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The Great Event

By Grace Noll Crowell

Second only to the advent of the Christ
Is His resurrection. All He sacrificed
For mankind now is darkness that is past,
And untrammelled and unleashed He stands at last
White as the lilies on their sturdy stalks,
Clean as the spring wind down the garden walks,
Tall and straight as the climbing poplar tree
That stands beside the open tomb—and He
There awaiting His entrance to eternity!

Strange that earth can take its chartered way
Unflinching on any Easter Day!
Strange that the dawn-bright sun can rise again
In the same old way above the ways of men,
When Easter with its meaning shakes the soul
With its portent, and wonder takes its toll
Of heart and mind. Oh, cry aloud, give heed!
His resurrection meets our desperate need.
Rejoice, be glad! The Christ is risen, indeed!



NEWS IN BRIEF

Word has been received, "Mrs. Mabel J. Thomson, wife of Dr. Charles E. Thomson, of Edmonton, Alberta, former president of Canadian Nazarene College, died March 7."

Mr. Clarence Tromburg, of Boise, Idaho, has accepted a call as minister of music to First Church, Salt Lake City, Utah. He, with his wife and daughter, will arrive on the field in April.

Rev. Frank W. May has resigned as pastor of the church at Augusta, to accept a call to pastor the church in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.

Rev. J. D. Wadley has resigned as pastor of the Oakland Church in Topeka, to accept a call to pastor the church in Fort Scott, Kansas.

Rev. Myron Richey has resigned as pastor of the church in Mound City, Missouri, to accept a call to pastor the Oakland Church in Topeka, Kansas.

Word received from Pastor W. Raymond McClung, "671 in Sunday school at North Little Rock, Arkansas, First on March 8; building toward 1,000 for Easter."

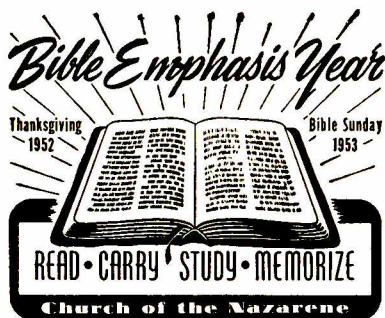
Rev. Hartley Postlethwaite has accepted the call to Westside Church in San Jose, California, as minister of youth and music.

EASTER JOY

By A. M. Barr

*The trees are turning green again;
The world is glad and gay.
Let joybells ring and children sing:
It's Resurrection Day!*

*The flowers spread a sweet perfume:
The wild birds sing from choice.
Hallelujah, Jesus lives—
Let all the world rejoice!*



Clouds—like Things

By Mary E. Cove

CLOUDS are queer. Just when you get ready to enjoy them, they have vanished—just like *things* on the ground. One sets his heart on them, making every preparation to draw some pleasure from them soon, and they disappear. Moth, or rust, or thieves perhaps! So, as the Book says, it is better not to set one's heart on *things* material.

Sometimes clouds bring disappointment. We look for a day of pleasure out at the sunny lakeside, after a long stretch of tiring labor. But the clouds drop heavy rains and we are restless, as we watch the pelting showers bend down the young maples just outside the window. Yet somebody prayed for those heavy clouds and pelting showers, and they saved a tiny village not far away that was surrounded by threatening forest fires. Yes, clouds remind us of disappointments that are discovered to be victories for someone else.

But clouds are beautiful. Soaring majestically, yet so gracefully across the blue, blue sky, ever changing; shining with brilliant colors at the sunset, colors that never clash but always blend in perfect harmony! And clouds are wonderful. Drawing up the ocean and river and lake drops, bearing them across space, and dropping them down upon thirsty fields of grain and flowers and filling wells and springs for thirsty people!

Again clouds are like *things* on the earth—*things* we eat and wear; *things* people do for us; beautiful thoughts; new *things* learned; trees, flowers—

oh, so many *things*! They are not sent to us merely to enjoy their beauty or the comfort they offer. We should see in each one of these *things* the generous hand of our Father God, who would have us recognize His loving, constant care of us. Then we will not only enjoy the clouds, and the other *things*, but we will worship and we will testify.

"I Do My Own Praying"

By C. B. McCaull*

ONE HOT summer day, while out visiting from door to door, I came to a little grocery store beside the road on the edge of town and walked in. A lady was behind the counter, waiting on customers. She appeared healthy and prosperous. Her living quarters were in the rear of the building and, from what I could see, everything spoke for solid business and living comfort. She seemed situated for life.

When the customers left, I talked to her briefly about the welfare of her soul and begged permission to offer a few words of prayer in her behalf.

"No," she said curtly and finally, "I do my own praying!"

Several years later, after I had relocated and forgotten the occasion, I received a letter from the lady. She wondered if I was not the minister who had called upon her and sought to offer prayer. She had been trying for a long time to discover my identity and whereabouts. She asked forgiveness and said things had changed. She said she had been on the sickbed for months and was about to die and needed all the prayers she could get.

Of course, I wrote right back and told her I had already forgiven her. But I couldn't help thinking how much better both of us would have felt if we had together bowed our heads for a moment of prayer that hot summer day.

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Without a Fear I Sail!

By William B. Wilson

*Though dark the night of life may be,
Though angry billows roll,
The peace of God abideth still.
Rejoice, O my soul!*

*Though small my bark upon the sea,
And mighty be the gale,
His hand shall guide my little craft!
Without a fear I sail!*

*Someday I'll see the harbor lights
Of heaven, homeland fair,
And cast my anchor in the bay
Beyond the reach of care!*

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Harvesttime in the Philippines

General Superintendent Williamson

LESS THAN thirty minutes ago we bade good-by to Missionaries John Pattee and Adrian Rosa at International Airport in Manila. We boarded the "Bataan" of the Philippine Air Lines. It is a flight of three hours and forty minutes to Okinawa, and about the same distance from there to Tokyo. As always, there was a strong tug on our heartstrings as we said farewell to the brave little band of missionaries and their faithful co-workers among the Filipinos.

We have spent only a few days here, but they have been full and happy ones and will always be a sweet, sacred memory. We had some limited opportunity to see Manila. It is a great city of more than two million inhabitants with almost as many more in the immediate environs. At present we have no work in this great center. It seems that the next major undertaking in the Islands should be a church in Manila. The missionaries have a number of valuable contacts. Property, which is costly, is needed, also another missionary couple to direct the work. In such a great concentration of population, a number of churches would be desirable.

Among other sights of interest to us was Santo Tomas University, the oldest ever to have operated under the American flag. It was moving to us to be there where Dr. Evelyn Witthoff and Nurse Geraldine Chappell spent the three long, harrowing years in internment. Again we thanked God that He spared their lives to serve as able missionaries in India.

Most of our time was spent at our main station at Baguio City, which is 160 miles from Manila. At present our entire missionary force is busy, either teaching or erecting buildings for the Bible school. Since Brother and Sister Joseph Pitts and family are on furlough, the Patees, the Rosas, and Miss Vine are courageously carrying on. Temporarily, Brother Rosa is directing building operations. He is eager to take up his own assignment at Iloilo on the Island of Panay. There he will find it necessary to erect a missionary home before he can do the work of an evangelist to which he feels called.

The location for the Bible school is well chosen. The altitude of 5,000 feet affords a climate that is pleasantly cool at all seasons. It is, in fact, in the village of Trinidad, which is only three miles from the center of Baguio City. The buildings have been well constructed at reasonable cost. They stand on an elevation overlooking some of the most productive gardens in all of the Philippines. For the progress of the Bible school much credit is due Brother and Sister Pattee, who were assigned to this work after our China field closed.

In all my missionary travels I have not seen a more auspicious beginning for a Bible school. This is the first year; yet there are forty-five students. They apparently are serious and intel-

Having known God's love, I must say "my thanks" to Him with deeds. The Easter Offering affords a wonderful opportunity to express our gratitude.

ligent, longing for the deeper things of the Spirit. These young people are the hope for the evangelization of their Islands. They were responsive to the call to holiness, and they gave evidence of an intense passion to reach the needy millions with the gospel of full salvation. The theme chorus of the convention was: "Lord, lead me to some soul today; . . . Give me one soul today."

Brother Pattee had planned a preachers' convention; all of the eleven pastors were present save one. He also wanted a holiness convention for the students. We did our best to accomplish his twofold purpose. There were nine services in three days. Mrs. Williamson read the Word of the Lord in each meeting and spoke twice. I did my best to deliver eight messages, most of them on my favored theme of scriptural holiness. The altar services were gratifyingly fruitful.

On our way back to Manila we visited some of our village churches. It was thrilling to see the humble homes and places of worship and to know that there many hearts were hearing the gospel. In these places buildings may be very simple and inexpensive. There are thousands of such communities to be entered and claimed for Christ. There are more than twenty million people in the Philippines. Among them, according to the most reliable information available, we now have 500 converts, 200 church members, and 900 in attendance in Sunday school or church services. This is a good beginning, considering our first missionaries arrived only about five years ago.

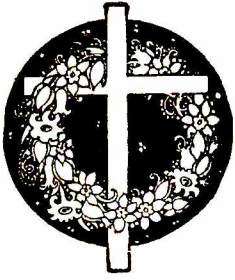
Several favorable factors in the Philippines should be noted. First, American influence has left a friendly attitude toward Western civilization and Christianity, one result being a widespread knowledge of the English language. Tagalog has been made the national language, but English is taught in all the schools. Second, Brother M. M. Encarnacion found God and the Church of the Nazarene in America twenty-five years or more ago. He and his family have been faithful and effective witnesses among their people these many years. Their contacts in Baguio City, where Mrs. Encarnacion is principal teacher in one of the public schools, are of great assistance today. The first meeting with this fine family took place when Chaplain J. E. Moore, Jr., landed with the American liberation forces.

Third, Nazarene men with the armed services are due much credit for our favorable reception in the Philippines. Among them was Chaplain Joseph Pitts, who felt such an interest in the people of the Islands that he asked to be returned as a missionary to them. Brother Rosa was with the navy and spent eleven months in the Philippines. There God definitely called him to return and made his influence thereafter so effective

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When Christ Meets Death

By M. Kimber Moulton*



DEATH must be met. Death is thought of as separation. Death is not only physical; it is spiritual and eternal. The sentence of eternal, permanent separation of the soul from God at the final judgment will bring eternal death. Separation of the soul from God by the withdrawal of the

Holy Spirit is spiritual death. Physical death is the separation of the soul from the body. The soul united with God through the atoning mediation and reconciliation of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit is saved from spiritual and eternal death. However, everyone, if the Lord Jesus tarries, has an appointment to face physical death—"It is appointed unto men once to die" (Heb. 9:27).

Physical death is a penalty and a tragedy. It is the operation of the law of sin and death. The disorganizing principle of sin in the world brings death. Dr. Olin A. Curtis regards death as neither a friendly nor useful event, but as abnormal, hostile, and terrible. Death is an enemy to be abolished.

Christ came to deliver us from all our enemies. To deliver us from death He must conquer it. This God-Man Gladiator was matched against the heinous demon of sin and death in the arena on Skull Hill outside the ancient city of Jerusalem. There the sin and sins of the world nailed Him to the cruel tree. As He hung on the cross between heaven and earth, death slowly drew His blood from His wounds until He said, "It is finished," bowed His head, and gave up the ghost.

But He was not finished. Death fully spent itself on Him. He absorbed all death could do to Him. His body was placed in the new tomb of Joseph of Arimathaea. The third day after, early in the morning, an angel in glistening garments phenomenally froze in the paralysis of fear the guard of brave Roman soldiers, rolled away the huge stone from the door of the sepulcher, and the great Galilean who was God left death and His graveclothes in the sepulcher, and marched out into the gleaming splendor of the dawn of the eternal Easter Day, alive, forevermore! Death was defeated.

His personal triumph over death was also for His own, the children of God. The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews informs us, "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage" (Heb. 2:14-

15). Life after death is revealed in Christ, who through death defeated him who had the power of death. Dr. H. Orton Wiley has suggested that Christ's death was like the grain of wheat which is quickened while it dies. It was the resolution of His earthly life into a post-earthly form of human existence. For this reason Christ is called "the firstborn from the dead" (Col. 1:18). As He is the Firstborn from the dead His victory is then shared with us.

So Christ meets death with us now. We need not stand baffled before the scythe of the grim reaper who swings his blade in the twinkling of an eye and transforms the breathing, laughing father, mother, sister, brother, son, daughter "into a silent, unoccupied tenement of clay, a shroud of darkness, a crumbling clod of earth." At such a time we may have the presence of our living Lord.

A few short months ago, with my eldest son, I stood the day after the funeral of my wife, his mother, beside the new grave. The Lord's presence was known to us as He was known to Mary in that other garden of graves, the first Easter morning. My son and I spoke simultaneously, "There is no darkness, bitterness, nor sting. It is all light, heavenly sweetness, and comforting balm." We said with St. Paul, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 15:55-57).

Christ gives us His strengthening word when we face stark death. Lazarus was dead. His sister, Martha, sent for Christ. Christ came and said to her, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die" (John 11:25-26). In my sorrow I wanted a helpful word, so I took the Bible I had given her as a present and which she had perused systematically across many years. I opened it to the marker she had left in it at II Timothy, the first chapter. As I read, three promises were sealed to my soul which covered all my need: "God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." "Jesus Christ, . . . hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. . . . I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day" (II Tim. 1:7, 10-12). There is given to us the light of immortality and by His death on the cross and His resurrection from the dead Christ redeemed immortality. And His promise of preservation is "against that day."

That day will finally come when Christ will demonstrate again His power over death. When

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Christ comes again death shall be "swallowed up in victory." The body that is sown in corruption shall be raised in incorruption. Though the old habitation decays, triumphant Christian personality shall inhabit the new house, eternal in the heavens. He shall "change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself" (Phil. 3:21). We shall be clothed in the likeness of Christ, capacitated for and in harmony with the new economy of the eternal future estate. With the limiting mortal coil left behind, we shall have the ability of expressing ourselves and developing on the lofty levels of expansive spiritual freedom. And this shall be forever, for Christ's victory over death is forever. Of this are we especially reminded at the Easter season. "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death" (Rev. 1:18).

"The love of Christ compels us." David Livingstone made this significant statement. Let the love of Christ "compel" us to give without stint to the Easter Offering.

Jesus provides a sure foundation for our peace. In a recent year so many books appeared on peace of mind, peace of soul, happiness, etc. that one reviewer described it as a "scramble for serenity." But there is no real peace without the Author of Peace—our Lord Jesus Christ.—A. ELWOOD SANNER.

Changed Ambitions

By F. D. Ketner*

Now I long to know Christ and the power shown by His Resurrection (Philippians 3:10, Phillips Translation).

PAUL, one time the destroyer, now the defender of the faith; one time feared by Christians, now a brother beloved; one time the persecutor, now the persecuted; one time full of contempt, now the champion of the Resurrection message. "How changed are my ambitions!" A full-blooded Jew of the tribe of Benjamin, circumcised the eighth day, with strict obedience keeping the law, a Pharisee. With abounding enthusiasm for the Jewish faith expressed in death-ridden persecution of the Christian Church. As far as the law's righteousness was concerned, he was blameless, none could find fault in him.

But now—a changed man. He met Christ on the Damascan way. A pre-introductory glimpse of Jesus was given him, as he looked upon the shining face of a dying saint, Stephen. That experience haunted his troubled soul. Then a brighter light, brighter than the midday sun, smites him to the dirt. "Who art thou, Lord?" The reply, "I am Jesus." "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

Now—a changed position. My place is in Him. I no longer depend upon a self-achieved righteousness of the law; mine is a genuine righteousness which comes from faith in Christ. I lost everything. All my gains I consider as useless rubbish compared to the more excellent knowl-

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The Resurrection Hope

By E. Wayne Stahl

*I went through a graveyard one day in late autumn
For the last loving rites of a friend who had gone.
In the City of God was his spirit then singing.
What triumph for him in eternity's dawn!*

*There was many a tree in that place called "God's Acre";
But motionless, gaunt, and forbidding were they,
As lifeless and leafless the trees were appearing—
As lifeless as those who not far from them lay.*

*And I said to myself: "But the springtime is coming.
How glorious then will appear every tree!
Bejeweled with verdure of emerald splendor,
Life's beautiful triumph in them we shall see."*

*I thought then, And thus it shall be with our brother
Whose body today to the grave we must bring.
Resurrection's bright triumph he'll surely be knowing,
Through Christ, the Life-Giver, the Maker of spring.*



edge, that of knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord. My desire—to win Christ, to be like Him. I, Paul, declare it.

Now—my ambitions are changed. “Now I long to know Christ,” whom to know aright is life eternal. A superficial, historical knowledge is not enough; now I long to share His sufferings, to die as He died, to know the *power* shown by His resurrection. I want to attain, as He did, the resurrection from the dead. Some taught and preached there could be no resurrection. With certainty, Paul declares, “If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain” (I Cor. 15:14). “Ye are yet in your sins” (v. 17). Our faith is reassured by the evidence of the Resurrection.

The two Marys found this power had rolled away the stone. Two disciples entered the tomb and found it empty and were convinced He had risen. The testimony of the angel dismissed all doubt from their minds. “He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay” (Matt. 28:6). Our redemption from sin is also concrete evidence. We know our sins are forgiven, that we have passed from death unto life. The power of this transaction is a personal experience in our life. We know, the Blood has never lost its power. Blessed be God!

“We make it our ambition . . . to please Him” (II Cor. 5:9, Weymouth). Paul is sharing the secret motivating force of his life, that made him such a power for God. It was his all-consuming ambition, to please his Lord. Early in life he endeavored to please men, his teachers, his fellow associates, the Pharisees. *Now—his motives of life are changed.* The fire of heavenly love burns within his soul. His chief concern is to please Christ. Do you share a similar experience? Are you blessed with understanding why missionaries live their lives in sacrificial service, amidst privations and heathen darkness?

Now—I keep going on. “Grasping ever more firmly that purpose for which Christ grasped me” (Phil. 3:12, Phillips). Catch Paul’s spirit. Grasp, as he did, God’s great purpose for your

life. With determination, he intensely pursued the Christian life. “I do concentrate on this.” The thing a man cares for most is the thing toward which he presses. The great overmastering purpose of life should be fulfilling my duty to Christ. If pleasure or social success or making money is first in my life, Christianity is a poor second.

Now—I go straight for the goal. My prize, my rich reward the honor of being called by God in Christ. Those who would be spiritually adult must have the same ambition in life. This is the attitude God wants you to adopt. Let this be the standard, the example by which men can tell who is a genuine Christian. We are citizens of heaven. This world is not the limit of our horizon, but with hopeful anticipation and expectation we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. When He comes, He will remake these wretched bodies of ours to resemble His own glorious body. He will do this by that *power*, the power shown by His resurrection, that makes Him the Master of everything that is.

“When a soul loves God with a supreme love, God’s interests and his become one.”—*Livingstone*. Easter Offering Sunday—April 5.

The Unique Christ

By R. B. Oliver*

His name shall be called Wonderful (Isa. 9:6).

AFTER nineteen and one-half centuries the Man of Galilee is still the most unusual and the most unique character the world has ever known. His birth, even, was the most unique ever recorded. No fiction writer, no matter how imaginative, has yet produced a story as beautiful and as dramatic as that of Christmas.

Jesus’ life, even today, is regarded as the most unique of all time. Denying himself, He lived for others. He healed the sick, restored the lame, and lifted the fallen. He gave hope to the hopeless—He even raised the dead. He could not come into the presence of a dead person without breaking the cold shackles that held him.

His teachings were unique. He taught a new code of ethics. He brought a new concept of life. He introduced a new, higher way of living. He gave mankind a new rule to live by, a rule that left no place for selfishness. It is a Golden Rule of love that makes all people equal. He showed that love is the golden key that will open even the heart of an enemy. He demonstrated that love will find a way, that only love will recognize and accept the dignity with which God Almighty clothed every personality.

He was both a paragon and a paradox. His life was not only a model for others to emulate, but it was also a contradiction to all who would live after the flesh. He spake as no man ever spake

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RESURRECTION PERIOD

By Alice Whitson Norton

*Springtime in her royal garment
Spreads new beauty on the hills:
I can hear her softly singing
In the valleys and the rills.*

*I can feel her fingers moving
Through the freshly leafing trees,
Sending forth her warm caresses
On the flower-scented breeze.*

*I can see her shuttles flying
Through the fields of growing grain,
Giving credence to the story:
Though men die, they’ll live again!*

before. for He spoke with the authority that comes with inward purity, conviction, and power. This unique Personality knew no sin, yet the guilt and the punishment of the sins of all mankind were to fall upon Him. He was the pure One, who was to suffer all the shame of the impure, that all might become pure.

He was the poorest of the poor, yet He gave of the riches of heaven unto men. He owned no home, no cottage or tent, not even a place to lay His head at night, yet He has mansions for those who love Him. Because of the pressing of the needy multitudes, He was without rest, but He could say: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28).

He was the Unique One! He owned no vineyards nor wineries, yet on a moment's notice He could produce the finest wine for the governor of the wedding feast. His feet walked on no deep velvet carpets, but they could walk on the tumultuous waters of the Sea of Galilee, and the waters supported Him. He tended no cornfields, possessed no granaries or fisheries, but He could take the lad's meager lunch and feed the thousands, on time, with plenty to spare. He never went fishing, yet He could tell the toiling fishermen where to cast to fill their empty boats to overflowing.

He conducted no funerals, attended no burials, but He broke up the funeral cortege carrying the weeping widowed mother's only son to the burial ground, by restoring him to her arms. He embalmed no dead, but He could stand in front of the tomb of His friend Lazarus, and call him from death and decay to life and vigorous health.

He wrote no books, yet His Book outsells the combined best sellers of all time. It is the only book to be translated into over one thousand languages and to be found on the back-trails of the world, in grass shacks, igloos, and mud huts.

He composed no songs, yet His song is sung in every language. It is in the heart and on the lips of millions, both day and night, the world around. Although the oldest song, His song is ever new; it is the *New Song!*

He built no churches, yet His Church fills the world today. It has changed more lives, influenced more homes and communities, stabilized more governments, than all other religions combined. His Church is ruled by love instead of law. It is run on faith instead of finance. Its watchword is sacrifice instead of security. It has never suffered defeat. It is the Church Triumphant!

Because of His good deeds and His teachings, His enemies crucified Him. He had no sin or guilt, yet He suffered for the sins of the guilty. He harmed no man, yet He was put to death by the hands of those for whom He prayed. He died that others might live. He could not save himself from the cross, but He could save the repentant, dying thief on the cross. He was the Christ!

No wonder that the sun refused to lend its light to such a scene! No wonder that the earth quaked and trembled! No wonder that all nature prostrated itself when His blood reddened Calvary! No wonder that the rocks of the earth rent themselves when such regal reddening spilled on their outcrops, on Golgatha's crest, for the redemption of the ground from the curse! No wonder the graves opened and released the righteous dead when He entered the bonds of death to burst them asunder! He was the Christ!

No wonder that the chief priest wanted Him sealed in the tomb. No wonder that Pilate, convinced that He was the Son of God, could only say: "*Make it as sure as ye can.*" No wonder that the guards fell as dead men when the angel opened the tomb, and He arose and folded His graveclothes, and walked out alive for evermore! No wonder that the angel said to the faithful women: "He is not here: for he is risen."

No wonder that Thomas, doubting but wanting to believe, said, when he saw the nailprints, and heard that familiar voice: "My Lord and my God."
He was the Unique Christ!

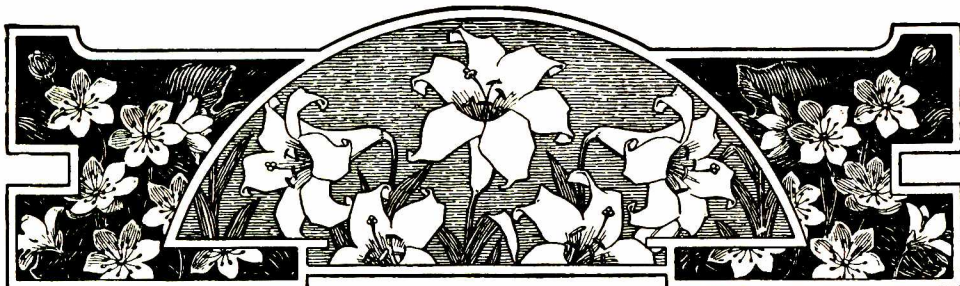
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Harvesttime in the Philippines

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that he was assigned the work of a chaplain. His burden for the work knows no limits. The influence of these men has won many friends for the church, some of whom are people of high position and wealth. They are able and willing to help promote the salvation work. Men of the military are still doing their bit. Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Lamb carry on a holiness prayer meeting at Clarke Field. They attended our convention throughout and were a great blessing.

In the Philippines we can spread the good news of God's power to save. We can build a strong unit for the Church of the Nazarene. We can help make these Islands Christian, and a bastion for democracy in the Orient.



Human Plans Versus Divine Power

By Lloyd B. Byron*

THE DARK hours of the betrayal and trial are past. The midnight of His crucifixion is over. Night is waning; day is breaking. Man's last and man's worst has been accomplished: Jesus is dead; and now His friends come to beg His body, to tend it with reverent care, to wrap it in clean linen, to lay it away in a new tomb.

They have no thought of a resurrection. They have forgotten what He said, or they failed to understand. So they tenderly lay His form in myrrh and aloes in the darkness of the tomb; they roll the great stone across the chiseled opening; with hanging heads and drooping spirits they trudge sorrowfully away.

But the chief priests brought to mind some of His sayings that had plagued them and now came back to haunt them; for this Jesus had promised a resurrection after three days. Remembering this, though hardly believing it, they went to Pilate to ask a special guard for the tomb; they sought assurance that the tomb would be made secure. And these are the words of Pilate in reply: "Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can." And this is the record of their action: "So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch."

Yes, they made it sure! They sealed the tomb; how we do not know, but possibly something like this: a cord was passed around the stone that closed the door and fastened to the two sides of the entrance, with a sealing of wax or prepared clay in the center and at the ends, so that the stone could not be removed without breaking the seals or the cord. They made that much sure. Then they set an armed guard of Roman centurions who paced up and down before the sealed stone all through the day and night. That made everything sure; and they were satisfied with their precautions.

It may be that Satan felt that everything was sure too; at least he had moved men to do everything possible. Many times he had tried to eliminate Jesus and finally he had succeeded: at Jesus' birth, at His temptation, on the lake in the storm, in His home town when men attempted to stone Him and rush Him over the cliff. But each of these attempts had ended in failure. Now

however he had succeeded, for Jesus was cold and silent, sealed within the tomb. They had made it sure.

And the disciples felt that way; to them everything had gone to pieces; and, discouraged and downcast, they drifted their several ways, with none expecting a resurrection. All that He had taught concerning His resurrection was forgotten, if ever really heard; and now they went to the garden to bear away their beloved dead.

Human plans, "sealing the stone, and setting a watch"; but now, divine power! And men and Satan were helpless in the presence of God's power. The earthquake, the angel; and what mattered the seal or the guard? For He had risen and left behind the linen cloths. He had emerged into that new life of resurrection. Unseen by friend or foe, He had risen in a mysterious, majestic act; so that now He was living, with all the old human tenderesses and sympathies brought into this new resurrection life.

Divine power won out. And Jesus' life did not end in a burial, but in a resurrection; not in a funeral, but in a festival; not in a lingering in the dark depths of death, but an ascent into the glorious heights of God. The Incarnation was wonderful: God taking the form of man; but the crown of the Incarnation was the Resurrection, when He made His cross a throne and His death a triumph.

In the risen Lord we find the source of all spiritual strength, for a new and vast store of power was released by His resurrection; "tremendous power available to us who believe in God," as Phillips translates that thrilling passage in the first chapter of Ephesians, where Paul testified to that power as "the same divine energy which was demonstrated in Christ when He raised Him from the dead."

His resurrection established a clear and close connection between this world and the unseen, spiritual world; so that God is never far away from the believer, and angelic forces are always near, possibly ministering in ways of which we are unaware. Certainly, God is more real since Jesus made it evident that He would be with His people, never to leave, never to forsake, never to forget, never to fail.

EASTER STAR SONG

By Norman C. Schlichter

*The brooding armies of the stars
Move singing through the night;
"Tremble, tremble, all the earth,
Again before the sight
"Of nature's full obedience
To the Atom-Builder's will,
That soon will shine, spring-glorified,
On mountain, field, and hill.
"Tremble, tremble again, O Earth;
Bow low again, O Man,
In reverence for the certainty
Of the resurrection plan."*

*Superintendent, North Carolina District

Human plans and Satanic plans all failed when they came into conflict with divine power; and they will fail every time for those who live where that same divine power is operating within. Conscientious and cognizant of that power as was the Apostle Paul, we understand why he relied on it so completely and emphasized it so continuously. Hear it as Phillips translates one of Paul's immortal verses: "Now to Him who by His power within us is able to do far more than we ever dare to ask or imagine—to Him be glory in the Church through Jesus Christ for ever and ever, Amen." Divine power; that is the heart of Easter; divine power, divine life!

Christ Is Risen!

By Melza H. Brown*

WE THANK God today for the fact of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter Sunday is the day of *life*. Wherever Christ is known there will be heart praises to Him who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Everything in the Christian faith depends upon the resurrection of Jesus Christ. That's the cornerstone upon which the whole superstructure of Christianity rises; undermine it and the whole building falls. It's the keystone of the arch; knock it out and the whole thing comes down with a crash.

If Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead, how do I know that He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life?

If He did not rise from the dead, how do I know that he that believeth on the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved?

How do I know that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin?

How do I know that He has gone to prepare a place for me and that He will come again to receive me unto himself?

How do I know that death has lost its sting and the grave has been swallowed up in victory?

How do I know that the Spirit of God who raised Jesus Christ from the dead shall also quicken my mortal body?

How do I know that He shall appear and that I shall be like Him?

How do I know that the sufferings of this present world are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in me?

How do I know that the promises of the Bible are worth any more than the ink it took to print them or the paper it takes to hold them?

If Christ did not rise from the dead, I do not know.

There's no way to know. If Jesus did not rise from the dead there is no sense in putting the beautiful words, "I am the resurrection, and the life," on the tombstones of our loved ones.

If Christ did not rise, we are hopeless, we have no basis for faith and no message for a dying world. If Christ did not rise, then we have no hope of meeting our departed loved ones. If Christ did not rise, then we are indeed most miserable.

But thank God, He did rise! They sealed His tomb, but it couldn't hold Him. He lay there in the grave cold and dead for three days. All earth had given up hope but all heaven knew better. The breath of God swept through the sleeping clay and like a flash His glorious Son was alive and on His feet again. Heaven's angelic choir must have sung, "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Christ is risen; the Son of God is alive! Glory to Jesus!"

He's there now at the right hand of God pleading His atoning death for you and me. Don't you feel like waving Him a salute, and saying with John, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus"? For when He comes again even those who are asleep in Him will He bring with Him, and what a day that will be!

Surely we need the truth of the Resurrection in this fearful day of death and sorrow. Thousands of our boys are already buried in Europe and Korea and other thousands have been committed to the sea. Shall they live again? Yes, thank God, they shall come forth in the resurrection as surely as Christ came forth as the first fruits of the dead.

There is one other necessary truth in connection with the resurrection of Christ. Faith in the heart of the individual is essential. The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead has no power to help the unbeliever. The individual with faith triumphs in life, is victorious in death, and will meet the Lord in the air triumphant eternally. Christ is the power of God unto sal-

The Galilean Lives!

By A. M. Quick

*Behind Him now the agony and pain,
The mob's wild scorning and the rulers' hate,
The deadly struggle with the hosts of hell,
And death, alone, outside His city's gate.*

*The Galilean lives! The gentle Conqueror,
The Lamb of God and Judah's Lion-King,
From His hard couch arises quietly,
And lays aside the tomb's vain trammeling.
That mighty stone which closed the sepulcher
Bars not the way of Him who died to save;
While myriad angels hail His victory,
He strides triumphant from the conquered
grave.*

*He lives! The risen Galilean lives!
Before Him shines, who drank death's cup
alone,
The undimmed glory of the perfect day,
The crown, the scepter, and His Father's throne!*

*Pastor, First Church, Little Rock, Ark.

vation to every one that believeth. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

God hath given assurance unto all men, that Christ is the Son of God. God hath proved that Christ is mightier than death; God hath shown us that salvation is by faith in Christ. God hath accepted the atonement of Jesus Christ. He hath made Christ the Head of the Church. God hath exalted Christ above all others. God hath given us assurance that we shall live again. God hath brought hope to a world where sin and death reign. He hath defeated the grave and removed its horror. He hath brought immortality and incorruption within reach of the sons of men. He hath triumphed over Satan and brought deliverance from the power of Satan. God has made good on His word.

All this God hath done in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the grave.

Have you, my friend, accepted the risen Lord as your Saviour? Do you have assurance of immortality and everlasting life? Do you know the power of God in the transformation of character and heart life? Do you know God, and Jesus Christ whom He hath sent? If so, then you have eternal life.

What does Easter mean to you today? Does your heart rejoice in the living faith of a living Saviour? Has Christ removed the fear of death? Jesus Christ is the Son of God and He is alive forevermore. This is the message of Easter. This is the message of the empty tomb. This is the message of the gospel. Jesus Christ was crucified by the Roman government, buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathaea, but was raised from death by the power of God.

Thomas saw and believed, but Jesus said, "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

IN TRIUMPH HE AROSE

By Margaret Connelly

*The Lord, in robes of shining white
Arose that Easter Day,
No more a prisoner of death
Where not the slightest ray
Of light could penetrate the gloom.
Or stars their twinkling light
Shine in to lend their friendliness
And penetrate the night!*

*That Easter Day the Lord arose
From out the tomb of death—
The lilies showered sweet perfume
To give Him sweet new breath:
The little birds in wonderment
Sang orchestras of song.
He walked again upon the earth
In triumph over wrong!*



BEFORE a decision is made regarding your Easter missionary offering, you should know—

That one thousand national workers, receiving only meager support, depend upon you for \$210,-251.25 each year.

That the salaries, cost of living bonuses, and children's allowances of our missionary family amounting to \$333,810.00 annually are a part of your responsibility;

That the operation of our Bible schools training 434 young natives calls for \$35,118.75;

That medical work, though subsidized by government grants, must be supported to the extent of \$8,060.00;

That 7,798 native children in 113 day schools appeal to you for training which they could not receive except for the \$35,000.00 which must be sent for this purpose;

That pensions, medical aid, equipment allowances, and various other items such as taxes, transportation, literature, repairs, building needs, etc. amounting to many thousands of dollars each year must be paid by those who love Him, who invested His all for the redemption of the world. The cost was great to provide it; should we not sacrifice a little to promote it? **GIVE ON APRIL 5.**

GENERAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Why I Believe

In the Resurrection

By A. S. London*

THE THOUGHT of immortality is a part of our constitution. It is woven into the very fabric of our nature. How could it have originated in us unless there is the answer in the fact that we live beyond the grave?

One great argument for the existence of God is that man thinks of God, therefore God must exist. No such idea could have entered into man's mind unless God is. The same argument can be applied to the Resurrection. How could we have had such an idea if there is no corresponding reality?

We are surrounded by death, but in spite of this fact we cling to the belief that there is a life beyond. The wise man said, "Thou hast put eternity in his heart."

"Here sits he shaping wings to fly." Man's eye is not satisfied with seeing, his ear is not satisfied with hearing. The beast is satisfied with what he sees and eats. But not so with man. God has

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never implanted an instinct unless He supplies the organ also for the gratification of that instinct. The bird has the instinct to fly, and wings with which to do it. The bee has an instinct to secrete honey, and honey and wax are provided. There is light for the eye, music for the ear, and love for the heart. There is an inner call and desire for the life to come. God's plan will not break down at this point. He will not let us be deceived and duped. *We shall live again!*

Things are unfinished here. Life is incomplete here. Francis Bacon has a fragment among his essays, "Of Fame," with a striking statement. He says, "The rest was not finished." This could be said of any life that goes out into the beyond. "The rest was not finished." Only immortality can satisfy the longings and desires of the human life. Hortense, the daughter of Napoleon's Josephine, and the mother of Napoleon III, wrote to her son when he was in America, seriously ill, and she did not expect to see him again in this life. She said: "Certainly, we shall meet again. Have faith in this consoling idea. It is too necessary not to be true."

We seem to come to an end as Moses died on Nebo's mountain, on the borders of the land which he desired to enter. We have possibilities on a scale far larger than this life can satisfy.

Justice is not seen in this life. I believe in the resurrection and life beyond the grave because justice is not seen often in this life. Good people are often persecuted, while the wicked spread themselves like a green bay tree. God judges, but not finally in this world. We can endure the injustices of this life because of a conviction that there is a judgment to come. Paul and Nero, Hitler and his victims, will not fare just the same. There is a day of reckoning, a day of justice.

When Columbus came near to the unknown continent, he saw leaves and branches floating in the sea. He knew that he was drawing near to another world. In our affections and call for justice, we know that beyond life's oceans there is another life, another world.

"Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people" (Ps. 96:3). You can make this possible by a liberal offering on Easter Sunday, April 5.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

Prayer Request

MRS. GRACE PRESCOTT, missionary in Cuba, recently underwent major surgery at the Anglo-American Hospital in Havana, at which time a disk was removed from her spine. The operation was necessitated by a fall she sustained last March. Pray that she will have a speedy and complete recovery.

Getting Adjusted

These first three months in Haiti have been a great blessing to Wife and me. God has been good to us, and we are all in good health. Our language study is progressing, and we are now able to give short testimonies in Creole at church. The native Christians are praying that God will loosen our tongues—not that God will give us the "gift of tongues," but that we might be better able to speak their language.

Since coming to Haiti we have felt closer to the Lord in prayer than ever before. We love the Haitian people, and our hearts are burdened for them. Our prayer is that we will remain ever faithful to our great responsibility.—REV. CHARLES ALSTOTT, *New Missionary to Haiti.*

Native Churches Growing

I had a very profitable trip in Peten and also on the lake. There is a decided awakening to responsibility all over the church. God is hearing

prayer. At present nine churches are supporting their total church program. A number of others are taking on a larger proportion of the pastoral salary. Sometimes we have to give a church that has taken full support a boost, but in general they continue to carry on successfully.—REV. ROBERT INGRAM, *Guatemala.*

Serving in Africa

The past six weeks have been some of our busiest weeks, but also our happiest. The Lord has been good to us and has blessed most of our services with souls seeking to be either saved or sanctified. The colored people have given us a royal reception and we have been made to feel we are one of them. We know that there are great things ahead for our people.

We are studying Afrikaans and hope soon to begin mastering some of the *g* and *r* sounds. Our American accent is against us and it looks as though we will have to develop an English accent to learn our language! The colored people are happy when we use a few of the words we know in sentences. We trust the Lord will give us an added gift of this language.

This past week has been one of real camp-meeting blessing, as the holiness association held its annual convention in Johannesburg and we were able to attend most of the services. We also were able to meet many of our missionaries.

We are happy serving the Lord here in Africa and know that we are serving a great God and a wonderful group of people.—REV. PHILIP STEIGLEDER, *New Missionary in Colored District, Africa.*

Review of Events

On November 29 we had the closing program of our Bible school. The Lord really had blessed in an unusual way during the year, and we felt His presence in the closing service. My music students presented in song and poem the procedure of a soul seeking and finding the Lord. Our last song, "It Is Well," was sung with feeling and a sense of the presence of the Lord.

Our work did not stop there, for we were soon busy in a revival meeting and then were preparing for the Christmas program. Now I have been asked to prepare a district choir for our holiness convention and assembly. We are so busy that we can practice only every two weeks. We have some wonderful singers who sing in the Spirit. I am also directing another choir, called the Western Line Choir, which is composed of singers from the churches in and around the church that we pastor. I am very happy to be busy doing all I can to win souls in Argentina.—MRS. LESTER JOHNSTON, *Argentina.*

God does not hand us a hymnbook and a volume of systematic theology and say, "Believe them and thou shalt be saved." He offers us a Person, His Son, to whom He points us for salvation.—*Selected.*

Stalin Is Dead!

At 7:15 p.m., Thursday, March 5, the radio program I was listening to was interrupted for an important announcement. It was then that I received the news that Joseph Stalin had died. He was seventy-three years old when the end came. Thirty years before, he was unknown, but when he died he was master of one-sixth of the world's territory and dominated one-third of its people. History's greatest dictator, Stalin, rose to power by the ruthless elimination of rivals and enemies. By one means or another, he got rid of all who started out with him as equals.

Stalin was represented to his people and the world as a physical giant, but he was not a large man. He was less than five and one-half feet in height, and was thin and frail-looking. However, he must have had a strong body in order to have withstood disease and bad habits as he did. Although not a giant physically, this dictator, who ruled over millions with an iron hand, was a giant in will power. He had his ambition and he drove toward its realization with a determination that few men have ever had. In this respect he was true to his name, Stalin, which means steel.

In spite of his drive for power and his amazing success in this field, Stalin was not able to conquer man's last and greatest enemy—death. He met the one appointment that all men must meet, "And as it is appointed unto men once to die" (Heb. 9:27). He had imposed death on many, and now death imposed itself upon him.

Governor James F. Byrnes of South Carolina, secretary of state from June, 1945, to January, 1947, says that the people of Russia worshiped Stalin. They thought of him as a god. But their god is dead now, and his body will not live again until the time of the general resurrection. Then his soul will be reunited with his body and he will be judged, even though his soul will already have found out what the torments of hell are. Joseph Stalin was just a man. "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27).

JESUS IS ALIVE!

Like Stalin, Jesus died. About twenty centuries ago, He "yielded up the ghost" (Matt. 27:50). But He did not die a natural death as did Stalin. He was crucified by the people of His own nation. They charged Him with blasphemy—claiming to be God. He had attacked their legalism and uncovered their hypocrisy. Moreover, His very life among them convicted them of their sins.

Stalin's span of life was at least forty years longer than that of Jesus. Besides, the length of the latter's public ministry was brief indeed—less than three years—compared with the years that the former was in the public eye. Stalin did not travel nearly so much as many of the world leaders of his day, but the journeyings of Jesus

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were far more limited than Stalin's and much more circumscribed than many of those who lived in His day. Comparatively speaking, Jesus himself touched but an insignificant part of the world's territory and came into contact with but few of its inhabitants. When the Son of Man died, many people paid but little or no attention to it.

By far the greatest contrast between Stalin and Jesus Christ is that the latter came forth from the grave. Jesus died as truly as Stalin did, but death could not hold Him. On the third day He arose: "In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: and for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for he is risen, as he said" (Matt. 28:1-6). Jesus is alive! He has demonstrated His right to say, "I am the resurrection, and the life" (John 11:25).

Stalin, like Alexander the Great, Napoleon, Hitler, and Mussolini, established a dictatorship of force. He demanded absolute control over the lives of his fellows. He enslaved them and looked forward to the time when he could do the same to all men everywhere. He was not interested in their welfare, but only in his own. On the other hand, Jesus, on the basis of His teaching and life, but more especially on the ground of His death and resurrection, set up what might be called a dictatorship of love. He died for us in order that we might give our all to Him and for others, in order that love for God and man might dominate our lives. Through His death and resurrection, chiefly, He made it possible for us to realize this ideal. Nevertheless, it is a goal which can be reached only by those who choose it, who make it theirs because they want to make it theirs. By its very nature, it cannot be attained by force, but only through love and persuasion. This program of Jesus is given to us in His summary of the law: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself" (Matt. 22:37-39).

And at this Easter season, we should also bear in mind the fact that, while Stalin had nothing of permanent value to offer his slaves, Jesus Christ, the resurrected One, guarantees to all of His love-slaves an everlasting life of joy and blessedness. He that believeth on Jesus Christ, "though he were dead, yet shall he live" (John 11:25). "O

Stephen S. White

death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 15: 55-57).

A Missionary Church

"They Sent Them Away"

THE CHURCH at Antioch sent Barnabas and Paul away. Thus they started them on what has come to be called Paul's first missionary journey. In doing this, they opened the way for Antioch to become the capital city of foreign missions in the Early Church.

IT WAS not a mere matter of chance that the center of the Christian world shifted from Jerusalem to Antioch. The church at Antioch had an excellent beginning. **An Excellent Beginning** This story is given in Acts 11:19-21 and reads as follows: "Now they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only. And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord." Both Jews and Gentiles were preached to; God was with those who did the preaching and many accepted Christ. They had a revival and organized a new Christian church which was composed of Gentiles as well as Jews. Moreover, there is no hint that circumcision was required of the Gentiles.

The church at Jerusalem heard of the church at Antioch and sent Barnabas to assist in the work there. Then Barnabas went to Tarsus after Saul, and for a whole year they ministered to the new converts at Antioch. These followers of Christ were so genuine in their devotion that it was easy for the people about them to call them Christians. Thus they won the distinction of being the first disciples to be called Christians. The church at Antioch started off well, but its good fortune did not end here. Early in its history it was blessed in having Barnabas and Saul take over its human leadership (Acts 11:22-26).

THE CHURCH at Antioch was a liberal church. The coming of a famine was foretold by a prophet, Agabus. From what is said, the brethren at Jerusalem must have been in great need at that time. **A Liberal Church** Relief was sent to them by

the hands of Barnabas and Saul from the Christians at Antioch. I like the words of this wonderful account. Here they are: "And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul" (Acts 11:27-30). In Acts 12:25 we are told of the return of Barnabas and Saul from this mission.

ANOTHER outstanding characteristic of the church at Antioch was that it responded to the leadership of the Holy Spirit. This fact is graphically set forth in Acts 13:1-3—three of the

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most significant verses in the New Testament. This passage closes with the title of this article, "They sent them away." Barnabas and Saul were sent forth as missionaries to the Gentiles: "Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away" (Acts 13:1-3).

Certain prophets and teachers, leaders in the church at Antioch, as they ministered to the Lord and fasted, were commanded by the Holy Ghost to separate Barnabas and Saul for the work to which the Holy Ghost had called them. Then after fasting and praying, they laid their hands on Barnabas and Saul and sent them away. They heard the voice of God and obeyed it. Thus they inaugurated the first great foreign missionary movement in the history of the Christian Church. They did not fail God.

Our annual Easter offering is at hand again. Will we hear and heed the voice of God today and send forth missionaries to the whitened harvest fields? They can go only as they are sent. I believe that we will meet the challenge now as the church at Antioch did then.

The disciple bears the fruits of the Spirit, which, though they begin sparingly, increase with the days until they appear in abundant measure. As he abides in Christ, the disciple sees the fruits of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance appearing. These are the natural result of his life in Christ. —TED MARTIN.

Religious News and Comments

Edited by Delbert R. Gish

FOR THE first time in seventy-one years for which records have been kept, there were no reported lynchings by mobs in the U.S. in 1952. *Time* magazine reported that since 1882, 4,725 deaths by mob-violence have occurred in the United States. Only eleven of these have happened since 1942.

The son of the celebrated Swiss theologian, Karl Barth, has accepted a three-year call to the theological school of the University of Dubuque, Iowa. This is an institution of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. He will serve as visiting professor of the New Testament.

Roman Catholics who have felt that Norway was unfairly discriminating against Catholicism may derive some satisfaction from a proposal there to allow Jesuits, who have been banned for 139 years, to enter and work there once more. A law legislated in 1814 banned both Jews and Jesuits, and a bill at present in the lawmakers' hands would remove the ban if approved.

Roman Catholic prelate Monsignor Luigi C. Ligutti of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference has proposed a study of the charges that Roman Catholics in Colombia, South America, have been guilty of persecuting and murdering Protestants in that country. Under his plan, a three-man team of social scientists would spend from three to six months in Colombia to find out all they can about the 150 or more cases of persecution reported in the past year. Of these cases, 33 per cent involved charges against priests and 58 per cent involved charges against government officials. Seven Protestants were murdered, twelve churches were stoned, six bombed (including homes of missionaries), twelve schools were closed, and forty Protestants were jailed. It seems like a good idea, provided a responsible and unbiased team of investigators is selected.

Dr. Anthony Caliendo, who has been mentioned several times in this column as director of the Evangelical Biblical Institute of Naples, Italy, has been ordered from that country by Italian authorities. He has been operating the non-sectarian Bible school which makes a specialty of training former Roman Catholic priests for the Protestant ministry.

Dr. Caliendo was born in Italy, but has spent much time in America. He is fifty-four years old.

Prompt action by many church groups and relief organizations is helping the flood victims in Europe. The Church World Service has sent money, food, and clothing. Lard in considerable quantities and other foodstuffs were sent by CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Program). Various U.S. denominations, including Roman Catholics, sent a great supply of needed goods. Swiss, Swedish, German, and other European churches quickly raised \$15,000.00 and were continuing to make collections. The

American Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief voted \$50,000.00 for Holland. Various cities have been raising relief funds.

The Yale University studies on alcoholism reveal that the problem drinker in industry loses from twenty-five to thirty working days per year.

Christianity works the same in all places where it is practiced. Word comes that a group of German Christians has made arrangements to replace a stained-glass window in a British church that was bombed by the Germans during the war. A large sum has already been paid to Jews in Israel (\$822,000,000.00) by the West German government in recognition of a "moral obligation to world Jewry." Chancellor Adenauer deserves much credit for this gesture in behalf of justice.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

Topic for April 5: Our Living Lord

Scripture: Matthew 28 (Printed, Matt. 28:1-10, 16-20)

GOLDEN TEXT: *I am the resurrection, and the life* (John 11:25).

FAREWELL TO MATTHEW!

For six interesting months we have traveled together through Matthewland. Matthew has been our guide and together we have witnessed sights of wondrous beauty, seen miracles that staggered the imagination, and have cowered in fear before the onslaughts of fury. From the opening chapters where we saw Christ in mortal battle with Satan in the wilderness, to the end where He died on a lonely cross, there has been one central Figure, one Hero, the King of the Jews. To Matthew, Jesus was always the kingly Messiah, dynamic and regnant.

There would be no more fitting climax for such a story than the closing verses of Matthew's Gospel. Christ had a mountain for a throne. Behind are the sufferings and jeerings of the mob; behind, the dark agony of Golgotha; behind, the rock-ribbed tomb; behind, the hunger and the thirst—now He lives in resurrection splendor. So this living King mounts a throne to give His final pronouncement—and the green-clad hill becomes the throne of authority. Of course Christ is no stranger to mountains. It was on a mountain that He opened His ministry with the matchless Sermon on the Mount, which out-

lined the requirements for citizenship in the Kingdom. Now again at the close He preaches another unforgettable message, which is the marching orders for the Church for all time. We have come to call this final command of Jesus the Great Commission. It is crisp and authoritative. The "Go ye" has the ring of Deity in it; the "all nations" gives the sweep and majesty. Through it all there is a military cadence, and shutting our eyes we can hear and see marching columns stretching as far as the horizon—indeed around the world.

But the grand finale of the Great Commission is the promise, "Lo, I am with you always." This has a spring-like freshness and holds out the promise of world-conquest. This tells us of the blessed companionship, the divine enabling, the demand that we keep moving forward.

As we bid farewell to Matthew, waving with one hand, we use the other arm to point ahead to horizons yet uncharted, to lands yet unclaimed for Christ, to nations still steeped in unmentionable filth and iniquity. Forward, still forward! This was the last command of Matthew's King!

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THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. What is a pastoral call?

A. The *Spokesman*, the monthly paper of the Kansas City District, of which Dr. Jarrette Aycock is superintendent, has this to say about pastoral calls, in its February issue: "Telephone calls, contacts on streets, and each person in a group visited should not be counted. Just report definite calls." I think that this gives us an excellent idea of what a pastoral call is. When I was in the pastorate I counted a call a pastoral call only when I visited someone in a home, hospital, or place of business. Also, when I visited a home I did not count that I was making as many calls as there were people present. Sometimes I counted my visit to a hospital as more than one call when I actually visited more than one person.

Q. When someone has sung a lovely song upon the Psalms or some other part of the Bible (one that has been set to classical music), there are those among us who call it worldly, but they will sit and listen and shout "Amen" when a young woman or young man with a hillbilly voice sings some popular, racy religious song. Don't you think that we should be careful about the kind of music we select and whom we get to sing in our churches?

A. Yes, I think that we ought to be careful about the kind of music we select and whom we get to sing it. This is true of our congregational as well as our special singing. However, this does not mean that we are going to eliminate every song that someone might call classical. Neither does it indicate that we are going to ban every song which someone might call hillbilly. We are not all on the same level musically, and I hope that we never get to be, for that would signify that we had become a one-class church. Let's keep our churches open to all classes of people. As long as we do this, we shall not all have the same musical tastes. After all, the most important thing about any song which is sung is the spirit in which it is sung.

Q. In our Bible study which we have once a week, we ran up against something last night that we would like for you to explain. It is found in Matthew 8:11-12. We can't seem to get the connection between the two kingdoms referred to.

A. Here are the verses the question asks about: "And I say unto you, That many shall come from the

east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." The first kingdom is a spiritual kingdom, a kingdom which people enter by faith. Abraham, through his wonderful faith, became the father of this kingdom. Even the Gentiles can become a part of this kingdom through faith. If you will begin reading back at the fifth verse in this same chapter in Matthew, you will get the story of the centurion, a Gentile, who manifested unusual faith for the healing of his servant. It was this which prompted the words of Jesus in the two verses which you call to our attention. This centurion, a Gentile, was going to sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in this kingdom of faith, while some of the children of Israel, the chosen people, the natural descendants of Abraham, were going to reject Christ, fail to have saving faith, and thus be shut out of this spiritual kingdom—the kingdom one gets into only by faith. They were children of the kingdom, that is, members of the chosen people, but would not finally be a part of the kingdom of Heaven, or the spiritual kingdom, because of their failure to believe on Christ.

Q. We have a Church of the Nazarene in our town, and I believe that it will do a wonderful work for the Lord. But my question to you is this: Why do all Nazarenes call re-

ceiving the baptism with the Holy Spirit being sanctified? John the Baptist speaks of being baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire in Matthew 3:11, and Jesus says that He will pray the Father to send the Comforter, which means the Holy Spirit, to abide with His disciples forever. Further, I find that sanctify, sanctified, and sanctification appear only once in Acts, while the Holy Ghost is spoken of about thirty-six times.

A. I am delighted that there is a Church of the Nazarene in your town, and that you believe that God is going to bless it. Nazarenes use both terms—the baptism with the Holy Spirit and sanctification—we do not use just sanctification. However, we do identify the baptism with the Holy Spirit and entire sanctification. When a Christian gets the baptism with the Holy Ghost, he gets sanctified wholly. The baptism with the Holy Spirit is the cleansing baptism. If you will read Matthew 3:11-12, you will see that the Holy Spirit baptism is a fiery, or cleansing, baptism. The twelfth verse also implies that the Holy Spirit cleanses as He baptizes. Jesus does say that He will pray the Father, and He does that praying in John 17, but His praying there is wholly for His disciples to be sanctified. Thus He unites the baptism with the Holy Spirit and entire sanctification. "Sanctified" appears twice in Acts—Acts 20:32 and 26:18. Then you forget that it appears many times in the remainder of the New Testament. Finally, read the following scriptures and you will see that sanctification, cleansing, or purity, are connected with the baptism with the Holy Spirit: Acts 15:8-9; Rom. 15:16; II Thess. 2:13-14; and I Pet. 1:2.

Home Missions and Evangelism

Roy F. Smee, Secretary

Los Angeles District Tour

FOR EIGHT days covering Sunday, February 15, to Sunday, February 22, it was my privilege to assist as guest speaker in a tour of the Los Angeles District with Superintendent Rev. Shelburne Brown. As most of our readers know, Brother Brown is a young man and one of our newest district superintendents. I found that he has the district activities well planned and well in hand. The pastors and people of this great and strategic section of our church are loyally co-operating with Brother Brown in his aggressive plans for the district.

The purpose of the tour was to secure members to the home missions club. Each member promises to pay from \$2.00 to \$100.00 every time a new church is started upon the call of the district superintendent. This money is definitely earmarked for investment in property only. The importance of adequate places of worship was emphasized in the tour. I have often stated, "Give me a decent place of worship and a decent preacher and I can start a Church of the Nazarene in any decent community." God is giving us through our colleges and seminary outstanding young preachers. We must find acceptable places for worship. This takes money.

But the Los Angeles District Nazarenes are practical-minded people and said, "Who wouldn't give \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, or \$100.00 to start a Church of the Nazarene?" They responded liberally. By the time all the churches have had opportunity to give, without doubt there will be at least \$5,000.00 available for each call Brother Brown may make.

It is hoped that every district will take seriously the challenge of the quotas set by the general superintendents for new churches to be organized during this quadrennium. And, if we reach our goals, we will have to plan now to do so. Los Angeles District expects to exceed its quota.

Advance the cause of home missions and you boost every other factor in church life.

NEW CHURCHES

On February 22 District Superintendent O. L. Benedum organized a new church at Mentor, Ohio, on the Akron District, with a charter membership of twenty-eight. Rev. D. C. Hoffman has been appointed pastor.

Evangelist C. T. Corbett held a home-mission campaign at Creston, Ohio, in a district portable tabernacle. Rev. W. E. Vore already had a Sunday school and preaching services in operation when the meeting began. On January 10, at the close of the meeting, a church was organized, under the direction of District Superintendent H. S. Galloway of the Central Ohio District. This is the thirty-fifth church that Brother Corbett has had some part in helping to organize.

District Superintendent C. B. Cox organized a new church in the Fruitdale section of Denver with thirty charter members on January 18. Rev. Richard Kealisher has been appointed pastor. The people are worshiping in their own building, just completed, and upon which they owe only \$6,000.00. This is the second new church on the Colorado District since the General Assembly.

District Superintendent Victor E. Gray recently conducted a home-mission campaign at Cleveland, Tennessee, at the close of which a new church was organized with twenty charter members. Rev. A. A. Driscoll has been appointed pastor. This is the fourth new church on the East Tennessee District this quadrennium.

Two new churches have been organized on the Georgia District by Superintendent Mack Anderson. At Marietta, Rev. G. Lewis Pennington has been appointed pastor. Rev. H.

W. Mingledorff is the pastor at Brookhaven.

On January 25, District Superintendent V. H. Lewis organized a new church at Cameron, Texas, on the Houston District. There were fifteen charter members, representing six different families. Rev. D. A. Lambert has been appointed pastor. They have a fine chapel in a good section of the town, surrounded by many new homes. A three-room apartment for the pastor is also located in the building.

District Superintendent W. S. Purinton of Illinois organized a new church at Hardin, Illinois, county seat of Calhoun County. A cement-block building had been erected before services were started. The work was sponsored by the Summit Grove church, with Rev. Paul Wankel as pastor. He will serve both churches until the district assembly. The charter opened February 15 with nine members, and there were sixty-seven in Sunday school.

A second church on this district was organized at Zeigler. The church has owned property there for a number of years, but there have been no services for at least five years. There are now twelve members and a pastor, Rev. Tilman Wright, has been appointed.

Telegram.—Organized new church in Owensboro, Kentucky; seventeen charter members. Rev. Wilbur Kerrick called as pastor. May get building with small indebtedness. Rev. Oren Thrasher, pastor First Church, and his people were present and helped boost. This makes three new churches since General Assembly.—L. T. WELLS, *District Superintendent, Kentucky.*

On January 18 Superintendent Arthur C. Morgan of Minnesota District organized a new church at Spring Lake Park, Minnesota, with seven charter members from four families. Good progress is being made and it should develop into a strong church.

THE HOME CIRCLE

Conducted by Grace Ramquist

Easter Morning

ON THAT first Easter morning, there were two groups who left the tomb of Jesus at approximately the same time. First, there were the women who left to go tell Jesus' disciples the good news, and to inform them that they should go into Galilee if they wished to see their beloved Master once again.

Those women were the first evangelists. They told the story of the risen Saviour, not because of fear, not because of desire for money, not because of selfishness or greed, but because they believed in and loved Jesus. They wanted others to know the joy they felt in their hearts.

Because the women told the Easter story, you and I know about Jesus and have hope of resurrection from the dead ourselves if we believe on Him.

The second group who left the tomb were guards who had been placed before the sepulcher to see that nothing happened to the body of Jesus. They saw the angel roll away the stone; they, no doubt, heard the angel tell the women that Jesus was risen; and they may have heard Jesus say that He would go before the disciples into Galilee. They knew the whole story, but they were afraid they would lose their jobs; yet as

they reasoned among themselves, they came to the conclusion that there was nothing they could do except go to the authorities and speak the truth. So with fear and trembling they made their way to Jerusalem and to the court of the chief priests. There they related all that had come to pass.

The priests called the elders. They counseled together while the soldier guards waited.

"We dare not allow this story to be told to the people. We must stop it right now," they said one to another.

"There is only one way to do this," was the quick retort; "we must dip into the treasury." With lavishness they proceeded to take money meant for other uses.

"Do not repeat the story which you have told us," the priests told the soldiers as they pushed the money into the hands of the waiting men. "Rather say that Jesus' disciples came by night and stole him away while you slept."

At first the soldiers were hesitant in promising to tell such a story, for after all they worked for the governor. However, their fears were soon relieved.

"If this comes to the governor's ears, we will persuade him that you did your best. Have no fear, for we are his friends," said the chief priests.

The money did the rest, for the guards took it and did as they were taught.

Yes, two groups left the tomb. One group went to spread the joyous story. The other went out to accept bribe money for telling a false story. There was no love for Jesus in the hearts of the guards, but instead there was great love for money and what money could buy. They could have been the ones who spread the tidings of joy.

How thankful we should be that there was one group who left the sepulcher to tell the blessed story of the risen Lord on that first Easter Day! They spread the news without money and without price!

Little Children and Jesus

THERE were many children who loved Jesus and who followed Him wherever He went. There was the little lad with the five barley loaves and the two fishes; there were the children in the crowd to whom Jesus said, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 19:14).

I think maybe there was a little boy named John, who followed Jesus as much as he could. He listened to what the Saviour said, and he listened to what the people said about the words of Jesus.

After Jesus was crucified, little John heard the people in the streets say, "His disciples say that He said He would rise again on the third day," and, "How could anyone come forth from the dead? I saw Him on the cross and I know He was truly dead."

John began to have a great desire in his heart. He wanted so much to see Jesus again. In his heart he believed that Jesus would rise from His grave, for had not Jesus healed the lame and the blind and the lepers and everyone who came unto Him? Then, too, John had heard from a good friend of his that Jesus had made a little girl come back to life. Often in the streets he heard people mention Lazarus, the man who had been dead three days before Jesus reached his tomb and gave him back his life.

It was difficult for John to awaken in the mornings, so on the eve of the second day after Jesus was crucified, instead of trusting his own waking ability he just decided not to go to sleep at all. His mother believed in Jesus, too, so she gave John permission to go to the place where Jesus had been buried and to spend the night before the morning of the first day of the week.

John took along some food and covering. He found a nice place to rest right near the tomb. He could

see the Roman guards as they walked back and forth before the sepulcher. Soon, in spite of himself, he grew weary and fell fast asleep.

Suddenly it seemed that someone was shaking him. He sat up. As he stared about him, he saw the guards lying on the ground. He thought they must be dead, but he didn't spend much time looking at them, for his eyes turned toward a bright creature dressed in the whitest of clothing. And then he heard that heavenly being speak to someone he could not see.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Columbia, Mississippi—Dr. J. D. Saxon, district superintendent, was guest speaker at First Church, Sunday, February 22. Dr. Saxon brought an inspiring message, urging everyone to pray earnestly and continually for divine guidance in the leadership of our new president. We were lifted up by this stirring message.—Eva V. Beets, Reporter.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma—Southside Church recently had a wonderful week of emphasis on holiness by Chaplain A. D. Grim, who is now an evangelist. God honored his preaching in a most gracious way, and our own people were lifted up. Those who have had trouble getting established in their experience were helped in this campaign. Brother Grim is a very capable and sincere man of God. His wife travels with him and is a good children's worker; she also plays the organ, piano, and solovox. We have been blessed mightily of the Lord by having had these fine folk come our way for these few days.—Floyd W. Rowe, Pastor.

Richmond, Indiana—First Church has experienced a great year spiritually, numerically, and financially. Time after time our services have been visited by heavenly, refreshing showers and the stately steppings of the Master. The inauguration of a new Sunday-school system has proved to be a successful plan. Our Sunday-school average for the first six months of this assembly year is 494. Our church has experienced two gracious revivals. The workers for our fall revival were Rev. H. E. Darnell and Curtis Brown. The workers for our midwinter revival were Rev. Sammy Sparks and Rev. and Mrs. Donald Donohoe. Dr. E. O. Chalfant was with us one week in November for a time of inspiration. All departments of the church have shown an upward swing, and eighteen members have been received into membership of the church. Recently, our church enjoyed the ministry of Dr. T. W. Willingham, executive director of the Nazarene Radio League; also, the ministry of Rev. Norman R. Oke, Christian Serv-

"He is not here: for he is risen," the voice said.

John waited for no more words. He knew that the heavenly being was speaking of Jesus. Jesus was risen, and he wanted to tell his mother the joyous news. He turned and ran toward home as fast as ever he could. Upon reaching his house, he cried out, "Mother, Mother, Jesus is risen, even as He said He would! He is gone from the tomb! Mother, He is alive! We will get to see Him and hear Him speak once again! O Mother, Mother!"

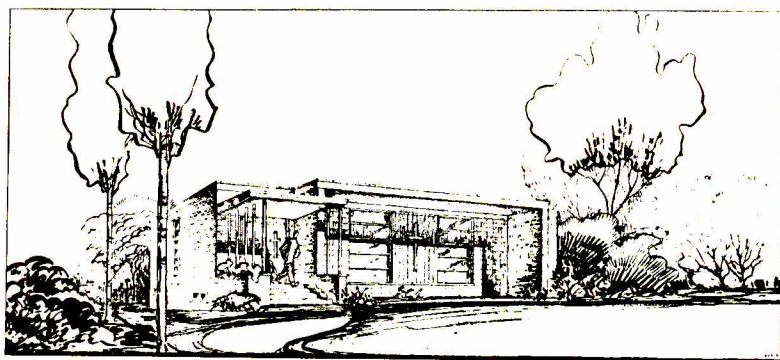
ice Training director. Rev. C. R. Lee is serving as our good pastor, and under his leadership we expect to go forward.—Earl Porter, Church Secretary.

Tilden, Illinois—We have recently closed a revival with Rev. O. F. Zachary as the evangelist. Brother Zachary is a splendid evangelist and preaches Spirit-filled messages. He made a number of contacts for the meeting, and the church was encouraged to press on to greater victories. Several young people were saved during the meeting. We appreciate the people, and believe God has a great future in store for this church.—John Barrick, Pastor.

Van Nuys, California—Recently God gave us a real outpouring of His Spirit in a revival with Doris McDowell as evangelist. Sister McDowell, though of not many years' experience as an evangelist, was certainly effectively used of God. Her messages on holiness were clear, convincing, and convicting. Many sought and found this glorious experience, not only at the church, but also in their homes. The spiritual tone of our church has definitely been lifted. This church, located in the heart of the great San Fernando Valley, with a membership of united, aggressive, enthusiastic, and spiritual people, anticipates a bright and glorious future.—Lyle K. Potter, Pastor.

North Jackson, Ohio—We are growing fast here at the Rosemont Church. We came here over two years ago with about 18 in Sunday school; now we have around 70 or more coming. Christmas Sunday we had 123 in Sunday school with an average of 90 for December. We have had some ground given to us and we expect to build this year. We had over 50 around the altar this last Sunday praying for God to move upon the people in this area. Our Caravan is climbing fast with around 70 members and about 50 attending at one time. God is blessing our people.—G. F. Underwood, Pastor.

First Church, Wilmington, Delaware



FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
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NEW ROAD AND WOODWARD AVENUE, ROSELLE, DELAWARE
DOLLAR AND BONNER, ARCHITECTS

The accompanying architect's sketch is that of the first unit of the newly opened Church of the Nazarene in Wilmington. On January 25 at 11:00 a.m. the final service was held in the old church building where the congregation had worshiped for over fifteen years, with Rev. C. Adrian Way, the pastor, in charge. At 3:00 p.m. the new church was officially opened. Dr. E. S. Mann, president of Eastern Nazarene College, brought a masterful address. Former pastors took part in the services, together with clergymen of the community. The building, as it now stands, is valued at over \$35,000.00; together with the parsonage adjacent, bought last February, brings the value of the local church property up to nearly \$50,000.00. The location of the new church is on a corner lot facing a dual highway and in a growing community of over 15,000 people. Plans are laid for a five-year expansion program with the ultimate aim that the main sanctuary will be connected on to the present unit, thereby giving a seating capacity of approximately 500. The present building is designed primarily as an educational unit. A commodious auditorium is available for

regular worship services, together with eight classrooms in the basement, and a large classroom off the main auditorium. The building is heated with a modern, oil-burning furnace and is fireproof throughout. The local church was organized in 1926 under the guidance of Rev. V. P.

Pershing, and in 1951 the Silver Jubilee anniversary was held, at which time impetus was given to the fulfillment of this undertaking. God is blessing the work and the future holds many opportunities for aggressive work for the Master in this needy field.—Reporter.

Uleta, Florida—Our church recently closed one of the best revivals ever witnessed. Rev. E. M. Gunter of South Carolina was the evangelist, and he preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister Cashion were the singers, and they were at their best. We thank God for His blessings.—R. P. Hennigan, Pastor.

High Point, North Carolina—God has again poured out of His Spirit on the people at First Church. The human instrumentality was Evangelist Miss Lottie Phillips and Miss Clarine Hall. Their work and faithfulness to the Word of God and the Holy Ghost was much appreciated by our people. Long before and all during the revival there was a mighty volume of prayer going up to God. In twelve of the services there was no preaching at all. Through a song, or the testimony of one of God's saints or a new convert, the Spirit of God would come upon us and the altar would fill with seekers. There were over 200 professions of regeneration or sanctification made. The influence of the meeting reached out to many churches. People who had been church members for many years prayed through to victory for the first time. Finances were so easy, and the debt of \$2,400.00 was paid off in cash and thirty-day pledges in a few minutes. Plans are now on foot to begin the second unit of our church plant. A nice class of members was received and more to follow.—C. C. Brown, Pastor.

N.Y.P.S. and the N.F.M.S. are doing fine. God has given us two very fine revivals, and the church is making progress spiritually. The services are marked with the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit, and a few times there has not been any preaching. We must make more room for our Sunday school, and are anticipating remodeling and redecorating the sanctuary. Above all things, we look forward to an ingathering of souls, and plan to fill the year with labors of love for God.—Robert E. Long, Pastor.

Plymouth, Indiana—This church was organized in 1936 by Rev. Dwight Steinger. Our interest began in February of 1937 just after a very beautiful location had been purchased and a parsonage started. With five members present we opened the books and, needless to say, our hearts were heavy when we faced the \$7,000.00 debt. Desiring to build a church, we purchased cement blocks by a cash offering and started on the basement unit. The following May our membership had increased. God had blessed in a wonderful way, and we had our first service in the new unit. Thousands of hours were donated, making it possible to erect a beautiful masonry church, and complete the parsonage for living. Our church property is an asset to the city; well located, with classrooms, pastor's study, and a balcony with seating capacity of 250, and a Hammond organ. We have made gains every year, in attendance and budgets. In 1936 we were the smallest church on the district; in 1952 we rated sixteenth in Sunday-school average. A conservative estimate for value would be \$60,000.00, with a first mortgage of \$11,000.00 covering all indebtedness. We are beginning our seventh year as pastor and we believe God has great blessings for us in the coming years.—Bernard Greene, Pastor.

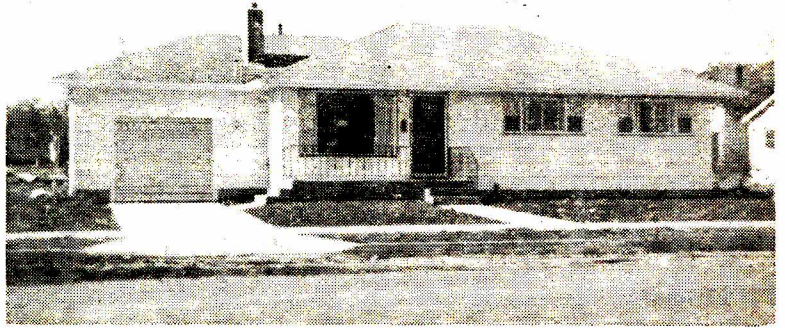
Moundsville, West Virginia—Coming here at the beginning of the assembly year, we found a very fine people whose congenial spirit has helped to make these months among the happy ones of our ministry. At Christmas time they presented us a beautiful set of Fostoria dinnerware. Last Sunday, they extended us a call for three years. These are but two of the many acts of kindness they have shown us. God has blessed in an unusual way. The Sunday school has shown marked advancement, until it is very likely an all-time high in yearly average may be set. Also, the

O'Donnell, Texas—We closed a good revival on January 11 with Rev. Jack Woolman as the evangelist. Then we had our youth revival, February 13 to 15. Rev. Marshal Sturit was the evangelist, and Mrs. Sturit did the singing. Brother Sturit is a Spirit-filled, God-called preacher. We are thanking the Lord that they came our way. We had seekers at the altar, some reclaimed, others saved, and one sanctified. All our people were helped by the wonderful messages and God's presence was felt in every service. Our pastor is Rev. L. M. Seay.—Mrs. E. L. Cooley, Reporter.

Fowler, Colorado—Recently we closed one of the best revivals this church has witnessed during the almost four years of my pastorate. Rev. R. L. Robins, wife, and son Lloyd were the special workers. Brother Robins preached under the anointing, and his messages found lodgment in needy hearts for both regeneration and purity. We are getting several splendid members as a result of this meeting. The singers also sang under the anointing of God, which added much to the spiritual upswing of the revival.—W. M. Roper, Pastor.

Trinity Church Parsonage, Albany, Oregon

This picture shows the parsonage of the Trinity Church. The church was organized January 27, 1952, and Evangelist E. D. Wolfe was called to take charge. We held our first service February 3, in the Bureau of Mines Recreational Building. During the twelve months of its organization, the congregation has purchased a church property and built this beautiful parsonage just a block and a half from the church. The parsonage was built for approximately \$12,000.00 and is valued at \$15,000.00. It has a beautiful kitchen with Youngstown cabinets, bath, three bedrooms, large living room with fireplace and dinette, large garage, and hardwood floors throughout. On October 4 we had open house in the afternoon with a dedication service in the evening conducted by our district superintendent, Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr. Trinity Church has a wonderful group of people, the majority of whom are young married couples. They are aggressive and believe in the whole program of the church. We have recently closed our



first revival with our pastor as evangelist and Mrs. Goldie Coonrod as song evangelist. God gave us a number of souls at the altar, and some have united with the church. We thank God for the new people who attend

our services from time to time. We have doubled our membership since last assembly and are striving for a 50 per cent gain in our Sunday school. —Mrs. Don Thompson, Church Secretary.

Rev. Hiram P. Huff reports: "Laboring with our Kansas City Lakeview Church has been a great joy; they are a wonderful group of fine Christians. God has enabled the church to receive 110 good members within the past four years, and for all purposes more than \$47,000.00 has been raised. Last year we gave \$700.00 for General Budget and specials, also bought a new parsonage worth \$10,000.00. The exterior of our building has been stuccoed and the basement has been completed. The Sunday-school attendance has increased wonderfully. I have resigned and am entering the field of evangelism. Address me % the Nazarene Publishing House."

both have trailers, will furnish our own entertainment, and will go wherever the Lord may lead. We begin our first revival at our church at Augusta, Kentucky, with Rev. Frank May and his fine people, March 31; and we go from there to Summit Church at Ashland, Kentucky, with Pastor Shivel and his fine folk. Write us at 519 Wood Street, Maysville, Kentucky."

Lord's Supper, (by the pastor's wife) was presented to a nine-year-old boy, who won a contest by bringing the most visitors to the revival—his total was sixty-five visitors. Brother Grimm preached plainly and forcefully to an eager crowd, and won souls for the Master. Mrs. Grimm thrilled and blessed many with her songs of Zion, also by her powerful preaching.—Robert Thomas, Pastor.

Linwood H. Henry, evangelistic singer, reports: "I am now enjoying a good season in New England. The Lord led me to my home district for the next six months and I'm more than glad to be back again. In September, I will be following God's datings in Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York, Maryland, etc., and will have dates open then if by chance the Lord should so lead. I have been fortunate; the Lord has led to some blessed churches these past two years, and I'm more than thankful for the receptions and the grace of God that I have found in each place I've been. I have grown in grace because of God's people, their love for me, their fellowship, and their spirit. I have found God's grace more precious because of His people, and my confidence toward my call as an evangelist is more strengthened today than it was at Eastern Nazarene College. I would thank God's people for their help and confidence towards me. My address is 97 Douglas Street, Uxbridge, Massachusetts."

Cadiz, Ohio—February 17, one year ago, the Church of the Nazarene was organized here. The anniversary was celebrated by a revival with Rev. and Mrs. George Grimm. Truly this has been a high light in the history of the church. The crowds were excellent, souls were saved, and believers sanctified wholly. The very first Sunday the record attendance was broken; then on the last Sunday it was broken again. That Sunday morning two new families were added to the church. In the evening an oil painting, the

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Evangelist Lum Jones writes that he will be closing a meeting at Rossville, Georgia, on April 26; then has an open date, April 28 to May 10. Write him at Ada, Oklahoma.

Saginaw, Michigan—Sheridan Avenue Church last month had a definite old-time revival. Evangelist T. H. Stanley was mightily used of God. The Holy Spirit was poured out upon the people so that deep conviction gripped many hearts. This meeting

was characterized by that which has always marked true revivals—deep, thorough conviction, sincere repentance, complete restitution. New converts found God, backsliders were reclaimed, the unsanctified prayed through to glorious victory, and misunderstandings of years were cleared up. Thank God for Evangelist T. H. Stanley. He is a godly man, ministering not only through preaching but through much fasting and prayer. He is a true example of what God can

do in our day through one man who will by holy means pay the price of revival. Morning meetings for Bible study and prayer were held. An old-time love feast was shared the second Sunday afternoon. There were fifteen preaching services. Financially, too, there was revival. This was the first meeting of years to care fully for the expenses, while the evangelist's offering was the largest given to an evangelist during the present pastorate.—Charles Crismier, Jr., Pastor.

Sunday-School Attendance Report

	1952	February	Percentage
Northern California	13,111	13,992	107%
Western Ohio	12,274	11,773	96
Central Ohio	10,838	10,672	98
Southern California	8,699	9,197	106
Akron	9,401	9,097	97
Northeastern Indiana	8,550	8,596	101
Kansas City	7,513	8,230	110
Kansas	7,250	7,566	104
Michigan	7,605	7,211	95
Missouri	6,934	6,803	98
Alabama	6,346	6,739	106
Oregon Pacific	6,236	6,710	108
Colorado	5,803	6,276	108
Northwest	5,856	6,234	106
Florida	5,825	6,190	106
Southwest Oklahoma	5,857	5,943	101
Northwest	5,749	5,780	101
Abilene	5,271	5,752	109
Idaho-Oregon	5,463	5,743	105
New England	5,932	5,700	96
Iowa	5,590	5,648	101
Chicago Central	4,837	4,855	100
Dallas	4,744	4,830	102
Kentucky	4,609	4,578	99
Canada West	4,237	4,460	105
Georgia	4,543	4,314	95
Louisiana	4,154	4,262	103
South Carolina	4,185	4,249	102
Southeast Oklahoma	4,009	4,059	101
Northeast Oklahoma	3,740	3,796	101
North Arkansas	3,607	3,771	105
South Arkansas	3,312	3,397	103
North Carolina	3,422	3,372	99
Arizona	2,966	3,233	109
New Mexico	2,870	3,106	108
Albany	2,863	2,818	98
Nebraska	2,617	2,802	107
Rocky Mountain	2,348	2,252	96
Canada Central	1,862	2,053	110
Wisconsin	2,056	1,989	97
New York	1,741	1,763	101
North Dakota	1,579	1,504	95
Maritime	776	777	100
South Dakota	716	749	105
Nevada-Utah	709	717	101
Alaska	301	430	143
Total average attendance of districts reporting			233,978
1952 average attendance of districts not reporting			108,146
Gain of			5,072

Districts not reporting: Eastern Kentucky, Eastern Michigan, East Tennessee, Hawaii, Houston, Illinois, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Minnesota, Mississippi, Northwestern Illinois, Northwest Indiana, Pittsburgh, San Antonio, Southwest Indiana, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington Pacific, Washington-Philadelphia, West Virginia, Australia, British Isles.

ERWIN G. BENSON, *Field Secretary*
Department of Church Schools

Minnesota District Preachers' Convention

The Annual Preachers' Convention of the Minnesota District convened February 18 to 20 in the church at Osseo, Minnesota. The careful planning of Rev. Ed. Johnson, the host pastor, and the cordial friendship of his wonderful people, made it a time of gracious fellowship.

General Superintendent Hardy C. Powers was the special speaker. His spirit, counsel, and ministry were encouraging, enlightening, and inspiring.

Other speakers included Dr. John E. Riley, president of Northwest Nazarene College; Rev. J. M. Anderson, chairman of district church schools; and Rev. Arthur C. Morgan, our district superintendent. Papers were presented by Rev. S. Frank Moss, Rev. Owen Burke, Rev. H. V. Hughes, Rev. Geren C. Roberts, and Rev. Ben Le-master. The program also included round-table discussions led by our district superintendent, with five pastors participating in each of the discussions. Each paper and discussion was timely and designed to meet some recognized need. Nearly all of the pastors of the district were present with their wives, and a number of laymen attended the evening services.

Rev. Arthur C. Morgan and the district department leaders urged a spring and summer offensive against sin, Satan, and indifference. They challenged us to an all-out effort through the "Crusade for Souls Now" to promote the kingdom of God and the Church of the Nazarene in Minnesota.

S. F. Moss, *Reporter*

Greater Oklahoma City Holiness Rally

The fifth annual greater Oklahoma City Nazarene Holiness Rally was a success in every way. Numerically, financially, and spiritually, God was with us. Over two hundred and twenty preachers were present in the services that started January 28 and concluded Monday night, February 2. Dr. Russell V. DeLong preached six successive nights in the large Municipal Auditorium. The crowds grew each evening and approximately five hundred seekers came forward for prayer during the evening services. Dr. Samuel Young and Rev. Howard Sweeten were the preachers for the day services held at First Church. Dr. Young gave us messages that were fresh and blessed of the Holy Spirit. Rev. Howard Sweeten in his unique way gave proof that he believes in second-blessing holiness.

Their ministry was a blessing to both ministers and laymen.

The closing Sunday night there were approximately forty-five hundred people present in the auditorium, with over four thousand on Monday night for a great "Echo" service. A great 300-voice chorus choir was directed by Rev. H. H. Spencer, chairman of the music committee. It was a thrill to see the great neon letters atop the Municipal Auditorium stating to Oklahoma City that the Nazarenes were in business for God and holiness. "Nazarene Holiness Rally" was seen from all over the city in a great sign on top of this auditorium. Rev. E. S. Phillips presided over the sessions and was used of God in making plans and seeing that the convention was adequately financed.

The twenty Nazarene churches of greater Oklahoma City, from four districts in Oklahoma, co-operated in this unified effort; \$4,500.00 was raised to finance this campaign that was advertised widely throughout the state. Thirteen services were held with a great rally Sunday afternoon, February 1, in Bethany First Church with Dr. Samuel Young preaching. Bethany-Peniel College co-operated in a very fine way in this unified program. Our thanks to all the pastors, district superintendents, and laymen who made this great annual affair an even greater success this year than in the past.

Dr. R. V. DeLong was at his best, handling the great crowds, instructing the personal workers, and laying plans for the great city-wide campaign. His messages each night were anointed of the Holy Spirit and used of God to bring hundreds of hungry hearts into salvation and entire sanctification.

R. T. WILLIAMS, JR., Reporter

Australian District Assembly

The Lord walked among us at our Sixth Australian District Assembly, convened in Melbourne, in the State of Victoria, February 2 to 8.

From the beginning to the end the Holy Spirit was manifestly present, wonderfully blessing Dr. G. B. Williamson's gifted leadership and rich ministry. We not only saw the Lord, but as never before this young church heard His voice, and in a beautiful unity of purpose pledged itself to follow His call to an all-out effort in the new assembly year.

The feeling is unanimous that the Australian church's greatest achievement in the last year is that of consolidation. There is the distinct sense of having arrived at the point where greater progress can be expected.

Membership in all departments is on the increase, the church building program is progressing well, and the immediate future is bright with prospects.

Our beloved district superintendent, Rev. A. A. E. Berg, received an overwhelming vote for re-election, and a generous love offering to mark the affection of the district.

Attendance and seekers at the assembly meetings were the highest on record. Dr. Richard S. Taylor assist-

ed in evangelistic meetings, and was greatly used of God as a special speaker at our first "Showers of Blessing" rally held in Australia.

Few of us have ever seen and none will ever forget the glory of the Lord which fell on "the last great day of the feast." An impressive ordination service was conducted by Dr. Williamson when Stanley G. Simmons and Charles A. Garratt were ordained to elder's orders. This was followed in the evening by the most victorious altar service ever witnessed in an Australian assembly. Many were saved and sanctified and three were taken into membership of the host church in Melbourne, after a soul-stirring message from our general superintendent.

We closed the Assembly with humble thanks to our wonderful Lord, not only rejoicing in the greatest as-

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ERLE SPRATT, Reporter

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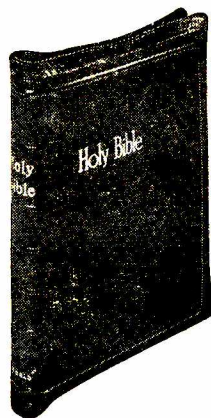
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Virginia District Preachers' Meeting

The Virginia District preachers assembled at Arlington Glebe Road Church, Arlington, February 10 to 12. Rev. Fred W. Gibson was the host pastor and Rev. V. W. Littrell, our good district superintendent, presided. The convention speaker was Dr. T. W. Willingham.

The sessions opened with a note of victory on Tuesday afternoon, and throughout the entire session God's presence was real as Dr. Willingham brought us refreshing and "spicy" addresses.

Our hearts were melted and molded together as Dr. Willingham reviewed for us portraits of the busy life of Jesus and how He gave much time to prayer. Among the papers presented was an outstanding challenge by Rev. E. G. Lusk of Arlington First Church, exhorting us to emphasize the Bible in our churches.

All except three pastors were able to attend the meeting. A beautiful spirit of unity exists as our district superintendent, Brother Littrell, leads us on with his loyal, sacrificial spirit.

ALLEN RICHARDSON, *Secretary*

Pasadena College

General Superintendent Samuel Young recently concluded the Nease Lectures at Pasadena College, Pasadena, California, speaking on "The Contribution of John Wesley to Protestant Theology."

The Nease Lecture series was founded by Dr. Orval J. Nease in honor of his father, Rev. William O. Nease. Since Dr. Nease's home-going, it has been carried on by members of the family in the memory of both distinguished father and son.

Dr. Young's breadth of scholarship, keenness of insight, and penetrating humor were appreciated by the student body and faculty, and a large number of visitors attending the lectures.

During the week, Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, foreign missions secretary, visited the chapel service; and Professor Cecil W. Miller, sponsor of the college missionary band, presented him with a check for \$1,350.00 raised by the students for a chapel in Japan. This represents a portion of the \$3,300.00 missionary band project for the school year.

W. T. PURKISER, *President*

DEATHS

MRS. CHARLOTTE GRACE MIZE, aged sixty-five, was born August 3, 1887, in Bunker Hill, Illinois, and died January 23, 1953, at a hospital in Wichita, Kansas. She was the widow of Rev. Alfred C. Mize, who died in 1948. She, with her husband, pastored the following churches on the Kansas District: Howard, Lafontaine, and Caney, where Brother Mize built the church. The Mizes went to the Colorado District in 1925 and served as pastors at Brush, Fort Morgan, Palisade, and South East Gary, Colorado. They then moved to the Idaho-Oregon District and did home-mission work in Oregon until their health failed and they were forced to retire from the active ministry. Mrs. Mize is survived by three stepsons, Alvie, Lloyd, and LeRoy, and three sisters. At the time of her death she was a member of the West Side Church of the Nazarene at Wichita, Kansas. She was a faithful member and attended the services regularly until only a few days before her death. She was loved by all who knew her and her life was given in devotion and sacrificial service to the work of the Lord. Funeral services were in charge of Rev. Harold Jones, pastor of the West Side Church in Wichita, assisted by Harold McKellips, Sr. Burial was in Highland Cemetery at Wichita, Kansas.

MRS. MARY MARTIN died on December 20, 1952, at a hospital in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, having been a patient there some thirteen weeks. Sister Martin, who was in her sixties, will be long remembered for her sweet smile, patience, and consecrated life and faithful membership in the West Main Street Church of the Nazarene of Ft. Wayne. It was said of her funeral that it was more of a camp meeting than a funeral. Sister Martin leaves a glowing testimony, and was faithful to testify to the doctors and nurses during her illness. Although she surely will be missed by her husband and all who were privileged to know her, yet we rejoice in her glorious and triumphant home-going.

MRS. ELIZA JANE MURRISH, known to many in Northern California as "Mother" Murrish, was born in Devonshire, England, on January 11, 1863. She died on February 7, 1953, in San Francisco, California, having passed her ninetyeth birthday. She was the widow of Rev. Thomas Murrish, one of the pioneer Nazarene pastors in Northern California. They joined the church in 1907, when there were but four churches on the district. She was a deaconess for thirty-eight years, and was quite active in this work until she was eighty years of age. She lived a full life of complete service to God and the church; and even when she was unable to visit the sick and comfort the sorrowing, her influence reached out to an ever-widening circle of friends. She is survived by three children. Rev. and Mrs. Murrish had pastored San Francisco First Church in its early days, and she continued to have a vital interest in the progress of the church. The funeral service was in charge of the pastor, Rev. Wilson R. Lanpher, assisted by Rev. John Howarth. Interment was in Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

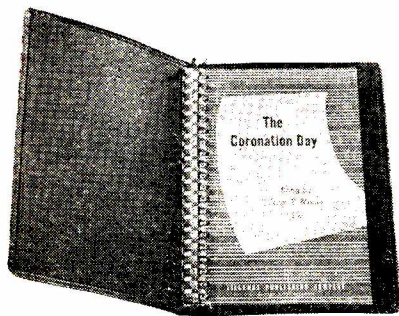
ISAAC GILLAM MCKINLEY was born October 4, 1882, and died November 9, 1952. Brother McKinley, fondly spoken of as "Gillam," was a faithful and useful lay member of the Church of the Nazarene, Mountair, New Mexico. He was a good man and had a radiant spirit.

JAMES ASA GATLIN was born in Pulaski County, Tennessee, on January 28, 1865, and died in January of '53 at the age of eighty-eight. He was married to Miss Lenora Barton on December 10, 1897, in Mena, Arkansas; to this union were born nine children. Mrs. Gatlin preceded him in death in 1931, after which he moved to Snyder, Texas, in 1932, which has been his home since that time. In later years Brother Gatlin united with the Church of the Nazarene, of which he was a member until the time of his death. He is survived by seven children, one sister, and a host of friends. Brother Gatlin was a lover of God and a lover of His Word. He leaves behind him a fine Christian character and a fine family of children. He is the father of Rev. J. B. Gatlin, pastor of one of our Nazarene churches in Prescott, Arizona.

SAMUEL G. WYNIA was born February 2, 1890, at Platte, South Dakota, and died December 2, 1952, at Caldwell, Idaho. He grew to manhood at Platte, and there married Ralphina Koster. He was converted in a revival meeting in their home community and soon afterward the Platte Church of the Nazarene was organized in their home. In 1933 they moved to Idaho. He was a faithful member of the Caldwell Church of the Nazarene and gave liberally to God's cause, and was especially interested in foreign missions. His passing was a shock to the church, for less than twenty-four hours before his passing he attended the church board

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meeting, of which he was one of the loyal trustees. He was preceded in death by his faithful wife by less than a year. He is survived by four sons and two daughters. Funeral services were conducted in the Caldwell Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Carl J. Kintzer officiating, and interment was in Cloverdale near Boise, Idaho.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. Lawrence Walker, our splendid pastor of South Euclid Church, Cleveland, Ohio, will enter the evangelistic field after our assembly, which closes May 3. Brother Walker is an elder on our district, a successful pastor, and formerly an evangelist in our church. He has accomplished commendable work in both fields of labor, and it is a joy to recommend him to our people. He is now ready to accept dates; address him, 4477 Rushton Road, South Euclid 21, Ohio.—O. L. Benedum, Superintendent of Akron District.

Dr. A. L. Parrott, a man well known among us, is available for revivals and holiness conventions in churches and camps. He has given proof of his ability and love for God and holiness by the excellent manner in which he has been used of God in every place of responsibility. It gives me pleasure to recommend him to any church or district needing his services, for he is safe, sane, and spiritual. Address him at our publishing house.—Paul H. Garrett, Superintendent of Dallas District.

This is to recommend James E. Crider, 5509 Randolph St., Indianapolis, Indiana; he is a commissioned song evangelist on our district. He has only recently returned from service in the U.S. Army, and is re-entering the field as Nazarene song evangelist.—J. W. Short, Superintendent of Indianapolis District.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Ruth Kriebe of Sylvia, Kansas, and Mr. Clifford Beals of Sioux City, Iowa, were united in marriage on February 21, in the Pleasant Hill Church of the Nazarene, Sylvia, with Rev. Orville Hess officiating, assisted by Rev. Noble Hunt.

Miss Barbara Galley of Highland Park and Mr. Raymond Cook of Glendale, California, were united in marriage on February 21, at the Bresee Avenue chapel in Pasadena, with Rev. Lester Cook, brother of the groom, officiating.

Marlene Rose Floyd and Roy M. Gustafson were united in marriage on February 14, in Bresee Avenue Church of the Nazarene, Pasadena, California, with Rev. LaVerne Gustafson, brother of the groom, officiating.

Miss Phyllis Elaine Neiderhiser of Washington, and Rev. Joseph D. Biscoe of Paxtonia, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, were united in marriage on February 14, in First Church of the Nazarene, Washington, Pennsylvania, with Rev. Clarence Neiderhiser, father of the bride, officiating, assisted by Rev. Ernest E. Grosse, district superintendent.

Miss Irma Jeanne Cavaness of Chadron, Nebraska, and Rev. Ivan A. Beals of Missouri Valley, Iowa, were united in marriage on February 14, at the Chadron Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Ralph Myers, pastor, officiating.

Miss Betty Bailey and Mr. Cavitt Hollis of Ellisville, Illinois, were united in marriage on February 12, in the Ellisville Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Willard Hollis, father of the groom, officiating.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. A. George Pitzer of Spencer, West Virginia, a son, Paul Michael, on February 28.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Carden of Poteau, Oklahoma, a son, Charles Adams, on February 28.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Goddard of Atlanta, Georgia, a son, Danny Eugene, on February 26.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Hartley Postlethwaite of San Francisco, California, a daughter, Sharon Rose, on February 20.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Kehr of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, James Roy, on February 6.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Rolly Foster of Emporia, Kansas, a daughter, Janice Lynn, on February 1.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Dillon of Burr Oak, Kansas, a son, Sheldon Jay, on January 13.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a serviceman in Korea, "that God might once again come into my life";

—by a brother in Michigan, that "I may get a good Christian place to board, with Christian companions," and that "I may get spiritual help" as the result of a real revival in this place;

—by a friend in Maryland for another man—"almost dead . . . has led a terrible life";

—by a lady in Atabama for the church in that place, also for her "lost children," that God may help in working out their problems; also for the healing of a Christian friend who is facing an operation;

—by a Christian lady in Pennsylvania for a physical need—it is a serious affliction but she believes God is able;

—by a Christian lady in Oregon for the salvation of her husband, that he may find employment, for unsaved children, and that God's will may be worked out in their lives.

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Assembly Schedule

San Antonio	May 6-7
Northern California	May 13-15
Oregon Pacific	May 20-22
Los Angeles	May 26-28
Southern California	June 3-5
North American Indian	June 10
New England	June 24-26
New York	July 3-4
Maritime	July 15-17
Pittsburgh	July 22-24
Northwest Oklahoma	July 29-31
Illinois	August 5-7
Indianapolis	August 26-28
Kansas City	September 9-11
Southwest Oklahoma	September 16-18

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Assembly Schedule

Akron	April 30—May 3
Albany	May 7-8
Canada Central	May 13-14
Washington-Philadelphia	May 20-22
Arizona	May 28-29
New Mexico	June 3-4
Colorado	July 8-9
Central Ohio	July 14-17
Eastern Kentucky	July 29-30
West Tennessee	August 5-7
Wisconsin	August 13-14
Tennessee	August 26-28
Louisiana	September 2-3
Georgia	Sept. 30—October 1

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Assembly Schedule

Abilene	May 13-15
Florida	May 20-22
Nevada-Utah	June 10-11
Rocky Mountain	June 17-19
North Dakota	June 24-25
Canada West	July 8-10
Eastern Michigan	July 22-24
Western Ohio	July 29-31
Missouri	August 5-7
Northwest Indiana	August 12-14
Chicago Central	August 19-20
Mississippi	September 2-3
Southeast Oklahoma	September 23-24

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Assembly Schedule

British Isles	May 21-25
South Dakota	July 1-2
Northeastern Indiana	July 8-10
Michigan	July 15-16
Southwest Indiana	July 29-31
Kentucky	August 5-7
Virginia	August 12-13
Northwestern Illinois	August 19-20
Houston	August 26-28
South Arkansas	September 9-10
North Arkansas	September 16-17

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Assembly Schedule

Texas-Mexican	April 16-17
Southwest Mexican	April 20-22
Northwest	May 6-8
Idaho-Oregon	May 13-15
Washington Pacific	May 20-21
Nebraska	May 27-28
West Virginia	July 3-4
Alabama	July 8-10
Minnesota	July 22-23
Kansas	August 5-7
Iowa	August 12-14
Dallas	August 19-21
Northeast Oklahoma	September 16-17
North Carolina	September 23-24
South Carolina	Sept. 30—Oct. 1



SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

CHAPLAIN Herbert Van Vorce writes from Germany: "Even though our attendance has been small during the month due to the inactivation of the squadron, a fine and blessed spirit has prevailed in all our services. God gave us two wonderful services on Christmas and New Year's Eve. We had a goodly number present and at midnight we conducted a candlelight communion service. It was a very gracious service of heart searching and heart warming, and of dedicating ourselves anew and afresh for a new year of service to our dear Lord.

"We received a phone call from Heidelberg, Germany, from Miss Violet Balwit, who is a Nazarene school-teacher there. She had seen my name and address in the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*, so she called to tell me that she is planning on starting a Youth for Christ movement among some of the young Christians there. As soon as we get settled in our new assignment we are planning on having the group come for some special services."

"Greetings from Alaska. God has been blessing our services from time to time. We have a Tuesday morning prayer meeting. Of course it isn't easy all the time for us to get to the places where we meet; but somehow with God's help there is always a way.

"This morning our pastor, Brother Korody, left for Kansas City. We had twelve in our prayer group and as the plane was supposed to leave the ground at ten-thirty we went to our knees in prayer, praying God would give them a safe trip, and that God would be in the General Assembly.

"We have the most wonderful group of Christian young people; but what blesses our hearts is the young servicemen living for Jesus. Thank God for young men and women who will take a stand for God no matter what their friends say. God has really blessed our services every Sunday night. Souls are finding help at our altar."—WILLIAM E. ROACH.

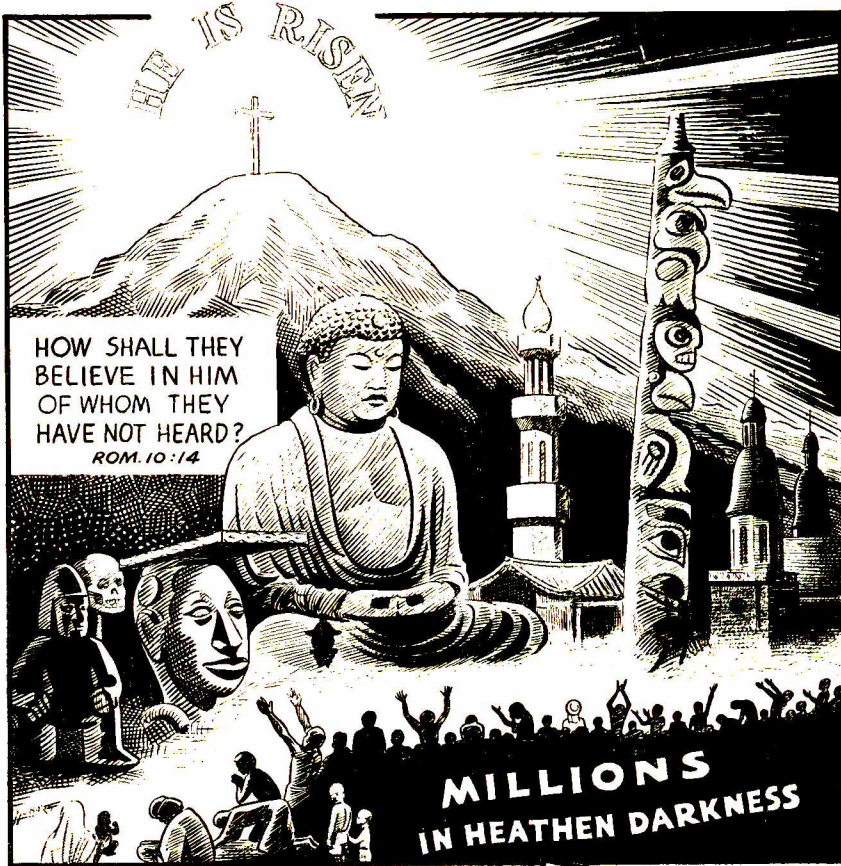
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