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The Recent Great Convocation in Springfield, Mo.

"I have never been to a place quite so near heaven as this," remarked Bro. Warren Collins at one of the meetings recently held at the Springfield Convention Hall. And many of the other delegates and visitors expressed themselves in the same manner. Last year's meeting at Chicago was very good, but the general opinion of the delegates who attended previous sessions of the Council was that this was the best meeting we have ever had.

Huge Crowds.

It was announced that the first meeting would be held in the new Church of the Assembly of God in Springfield, but instead of about four hundred visitors and delegates turning up, the number we generally expect to be with us at Council, it was found that fully double this number were on hand for the first meeting, to say nothing of the delegates who came in later. We had to immediately repair to the great Convention Hall, seating about 2,500, which had been rented for the evening evangelistic services, and every subsequent meeting had to be held in this hall. And in some of the evangelistic meetings and in the great healing service, this building was packed to the full.

Bro. Jack Saunders of Los Angeles, Cal., had charge of the singing at the Convention. Sister Piper of Chicago was at the piano, and a number of the brethren were there with their instruments. Bro. Orville Benham of Vancouver, B. C., with his cornet, Will Opie of Fresno, Cal., with his trombone, played many duets together, making joyous melody to the Lord. How the power would fall as we would sing again and again:

"For He's a wonderful Saviour to me,
He's a wonderful Saviour to me,
I was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in,
He's a wonderful Saviour to me."

A Spiritual Feast.

Sister Aimee Semple McPherson brought us the opening message, and as she told us what was necessary for the preparation of the bride of Christ, the Lord gave us one of the richest treats we have ever had in our lives. She ran through many types of the bride found in the Old Testament, and brought forth much that we knew she had gotten fresh from the Lord Himself. It was real

food for hungry saints, and many of the delegates who had travelled three and four days to get to the Conference would have been well repaid if they had not heard another word beyond this opening message. "What did you think of the sermon?" we asked one brother. "That was not a sermon," he replied, "That was a dozen sermons all in one."

Sunday Afternoon.

Bro. D. W. Kerr, of Los Angeles, Cal., broke the Word to us at the afternoon session, opening up to us especially the words of the Master in Matt. 9:36-38. He dealt with the **great vision**—seeing the shepherdless multitudes for which the heart of Jesus was so deeply moved; the **great need**—the need of Spirit-filled laborers; and the **great commission**, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." Bro. Kerr said, "One need above all others is for us to have the compassionate heart of Christ."

What the Council Is.

Bro. Welch followed and said one thing which we would like to get home to the hearts of all of our friends: "The **General Council was never meant to be an Institution, it is just a missionary agency.**" Missionary work both in the home and foreign fields, the spread of the full gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, is the one great object for which the Council exists.

Miraculous Healings.

Before this meeting closed, an opportunity was given for sick ones to be prayed with. The power of the Lord was certainly present to heal as Sister McPherson, Bro. Warren Collins and other brethren offered the prayer of faith for many afflicted ones. One sister who had been in the hospital with an abscess on her side, testified that the Lord healed her instantly of this, and also of heart trouble. Several deaf people received their healing immediately the prayer of faith was made for them. One little crippled girl came to the platform, and when Sister McPherson took off her shoe and brace the child was enabled to walk and run just as though she had never been crippled. Sister McPherson instructed the people to come expecting healing, and if they had shoes with irons attached, to always

bring another shoe with which to walk home after they had been healed.

The Night Service.

On Sunday night, Sister McPherson preached on "The Second Coming of Christ: Is He coming? If so, how? When? For whom?" The great Convention Hall was crowded as she preached on the signs of the near approach of Christ and besought men and women to get ready for His coming. Many sinners raised their hands for prayer and wended their way to the altar at the close of the service.

The Missionary Conference.

Elder D. W. Kerr, Chairman, opened the first session of the Missionary Conference on Monday morning by reading Colossians 3. He remarked that we were all present on business for the King. There had been no time like this, for there are opportunities and needs in every direction we may look. There was united prayer that the right thing might be done during this important session and that the right policy might be adopted.

Bro. Kerr said it was not wise to construct much machinery. We have enough. What we need is

Lubricant.

Oil from Heaven! As we move along we want no "hot boxes" to hold us up on the road. Bro. Kerr further remarked that we do need some machinery. We do stand for Bible order, but we do not want anything more than Bible order.

All missionaries present were invited to the platform, and they were all invited to tell us of their work for the Master.

Missionary Messages.

Archdeacon Phair of Winnipeg, who has labored for over fifty years amongst the Red Indians of N. America, was the first to give his testimony. He said that he had found the secret of all happiness, making others happy. In carrying a living message to a dead people, it was indeed a happy day when he saw them coming to Christ, and instead of attempting to appease the wrath of the devil, worshipping our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Hundreds Coming to Christ.

Bro. C. J. Hansen of the West Indies

told us that he was saved in Alaska and baptized in the Spirit. God sent him forth to preach the gospel and gave him the joy of preaching in 38 States in the Union before He sent him as a missionary to the West Indies.

Bro. Hansen told of his first Sunday in Porto Rico. He preached in the jail there. There were sixty women there, and after telling them what a wonderful Saviour we have in Jesus, he asked how many of them wanted to be saved. Immediately sixty hands were raised. He then had an altar call and every one of those sixty women came forward for salvation.

He then talked with the hundred and fifty men who were in the men's quarter of the jail. After talking for a while on the awfulness of sin and the greatness of the Saviour provided, he asked that every one who wanted to repent of their sins to come forward. Everyone of the men came forward, including even the overseers of the jail, who wept and cried and repented with the prisoners.

A Needy Field.

From Porto Rico, Bro. Hansen went to St. Thomas, where, in spite of opposition from the authorities, some souls got saved every night. From there to Barbadoes, where the Lord opened up eight meetings. At a village of Eckstein on the third night, four got the baptism and eight were saved. God also gave wonderful revivals in Montserrat and Trinidad. In the latter place there are 300,000 souls, and Bro. Jamieson needs Spirit filled helpers to join him in the work there.

Liberia Calls for Help.

Sister J. M. Perkins praised the Lord for the love He had put in her heart for the black people of Africa. She said that the natives soon sized up the new missionary, and she was sorry for any who did not love the natives, for their labors would be fruitless. When she went to the "white man's grave," some were asking that the Lord would give them twenty years of service there. She did not have faith to ask for twenty years, but God has given her twenty-five years of glad service on that field and she wants to go back.

A short time ago there was a total eclipse of the sun in Liberia, and although it lasted only six minutes and a few seconds, the Lord did more in convicting the natives in those few minutes than they had seen through years of preaching. The natives of Liberia are now calling for the gospel, "Come over and teach us God way."

A Plea for Men.

Sister W. H. Johnson made a very earnest plea for men for Liberia. The missionaries on the field continue to ask for men to come and help them. God is pouring out His Spirit mightily over there, the sick are being healed, and souls are receiving the baptism. Sisters Macie Boddy, Katherine Kirsch, Bro. and Sister Personeous, and Miss Eustace have all been sick of late, and she pleaded that we claim life for them every day. She was glad to report that the Saw Mill, for which the Evangel readers subscribed so generously, was

now at Blebo and sawing planks fine. It will mean much for all the missionaries to get proper houses now.

Sister Bernice Pottorff, also from Liberia, said she was never happier than when serving Christ in the villages, and never so contented as in Africa. She told of her call and of the miraculous way the Lord provided for her to get to the field.

A Voice from South Africa.

Bro. J. O. Lehman said that he was in Africa five years before the present Pentecostal outpouring came, but at an all night meeting in 1907, the Lord gave him the baptism of the Holy Ghost as a birthday present. Africa is still a great open sore, and it is estimated that more are being put to death by means of witchcraft in that dark continent than those who died in the recent great European war.

Bro. Lehman reported that one missionary said to him, "Brother, I have not seen in Africa what I want to see. I have not seen the old men as well as the young men come to the Lord." But, praise God, since God has restored the old Pentecostal power, the old as well as the young are coming and receiving salvation. One old man was convicted of smoking and said, "I was not born with a pipe. Surely I can ask God to take it away from me."

Bro. Lehman told us of a witch doctor whose daughter was very sick and emaciated. She was taken to other witch doctors who had the reputation of being more powerful, but she only grew worse. The old witch doctor heard that there were some people who were praying for the sick, and so he sent his daughter over to the meeting, and there the Lord healed her. When she returned the old witch doctor broke down and wept and gave his heart to the Lord. After that he brought all his divining bones and laid them at the feet of Jesus. Do missions pay?

Called to India.

Bro. Alfred Blakeney, from Saharanpur, India, told us that twelve years ago he was a student in a Presbyterian School. Sometimes they used to have Presbyterian missionaries come and address them, and the cry of his heart was, "Deliver me from such a life. I don't want to dry up and become a stick like some of these fellows." He knew God had called him, but somehow, he tried to get out of the call. He wanted to follow the advice of Horace Greely, "Young man, go west," and wanted to go and make a fortune for himself, but the Lord sent him East, even to the Orient, not to get earthly gain, but to acquire souls for God's heavenly kingdom.

Bro. Blakeney told how God spoke to him through his brother Joseph's remarkable baptism and healing of tuberculosis of the spine. The Lord revealed the truth to him concerning the baptism, healing and the coming of the Lord. And, eight years ago, the Lord sent him with his wife to India, trusting Him alone for support and God has never failed to provide for every need. An elder brother who was a Methodist

minister was alienated from them because of Pentecost, but the way the Lord has provided these past eight years has been a convincing proof to him, and now he has received the baptism, and after having been twenty years in the Methodist ministry, he is preaching Pentecost in the Methodist Church.

God Working in India.

Bro. Blakeney reported that in spite of much opposition from the denominational missions, the Lord is working in India. Amongst the Friends, over sixty natives have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost after the pattern of Acts 2:4. These natives have gathered the missionaries together and are saying to them "This is for you." At a Conference at the Presbyterian Mission at Saharanpur, some of the natives got so happy that they began to dance. Not bad for Presbyterians!

There are great opportunities among the Mahomedans. They believe that we are in the last days, and their leaders are crying out, "Repent, for the day of resurrection is at hand." There are seventy millions of these Mahomedans in India. Bro. Blakeney told of one with whom he was dealing, who, after being three hours on his knees, declared, "I see that Christianity is not a religion of rites and ceremonies, it is a religion of the heart."

The Call of South America.

There were further missionary testimonies on Monday afternoon, the first one coming from Sister Adah Winger of Venezuela. She told of her call and stated most emphatically, "When you are called you will know it." She had good Christian and Missionary Alliance training, but her heart became hungry for more of God, and the Lord opened the way for her to get to a Pentecostal Camp Meeting. It was there He turned her darkness into light, and opened up the heavens to her and brought her to the place of being lost in the will of God. "When I got to that point, everything came my way," she testified.

The Lord opened the way to go to Venezuela, and gave three years of wonderful service. Her work was primarily among the children, and as she returns, the Lord is saying to her, "I will do better for you than at your beginnings." Sister Winger made an earnest plea for all present to get the world wide vision, and to pray accordingly. "The reason we are not getting more is because we are not praying more," she declared. Especially did she ask prayer for S. America where there is only one missionary for every 11,000 square miles.

A Plea for Mexico.

Bro. R. F. Baker, who labors amongst the Mexicans of Dallas, Texas, made a special plea for the sixteen million Mexicans at our border, who, under the evil spell of Romanism, are as deep in idolatry as the heathen of India.

Open Hearts in India.

Sister Laura Gardner of India told us that the Lord healed her of tuberculosis when she had only six weeks to live, and that He had kept her ever since in the 91st Psalm. For seventeen

years she has been laboring in India. She said that with its 325 million souls, each missionary had a parish of 100,000 souls. She told of a woman who was prostrating herself every yard or two of the way to a certain place of pilgrimage, who had already gone 200 miles this way, who was crying out, "Oh for a vision of Him!" She was asked, "Who do you want a vision of?" She replied, "Someone to take away my sin!" She was told the simple story of Him who bore the sin of the whole world and her sins. The light came into that dark heart and she cried, "I've got the vision!" And she went home to tell her family of the great Sin Bearer. Thousands take part in these pilgrimages in the hopes of getting rid of the load of their sins. It is among the outcasts, and the poor little child widows, and the common people that they find the best field for gospel work.

Mexico's Needs.

Bro. and Sister H. C. Ball both told of their recent trip to Mexico, and the great need of that dark land. There are 16 million people in Mexico and only five or six Pentecostal workers. They were made heartsick to see so many people bowing down to dead images, images that were dark and black and cracked, with paint peeling off of them, or to coffins of glass with an image of the Saviour in them. Men and women will walk ninety or a hundred miles and go three days without food in order to buy a candle to burn to some wooden image. The plague of Mexico is Romanism. The need of Mexico is the living Christ. Prayer was especially requested that the bonds of Catholicism might be broken in Mexico and that many Spirit-filled laborers, heralds of the living Christ, be thrust forth into that priest-ridden land.

A Mexican Witness.

Bro. Olazabal of El Paso, Texas, who was brought up in the Roman Church in Mexico said that the trouble with Mexico was that for four hundred years, the Roman Church had held the people under the worst kinds of superstition. No liberty had been given to the people to read the Bible, and the whole country had been under the control of the most ignorant, superstitious and cruel of the priests. And the people of Mexico had taken the word of the priest rather than the Word of God.

Bro. Olazabal gave his own personal testimony, telling how the Lord saved him in the city of San Francisco after having spent eighteen years as a wandering adventurer. He joined the Methodist Church and went to the Moody Bible Institute for training. He was looked upon as a promising candidate for the Methodist ministry, but there was a longing within him to preach the gospel under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. In Bro. and Sister Montgomery's home in Oakland, Cal., he saw that those who had received the baptism of the Holy Ghost had real power for service, and so he became a seeker, and before long the Lord made no difference between him and those who received at the beginning, giving him the experience of Acts 2:4. The leaders of the Metho-

dist Church tried to persuade him that he was wrong, but Bro. Olazabal simply replied, "Like the man who was born blind, I can say that one thing I know, and that is that once I was blind, but now I see. You cannot make me believe that there is something wrong in my head now, there is rather something right in my heart. It may be hard for you to believe it, but I am now what you call a 'holy roller.' I am not going to try and be a bishop in the Methodist Church, I would rather be a humble Pentecostal preacher."

Bro. Olazabal is doing a good work in El Paso, Texas, and reported, "The preachers down there are fighting me, but the more they fight, the more God blesses me."

Other Missionaries.

During the rest of Monday afternoon, and on Tuesday morning we heard from a number of other missionaries who were present, Miss Hattie Hacker, Miss Christine McLeod and Miss Margaret Felch and Bro. Thos. Stoddart of India, Bros. J. R. Buckley, J. M. Perkins and Harry Bowley of Africa, Bro. M. M. Pinson of the Mexican work, and Sister Mueller, Ruth Riggs and Annie Cope and Bro. Sugar, prospective missionaries. We were sorry that China, the field in which the largest number of our Pentecostal missionaries are resident, was not represented at the Missionary Conference.

The Climax.

Sister Anna Rieff of Chicago, the Editor of the Latter Rain Evangel, was introduced as "a missionary to the missionaries." She was asked to say a few words about the Missionary Rest Home at Chicago. She referred to it as "our baby," and we heard a voice behind us say, "Lord, feed the baby!" She told how the necessity of a Missionary Rest Home was urged three years ago at the first Missionary Conference and appeals were placed in the Pentecostal papers on behalf of the same at that time. Last year a home was offered free of rent for five years and the offer looked so good that it was accepted. But after making the offer, and entering into an agreement with the Council brethren, the sister who owned the property regretted having made the offer and asked to have the property back. As the building was in many ways unsatisfactory, after spending about eight months in it, it was decided to comply with the sister's request and hand the property back to her.

It seemed like a mistake, but the Lord frequently lets our mistakes be stepping stones to the right thing. One of the brethren in Chicago had a suitable property which he wanted to sell, and when the matter was put to the brethren at Springfield, they thought it was of God to go ahead and purchase this property. A little story about a ten dollar bill being given was told in the Latter Rain Evangel, and that little story brought in most of the \$3500.00, the cash needed to make the purchase.

Sister Reiff told us that the Lord sent along a splendid matron, a sister who sacrificed \$20.00 a week in order to

serve the Lord's missionaries in the Home. She said what a joy it was to be able to take care of the missionaries and give them a real rest, especially missionaries like Bro. Lehman with his wife and four children, for but few homes in the country are open to receive children for a month or two.

A Ten Dollar Bill.

The entire purchase price of the home was \$6,500, (it is worth fully \$10,000) but the mortgage of \$3000.00 has to be paid off in the spring, and Sister Reiff asked that the brethren would stand with them that this sum might be forthcoming.

Bro. E. N. Richey, who was on the platform, remarked, "I've got a \$10.00 bill." Then someone else said, "I have \$10.00 too." Then another, "I've got \$10.00 as well." Then another, "I've got five \$10.00 bills." In a few minutes \$1400.00 out of the \$3000.00 mortgage was either given or pledged. The thing was done suddenly. It is now the privilege of 160 folks who could not get to the Missionary Conference to have a ten dollar share in the Missionary Rest Home. If you want an extra big blessing, you can take ten shares. This is a certain ten thousand per cent investment. "Hundredfold in this life!" to say nothing of eternal compensation beyond. You can send your funds to the Missionary Treasurer or direct to Miss Anna Rieff, 3635 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Missionary Conference Adjourns.

Bro. D. W. Kerr remarked at the session on Tuesday afternoon that last year there was a duplication of work, the same resolutions coming on the floor of both the Missionary Conference and General Council, and that with the consent of the missionaries assembled, he would ask for an adjournment, that the General Council might open forthwith. Bro. Kerr was re-elected Chairman of the Missionary Conference, and has the right to appoint his own secretary.

Elder J. W. Welch gave an address that afternoon on the true baptism of the Holy Ghost, and later, the General Council was formally opened and the Roster Committee appointed.

Lost and Restored.

That night, Sister McPherson gave an address on Joel 1:4 and Joel 2:25, and told of a vision given to her in London, England, of a beautiful tree, filled with the richest green foliage and the most luscious fruit, a picture of God's first Pentecostal Church, in which the graces, gifts and fruit of the Spirit abounded. Then came the attacks of the palmerworm, and locust and canker-worm and caterpillar, so that the church of God in the dark ages became nothing but a leafless, fruitless stump. But God promised to restore the years the locust, the canker-worm, the caterpillar and the palmer-worm have eaten, and in her vision she saw the tree gradually being restored to its former beauty. God has gradually brought back His Church to the truth of justification by faith through Martin Luther, of practical holiness through John Wesley, has restored the

truth of the pre-millennial coming of Christ, of Divine Healing, and of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost according to the Bible pattern, and the Gifts of the Spirit, and He is now sending the latter rain to bring His Church back to her former beauty and fruitfulness.

Sister McPherson remarked as she was preaching, "I have never felt more of the power of the Holy Spirit," and the power of God seemed to rest on the audience as they drank in the message. A large number sought salvation and the baptism of the Holy Ghost that night.

Council Committees.

At the Council Session on Wednesday morning, Chairman J. W. Welch appointed a number of Committees, a Committee on Resolutions and Program, with Bro. D. W. Kerr as Chairman; Committee on Rules, Chairman, Bro. F. A. Hale of San Antonio, Texas; Nomination Committee, Chairman, E. N. Richey; Foreign Missions, Chairman, J. R. Flower; Home Missions, Chairman, Will Ople of Fresno, Cal.; Schools, Chairman, S. A. Jamieson; Ordinations, Chairman, J. C. Wilder of Bridgeport, Texas.

Chairman's Report.

Chairman J. W. Welch said that there were many things to encourage us. The number of ordained ministers in the fellowship was now 883 as against 800 a year ago. There had been an increase in District Councils, new Councils having been formed in Western Canada, Southern California and New England. There had also been two new District Councils formed on the Foreign Field. There had also been a healthy increase in finances, about \$1000.00 more having come into the office for the general work more than in the previous year.

As we look over the world situation it is apparent that we are somewhat overbalanced on foreign missions, not that we are over developed on this side but there has not been a proportionate development of the Home Field to balance up with the healthy growth of our foreign mission work. He recommended that in the coming year, special attention be given to developing the Home end of the situation.

He regretted that many failed to get the true vision of what the Council really is, and that many ministers have a very poor idea, and frequently misinterpret and misrepresent the Council. We need to get from the Lord what a real voluntary unity and a divine co-operation really are. The Council is established on the basis of voluntary unity, a flowing together on the basis of what we agree, with one object in view, the glory of God.

He regretted that there was a dearth of qualified men for the general work. Men that are really qualified are hedged in by their various local situations. The Pentecostal ministry is hungry for help, and we could well do with twelve qualified men of God to devote their whole time to helping their brethren in the ministry.

Missionary Treasurer's Report.

Bro. Flower then gave his report, which we print in full in another part of the Evangel. At the request of the

brethren, this will be gotten out in tract form.

Divine Healing Service.

Those who were present on Wednesday afternoon will never forget the wonderful service that was held at that time. Very quietly and impressively we sang together some of the old familiar hymns, "Rock of Ages," "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," "Nearer my God to Thee," "My Jesus, I Love thee," "Where He leads me I will follow," etc. Then Sister McPherson, who had charge of this service, gave a simple but very comprehensive talk on Divine Healing as it is set forth in the Word of God. She read the story of the man sick of the palsy to whom Jesus said: "Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." When the scribes questioned as to His right to say this, He remarked: "Whether is easier to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power to forgive sins (then saith He to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed and walk." Sister McPherson said that the whole question in those days was not that He should heal the sick, but that He should forgive sins. Today, it is reversed, people do not question the power of Jesus Christ to forgive sins, but they do question His power to heal diseases. But it is just as easy for Him to do the one as the other.

The Very Same Jesus.

Sister McPherson quoted many familiar verses on healing, the 91st Psalm, Psalm 103, Isaiah 53, and then spoke of the healing work of the Lord Jesus when He was on earth. He healed every one that was brought to Him. He Himself took our infirmities and carried our sicknesses. She referred to the woman who had had an issue of blood for twelve years, who came behind Jesus and touched the hem of His garment, to whom He said, "Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole." There must be active faith to ensure absolute deliverance. To the two blind men who came crying that Jesus might have mercy upon them, Jesus said, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" And when they said, "Yea, Lord," He said to them, "According to your faith be it unto you," and their eyes were opened.

His Power the Same Today.

And when Jesus went away He commissioned His disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel, and He told them: "These signs shall follow them that believe: In My Name shall they cast out devils . . . they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." We have been left the instructions in James 5 that if we are sick, we are to call for the elders of the church, and when they anoint and pray the prayer of faith, the Lord has promised to raise us up.

Sister McPherson gave her own personal testimony of healing of a broken ankle, and told of some of the wonderful cases of healing the Lord has given her in her ministry, of one insane woman who was healed, of a blind man, of a crippled boy and others. Then she spoke

very solemnly to the large crowd who had come for healing. She said that she would not knowingly pray for any sick ones who refused to give their hearts to Jesus, to enable them to go out and serve the devil more earnestly. An altar call was made for sinners and backsliders, and probably forty came to the front and sought the Lord for forgiveness of sins.

Deaf Mutes Healed.

During the next two hours or more, some 430 sick people were prayed for by Sister McPherson and Bros. Warren Collins, A. P. Collins, E. N. Bell, J. W. Welch and others. This is probably too early a date to tell of the permanent result of this wonderful meeting. We know of at least two deaf and dumb people who received their hearing and were made to speak their first word. And that first word was "Jesus!" Many deaf people were healed and we have heard them testify to this since. At least two pairs of crutches were left on the platform, their owners having no further use for the same. One little fellow threw away his crutches and strutted up and down the platform without them whilst his mother told his story, but there was so much noise from others who were being prayed for that we could not hear all she said. Many who were prayed for declared that all their pains and symptoms of sickness left them the moment they were anointed. To God be all the glory!

Healing service were held every day during Council, Bro. Warren Collins having charge of the same. Many miracles of healing took place. The affidavit of the two deaf mutes who were healed at a later meeting appeared in the Springfield Leader.

Sister McPherson's Life Story.

On Wednesday night, Sister McPherson gave us her life story. How much God has crowded into the last twelve years! She told of her mother's consecration, of her early days where the influences of school and college and worldly church were exceedingly detrimental to her spiritual life. At the first ball she attended, her first dance was with the Presbyterian preacher, so of course it was all right! But the Lord sent along a Pentecostal preacher to the district of Canada where she lived, and curiosity took her to the meetings, and the result of attending them brought her first under conviction, then into deep repentance, and finally brought her to the reception of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Later she married this young evangelist and went with him to China, but there this young man laid down his life, and she had to return to this country a widow and a mother.

Later, she married again, and settled down to a life of ease. But the call of God was on her to preach the gospel, and the Lord brought her down to death's door until at last she consented to obey Him. Then she started out again, and Evangel readers know how signally God has blessed our sister's ministry these past few years.

There were many seeking salvation and the baptism that night when the

altar call was made. A very warm invitation to come back to Springfield was given to our sister, the whole audience expressing their desire for her to return by their uplifted hands.

Publishing House Report.

On Thursday morning, Bro. E. N. Bell, as Manager of the Gospel Publishing House gave his report. He stated that though there was a great shortage of cash, and business was being carried on under very adverse conditions, the actual assets of the Publishing House had increased during the year.

There was a very gratifying increase in the circulation in the Sunday School Literature. A little over a year ago the Publishing House began to publish cards, leaflets, and quarterlies for the junior and adult classes, and the combined circulation had grown from 4,000 to about 26,000. No Sunday School should be without this Pentecostal literature.

The circulation of the Evangel has increased from 12,000 to 16,000 during the past year. The high cost of paper stock makes the Evangel cost us probably more than we get from the subscription price of the paper, but while in itself it is not a source of income, it lies at the foundation of all we are doing for God, and largely through its influence during the past year, \$90,800 has been brought in for the missionaries, \$2,300 for the expenses of the Missionary Department, and \$4,200 for the work of the General Council.

The High Cost of Paper.

Bro. Bell referred to the exceeding high cost of paper. That which we used to pay 3 and 4 cents per pound for, is now costing 19 cents per pound. Even the past few months there has been a tremendous increase in the cost of paper. Eggshell paper used in printing books which we bought at 14 cents per pound early in the year is now costing 27½ cents. Paper is not only expensive, but scarce. 250 reams of paper stock ordered for the Evangel in February has not yet been delivered. It was a cause of gratitude to God that in spite of scarcity of paper stock, we have never missed a paper yet.

Bro. Bell paid a tribute to the workers at the Publishing House all of whom labored for considerably less than they could get in the commercial world. The highest paid man in the whole plant had only received \$30.00 per week, and he was one of the best linotype men in the country and could easily earn half as much again if he worked in the world. Others were working for from \$18 to \$22 per week who could earn outside \$32 per week right in Springfield. The whole history of the Publishing House has been one of sacrifice on the part of the workers. It was because of this that we had been able to produce the cheapest Pentecostal paper in the country, for whilst others charged 75¢, \$1.00 and \$1.25 for 12 copies, we were still giving 26 copies of a Pentecostal paper in magazine form for \$1.00 per year.

The greatest need of the Gospel Publishing House was a modern press. An

elderly man who put up our press for us when we came to Springfield said, "This press is as old as I am." It is so slow that it takes three long days to print the Evangel, and then every paper has to be folded, stitched and trimmed separately, whereas if we had a modern press, the whole paper would be turned out complete in a few hours.

A number of brethren made pledges towards the new press for the Publishing House. Much more is still needed.

A Timely Word.

Bro. A. P. Collins made the suggestion that all committee meetings should begin with prayer. Our one desire should be to do all things as God wants them done. All deliberations of committees should have the approval of God upon them, and the best way to secure His approval is to be much in the spirit of prayer. Jesus is coming soon, and all things should be done in the light of His near coming.

Election of Officers.

Bro. Kerr having been made temporary Chairman, nominations were made for vacant offices and referred to the nominating committee. When they brought forth their selection of names and suggested that these names be balloted on, Bro. Kerr asked the brethren to lay aside all personal preferences and seek God's choice for officers for the coming Council year. The result of the ballots were that the following officers have been elected for the coming year: E. N. Bell, Chairman; J. W. Welch, Secretary; and J. R. Flower, Missionary Secretary-Treasurer.

New General Presbytery.

The following are the names and locations of the new General Presbyters of the Council: Alabama, L. Wooton; Arkansas, E. R. Fitzgerald and W. J. Walthall; Arizona, M. M. Pinson; California, D. W. Kerr and R. J. Craig; Colorado, Eric Booth-Clibborn; Illinois, Geo. E. Smith; Indiana, L. V. Roberts; Iowa, John Goben; Kansas, S. H. Patterson; Maryland, O. P. Brann; Massachusetts, John Coxe; Michigan, J. R. Kline; Missouri, E. N. Bell, J. W. Welch, J. T. Boddy and S. H. Frodsham; New Jersey, Frank Boyd; New Mexico, N. R. Nichols; New York, R. A. Brown; Nebraska, S. A. Jamieson; Ohio, T. K. Leonard and J. N. Gortner; Pennsylvania, Joseph Tunmore and David H. McDowell; Texas, A. P. Collins, E. N. Richey, and F. A. Hale; Washington, Frank Gray; Canada, A. H. Argue, C. O. Beham, and R. E. McAlister.

The personnel of the Executive Presbytery remains as formerly, E. N. Bell, J. W. Welch, D. W. Kerr, Joseph Tunmore, S. A. Jamieson, J. T. Boddy and S. H. Frodsham (the first and last in this list being re-elected at this Council meeting).

J. T. Boddy was appointed Editor and S. H. Frodsham Office Editor of the Pentecostal Evangel, and J. C. Wilder of Bridgeport, Texas, was appointed Manager of the Gospel Publishing House.

Ordination Service.

There was a very precious ordination service on Friday morning. Bro. S. A. Jamieson gave a very solemn message

to the candidates for the ministry. He said that the ministry was a calling and not a profession, and that the best sermon they could preach was the life they lived, that all their preaching would amount to nothing unless they backed it up by a good life. The following were ordained to the gospel ministry: C. M. Caraway, Spring Hill, La.; Mrs. Anabel Lincoln, Dallas, Texas; W. M. L. Felicy, Kansas City, Mo.; Preston Roberts, Fairland, Okla.; V. L. Clark, Esto, Fla.; D. E. Collins, Wellston, Okla.; Joseph Campbell, Bloomington, Ind.; R. C. Clay, Havana, Ark.; and Rose Eldridge, Des Moines, Iowa.

Missionary Policy Discussed.

There were several discussions concerning the continuation of the missionary policy of the Council, and a number of the missionaries and other brethren took part. The missionary policy in the past has been to distribute as equitably as possible all undesignated funds sent in for Council missionaries, giving the missionaries on the field the greatest possible liberty in using funds, going here and there to open up stations as the Lord should lead them. It was suggested that it would be a better policy to endeavor to concentrate efforts and to build stations in different lands and to be responsible for the proper support of these stations. The discussion was summed up and crystallized in a resolution that the Council deemed it wisest to continue the old policy, recognizing that the time was not ripe for any drastic change in the general missionary policy, and this resolution was adopted.

Bible Schools and Missionary Training.

The Committee on Schools brought in a recommendation that those who are called to preach should avail themselves of opportunities of studying the Word offered by several Bible Schools. Bro. Will Opie said that he recognized that it was good for young men to go to Bible School to learn to be subject to those who are over them in the Lord, and get deliverance from a spirit of Bolshevism that is seen cropping out in some religious circles. Many need to have a training that will bring them deliverance from repeating stock phrases while they are preaching. He quoted one as saying, "A thief broke into our house and stole all my money, bless his sweet name!"

Mid West Bible School.

The new Council School is now open at Auburn, Nebraska, with Bro. S. A. Jamieson as Principal. There is a full attendance, but there is an immediate need for \$500 to provide many essential articles in opening the School. Offerings for this should be sent at once to Geo. W. Hawley, Auburn, Neb. Also no funds are in sight for the faculty, as all tuition is given free. All ministers of the Council are asked to take up a special collection for the teachers some time during the month of November, and send it direct as above.

Sunday School Paper and Song Book.

A recommendation was made that in addition to the Sunday School literature

now being published by the Gospel Publishing House, a Sunday School paper be gotten out. There was also a recommendation that a Pentecostal Song Book, to be used universally throughout the Assemblies of God, be prepared and published.

A Three Days' Prayer Conference.

Probably the most important resolution of Saturday was the one recommending that the Executive Presbytery of the Council appoint a period of three days or more in which the saints everywhere throughout the whole world shall intercede together for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit upon the work in general, for unity, foreign missionaries, native workers, native churches and the heathen everywhere. Due notice of these days of prayer will be given.

Home Missions and Evangelism.

The Committee on Home Missions and Evangelism brought in a report advising that until such time as a Home Missionary Department is organized that the District Councils appoint committees on evangelism and do all they can in developing the home base and promoting a revival spirit among the people, also that the Council appoint a Committee at once to devise a feasible plan for the formation of a Home Missionary Department of the General Council, and report next year. The importance of this matter was urged very strongly by Bro. Eric Booth-Chibborn. It is of the greatest importance that the Home Base be strengthened in order to take care of our foreign missionaries adequately.

Praying for Missionary Funds.

Bro. A. P. Collins said that we are praying for the Lord to send forth laborers, but we had omitted to pray as much as we should on another line, that the funds might be forthcoming to enable us to send forth new missionaries and to adequately take care of the old ones. God's ear is just as open when we pray for money as when we pray for men. We need to ask great things and to expect great things from God. Jesus Christ Himself was the first great foreign Missionary, leaving the courts of heaven in order to preach the gospel of the kingdom to this poor lost world, and He it was who gave us the commission to preach the gospel to all nations, and He has promised to be with us always. Bro. Collins urged that special prayer might be made for needed funds for sixty candidates who are now longing to get out to the field, and for the proper support of those who are now laboring so faithfully in different foreign lands.

The Great Day of the Feast.

Sunday, Sept. 26th, was a day that will long be remembered. Bro. J. N. Gortner of Cleveland, Ohio, brought us the morning message. Bro. Gortner, who had just emerged from the Methodist ministry, stated at the last Council that he would rather be a Pentecostal preacher than a Methodist bishop. At this meeting he stated that he would rather be a Pentecostal preacher than a whole board of bishops.

Bro. Gortner preached on the last verses of Isaiah 26 and the first verse of chapter 27, his subject being "The first

resurrection, the great tribulation, and what God will do with the devil." We hope to be able to publish this message in a later issue of the Evangel.

Great Missionary Meeting.

Bro. D. W. Kerr had charge of the Sunday afternoon Missionary meeting, and after reading a portion of the fourth chapter of John he quoted at length from a letter received from Bro. Wilbur Taylor of the Soudan. Bro. Taylor has penetrated into the Soudan a six weeks' journey, and has come across a huge tribe of two million Soudanese who have as yet been untouched by Mohammedanism. A concession can be gotten at a very small sum for a mission station, and since the soil is very excellent and will grow almost anything, the station could soon become practically self supporting. "We have discovered the greatest missionary opportunity of the age," Bro. Taylor writes. Here is a great opening for the full Pentecostal message, and Bro. Kerr pressed the need of our getting behind this project of giving the gospel to these two million unevangelized Soudanese.

Missionary Messages.

Sister Ruth Riggs, a sister who has been helping at the Gospel Publishing House during the past month or two, who expects to sail for India in November, gave a short message, also Mrs. Johnson of Liberia, Bro. Blakeney of India, and Sister Adah Winger of South America. The two Aston sisters, Almyra and Olga, who are returning to India in a few weeks sang a duet: "He does not compel us to go; He just makes us willing to go." Sister Almyra, in spite of her furlough of over a year, still looks very frail, but she said through her tears, "I'd rather go back to India even if I do not last so long."

Sister Winger had three little dolls, very poor specimens it is true, but they spoke much, for they were the last love gifts to her from some of her little girlies in Venezuela. They gave their best. Are we doing this for Jesus? "God is not asking for your dolls," she said, "He is asking for your idols." Bro. Kerr followed by saying: "God is not asking for your dolls, He is asking for your dollars," and straightway announced the missionary collection.

A Record Collection.

The collection was just about to be taken up when someone asked, "Cannot we have some paper on which to write our pledges?" Bro. Kerr wanted no further encouragement than this, and counselled everybody not only to put in all they could into the collection, but also to anticipate their future earnings and pledge a good proportion for the missionaries. The result of this was a missionary offering in cash and pledges of \$22,355.85. No wonder that most of us felt the doxology singing itself in our hearts long after this meeting had passed into history.

Evangelistic Features.

Bro. A. H. Argue of Winnipeg, Canada, preached that night to a crowded hall, and a number of hands were raised when the opportunity was given for those, who wanted the Lord, to ex-

press themselves. Other evangelists who preached at the night services were Sister Roxie Alford of Dallas, Texas; Bros. Geo. Smith of Chicago, Ill., J. R. Kline of Detroit, Mich., and C. A. McKinney of Akron, O. Bro. Warren Collins gave a message on Divine Healing one night.

The Message of the Council.

As we look back in review on the 1920 Council, what is the supreme lesson? We believe that it was contained in a huge motto that a visiting sister had painted which was stretched across the great stage of the auditorium in full view of every one who came into the door of the Convention Hall. It read: "A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE UNTO YOU, THAT YE LOVE ONE ANOTHER; AS I HAVE LOVED YOU." This sister told us that the Lord gave her a vision of some quicksilver, and He told her that He wanted His body on earth to resemble that. One body! No ragged edges!

Dear Lord Jesus, Thou who didst pray that we all may be one, remove Thou from us everything that would hinder this perfect unity, and come Thou within us Thyself and be Thou the Enabling for us to love all Thy children even as Thou dost love us, Amen. S. H. F.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Special Revival Campaign, Oct. 17 to 31, 1920, at Woodworth-Etter Tabernacle, Belmont Ave., and Miller St., Indianapolis, Ind.

CHICAGO, ILL.

The Fall Convention of the Stone Church, 70th St. and Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill., will be held D. V., from Oct. 15th to 24th. Preachers and missionaries from many parts.—Geo. E. Smith.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Any one coming to the Council at Chickasha, Okla., will find the mission just two blocks west of the Frisco railway depot, corner 8th and Michigan St. Council will meet at 9 a. m., Tuesday morning, Oct. 19th.—Oscar Jones, Pastor Chickasha Assembly.

MINNEAPOLIS CONVENTION.

The annual convention of the Pentecostal Assembly of Minneapolis, Minn., will be held at 1305 East Franklin Ave., Oct. 29th, lasting 10 days. Several ministerial brethren promise to be with us. Free entertainment to ministers. For further particulars write Pastor J. Feuk, 1904 14th Ave., So. Minneapolis, Minn.

SCRANTON, PA.

* Pentecostal Missionary Convention will be held in the Stone Church, Scranton, Pa., beginning November 5th and continuing until the 14th inclusive.

We especially invite those out of town who would like to attend this meeting and we will do all in our power to make your stay with us interesting and comfortable. Entertainment to be free as far as we have homes and rooms. So write in early for accommodations to the pastor.—D. H. McDowell, 1608 Monsey Ave., Scranton, Pa.

AKRON, OHIO.

The Annual Missionary Convention of the Pentecostal Church of Akron, Ohio, will be held at the church, 20 East Cedar street, Oct. 27th to 31st, 1920.

Special speakers who will minister the Word will be Evangelist Jack Saunders, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Miss Elizabeth Sisson, of New London, Conn., and Pastor T. K. Leonard, of Findlay, Ohio.

The Foreign Missionaries expected to be present are Alfred A. Blakeney, of India; Adah M. Winger, of South America; Mrs. William Johnson, of Africa, and others.

Entertainment will be provided for all ministers and missionaries who are in fellowship with the General Council of the Assemblies of God.

For further information address Clarence Bish or the Pastor C. A. McKinney, 20 East Cedar St., Akron, O.

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IMPRESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL.

The 1920 Missionary Conference and General Council have come and gone, and it would be very difficult to convey to our readers a correct idea or adequate impression of the great importance or real significance of the convening of these two bodies.

The attendance of delegates and visitors exceeded in number those of any previous year, and vast crowds gathered at the evangelistic services each evening, filling, at times, the large Convention Hall, where these services were held.

We believe we are safe in saying that in every way this meeting of the General Council has exceeded any of the past, and we have great reason to praise God for the harmony which prevailed throughout. Eternity alone will reveal the measure of blessing to this community, and the far-reaching influence for good, which must have resulted from this coming together in council.

Doubtless, as the work develops and expands, new problems will arise and new features present themselves, demanding serious and prayerful consideration, and much wisdom and executive ability on the part of those chosen for responsible positions, who will need the hearty, self-sacrificing co-operation of all identified with the Council.

Let none be actuated by any motive of self-interest; but by seeking only the good of all, all may be mutually benefited. All should desire to be more thoroughly familiarized with the basic principles and real objects of the Council, for there are those, we fear, both in the homeland and on the various mission fields, who are not as conversant with the situation as they should be, in order to insure a hearty, mutual and intelligent co-operation.

Therefore let us all look earnestly to the Lord, during the coming year, that we may come up to the next General Council,—if the Lord tarries—better prepared, by His grace, to cope with the situation and further the interests of His Kingdom.—J. T. Boddy.

TEMPTATION AND RESTORATION.

The same appeals which Satan made to Jesus when he tempted Him in the wilderness have and are being made right along to the followers of the Lord, individually and collectively.

Through contemplating one feature of this temptation a great lesson may be

learned by God's children on separation from the world, and its entangling influences.

The Word says of Jesus, that "He was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." And is it not true that we are tempted in all points like as He was? And would that it could be said of us also—"yet without sin."

We are mysteriously identified with Jesus, and as His representatives here on earth, we, like Him, should be "in the world but not of it," and deaf to all of Satan's appeals through it; for the very same offer of "all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them," is being made to all of Christ's followers to-day, and on the same conditions—that they fall down and worship the tempter.

Ever since Adam, through disobedience, lost his dominion over the earth, and all created things, his progeny has been trying to regain it by forbidden methods. And Satan, who occasioned this loss, is still suggesting all kinds of schemes for the recovery of these possessions and the restoration of paradise after a revised pattern, all of which propositions are being gladly entertained and acted upon jointly by the world and a backslidden Christianity.

It is true that Adam, the original owner, did mortgage the whole thing to the devil but he can never foreclose the mortgage, for the reason that Jesus Christ, the last Adam, has redeemed both man and his possessions; and "they that wait upon the Lord shall inherit the earth." And not only so, but as children we are heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ of all things.

"Therefore let none of us glory in men," nor in earthly good; for all things are ours. "Whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world, or life or death or things present, or things to come, all are yours; and ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's"

We should willingly relinquish the world in its present shape, and wait for it in its renewed state as promised to the children who are looking forward with glad anticipation to the full possession of that inheritance of which we have as yet but an earnest.

The whole creation, which has suffered jointly with man in the fall, is uniting, though unconsciously, in some mysterious way with the redeemed, on a cry for deliverance from the sad effects of the fall.

Hear these words of hope:—"The creation itself shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption unto the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain together until now, and not only so but ourselves also, who have the first fruits of the Spirit; even we, ourselves groan within ourselves waiting for the adoption, to-wit: the redemption of our bodies." Rom. 8:21-23.

These scriptures reveal the fact that the earnest expectation of creation is coupled with the hope of the children of God in looking for complete restoration at the revelation of the Son of God

from heaven. And may we not earnestly pray for the Lord to hasten the consummation of our hope by soon coming to restore all things unto Himself?—J. T. Boddy.

THE GREATNESS OF OUR GOD.

There is no high cost of spiritual rain. It has all been bought and paid for at Calvary. All that has been given and all that is coming has been paid for in advance. The precious blood has purchased all the precious rain, the former and the latter rain, and it is going to produce the precious fruit.

God is not bankrupt. He has reservoirs of blessing and reservoirs of grace. In Father's house there is enough and to spare. He who was a prodigal in the natural, never wanted bread in his father's house. God wants His children to have the fatted calf. Don't be satisfied with servants' fare. Mere bread and water! Our father has a feast of fat things, butter and honey, milk and wine, wine of the lees, well refined. The best robe, the ring and the shoes! A Divine outfit free, because a son. Yes, and music thrown in.

Do not gauge God by your poverty. Because you are poor, it does not signify that God can be poor. The hills are His and all they contain, inside and out. The cattle upon them and the gold within, and the sunshine crowning them all. God's unseen resources are greater than the strongest telescope has ever discovered.

The telescope has only seen the physical, but no telescope has discovered the supernatural. Who has discovered the archangel by the telescope? Who has discovered cherubim or seraphim by the telescope? Who has ever discovered the heavenly hosts by the telescope? Who has ever discovered the spirits of just men made perfect by it?

They have looked through their telescopes and studied and photographed, and they have been amazed at what they discovered. But what they missed is far more astonishing, far more marvelous! What they saw was material, transient, passing. What they overlooked was spirit, eternal, from the very essence of God Himself.

The saint of God is making the same mistake today. He sees a little of God's power through his little telescope, and he gauges God by his finite discovery. It hath not entered into the heart of man to conceive the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. But the Spirit reveals them just as he is able to bear them, just as he is hungry for them, and just so long as his faith reaches out for them.

Thou shalt not limit the Holy One of Israel either in His grace, His providence or His love, or in His nobility and infiniteness. Great is our God, the El Shaddai of Abraham, and the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

NEW PRESS FUND.

The list of contributions to our new press is held over until next issue.

Report of Missionary Treasurer for Year Ending Sept. 1, '20

The past year has been one of definite development and has been crowned with glorious victories in the foreign missionary activities of the General Council, all of which is a source of much praise to God.

This is the first year that all the missionary activities of the Council have been committed to a distinct department for that purpose. Up to September 1st, 1919, the Publishing House and the General Council office have carried the foreign missionary features as a sideline. But the foreign work outgrew the provisions that had been made for it, and it was found necessary to establish a definite Missionary Department of the Council, and place over the department a Secretary-Treasurer to conduct the foreign work under the supervision of a Missionary Committee. This involved the necessity of devising means for the support of the Missionary-Treasurer and his assistants. We praise God that this support has been forthcoming and the Missionary Department has met all its expenses without drawing a dollar from the Publishing House or the Executive Department.

Second. We praise the Lord for the progress that has been made in developing co-operation between the foreign field and the home office. A definite system of report cards has been adopted, and at the present time we have much information concerning the support of foreign missionaries, native helpers, mission stations, etc., etc. Our missionaries, with few exceptions, are making regular quarterly reports. Furthermore, district councils have been formed on several fields, such as India, Egypt, Japan and Liberia, and we find a greater spirit of co-operation developing among the missionaries.

Third. The vision of our Pentecostal missionaries is becoming more clarified and it is realized we have a distinctive mission in the world, differing from that of all other people. An apostolic ministry in apostolic power and fullness is the aim of our Pentecostal Missionaries and God is signally blessing as they have dared to launch out and trust God.

The ideal of a self-supporting native church under white supervision is also fast winning its way, and a number of our missionaries are taking steps to develop the native church with this ideal as a goal.

Fourth. The continued cry for a deputation to visit the various fields, inspect the mission stations and extend help where needed has borne fruit, and in answer to prayer, Brother Harold K. Needham and his wife offered themselves for this work. Last spring they sailed for China, via Honolulu and Japan, and God has been signally blessing their ministry in China to the missionaries.

Fifth. We praise God that there has been another increase in missionary offerings handled by the treasurer during the past year. The total offerings

received by the Missionary Treasurer for twelve months ending September 1st, 1920, amounted to \$90,812.40, a gain slightly in excess of 30% over the amount of offerings received for the previous year, which amounted to \$63,548.59.

It has been interesting to note the source of missionary offerings received by the Treasurer during the past year. It has been found that every State in the Union contributed its share of missionary offerings. Eighteen States contributed over \$1,000 for the year. Five States contributed over \$5,000 as follows:

California,	\$13,597.79
Ohio,	7,674.59
Pennsylvania,	7,275.45
Texas,	6,805.94
New York,	6,151.85

Oklahoma and Arkansas were in the \$4,000 class. Missouri and Illinois were in the \$3,000 class; Indiana, Washington, Kansas and Minnesota were in the \$2,000 class and Michigan, Iowa, New Jersey, Alabama and Nebraska were in the \$1,000 class. The remaining states all gave less than \$800, and ten states contributed less than \$100.00 for the year, viz. Wyoming, New Hampshire, Kentucky, Utah, Delaware, South Dakota, Nevada, South Carolina, Maine and Vermont. The whole Dominion of Canada contributed \$3,157.83. Most of the Canadian offerings were sent direct to the field instead of through this office on account of adverse exchange conditions. (The amount contributed by Michigan appears to be small for the reason that the Assembly at Detroit had chosen to send its offerings direct to the field. These offerings amounted to over \$5,000.00 for the past year.

Expense of Missionary Department.

At the beginning of the year it was decided that we would not depart from the policy of sending 100% of all missionary offerings to the field. As a distinctive Missionary Department had been established it was decided that this Department would be supported by voluntary offerings of assemblies and individuals using this channel to send their offerings to the missionaries. This plan has not been a failure, although many assemblies have utterly disregarded the recommendation to send an additional offering for the expenses of the department, when sending offerings for the foreign field. The report of monies received and disbursed during the past year is as follows:

Receipts for twelve months ending Sept. 1, 1920,.....	\$2,353.83
Expenditures,	2,309.03
Cash in bank, Sept 1st,....	44.80

We trust that the offerings for expenses of Missionary Department will increase during the coming year to permit of adding some necessary office equipment and furniture, looking to greater efficiency in conducting the foreign Missionary Department.

It has been found that the \$90,812.40 missionary offerings for the year, have been handled and forwarded to the field at an expense of about 2½% of the amount handled.

Missionaries Under Endorsement of the Council.

The number of missionaries under the endorsement of the General Council September 1, 1920, were 210.

Number on field,.....	154
Number on furlough.....	24
Sailing this fall—1920.....	19
Under appointment, sailing date undetermined,	13

This report takes no account of native workers, but is a report of the number of endorsed missionaries only.

The list of missionaries is in a better condition than last year. Twenty-seven names have been lost through deaths, withdrawals and for other causes. Thirty names of new missionaries have been added to the list to take their place.

The Glory roll consists of Mrs. Gideon Dahlstein, Miss Edith Baugh and H. M. Turney, who have gone on before to be with the Lord, during the past year.

The 1st of September, 1919, we had 127 missionaries on the field.

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The Missionary Policy of the General Council.

After taking up his duties as Secretary-Treasurer of the Missionary Department last year, the Secretary soon found that the missionary policy of the General Council was little understood either among the missionaries themselves or the donors for missionary work in the homeland. This misunderstanding called for a large correspondence explaining the missionary policy of the Council.

The present missionary policy of endorsement of missionaries and forwarding offerings for their support on the field, was not made by the Council, but was inherited from the old order of things. This policy did not support foreign missions, but merely helped support foreign missionaries.

In the early days of the Latter Rain outpouring of the Spirit, many felt the call of God and went to the foreign field without seeking the endorsement of any assembly or group of assemblies in the homeland. Offerings were sent to these missionaries as the hearts of the saints in the homeland were touched through reading letters from the field. This led to abuses, and it was soon evident that the missionaries who could write the best letters would get the most money for their work.

This condition, among others, contributed to the formation of the General Council in 1914 at Hot Springs, Ark. Our Pentecostal assemblies demanded that some steps be taken to ap-

prove of worthy missionaries and disapprove of unworthy ones, so that the assemblies could have some safeguards in the disbursing of their missionary offerings.

Endorsement of foreign missionaries from that day to the present has been purely on this basis. When the Missionary Committee was satisfied as to the qualifications and call of the candidate for foreign missionary work, endorsement has been granted and papers of fellowship and approval issued. This did not imply that the missionaries were pledged any support by the Council whatever.

From the very beginning, individuals and certain assemblies have chosen to send their missionary offerings direct to the field themselves, without sending them through any regular receiving and distributing center. At the present time, possibly three-fourths of all missionary offerings are sent to the field direct, and only about one-fourth of missionary offerings are handled by the Missionary Treasurer. As long as this condition continues, there can be no change in the policy of supporting missionaries. The Missionary Treasurer can only continue to send on to the field what funds are placed in his hands each month, without assuming any responsibility for the support of any of the missionaries on his list who have been granted the endorsement of the Council.

Furthermore, every missionary who goes to the field under Council endorsement, does so entirely on his own responsibility. They are not sent by the Council. They must hear from God for themselves concerning their call, and if the members of the Missionary Committee are assured that God has called and qualified the prospective missionary, endorsement is given and they are commended to all in the Council fellowship and permitted to go on the field and expected to co-operate with the home base in the promulgation of the Gospel in regions beyond.

If there is a change in the present policy, there must necessarily be a change in conditions and methods of sending offerings to the field.

The funds in the hands of the Missionary Treasurer are disbursed entirely each month, 100% of all offerings received being sent to the field.

This system has some advantages. It produces a minimum amount of work and responsibility. The Missionary Treasurer makes a monthly division of the funds in his hands in as nearly an equitable manner as possible, taking cognizance of the reports of other distributing centers before sending his offerings to the missionaries. The foreign missionary has no interference in his faith life. If the offerings from the Treasurer are not adequate for his needs, he can pray through and trust the Lord to meet his need from other quarters.

There are also some weaknesses in the present system. When all the offerings received during the month are disbursed at the end of the month, there is no uniformity in monthly offerings

sent to the field. One month the offerings may be small and the next large. It would be more satisfactory if there were a greater uniformity in the amounts sent to the missionaries during the year.

This method also leaves no reserve for emergencies, such as bringing home broken down and sick missionaries, helping prospective missionaries to the field, helping to build mission stations, helping missionaries to give proper schooling to their children, making provision for missionaries to visit the hills during the extreme heat of summer months, etc., etc.

Under the present system of independent giving there is absolutely no certainty of knowing just what funds are going to the field and what missionaries are receiving them. When donors in this country send special offerings to their friends in foreign fields, and the Missionary Treasurer is unaware of the amount of these offerings, these special offerings are made at the expense of all other Pentecostal missionaries who have the endorsement of the Council. One missionary gains, but all the others suffer proportionately.

Some steps have been taken to modify this condition. The Missionary Treasurer has made arrangements with a number of receiving and distributing centers to receive from them monthly reports of what offerings are going to the field. These offerings are taken into consideration when making up the list of missionary disbursements at the end of each month in an effort to make an equitable distribution of missionary funds, so that one will not receive large amounts to the poverty of all the others. The system is very imperfect, but is a step in the right direction.

New Problems in the Missionary Department This Year.

A host of problems have developed in the Missionary Department this year.

First. Unfavorable exchange conditions in all countries, rising prices (in many places, doubling and trebling old prices), high rents and other causes, have increased the cost of living in all lands, especially in Japan, China and India. This has brought suffering to all our missionaries. The new missionaries who have gone to the field during the year more than absorbed the increase in missionary offerings for the year, with the result that the missionary has been receiving no more during the present times than he did before when living on the field was less expensive. This has brought a call for more money for the missionaries, but the money was not forthcoming.

Second. Many problems have grown out of the World War. The British Government will not accept any missionaries for India or other British territory except they have the full endorsement of reputable missionary boards. This has driven a number of Pentecostal missionaries to seek the Council endorsement to help them get to the field. September 1st, we had sixty applications for endorsement on file in the Missionary Department which had not been acted upon by the Committee.

Third. Increase in rents, and the impossibility of securing proper homes for missions and missionaries in all fields, have brought a flood of requests for help that the missionaries may purchase or build proper mission stations. As the funds being received by the Missionary Treasurer were inadequate for even the personal support of the missionaries and their families, these calls for help have gone unheeded.

Under our present system, in order to raise money for mission stations, drives must be made and when drives are made, funds which ought to go for the support of missionaries are diverted by the donors from the support of missionaries to the building of mission stations, with consequent suffering to all missionaries in the Council fellowship.

Fourth. It has been found that no new name of a missionary can be added to our list of endorsed missionaries without further dividing the missionary offerings. While no pledge of support is made, yet an obligation is felt to divide the missionary offerings equitably among endorsed missionaries. Some of the missionaries have written in petitioning that no new missionaries be permitted to go to the field until funds increase sufficiently to take care of the old ones who are already on the field. Inasmuch as we have in the neighborhood of fifty endorsed missionaries who have not gone to the field, many of whom are expecting to go this fall (1920), and that their going to the field will further divide the missionary offerings in our hands, it was decided to call a halt on issuing endorsement to prospective missionaries until our offerings measure up with the consecration of the workers. There should be a further development of the home field before there can be a safe consistent development of foreign missions.

Recommendations.

In order to bring about better conditions on mission fields and to provide for a more equitable distribution of missionary offerings to the missionaries, all individuals and assemblies who have missionary offerings to make, are recommended to send them through the Missionary Department.

Assemblies are especially recommended to take the burden upon them of supporting as many missionaries as possible. Those assemblies who have their own missionaries and who stand responsible for their support, can testify to much blessing upon their undertaking. The Cleveland, Ohio; Akron, Ohio; Toronto, Canada; Winnipeg, Manitoba assemblies and Bethel Temple, Los Angeles, Calif., are wonderful examples of this truth.

Donors should go slow in designating offerings for the support of native workers until full provision has been made for the missionaries we already have on the field. After they have been provided for, then let us undertake the support of native workers where such support is needed.

The attention of the Council is called to the resolutions passed last year creating special funds for the support

of the Chicago Missionary Rest Home, the Mexican work along the border and the special deputation work that was recommended. Experience has proven to us the fallacy of too many special funds. They are confusing to the average mind. It is recommended that these special funds be abolished by this Council, and that the members of the Missionary Committee be trusted to disperse funds coming into the treasury in the fear of God and according to the need.

Need of a Forward Move.

There is great need of a forward move in Pentecostal missionary work. Two courses lie before us. A middle ground between the two seems to be untenable and unworkable.

Shall we continue to work on the old basis of refusing to assume any responsibility other than the examination and endorsement of qualified missionaries and the distribution of funds among those who have received the endorsement of the Council, or shall we undertake a new policy of supporting missions?

If we cling to the old system, endorsement will be granted to worthy applicants for missionary endorsement, whether the Missionary Treasurer is receiving funds sufficient to care for them after going to the field or not. They will be bidden "God speed" and helped to the field and told to look to the Lord alone for their support. We will divide what funds we have among them and they will be thrown upon their faith in the Lord to make up what is lacking and needful for their support.

If we adopt a new policy of supporting missions instead of missionaries, it will mean concentration of forces, only sending to the field those missionaries that we can be assured of safely supporting, building mission stations, etc., etc.

I submit my report and await the decision of the Council on these weighty matters.

J. ROSWELL FLOWER, Treasurer.

The Missionary Treasurer's report was freely discussed by the returned missionaries and delegates, attending the 1920 General Council. It was evident that the time was not ripe for a change in the missionary policy of the Council, and so a resolution was passed authorizing the Missionary Committee to continue its present open policy in the conduct of foreign missionary work.

THE WOODWORTH-ETTER MEETINGS IN SIOUX CITY, IOWA.

"Back to the Bible!" is the summons which has been calling the multitudes to hear Sister Woodworth- Etter proclaim and demonstrate the good tidings of soul salvation and bodily healing in Sioux City, Ia., since Aug. 19. The newspaper placed the attendance the first Sunday night at over two thousand. Some estimate that last night's crowd would number nearly five thousand. During the first twelve days of this meeting over four hundred persons, suffering from all kinds of diseases, have brought their cases to the Great Physician.

The notable proof of the present power of God is Sister Etter, herself; past seventy-six years of age. She stands every afternoon and night, day after day, proclaiming, with a strong voice, the everlasting gospel and ministering to each one according to

his or her need, whether of soul or body.

A large majority have received the salvation of their souls in the same moment that they received the healing of their bodies, so that they can bless the Lord, "who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases."

Deafness, paralysis, and rheumatism have been the most frequent ailments, and in many cases their healing has been immediate.

Sister Etter requires "active faith" on the part of those seeking, urging them to believe that God is willing and able to heal at the very time prayer is offered; and that the subjects prove their faith by obediently exercising the afflicted parts as though they were well, expecting the disease to leave while they thus act. The degree of this active faith, co-operating with Sister Etter's faith, is manifestly the measure of the healing received by each one.

Six have been brought in on cots, in very bad condition, and to each one the Lord has immediately given strength to rise from the bed of affliction. One suffering from tuberculosis, sat up, stood, and walked, spake to the people, joined in the singing, during the rest of the service, returned next day, sat in the congregation, and later stood up and thanked God for his wonderful works.

A little girl, who was brought lying in her carriage, in a very delicate condition, received strength to stand and walk alone.

A boy had leakage of the heart, whom doctors said they could not help. After prayer he used his arms and body in a way which his mother said he had hitherto been unable to do. The mother testified the next night that he had walked twenty blocks home, and during the day had been riding a bicycle and was as active as any well boy.

A man with paralyzed and ruptured stomach came, suffering such pain that he could hardly endure it. The doctors had told him he must be operated on in two days. After his case was turned over to the Lord, the pain left and he leaped in demonstration of his healing. He has enjoyed his meals ever since and is getting along fine.

The newspaper published the picture and testimony of a young man who had been suffering from tuberculosis of the hip as the result of an accident since last October. His right leg was in a plaster cast, and he walked only with the aid of a cane. The doctors said it would take four or five years to cure him, if at all. After prayer, he discarded his cane, walked without pain, and stamped his foot forcefully upon the floor.

A man received healing for a partly paralyzed arm and told a week later how, sitting in his seat, he received hearing in his right ear after twenty years of deafness. He said he had lifted a fifty-pound weight with the arm since his healing.

A little girl, nine years old, hurt when a baby, with arm and leg paralyzed, was enabled to use her arm and leg and to walk well. A lady, 45 years of age, deaf since a child, told her little girl she could hear well. Several persons deaf fifteen years or more, were enabled to hear ordinary conversation and music.

A man whose sense of smell had been destroyed through operations for adenoids, and other afflictions was able to smell the supper cooking when he went to his home. —Joseph O. Darner, 1818 Myrtle St., Sioux City, Iowa.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

I have just closed a protracted meeting in one of Bro. Higdon's churches near Millport, Northwest Alabama.

The deepest conviction I ever saw rested upon the people; so deep in some cases that they had to be carried from the place at the close of the services, too weak and limp to walk. Others could be heard crying and praying aloud for mercy as they went from house to house, asking forgiveness of relatives and neighbors, with whom they had been at variance.

One woman remained under conviction for two days and nights, prostrated, from time to time, at her home, on the road and at the church. She previously had a dream of the meetings and of my coming, and

very deep conviction struck her when she came in hearing of the first service.

The conversions, as a result, were very bright, the converts remaining free in the Spirit.

All prejudice was swept away through the clear scriptural presentation of the truth, the sincerity of the workers and the thoroughness of the work.

People of all denominations came to the meetings seeking the Lord's best, although the community had been greatly prejudiced through a leading man among them, an ex-State Senator, at a big M. E. camp meeting held near-by during the summer, calling on all the people who would promise him never to go near the holiness people's meetings to come forward and give him their hand. Most of them did so, but when God began to work in our meetings he came himself, and openly thanked me for the first sermon he heard.

A Methodist minister, who had the joy of salvation restored to him, said that God had put him on an elevator and ran him up a mile, spiritually. His daughter, considered the model young woman of the community, about the second service she attended, with an earnest face and determined tread, came forward and prayed and wept aloud and when an invitation was given for those who had been saved to come forward and give their hands to the leader, she came with eyes streaming and mouth open, bubbling over with holy laughter, and remained full and running over all through the meetings.

The preacher's son, a traveling salesman, being home, came to the services, and he and his wife prayed and wept aloud the first night they were there. The preacher's wife was instantly healed of the fever, and we left him seeking a mighty baptism in the Holy Ghost that he might have the power of God in his life and ministry, and he said he did not expect to preach till he received it.—Elder W. B. Jessup.

BOOKS THAT WE HEARTILY ENDORSE AND RECOMMEND.

Pictures of Pentecost in the Old Testament, by Alice E. Luce, the best written book dealing with the Pentecostal experience, paper covers,.....\$.50

The Practice of the Presence of God, by Brother Lawrence, a book that has helped thousands,.....\$.50

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COTTON TOWN, ARK.

We have just closed a wonderful meeting here, at which about forty persons were saved, thirty-six baptized in the Holy Spirit and twenty-one baptized in water. The church was strengthened; the outside world made to wonder and reflect. The crowds were large, numbering at times from twelve to fifteen hundred, although but a country place.

Bro. C. A. Lasater, of Fort Smith, did the preaching. He is a Spirit-filled man who did "not shun to declare the whole counsel of God."—R. L. Hampton.

NEW SONG BOOK.

Some of the brethren in Iowa are desirous of compiling a new song book. They have the money to do so, but request that evangelists and others will please send in five songs each which they would like to see in the book, for the compilers to choose from. Address John Goblen, Lucas, Iowa.

PENTECOSTAL SCHOOL.

Mrs. Emma Miller, of Stanton, Mo., has opened a school for the benefit of children of ministers who are out working for the Lord, also for other Pentecostal children. For terms and other information write to Sister Miller at Stanton, Mo.

PENTECOSTAL BIBLE SCHOOLS

Now Open for Students.

- Mid-West Bible School, Auburn, Nebraska. Principal, S. A. Jamieson.
- Northern California School, Principal R. J. Craig, 1536 Ellis St., San Francisco, Calif.
- Southern California School, Principal D. W. Kerr, 5036 Echo St., Los Angeles, Calif.

BOOKS WANTED.

Good spiritual books and books of Biblical reference are badly needed at the new school at Auburn, Neb. All who can make donations of books should send them post-paid to Principal S. A. Jamieson, Auburn, Neb.

NOTICES.

Fred Leeper is now pastor in charge of the Plymouth, Ind., Assembly.

The assembly at Seminole, Okla., is desirous of securing a pastor or some one to hold a revival there.

John T. Wilson, the new chairman of the Southern Missouri District Council, will have his office at 830 W. Lynn St., Springfield, Mo.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The annual Missionary Convention of the Pentecostal Church of Cleveland, Ohio, will be held in the Church at East 57th Street and White Ave., Oct. 15-24. Pastor A. G. Ward of Canada and Evangelist Jack Saunders of Los Angeles, Calif., have been engaged to give out the Word. A corps of missionary workers will be present, and the needs of the home and foreign fields will be presented. Ministers and missionaries in fellowship with the General Council of the Assemblies of God are invited and will be provided with free entertainment. For further information address Pastor J. N. Gortner, 1412 E. 57th St., Cleveland, O.

TOPEKA REVIVAL CAMPAIGN AND DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING.

Brother JOHN GOBLEN, of Lucas, Iowa, will begin a city-wide Revival Campaign in Topeka, Kansas, Nov. 7, and continue three weeks or longer as the Lord leads. The Lord blessed Brother Goblen in camp meetings this summer and we are expecting a great meeting in Topeka. Those who did not get to attend a summer camp meeting will have an opportunity to attend this meeting. Those who wish to come can find very reasonable lodging in the city. If you play musical instruments write Brother John Goblen, Lucas, Iowa, before coming if you can, but if you can not write him come anyway, and let us labor for the glory of God! For further information write Fred Vogler, Topeka, Kans.

Kansas District Council Meeting.

The Kansas District Council of the Assemblies of God will meet in Topeka, Nov. 23, 24, 25. Let every minister in this territory try to be present, and every Assembly should send their pastor and two male delegates. God has wonderfully blessed the work this last year and we are expecting still greater things.—S. H. Patterson, chairman, Osborne, Kansas; J. H. James, Presbyter, Chetopa, Kansas.

EAST ST. LOUIS.

We desire to report the removal of our mission to 420 Collinsville Ave., where the Lord is blessing us in a wonderful way. We would be glad to see any of the brethren who pass this way.—Pastor E. T. Fowler, 512 Brady Ave.

The Gospel of the Kingdom.

The publishers of atlases of the world are busy these days bringing out books filled with new maps. You can look through these books but you will find no mention of the greatest and most powerful kingdom of all, and it is the gospel of this kingdom that the man of the world knows nothing about that we are to study this quarter.

But though Mr. Worldly Wiseman cannot tell you much about it, this kingdom is a very real one, and is one that will never be destroyed, and the Old Book tells us that one of these days it is going to break in pieces and consume all the kingdoms of earth and that it will stand for ever.

What sort of kingdom is this? It is a kingdom of righteousness. Unless you have a righteousness that is better than the outwardly righteous scribes and Pharisees, you cannot enter this kingdom. In fact, Jesus told Nicodemus that a man would have to be born of water and of the Spirit before he could enter it. The unrighteous have no part or lot in it, only those who are washed and sanctified and justified.

It is a kingdom of peace. You will not find any who delight in war in this kingdom. The inhabitants enjoy a peace that Jesus gives, a peace that the world cannot give, a peace that passeth understanding, and misunderstanding too. The King has prepared peaceable habitations and quiet resting places for all His subjects.

It is a kingdom of joy. The pleasures of earth are just a nightmare compared to the joys of the kingdom. I have always been a pleasure seeker, but I used to seek my pleasures in the wrong place and my mistake caused me lots of pain. But I have found the right place now. David found it and tells us all about it. "In Thy Presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore." Come into the kingdom and you will know what joy unspeakable really is. Partake of the Spirit, and you will find the River, the stream whereof makes glad the city of our God. It will make you glad too.

It is a kingdom of power. Wherever Jesus preached the kingdom, He manifested its power. His disciples did likewise. Where did they get their power? The King told them, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." He has a personal "Pentecost" for every subject. The promise is unto YOU.

Where is this kingdom that you cannot find in the maps? We sometimes sing, "Where Jesus is, 'tis heaven there." And where Jesus is, you will find the kingdom of which He is the King. If Jesus Christ dwells in your heart, then you can rejoice in the fact that the kingdom of God is within you. When we are born again, we are really translated into the kingdom of God's dear Son, and then we can truthfully say that we are in the kingdom and the kingdom is in us.

Seek first this kingdom. If you do, everything else will be added to you. Don't seek everything else first as the worldlings are doing, for all that do such do it to their eternal loss and undoing. You cannot afford to overlook or disobey this important command of the Master's. Seek and ye shall find. You will find it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.—S. H. F.

The above is the introductory statement in our Pentecostal Quarterlies, introducing the very important theme of the *Gospel of the Kingdom*, which is to be studied in our Sunday Schools during the next six months. All the lesson helps we have seen, disagree in their interpretation and treatment of this subject, but the Lord has illumined this subject to some of us, and we have set forth what He has shown us in our Lesson Notes in our Pentecostal Quarterlies. We Pentecostal people have a distinctive testimony and a distinctive viewpoint, and in these quarterlies we set forth the scriptural reasons why we cannot accept the traditional, generally accepted but seriously erroneous views that are prevalent everywhere concerning the Kingdom of Heaven.

Every Pentecostal Sunday School should order a supply of these quarterlies which emphasize the present practical application of our Lord's kingdom teaching. Bible students should secure these quarterlies and study them. They will find more of God's present truth in these little 5c quarterlies than in some \$10.00 Bible Study courses.

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A FORWARD MOVE FOR GOD.

Everyone will be glad to read the good report published elsewhere in this paper of how God has blessed in the Missionary activities of the General Council during the past year. A substantial increase in offerings has been received, \$90,812.40 being the grand total reached, all of which is a source of much praise to God.

Another cause for much praise to God is the fact that as the closing days of this age are focusing for the grand finale of the return of our blessed Christ, missionary fires are burning with ever increasing intensity, and young men and women are offering themselves to carry the Glad Tidings unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

The only drawback in the situation is that we as Pentecostal saints and individual members of Pentecostal groups or assemblies, are not keeping pace in our giving with the consecration of the prospective missionaries. There are some grand examples of self-sacrifice and liberality, but there is much room ahead for improvement. The great question now confronting us is whether or not the whole movement will rise up, shake itself, and resolve as one man to do its duty to the other lost sheep by sending all available workers to the field and supporting them amply upon their arrival. May God help us to see our opportunity in this great hour of crisis.

After the Council had closed, and the vast crowds, which had thronged the Convention Hall in Springfield, had dispersed to their homes, we settled down to the daily routine of conducting the work of God which had been placed in our hands on behalf of our Pentecostal missionaries. The joy of that last great missionary day, when an offering in cash and pledges of \$22,355.85 had been counted on earth and rejoiced over in heaven, still lingered with us. The actual cash in that offering, which was immediately available for missions, amounted to about \$1350.00. Then we summed up the entire receipts from all sources for the month and found that we had received cash amounting to \$8089.74. Then our hearts sank, for it was found that some very large amounts had been designated to certain needs, and the balance that was left over was so small that it only allowed a division among needy missionaries of from \$25.00 to \$30.00 each for the month. They should have received twice that amount. Our hearts were deeply stirred, but we could do no more than

to send out what we had (according to the report which appears elsewhere in this paper) and pray that God would somehow stretch out those dollars to meet the need.

And now I want to put this burden on your heart. Don't let this thing burden this month. Pray much, asking God what He would have you to do, and then do it by the grace of God.

A number of missionaries are sailing this month for China, India and Africa, and they, too, will need financial help. We must not forget them, and this will mean that these missionaries are to be cared for in addition to those who are already on the field. Let us believe God together for the needs and do whatever the Lord tells us to do.

J. ROSWELL FLOWER, Treas.

Don't forget, when you settle down for a delightful hour of fellowship and worship in your comfortable church building or assembly hall, that some of your brethren have no place to meet except in the streets of heathen villages. They have no money to buy mission stations and there are no buildings available which can be rented. Read the last number of the Evangel concerning the need of mission stations and homes for the missionaries. Since the last issue was published other urgent calls have been received. Note the heart-cries in this issue and let God speak to your heart. What would He have you to do? But when you do give, make it a special offering. Don't divert offerings for living expenses of the missionaries to building purposes. We must have mission stations and the missionaries must have support while the building is going on. Do something real—do something special—do something BIG for God!!!

MISSIONARIES SAILING THIS FALL.

Miss Ruth Riggs received her permit during the Council, and expects to sail for India Nov. 20th on the S. S. Trafford Hall.

Bro. and Sister J. J. Mueller have received their permit for India and expect to get off to the field on the first boat that they can secure.

Herman J. Mader and wife announce that they will return to China via Seattle on November 19th.

A party are now en route for the French Sudan, consisting of Brother and Sister **E. O. Leeper**, **Miss Jennie E. Farnsworth**, and **Miss Margaret Peoples**. **Miss Jennie Carlson** will join the party later.

Alex. Lindsay and family sailed for India Sept. 25th via England. They will leave England for Bombay Oct. 29th D. V.

Henry and Blanche Garlick (brother and sister) are sailing for Cape Palmas, Liberia, the 23rd of October.

Miss Katie P. Builder expects to sail for India on the S. S. Santa Cruz, Oct. 29th, direct to India.

Miss Bessie Gager and **Miss Lydia Rediger** expect to sail with Miss Katie Builder for India Oct. 29th.

Bro. A. V. Cook and wife announce that they have secured passage for China via

San Francisco, to sail December 3rd. They expect to join Brother Lloyd Creamer at Tientsin, N. China.

Ira G. Shakeley and wife are now on their way to Sierra Leone, West Africa.

This is not the entire list of missionaries sailing this Fall, but merely the list of those whose sailing dates have been determined. Pray much for these dear ones as they launch out into their future fields of service that God will wonderfully sustain and strengthen them and supply all their needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

A WONDERFUL PENTECOSTAL WORK IN PORTO RICO.

The work in Porto Rico is growing by leaps and bounds. God is doing a wonderful thing in the island. Only a few years have passed since a band of native born Porto Ricans who had been working among Spanish speaking people in Los Angeles, set sail for their own country to bring their own people the glad tidings of a Pentecostal gospel. The results have been wonderful. Souls have been saved and filled with the Spirit and a Council has just been formed. Sister Lena Smith Howe writes that the Council consisted of seven missionaries, nine preachers and thirteen delegates. A goodly number also attended unofficially. There was much prayer, great blessing and unity among the believers. When questions arose and there was not unity, all united in prayer and everything was solved in the unity of the Spirit.

The conference was held in an abandoned theatre in a part of the city where Pentecostal work is new, and hundreds of the so-called high class crowded to hear and see in the evening services. It brought an awakening and we believe many will receive the light, for a campaign is going on since the conference has closed.

Six preachers were set apart by the laying on of hands as they have already proved themselves worthy. This makes fifteen native preachers in all. They are powerfully anointed by the Holy Spirit and well prepared in the Word. Let us pray much for the work in Porto Rico that it may continue until the whole island has been taken for Christ.

MISSION STATION CONSUMED BY FIRE.

Fire has consumed the house of Wm. H. Johnson and the boys' home, causing a loss of about \$2,000.00, at the Blebo station, Liberia, West Africa. Brother Johnson writes:

"It was quite a heavy loss as we had just finished cutting rice and had enough to feed the family for five months. Most of it is gone, and all the boys' clothes, books, slates, etc. The loss is easily \$2,000, but our God is able to replace that which is lost. One of the worst of the losses was the belt for the saw mill. It was in the store-room and went with the other things. The house having a thatch roof, there was no time to save anything. The two houses were completely gone within fifteen minutes. We are looking to Him who understands our every need. We can get a substitute belt at Cape Palmas and will soon have the mill running and will build at once. We have tried the mill and it works O. K. Praise Him."

Sister Johnson throws some further light upon the disaster. She writes: "It is all so sad, the many hours of labor, etc., all gone up in smoke. Well, we can only take it as one of the 'all things.' The belt to the saw mill was burnt up among school books, Bibles, blankets, boys' clothes and beds, Mr. Johnson's tools, nearly all their rice off their farm, the gasoline and kerosene and many other things. I have been looking to God this afternoon for money to help supply their needs. Praise God, the answer is on the way.

"It is wonderful what a sweet spirit the dear boys manifested when they returned home to see their all gone. One boy said, 'Thank God no one was hurt and all are safe.' After the fire they got down before God and had a wonderful praise service. How we praise Jesus for transforming their lives and filling them with Himself."

We should get some help to Brother
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AN APOSTOLIC MINISTRY IN THE 20th CENTURY.

Our ministry for God is only limited by our lack of faith. All missionaries can have an apostolic ministry, adaptable to the customs of the country wherein they are working, if they will believe God for it. Here is a wonderful letter from our brother W. W. Simpson, who is laboring on the Tibetan border, in Kansu Province, Western China:

"During the four months since March 1st, I have traveled 1500 miles on horseback, holding meetings in six different and widely separated counties. I have conclusively proved what I have long believed, viz. that given the same conditions in preacher and people as existed in the apostolic times and the Lord will do exactly the same kind of work now as He did then, putting no difference between us and them. You can publish this broadcast if you wish. I am ready to demonstrate the truth of it any time and any place in Mandarin-speaking China. This is not boasting. It is bearing witness to the Truth of God's blessed Word.

"There are now twenty-three assemblies located in seven different counties of Kansu. There are ten preachers and two Bible women helping us look after the work. During the past two months, 150 have been baptized, more than half of whom have received the Spirit. It is simply impossible to keep count of the membership. I estimate that fully one thousand (1,000) believers are now connected with the Assemblies of whom about half have received the Spirit. By God's grace and might the work must not cease to spread until the entire province has heard the Word of the Lord. The Lord has given us the mighty endowment of power and the work must be done for He expects it of us.

"There was a beautiful, yet solemn manifestation of the Spirit in our recent meetings at Titao. On the night of June 20th, I laid hands on two little girls, ten or twelve years of age. The Spirit fell and they wept and confessed their sins. After she got through to God, one of them cried out, 'Come quickly, come quickly! Enter quickly, enter quickly! Grace gate is shut, grace gate is shut!' In her testimony afterwards, she said she saw a Man clothed in white, holding a gate open. After a few people had gone in He shut the gate. The next night the other girl wept her way through to God and cried out, 'In Heaven it is so good. Grace Gate will soon close!' I believe this to be very true. Soon the fullness of the Gentiles will have come in and this Age of Grace will end. Only a few more will enter. The rest will be outside the shut gate. How solemn the thought! How it ought to stir our zeal to warn every man to flee from the wrath so soon to come."—W. W. Simpson.

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MISSIONARIES HOME ON FURLOUGH.

There are twenty-seven more missionaries on the field this year than last year, who are associated with the Assemblies of God. This means that many more have gone to the field than the number who have returned home on furlough. A number of missionaries should return home as they are much broken in health and need a change. There are none to take their places, however, and so they hang on, hoping and trusting that someone will come to take their place while they slip away for a much needed rest.

Among the few who have returned home this Fall are **L. M. Anglin and wife**, of China. Their coming was not a minute too soon, as both have been severely tested in body during the past year.

Miss Anna Helmbrecht has just returned home from India. Bro. and Sister W. H. Clifford have taken over the station in her absence.

Brother and Sister **J. M. Perkins** and **Miss Bernice Pottorff** are home on furlough from Liberia, West Africa, for a much needed rest.

Word has just been received that **Miss Willia B. Lowther** and **Miss Bertha Meyer** have returned home safely from South China and are now in Tacoma, Wash., waiting for the Lord to open the way for them to return east.

Others have been mentioned in the past. All of them need our prayers that God will refresh them and build them up in body and soul so that they can return to the field refreshed and invigorated to take up the work of soul-saving once more.

MISSION STATION CONSUMED BY FIRE

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Johnson at once to help replace this great loss. Send your offerings to J. R. Flower, Treasurer. Please do not designate your regular missionary offerings for this purpose, but send something extra to meet the special need.

ROCKY VALLEY, ARK.

We desire to still report victory down here. The Lord continues to save in our regular services and we are seeing some wonderful healings among us through the power of God. Praise Him!—J. E. Hooper.

NOBLE, LA.

After a hard struggle under the trees we have got into a new house and the Lord is greatly blessing. Bro. Fred C. Marsh was with us two weeks. Some were saved and six received the baptism in the Holy Ghost. At the close of the meeting I was called to Polk Creek Mission, two miles out of Poteau, Okla., and baptized six in water. This little mission is composed of a fine band. Some one is getting through to God every week. One of the deacons protracted the meeting previously reported and the Lord came in a mighty shower, when four were saved and six baptized in the Holy Ghost, all in one night, for which we praise Him.—B. David, Howe, Okla.

**SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.**

The Lord is adding to the church here daily. Several remarkably converted and four gloriously baptized in the Holy Spirit during the past two days. Glory to God!—Robt. J. Craig, Pastor.

POBUM, OKLA.

We have just closed a two weeks' meeting here. The interest was great, though but one was saved. Four were baptized in the Holy Ghost and five were baptized in water. Praise the Lord.—L. A. Toller.

LUFTON, TEX.

Just closed a meeting three miles west of Lufton, Tex., with good results. About 15 saved, 9 filled with the Holy Spirit and 7 baptized in water; also several cases of healing. We closed the meetings with real victory. Ten or fifteen were at the altar each night toward the close.—Doyle Davis and Wife.

PADEN, OKLA.

In a four weeks' meeting in this place 20 persons were saved. Five were baptized in water.

A camp meeting is announced at this place for August of next year. Any one having a good second-hand tabernacle for sale please communicate with Z. N. Tatum, McLeod, Okla.

HEALED OF RHEUMATISM.

At a tent meeting being held at Quanah, Tex., by Tom Braziel and others, an old man by the name of Campbell was wonderfully healed of rheumatism. He could hardly get about with a walking stick, but after being prayed for he came back to the night meeting and offered to give away his cane and jumping up and down he praised the Lord. This convinced many of the truth and God's power to heal.

DAYTON, OHIO.

The Lord is in our midst. Last Sunday, Sept. 26, over sixty came to the altar for salvation and the baptism in the Spirit, a number of whom received what they sought. Several seekers had come through the previous week.

It is truly wonderful how the Lord is working. Many from the various churches, including the colored people, are coming and are being convinced and several have been baptized in the Holy Ghost. We are looking for a real revival. Pray for us.—A. B. Cox, Pastor.

DRY BRANCH, W. VA.

We came here four weeks ago with a tent and began meetings and the Lord let His power down from the very start. Eighty souls have been saved and about thirty have received the baptism in the Spirit. The meeting is still going on with the altar full of seekers every night and the whole country around is stirred. People come for miles to the services, which run sometimes till midnight. This truly is a wonderful field.

We have Evang. A. P. Robinson, a Methodist preacher, who is baptized in the Holy Spirit, helping us, and God is wonderfully using him. Evang. E. O. Davis, of Charleston, W. Va., is also helping in the meetings. Our next meetings will be held in Sharon, W. Va., where they are building a large tabernacle for the services. Pray that God may continue to pour out His Spirit.—Evang. H. W. Walls.

CROSSVILLE, MO.

In meetings held by Bro. Workman and myself in Crossville, Mo., near Bunker, God wonderfully worked last week, baptizing nine in the Spirit according to the pattern.

One Holiness preacher, who has preached for years, received a blessed experience of the baptism.—John Bryan.

GIDEON, MO.

During a series of meetings which we held here, assisted by Bro. Huffman, of Townly, when deep conviction rested upon the large audience and some were saved, a remarkable case of healing occurred. A sister had been afflicted for two years, nine doctors having failed to help her. She was told that if she did not submit to an operation she would pass away in thirty days. She had not walked for three months, but upon being anointed and prayed for, God gave her strength to rise and shout and leap for joy. To Him be all the glory. Any brothers being led to Gideon, write to Jack Lesley, Gideon, Mo.—G. V. Work and Wife.

SIDON, ARK.

We have just closed a two weeks' meeting at Pleasant Valley School House, near Sidon, Ark.

This is a new field and at the beginning the people were afraid of us and we received much opposition from church people, but God gave us victory and put His seal upon the work. About 35 were saved, 15 baptized in the Spirit and 13 followed the Lord in water baptism. God's power was also present to heal chills and fever and other afflictions.

One old man who had not used his right hand, nor walked without a cane for 15 years, was completely healed and walked more without his cane the next day than he had in 10 years with it. To God be all the glory.—Geo. Danks and Wife.

RUSSELVILLE, ARK.

For a week before our state camp opened Bro. W. T. Gaston was used of God in giving out the Word. The meetings increased in interest daily and souls were blessed, and when the Camp opened we were in good shape to pull for victory.

Before the camp opened visitors began coming whose number increased to about three hundred. They came from six other states.

Bro. A. P. Collins came on time and Bro. Gaston remained with us through the entire Camp. God used these dear brethren in a most blessed way and the power of God fell like rain the last few days of the camp.

We cannot give the exact number of those saved and baptized in the Spirit, but estimate that at least forty souls—possibly more—swept through to victory. For several nights the altar was over-crowded and many got through to God.

The last night, while Bro. Gaston was preaching, the power of God began to come down till hundreds were moved and a great rush was made by hungry hearts to touch God. The altar service was a blaze of glory, and a dozen or more souls prayed through in the old-time way.

The crowds were large during all the meetings. Newspaper men estimated the attendance at three thousand the last night. All bills were paid and not a penny was charged any one. Meals were served on the free-will offering plan.—Fred Lohman.

A WONDERFUL HEALING.

At a five days' meeting in Chauhauah, Okla., two persons were baptized in the Holy Spirit and several were saved, and an old man 65 years of age, who had been in a wheel-chair for 15 years, was anointed and prayed for. He got up out of the chair and walked off, to the amazement of the people. The whole country around is stirred. Praise the Lord.—A. D. Lindsey and Wife.

FOWLER, COLO.

Last June a tent meeting was opened here by the Booth-Clibborn Brothers, which continued till Aug. 8. Though only three received the baptism in the Holy Ghost, several were brought into a deeper life in Christ and are now seeking the Pentecostal fullness. A few days after these meetings closed Bro. Cooper and wife and myself went out about 25 miles north, to a school house on the plains and conducted night services for two weeks. Several were seeking and one claimed the baptism, but we had to close the meetings on account of school opening. Pray for us and this new field.—Mrs. Bernice Ferguson.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Glory to Jesus! We are glad to be able to report blessed victory in the work at Vancouver. Bro. C. O. Benham, of Winnipeg, Man., and Bro. Walter E. McAlister, of Lethbridge, Alta., arrived on August 19th. God has been wonderfully pouring out His Spirit. The two Pentecostal Assemblies of Vancouver decided to amalgamate and come together as one. From the moment the first definite move was made in this direction, God wonderfully set His seal upon it, and now that we are worshipping together in the unity of the Spirit the presence of God in our midst is truly wonderful. Scores of sinners have come to Jesus, several coming right through to the blessed baptism of the Holy Spirit, and the revival fires are burning very brightly.

The open-air work, under the leadership of Bro. Alva Walker is very encouraging. Crowds gather around to listen to the testimonies and the power of the Spirit so grips the people that many times they come right up to the meeting in the hall and surrender their life to God.

The united Assembly delegated Bro. R. Gillespie to accompany Bro. C. O. Benham to the General Council meeting to represent us there, and in their absence the work is being carried on very successfully by Bro. McAlister.

We are looking forward to real aggressive campaign work during the coming months.—L. R. Maddaford, Secretary.

FULTON, MO.

My two daughters and myself began meetings in a little country church, and without any advertising the people came for more than twenty miles around, beginning at once to seek the Lord.

We stayed there three weeks, and about eighty precious souls sought the Lord, then because we could not accommodate the crowds we moved to Calwood, about four miles away, to a much larger building.

God still continued to bless and save and about 25 or 30 more sought God. Here we had people from as much as 45 miles away, the crowds still increasing, and many standing listening attentively on the outside.

On the 9th of September we had a baptismal service; an all-day meeting and basket dinner.

Not being able to find a minister to do the baptizing, I decided to undertake it myself, although I had never heard of a woman officiating in this capacity before, but the service was announced. So I went through with it with the assistance of a good brother and immersed 35 converts.

The day was beautiful and the place very picturesque, and on the banks of the river about one thousand persons witnessed the ceremony, a notice of which appeared in the "Kansas City Post."

My husband is still very ill, and it is hard to be separated from him, but I trust to have him with me soon. Please pray for all of us.—Lillie Buffum.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Please pray for the healing and baptism of the Holy Ghost of five women in the Walters, Okla., assembly.—Mrs. J. A. P.

Pray for a husband's salvation.—A Sister in Christ.

Pray for my healing from catarrh of the head and throat, and for unspoken request, and the fullness of the Spirit for myself.—Mrs. L. B.

Pray for the healing of my body and for a friend who is expecting soon to be confined.—Reader.

Pray that I may be healed of rupture which is causing me much pain.—W. T. G.

Pray for a sister in Trenton, N. J., that she may be healed of tuberculosis for the glory of God.

Pray for my little 7-year-old boy who has always been delicate that God may make and keep him well and strong.—A reader.

Pray that some one may be sent to Payette, Idaho, to present Pentecost, and that a husband and children may be saved.

A sister in Redlands, Cal., asks for prayer for healing from asthma, heart trouble and other ailments. Also for a bad disposition of herself and quick temper of her husband.

Pray for four students seeking the baptism of the Spirit in a certain seminary that expelled a former student for seeking the same experience.

Pray for a father, mother and daughter, who are seeking, that they may be baptized in the Holy Spirit and for an unsaved daughter's conversion.

A widowed mother asks prayer for her unsaved boy.

A believer asks prayer for the lifting of financial pressure in business, that they may be freed from debt.

Pray for the salvation of six children.—L. M.

Pray for a niece who is suffering from a nervous break-down, who cannot sleep, that she may be healed, also for another niece, unsaved, who is restrained against her will, we fear, from communicating with us.—Mrs. R. A. K.

Mrs. B. L. of Monette, Ark., requests prayer for complete healing and the baptism of the Spirit.

A mother asks prayers for the healing of herself and daughter, and for two boys.

Please pray for the safe delivery at childbirth of a colored sister, that her husband may help to support the family, and for the salvation of the entire family.

A reader asks prayer for an unsaved son who has wandered from home and into sin, addicted to the cigarette habit, and is uncontrollable.

Pray for the healing of my body, and that my husband may be baptized in the Holy Ghost, and that some one may be sent here to present Pentecost.—Mrs. Josie McAdams, Buchanan, Va.

Pray for the complete healing of my whole body. I am suffering from a seeming growth in my side, a stiff knee and defective eye-sight.—N. J. H.

Please pray for my wife and I, that we may have complete victory, and the baptism in the Holy Ghost; that we may do the will of God in all things.—Mr. and Mrs. V. S., Grace, La.

A mother asks prayer for the salvation of four small children.

A mother asks prayer for the healing of a daughter from consumption.

Pray that we may have victory in our meetings here over the opposition of the "New Issue" people.—Evang. G. E. Mc., Cleburne, Tex.

Pray for the unifying of the Pentecostal saints in Spokane, Wash., and that God may have His way with me.—L. S. T.

Pray for a young woman who is suffering with heart trouble and a bad throat.

Please pray God will save and heal a little blind and deaf old lady.—A. H., Port Richmond.

Pray for the salvation and healing of a woman suffering from chronic rheumatism.

Pray for two scoffers that they may be convicted and brought to Christ.

Pray that I be guided in the way the Lord would have me take, also that I may be healed.—R. K. C., Detroit, Mich.

Please pray that God may give me a strong heart and lungs, and an easy deliverance in child-birth.—A Reader.

A sister asks prayer that she may receive the baptism in the Holy Ghost.

Pray for the healing of the following:—That my husband and myself may be healed from extreme nervousness, and for my baby, Mrs. G. M., Allenton; that my baby be healed and myself be delivered from heart trouble and gall stones; that my eyes be strengthened; am not really able to read; that a baptized sister be healed of goitre, H. A., Maypearl, Tex.; for the healing and deafness of my mother, and for a young girl's eyes, Mrs. H. H. C., McPherson, Ark.; a confirmed invalid friend, Mrs. N. F., Hiram, Mo.; a neighbor woman from something like an abscess, Mrs. D. R. K.,

Stroud; my son, from kidney trouble, A. F., Ludlowville; for the Lord to save my husband and make a preacher of him, H. C. G., St. Louis, Mo.; for healing of catarrh of the head and throat, L. A. L., Bernice, La.; for my mother's healing, P. S. J., Charleston, S. C.; that I may be carried safely through child-birth in December, M. M. M., Nimmons.

Pray that the following may receive the baptism:—For all who are seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit at McPherson, Ark., Mrs. H. H. C.; that I may receive my baptism, Mrs. J. L. B., Alfrido.

Pray that a sister, a Pentecostal Evangelist, be delivered from severe persecution, especially in her own home.—Reader.

Pray that a boy, inclined to wander, may be kept employed near home, and that an aged mother may hear from her wandering boy, who has been absent for several months.

Pray for a worldly preacher who teaches error, and for his wife and children whom he warns against holiness and Pentecost, which he declares he hates.

Pray for the Salvation of the following: For my wife who has been estranged from me for two years and seeking a divorce, that she may be saved and baptized in the Spirit, L. H. W.; that the joy of salvation be restored to me, and my husband reconciled to Pentecost, Mrs. A. A. N., Belen, N. Mex.; for my father, husband, my children and sister, all unsaved, especially for two step-sons who drink and gamble, Mrs. G. W. H., Lobelville; that my mother and my family may be saved and baptized in the Spirit, L. A. L., Bernice, La.; for my children all out of Christ, and for health and grace for myself, F. P. T., Columbus, Ga.; for the salvation of my family, Mrs. J. L. B., Elfrido.

Pray for Assembly and Community:—That a pastor be sent to Wesson, Ark., where they will support one who is a Council minister; for Sunday School and prayer meetings at Summerfield, La.; for our Assembly and the community at Inglewood, Cal. Pray for Bro. Robert O. Smith, of Gainsville, Ga., and his work of faith, for the right person to be sent to this place to hold a revival and awaken the people, Mrs. L. A. F., Rockford, Ill.; for our mission and work here, P. S. J., Charleston, S. C.; that the Lord will send workers to this place, Mrs. J. L. B., Elfrida, Ark.

Pray the following may go deeper into God:—That I may get closer to the Lord, N. H., Hiram, Mo.; that I may get on fire for God and do as He would have me, S. M., Bristol, Tenn.; for my children and myself that I may have increased grace and patience to train them for the Lord.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

From September 16 to September 30, Inclusive.

(This does not include offerings for the expenses of the Missionary Dept.)

\$1202.35: General Council offering, Springfield, Mo.

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\$735.00: Trinity Pent'l Assembly, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

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