

EDITORIALS

By W. T. PURKISER

National Sunday School Week

National Sunday School Week, or Christian Education Week, as it is also called, is observed throughout the denominations from September 24 to October 1. Part of this issue of the *Herald* is therefore devoted to emphasis on the work of our church schools. Dr. Albert F. Harper, executive editor of the Department of Church Schools, has prepared the guest editorial and gathered the other church schools material.

Guest Editorial

Why Bother?

By A. F. Harper Executive Editor, Department of Church Schools

A young man was studying for the ministry. He found himself in a required course on Sunday school work. When given an opportunity to indicate areas of his interest he asked, "Why do we have to bother with Christian education?"

That is a fair question. It calls for a straightforward answer.

Christian education is largely the church's specific investment of time in her *children* and *youth*. When 86 per cent of our converts are under

twenty-one years of age and 70 per cent of them are under fifteen years, shall we ask, Is Christian education worthwhile? A successful pastor and member of the General Board once commented, "I sometimes wonder *if anything else is important.*"

Christian education is the *teaching* ministry of the church. It is the effort to help our people, young and old, to understand the faith—to ask their questions, to voice their concerns, to search for satisfying and stabilizing answers. Always our best decisions are made on the basis of adequate knowledge, and knowledge is the teacher's tool. Jesus considered it important. Ninety times in the Gospels persons addressed Him directly; sixty of those times they called Him *Teacher*.

For personal growth in Christian grace there is no more important factor than serving others unselfishly for the furtherance of the gospel. Without some form of Christian service, newborn Christians grow anemic and die. It is the church's various programs of Christian education that provide most of the places of service for our lay men and women. This indirect benefit to the teacher would itself justify much of our Christian education. A young married woman, who with her husband served as a sponsor of the church's teenage group, testified, "It's been the most wonderful thing that has happened to us in a long, long time."

In the Church of the Nazarene all of our programs of Christian education are planned to help reach new people. Dr. Hardy C. Powers has said of his days in the pastorate, "I found that most of the folks who were won to God in our revival meetings were those whom we had won to our Sunday school before the revival began."

We believe that a normally growing congregation should have a Sunday school enrollment that is double the membership of the church. In this kind of Sunday school one-half of the enrollment are potential church members—small children who are not yet old enough for church membership, friendly Christian people who are seeking a church home but who are as yet undecided, interested but unconverted young people and adults whom we are seeking to win to Christ. No agencies other than her programs of Christian education offer the church such fruitful opportunities to reach out and gather in new people.

We often overlook it, but it is important. The church's programs of Christian education provide

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The Cover . . .

The mission of the Church is expressed in the New Testament in two great words. One

of them means "proclamation," the heralding forth of the good tidings of salvation to a lost world. The other means "teaching," the explanation of what the good tidings means in everyday life in every generation. And embedded in God's ancient law is the command, "Thou shalt teach them diligently . . ." (Deuteronomy 6:7). It is to this task the church school worker sets himself, whether it be with children in the Primary Department or young people and adults: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Matthew 28:20).

ROAD SIGNS FOR SINNERS



THE PSALMIST said, "God is my refuge," and in speaking thus he no doubt referred to the cities of refuge established by Moses for the protection of the law violator who could flee to such a city and find protection until a fair hearing of his case could be conducted.

There were six such cities, three to the west of Jordan and three to the east, in order to make them available to everyone. Instructions were given that the roadways leading to these cities should be kept clear at all times and at any crossroads a sign should be posted with the word "asylum" on it, directing the fugitive to the city of refuge.

Every effort was made to put restraint on the passions of anger and revenge until a just and equitable disposition could be made of the case involved. If the culprit could reach the city of refuge, he would find mercy.

Likewise today the convicted sin-

ner fleeing from the wrath to come, about to be destroyed here and hereafter by his sins, should flee at once to God through Christ, where he will find mercy and abundant pardon; for God is our Refuge also, and Jesus is a Rock in a weary land and a Shelter in the time of storm. The Church must always be found at life's crossroads pointing the way unmistakably to the spiritually needy of every generation, directing them to Jesus Christ, who taketh away the sins of the world. The way must be kept clear of any impediment of any kind, philosophical or otherwise, that would hinder men from reaching a loving Saviour, who is our only Hope and Salvation.

*General
Superintendent
Powers*



Dr. Orville W. Jenkins, pastor of Kansas City First Church, was elected on the second ballot with a splendid vote of confidence as the new superintendent of the Kansas City District, at the assembly, August 30, at the district campgrounds, near Kansas City. Dr. Jarrette Aycock retired from the superintendency after serving for nineteen years.

Rev. Irwin Harris has resigned as pastor of the church in Clinton, Ohio, to accept a call to pastor First Church in Ravenna, Ohio.

Evangelist Gene W. Cochran sends word, "District Superintendent C. D. Taylor organized another church for Akron District, August 27, with eighteen members, at Stow, Ohio."

Rev. Wendell Williams, assistant in the Nazarene Information Service office for the last two years, has accepted a call to pastor First Church in Concord, North Carolina. He completed his training at the Nazarene Theological Seminary last May. Rev. Jackson Phillips of Chattanooga, Tennessee, a graduate of Trevecca Nazarene College, who entered the Nazarene Theological Seminary this fall, is the new assistant in N.I.S.

Evangelist Martin Stepp, Jr., writes that he has left the field to accept the pastorate of the church in Summersville, Kentucky.

JOY in the Morning

ONE of the chief characteristics of the Christian is joy. A portion of Psalms 30 reads, "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning" (v. 5). This is that same "joy unspeakable and full of glory" spoken of in I Peter 1:8, and is the indescribable something down in the soul that enables the child of God to sing when all about him is chaos. In times of greatest trouble I have found wonderful comfort in the words of long-familiar hymns.

Nazarenes have long been noted as a singing people, and the joyousness of their singing drew me as a child first starting to the Church of the Nazarene. Right away I wanted to know what made them look so happy. As a girl of thirteen, I found the answer when God wondrously saved me, at First Church

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in Bennettsville, South Carolina. The unspeakable joy that bubbled over in my soul that night is still flowing today, praise His name!

In the depths of his backsliding David cried out from a repentant soul that the Lord might restore the joy of salvation to him (Psalms 51:12). Salvation without this joy would be a hollow emptiness indeed. Of course the Christian is not always hilarious, for God's children are not exempt from the sorrows and cares of this life. The difference lies within, for the Christian's anchor holds fast in the Rock, Christ Jesus. Though storms and strife may buffet the ship of our lives, with His hand upon the wheel we will weather the gale; and with Him we shall make the harbor.

We are living in perilous times and, just as was foretold in the Scriptures, men's hearts are failing them for fear. A noted psychologist has stated that fear is the common denominator of the people of our age. It is a time of great challenge for the Church, especially our beloved Church of the Nazarene. We

have the answer to all men's needs; and, oh, that we may be so full of the Holy Spirit that they may be drawn to Christ through us!

Someone has said, "The darkest hour is just before the dawn." If this be so, child of God, take courage, and look up, for that morning of all mornings is not far off. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."—*MARGARET PALMORE, Junior High Teacher, Richmond Southside Church, Virginia.*

TRY PRAYER!

By JANE GREELEY

*Trust God more, and worry less;
'Tis the way of righteousness—*

Try prayer.

*Let Him take your hand and guide;
He is ever at your side.*

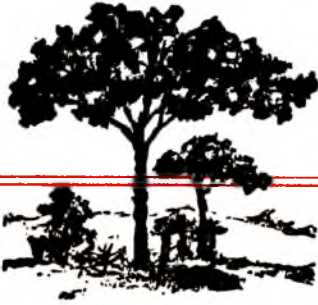
Try prayer.

*Know that God alone is power,
And He's watching every hour;
He never fails—*

Try prayer!

The Tragedy of the

"DESERT EXPERIENCE"



By ISMAEL E. AMAYA

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THE BIBLE is full of figures which typify the Christian life. This is particularly true of the Old Testament. One of the most beautiful is the one which presents the different periods in the history of the people of Israel as the different phases of the Christian life.

The bondage of the Israelites in Egypt represents the bondage of the human being under the despotism of the devil and the world before he comes to Christ for the pardon of his sins. The liberation of the people of Israel under the leadership of the patriarch Moses and the crossing of the Red sea symbolize the experience of conversion, and the crossing of the Jordan River and the entrance to Canaan the experience of entire sanctification.

The period in the desert is one of the most meaningful in the history of Israel. God had taken the Israelites out of Egypt in order to bring them "unto a land flowing with milk and honey" (Exodus 3:8). But the trip between Egypt and Canaan, which could have been made in three short months, took the people of Israel forty long years of suffering and want in the desert. This tragedy in the desert was due to their disobedience and unbelief (Hebrews 3:19).

On different occasions the people had revolted against Moses, accusing him of having led them out of Egypt to die in the desert. Very often they reminded him of the food they used to eat in Egypt: "We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick: but now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes" (Numbers 11:5-6).

Anyone hearing these words and not knowing the circumstances would have thought they were right: it was not very profitable to exchange Egypt for the desert. If God had taken them out of Egypt to leave them wandering in the desert without water and food, they would have been justified in saying God had not done the right thing. But the truth is that God had not brought the people of Israel out of Egypt to leave them wan-

dering in the desert. He had brought them out of a land of bondage to lead them "unto a land flowing with milk and honey"—a land of abundance and freedom. The reason they were in the desert was their disobedience and unbelief (Numbers 14:21-23).

The same tragedy of the "desert experience" occurs with many Christians. They have crossed the "Red Sea" of the conversion; they have left behind "Egypt" and "Pharaoh"—the world and the devil—but instead of going forward "unto perfection," they are living a wandering life in the desert of the unsanctified life. Instead of pressing forward into the "promised land" of the experience of entire sanctification—the experience of an abundant Christian life—they are satisfied with living in a spiritual desert, surrounded by problems, spiritual struggles, disappointments, and many times feeling a strong desire to go back to "Egypt" looking for their former "fish," the "cucumbers, . . . melons, . . . leeks, . . . onions, and the garlick," which in this case represent the pleasures, vices, and all the worldly things which the devil has invented to attract men.

If God's plan for man's redemption were only to take man away from the bondage of sin to abandon him to the mercy of his own carnal nature, in the midst of a "desert" of partial victory and frequent defeat, one would be right in saying that God's plan for man's redemption is imperfect, and that Christ's death on Calvary had been pretty much in vain. But we all know that this is not God's plan. Jesus said: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it *more abundantly*" (John 10:10).

One interesting thing in the history of Israel is to be found when Moses sent the twelve spies to search out the promised land and to bring back a report about its cities, inhabitants, and vegetation (Numbers 13). When they came back with their report, all agreed that Canaan was a wonderful land, and "surely it floweth with milk and honey" (Numbers 13:27); they even brought a token of the fruit they found in it. But when the

time came to go into the land, ten out of the twelve said: "The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth of the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of great stature. And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight" (Numbers 13:32-33).

And the same thing happens in the Christian life of many believers. They agree in that a life of holiness is a beautiful and blessed life, but . . . when we talk about "crossing the Jordan" in order to possess it, the "giants" of doubt, unbelief, lack of faith, etc., scare them off and they do not possess it.

God does not want us to live the rest of our life in a "desert experience." He has prepared a "promised land" for all those who are willing to go across the Jordan of humiliation, complete consecration, and total surrender to God's will—the experience of entire sanctification. Brother, press on forward and possess it. It's all yours!

"¡Viva el Nazareno!"

By MILTON HARRINGTON

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THE ERECTION of a tract box on the outside of our church building was claiming my attention to such an extent that the traffic, both sidewalk and street, was going by unnoticed.

Suddenly I heard a voice call out, "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" and looked up to see a small panel truck disappearing down the street and a bronze arm extended in the familiar sign that goes along with such exclamations. The man, a stranger, had seen the seven-foot neon sign on the building which tells everyone this is the Church of the Nazarene, and his response was, "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" In a nation where "*¡Viva el . . . [many things]!*" is heard, it is refreshing to listen as someone cries out, "Long live the Nazarene!"

Normally, the cry of "*Viva*" comes from the emotionally moved revolutionaries and counter-revolutionaries throughout the Latin-American nations. They are inspired by some zealous, and, at times, fanatical leader who has moved into their emotions with his stirring oratory. They may not understand his cause, but the cry of "*Viva*" has entranced them until they too have joined the mob. In reality, this is a battle cry.

When we analyze our position as Nazarenes, we may well be classified as revolutionaries or counter-revolutionaries in the spiritual area of life. We

are either aggressively trying to overthrow the kingdom of Satan and erect the Blood-stained banner on the very spot; or we are on the defensive, countering the attack led by the dictator from hell. Our thrilling battle cry is, "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" and as its echo, "*¡Viva la Entera Santificación!*"

The Church of the Nazarene has been a revolutionary force during its history, aggressively moving into Satan's territory and claiming it for King Jesus. However, there have been instances when she has had to become counterrevolutionary and just try to hold her own. Our banner is designed to be aggressive—not static. When we fail to be aggressive, our banner soon fails to fly in the heavenly breezes and droops to sad dejection.

John the Revelator projects our attention into the eternal future with his vivid pictures and descriptions. In chapter five he tells of a congregation of "ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, but unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever" (vv. 11-13). With purified hearts and glorified bodies the victory cry is ringing into every section of heaven in harmony never before heard.

Not only in this particular spot, but in nearly every chapter, John tells of someone singing or shouting "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" Once they said, "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" but now the entire redeemed world will be united in extolling that beautiful name. How wonderful that our founding fathers, under the guidance of the Nazarene, chose to call themselves the Church of the Nazarene! Are we sounding forth for all of the kingdom of hell to hear, "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*"?

Our hearts are challenged and thrilled as in retrospect we stand with Peter and the other apostles before the honorable gathering called by the high priest and hear them say even in the face of possible death, "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" For this is really what was implied when they said, "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). "For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20).

In countries where the Catholic religion is predominant, the name Nazarene strikes a responsive chord in the heart of the Catholic layman. "*¡Viva el Nazareno!*" is a familiar phrase; in one instance, "*Jesús el Nazareno,*" was printed in beautiful letters on the back of a taxicab. He knows of the Nazarene and his heart is hungry to know the Nazarene. The doors of opportunity are wide open for the *Iglesia del Nazareno*.

NEEDED: An All-out Thrust for God!

By W. J. YOUNG, JR., Pastor, Grace Church, Yuma, Arizona

TODAY we stand at a crucial crossroad, not only in the Church of the Nazarene, but in all of Christendom. The Church by and large has lost its momentum and is trying desperately, by treading water, to keep afloat. In the midst of this situation some are looking to Barth, to Bultmann, to neo-orthodoxy, or to ecumenical movements as our hope.

It is at this time of crisis that our church has come forward with "Evangelism First" to keep our Zion on the march and to save a lost and dying world.

No one is necessarily to blame for our impotency but all are responsible and accountable to do something about it.

I have been examining my own heart in recent months to ask myself what "Evangelism First" means to me and my church. Without a moment's hesitation I want to declare that it is more than a slogan. It is the heart of what I want to do. In fact, it has always been God's plan for His Church wherever it has served.

If we have grown cold and indifferent it is because we have lost the romance of personally winning people to Christ. Fine buildings, an educated ministry, a world-wide program are all fine; but nothing will stir your own soul, the local church, or the community like personal soul winning.

I am afraid that we have delegated to the ministers and the evangelists the job of winning souls. "I'll give; I'll teach; yes, I'll even pray a little—but don't ask me to win a soul."

Statistics are staggering. Just as surely as it is true that if every Nazarene would give 25c a week in Prayer and Fasting we would raise \$4,000,000 per year for missions, likewise it is true that if each one would win one we would increase from around 300,000 to 600,000 and in the process receive God's smile and "get the glory down." It isn't always "the big splash" that gets the job done but just every-one doing something.

Mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, husbands, wives, children, aunts, uncles, cousins, and next-

door neighbors are lost and without hope unless you and I do something extra special to see them won this year! We need an "all-out thrust for God!"

There are no ready-made plans whereby one can suddenly become a soul winner. But a genuine experience of salvation and the baptism with the Holy Spirit coupled with prayer and soul travail will go a long way. It will cause "Evangelism First" on the wall to become engraved upon our hearts. Then our waking moments will be filled with more than the everyday cares of life. They will be filled with concern and plans for the souls we should win personally.

It was said of Paul and the Early Church that they were turning the world upside down. My prayer is that we shall have a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our midst as we prepare for "Shining lights on Sunday nights," so that Paul's testimony will be our testimony.

In the hymn "I Do Not Ask to Choose My Path," we find these challenging words:

*Around me, Lord, are sinful men,
Who scorn and disobey;
Use me to win them from their sins,
And make me a blessing today.*

... Who Have No Christ

By BERNIECE AYERS HALL

*Life's storms beat down and gave no rest.
A host of problems came.
Cold winds blew long as if to test
My faith's small, flickering flame.
When strength was gone and courage too
And faith's small light burned dim,
A Presence stayed. What could I do
But trust and lean on Him?
Oh, thro' the years it has sufficed!
What do men do who have no Christ?*

Are YOU a Growing Teacher?



A TEACHER at the orphanage gathered a group of children each week for Sunday school. He took a special interest in Jimmy, bringing him in his wheel chair. Soon Jimmy found Christ. He felt God had a purpose for his life and his health began to improve.

He completed grade school, high school, and later graduated from law school. As a successful attorney, he devoted much of his time to helping underprivileged and needy youth.

When the Congress of the United States started the Boy Scouts of America, President Theodore Roosevelt asked Jimmy West to become executive secretary. He agreed to accept the appointment if "A scout is reverent" could be included in the Scout laws. This was done and today millions of boys have been taught reverence for God because one Sunday school teacher took an interest in a sickly orphan boy.

The work of Christian education still advances through the devoted efforts of nonsalaried teachers—persons who feel called to teach because they love God and desire to share His truths and love with others. Take these volunteer workers out of Christian education and it collapses.

A call to teach consists of at least three factors:

- (1) A class needs a teacher.
- (2) Those responsible for securing teachers feel you are the person to teach the class.
- (3) You have a desire to share in God's work, and feel it is His will for you.

Thank God for the sixty thousand Sunday school teachers and officers in the Church of the Nazarene who have responded to this call. You are a teacher of God's Word; the Bible is your Textbook, and life is your laboratory. You are constantly reminded that your pupils are the object of God's love, created in His image, and that He has a divine purpose to fulfill in their lives.

As a teacher you have a meeting place, pupils, teaching aids, and a desire to do a good job. Your love for Christ and your pupils is basic. But in addition, you must have at least three things if you are to realize the fullest success as a teacher.

By BENNETT DUDNEY

Director of Christian Service Training

You must have:

- (1) An understanding of your task.
- (2) An understanding of human personality.
- (3) An understanding of the age-group you are teaching, and the teaching materials that have been prepared for your use.

Understanding Your Task: You are part of a team that is dedicated to leading pupils of the Sunday school into a saving knowledge of Christ and into the experience of entire sanctification. Your duties go beyond the classroom. You must tarry in prayer and learn to follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The task of the teacher is discussed in Christian Service Training Unit 141.2a, "Teaching in the Nazarene Sunday School."

Understanding Personality: Human personality is sacred because your pupils are made in God's image. These personalities must grow and there are certain basic laws for their development. It is necessary that you have an understanding of these processes. The book *The Story of Ourselves* is planned for C.S.T. Unit 140b "Understanding Our Pupils."

Your Age-group and Materials: Why do the members of your class act the way they do? Maybe they are just normal young people. Readiness for truth varies with the different age-groups. The teaching materials of the church are designed with this in mind. Each item has a specific purpose. The editors of the curriculum materials have certain goals in mind, and when the materials are used as planned you will realize the greatest benefits. There is a recommended text for your age-group to help you know your pupils and your materials.

To serve your needs, the Christian Service Training Commission has outlined a Teacher Training Program. There are three levels of proficiency: Registered Teacher, Qualified Teacher, and Certified Teacher. To reach the first level, a teacher takes the two courses mentioned above and one for his age-group. Complete information on the Teacher Training Program may be secured by writing: Christian Service Training, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City 10, Missouri, and requesting the Teacher Training Program brochure.

As teachers, we are to give our best to the Master,

but not just our present best. Can our untrained best be considered acceptable when there are unused opportunities to improve our work? Are you a teacher? A real teacher? A growing, improving teacher?

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

and SUNDAY NIGHTS

By **E. G. BENSON**
Editor, "Church School Builder"



THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS of the Church of the Nazarene have a dual responsibility. One is evangelistic—to reach as many people as possible for Christ and the church. The other is educational, "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever" Jesus has commanded. These two go hand in hand.

The Sunday school hour is the normal time for teaching. Special Bible studies are followed from month to month. Christian habits, attitudes, and character are to be cultivated. At the same time every good teacher will be alert in class to the salvation needs of his pupils. He will attempt to lead the unsaved to Christ. But there are evangelistic opportunities outside of the class also.

One of these is the special emphasis on Sunday night evangelism which is being planned by the

church for this fall. The general theme is "Shining Lights on Sunday Nights." Every person is urged to "make your sabbath complete—attend church Sunday night."

Good Nazarene Sunday school workers and class members accept Sunday night church attendance as a regular practice—even as they accept Sunday morning, midweek prayer service, and revival attendance.

However, it is now time for an emphasis on Sunday evening church attendance by everyone. Members of long standing need help to resist the temptation to attend church Sunday morning only. New members need to be challenged and orientated to the idea that our Sunday evening services are important evangelistic opportunities.

If you are a Sunday school superintendent, make plans now to get your entire Sunday school into the evening services. Ask your pastor to reserve special seats from time to time for different classes. Discuss your plans in a workers' meeting soon.

If you are a teacher, spend a few moments each Sunday morning pointing out the importance of evening attendance. Stress the fact that each pupil needs to set aside the entire day for God. Point out that Sunday can be a delight by attending church both morning and night. In addition to your emphasis on attendance, plan to lead your unsaved pupils to Christ during this time. Perhaps you can arrange for your entire class to be present each night for these fourteen Sundays of special evangelism. Use time in your class session to sow evangelistic seed which may bear fruit in the night service.

If you are a class member, make a resolution now to be present at church every Sunday night. Determine to contribute to the evangelistic effort of the church by entering into the song service, giving a faith lift during prayer, testifying to your own spiritual experience as opportunity is given, being an attentive listener to the gospel message, and helping around the altar.

Let our teachers and officers be concerned in these special evangelistic efforts of our church. This is basic to our educational task.

Prayer for Teachers

*Lord, bless all teachers who through the years
Point their pupils to Thee,
Who by the example of their lives
Show men Thy power to free.*

*Lord, bless all teachers who daily seek
Thy will in all they plan,
Who freely go beyond duty's call
To help a fellow man.*

By **ROBERT D. TROUTMAN**

Influence

THAT EDUCATES

By KENNETH S. RICE

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LAST NIGHT as I enjoyed the hospitality of a wonderful Christian home, I was suddenly hit by a bombshell. One of the most congenial and thoughtful hostesses I have ever known gave me a broadside that sent me spinning and tumbling mentally. She reviewed a vacation letter they had received from their daughter and family. While passing through Utah they visited the Mormon Temple grounds at Salt Lake City. She wrote, "We learned more in this hour's visit than we have in all our lives in the Church of the Nazarene."

Knowing the girl, I knew this was her kind way of complimenting the Mormon people. But her statement caused me to ask myself, What is significant in learning anyway? I remember Quintillian once said, "Learning is not so much what you can remember as what you cannot forget." How will the information and impression this family received in an hour's trip through the Mormon grounds compare with the godly influence of Sunday school teachers over the years in the Church of the Nazarene?

I recall hearing a young couple speak just a few nights ago who were on their way to the mission field. The wife told of a pastor who drove into the country every week for two years to pick her up for Sunday school. Her family had no interest in the church. However, she did interest her mother in coming to the V.B.S. program one year. A little later the mother also attended Sunday school to

help her daughter win points in a contest. The Holy Spirit used these two contacts to bring conviction, and a Christian home resulted from the faithful influence of a Sunday-school-minded pastor.

When the telephone rang several nights ago, I was surprised to hear my father's voice from a distant city, and shocked when he said, "Dobby was found dead today at noon from a heart attack." Dobby was my coach and teacher in grade school, junior high, high school, and part of college. We lived in the same block. As I grew up as a boy, he grew up as a teacher. Since that long-distance call I have been trying to remember some of the things Dobby taught us.

I had a college class in basketball coaching under his instruction, but I remember very little, if anything, he told us. However, I shall never forget the times he drove into the country to help members of his state championship basketball team do their chores so they could be at basketball practice. The influence of a man who, during World War II, spent hours and hours of time sending a composite letter to the far-flung battlefields of the world to encourage over one thousand boys who had played on his ball teams will live long after the flowers have faded, the dirt settled, and the evidence of his new grave is gone. His influence molded lives. This is learning that lives.

It was my privilege recently to attend the national Sunday school convention of another denomination. Dr. Bob Pierce of "World Vision" was the evening speaker. He said Ralph Edwards'

Is Teaching Worth the Trouble?

*Is teaching worth the trouble?
Yes! when eager children come
Each holy Sabbath morning
From every sort of home
To hear the blessed story;
To repeat the Golden Text;
To sing their songs of gladness
From hearts all unperplexed;
To learn the ways of Jesus;
To learn to love and give—
Then teaching is worth the trouble,
And life is good to live!*

*Just so long as there are children
Who need a guiding hand;
So long as there are hate and fear
And darkness in the land;
So long as youth is groping
For the truth and hope and light;
So long as there are tears to dry,
And human wrongs to right;
So long as there are burdened souls,
And hearts that need a smile—
Teaching will be worth the trouble,
And life be worth the while!*

By KATHRYN BLACKBURN PECK

television program, "This Is Your Life," missed the most significant fact when they portrayed his life a few weeks previously. They failed to include the Nazarene Sunday school teacher who, for four of his teen-age years, cast such an influence upon his heart and mind that his life's work was determined by it. Most of Dr. Pierce's message centered around experiences he had had on trips to the jails and old folks' homes to hold services and the weekly street meeting in front of Sears-Roebuck, where the teacher encouraged each of the teenagers to give his testimony.

As I listened to him conclude his message giving statistics showing the direct relation between the growth of the Sunday school and the advance of world missions, I said to myself, Thank God for a Sunday school teacher whose influence has educated a man with a missionary vision and a heart aflame with the love of Christ.

Years ago, Marion Lawrance, the executive secretary of the World Sunday School Association, wrote: "The Sunday school is a sleeping giant lying at the threshold of the church. If aroused, harnessed and trained, he will fill the church with people, provide the money for all their needs and set the people to work. The Sunday school is the church's powerhouse; it is a drill-ground, a laboratory, an armory and a great dynamic. It is the largest army in the world that marches under the Christian banner; its volunteer workers numbering in the millions constitute its chief genius."

But some would say, "These volunteer workers are not highly trained like the public school teach-

ers. How can they teach effectively?" Training is essential to make possible the best instruction and guidance of minds. But the Sunday school teachers' greatest contribution is in the area of influence. What they are speaks louder than what they say. Like Christ, they provide an example as well as instruction. Their influence educates.

By RALPH A. MICKEL
Pastor, Frostburg, Maryland

SERVICE on the Surface

IN "My Old Kentucky Home" at Bardstown there is an old brick mansion built when Abe Lincoln was a baby in a backwoods cabin about forty miles away. Where did they get those bricks?

Such bricks were used as ballast in the sailing ships of that day. Expert brickmakers of England thus had their bricks shipped free. When bringing a cargo of goods, the ships needed this low-slung weight in the hold in order to stand up against the wind with wide-open sails. They must go deeper to travel faster. Going back, the ships

used logs and heavy raw material as ballast, for which payment was made for hauling.

Perhaps this story suggests why we are no deeper with God. We are too empty, or are loaded with things that have little spiritual weight. We need to go deeper in order to travel faster, in order to get more done for God.

It is high time that we take our spiritual bearings and consider where we are. Have we been living too much on the surface of Christian experience, so that we are not making the impression for God on the people of our age that we should? Are we stressing the deeper and more essential matters of the Christian life? There was a group around the Corinthian church which gloried "in appearance, and not in heart," or, as Moffatt translates it, they were "proud of externals instead of the inward reality" (II Corinthians 5:15).

This age is intimately familiar with the superficial, the sham, the insincere, the pretense, the chaffy. People see it in the theater, in the movies, on the television screen. They hear it over the radio; they read it in the magazines and books of the day; they listen to it in the political campaigns. They practice it largely in their relations with others. For themselves, the driving motive is, What's in it for me? Toward others, their driving motive, whether they are being nasty or nice, is: How can I make him contribute something to me?

In Jeremiah 49:30 the prophet warned the people of his day to "dwell deep" because of the threatening world situation—the sweeping Babylonian conquests; and because of the debilitating domestic condition—a people at ease and without concern.

Certainly this warning is apropos for us today. Communist conquests continue to threaten, and at home there is the weakening "I should care" effect of too much ease and economic security. In a large measure we have forgotten the religious liberty for which our forefathers fought and died. Instead we are crying for an economic freedom which for many peoples of the world has resulted in complete slavery.

We likewise need this warning because there is so much shallowness in Christianity today. Our Lord's prophecy of Matthew 24:12 is being fulfilled—that the love of many would wax cold because of abounding iniquity. Iniquity screams at us over the radio, leers from the television screen,

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A fiery shield is God's Word; of more substance and purer than gold, which, tried in the fire, loses nought of its substance, but resists and overcomes all the fury of the fiery heat; even so, he that believes God's Word overcomes all, and remains secure everlastingly, against all misfortunes; for this shield fears nothing, neither hell nor the devil.—Luther.

and calls to us from the billboards and the printed page. As a result the moral sense of many has been dulled till they see no harm in many things they once considered wrong. They have not become broad-minded; they have just taken the broad way.

Bible prophecy warns us to flee from the wrath to come—not just wrath after death, but the wrath to come on this old world at the second coming of Christ and in the terrible tribulation period. The signs in the prophetic sky indicate that the day is near.

In any case, we do not want to be "surface saints" who wind up in wrath when life ends or when Jesus comes. So let us "dwell deep" with God, deep in holiness, in purity, in love, in faith, and in concern for lost souls.

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spiritual fellowship for our young people. All of us tend to become like those with whom we associate. Our Sunday school classes and other organizations provide a wholesome group of companions, most of whom come from Christian homes, and many of whom are professed Christians. It is better for our boys and girls to find their friends and close associates in this kind of group than to choose their playmates and pals from the typical neighborhood gang or even from the public school crowd. Here are significant values in our programs of Christian education.

Today Eldon Cornett is a missionary in Korea. Yesterday he was a Sunday school junior practicing for an Easter program—and there is a connection. Listen to his own story. "Mrs. Carlson, our Sunday school teacher, had asked four of us junior-age boys and girls to come to the church that afternoon to practice an Easter song. It was after we had been singing about the risen Saviour that she had us kneel for prayer. I heard her say:

"Eldon, wouldn't you like to accept the Lord as your Saviour?"

"She knelt beside me and I was soon confessing my sins and asking the Lord to come into my heart. She had to put most of the words into my mouth but they expressed the desire of my heart, for I wanted to be a Christian. As she poured out her prayer to God on my behalf, my heart was saying yes to every condition. Soon my burden was gone and my heart was filled with joy. I had become a new creature in Christ Jesus."

"Why do we have to bother with Christian education?" The answer is, Because folk can be won to Christ this way. The answer is, Because Christians are helped to grow in grace as a result of the teaching ministry of the church. The answer is, Because Jesus commands us, "Go ye therefore . . . teaching."

THE CHURCH AT WORK

EVANGELISM

EDWARD LAWLOR, *Secretary*

Evangelistic Honor Roll

The districts shown report the following churches as having received the Evangelistic Honor Roll Certificate. This is presented on the basis of members received by profession of faith during the assembly year. The groups and qualification standards are shown as follows:

GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	GAIN REQUIRED
I	1-24	4
II	25-74	8
III	75-149	12
IV	150-299	18
V	300 and above	25

Church	Pastor	Membership at Last Assembly	Gain
BRITISH ISLES SOUTH			
Moordown	G. Nunn	12	4
Colue	D. Trump	15	4
Bolton (2)	E. Dunn	26	8
Blackpool	E. Gough	33	9
EASTERN MICHIGAN			
Auburn Road	M. Scutt	0	13
Filion	E. Sipes	10	7
Mt. Morris	D. Moore	13	6
Detroit Faith	E. Surratt	14	6
Ortonville	J. Mellish	14	5
Tecumseh	B. Wagner	34	12
Ypsilanti	E. Crane	55	12
Garden City	G. Cook	19	4
Flint Pierson	K. Boyce	60	16
Millington	R. Milner	68	11
Monroe	M. Morgret	65	8
Wayne	M. Sprouse	83	13
Ann Arbor	C. Thornton	75	12
Port Huron	U. Godman	174	26
Detroit Calvary	M. Johnson	148	13
Flint Central	H. Dickerson	280	23
Flint First	W. Wellman	400	32
Detroit First	E. Martin	879	25
MICHIGAN			
Cooper-Alamo	D. Silvernail	0	10
Saginaw Central	F. Ward	0	10
Marshall	W. Mack	7	14
Manistee	P. Styles	16	8
Saginaw Shields	G. Otto	30	15
Alma	A. Beard	20	8
Alanson	J. Smith	37	10
Boyne City	J. Cole	21	5
West Branch	W. Raleigh	22	5
Chapman Memorial	L. Musatics	42	16
Bertrand	J. Smith	33	11
Hastings	N. Hawks	23	4
Lansing Mifflin	B. Taylor	52	12
Muskegon Eastwood	F. Ockert	61	8
Lowell	K. Culver	95	14
Battle Creek First	D. Ehrlin	61	9
Bay City First	J. Hieftje	122	14
Durand	H. Smith	98	14
Jackson First	H. Johnston	125	12
Saginaw First	J. Nielson	177	29
MINNESOTA			
Moorhead	R. Kallweit	9	5
Mpls. Spring Lake	J. Bruce	17	8
Kelliher	R. Schlattman	21	9
Grand Rapids	G. Fisher	71	17
Osseo	E. Johnson	140	13
NORTHEASTERN INDIANA			
Shipshewana	J. Brillhart	0	8
Muncie Burlington			
Hgts.	C. Gunn	0	5
Andrews	O. Rees	22	17
Muncie Wheeling			
Ave.	M. Taylor	12	7
Cowan	J. Towriss	23	11
Anderson East			
38th St.	R. Mock	60	14
North Manchester	H. Soward	61	15
Muncie Mayfield	R. Sutton	80	15
Elkhart Northside	W. Watson	76	13

Winchester	H. Priddy	221	51
Ossian	C. Pasko	61	9
Columbia City	K. Hawkins	72	8
Muncie Forest Park	C. Kennedy	74	9
Fort Wayne			
Fairfield Ave.	L. Tucker	231	29
Anderson First	J. Wine	299	18

much legal business to complete and we will appreciate special prayer that this purchase may be completed and the property may become ours for a new Nazarene witness in Israel.—ALEX WACHTEL, *Israel*.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

GEORGE COULTER, *Secretary*

Moving to Jordan

We praise God for His wonderful presence and help since we arrived in Lebanon last November for our first term of service. We have been busy teaching in our Bible school in Beirut, preaching regularly, and studying the Arabic and Armenian languages. We praise our wonderful Lord for the victories we have seen among the seekers we have had in Lebanon.

We urge you to pray for an old-fashioned, Holy Ghost revival in the Middle East. Please pray also for us as we take over our new responsibilities here in the Jordan District and continue our language studies. After September 1 our new address will be: P.O. Box 426, Jerusalem, Jordan.—BERGE NAJARIAN, *Middle East*.

Urgent Prayer Request for Panama

Our documents are in the hands of the government officials of Panama and we are anxiously awaiting the granting of our permanent residence visas to this country so that we may begin our work. Please pray earnestly that God will help us to secure these needed visas soon.

We praise God for our first three Panamanian seekers at the altar of the Ancon Church of the Nazarene in the Canal Zone.—ELMER NELSON, *Panama*.

Prayer Request, Israel

All contracts have been signed and we are in the process of winding up the purchase of a house in Haifa where we can hold services. However, there is

Arrived in Japan

I arrived safely in Yokohama the twenty-eighth of July, after a very pleasant voyage on the "Sagami Maru."

Now I am getting settled and ready to begin language study. I am trusting God to help me make the necessary adjustments so that I can be an effective missionary for Him in Japan.—JEAN WILLIAMS.

Moving Missionaries

The following missionaries have moved to new addresses. Their correct mailing addresses now are:

Rev. Phillip Torgrimson, Apartado 3797, Lima, Peru

Rev. Howard Conrad, Apartado 193, Chiclayo, Peru

Miss Mary Wallace, Apartado 387, Rivas, Nicaragua, Central America

Miss Ruth Miller, San Jorge, Rivas, Nicaragua, Central America

Rev. Lawrence Bryant, Flores, Peten, Guatemala, Central America

Rev. Lyle Prescott, General Delivery, Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Until December 10, 1961—Rev. Robert Brown, 7003 Farrow, Bethel, Kansas

Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Knox are home on furlough and are now at: 1212 "D" Street, Wasco, California, c/o Mrs. Anna Mayo.

Rev. Berge Najarian is now at P.O. Box 426, Jerusalem, Jordan.

MINISTERIAL BENEVOLENCE

DEAN WESSELS, *Secretary*

It is our privilege to share with you a letter from a lady elder who is now retired. We share this letter with you

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1 through December 31
14 SUNDAY NIGHTS OF EVANGELISM

January 3, 4, and 5, 1962
CONFERENCE ON EVANGELISM

because you have made possible, by the payment of your N.M.B.F. budget, the monthly checks and the birthday and Christmas greetings which have brought so much joy to those on the N.M.B.F. rolls. The letter reads as follows:

We will never be able to thank you and the Church of the Nazarene for what you have done for us, but we want you to know we do appreciate it from the depth of our souls.

We received the checks, also the papers ("Herald of Holiness" and the "Other Sheep") and again we say thank you. Though we cannot be in the active ministry, we are praying Him to give us the spirit of intercession to reach around the world. Our desire is to be used in some small way.

GENERAL INTERESTS

Bermuda Sunday School

T/Sgt. and Mrs. C. P. Moe have organized a Nazarene Sunday school on the island of Bermuda. Our Publishing House has sent Sunday school material for their use.

Are you acquainted with any servicemen stationed in Bermuda or who may be transferred or visiting there—or do you know anyone resident in Bermuda? Pass the word along to him and have him attend our Sunday school whenever he has opportunity. Sister Bernice Moe says it isn't hard to find their home. The address is Wheelgate House, Spring Hill (opposite Warwick Academy), Warwick.

Thank God for consecrated Nazarene laymen. Let us all pray that His presence will be felt in an unusual way and that many will experience spiritual blessing and enrichment as they study the Word together in our Bermudian Sunday school.—ROY F. SMEE, *Executive Secretary, Department of Home Missions and Church Extension.*

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

Houston District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The annual convention of the Houston District N.Y.P.S. was held on August 8 in the Channelview Church, near Houston, Texas. The presiding officer was Rev. Amos Hanna, who served as president for the last four months of the assembly year. His report indicated that the year had been one of progress for the N.Y.P.S. He was elected to his first full term as president by a very good vote on the first ballot.

Other officers were elected as follows for the coming year: Rev. Calvin Oyler, vice-president; Rev. J. E. Perryman, secretary; Rev. Richard Leffel, treasurer; Duvianna Wagstaff and John Ross, teenage members at large; Ted Douglas and Shirley Porter, young adult members at large; Rev. Hollis Underwood, Junior

Fellowship director; Rev. Bill Raines, Teen Fellowship director; and Rev. Howard Wade, Young Adult Fellowship director.

Professor James McGraw, of Nazarene Theological Seminary, was the special speaker. He challenged, instructed, and inspired our young people with his Spirit-anointed and practical messages. The teen-age choir, under the direction of Rev. Calvin Oyler, sang the glory down on the convention. The evening service was climaxed by a good altar service with several young people receiving definite spiritual help.

Dr. Raymond McClung, our district superintendent, was present throughout the convention with his counsel and encouragement.—W. T. DOUGHARTY, *Reporter.*

Nevada-Utah District Camp

The Nevada-Utah District camp meeting was held July 31 through August 6 in Lamoile Canyon near Elko, Nevada.

The special workers were Rev. Crawford Vanderpool as the preacher and Rev. and Mrs. Winston Ketchum as directors of the music. The Holy Spirit was present in each service, and many souls found victory in God at the altar of prayer.

Rev. R. B. Sherwood, our beloved district superintendent, is appreciated by all as he leads our district ahead. The attendance has doubled in the past three years, and we look forward to being on our own campgrounds in the near future.—L. C. ASPEN, *Reporter.*

Dallas District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The thirty-eighth annual convention of the Dallas District N.Y.P.S. convened on August 7 at the Scottsville campgrounds, Scottsville, Texas, with Rev. L. Eugene Plemmons, district president, in charge.

The convention progressed to a fitting climax when in the evening service Rev. Howard R. Borgeson, San Antonio District N.Y.P.S. president, challenged the delegates and friends to produce a "spiritual harvest" in their lives as we move forward in this quadrennium.

District President Plemmons' report revealed a good year of progress with a greater majority of the societies meeting their obligations in full; thirty-seven societies received an "Honor" rating. One of the high points of the president's report was the progress of the work at the Dallas Farmers' Branch Church, which the district N.Y.P.S. had sponsored.

The balloting revealed a spirit of harmony and unity, when all 117 delegates cast "yes" votes for the unanimous re-election of President Plemmons. The Dallas District teen choir, under the direction of the district president, added much to the spiritual tide of the day with their special singing.

Elected to the district council were the following: Rev. B. A. Patton, vice-president; Rev. J. Ray Shoulders, secretary; Rev. Paul Grundy, treasurer; Rev. Walter Little, Teen Fellowship director; Rev. Robert Williams, N.J.F. director; Rev. Jerry Flowers, N.Y.A.F. direc-

tor; Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Griffin, N.Y.A.F. (laymen); and Bill Antle and Ginger Martin (teen-agers), N.T.F.

With a spirit of optimism and faith we continue to move forward and make the total Dallas District youth a part of "HIS."—J. RAY SHOULDERS, *Reporter.*

Northwestern Illinois District Assembly

The thirteenth annual assembly of the Northwestern Illinois District was held August 17 and 18 at the district center on the Manville campgrounds, near Streator, Illinois.

Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presided, and our beloved general superintendent was at his best. His preaching was marked with a vigor, passion, and enthusiasm that evidenced the glowing spirit of an old-time holiness preacher. All the business was directed efficiently and firmly, yet there was a heart-warming spirit of tenderness in everything that Dr. Vanderpool did.

The high light of the assembly was the afternoon of the closing day. As the Olivet College men's quartet sang, there burst forth spontaneously from the assembly crowd an almost unanimous expression of praise marked by shouts, waving of handkerchiefs, tears of joy, and people walking the aisles. It was an old-fashioned spiritual feast.

Our much-loved district superintendent, Dr. Lyle Eckley, gave a glowing report of progress and achievement; a district membership of 3,698, and an Easter Sunday school attendance of 9,808. Thirteen churches were reported in building and improvement programs; with three new home missions projects in process of becoming established, and three new prospects for future churches were disclosed. The report showed over \$612,000 raised for all purposes, a gain of more than \$12,000 over the previous year. Our district is striving to become a "10 per cent" district, having presently achieved a little over "7 per cent" for General Budget giving.

New goals were set before us with emphasis on the fall Sunday night attendance drive. Average Sunday night attendance goal for the fourteen Sunday nights October 1 to December 31 is 3,575, with 119 new members by profession of faith by December 31.

In the midst of an extended call, Dr. and Mrs. Eckley were presented with a love offering of over five hundred dollars.

Harmony and good will prevail on the district. The assembly closed with an ordination service in which elder's orders were granted to Jack Braundmeier, Norman Chandler, and Mary Ann Freeman.—ROGER A. FLEMING, *Reporter.*

Iowa District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The fortieth annual young people's convention of the Iowa District was held August 12 at the district center in West Des Moines. The emphasis of the convention was upon youth participation, with the morning devotions being given by LaVerne Wilson.

The district president's report was

well received, with gains reported on nearly every line. His report included the statistics of today as compared with the district N.Y.P.S. organization forty years ago. On August 28, 1921, the district N.Y.P.S. was organized with 4 societies and 74 members; today we have 65 societies and 2,396 members.

Rev. Forrest E. Whitlatch has done a wonderful job these past seven years as district president in leading our youth forward for Christ. In concluding his report, Brother Whitlatch requested that his resignation be accepted. A wonderful love offering was then received to express our love and appreciation for him.

Rev. A. D. Foster was elected on the third ballot to become our new district president, and we feel sure he will continue to give us great leadership.

The afternoon session opened with "Teenspiration Time," led by Franklin Roberts and James Main. The music by the teen choir and orchestra was soul-lifting and the testimonies of the young people were a blessing.

The Olivet Nazarene College scholarship awards of one hundred dollars each were granted to Barbara Oberto and Stanley Randolph.

The convention closed with a teen talent contest. First-place winners were Eileen Schultz, vocal; Karen Fallis, speech; and Peggy Ulmet, instrumental. We thank God for young people whose talents are dedicated to Him.

The Iowa District appreciates the leadership of District Superintendent Gene E. Phillips and his interest in our youth. Iowa young people are committed to be "HIS"!—WALTER W. SMITH, Reporter.

Oregon Pacific District Assembly

Dr. Hardy C. Powers, senior general superintendent, presided with wisdom and dispatch at the eighteenth annual assembly of the Oregon Pacific District, held at the district center grounds at Clackamas, Oregon, July 19 and 20.

The midsummer date was a change from the usual May assembly. It preceded the annual district camp meeting, and was the result of several years' planning, included the development of the grounds, better to accommodate the delegates. The new arrangement was received with enthusiasm by both delegates and friends.

Our beloved district superintendent, Dr. W. D. McGraw, gave his tenth annual report. Two new churches were organized during the year: at Myrtle Point, where Rev. Lloyd F. Pounds was appointed pastor; and at Junction City, where Rev. Roger S. Young is serving. Nine new church buildings were completed or nearly completed, besides extensive remodeling programs in many others. The total valuation on the district increased by about \$700,000 with an increase of only \$250,000 in indebtedness. There were 423 new Nazarenes added during the year; the present district membership is 6,524. Approximately \$87,000 was given for world evangelism.

Following a challenge from Superintendent McGraw, the General Budget

was increased by \$5,000 and a goal of a \$10,000 "special" for Denmark property was accepted. This latter is to assist Rev. Orville H. Kleven, a member of this district, in the establishing of the Church of the Nazarene in Copenhagen.

The love with which Superintendent and Mrs. McGraw are held by Oregon Pacific Nazarenes was reflected in the

"SHOWERS of BLESSING" Program Schedule

September 24—"Faith's Forgiveness," by Orville W. Jenkins

October 1—"The Plus Factor of the Cross," by Mendell Taylor

October 8—"The Mystery of Christ's Death," by J. E. Williams

October 15—"How Does God Forgive Sin?" by J. E. Williams

generous love offering given them—over \$550.

Dr. John E. Riley, president, presented a most encouraging report of the progress of Northwest Nazarene College. He commended the Oregon Pacific District for raising more than \$28,000 for the college in the past fourteen months.

Elected as district officers were: to the Advisory Board, Gordon T. Olsen, R. Roy Edwards, Rev. Vernon L. Wilcox, Rev. Roscoe Pershall; Bertrand F. Peterson and Paul E. Knapp, as secretary and treasurer, respectively. Auxiliary department heads for the new year: N.F.M.S., Mrs. Gordon T. Olsen; N.Y. P.S., Roy A. Green; and Church Schools, Robert D. Hempel.

The high light of the assembly was the beautiful ordination service on Thursday evening. Elected to elder's orders and ordained were John Melvin Milion, Kenneth George Spicer, and Roger Samuel Young. Dr. Powers brought a most challenging message. Unique in the service was the presence of General Superintendent Samuel Young, who very fittingly found it possible to be present for the ordination of his son.

Oregon Pacific Nazarenes are united and optimistic with a view to the future, and are thrilled with the general church challenge of "Evangelism First" and its immediate emphasis on "Shining Lights on Sunday Nights."—ROBERT D. HEMPEL, Reporter.

THE LOCAL CHURCHES

Vallejo, California—Hillcrest Church recently enjoyed an outstanding revival with Rev. Thomas Hayes as evangelist and Ed Wolpe as musician. A month of prayer and fasting preceded the meeting, with pledged prayer time and special fasting days continuing throughout the campaign. Brother Hayes' deep prayer life and devotion inspired our people; God blessed and we saw eighty-

four seekers bow at the altar under the rugged, yet tender ministry of the evangelist. We feel that Hillcrest Church will never be the same after this meeting. We are now launching a building program and believing God for greater days ahead.—W. B. FRANKLIN, Pastor.

Evangelist W. R. Donaldson reports: "Since the beginning of 1961, God has blessed in opening up the following places for our revival work—at Birmingham, Alabama, with Pastor R. C. Johnson and First Church, and Rev. H. H. Hooker and Ensley Church; at Memorial Church in Ft. Smith, Arkansas, with Rev. Grafton Smith; Mexico, Missouri, with Pastor Victor Clark; Russellville, Arkansas, with Rev. Jewell McKinney; Flat River, Missouri, with Rev. C. F. Transue; Newport, Arkansas, with Rev. Edwin Abla; Williamson, West Virginia, with Rev. A. L. Belcher; Sallisaw, Oklahoma, with Rev. J. D. Henson; Hickory Grove Church, Double Springs, Alabama; at Grace Chapel in Oakman, Alabama, with Rev. J. W. Banks; and at the camp in Beebe, Arkansas. God greatly blessed with real conviction in these meetings, and we saw a total of 825 seeking help at the altar of prayer; also 156 were received into church membership. We are thankful for a good number of calls for return engagements. I thank God for His salvation today. Write me % our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

The Church of the Nazarene in Strong, Maine, was recently honored by the dedication of the annual report of the township, which carried the picture of the church on its cover. The citation reads: "The Church of the Nazarene dedicated its new home in Strong on October 14, 1956. The modern structure stands as a monument to a small group of truly dedicated men and women. United in a common purpose, and determined to meet and solve the stern challenge presented by such an undertaking, they never hesitated in their progress to that historic October day with its hour of well-deserved triumph. Today, in a debt-free home, with the strength that comes through energetic leadership and an alert membership, the future holds promise of rewarding success. In the winning of that success all in this area will rejoice."

Rev. Ernest D. Smith, the pastor, serves on the local school board, and was elected to the State Legislature this year.

Pastor Ellis L. Teasdale reports from Shelby, Ohio: "Just recently I returned from a trip that took me around the world. We had the privilege of surveying much of our church in both overseas home and foreign missions. Spending three wonderful days in Alaska, then a week in Japan, where Dr. W. A. Eckel has things really humming (his slogan for the new year is ten thousand new Nazarenes in Japan), we next flew to Okinawa, on to Manila, P.I., then took a plane to Port Moresby, New Guinea. Rented a small cub plane and flew back over the mountains to Ialibu, New Guinea, where we spent a week in the 'bush' preaching and teach-

ing in a new outpost to natives who until six months ago had not heard of Jesus Christ. How unbelievable that there is a race of people living in our modern world as primitive as these! Our prayer since being there is, 'O God, bless our wonderful missionaries in their tremendous task.' Yes, I believe in missions now, *with my heart*. From New Guinea we visited Brisbane, Sydney, and Darwin, Australia; Singapore, Bangkok, Calcutta, and Karachi, India; Cairo, Egypt; Beirut, Lebanon; and Jerusalem, for two days. Then to Athens, Greece; Rome, Italy; Paris, France; and back to New York. Through it all God was most gracious and has given us a new vision and purpose in our work for Him and our great church."

THE BIBLE LESSON

By J. W. ELLIS

Topic for September 24:

Gaius:
Committed to Christ's Work

SCRIPTURE:

III John (Printed: same)

GOLDEN TEXT:

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth (III John, v. 4).

Splendid is the balance between the call of the minister and the work of the layman.

Thrilling it is to dwell upon the idea that the eternal God will seek out a man to proclaim timeless truth. Such a man was Saul of Tarsus; and Peter, the Big Fisherman, gentle John, hesitant Thomas, and their successors down through the ages until now the call rests upon your pastor. Not by himself did he "enter the ministry." It took the authority of God to move him into the pulpit!

But what about laymen? Their story, though not headline news, is just as thrilling! Fact is, no telling where Christianity would have been if laymen had not taken the story of the Lord from the sanctuary into the streets. Throughout the Book of Acts their story is told over and over again. Without them, the minister could not have ministered.

Such a man was Gaius. The Third Epistle of John was written to him. If he was rich, it is not recorded. If he occupied a pre-eminent place, it is not recorded. If he had outstanding ability, it is not recorded. Then why, John, did you write to him?

He was faithful.

Of such is the Kingdom! Faithful men! Committed men! Loyal, true, unafraid of the known and unknown! Fixed minds regardless of perils or demands! Born to work in places both small and great!

Gaius of Third John became known for much because he was faithful in the little, thus fulfilling a law of Scripture. Exalt yourself and down you go! Humble yourself and God will lift you up! Do nothing until the big thing comes along and you will end up doing nothing. Do faithfully the small assignment as

if it were a big thing—and it will be!

Every good cause the church supported, Gaius did. No need wondering where he stood. He always stood straight up on the right spot. And he loved good company! Every visiting preacher or missionary got an invitation (properly through the pastor, undoubtedly) from Gaius. And how these ministers loved to stay in his home!

The name Gaius is outdated now, but not his kind! And on behalf of all ministers, let me express to all laymen our sincere thanks for your contribution to our lives and to the kingdom of God.

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Deaths

MRS. EUGENIA PETERS LATHAM was born in Sabine Parish, Louisiana, in 1876. Converted at age thirteen at the same altar (New Hope Methodist Church) at which Dr. R. T. Williams was converted, when twenty-one she married Lawrence Lorenzo Latham. When her husband was called to preach, Mrs. Latham became a lay preacher and worked with him. Seven children were born to them, three sons dying in infancy. Surviving are three daughters: Joy and Mary, of Kansas City; Ruby, of Shreveport, Louisiana; and one son, William, of Cedar Falls, Iowa. Widowed in 1943, Mrs. Latham made her home with Joy and Mary in Kansas City since 1953. An avid reader and a radiant spirit, she died July 9, after a prolonged illness. A memorial service was conducted in Kansas City First Church by Dr. G. B. Williamson, with Dr. Hugh C. Benner, Dr. A. F. Harper, Dr. Orville Jenkins, and Dr. Floyd E. Cole taking part. Interment was in Shreveport, Louisiana, with a service conducted there by Dr. A. Milton Smith assisted by Rev. Joe Cordell.

WALTER MELVILLE HARRISON, age fifty-six, was killed instantly on May 3 when a tractor he was driving overturned, pinning him underneath. A native and lifelong resident of Norfolk, Virginia, he had retired just four weeks prior to the accident. For most of his life he had been a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Norfolk, and had served as Sunday school superintendent for thirteen years. At the time of his death he had completed fourteen years of perfect Sunday school attendance, and was always active in church work. He is survived by his wife, Annie Oliver Harrison; four daughters, Mrs. Jay Garrison, Mrs. D. Grady Smith, Betty, and Annette; a brother, Silas; and two half brothers. Funeral service was conducted in Norfolk First Church, with the pastor, Rev. Merwyn D. Gray, and Rev. James H. Garrison, pastor at Williamsburg, officiating. Burial was in Riverside Memorial Park in Norfolk.

MRS. NELLIE ROBINSON CRAPO, faithful layman of First Church of the Nazarene, Griffin, Georgia, died July 6, after many weeks of illness. She was born October 17, 1886, in Oklahoma. She, with her husband, joined First Church of the Nazarene in Flint, Michigan, back in the early 1920's. They then helped to start the West Flint Church; after some time the family moved to Miami, Florida, where she was a member of Central Church and then First Church. Sixteen years ago the Crapos moved to Griffin and became members of the Jackson church. When the church was started in Griffin, she became a charter member and was faithful and active to the closing days of her life. She is survived by her husband, David N. Crapo; two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Davidson and Mrs. Ruth Lamb; four sons, James, Glen, David, and Raymond; also two sisters and four brothers. Funeral service was held at Griffin First Church with the pastor, Rev. Lyle Parker, officiating, assisted by Rev. James Hawkins, Rev. Ralph Goodwin, and Rev. Hugh Barrett. Interment was in Griffin Memorial Gardens.

MRS. ANNA C. BAKER (nee Christensen) was born March 6, 1881, in Denmark, and died July 11 at the age of eighty years. She came to the United States in 1906. She was converted while living in Denver, Colorado, and became a charter member of First Church of the Nazarene there. Upon moving to Seattle, Washington, she was active in the work of the church there. She graduated from Pasadena College in 1914, and that fall was united in marriage to Edward P. Baker. During succeeding years they were active in pastoral work in southern California at Hermosa Beach, Venice, and

Downey. For many years she served as a district officer in the missionary society. She was known for her love for God and her devotion to her church and her family. She is survived by two daughters, Edythe B. Replogle and Edna P. Baker; three brothers, Albeck, Marinus, and Christian; and one sister, Johanna. The brothers and sister still reside in Denmark. Funeral service was in charge of her pastor, Rev. J. W. Ellis, of First Church of the Nazarene, Pasadena, California.

MRS. ALICE D. HAGER was born October 21, 1905, in Gleason County, Kentucky, and died July 12 at the Vandenberg Air Force Base Hospital after nearly four months of illness. She is survived by her husband, Virgil; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Lee Fatusos and Mrs. Joan Rice; a son, James Thiele; a brother, Ray Miller; and a sister, Marie Kullenbeck. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Walter Goehring, with interment in San Luis Obispo, California. Dr. Henry B. Wallin assisted in the committal service.

MRS. IVA M. TAYLOR was born November 25, 1884, in Rothville, Missouri, and died June 15, 1961, at Oak Harbor, Washington. It was through her untiring efforts in sacrifice and prayer that the Church of the Nazarene was organized in Kellogg, Idaho, and the church in Grandview, Washington, had its beginning. Her record of loyalty and faithfulness has been exemplary in all the churches where she has served, the last of these being in the Seattle area, in the Oak Harbor church, where she had been a member for the past several years. She is survived by her husband, Irving H. Taylor; a son, Frank; a daughter, Mrs. Afton Coon; a sister, Josephine Scamahorn; and one brother, Lloyd Mayhue. Funeral service was held at First Church of the Nazarene in Spokane, with Rev. Crawford Vanderpool officiating, assisted by Rev. George Eplin. Interment was at Riverside Park Cemetery.

MRS. ELIZABETH BALL, age seventy-two, faithful member of the Patchogue, New York, Church of the Nazarene, died May 27, 1961. Mrs. Ball had represented the local church at many district assemblies and conventions, and worked many years at the New York and Freeport camp meetings. She was born in Brighton, England, coming to Long Island as a girl, where she was converted at the Patchogue church. Mrs. Ball was dearly loved by her family and so very much appreciated by her church. Her spirit and memory live after her. She is survived by her husband, six children, and two sisters.

MRS. WALTER K. RUBY (nee Leona Ethel Rapp) was born July 30, 1891, in Iowa, and died July 4, 1961, at her home in Broadwater, Nebraska. She was united in marriage to Walter K. Ruby on December 25, 1911. Most of her married life was spent near Broadwater, with the exception of eleven years spent on a homestead in Montana. She was an active member of the Church of the Nazarene for many years. She is survived by her husband and one sister, Mrs. Cora Christensen. Funeral service was held in the church with the pastor, Rev. H. W. Anderson, in charge, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery near Broadwater.

JOHN CARLSON was born March 26, 1892, at Belgrade, Minnesota, and died June 29, 1961, at Kenmare, North Dakota. He was married to Esther Christine Melin on December 7, 1915. To this union were born four children, one daughter, Mildred, preceding him in death. He united with the Norma (North Dakota) Church of the Nazarene in 1917; served on the church board for many years and as Sunday school superintendent. He was also active in the district work, serving on many of the boards and committees. He was well known for his faithfulness in prayer, church attendance, and participation. He is survived by his wife, Esther; a daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Dahl; and two sons: Rev. Melvin, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Grafton, North Dakota; and Harold. Funeral service was held in the Kenmare church with the pastor, Rev. Ellen Doke, officiating, assisted by the district superintendent, Rev. Harry Taplin. Burial was in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

MRS. MARY CORDELIA GOSSETT, ninety-two, died June 19, 1961, in a hospital in Dallas, Texas. She was born September 7, 1868, and married G. W. Gossett in 1887; he died in 1952. She is survived by three sons, Frank C., John B., and Mac; two daughters, Mrs. Muri White and Mrs. Gladys Maze; one sister, Mrs. Martha Cheek; and two brothers, Walter and Moses Allen. Funeral service was held at the Church of the Nazarene in Sulphur Springs, Texas, with Rev. E. H. Hendrix, assisted by Rev. Robert E. Hollis, in charge of the service. Burial was in the cemetery at Black Oak, Texas.

MRS. VIOLA MAE GRAVES (nee Mullins) was born near Monroe, November 19, 1876, and died June 20, 1961, in Shreveport, Louisiana. In 1893 she was united in marriage to Asbury Graves. Two sons

were born to this union: Thomas, of Shreveport; and Clayton A., of New Orleans. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and all of her brothers and sisters. She was converted in 1894, sanctified in 1911, and united with the Mason Church of the Nazarene in 1913—one of the "pioneer" Nazarenes. She was a faithful member until her home-going. She was a kind and loving mother. She is survived by her two sons and their families. Funeral service was in charge of Rev. James A. Adams, with interment in the New-bern cemetery.

Announcements

RECOMMENDATION

It is a personal pleasure to recommend Rev. Lottie Ryneerson to our churches for revivals, week-end meetings, and special stewardship services. Sister Ryneerson is completing nineteen years of ministry in our Kenosha church. Under her leadership the church has grown from a store-front, home-mission work to an established congregation in a fine sanctuary. The people, thoroughly trained in Christian stewardship, have been giving upwards of 20 per cent for world-wide evangelism over the past few years. Any congregation needing a stewardship emphasis would do well to secure her services.—D. J. Gibson, Superintendent of Wisconsin District.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Carol Irene Tatton of Shelburne and Reginald Petersen of Clinton, Ontario, were united in marriage on August 19 at the Church of the Nazarene in Shelburne with the father of the groom, Rev. Amil E. Petersen, officiating, assisted by the father of the bride, Rev. Bernard Tatton.

Miss Judith Hardman of Bedford, Indiana, and William F. Steinger were united in marriage on August 19 in the Free Methodist church in Bedford with Rev. D. F. Steinger, father of the groom, officiating.

Miss Phyllis Johnson of Clarendon Hills and Edward Duffy of Chicago, Illinois, were united in marriage on August 12 in the Brookfield Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Ernest E. Atwood, pastor, officiating, assisted by Major Roland Quinn of the Salvation Army, Chicago.

Mrs. Mildred E. Vale and Mr. Edwin C. Arnold were united in marriage on August 11 at First Church of the Nazarene in Providence, Rhode Island, with Rev. Arthur Hughes, local pastor, officiating.

Miss Elizabeth Jane Gale of Carson and Samuel Hollenberry of Stevenson, Washington, were united in marriage on July 29 at the home of the bride's parents, near Carson, with Rev. Merritt M. Mockler officiating.

BORN

—to Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Howard Bynum of Rock Springs, Wyoming, a son, Bradford Flynn, on August 15.

—to Marshall Hall Pryor and Jeanette (Noid) Pryor, of Kansas City, Missouri, a son, Curtis Marshall, on August 15.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Eller of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a daughter, Wanda Marie, on August 14.

—to Art and Lois (Flick) Woodward of Old Bridge, New Jersey, a daughter, Ann Louise, on August 14.

—to Rev. Earl and Faith (Pallett) Wheeler of Golden, Colorado, a son, Bryan James, on August 10.

—to Lloyd and Donna (Steinger) Sisson of Nashville, Indiana, a daughter, Janet Leigh, on August 4.

—to Jim and Jacqueline (Seymour) Anderson of Morin Heights, Quebec, a daughter, Linda Jacqueline, on August 4.

—to Jim and Pat Hair of Chicago, Illinois, a son, James Charles, on August 4.

—to Rev. Edward R. and Sandra (Cox) Wood of Macon, Georgia, a son, James Jeffrey, on August 1.

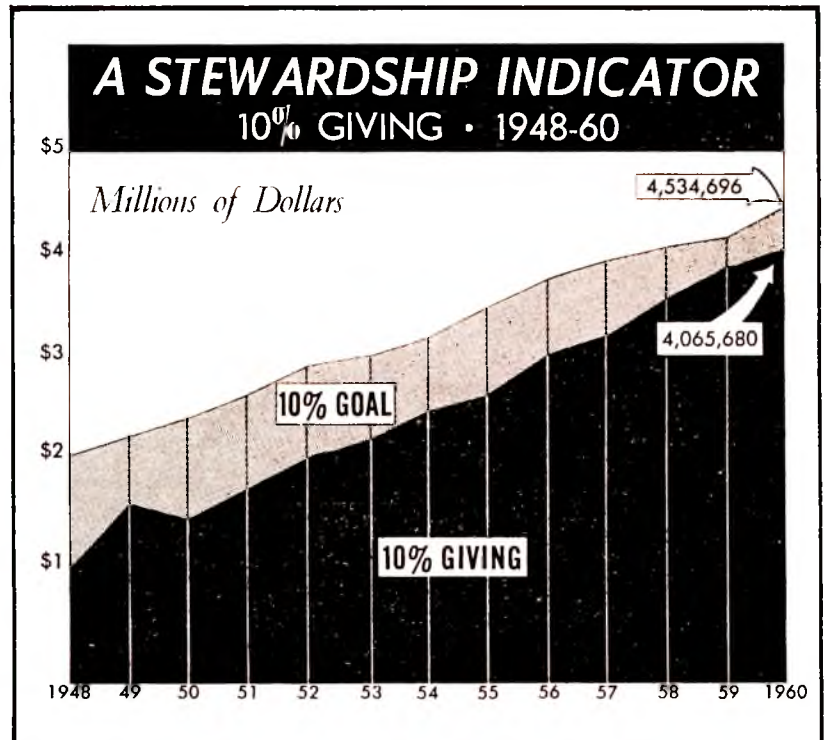
—to Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Eby of Mobile, Alabama, a son, Joseph Owen, on June 28.

ADOPTED

by Rev. Donald and Tibbelleen Moore of Sacramento, California, a baby girl, born August 18; she has been named Rhonda Drusilla.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED

by a reader in Illinois "for salvation of all members of family before they are called—divine touch or healing of their afflictions—also for divine



In 1960, the Church of the Nazarene gave \$4,065,680 for world-wide evangelism (General Budget and approved Mission Specials). This was the greatest amount in the history of our church. If all local churches, however, had paid a tithe or 10 per cent of all monies received, this would have amounted to \$4,534,696. Think of the impact that almost one-half million dollars additional would have meant to a world hungering for the message of Christ and holiness! Plan now to pledge and to give several minutes at \$6.00 A MINUTE in the Thanksgiving Offering.

—General Stewardship Committee

healing of a very stubborn mouth affliction";

by a Nazarene layman in Texas for the family's health, also that "I may be able to do the work which I feel God wants me to do";

by a Christian mother in Kansas "that God may undertake in a special way for my daughter whose husband is having mental trouble and is treating her so brutally that she in is danger of her life . . . that if it is God's will she may be free from him and have the custody of her children, until his mind is well";

by a reader in Ohio that "I will have the witness of God's Holy Spirit that I am a child of His," and for the salvation of her oldest son, who is to go into the service soon;

by a Christian wife and mother in Illinois that her husband will seek a closer walk with God, and that they might have the privilege of attending a holiness church—also for a married daughter and husband; and a son, away from home, working with ungodly men; she does need help in prayer for her family;

by a Nazarene lady in Georgia that God may open the door for her to have a job, also help in a spiritual need;

by a friend in Illinois for "a wife and mother who is undergoing an unbearable burden—that the Lord will undertake in His own way";

by a Nazarene lady in Idaho, for a Christian friend who may face serious surgery unless the Lord undertakes—she needs to work to support herself and husband, and believes God can heal; for their children who do not seem alarmed about their backsliding, that they may have wisdom in dealing with them; also that the Lord will touch her own body, if it be His will, and that she may be healed without surgery, according to God's best will for her;

by a friend in Illinois "that Mother and I may get from under the financial pressure which is beating us down, also for the salvation of a loved one."

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District Assembly Schedules

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District Assembly Information

NORTH ARKANSAS, September 27 and 28, at the church, Faulkner and Scott Sts., Conway, Arkansas. Rev. Clyde Montgomery, pastor. General Superintendent Young. (N.F.M.S. convention, September 25-26.)

NEW YORK, September 29 and 30, at First Church, Elmendorf St. at Wiltwyck Ave., Kingston, New York. Rev. Willis Scott, pastor. General Superintendent Lewis. (N.Y.P.S. convention, September 8-9; N.F.M.S. convention, September 15-16.)

the **A**nswer corner

Doctors Give God Their Vacation

Two Nazarene medical doctors this summer felt led of the Lord to cancel usual vacations and give the time instead to the Pitkin Memorial Hospital, Bremersdorp, Swaziland, South Africa.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Macrory and daughter, Carolyn, sixteen, of Bethany, Oklahoma, worked during July. Dr. Howard H. Hamlin of Chicago, Illinois, followed with three weeks in August.

Dr. Macrory is the son of the late Rev. H. B. Macrory, formerly pastor of Bethany First Church. Dr. Hamlin, a member of the General Board, was accompanied by his son, Kim, sixteen, and by Kent Moore, eighteen, son of Rev. and Mrs. Mark Moore, Chicago Central District leaders.

The doctors went to Africa at their own expense. The original suggestion was made by the Christian Medical Society, of which the secretary is Mr. Ray Knighton, son-in-law of the late Dr. L. A. Reed.—N.I.S.

Juvenile Delinquency Continues on Increase

WASHINGTON, D.C. (EP)—Juvenile delinquency continued to rise in 1960, reaching the worst level yet recorded.

So says FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

Mr. Hoover says juvenile arrests accounted for nearly all the increase in arrests that made 1960 the worst year for crime in the history of the United States. Arrests of those under the age of eighteen increased by 9 per cent, while arrests over eighteen increased only 1 per cent.

In the last five years, the FBI report shows, arrests of youths seventeen and under have increased 46 per cent.

In the last five years: Arrests of juveniles for forgery and counterfeiting have increased 82 per cent . . . arrests for driving while intoxicated, 65 per cent . . . sex offenses, 41 per cent . . . murder, 37 per cent . . . burglary, 41 per cent . . . and assaults, 58 per cent.

Arrests of girls under eighteen increased by 14 per cent, and the seriousness of offenses against girls also rose proportionately. Arrests of boys increased by 8 per cent.

Wycliffe Dedicates New International Headquarters Building

SANTA ANA, CAL. (EP)—The Wycliffe Bible Translators have dedicated a new International Headquarters building here.

Main speaker at the dedicatory ceremony was Rev. Tim F. LaHaye, minister of Scott Memorial Church, San Diego. Chairman of the program was Dr. Phillip Grossman, secretary of the Wycliffe Translators.

Founded twenty seven years ago, the

Conducted by W. T. PURKISER, Editor

What about "rededication" or "reconsecration" services?

In my humble estimation, they are in the same category as "remarriage" ceremonies. There is need for remarriage only if there has been a divorce. This doesn't mean that husband and wife may not repeatedly voice their love and devotion each to the other, but to speak of "remarriage" in such a case would be completely indefensible.

Consecration is a once-for-all presentation of a redeemed personality to God. It may be reaffirmed, but it certainly need not and cannot be repeated unless it has been broken or withdrawn.

I am a Christian (being born again), but I smoke. When I die, will I go to heaven or hell?

Well, if you die as a born-again Christian, you will go to heaven.

But you won't stay a born-again Christian very long unless you walk in the light as God gives it to you. The fact that tobacco has become a question to you, to the extent that you actually entertain the notion of going to hell for it, would seem to me to indicate that God is dealing with you about it. From what you write, it looks like you have already gotten beyond the point where it is a matter of pure indifference to you. You should ponder very prayerfully Romans 14:23, "And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin."

I have never used tobacco, although I have dealt with many who have. But while I have no personal knowledge of the kind of pleasure nicotine provides, I'm absolutely certain it isn't worth placing heaven in jeopardy, as you apparently already feel it does. If Christ doesn't mean so much to you that no earthly or sensual pleasure is worth His smile and His eternal presence, are you sure you are born again?

Just last night I ran across the following in the *Gospel Trumpet* (Church of God, Anderson, Indiana). Written by R. C. Caudill, it is entitled "Eight Reasons Why a Christian Should Not Use Tobacco." Perhaps it will help

Some have misleadingly used the phrase "progressive consecration," presenting more and more to God. But this is also misleading and unscriptural. It is true that an unsanctified Christian may be partly consecrated. But if a consecration is really made, it is complete. There may be the "unknown bundle," that is, many implications which will be progressively realized and affirmed; but the consecration itself, if real, is as absolute as enlistment in the army or, even better, a wedding ceremony.

you:

1. Tobacco cannot be used to the glory of God. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (I Corinthians 10:31).
2. Tobacco defiles the body, steps up the heartbeat, brings disease to the body. "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy" (I Corinthians 3:17).
3. Tobacco using infringes on the rights of others; its unpleasant odor annoys others. See Galatians 5:14.
4. Tobacco is expensive, useless, worthless, and detrimental. See Isaiah 55:2.
5. The use of tobacco sets a bad example for the young. See Matthew 5:16.
6. The use of tobacco is an unclean and filthy habit, and the Word of God says, "Let us cleanse ourselves from . . ." (II Corinthians 7:1).
7. The habit once formed brings the smoker into bondage, and he finds it most difficult to free himself from it. See John 8:31 and Galatians 5:1.
8. Tobacco appeals only to the fleshly appetites and is an abnormal appeal. No one craves tobacco as a food. When it is used, sickness results, showing that nature rebels against its intrusion. See Romans 6:16; 8:13.

organization has some 1,130 missionary translators in thirteen countries. Currently engaged in reducing to writing for the first time about two hundred languages, it has translated portions of the Bible in one hundred of these tongues and the entire New Testament in seven more.

The organization conducts five schools

in this country, England, and Australia to train linguistic missionaries for denominational and other mission agencies.

Graham to Tokyo in 1963

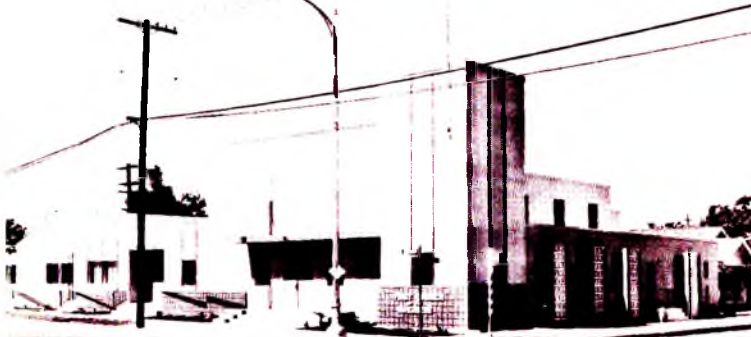
Evangelist Billy Graham has been invited to conduct a crusade in Tokyo in 1963. He has indicated that he will likely be able to accept the invitation. (W.R.N.)

THE MELTONS GO - WE HOLD THE ROPE



Rev. and Mrs. Charles Melton and son, under appointment to Japan to work in the school there, are shown at the West Virginia District Assembly. District Superintendent H. Harvey Hendershot reports that the district has accepted box work for the Meltons, and through the generosity of the people was able to equip them quite completely for their new assignment.

The First Church of the Nazarene of Escondido, California, recently celebrated both its fiftieth year and the complete remodeling of the church building and addition of a new Sunday school unit. Over 7,000 hours of labor were donated by members and friends, and the total project cost which had been estimated at \$60,000 was less than half that figure. The building which was remodeled was constructed under the pastoral leadership of Dr. B. V. Seals in 1928. Rev. W. A. Jordan is the present pastor.



A representative of the Darling Envelope Corporation of Kansas City is presenting Dr. Lewis T. Corlett, president of the Seminary, a check for \$500, which is to be placed in an endowed scholarship fund for Seminary seniors. The gift is in memory of their former president, Harry Darling, who recently passed away. Mr. Darling was a member of Kansas City First Church.



The Messenger Quartet, formerly of Olivet Nazarene College, has held an annual reunion since leaving college, even though their fields of service are widely separated. The picture was taken on the occasion of the thirteenth such reunion in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. From left to right: Rev. Virgil W. Borden, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Rev. John C. Wine, Anderson, Indiana, First Church; Rev. J. Ted Holstein, Freeport, Illinois; Rev. Carl B. Clendenen, superintendent of the Northwestern Ohio District; Paul E. Wells, accompanist, business manager of Eastern Nazarene College; and Rev. John Nielson, host pastor.

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