, with over 300 in attendance; District Superintendent E. E. Grosse was in charge. Special guests included Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Parker, and Rev. N. N. Nielson, former superintendents of the district; Mrs. E. E. Grosse; Mrs. J. T. Maybury, whose husband served the district as its third superintendent; and Rev. and Mrs. Byron Maybury. Special music was furnished by a preachers' octet and a trumpet trio. Dr. Hugh C. Benner spoke briefly at the dinner.

The Golden Anniversary service was held in Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church, where the assembly sessions were held also. The joy of the occasion was heightened by the singing of a group called the "Original Preachers' Quartet"—men who had served the district from its earlier days, J. N. Neilson, E. E. Grosse, Byron Maybury, and J. H. Parker. They sang an original composition, written by Rev. J. H. Parker, entitled "These Fifty Years."

Rev. A. C. McKenzie, pastor at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, read a brief history of the district, entitled "These Fifty Years," the narration tracing the earliest

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With the approval of the Board of General Superintendents, I am appointing Rev. Donald J. Gibson, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as superintendent of the Wisconsin District.

Hugh C. BENNER
General Superintendent

beginnings of the district in July of 1882. It recalled that a little band of three men and two women conducted open-air meetings in Philadelphia at that time, and one of the group, Rev. Jonas Trumbauer, was the second district superintendent. In the early 1900's a small group of churches in the Washington, D.C., area united under the leadership of Rev. H. B. Hosley; he was the first district superintendent. Originally there were two districts, Washington and Philadelphia; the two united on June 28, 1911, with Dr. E. P. Ellyson presiding. It was graphically shown that under the leadership of eight superintendents the district had grown from 24 churches with 1,003 members, raising for all purposes \$14,633 in 1911, to 113 churches with 7,501 members, raising \$1,092,447 in 1957.

In the anniversary service, two men were recognized who have been elders on the district from its early days—Monroe Hand and V. B. Pershing.

The presiding officer, Dr. Hugh C. Benner, brought a challenging anniversary message—challenging us to move out and justify our existence in this day.

At the close of the service Rev. F. D. Ketner, Sr., presented "Fifty Years in Pictorial Review." Pictures and records of the leaders and laborers of fifty years were shown.

The fiftieth annual assembly of the Washington-Philadelphia District, under the able leadership of Dr. Benner, moved through its dividing assembly in a wonderful spirit of unity and brotherhood. The *mountain* of business was dispatched with grace, and the division was declared adopted on the first morning of the session. At the first afternoon session, Rev. E. E. Grosse was elected superintendent of the Washington District and Rev. Wm. C. Allshouse, pastor of Washington, D.C., First Church, was elected superintendent of the Philadelphia District. The division gave fifty-seven churches to each district. Both superintendents were received with enthusiasm and generous love offerings.

The assembly closed with the expression of appreciation for the keen leadership of Dr. Benner and his inspiring messages, and the prayer that God would lead just as powerfully in the next years as in the past.—NEIL E. HIGHTOWER, Reporter.

Pastor Glen W. Abila writes: "After five wonderful years pastoring the fine people of the church in Sapulpa, Oklahoma, we have accepted a unanimous call to our First Church in Clovis, New Mexico. Rev. Ernest Armstrong, pastor for six years at Clovis, has accepted the pastorate of Central Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Brother Armstrong did a good work and made many friends in Clovis. In May we had a good revival with Evangelist J. A. McNatt. The attendance was good, and the solid, practical preaching of Brother McNatt was a help and blessing to the people. We have a wonderful people here. It is a privilege to be a member of the Church of the Nazarene, and here on the New Mexico District; we appreciate the leadership of our church."

Casey, Illinois—Recently we closed a good meeting with Evangelist W. Lawson Brown as the special worker. He is a godly man, a good and wise co-worker, interested in souls, and his messages are inspiring and instructive. His special singing was also much appreciated. Our church was blessed and helped.—C. K. DILLMAN, Pastor.

Durant, Mississippi—Early this year our church enjoyed a good revival with Evangelist E. J. Miller as the special worker. He is one of the finest Bible preachers we have ever heard, and we appreciated him as a man of God. We had good altar services, and much real good was accomplished. We praise the Lord for His manifold blessings.—JOS. B. SHELTON, Pastor.



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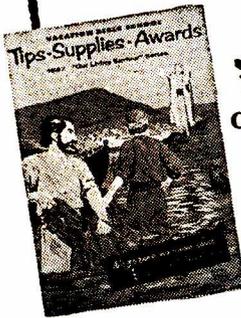
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Roanoke, Virginia—Recently the Garden City Church experienced a good revival with Evangelist and Mrs. E. G. Wright as the special workers. Prayer groups met every night, and the people prayed with sincere and burdened hearts. Our workers sang in the Spirit, and Brother Wright preached with the anointing of God. A goodly number of seekers found help at the altar of prayer, and six members were added to the church. In many respects this has been the greatest year in the history of this church. The Easter offering was \$250, twenty members have been added to the church, a substantial raise was made in the pastor's salary, and a \$20,000 parsonage completed. Good unity prevails, and we are united to push the district and general program under the leadership of District Superintendent V. W. Littrell.—**H. G. COMPTON, Pastor.**

South San Gabriel, California—In May the Del Mar Avenue Church had the greatest revival in many years, with Evangelist Paul Martin as the preacher. This was said to be the most far-reaching and spiritual revival many had ever witnessed; others said their spiritual lives had been deepened and enriched. Paul and Mary Jester were a great blessing as they sang with holy inspiration and the anointing of God. Many souls were saved, reclaimed, and sanctified, with a good class of new members added to the church. We thank God for answered prayer in the giving of this wonderful revival.—**LUCILLE LEICY, Reporter.**

DEATHS

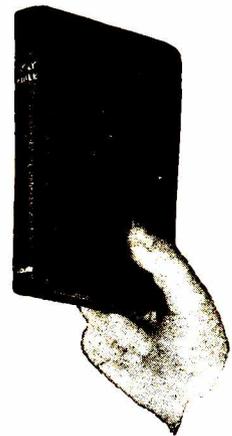
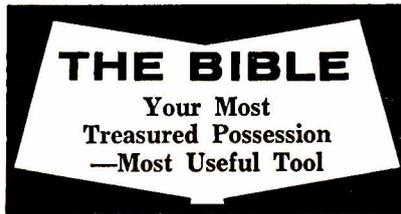
MRS. NETTIE FAYE ARMSTRONG BRADY was born December 29, 1897, at Kemp, Oklahoma, and died February 19, 1957, at a hospital in San Francisco, California, after a short illness. She was united in marriage to Byron T. Brady in 1916 at Atoka, Oklahoma. She was a loving wife and mother, loved by all who knew her. She was a member of the Guthrie, Oklahoma, Church of the Nazarene at the time of her death, and will be greatly missed by her church. She is survived by her husband, of Guthrie; three daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Wagner, Mrs. Betty Jo Rice, and Mrs. Jeanne Gray; also a son, Dolphos. One son, Byron T. Jr., preceded her in death. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. E. L. Looman, assisted by the Reverend Mr. Drain.

MRS. ISA JONES was born July 2, 1896, in Coffee, Tennessee, and died March 5, 1957. She had been a (charter) member of the Church of the Nazarene at Fayette, Ohio, for thirty-one years. Too much cannot be said of her devotion to the services and work of the local church; she was teacher of the

Wichita Falls, Texas—After pastoring First Church for five years, Rev. and Mrs. Buford Burgner have accepted a unanimous call to the church at Pampa, Texas. The Lord blessed Brother and Sister Burgner's ministry with us in many ways; new folk have found the Lord in saving and sanctifying grace. Much progress has been made in a building program, as well as spiritually. A lot has been purchased, and a lovely, five-room parsonage, with attached garage, built; it is valued at \$15,000. The sanctuary has been redecored, with new pews, pulpit furniture, carpet for the platform, etc., added. A new church model Hammond organ has been bought, a new nursery built, with a public-address system installed, and air conditioning added in the main auditorium. The basement, with Sunday school rooms, has been remodeled at a cost of over \$2,000, and the old parsonage next door to the church has been made into a Sunday school annex and fellowship hall. We thank the Lord for sending Brother and Sister Burgner our way and for their ministry for these five years.—**MRS. J. C. WEBB, Secretary.**

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Bible class, and an untiring advocate of the foreign missionary work of the church. Ministers always found a ready welcome in the home of Brother and Sister Jones. Her husband, a member of the district advisory board, Western Ohio; two boys, Ralph and Maurice, together with a sister, Mrs. Brawley, survive. Funeral services were conducted in the Fayette church, with Dr. W. E. Albea, district superintendent, bringing the message; Rev. Harold Frye and Rev. V. E. Gambill assisted in the service.

MRS. MARY L. (SMITH) RIGGLEMAN died February 14, 1957, at the age of fifty-seven years. She had been a faithful member of the Mansfield, Illinois, Church of the Nazarene for many years, holding responsible positions in the church, Sunday school, and N.F.M.S. She is survived by her husband, J. H. Riggleman, and a daughter, Lois Lippincott; also one brother and one sister. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. H. Campbell, assisted by former pastors, Rev. Martha Howe Wisler and Rev. Charles Bauerle.

LUTHER OLIN MUSE was born January 2, 1884, and died March 6, 1957. In 1904 he was united in marriage to Mollie Floyd, and to this union were born ten children; a daughter, Martha, died in infancy. He was a charter member of the Delmer, Kentucky, Church of the Nazarene, and the oldest surviving brother of the late Ettie Muse, missionary to India, who died there in 1930. He loved the church, gave liberally of his means, served as Sunday school superintendent for several years, and attended the regular and special services except the last one before his unexpected death. The church has lost one of its most faithful supporters. He was a devoted husband and loving father. He will be greatly missed in the home, the church, and the community. He is survived by the widow and the following children—Mrs. Hazel Dunkum, Paul, Lindel, Mrs. Glenn Laceyfield, Mrs. Ocia Fletcher, Joseph, Arlie, Mrs. Alexine Barrum, and Mrs. Mavis Adams; also three brothers, Ira, Oscar, and Sam.

ELI OYER was born July 5, 1889, in Flanagan, Illinois, and died March 4, 1957, in Danville, Illinois. In 1910 he was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Litwiler. He is survived by his wife, Bertha; two daughters, Mrs. P. P. Belew and Mrs. James Kiger; a son, Virgil; and also by one brother and one sister. He had been affiliated with the Church of the Nazarene since 1929. He was a sincere Christian, a consistent churchman, a splendid citizen, an affectionate husband, and a devoted father. Funeral services were held at the Olivet church, where he had been a faithful member and song director for many years; in charge of his pastor, Rev. J. Y. Jones, assisted by Rev. L. S. Oliver. Interment was in Vermillion Grove Cemetery.

WHITNEY P. DEWEY was born September 6, 1874, near Fairbanks, Iowa, and died February 19, 1957, at Nampa, Idaho, after a lingering illness. In 1902 he was united in marriage to Frieda R. Illi; she died in 1934. In 1941 he was married to Bessie M. Bruner. He united with First Church of the Nazarene in Nampa in 1919 and had been a faithful member. His earnest Christian life found its outreach in his witness to his neighbors, his joyful singing, his diligence in business, and in his total department in life. He was a man of one Book, the holy Bible. He is survived by his wife, Bessie; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Volker; a brother, Will G.; and a sister, Mrs. Ruby L. Krook. Funeral services were held in First Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, with Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer in charge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATION—This is to indicate that Rev. Glenn Terry, who two years ago at the time he consented to accept the pastorate of our Trinity Church in Colorado Springs had decided to enter the field of evangelism, will be available for meetings beginning August 1. Brother Terry is a fine young man; well trained, has a winsome personality, is an excellent preacher, sound and true in heart and in doctrine. He has been a successful pastor and we recommend him wholeheartedly as an evangelist. Write him, 518 E. Madison, Colorado Springs, Colorado.—Oscar J. Finch, Superintendent of Colorado District.

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Barbara Rae Grasz of Elkhardt, and Mr. Charles Carter of Lakin, Kansas, were united in marriage on May 23, at the home of Dr. E. J. McCreight in Elkhardt, with the Nazarene pastor, Rev. Dallas A. McKillips, officiating.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Werly of Denver, Colorado, a daughter, Lou Ann, on June 3.

—to Lieutenant and Mrs. Dan Ballinger of Valdosta, Georgia, a son, Stephen Daniel, on May 26.

—to Rev. and Mrs. John W. Dennis of Gibsonburg, Ohio, a son, John Randall, on May 15.

—to Rev. and Mrs. James M. Stewart of Chickasha, Oklahoma, a son, Wayland Gene, on May 14.

—to John S. and Dorothy M. Johnson of Chicago, Illinois, a son, Richard Steven, on May 13.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Charles Caringer of Blue Island, Illinois, a son, David Arland, on May 9.

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by a Christian lady in Indiana "that God will undertake in a very desperate need, physically, spiritually, and financially . . . we do believe God answers prayer";

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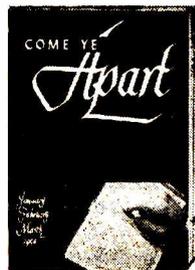
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June 28 to July 7—Louisiana District Camp, on district campground (five miles north of Alexandria on Hi-way 71, near Veterans' Hospital). Workers: Evangelists H. E. Darnell and Don Scarlett; Gerald and Donna Lou Jenkins, singers; Miss Pat Perryman, pianist. Rev. V. Dan Perryman, district superintendent.

July 1 to 7—Dallas District Camp (Scottsville) and N.Y.P.S. Institute. Workers: Dr. R. H. Cantrell and Calvin and Marjorie Jantz. For information write J. L. Ingle, 403 E. Burleson, Marshall, Texas.

July 4 to 14—Pittsburgh District Camp, Alameda Park, 1½ miles west of Butler, Pennsylvania. Opening service at 10:45 a.m. on July 4. Workers: Evangelists J. C. Crabtree and R. C. Stabler; Dr. L. J. Du Bois, young people's worker; the Rushing Trio, singers. Rev. R. F. Heinlein, district superintendent.

July 4 to 14—West Virginia District Camp (3 miles east of Summersville, on State Route 41). Workers: Evangelists Harold Volk and Charles Lipker, and Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Gould. For information write Rev. H. H. Hendershot, 2610 New York Avenue, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

July 12 to 21—Canada West District Camp, on campus of Canadian Nazarene College, Red Deer, Alberta. Workers: Dr. V. H. Lewis, Evangelist J. E. Williams, and Singer Paul Qualls. Dr. Edward Lawlor, district superintendent.

July 15 to 21—Minnesota District Assembly—Conventions—Camp Meeting, Mission Farms on Medicine Lake, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Workers: Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Evangelist Paul Martin, Rev. Earl Wolf, Missionary Cleve James from India, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Higgins, Rev. Philip Johnson, Jerry Nelson, Rev. and Mrs. Don McGilvra. Rev. Roy F. Stevens, district superintendent.

July 19 to 28—Central Ohio District Camp. Workers: Dr. T. W. Willingham, Evangelist Bernie Smith, Rev. James Cook, Rev. Joseph Nielson, the Olivet Nazarene College Quartet, and Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Little. For information write Rev. C. D. Westhafer, Box 162, Wooster, Ohio.

July 22 to 28—Colorado District Camp, on district campgrounds, 1755 Dover Street (Lakewood), Denver, Colorado. Workers: Dr. Edward Lawlor and Dr. Melza H. Brown, evangelists; Dr. L. Guy Nees, youth evangelist and lecturer to ministers; Dwight and Norma Jean Meredith, singers and musicians; Miss Eunice Phillips, children's worker. For information write Rev. A. L. Hipple, 1701 Dover St., Denver 15, Colorado.

July 29 to August 4—Illinois District Camp, at Nazarene Acres, eleven miles east of Springfield, Illinois. Workers: Dr. Samuel Young, Dr. Russell V. DeLong, Professor Warnie Tippitt. Dr. W. S. Purinton, district superintendent.

August 1 to 11—Western Ohio District Camp, at the Nazarene Center on Hi-way 29, 2½ miles west of St. Marys and 7 miles east of Celina. Workers: Dr. V. H. Lewis and Dr. Lawrence Hicks, evangelists; James and Rosemary Green, singers and musicians; Mrs. Noel Whitis, children's worker. Dr. W. E. Albea, district superintendent. For information write Rev. Robert Ellis, 1001 Edwards St., St. Marys, Ohio.

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