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Thanksgiving Then and Now

General Superintendent Williamson

The Pilgrim fathers celebrated that historic Thanksgiving Day nearly three and a half centuries ago. To gain political and religious liberty they had taken great risks and suffered staggering losses. There were only a few survivors surrounded by grave dangers. Before them a continent was to be explored and its resources developed. But they had won their first victory—a beachhead for freedom had been established.

Now they would express their gratitude to God lest they forget all His benefits. In that very act, all the shining virtues they had demonstrated were strengthened.

Remembrance of God's faithfulness stimulated their courage and faith for the adventure that had only gotten under way. Confession of their debt of gratitude deepened their humility and dedication to the ideals that had led them to such sacrifices. They were determined to pursue the way they had chosen that their posterity might enjoy freedom.

For those who have received the American heritage, the setting of our lives has changed. We are a nation bounded by two oceans. We have unlimited resources and vast surpluses. The world has sent its depressed people to share our riches and culture. Nations on all continents of the earth look to us for guidance in their struggle to be free.

The frontiers challenge us in space, in science, and in the social reformation to eliminate disease, poverty, and illiteracy. But the greatest demand upon us is to bring spiritual enlightenment, moral health, and personal salvation through Christ to the exploding population of our planet.

Confronted as we are by such stupendous responsibility, let us pause for Thanksgiving. May the faith of our fathers be renewed in us as a vital energy of the soul. And may courage to face great crises be born again. May consecration and conviction be deepened until we are ready to discipline ourselves for the task at hand.

We must launch a crusade to stem the scourge of sensualism and crime, to loosen the grip of materialism, and to halt the drift toward moral collapse. A revival of vital religion must sweep the total church before our beloved nation reaches the point of no return. Communism must be turned back by a renewal of moral force rather than by military might. We should begin with thanksgiving, that our strength may be renewed.

CHRISTMAS

Gift Edition

LATE NEWS

Telegram . . .

Kankakee, Illinois—*Enthusiastic support by the Chicago Central District was evidenced by the Laymen's Development Committee for Olivet Nazarene College, who underwrote \$38,100 at a development meeting in Kankakee, conducted by District Chairman George R. Garvin, Jr. This is the first of fifteen district meetings to be conducted as a part of the drive for funds to erect a Science Building on the campus of Olivet Nazarene College.*—J. Harlan Milby, Assistant to the President, in Charge of the Financial Development, Olivet Nazarene College.

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After nearly seven and one-half years as pastor of First Church in Emporia, Kansas, Rev. Steward Reed has resigned to accept the call to pastor the church in Malden, Missouri, on the Missouri District.

Rev. Wendell Paris has resigned as pastor at Neodesha, Kansas, to accept a call to pastor the church in Carthage, Missouri.

Rev. Robert L. Ellis has resigned as pastor of First Church in Burlington, Iowa, to accept the call to pastor First Church in New Castle, Indiana.

Rev. Willard B. Airhart is now pastor of the Parkdale Church in Regina, Saskatchewan; he was formerly pastor of First Church at Victoria, British Columbia.

After nearly fifteen years as pastor of the church in Trenton, New Jersey, Rev. Boyd M. Long has accepted the call to the Twin Borough Church at Royersford, Pennsylvania.

Dr. J. Glenn Gould, chairman of the Department of Religion at Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Massachusetts, plans for a leave of absence from his teaching duties during the spring semester. Dr. and Mrs. Gould are planning to leave about March 15 for a three-month trip abroad. Although they plan to make a brief visit to the Continent, the Goulds will spend most of their time in Britain, where they will visit with members of his father's family. Dr. Gould plans to do some research on John Wesley and to visit sites associated with the life and ministry of Wesley. He will also be preaching in London and elsewhere on nu-

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merous week ends. Dr. Gould's schedule is such that he is available for special meetings in the month of February. Pastors who are interested may write him c/o Eastern Nazarene College.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Johnson of 12470 S.W. Sabin Street, Beaverton, Oregon, were honored on Saturday, October 29, in the Beaverton Church of the Nazarene on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Scores of friends dropped in between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m., honoring the Johnsons. Piano music provided a delightful background. Vocal music was provided by their son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Leonard C. Johnson, of Oakdale, California. Rev. and Mrs. Harold Little, local pastors, sang a duet. Mrs.

Norman R. Oke, a daughter, from Mission, Kansas, directed the arrangements, and Dr. Norman R. Oke, a son-in-law, opened the observance with prayer. The Johnsons, married in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1910, resided in Pennsylvania until 1947, when they moved to Oregon. They are active in the Beaverton Church of the Nazarene.

Rev. Paul M. Sodowsky, former pastor of our church in Carthage, Missouri, became assistant and office manager in the Department of Ministerial Benevolence effective November 1, it has been announced by Rev. Dean Wessels, executive secretary. Work in the department includes ministerial benevolence, Board of Pensions, and has been expanded with the addition of stewardship and its publication, the *Nazarene Pastor*. A well-liked, efficient individual, Mr. Sodowsky has been an ordained elder in the denomination for eighteen years. He was pastor at Carthage about two years; prior to that, he pastored at Independence, and Iola, Kansas. Mr. Sodowsky served as secretary of the Joplin District and a member of the district advisory board; also as a trustee for Bethany Nazarene College from the Joplin District. He has earned degrees from both Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Oklahoma, and Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Idaho. He and his wife have two daughters: Paula, twelve, and Linda, sixteen.

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WITHOUT AND WITHIN

By PAUL BICKES

*Without my soul, the billows roll,
The crushing waves mount high.
The wind's a-shriek; the lightnings streak
Their way across the sky.*

*The black clouds billow, a stone my pillow;
The harbor's far away.
My ship doth rock, no place to dock
And tie up for today.*

*I turn somehow, and with the bow
Head full into the wind.
The gale still blows, her teeth still shows;
Yet peace reigns sweet within.*

*Within my soul no billows roll;
No crushing waves mount high;
No winds to shriek, no lightnings streak—
All fair and blue the sky.*

*The One who stilled, disciples thrilled—
Whom winds and waves obey—
Has spoken peace. The storm has ceased;
The sun shines bright today.*

*The winds will blow—that one thing know;
The storms will come along.
Bu: they're without, and He's within,
And life is like a song!*

Are We Losing Thanksgiving?

By **ROBERT G. NIELSON**, Pastor, First Church, Dallas, Texas

We are at war! It is not hot warfare, nor germ warfare, nor atomic warfare. But it is fully as devastating as any of these and can conquer the Christian world with quiet penetration. Our defenses against it are inadequate. We scarcely realize such warfare is being waged; but it is now in full swing. We are at war—cybernetic war. It is a war to win the minds of men and control the behavior of men by manipulating the messages and ideas that those men receive.

The term “cybernetics” is used by Norbert Wiener, professor of mathematics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in connection with his study of the effective messages used to control men, animals, and machines. The reaction of a machine is determined by the push of a button or some other mechanical device. The behavior of men is determined by word messages sent to their minds. If human beings can be so brainwashed that they will always react favorably to certain words and unfavorably or antagonistically to others, their behavior can be controlled.

Some words like democracy, Christ, mother, home, and church have been linked with a strong, free America. They are word symbols of the concepts that make America great. Our enemies in this cybernetic war are working to break down our lofty mental and emotional responses to such words. They want to transfer these responses to other words and messages of their choosing and thus to change our concepts and ideals.

For example, the word democracy carries with it a warm response in the heart of every American. We think of “government of the people, by the people, and for the people”—our government, worthy of our loyalty and our love. But in this war the word socialism is being hailed as the progressive successor to democracy. Its advocates claim it offers more to the individual, more security, more jobs, more food, more money. Democracy is outworn and must be buried, they say.

Witness also the word father. For centuries “father” has been synonymous with strength, love, respect, authority. But in many areas of the world the word comrade already is evoking more sense of esteem and confidence than the word father. A “comrade” who spies on his own father is commended for it. The obvious conclusion is that “father” is unimportant, a sort of “old fool.” I

call to witness many radio and television productions in which the father is always the laughing-stock.

The word family has stood for the very backbone of society. Traditionally it elicits feelings of love, joy, comfort. Our enemies would substitute the word state in every possible place in order to mold into our thinking the idea that state has superseded family in value. They have carried this out by breaking up daily family life as much as possible in subject countries. The state becomes the provider; therefore the family circle with its love, security, and loyalty is no longer necessary.

“Church” membership is effeminate, only for older women and the more simple-minded. “Party” membership is a sign of wisdom and progress, they imply. “Christ,” they would have us think, is outmoded. Marx and Lenin had the basis for a sound society.

We are shocked at the brazenness of such substitutes, but the enemy plan is to keep up a subtle ridicule of our way of life by depreciating these words that describe it.

To show how this can be done, note the devastating blow that has been dealt the word capitalism. A capitalist is one who is willing to risk his savings and his credit on a new product. He hopes to market this item so that he may eventually receive a profit for his work and risk. Today, however, the word capitalist is being used by Communists to mean a tyrant, cheat, and oppressor. And they are convincing millions of people that such is the correct meaning.

The same insidious effort is now hammering at “democracy,” “family,” “Christ,” “father,” “mother,” “God”—these words which are symbols of all that we believe. If our enemies succeed in making men laugh at or even doubt in their minds the value of these concepts, they have swept from us and our children the foundation stones of Christian civiliza-



tion, and then can thrust into the void their own substitutes.

The American Thanksgiving Day originated with men whose hearts were grateful for "democracy," "mercy," "church," "God." They revered family and father; they considered faith in God their greatest possession. Materialistic communism would make a mockery of these ideals. To some extent our emphasis on materialism in America has put us well on the road toward mocking our own great ideals. "Thanksgiving" is more apt to elicit thoughts of turkey and football than of prayer and praise. If we give more attention to games and cranberries than to Thanksgiving services and family ties, we

are playing right into the hands of these who would rob us of the faith that has made us free.

Let us alert ourselves and fight every subtle suggestion to devalue the ideals we hold dear. Thanksgiving represents them all. We must not be brainwashed into believing that they no longer matter.

God, personal faith in His plan of salvation through Christ, the dignity of the individual, love and mercy for all men, the sanctity of the home, equality of all men under God—these are the things that do matter. We must believe in them and act like it or they will be quietly but surely taken from us.

THE RISING INFLECTION

By P. J. BARTRAM

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I read the other day that when one gives his name in answering the telephone the last syllable should have a rising rather than a falling inflection. Why? The falling inflection, we are told, accents discouragement and is a low selling factor, while the rising inflection accents encouragement and uplift.

This brings to mind the time when the radio announcer told me that for a few moments in my radio talk I sounded like one, "Digger O'Dell." Which also reminds me that more than once the lady of the manse has suggested, "Keep a lilt in your voice when answering the phone." Such good counsel goes for any other times too.

So much depends upon our attitude, our outlook. Two men were convalescing. One said, "I'm glad I'm better tday." The other said, "I was some worse yesterday." Two boys had bees. One got honey, while the other got stung. One man's attitude was that our evil is mixed with good. Another man, with the falling inflection, was of the opinion that our good is mixed with evil.

Jacob and Paul are in great contrast at this point. Jacob said, "Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away: all these things are against me" (Genesis 42:36). But Paul said in Romans 8:28, "We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Let's take a look at Jacob's viewpoint. It does sometimes look like man is the victim of his circumstances. The Psalmist was right when he said, "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did

my mother conceive me" (Psalms 51:5). Paul told the truth in speaking of his environment when he said, "Sin abounds." Peter was talking from sad, personal experience when he said, "Your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (I Peter 5:8). Job, in a day of gloom, cried out, "Man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upward" (Job 5:7). And when you add to all these discouraging factors the thought that "the soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:4), you have a seemingly hopeless picture—and that is all some people can see, forgetting that some things are not what they seem to be.

Things were not what they appeared to be with Jacob. He thought Joseph was dead. He pictured Simeon in prison. He was deathly afraid that Benjamin would be taken from him. But factually all things were working together for good. God was working out His purpose for Jacob and for his family. Joseph was the first to see it and he said, as he revealed himself to his brothers, "Be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life. . . . it was not you that sent me hither, but God" (Genesis 45:5-8). Jacob himself lived to see the folly of his words, "All these things are against me."

Things are not always what they seem. We know human nature is depraved. But we also know that God has provided a full remedy for sin and depravity. We admit the fact that sin abounds. "But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound" (Romans 5:20), said Paul. Who, with any spiritual

sense, would question the existence and persistence of a personal devil? But John tells us, "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" (I John 4:4).

Of course the world is full of troubles. Dr. J. B. Chapman, when editor of the *Herald of Holiness*, wrote an editorial entitled "No Immunity Now." Let's not look for immunity now, but rather take the believing attitude of Paul when, even in a Roman jail, he could write to the Philippians, "The things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel" (Philippians 1:12). Again, it is true that "the wages of sin is death; but . . ." it is also gloriously true that, "the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

The Christian attitude is not that of the fatalist, "All these things are against me." It is not that of the stoic, "Grin and bear it," or else, "Grit your teeth and bear it." It is not living in the seventh chapter of Romans, where men cry, "O wretched man that I am!" It is rather living in the eighth chapter of Romans, where "there is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus," and where "in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." "In all these things"—Paul had so many things against him! But he always speaks of them with the rising inflection: "As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things" (II Corinthians 6:10).

We are under great international strain these days. We feel that Jesus must be talking about our times when He says, "And upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; . . . men's hearts failing them for fear, . . ." (Luke 21:25-26). The tide is obviously outgoing these days, but the outgoing tide is not always what it seems to be. It is gathering strength for its return. For Jesus also said, "When these things begin to come to pass, then *look up*, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28).

I was "chilled to the bone" one night when a visiting, speculative, second-coming evangelist told my people that the Holy Spirit was already largely withdrawn from our world; that it is harder to pray, to live, to preach, to win souls now than ever before. This is positively not true, and the Church must never settle down to accept defeat and a fatalistic attitude. "If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" (Romans 8:31-32)

Let's not be gloom spreaders but joy bringers. Let's develop a buoyant, cheerful, believing spirit, at home, at work, in our church work, in all of our witnessing for Christ. Let's use the rising inflection and endeavor to have always a lilt in our voices and

Shall We Thank More?

By FLORA E. BRECK

"In sickness—or in health—in poverty—or in wealth, thank the Lord." This was the suggestion of a very devout Christian woman whom we knew. Another friend says, "If you thank God for the dark times, perhaps He will entrust you with the joyous things of life."

In a little camp meeting town where I used to teach, the minister of the church there, at prayer meeting, used to say: "Even if you haven't many things that you feel you should thank the Lord for, why don't you thank Him that things are no worse with you than they are?" And when we would contemplate some cripple, for instance, we would recall anew how much we personally had to thank God for! Besides, something is to be learned from each reverse experienced, and if we were to indulge in self-pity we might easily miss the lesson He intends for us to learn.

How important: "Giving thanks *always* for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:20)! When we read of missionaries who have suffered "all things," it is then we recall our forgetting often to render the thanks due when we pray. Only a few days ago I read of a most consecrated missionary who had lost her husband in doing the Lord's work when he was massacred by a native. But not for a moment was she, apparently, repining. Rather, she was remembering the service of ministering *further* to those who knew not Christ, and she was planning on returning to that land—with her little girl. Yes, there seems a lesson in *all* the sad things of life—and in *everything* we should give thanks!

in our Christian living. "Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord" (Psalms 150:6).

"A man who is exploring an old well lowers a candle before him, knowing that where that can live, he can live. If the light goes out, he knows that it is not safe to go farther. The peace of God is the Christian's test-flame. Anything that in the slightest degree disturbs it should instantly be discarded, otherwise the storm has begun which will wreck the fair beauty and happiness of the soul."—THOMAS COOK.

Toward Being Thankful

By LAWRENCE B. HICKS

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As I approach this my forty-seventh Thanksgiving season I experience no difficulty in being thankful. When I try to become more specific I find great trouble. God has been so extremely good, and that on an expanding scale, that each year seems to have been the richest of my life. I am even thankful for that, for the blessed promise of God is, "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Proverbs 4:16).

To be categorical, I praise God today for three paramount things: first, the *Promises of God*; second, the *Purposes of God*; and third, the *Providences of God*. In this great trilogy of grace I discover all there is in life worth possessing. In these three gracious benefits my total philosophy becomes optimistic. Psychologically, I feel a purging depth from "dead works" with its resultant freedom toward unhindered service to my God (Hebrews 9:14). I feel my eternal destiny so securely to rest on this tripod of truth as to bring a full thanksgiving from the very depths of my being to my God for His assurance of overcoming victory until the end.

At this Thanksgiving time I bow to the God of all grace to praise Him for His "exceeding great and precious promises" (II Peter 1:4). I have always wanted to go to heaven when I die. God has so fixed it that I can gain that lovely home. He has written it down in the greatest Book in all the world, the Bible. He has sworn by himself that He would so set me free from my archenemy, Satan, that I might serve Him and thus gain that much-desired end (Luke 1:73-75). He has clearly prescribed and set down the full directions to a full salvation in His promises, gearing them to the one eternal purpose of making a poor, sinful wretch such as I to become a partaker "of the divine nature." So, with all that within me lies, I thank Him on this Thanksgiving Day.

The *purposes* of God as I have seen them so sweetly unfold in my life have indeed been miraculous. His giving to me a staunch, puritanical home in my tender and most formative years, where God was feared and sin was outlawed as a part of His purpose in bringing my soul to rest in His glory, elicits a song of praise today. The glorious "brush arbor" meetings with the singing of the grand old Methodist songs, the anointed preaching of Dr. Hiram A. Laws, Sr., M.D., the holy and exemplary living of Rev. Will Irvin, the tender pleadings

of the sanctified folk as they prayed, all fit into the wonderful pattern of purpose toward my present position in the Beloved. In my present degree of inaturity I cannot cease to thank my God.

In His all-wise *providential* acts concerning my life I shall see grounds to shout His praises eternally! Often has the devil intended to make shipwreck of my soul; yet God intervened and to the total chagrin of my enemy made it all to "work together for good" to His humble servant that did fear Him (Romans 8:28). Ofttimes my mistakes and hurtful bunglings caused much harm and deep grief and resulted in a severe rebuke by the Master. Yet even here I see His chastisements as of benevolent intention, bringing my soul into a more perfect fusion with His holiness (Hebrews 12:10).

God has for almost one-half a century provided plenary and prudentially for His unworthy slave. I have no complaint to voice today. My "inner man" reaches upward to "the Father of lights" and pleads His continued choices of life. Something within me exults in its Heavenly Father at this moment.

To catalogue all my blessings—such as my being an American, with the moral freedom assured to me by our Constitution; my being alive in good

THESE PERFECT GIFTS—FROM GOD

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, . . . (James 1:17).

*For special blessings, so appealing,
We thank Thee now, O Lord;
For gifts so fraught with love and feeling
Are from Thy bounty poured.*

*For song of birds and splash of brooks,
For wild flowers in the wood—
We thank Thee for the wind-leaf tunes
That go to make life good.*

*But most of all we praise Thee, God,
For sending Christ to man
With pardon, peace, and hope of heaven
Through Thy salvation-plan!*

—FLORA E. BRECK

health; my having shelter, food, and raiment—only adds grounds to shout at Thanksgiving time!

Well is it utterly forced upon us today that no mere "lip service" will delight the heart of our gracious God. He longs for reciprocity. He hath given the greatest gift that His mistakeless mind could conceive, His Son's blood. He hath added to this redemptive gift that of the fullness of the Holy Ghost in a sanctifying baptism of fire. It all reaches an epitome in my witnessing to others who have not heard of His grace (Acts 1:8).

I am a churchman. I belong to a great church. God has let the founding fathers of my church designate it as the *Church of the Nazarene*. It ever has been noted for its unworldliness and its unselfishness toward others. I praise God at this Thanksgiving time that I am allowed to share in that dual purpose of my church and thus gladden the heart of my Heavenly Father. I can still preach holiness to keep my contemporary Nazarenes "unspotted from the world" (James 1:27), and I can give a substantial gift of my monetary substance to an unselfish publication of the gospel to the lost millions that I can never know on this earth.

WE GIVE THANKS



By D. SHELBY CORLETT

Pastor, Arcadia, California

Centuries ago an appreciative person asked, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?" (Psalms 116:12) This question is on our lips today, for the spirit of gratitude is the essence of the Christian life. God's benefits are countless, yet it is a most profitable exercise for us to count them by recalling in detail many of His rich blessings. A grateful person is an observing person.

The manner in which this ancient Psalmist said he would express his thanksgiving provides a pat-

tern for us. He first recounted many of the ways in which God had helped him: he prayed and God heard him; when he was in trouble and sorrow, God delivered him; when he was brought low, perhaps ill, God helped him; his soul had been delivered from death, his eyes from tears, and his feet from falling. He had so much for which to be thankful!

He pledged himself to do something positive: "I will take the cup of salvation" (Psalms 116:13). A most effective manner in which we may express our thanksgiving is to gratefully take more and more of the gracious blessings God has provided for us. How we take determines whether or not our taking is an act of thanksgiving. We may take from God and do it in such a manner as to honor Him as we acknowledge our utter dependence upon Him and take "the cup of salvation."

He further said, "I will pay my vows unto the Lord" (Psalms 16:14). During the times of trouble and sickness he may have made vows to the Lord as to what he would do if God helped him. These vows were not empty words to him; they came from his heart. He would express his thanksgiving by paying his vows unto the Lord; he would do it in the presence of all God's people. We express our thanksgiving by sincerely carrying through with our vows and in giving the loving service we have pledged in our full surrender to Him.

Perhaps the most helpful way in which he would express his gratitude to God is to "offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving" (Psalms 116:17). This was a willing and generous offering given from a grateful heart, the most precious to God of all sacrifices. We honor God when we give without being pressed into giving, when it comes from our hearts as a true love-offering—a "sacrifice of thanksgiving." The greatest of these offerings is the gift of ourselves, living and serving Him, and through Him those about us, in a sacrificial manner because we love Him.

We give thanks when our eyes are open to behold God's many gifts, when we accept His gracious blessings lovingly and appreciatively, when we are faithful to the vows we have made to Him, and when we offer to Him the sacrifice of thanksgiving—something extra that a deep love for Him inspires us to give.

"Whenever Jesus Christ is presented as a model of moral excellence, but a mere man like ourselves, there is no conscience awakened to see the enormity of sin and to turn from it with a perfect loathing. Revivals can no more come from such preaching than orange groves can spring up and bear fruit among the glaciers of Alaska."—DANIEL STEELE.

Thanksgiving

for the "Status Quo"

By **MARY H. AUGSBURY**

Nazarene Elder, Los Gatos, California

You have possibly heard that a certain colored philosopher defined *status quo* as "the fix we is in." A good dictionary definition is "the state that is."

It is typical of human nature that we usually picture the past and future (perhaps especially the future) rosily, but are frequently discontented with the present, or the state that is.

Now there are many things in the present that need changing. But there is also much that is right in the "dear, familiar way" of the present, or the state that is.

Someone has said, "Think how happy you'd be if you lost everything you have—" and that sounds foolish until you hear the rest, "—and got it back again."

Now whether you wish to or not, you think at once of something you've been taking for granted which would seem valuable beyond words and worlds if you lost it and got it back again. That home of yours is not a palace, but if you lost it tonight by fire or flood, and by some miracle got it back again, it would seem to you about the coziest and most attractive place on earth. I guess even the worn places in the rug and the less-than-modern furniture wouldn't seem too bad. You'd say, "Thank God, everything is just like it was!"

Very well. But everything is just like it is right now—so let us give thanks!

That accident you almost suffered, or that siege of sickness you lived through when few thought you could—do you remember how thankful you were to have escaped or to have recovered? And do we take gratefully from God's hand every day afresh the ability to walk, to talk, to see, to work, to think? For most of us these things are a part of the state that is. What a wonderful state!

Loved ones, loyal hearts, familiar faces—if we lost them we'd give a million worlds to have them back. Well, we have them now. They are a part of the state that is. Let's remember that human personality is the most precious thing God ever made, *and act accordingly*.

Then there is our freedom, and peace—even though it be a fragile peace. Let's prize them, work at keeping them, thank the Giver of freedom and peace for them while we have them.

Supremely, there is God's mercy. It is never a thing to be taken for granted, though it is over us, all about us, fairly inundating us. As the hymn writer says,

*The mercy of God is an ocean divine,
A boundless and fathomless flood.*

Mercy makes salvation available. The ability to "choose the good and live" is a part of the state that is. If we realized that mercy for us had been withdrawn, then somehow graciously restored, with what sobbing gratitude we would fall at the feet of Christ!

Well, we are now privileged to choose God's will for our lives. May we, *gratefully*, make the most of it!

A Prayer for Gratitude and Forgiveness

By **A. S. LONDON**

Our Heavenly Father, forgive that in us which grieves Thee! when we make it harder for those we love; when we worry our friends, and hurt those within our own household.

Forgive, we pray, when we have depressed those about us, and failed to encourage their efforts and brighten their days. Help us to be kind in all our contacts with people, so that tomorrow will have no regrets.

Forgive, we pray, when we have become impatient with those who have gotten on our nerves, and cross with those of our own kindred. Blot out, we pray, the times we have hurt someone's feelings, thoughtlessly.

Keep us, we pray, from irritability, impatience, cutting words, and selfishness, which sees nothing but our own viewpoint.

Make us grateful, we pray, when suffering comes, and may we always accept it in the spirit of Christ. Help us to carry our crosses patiently and joyfully.

In our weakness, grant that we may receive Thy help as promised to all who put their trust in a living Christ.

Save us, we pray, from becoming sour and disgruntled professors of the Christian religion. May we always show gratitude for Heaven's beauty which brightens the day.

We pray for faith, hope, loyalty. Give us the faith that accepts when we do not understand, the

hope that never gives up, and the loyalty that stands true when everything else seems to flee away.

Save us, our Father, when we are bruised. May Thy blessing bring health. Give us the peace that passeth all understanding when hopes are disappointed and our days seem so empty. Send Thy Comforter, and may we work harder and love more nobly.

Make us grateful for those who have helped us along the pathway of life, opened doors, and given us an opportunity for Christian service.

Grant us Thy presence, as the years come and go. We are rich with it, and poverty-stricken without it.

Give us ears to hear, eyes to see, minds to think clearly, and ability to learn the lessons Thou art trying to teach us. Help us to shed old faults and gain new virtues.

May we always give a word of comfort, a helping hand, and show the generous spirit, as shown by Him who was rich, but for our sakes became poor. We ask in Christ's name. Amen!

HOW GRACIOUS ARE THY BLESSINGS, LORD!

By KATHRYN BLACKBURN PECK

*For these I thank Thee, Lord: bright hours
Wherein I work, and find my labor sweet;
For early mornings, and the scent of flowers;
For quiet evenings, and tasks complete,
For the assurance that Love overshadows,
Enfolds, and undergirds me all the while;
Though life may bring some storms with raging
billows,
To know I shall look up again and smile,
And even when the enemy assails me,
Suggesting to my spirit thoughts of doubt,
I have a gracious Friend who never fails me,
And from the tempter's snare He brings me out,
I thank Thee, too, for earth-friends, tried and
proven,
For the warm clasp of helping hands sincere:
For home, the dearest spot this side of heaven;
For children near me, innocent and dear.
I thank Thee for beginning understanding
Of truth the Holy Spirit doth impart
To guide me on my way—truth never-ending,
With pow'r to satisfy my seeking heart,
Beyond all this, bright faith in Thy tomorrow
Where life begins abundant, pure, and free—
Pain laid aside, and death, and every sorrow!
How gracious are Thy blessings, Lord, to me!*

A New Disturbing Insight

By J. KENNETH GRIDER*

Let me tell you of a new and disturbing insight I have found. From a man of the sixteenth century it comes, the robust revolutionary of those times, the man—a real man, God's man—from Wittenberg. Luther, like Wesley later, left plenty for the centuries to chew on. What he said so sweet and disturbing is cited in Charles Lowry's *The Trinity and Christian Devotion* (N. Y.: Harpers, 1946, p. 123), itself a priceless piece of research and stylistic quality. Luther's *Commentary on Peter and Jude* is quoted, and the man who here sounds more like Wesley than himself says:

"But love is greater than brotherhood, for it extends even to our enemies, and especially to those who are not worthy of love. For as faith performs its work where it sees nothing, so also should love see nothing, and there especially exercise its office where there appears nothing lovely, but only disaffection and hostility. Where there is nothing that pleases me, I should the more seek to be pleased. And this spirit should go forth fervently, says St. Peter, just as God loved us when we were not worthy of love."

The really special insight here as I see it is the comparison which the usually pugnacious German reformer makes between faith and love. Always we have thought of faith as performing "its work where it sees nothing." Love too, *agape* love (as in I Corinthians 13), says Luther, can perform its work, its best work, where it sees nothing. Not the person we would emulate can we love most. Not the fellow who loves and is lovable. Him we might love most in the sense of love as *eros*, human love. But since love as *agape* is the kind which does not first calculate what it might expect in return for its trouble, *agape* is really quite like faith. "What a man seeth," he does not have faith for (see Romans 8:24). When a person is destitute every way you look at him, to love him is like having faith for what he has not yet come to be. Then, like faith, love "performs its work where it sees nothing."

Oh! give me this love! God, grant it to all of us who are witnesses for Thee and for Christ while we are sojourners here in this "spoilt and fallen world."

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“Personal Evangelism Precedes Mass Evangelism”

By LELAND HAGENS, Pastor, Kittanning, Pennsylvania

This formula has proved itself to be the only way to have a successful revival and evangelistic campaign. It is no new order brought into being by our church. It was used by Jesus as we see in Luke 10:1-16. Our church-wide emphasis on “Try Christ’s Way” has brought it into focus, and we are realizing afresh and anew that His way is the only way to reach men and women for the Kingdom.

In this chapter we see what seems to have been our Lord’s method. Jesus did not use a system that would possibly work for a while and then fail. He looked down through the ages and laid down a plan that would work forever in bringing souls to Him in repentance. Jesus was an Organizer and Planner as well as our Saviour. All His moves were planned, and every action was a means toward an end. We can easily see the steps of His plan of action in this effort to spread the glad tidings to a needy world.

(1) *He organized a “Christian Service Training class”*: “The Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them . . .” (Luke 10:1). This was no hit-and-miss and go-a-week-and-quit visitation program, but rather the Lord picked and trained these seventy with great care. They were to be His forerunners, for He “sent them . . . before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.”

(2) *He laid the need before them*: “The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few” (v. 2). He, as only the Lord could do, showed them the condition of the world and the challenge awaiting anyone who would be willing to work. He did not say “visitors” were few; He said “the labourers are few.” Personal soul winning is work. The only way that we are going to be able to have a successful “Try Christ’s Way” campaign is to work. May the Lord challenge our hearts until sleepless nights and mealless days will go into our plans and program.

(3) *He warned them that it would neither be without hazard nor easy*: “I send you forth as lambs among wolves” (v. 3). Some seem to have no fear when it comes to personal work, but the majority do feel a sense of fear. It is not the fear that exists between men, but realizing the terrible-ness of sin and the wicked reaction that can develop when it is disturbed, we do feel fearful sometimes, and thus allow this to defeat us and keep us from participating in this type of soul

winning. But notice what comfort may be drawn from the words, “I send you.” This certainly implies Christ’s guidance and constant protection.

(4) *He gave them some instructions*: “Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: . . .” (v. 4). He might have said this to try their faith and to teach them to trust Him for the supplying of their needs. It means that He would give them a message so simple and complete that they would need no baggage. He may also have given these instructions to keep them from looking like common peddlers loaded down with bag, manuscripts, and extra shoes. Then, too, there have been people in my home trying to sell me their doctrine who were so loaded down with books and documents that I knew they had to have these to back them up—they were lacking convictions and a personal testimony to convince one of the truth. Jesus also said, “Salute no man by the way” (v. 4)—or, “Don’t be delayed and sidetracked by someone who wants to talk about the weather, the styles of the day, etc.”

(5) *He gave them a message*: “And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace . . .” (v. 5). That is, “Go and tell this world of unrest that there is peace to be had in receiving Me as the only begotten Son of God.” Surely this message is for our world today, and may God help us to carry it to the homes of needy people.

(6) *He told them to be sociable and not seem to be in a rush*: “And in the same house remain, eating and drinking . . .” (v. 7). Many a person can be won while drinking a cup of coffee or tea and eating a piece of cake. Jesus seems to be saying, “Be sociable and do your best to appreciate and accept what hospitality is shown you even if the people are not of the higher brackets of society.” Many have been turned away from Christ and the Church because someone turned his nose up at what they had to offer.

(7) *He told them not to sit and argue*: “But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways . . .” (v. 10). We waste our time when our conversation reaches the point of argument. We can’t reach people and present them a gospel of peace by arguing.

(8) *Then His words of encouragement and strength*: “He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me” (v. 16). How good it is to have God’s backing and to know that we are paving the way for Jesus to come

into the hearts of hungry people, and to realize how important it is to be like Him; for in accepting us as His ambassadors, they are in a sense beginning to accept Him. Then, too, it is imperative that we be like Him and follow His leadership, for there is the danger that in their rejection of us they may also reject Him. May the Lord help us to win them to "Try Christ's Way."

ARE YOU ROBBING GOD?

By JACK WRIGHT*

The prophet Malachi asks the question, "Will a man rob God?" (Malachi 3:8) But perhaps we should first ask the question, "Will a man rob a man?" The answer is, "Yes, men do it every day, but a Christian won't!" And then if we ask again the prophet's question, "Will a man rob God?" we must reply, "Yes, some men will, but a Christian won't!"

Occasionally someone will try to excuse his lack of tithing by saying that it is an Old Testament standard. Once a young man decided to rib his father, who was an old-time holiness preacher. He said with tongue in cheek, "You know, Dad, I'm a New Testament Christian, and that tithing business is an Old Testament idea. So I'll just live by the New Testament standard."

The old preacher wrinkled his brow and said, "So you want to abide by the New Testament standard, do you?—Then give it all!"

Whenever preachers begin to talk about money, invariably someone will accuse them of being "in it for the money," and this is nothing new. As large sums of money passed through the hands of John Wesley for his Methodist organization, a legend grew up as to his supposed wealth. Thus it happened that, when England was trying to raise money for its war with America, he was commanded by the tax collectors to make due entry of his silver plate so that he might be properly assessed. His short answer is famous. "Sir, I have two silver teaspoons in London and two in Bristol. This is all I have at present; and I shall not buy more while so many round me want bread."

There is no more tangible way to prove one's dedication to the cause of Christ than by sacrificial

giving. Dorothy Thompson, the columnist, wrote recently, "A belief that no one will die for, let alone sacrifice for, soon becomes a belief that no one will live for or by."

A man came to visit his pastor and said, "Pastor, my tithe is becoming a problem to me. When I was only a fifty-dollar-a-week ribbon clerk it wasn't much trouble to drop five dollars in the offering plate; but now that I've gotten a large income, I can't spare the large amount of tithe that would be my portion now. I wonder if you could help me with this problem."

The pastor replied, "Bill, I appreciate your candor in coming to me. Let's pray about it." And he prayed along this line, "Lord, Bill's tithe is a problem to him because he is making so much money. Lord, don't let him lose his soul over his money. Give him business reverses, reduce his income so his tithe won't be a problem . . ." The man interrupted his pastor and said, "Hold on, Pastor. I don't think my tithe will be a problem any more!"

God help us to all be able to sing:

*Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.*

ESCAPE?

By BERNIECE AYERS HALL

*Behind me, crowded city street—
How good, at last, to take
My eager way on weary feet
Beside a jade-green lake!
And I, escaping care, had fled
Both man and God; "am free," I said.*

*But, oh, I had forgotten things
Like blue waves in the sun,
Like silver gulls on flashing wings,
The peace when storms are done,
And purple shadows, fleeting, still,
Upon a distant amber hill.*

*Forgotten—I, who should be wise—
God's breath upon the breeze,
His voice in water's lullabies
Would send me to my knees—
Forgotten love, in wind and wave,
Would woo me till I yield, His slave!*

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EDITORIALS

By W. T. PURKISER

A Thankful Heart

Thanksgiving is never a question of the amount of possessions one has or does not have. There is, as a rule, less thanksgiving in the homes of the wealthy than there is in the homes of the humble.

For thanksgiving is an attitude of the heart. He who has a thankful heart is the one who is truly rich. The sorriest poverty earth knows is the poverty of the prosperous who only want more. "It's not that I'm really selfish," the wealthy landowner explained. "All I want is the land next to my own!"

It was a man with a thankful heart who wrote, "I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content" (Philippians 4:11). "Easy enough for Paul to say," someone replies: "a great preacher, working with a sense of real destiny, swaying the multitudes, founding churches . . ."

But just a moment! Those words were not penned at the height of Paul's mission. The crowds of yesterday were gone. The strength and vigor of youth and manhood had declined. It used to be that they couldn't build a jail strong enough to hold the Apostle Paul. But all that was gone. They not only caught him, but they kept him. And when he wrote these words, he faced an uncertain future. He was held in custody far from home and friends.

But Paul had learned a priceless lesson. He had learned how to make his requests known to God by prayer and supplication "with thanksgiving" (Philippians 4:6). He had learned how to be content, and that in whatsoever condition he might find himself.

It all started for Paul, of course, when he surrendered his life to the risen Christ on the Damascus road. It deepened and became settled when he died to the world, and the self-seeking principle of sin died within him. "I am crucified with Christ," he could write, "nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). Nothing can rob a man like that of a thankful heart.

One need not look far to find people in circumstances like Paul when he wrote his letter to the Philippians, whose reactions to their environment are almost exactly opposite. One grumbles and complains because things are no better. The

other thanks God because they are no worse. One bucket on the pulley complains that every time it comes up full it must go down empty. The other rejoices that every time it goes down empty it may come up full.

Our national day of Thanksgiving affords us an opportunity to praise God for His abundant mercies. We may thank Him for our nation and the ideals upon which it is based. We may thank Him for our liberties, purchased at great cost and preserved in the face of subtle attack. We may thank Him for material bounties, for prosperity beyond the wildest dreams of our forefathers.

Most of all, we thank God "for his unspeakable gift" (II Corinthians 9:15), Christ Jesus, our Lord. He it is who gives us above and through all things the priceless treasure of a thankful heart.

Heart and Head

We need to be reminded that it is the pure in heart and not the brilliant in mind who shall see God. The conditions for knowing spiritual truth are not intellectual but spiritual. Many humble saints can teach the doctors of theology lessons never learned from books.

This is due in part to the fact that faith and not reason points the way to the divine. It is not that Christianity is unreasonable. It is that it passes the realm in which reason operates with most confidence, and penetrates a realm where reason comes to a halt.

Here lies the answer to a problem many have felt, the problem of intellectual doubt. If one expects to find logical and completely satisfactory answers to all his questions, he is either not asking very important questions or he will be disappointed.

Faith is essentially commitment, and in terms of the New Testament can never be separated from obedience. The opposite of faith is not doubt, but disobedience. What many diagnose as intellectual troubles, problems of the head, are actually spiritual troubles, problems of the heart. Jesus said, "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself" (John 7:17).

There is both a *faithful* and a *faithless* use of reason. A *faithful* reason recognizes its limitations and seeks its law from God. A *faithless* reason sets itself up as law, and would judge all things.

But it is pre-eminently the pure in heart who see God. A carnal heart is blinded by its own deep perversion. The deceitfulness of sin distorts the vision and warps the judgment. Faith finds its ultimate expression when it leads to full consecration and the cleansing of the heart. Much to be coveted is the grace of a pure heart in connection with a sound head.

Editorial Notes

A national association of directors of Christian education has recently been formed under the auspices of the National Sunday School Association. The group aims to set up standards for directors of Christian education and provide a means of exchanging ideas. Directors of religious education in the Church of the Nazarene took steps at the last General Assembly to provide their own association. An interesting newsletter has already been circulated, and steps are under way to provide a constitution. Rev. Gene Hudgens, director of Christian education at the First Church of the Nazarene, Pasadena, California, is the president of the group.

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This issue of the *Herald* carries the last of three eight-page supplements provided by the Nazarene Publishing House. Together they make up a Christmas buying guide calling attention to items carried by the House which can add Christian meaning to your Christmas gift list. Instead of the usual twenty-four pages, these issues have been thirty-two pages in length. All together, *Herald* families are offered twenty-four pages of Christmas gift suggestions which can be of great value. May the editor suggest that you save and use these three *Heralds* as you plan your Christmas shopping.

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The National Sunday School Association adopted the following resolution at its October meeting in St. Louis: "WHEREAS personal evangelism is one of the primary responsibilities of believers; AND WHEREAS the Sunday School has one of the greatest potentials of any agency as an evangelistic force; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we urge the teachers in our Sunday Schools to keep before themselves the need and obligation of winning their students to Christ; and that we urge Sunday School workers to keep the vision of soul winning before their students; and that we urge publishers and writers to maintain and increase this emphasis in their materials."

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If the preacher shoots into the brush where you are, don't get out with the preacher—get out of the brush.—B. V. SEALS.

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Ponder W. Gilliland*

Thanksgiving— Experience and Expression

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me (Galatians 2:20).

Gratitude may be deeply felt and yet lie beneath a calm exterior. One may be thankful without being vocal.

But *thanksgiving* is another thing. The very word implies expression. This is gratitude—plus. Feeling has become so intense that it bursts the confinement of calmness. It acts. It does something or says something.

He loved me. We are almost constantly aware of this—but sometimes it hits us with such impact that it surges into a shout.

He gave himself for me. Every fresh awareness of this brings humility, gratitude, and love.

Through His *love-giving* our sins are forgiven. We have repented of them and renounced them. They are lost forever in the fathomless sea.

Through His *love-giving* our hearts have been cleansed and we are made pure and holy in love toward God and man. The sin nature, revolving around self, has been eradicated from our hearts and we no longer love or live for self. His is all our love; His, our whole being. Holiness of heart and life!

Gratitude? Much more than that! Thankful? That too falls short. An all-consuming love to Him who loved so much is the consequence. Just as His love expressed itself, so will ours. Thanksgiving—a love that gives!

How thankful are we? How strong is our love? Are we so overwhelmed by it that we are anxiously restless to tell our love story? to spread the news? to share the love? Vital experience should find frequent vital expression.

Paul's thanks and love expressed themselves through witnessing. Far more frequently do we find him as a witness than as a preacher.

Witnessing is no new program. It is not new, for the Church of the Acts of the Apostles employed it as their chief method of evangelism. It is not, essentially, a program. It is the passionate expression of a heart touched by the love of a holy God and made holy by Him.

Witnessing is personal. It speaks of personal experience. "I was there. I saw. I tasted. I experienced. I know." Likewise, the witness is given

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to another. It is *person to person*—not *pulpit to people*.

If the essence of holiness is perfect love toward God and man out of a pure heart, then a holiness

that stops short of witnessing is probably short somewhere else. Let personal evangelism be paramount with each of us and then the church cannot help but put "Evangelism First."

WORLD-WIDE BIBLE READING

A period of daily world-wide Bible reading, from Thanksgiving to Christmas, is being sponsored by the American Bible Society for the seventeenth consecutive year.

"A few centuries ago," the Society notes, "men risked their lives to read the Bible. Thousands of Tyndale's translations were smuggled into England, hidden in sacks of flour and bundles of clothing.

"In the twentieth century, millions have pledged their lives for liberty, including religious freedom. Those who preserved this vital freedom should fully enjoy its benefit.

"The Book for everyone is surely the book for you. This is your invitation to read it faithfully and prayerfully."

The suggested readings are as follows:

NOVEMBER	
24 Thanksgiving	Psalms 23:1-6
25	Psalms 46:1-11
26	Ephesians 6:1-24
27 Advent	
Sunday	Proverbs 8:1-36
28	Deuteronomy 5:1-21
29	Isaiah 35:1-10
30	Isaiah 40:1-31
DECEMBER	
1	Isaiah 55:1-13
2	Jeremiah 31:1-9, 23-34
3	Romans 8:1-39
4 Sunday	Luke 1:57-80
5	Matthew 5:1-16
6	Matthew 5:17-48
7	Matthew 6:1-34
8	Matthew 7:1-29
9	Matthew 4:12-25
10	Isaiah 9:2-7; Galatians 4:1-7
11 Universal Bible	
Sunday	Mark 12:1-31
12	John 3:1-21
13	John 11:1-27
14	John 20:1-31
15	Romans 5:1-21
16	Isaiah 61:1-11
17	Luke 7:18-30; Matthew 11:25-30
18 Sunday	Isaiah 42:1-13
19	I Corinthians 13:1-13
20	I Corinthians 15:1-28
21	I Corinthians 15:35-38
22	II Corinthians 4:7—5:10
23	Philippians 3:7-21
24	Luke 21:1-20
25 Christmas	John 1:1-18

For the last six days of the year, these passages are recommended:

26	Colossians 1:1-29
27	I Thessalonians 4:13—5:11
28	Hebrews 12:1-29
29	James 1:1-27
30	Revelation 21:1-27
31	Revelation 22:1-21

"Man's ideal is God's real."—

H. WHEELER ROBINSON.



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"TRY CHRIST'S WAY"—GOALS

District	District Superintendent	Membership	Witness	Seekers	New Mem.
Abilene	Rev. Raymond Hurn	5,201	36,407	1,733	433
Akron	Rev. C. D. Taylor	9,523	66,661	3,174	793
Alaska	Rev. Bert Daniels	409	2,863	136	34
Alabama	Rev. L. S. Oliver	5,747	40,229	1,915	479
Albany	Rev. Renard D. Smith	2,842	19,894	947	236
Arizona	Dr. M. L. Mann	3,350	23,450	1,116	279
British Isles North	Dr. George Frame	1,241	8,687	413	103
British Isles South	Rev. J. B. MacLagan	2,086	14,602	695	174
Canada Atlantic	Rev. Bruce Taylor	704	4,928	234	58
Canada Central	Rev. H. Blair Ward	1,830	12,810	610	152
Canada Pacific	Rev. Bert Daniels	631	4,417	210	53
Canada West	Rev. H. L. G. Smith	2,893	20,251	964	241
Central Ohio	Dr. H. S. Galloway	11,302	79,114	3,767	941
Chicago Central	Rev. Mark R. Moore	4,856	33,992	1,618	404
Colorado	Rev. E. L. Cornelison	4,897	34,279	1,632	408
Dallas	Dr. Paul H. Garrett	4,486	31,402	1,495	373
East Tennessee	Rev. Victor E. Gray	3,710	25,970	1,237	309
Eastern Kentucky	Dr. D. S. Somerville	4,467	31,269	1,489	372
Eastern Michigan	Dr. W. M. McGuire	6,557	45,899	2,185	546
Florida	Dr. John L. Knight	6,800	47,600	2,267	567
Georgia	Dr. Mack Anderson	4,323	30,261	1,441	360
Hawaii	Dr. W. S. Purinton	509	3,563	170	42
Houston	Dr. W. R. McClung	3,079	21,553	1,026	256
Idaho-Oregon	Rev. I. F. Younger	4,651	32,557	1,550	387
Illinois	Rev. Harold Daniels	6,626	46,382	2,208	552
Indianapolis	Rev. Luther Cantwell	6,067	42,469	2,022	506
Iowa	Dr. Gene E. Phillips	4,930	34,510	1,643	410
Joplin	Rev. Dean Baldwin	3,516	24,612	1,172	294
Kansas	Dr. Ray Hance	6,118	42,826	2,039	509
Kansas City	Dr. Jarrette E. Aycock	3,946	27,622	1,315	329
Kentucky	Rev. D. D. Lewis	4,762	33,334	1,587	397
Los Angeles	Dr. W. S. Brown	8,106	56,742	2,702	675
Louisiana	Rev. T. T. McCord	2,566	17,962	855	214
Maine	Rev. Joshua Wagner	2,065	14,455	688	172
Michigan	Dr. Orville L. Maish	6,079	42,553	2,026	506
Minnesota	Rev. Roy F. Stevens	1,898	13,286	630	158
Mississippi	Dr. Otto Stucki	2,574	18,018	858	215
Missouri	Dr. E. D. Simpson	5,412	37,884	1,804	451
Nebraska	Dr. Whitcomb Harding	1,826	12,782	609	152
Nevada-Utah	Rev. Raymond Sherwood	582	4,074	194	49
New England	Rev. J. C. Albright	3,849	26,943	1,283	321
New Mexico	Dr. R. C. Gunstream	2,223	15,561	741	185
New York	Rev. Robert Goslaw	1,716	12,012	572	143
North Arkansas	Rev. J. W. Hendrickson	2,935	20,545	978	246
North Carolina	Dr. Lloyd B. Byron	2,825	19,775	942	235
North Dakota	Rev. Harry F. Taplin	1,085	7,595	362	90
Northeast Oklahoma	Dr. I. C. Mathis	2,821	19,747	940	235
Northeastern Indiana	Dr. Paul Updike	8,384	58,688	2,794	698
Northern California	Dr. E. E. Zachary	12,325	86,275	4,108	1,027
Northwest	Rev. Raymond Kratzer	5,113	35,791	1,704	426
Northwest Indiana	Rev. Arthur C. Morgan	4,756	33,292	1,585	396
Northwest Oklahoma	Rev. J. T. Gasset	4,981	34,867	1,660	415
Northwestern Illinois	Dr. Lyle E. Eckley	3,443	24,101	1,147	287
Northwestern Ohio	Rev. C. B. Clendenen, Jr.	4,461	31,227	1,487	372

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Oregon Pacific	Dr. W. D. McGraw	6,007	42,049	2,002
Philadelphia	Rev. William Allshouse	3,990	27,930	1,330
Pittsburgh	Rev. R. B. Acheson	6,576	46,032	2,192
Rocky Mountain	Rev. Alvin L. McQuay	1,552	10,864	517
San Antonio	Rev. James C. Hester	3,167	22,169	1,055
South Arkansas	Dr. A. Milton Smith	3,297	23,079	1,099
South Carolina	Rev. Ben F. Marlin	3,019	21,133	1,007
South Dakota	Rev. Albert O. Loeber	581	4,067	193
Southeast Oklahoma	Rev. Glen Jones	2,972	20,804	991
Southern California	Rev. Nicholas A. Hull	9,613	67,291	3,204
Southwest Indiana	Dr. Leo C. Davis	6,357	44,499	2,115
Southwest Oklahoma	Rev. W. T. Johnson	4,181	29,267	1,394
Southwestern Ohio	Rev. M. E. Clay	7,224	50,568	2,408
Tennessee	Rev. C. E. Shumake	6,718	47,026	2,239
Virginia	Dr. V. W. Littrell	2,598	18,886	896
Washington	Dr. E. E. Grosse	4,082	28,574	1,360
Washington Pacific	Dr. B. V. Seals	4,372	30,604	1,457
West Virginia	Rev. H. H. Hendershot	7,796	54,572	2,598
Wisconsin	Rev. D. J. Gibson	1,752	12,264	584

THERE ARE "SOULS IN THESE GOALS." NAZARENES! LET'S WITNESS TO 2,000,000 DURING NOVEMBER!

Many buildings are under construction or soon to be begun. Our clinic building in San Isidro will be started soon.

Our nurses, Miss Lesper Heflin and Miss Olivette Culley, are doing an outstanding work. They treated 13,105 patients this past year, and carried a heavy schedule of regular church work as well. The day schools are booming with an enrollment of 353 in the 7 schools.

When we look at the progress that God has helped us to make, we rejoice; but when we look at the paganism and darkness that bind our country of Nicaragua, we are heartbroken and determined to evangelize more for Christ. Pray with us that we may make this the best year, evangelistically, that we have ever had in Nicaragua.—ROBERT PITTAM, Reporter.



GEORGE COULTER, Secretary

New Missionary Lists Are Available

The list of missionary addresses which appears in the November *Other Sheep* is also available in single copies, free of charge, from the Department of Foreign Missions, 6401 The Paseo, Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri.

Among other recent changes are the following:

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan now live at Via Pergolesi No. 1, Florence, 7, Italy.

The address for all our missionaries in New Guinea is now: % Nazarene Mission, Banz, Western Highlands, Territory of New Guinea.

This includes Mrs. Wanda Knox, who left San Francisco October 25, 1960, to return to New Guinea.

Important Correction

Since the missionary lists were printed, Rev. Ted Hughes has returned to the States from Cuba. His address is 1419 No. Flower, Santa Ana, California.

Rev. John Hall and Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix may leave Cuba around the middle of November.

Thank You and Keep Praying

Rev. Ronald Bishop would like to thank everyone who has prayed for Mrs. Bishop in her long illness. Their love, interest, prayer, and concern have been beyond all asking or thinking.

Mrs. Bishop is still in a coma following surgery last spring. Mr. Bishop reports that she moves her head much more than at first, her hands seem stronger, and she makes sounds in her throat, but as yet has not spoken. Her physical body seems to be quite normal, but the damage done to the brain by the heart stoppage during her surgery has not been repaired as yet. Brother Bishop and the family would deeply appreciate the continued prayers of Nazarenes around the world, that God's will shall be done for Mrs. Bishop, and His name glorified in the illness of this faithful servant of His.

Nicaragua Reports

The fourteenth annual council meeting of the Nicaraguan District is now history. God manifested himself time after time in the devotional hours, and the sweetness of the Holy Spirit prevailed throughout the meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wellmon were welcomed back to Nicaragua for their fourth term of service. Our newest recruits for the missionary staff, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Pittam, were cordially welcomed also.

Rev. C. G. Rudeen was re-elected as the field superintendent.

Reports of our work were good. Two new churches have been organized, making a total of twenty-one churches and twenty-two missions. All have a full- or part-time pastor.

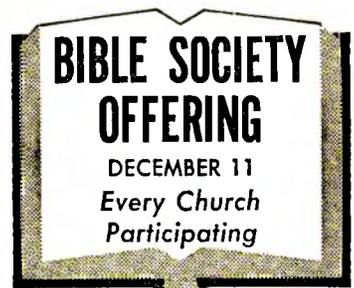
On the Way to Africa

We had a wonderful "send-off" in New York as fifty Nazarenes from five districts and from Eastern Nazarene College held a farewell service for us in the lounge of our ship, the "African Moon."

A few hours later Dr. and Mrs. Merki with Baby Suzanne, Mabel Tustin, and I were on the high seas bound for Africa. Our first sight of land, eight days later, was a view of Brava and Fogo islands of the Cape Verde archipelago. From there our ship stopped at Liberia, Belgian Congo, Walvis Bay, Cape Town, Durban, and the last port will be Lourenco Marques.

We are excited about getting to our field of service, for we count it a privilege to be ambassadors for Christ to the continent of Africa under the Church of the Nazarene.—LORRAINE SCHULTZ, Mozambique.

One of the greatest services in the work of God is to testify and speak forth His praise and thus be an instrument through which God can work to win souls to His kingdom. Jesus condemned the scribes and Pharisees for being religious outwardly but wicked inwardly. God will bless the man who yields to Him his entire being and will touch his lips that they will bring forth honor to His name.—Exchange.



the Answer corner

Conducted by W. T. PURKISER, Editor

As a church, we believe in complete consecration and, consequently, peace and joy of heart. Will you please make some statement regarding the neurotic, unstable people among us who struggle to find this peace? I refer to honest, sincere people who are unable to help themselves rather than those who can and will not. The people I refer to are depressed without cause, and are constantly searching for the stability of church members who are normal in their experience. In other words, can a mentally disturbed person be sanctified?

A book could be written in answer to this question. But I submitted it to Dr. John Cotner of Olivet Nazarene College, whose doctoral studies in pastoral counseling give him an excellent background for dealing with problems of this type. Dr. Cotner writes:

"This question speaks of mentally disturbed people who are 'unable to help themselves.' Reference is made to those who are 'depressed without cause.' This terminology immediately suggests, not simple 'neurotic' tendencies, but more severe 'psychotic' reactions ('psychotic' meaning severe emotional illness in which there is a departure from normal patterns of thinking, feeling, and acting,

commonly characterized by severe depression, hallucinations, and general personality disturbance).

"Since sanctification is the gracious act of the Holy Spirit by which the heart is cleansed from sinful pollution at the moment of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and since it is dependent upon complete consecration and faith, it would certainly follow that these persons could be sanctified if they could meet these simple and basic conditions. Beyond this, it would seem that the grace of God would surely be efficacious on their behalf and the blood of Christ would atone for all their sin."

Am I right in thinking that the only ones who are to take up offerings in our church and count the money are to be members of the church, and not outsiders who come to our church but who smoke and drink?

I am sure it would be wrong to have outsiders such as those of whom you speak to act as regular ushers and count the offerings in a local church.

Please explain Peter's narrow, prejudiced attitude towards the gentiles in view of the fact that he was sanctified. May I apply whatever explanation you give regarding Peter to our sanctified members and their attitudes regarding the racial question?

Concerning the first part of the question, sanctification does not automatically change a person's attitudes which have been shaped by a long cultural heritage. It does enable him to show a right spirit when the Lord begins to deal with him at the point where those attitudes become a hindrance to God's purposes. Peter's purity of heart is seen in his ready obedience to God's known will, and his willingness to risk misunderstanding and criticism by carrying the gospel to Cornelius and his gentile

household.

As to the second part of the question, I should have to know more about the attitudes in question. I can conceive that equally holy persons might have opposite convictions at the point of complex social and cultural issues. I would want to be sure that the attitudes spoken of did not approach the point of animosity, malice, and hatred toward persons, whatever their race might be. If they did, then we should have a spiritual lack revealed.

Is it sinful to attend an auction? Is this "seeking the things of the world"? If we are not to love things here, could a Christian be an antique dealer?

I can see nothing necessarily sinful about attending an auction. I cannot see how buying at an auction would be any more "seeking the things of the world" than buying anywhere else. As

to a Christian being an antique dealer, if he were honest and properly represented his wares, there would seem to be no particular problem involved.

What do you think of people, young or old, chewing gum in church?

Not much. It would seem to me to be an offense against good breeding.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By ROBERT L. SAWYER

Topic for
December 4:

The Unfailing Love of God

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 31; Romans 8
(Printed: Jeremiah 31:3b-7, 31-34; Romans 8:1-2, 38-39)

GOLDEN TEXT: *For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord (Romans 8:38-39).*

The Christmas season offers a wonderful opportunity for sharing the best that we have. It is a tragic thing to have nothing to share but material things that can be bought and sold. Certainly the person who offers warm friendship and understanding is close to the real spirit. But only as we share Christ himself do we capture the true significance of this lovely time of the year. Then the sharing of friendship and things takes on new meaning, for it is done for Jesus' sake. We share His love.

The Covenant of Law: Jeremiah reminds the people of his day of the Abrahamic covenant, which was to be fulfilled to the nation of Israel. This included physical and material prosperity if they walked in His paths and obeyed His commandments.

The seventy years of captivity were not far off for the southern kingdom of Judah. But God was not going to chastise them by forgetting. He would remember and restore those who would do His will. In this Jeremiah anticipates the coming of the Messiah and the Church age. The prophet alludes to a new heart of flesh upon which the laws of God were to be written rather than upon tablets of stone—a new covenant based on love instead of law. Here was the remainder of the drawing power of the loving-kindness of God even before the birth of our Saviour.

The Covenant of Love: John the Baptist quoted the prophets as he proclaimed the love of God, who would

If you are helping to row, you have no time to rock the boat.

make a new covenant with His people. The record of scripture is the revelation of God's loving plan for His people (Jeremiah 31), and the realization of His purposes in and through Christ (Romans 8:1-2). But more than plan or purpose, the love of God can be the inseparable portion of the Christian (Romans 8:8, 3a). When we have consecrated our all to Him as a living sacrifice, then God, in His matchless love, cleanses and fills our hearts by His Holy Spirit. This vital experience is the basis for Paul's and every Christian's faith that *nothing* can separate from the love of God except sin. Even then, Christ stands at the door and knocks—He would come in to stay.

Oh, the love that planned our salvation, that made it available through the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that makes us like the Master! This I have heard, I have seen, I have felt, I know. Praise the matchless love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord!

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Religious News and Comments



By WILSON R.
LANPHER

Interesting to Nazarenes

A high honor has recently been given to Dr. C. Harold Ripper, dean of Bethany Nazarene College and mayor of Bethany, Oklahoma. He was elected as president of the Oklahoma Municipal League, which consists of city officials for the state of Oklahoma. Dr. Ripper is an ordained elder on the Northwest Oklahoma District and serves on the Board of Orders and Relations. As more and more of our Nazarenes receive honor and responsibility involving leadership in public affairs, let us be thankful that men of integrity are in positions of trust. The Protestant tendency to withdraw from public life is neither scriptural nor practical. We need the best men we can obtain in positions of public trust.

Hiroshima Pastor

The first Japanese woman Nazarene preacher to be ordained is Rev. Mrs.

Rika Nagase, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Hiroshima, Japan. Her husband, who helped to start the Hiroshima church, died in 1946, suffering from shock and radiation that followed the atom bomb attack on that city. Here indeed is dedication of a high order.

Graham in Germany

During a period of three weeks, Evangelist Billy Graham preached to congregations totaling 700,000. Many factors combine to make this very significant. Travel restrictions were in force in the Eastern Zone. Propaganda blasts and malicious reports were fostered by Communist leaders. But in spite of this, loud-speakers carried the gospel message right up to the iron curtain. The climactic rally saw 60,000 in and around the tent. Altogether more than 25,000 indicated a desire to follow Christ.

Alongside the theological intellectualism and a critical attitude toward the Bible prevalent in Germany, the simple gospel message of Billy Graham stood in vivid contrast. In spite of the fact that in Germany 90 per cent of the people belong to the churches, church attendance is down. For example, less than 2 per cent of the population in some large cities attend church. The emphasis is on ritual and the preaching reflects the intellectual snobbery of the dominant philosophical and theological tides. Mass evangelism is deplored by many, even as it is in our country. But the response in personal decisions is all the more significant because of the background of powerless and sterile religion, issuing in unchanged lives. Here is a lesson for all. "The gospel of Christ... is [still] the power of God unto salvation." Why should we forsake our heritage of holiness evangelism for the soft and subtle lure of a drift to ritual and intellectual discussions? Ours is a dynamic message that confronts sin, presents a Saviour, and brings comfort and peace to an individual soul, by the grace and mercy of our God. Let us pray for our church as it seeks to expand its "beachhead" in Germany and in the heart of Europe. A crusade such as Evangelist Billy Graham's three weeks in Germany cannot help but be a boost to our drive to make the Church of the Nazarene an effective witness to the saving and sanctifying power of our God in that country.

Church Membership

Membership in churches in the United States failed to keep pace with the population increase during 1959, according to statistics released in the *Yearbook of American Churches*. The *Yearbook* says that 63.4 per cent of U.S. citizens were members of a church or synagogue last year. While the estimated population increased by 1.8 per cent between 1958

and 1959, church and synagogue membership proportionately gained only four-tenths of one per cent. Here is one solid reason for our thrust in this quadrennium of "Evangelism First." We must bear our full share of keeping faith with our generation. We must be personally involved in winning the lost for Christ.

"The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work."

Public Morals and YOU!



The July 15, 1960, issue of *Contact-Concern* gives us the most recent statistics available on alcohol advertising. Generally, expenditures for beverage alcohol advertising have increased steadily until the total is somewhere around 413 million per year for time and space alone. These figures do not include the extremely high cost of producing such items as television commercials and shows, and full-color magazine advertisements.

Here are the latest 1959 statistics in four categories. These figures do not represent a total of alcohol advertising but give an indication of spending for some specific media.

Network TV	\$15,462,000
Spot TV	47,840,000
Spot Radio	14,803,000
Outdoor	28,337,374

The total advertising expenditures for these four media alone amount to the staggering sum of \$106,442,374. Of course there is no way to estimate the damage done to human personality and to society by the use of the alcoholic beverages used as a result of all this advertising expenditure.

EARL C. WOLF, Secretary
Committee on Public Morals





Servicemen's CORNER

CHAPLAINS HONORED

Promotions and honors have come to several of our Nazarene chaplains recently. We are proud of these men. Congratulations, fellows!!



**Chaplain
Lyle W. Robinson,**

serving at the army base in Fort Lewis, Washington, has been promoted from captain to major.

**Chaplain
Calvin Causey**

A recent letter from Chaplain Archel Meredith reads: "As a National Guard chaplain, I attended Phase III of the Associate Advanced Course at the Army Chaplain School.

"During the first week of this time Chaplain Causey, one of our active-duty chaplains, was at the school attending the Company Grade Course. At this graduation it was announced that he ranked *second* in his class on academic score.

"As a fellow Nazarene, I was quite proud of this record by one of our chaplains."

Chaplain Causey is now serving at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.



**Chaplain
George C. Laurie,**

serving at the Tripler U.S. Army Hospital, has been promoted from major to lieutenant colonel.

**Chaplain
Henry W. Stroman**

has been promoted to lieutenant commander and serves at the U.S. Naval Training Center in Bainbridge, Maryland.



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Paul Stiles DIRECTOR

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Evangelism "is the proclamation of good news to 'them that are without.' It is not Christian education, or the deepening of the spiritual life, or the quest for sanctification, or the outworking of the Christian ethic in the social order (though it will relate itself to all of these); it is the sheer work of the herald who goes in the name of the King to the people who, either openly or by their indifference, deny their allegiance to their rightful Lord."—WILLIAM E. SANGSTER.

The biggest step ever taken is the step from "I want" to "I ought."—B. ELTON TRUEBLOOD.



NAZARENE MINISTERS BENEVOLENT FUND

Department of Ministerial Benevolence
DEAN WESSELS, Secretary

The following letter comes from a retired elder who served the Church of the Nazarene over thirty years. He expresses his appreciation as follows:

"I want to acknowledge the nice check received today from the N.M.B.F. I wish I could find words to express my deep gratitude to the church, but words fail me. I am so thankful to the Church of the Nazarene for the love and interest shown me and my wife.

"It is encouraging to know in our old age that there are those who do appreciate the work done to help promote the Kingdom. We only wish that we had strength to work as in years gone by."

It is a privilege to share this letter with you. YOU are making it possible for the Department of Ministerial Benevolence to remember those who pioneered for the Kingdom in days gone by.

Have YOU Lost Contact with God?

(I Samuel 28:15)

By F. W. DAVIS

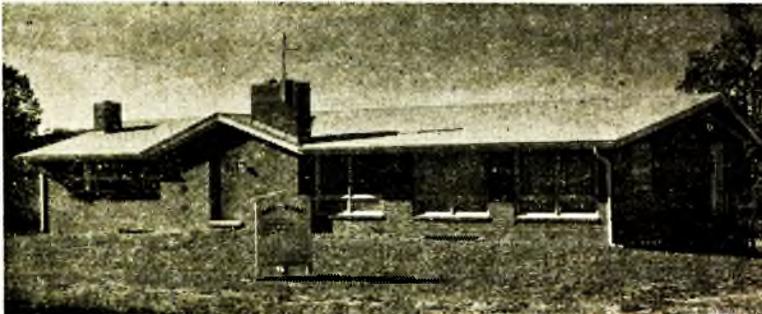
*Do you feel His loving presence
As you did in days gone by?
Are your prayers as quickly answered
From His glory in the sky?
Is your soul in tune with Heaven?
Does He now have full control,
As the hour when Jesus saved you,
Cleansed your heart and made it whole?*

*Can you feel that mighty current
Surging thro' your soul this hour?
Are you now in touch with Jesus,
And His love and mighty power?
Check your life, dear Christian pilgrim,
And strict inventory take,
Lest the summons from the Master
Comes to find you unawake!*



News of the Churches

Oakmont Church, Gaithersburg, Maryland



The Oakmont Church was organized on October 2 by our district superintendent, Dr. E. E. Grosse. Rev. Chester Kemper was appointed pastor. The church is a product of the two zones, Washington and York, with Rev. Wm. Mowen as chairman. Pastors and members of the congregation gave of their money, also time and labor. The building, constructed of red brick, on a four-acre site, is appraised at \$50,000 with a debt of \$26,500. It is a beautiful building, housing the church and parsonage under one roof. The sanctuary will hold 150 comfortably. On organization day, 24 charter members were received; the

charter is still open. On the sixth Sunday, 64 were present. On organization day, the members took over full responsibility of the pastor's support and all local expenses. Preceding the organization, Brother Kemper conducted a two-week revival, with a good spirit and victory in almost every service. During the meeting, two evenings were set aside for "open house" with special emphasis upon the two zones, and Dr. E. E. Grosse bringing the messages. Love and unity prevail, and we give God praise for His continued blessings, and feel He sent Brother Kemper and family to us. —CHARLENE MILLIRON, Reporter.

Rev. Robert and Helen Long report: "Of our total ministry we have spent the majority of the time in the pastorate, having been on the West Virginia District since 1946. In this time we have served as pastors at Bluefield, Beckley, Huntington, and Moundsville. Almost every place we have pastored we have, with God's help, been privileged to see new property purchased for the church, and new people won. It has been a pleasure to work under two good district superintendents, Dr. Edward C. Oney and Rev. H. Harvey Hendershot. We are now re-entering the evangelistic field; at this writing we are in a meeting at Bedford, Pennsylvania, with Pastor Leonard L. Wright. Under Brother Wright's good leadership the church is making progress. We feel we are in the center of God's will, and enjoy His wonderful and continued blessings. We love our Zion and enjoy giving our best to it. Our present address is Box 143, Hatfield, Pennsylvania."

Vancouver, B.C., Canada—First Church met for a get-together on Friday evening, October 21, to honor our pastors, Rev. and Mrs. D. George MacDonald, on the occasion of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. About one hundred and fifty people gathered for the occasion. Mr. C. W. Bartrum acted as emcee for a delightful program, after which gifts were presented and lunch served. —Reporter.

Rev. I. E. Dayhoff writes: "I am now settled in America since retiring from the full missionary program, and am giving some time to evangelism in both the missionary and the evangelistic field. I am a commissioned evangelist on the Iowa District. In my revivals I am glad to give the missionary emphasis and, where desired, show films of our African work in the area where I have been for the past twelve years. Write me, Box 233, University Park, Iowa."

Pastor Bernard W. Culbertson reports from El Paso, Texas: "El Paso Valley Church recently closed what members termed the 'best revival in the church records.' It was a 'laymen's revival' in that different laymen of our church spoke in the week-night services, with the pastor preaching on Sunday. Much preparation was made through men's and women's prayer meetings and visitation work. Actually, the spirit of revival broke in upon us several weeks before the scheduled meeting—and this spirit still prevails. For two months now we have had seekers at our altars each week. Twelve different lay members participated as speakers and were wonderfully used of the Lord. Six new members were received on profession of faith. Last May 29, Dr. G. B. Williamson was with us to dedicate our new church building. We have an excellent location (8040 North Loop Road), one mile east of our former site, with two acres of land. The sanctuary will seat three hundred, and we have room for a dozen classes and have a junior auditorium also. The building is of cinder block and steel construction. With the land, we purchased a good seven-room parsonage. Our present debt is less than \$15,000. Our people have been sacrificing, praying, giving, calling, and trust God as He leads forward. Already we have reached our quota for the 'Try Christ's Way' drive, but are working to double it. Located in this growing city are Fort Bliss, Biggs Air Force Base, and MacGregor Field. If you have friends here, write us and we'll be glad to contact them. I am now in my third year as pastor of the Valley Church."

Meansville, Georgia—It has been our pleasant duty to pastor a fine group of Nazarenes in the Pine Mountain Church for the past two years. The assembly year just closed showed all budgets paid and good gains along all lines. The Lord graciously blessed with a good fall revival under the ministry of Evangelist H. N. Dickerson. God gave seekers and happy finders in nearly every altar call, and the church was blessed and encouraged. We have a loyal and dependable people, faithful with their tithes and their prayers. On a recent Sunday evening the pastor had no opportunity to preach as wave after wave of divine glory and power swept over the service for a full half hour with the people shouting, weeping, and praising God. An altar call was given and the service closed with the saints weeping and praying with the lost. Mrs. Gray and I are both in good health and enjoying our work in preaching holiness and winning souls for God.—RALPH C. GRAY, *Pastor*.

Knox, Pennsylvania—Recently our church enjoyed one of the best revivals of its history, with Rev. Fred Drayer as the evangelist. All Sunday school records were broken, and we set a new record of eighty-five in average attendance for each service. Thirteen new members were received into the church. Evangelist Drayer went calling with the pastor and was able to win a good many souls to God and the church. He preached with the anointing of the Holy Ghost, so that many came to get saved and then returned to get sanctified. Brother Drayer is a man of prayer.—L. T. WELLS, *Pastor*.

Evangelist James Robbins reports: "At this writing I am in the closing of a good revival at Odon, Indiana. We have had excellent crowds and souls have prayed through to God at the altar. Rev. Omar Hamilton is the fine pastor. I have been busy during the fall and have a good slate. It is a real joy to co-operate with Christ and our church in this splendid program of 'Evangelism First.'"

Rev. Allen Richardson writes: "I have now resigned as pastor of our church in Edison, New Jersey, to enter the chaplaincy training at Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. During two years of ministry here in Edison, God has blessed; we completed a new combination building, church and parsonage, valued at \$70,000 for a cost of \$33,000. We purchased three more lots, each 25 x 100 feet. Numerically we have had steady gains, and now have an active N.Y.P.S. and Junior Society. The N.F.M.S. has been a five-point 'Star' society both years. We have had a 72 per cent increase in Sunday school average attendance over the two-year period, and Edison won the district-wide Sunday school contest in her group. Church membership has increased 47 per cent in the two-year period. Also the church has had an 80 per cent increase in finances over the past two years, with all budgets paid in full—even though there was a 140 per cent increase in district, camp, and college budgets this past year, with an increase in local expenses due to moving into a new building."

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London report: "Eight days with Pastor H. C. Hatton and his people in Sterling, Illinois, saw 419 present in Sunday school—124 more than on the previous Sunday. Brother and Sister Hatton have been with this church fifteen years, and now have a membership of over 200, with a Sunday school average of more than 300. They have great potential in a fine class of 59 teen-agers, and Mrs. Hatton had a class of 50 young married people. The church property is well located, and valued at more than \$200,000. Our church in Peru has purchased a nice building at a low cost. Pastor Johnson and wife are faithful and sacrificial and have a few loyal members. It was a delight to be in our church at Pekin again with Pastor J. V. Morsch and his Sunday school crowd of nearly three hundred. This church under the leadership of this hard-working and efficient pastor with a loyal people is becoming a real Sunday-school-minded group. At Three Rivers, Michigan—known by our Dr. L. D. Mitchell—we saw the largest group in Sunday school they have had in ten years. Pastor D. E. Fuller and wife are bringing a new day to this church. It was a joy to be in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell. Five hundred people were present in a Monday night rally at the Pilgrim church in Owosso, Michigan, with fifty preachers present. Dr. Paul Elliott, president of Pilgrim College, presided at this long-to-be-remembered service. Two nights were given to our church in Sturgis, Michigan, with Pastor and Mrs. Arthur Gould. These leaders are among our best, and Mrs. Gould is a great gospel singer."

Evangelist Carl H. Kruse and wife write that they have two open dates which they'd be glad to slate with any church desiring their services. The dates are December 28 to January 8 and January 10 to 22. Write them, 503 N. Redmond, Bethany Oklahoma.

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Conway, Arkansas—First Church recently enjoyed one of the best revivals in years. Dr. Gene Phillips, superintendent of the Iowa District, was the evangelist, with Gene Jones of Bethany Nazarene College as the singer. God was present to bless from the first to the last service. Dr. Phillips preached to the hearts of the people, and God honored in giving an old-fashioned revival. Church people prayed around the clock during the entire meeting, and the long altar was lined with seekers many times. On Saturday night God came in a special way, and the altar was filled without any preaching. People prayed together for a real outpouring of the Spirit. Thank God for this visitation of the Holy Spirit in power. We are truly grateful for the ministry of Dr. Phillips and Brother Gene Jones.—CLYDE MONTGOMERY, *Pastor*.

Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Miller write: "We have an open date, February 15 to 26, 1961, and will be happy to slate this time wherever the Lord may lead. We are in our seventeenth year in the evangelistic field, and carry the whole program—preaching, singing, music, chalk artistry, and children's work. Write us at our home address, 307 S. Delaware Street, Mount Gilead, Ohio."

Rev. Henry B. Wallin writes: "After five and one-half years as pastor of our church in Ventura, California, I am returning to the field of evangelism as of January 1, 1961. Already, I have slated for the first five months of the year, but have open time from May 1 through August. After December 1, my address will be 114 N. Hill Avenue, Pasadena, California."

South Dakota Preachers' Convention

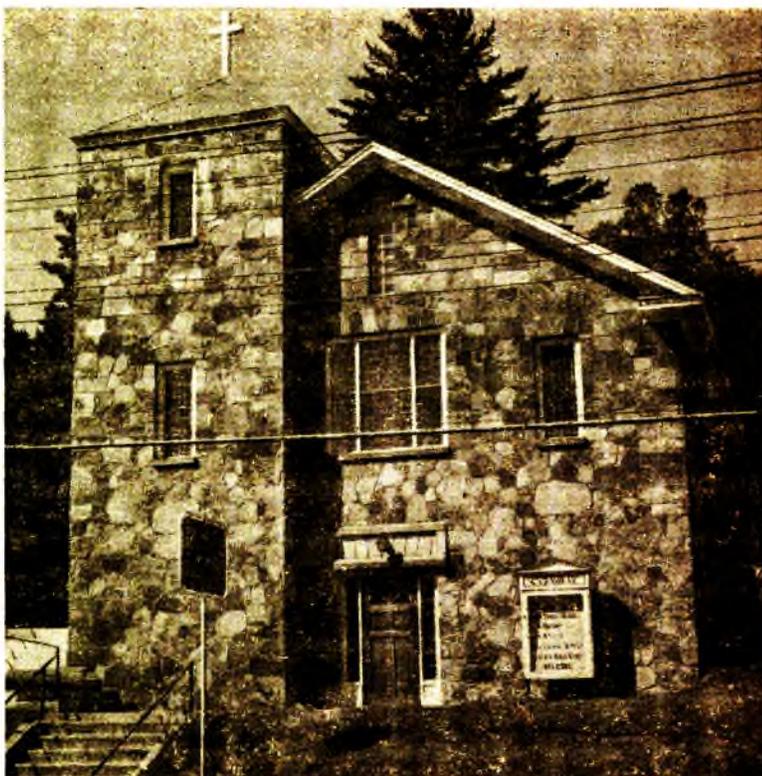
The South Dakota preachers' convention was held in the Blue Belle Lodge in the Black Hills, with Dr. G. B. Williamson, general superintendent, as the special speaker. His messages were on the line of "Evangelism First." He spoke to us out of a burdened heart, with major emphasis on the need of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Church and the world—beginning with the individual pastors. Much time was given to prayer and heart searching.

Rev. Albert O. Loeber, district superintendent, had charge of the sessions. His humble spirit and his vision for the church and the Kingdom inspired the pastors and their wives to deeper devotion and greater effort. Brother Loeber's charts of the individual churches for the last quadrennium were enlightening and challenging.

The department heads spoke of the progress and the needs of each of the departments. Each of us returned home with greater determination to "seek first" the kingdom of God.—N. J. ARCHUK, *Reporter*.

The gospel of a broken heart demands the ministry of bleeding hearts. As soon as we cease to bleed we cease to bless.—J. H. JOWETT.

Adirondack Church, Lake Placid, New York



The vision of Rev. A. M. Babcock and the members of the Adirondack Church in Lake Placid became a reality on October 16, as District Superintendent Renard D. Smith dedicated the new building to God. The building was started in July of '53 when the old building was condemned. Much of the actual construction was done by Brother Babcock, who served as pastor from 1952 to 1956. The congregation worshipped in the basement until December of '59. The new church is 68 x 30 feet, with full basement, young people's auditorium, and seven Sunday school rooms. The main auditorium will seat 200. The building is valued at \$50,000, with the

balance due on the mortgage only \$11,200. Approximately \$16,000 in free labor was donated by members and friends of the church. The building is located on the main street of Lake Placid. The beautiful stained-glass window in the front of the building was dedicated in memory of Rev. Donald Stahl, who died while pastoring here in 1957. We are in our second year here and count it a privilege to labor with these good people. God is helping us to see good increases in attendance at all the services and, best of all, souls are being saved and sanctified.—C. C. CUNNINGHAM, *Pastor*.



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Deaths

REV. S. C. TAYLOR

Stanford Cedric Taylor was born in North Dakota, September 23, 1886, and died in Canby, Minnesota, on June 28, 1960. He was converted at the age of sixteen, sanctified soon after, and called to preach. In 1910 he was united in marriage to Adda A. Wagner; she died in 1951. In 1952 he was married to Ethel Kathryn Ernst. He was an ordained elder in the Church of the Nazarene for thirty-eight years, of which eleven years were spent as district superintendent in Minnesota, North and South Dakota. His ministerial labors resulted in the salvation of many souls and the organization of a number of churches. He had been one of the leaders in the Laymen's Holiness Association, and helped in bringing that group into the Church of the Nazarene. He also pastored churches at Fargo and Bismarck, North Dakota, and Augusta, Maine. For the past four years he had served as supply pastor of the Canby, Minnesota, church, where he preached his last message on May 1, this year. He was a holiness preacher in every sense of the word, and a wonderful husband and father. He will be remembered for his patience, wisdom, and love for all people. He is survived by his wife, Ethel, of Donnelly, Minnesota; a son, John; a sister, Dr. A. Grace Taylor. He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters, three brothers, and two children who died in infancy. His last words were of preparedness, victory, and submission to God's will. Funeral services were conducted at Canby and Alberta, Minnesota, with Rev. Roy F. Stevens, district superintendent, in charge, assisted by a number of Nazarene pastors. Interment was made in Inglewood Park Cemetery, Inglewood, California.

JAMES R. HOBACK, age ninety, died on August 31 in Arcola, Illinois. He was a member of the Arcola Church of the Nazarene. His wife preceded him in death. He is survived by two children he reared: Dr. Stillwell, of Arcola; and Mrs. Annabelle Kehrer, of Mount Vernon, Illinois. Mr. Hoback often testified to the saving and keeping power of Christ. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. K. Dillman.

DOUGLAS LEE BARTEE was born November 11, 1890, in Van Austine, Texas, and died August 15, 1960, in Lake Charles, Louisiana. He was a charter member of the College Park Church of the Nazarene, was faithful unto the end, and died in triumph. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Mary Lou Detino, Mrs. Elaine Lucky, and Mrs. Betty Spradling, all of Lake Charles; a brother, James

E. BarTEE; and three sisters, Mrs. Carl Schmidt, Mrs. Rexford Ray, and Mrs. Ethel Roark. Funeral service was held in the church, with the pastor, Rev. R. L. Spinks, officiating, assisted by Rev. V. Dan Perryman.

MRS. SYLVIA IRENE BAXTER, long-time member of First Church of the Nazarene in Tulsa, Oklahoma, died suddenly on Sunday morning, August 21, 1960. Faithful, radiant, devoted, and true are words which describe the life she lived as she witnessed to the wonderful grace of our Lord. Survived by her husband, Loyd; and her children, Wendel of Bethany, Robert, Shirley, Henry, and Teddy of Tulsa, the memories of a beautiful life will bring fruit in God's tomorrows. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. L. A. Ogden, in Tulsa First Church, with burial in Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

MRS. OLIVE V. GADDIE was born November 9, 1884, at Scottsville, Pennsylvania. In 1905 she was united in marriage to Lloyd S. Gaddie, at Zurich, Kansas. They moved to Idaho, establishing their home near Meridian in 1915. Mrs. Gaddie was converted and joined the Meridian Church of the Nazarene in 1916. She was loyal to God and the church all through the years. She died December 13, 1959, after almost a year of failing health. She is survived by her husband, Lloyd S.; three daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Partridge, Mrs. Arlene Crawford, and Mrs. Gladys Crandall; one son, Robert; two brothers, Wilmer and Harry Dick; and five sisters, Mrs. Lena Moody, Mrs. Cora Warrick, Mrs. Alice Chappel, Mrs. Mabel Grooms, and Mrs. Kathryn Fulcher. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Eugene M. Cuijbertson, at the Meridian church, with interment in the Meridian cemetery.

ROBERT LLOYD YOUNGS was born in Sacramento, California, October 1, 1909, and died of a heart attack on August 23, 1960, in Oakland, California. In 1932 he was united in marriage to Flora C. Murchison. He attended the North Sacramento Church of the Nazarene for eighteen years, serving as Sunday school treasurer-secretary and church board member for sixteen years. In 1950 the family moved to Oakland, where they joined the East Oakland Church. He was a devout Christian and a faithful church member, serving as board member, and Sunday school superintendent for seven years. He is survived by his wife, Flora; two daughters, Mrs. Robert E. Copp and Mrs. Raymond J. Edlhuber; also two sisters, Mrs. Marjorie Smith and Mrs. Annie May Byrne. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. Wilmer Lambert, with graveside services and interment at East Lawn Chapel in Sacramento, California.

FLOYD R. WOMACK died on September 16, 1960, in Hutchinson, Kansas. He was born August 26, 1903, in Queen City, Missouri, and had lived in Hutchinson for the past seventeen years. He was a custodian in the Hutchinson schools for seventeen years, and was a veteran of World War II. He was converted at the age of fourteen, and had unbroken fellowship with Christ for forty-four years. He had earned the name of "Mr. Faithful" at First Church of the Nazarene in Hutchinson, where he joined in 1932. His daily Bible readings had taken him through the entire Bible more than forty times; he was able to quote aptly from the Scriptures. He is survived by his wife, Alice, and a brother, Earnest.

Announcements

RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. Bud and Mary Raker, who have successfully pastored a number of churches on our district and have spent many years in the evangelistic field, have returned to the full-time evangelistic work. They will hold a good revival meeting for any church. They are good, consecrated people whom the Lord has been using in a very gracious way. If you wish their services, address them at Box 106, Lewistown, Illinois.—Lyle E. Eckley, Superintendent of Northwestern Illinois District.

Rev. C. B. McCaull is entering the evangelistic field. He is a good man, and a good preacher and chalk artist. He will hold a good revival for you. Address him, 210 Phillips Avenue, Berryville, Arkansas.—Jarrette Aycock, Superintendent of Kansas City District.

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Mary Carole Rundberg and Donald E. Richardson of Danville, Illinois, were united in marriage on September 3 in First Church of the Nazarene, Danville, with Rev. S. A. Smith, pastor, and Rev. James Ranum of Madison, Wisconsin, officiating.

BORN—to Dene and Louise (Cline) Simpson of Kansas City, Missouri, a daughter, Deanneta René, on October 23.

—to Sgt. and Mrs. Paul Harris of Loring Air Force Base, Limestone, Maine, a son, Ralph Edward, on October 22.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Ronald R. Featherston of Gary, Indiana, a son, Richard Wayne, on October 8.

—to Matthew Allen and Janice Bearden of Chandler, Arizona, a daughter, Margaret Edna Ruth, on October 8.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Ed Phillips of Florence, Alabama, a daughter, Twyla Leliani, on October 8.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Havener of Providence, Rhode Island, a daughter, Stephanie Lee, on September 27.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in Kentucky who seems to be losing her eyesight, that God may undertake and spare her eyesight so long as He lets her live, if it be His will;

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By CHARSTEN CHRISTENSEN

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On Calvary, God erected the Golden Milestone of the kingdom of the Spirit. But no gold was there—only the rough bark of a crudely hewn Cross. It did not stand in the center of a popular forum. No cheering crowds acclaimed its power and prestige and desirability. No armies stood at its base to get their

marching orders for conflict and conquest. Neither prince nor potentate saw in it an ally, much less a threat to selfish, unjust power.

Because God's Golden Milestone lacked the outward trappings of glory, man in his blind vanity rejected it as a thing of no significance. It was erected outside the city limits. Nearby were the refuse grounds where the trash of an Oriental city was dumped and burned. Around it milled the thoughtless rabble, out for an empty afternoon to see what passing pleasure it could find. Languidly lolled the members of the militia, idly casting dice, entirely unaware that heaven and hell were locked in mortal combat over the highest stakes in the universe.

The Golden Milestone of Augustus is gone, and gone is the mighty empire for which it stood. But Calvary's Milestone is more real today than ever, ruggedly and unchangingly representing eternal truth in spite of the fogs of man's theories that surround it, firm and steadfast in spite of the fury and fulmination of godless men's attacks upon it, and promising an eventual and certain and lasting peace to those who center their lives by it—God's Golden Milestone.

CHRISTMAS

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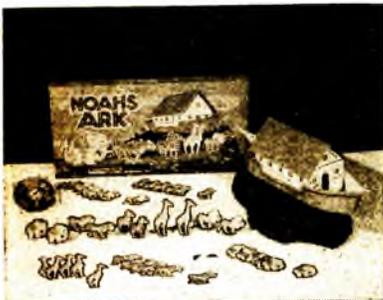
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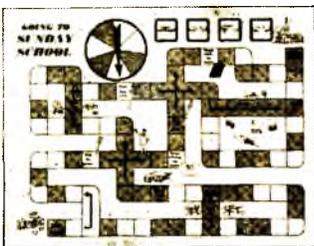
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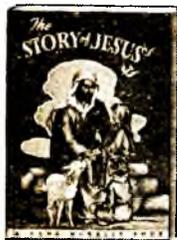
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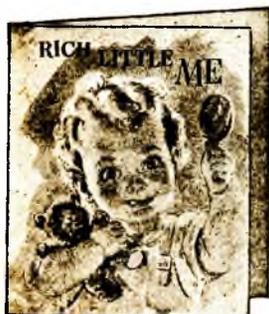


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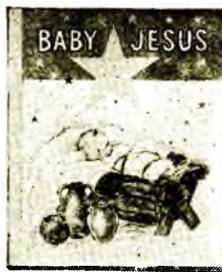
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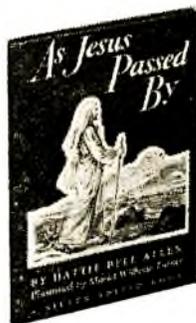
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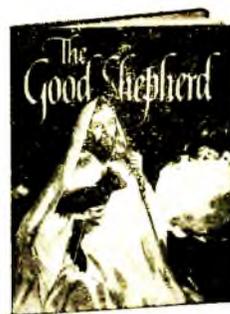


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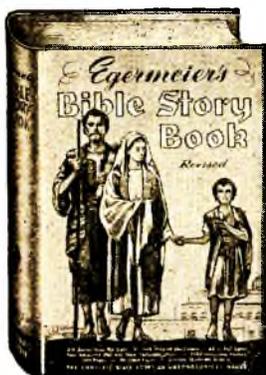


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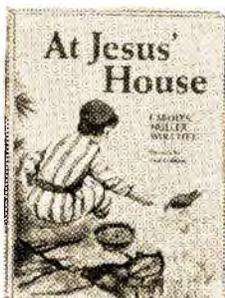
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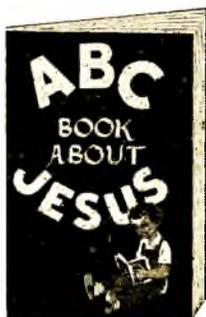
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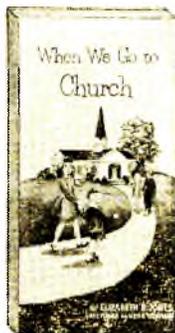


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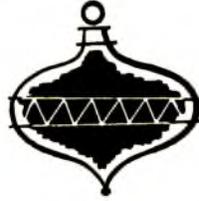
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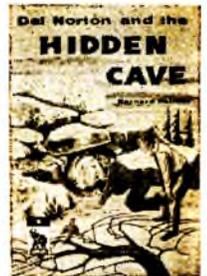
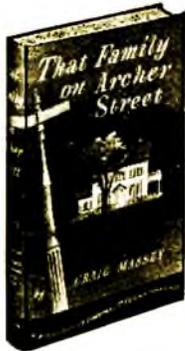
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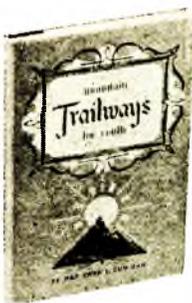
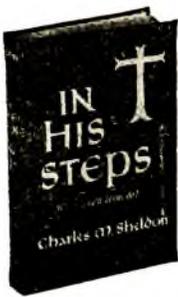




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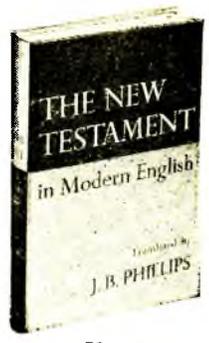
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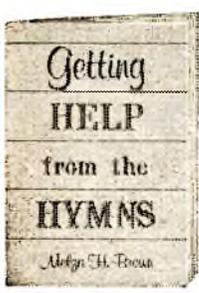
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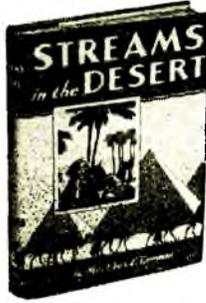
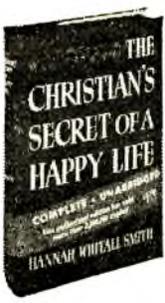
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