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I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." Rom. 12:1, 2.

You will agree with me at once, of course, when I say that this text teaches the deepest solicitude in the heart of God for the highest good of man. God is love and it is characteristic of love not only to beget love but to find its supremest delight in pouring itself out. Redemption then is God pouring Himself out in wisdom and love and mercy and power, in order for man's highest good. Personal salvation is necessary so that the individual may by co-operating with God, experience his own highest good. This, I think, is the exact thought in the mind of the Apostle Paul.

We are exhorted to present our bodies a living sacrifice because *only* by so doing, and I would like that underscored in our mind, because *ONLY* by so doing may we experience our own highest good or the good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God; and to experience the good and perfect will of God is, of course, to experience that which is for the most permanent good.

Now, in order to give anything like an intelligent consideration to these verses it seems necessary to raise, and seek to answer, two questions. First, what is the meaning of the word "body" as used by the Apostle Paul in this connection, and secondly, what is the meaning of "living sacrifice"? The word "body" means exactly what you think it means—your body with all its parts and powers. In another letter the Apostle Paul says, "Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost." We are told in the Scriptures that God had in mind, in the fullness of time, to reveal all the fullness of the Godhead and this particular form of organism known as the body was in God's mind the best possible means through which to make that revelation. Jesus Christ then did not take upon Him the form of man by accident. It was

the best form in which Deity could be manifested. I have this kind of body because from God's viewpoint it is the best possible form in which to incarnate a being, and through which to make the revelation of God.

The task under consideration then is an exhortation to the "you" of you to present your body to God for the purpose for which it was constructed. The Scriptures think of man as a soul having a body, and the appeal, I say, is to the "you" of you to present your body a living sacrifice. Now, we have worked out to the point where we may say from the Scriptural viewpoint we have an intelligent comprehension of the word "consecration," for finally this is consecration.

All Things Are His

We have been exhorted to consecrate or dedicate to God our money, etc., but this is strictly speaking impossible, as one cannot give away what does not belong to him. But we hear someone say, "My money is mine." Where do you get that idea? The silver and gold are the Lord's. He may have made you steward and as a steward you are responsible to God for the use of your money, but you may never say it belongs to you. It does not. Therefore, strictly speaking, you cannot give what does not belong to you.

The same would be true of your land. "But," you say, "it is mine, I have a deed to it and the records say I may have it and hold it forever"; but I remind you that the Bible says, "The earth is the Lord's," including that particular corner on which you live. He may have loaned you a little piece of land on which you live, but at the best you are only a "squatter"! The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof and one day He will take His own and will give it as inheritance to the meek when He has properly purified it and established a regime of righteousness, He Himself being supreme ruler. In the meantime, it is His. "But," you say, "my cattle are mine, my flocks and herds." No, you are mistaken on every point. The cattle on a thousand hills are His, so He says.

I am saying this, not to play on words,

but to say there is one thing only over which you have control and that is your body. And that was bought with a price, so it is only reasonable to present the body over which the Lord has given you control to Himself.

He says, "I beseech you." God is taking the only attitude which He may take toward a free agent. He stretches forth His hand in tearful tenderness exhorting us to do the thing which makes for our highest good. We, hearing the exhortation, are to make the final decision—yes or no.

Life Through Death

Having presented the body a "living sacrifice," we are at once face to face with one of the deepest mysteries in the universe of God; namely, the mystery of dying to live. For the word "sacrifice" as used in the Scripture, of course, carries the idea of death. I am not exhorted to dedicate my body as a building would be dedicated, but to dedicate it as a sacrifice is dedicated. It is always necessary to die in order to live. This is the universal law of the world in which we live, "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone." But after it dies, it breaks forth and adjusts itself to conditions, and by yielding to this universal law of death, it lives, and by living works out the full purpose of God by reproducing itself.

Expensive to Be a Christian

Now, we have some light on two or three difficult passages it seems to me. "If any man will be My disciple, let him deny himself." If any man says that nowadays it is easy to be a Christian he has neither had salvation nor tried seriously to be a Christian. One of the most expensive things I know of is to be a Christian and I may as well say that to you plainly. I have no right to say to you that it is an easy thing to be a Christian. It is not. The only thing I have a right to say to you is, it pays.

I am told sometimes, "If it were not so expensive I would be a Christian." Well, I admit it is expensive, but, of course, the truth goes double, it is infinitely more expensive not to be a Christian. Still it is expensive to be a Christian. "If any man will be My disciple" (and notice the "if" at the head of the passage)—"If any man will

be My disciple." It is an open question. "If any man will be My disciple, let him say no to himself." Did you ever back self into the corner and shake your fist in his face? If you have ever tried it you will agree it is not easy. Oh, there is a way of saying no to self so that you half way mean yes, but if you say "no" with thunder in your voice and lightning in your eye, you will discover it is not easy.

Then "take up his cross and follow Me." Why does the Master throw the cross in here? Because the cross involves the idea of death. The cross was never meant to be an ornament decorating a church tower or a preacher's watch chain and I never see one hanging on a man but what I resent it. The cross carries a much deeper meaning. Said the Apostle Paul, "I am crucified with Christ," and we have never comprehended that word only as we have experienced with Paul the identical experience. He says in substance, "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and I am dead, but I am alive but I am not alive I am dead, but I am alive." By crucifixion that experience must become a real experience in the life of the individual who hopes to live at his best. Said our Lord, "The man who saves his life shall lose it." When we have saved our skin, it has no market value.

Preaching the Cross

Three kind of folks never get into trouble—the unborn, the dead, and the folk who never do anything. It is impossible for any intelligent Christian to live in this world without coming into conflict with the spirit of the age in which we live. If you ever think you have found a way to preach the gospel, so that it does not give offense to the world in which you live, make up your mind you have lost the gospel. Our Lord was unable to so speak and you will be unable to so speak while you remain true to Him. You need not be crude nor needlessly offensive, but bring the Cross into the light and preach it, not only as the symbol of human praise and final glory, but preach it as the symbol of that death, which one must die if he would live in Jesus Christ. Speak the Cross and let it be known that you mean to hold to the Cross and you will find yourself involved in criticism and you may expect to be engaged in battle.

There will be many reasons offered to explain why you are opposed if you insist on applying the gospel of Jesus Christ, but the real reason will be that human depravity does not relish the idea of losing in order to gain, and dying in order to live, and being unknown to be well-known, and suffering in order to be happy, and living in poverty in order to have riches after a bit. Human depravity does not relish those things; but the world in which you live comes to you with both hands full of reward if you are one with it. Here will be one of the first dangers in every life.

Temptations to Be Met

I hear men say sometimes they are never tempted to any sort of a side step. Well, it is a part of my religion to tell the truth. Sometime back, while pondering this whole matter, I remembered that I have been up against this for nearly a quarter of a century and there has been but little reward as far as this world is concerned. For the most part it has been criticism and misunderstanding, and certainly I have not gotten

wealthy. There have been many temptations to drop out of the ministry and go into secular employment in which the financial reimbursement would be much greater. But it is infinitely more worth while to be an ambassador of Christ, preaching the message of reconciliation to poor lost sinners, than have a position in the business world and draw a check with seven figures on it. I am glad that God has always given me grace to refuse these offers. If you are one with it you will find the world will come with both hands full of immediate reward—with honor and fame and high position, more money and the good feeling of being in power, with more and more prestige coming—from what they are pleased to call a well proportioned life and a well balanced mentality. The more brilliant and gifted you are the greater the temptation will be.

A Rare Privilege

That leads me to say, It is a rare privilege which you have enjoyed in the Central Bible Institute—the privilege of the cultivation of your mind in this spiritual atmosphere. You do not recognize the value of what you have had. As you grow older and look back across your years, you will appreciate more deeply and more fully what you have had. You will go out soon with a trained mind, a mind that is able to think logically, consistently, and come to right conclusions. Of course, as you mature in years you will think better and better. Experience will add to your power to think logically, but I see you going out with the beginning of this, and the demand is always for that type. That I say is glorious. But on the other hand, it will involve you in some dangers. You will be able to speak better as you read more widely, and, as a sponge takes up water, you take in what other speakers have said. And if you will pardon me for the word, I will say you may be tempted, if you are a public man, to take your place on the platform and "put over" what you have read and what you have heard, and you may be able to pilot it over very elegantly, and if you are striking, it may get away with some people. But if you are content to take this easy way, you will find your prayer life meaning nothing, and as far as being of value to the world is concerned, you will be of no value. It is impossible to do the work of Jesus Christ as we do other kinds of work. I am trying to say to you that as you stand true to the Word of God you will find yourself in a head-on collision with the world in which you live. The world will misunderstand you because you are dealing in truth—truth which the natural man does not understand and never will understand, and not only so, but truth which he resents because its demand is death and self-denial and self-sacrifice.

There Are Heavy Obligations Too

The man who succeeds in business must put his sweat and sacrifice into it. The man who succeeds in the Word must put his sweat and sacrifice into it. But I warn you that you cannot always express yourself so that you will be understood, for you will be deliberately and purposely misunderstood. You will constantly meet with resentment from human depravity. It is impossible to avoid it. Think it not strange when fiery

trials come. Don't suppose you have some one else's baggage, claim it and take it right along. The gospel demands of man self-denial and finally death. We say, "I am crucified with Christ," but how are we to experience that? We may get a little help by going back. For instance come reverently and quietly and study our Lord on His knees in the garden before His crucifixion. He had undertaken to redeem, and redemption, of course, means that He must grapple with the sin problem. He lifted His face to the Father and said, "O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me." But it is not possible to let this cup pass. Then quietly, "Nevertheless, not as I will, but as Thou wilt," and here is crucifixion. If there were another way into the experience and the rewards and the joys of Christ's experience without going by this rugged road, I think most of us would take it. We, too must learn to say, "Thy will, not mine, be done." Jesus substituted the will of the Father for His own will, and for us to take up our cross and follow Christ means for us to substitute the will of God for our own will. This is to experience death.

A Personal Testimony

Oh, how well do I remember as a boy preacher when I came to this crisis. How well do I remember it! I was converted in the heart of the Adirondack Mountains. I had heard very little preaching on these deeper experiences. Sitting one morning in the little church, I heard the voice of God, as clearly as anything I have ever heard, calling me to preach. I was filled with wonderful joy, for I thought God had conferred upon me the highest honor possible. I am still joyful about it, but I have learned many things, and had I known all when the call came, I hardly know whether I should have responded or not. It is a part of the providence of God that as you come to a turn off from the main highway, God stands in the shadows to sprinkle mercy and blessing upon you like the gently falling rain. He girds your loins with strength and sends you down the road to the next turn. I responded quickly full of joy and very soon was with my friend, the pastor of the church at the Annual Conference and they assigned me to a little church back there in the bushes.

When they read my name for Cook's Corner it sounded to me like they were saying, "You are now crowned king of a great nation." I did not know where the place was nor did I care. I was called to preach and they had given me a place and that was honor enough at one time. Cook's Corner consisted of a blacksmith shop, a store and a church. I began to testify the experience of God in my heart, for I knew very little about preaching, and I remembered that Mr. Wesley said, "When you run out of matter, testify," and as I was nearly always out of matter those days, I was largely confined to testimony.

A Wonderful Experience

But a revival broke out and I felt I was having the greatest time of any man in the world. I would frequently read my text, and then tread around on air. When I had finished I couldn't tell you a sentence I had uttered. Right in the midst of a message one Sunday morning my own heart was

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From the Pentecostal Viewpoint

CHURCH STATISTICS Dr. H. K. Carroll has recently published in the *Christian Herald* the results of his annual census of the churches. From a superficial survey the report looks encouraging, as it shows a net increase in church membership of 573,723. But when you take into consideration that literally millions of "non-resident and inactive" church members are counted in, and that the Christian Scientists with their 202,098 members are given a place in the list of churches, also the Spiritualists, the Buddhists and Communists, besides bodies like the Unitarians, who could hardly be called Christian, there is not much in the report to make us overly enthusiastic.

THE ROMANISTS The various branches of the "Catholics" head the list with 16,854,691 communicants. We believe they count every baby they christen. And the majority of bootleggers are counted "good Catholics." The priests will be paid well to pray them out of purgatory. They need to be paid well when they undertake a job of praying them over that great gulf which, according to no less authority than the Lord Jesus Christ, cannot be passed over, and they ought to be encouraged with similar words to those Elijah gave to the prophets of Baal when they were working on a similar hopeless task. As Dr. Gouthey puts it, "If they can't pray folks out of sin when they are alive, how can they expect to pray them out of the pit when they are dead?" The report of an increase of 183,889 Catholics during the past year is counted among the "encouraging gains." It represents practically one-third of the so-called "increase" in the churches.

OTHER BODIES The Methodists are second on the list and are reported as having 9,119,575 communicants, an increase of 150,910 over the last census. We fear that in this church that boasts such large numbers, there is the most alarming and deep-seated apostasy, for in the recent quadrennial General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church it was noticeable that a Methodist Fundamentalist was voted down by a ten-to-one majority. And it is a well-known fact that in some Methodist Conferences they will not tolerate a preacher who teaches the premillennial coming of the Lord.

The Baptists report a membership of 8,712,607; the Lutherans, 2,656,158; the Presbyterians, 2,597,136; Disciples of Christ, 1,799,313; Protestant Episcopal, 1,190,938. We believe these figures include about all on the church books. It is, of course, very important to make a big show after the flesh in making the annual census report. But we wonder if a true report were given of those who faithfully attend church each Sunday whether it would amount to one-tenth of the figures quoted above. And if a census were taken of those who are regular in their attendance of the weekly church prayer meeting, in those places where that old-time institution has not been abandoned, what would be the nature of the returns? If they were printed by the side of the figures of

church members who attend the movies on prayer meeting night, we fear they would look like a peanut alongside of a pumpkin.

EVANGELISTIC BODIES Dr. Carroll says, "It will be observed that the churches which are given to evangelism have encouraging net increases in membership. Small denominations which make evangelism their chief work are growing rapidly. The Assemblies of God, with a membership of 72,143, added in 1927, 10,101 members. The Church of the Nazarene seems to be concentrating on evangelism. It has 68,612 members and its additions last year were 4,789. The Church of God, Reformation Movement, which had its start in 1880, and has gathered since nearly 35,000 members, had gains the past year of 4,659."

It might be added that the figures Brother Evans gave for the Assemblies of God were very conservative. It is not an easy task to compute figures for a census, but we do know that Sunday school literature for 172,000 is sent out each quarter from the Gospel Publishing House.

GREAT MISSIONARY GIVERS We notice that the figures for the Christian and Missionary Alliance are given as 410 ministers, 392 churches and 25,000 communicants. We remember conversing with a prominent Christian and Missionary Alliance minister some eleven years ago when he visited our headquarters, which were then in St. Louis and saw that at that time we were a very small organization struggling for an existence. This brother said that it was impossible for us to con-

tinue to function as a missionary body, and that we ought to come into the Alliance, with which he felt we had much in common. But to do so we should have had to drop the distinctive testimony that God has given us. And we could not do that. To the credit of our Alliance friends it should be said they are magnificent missionary givers. With one-third the people we have, they give twice as much to the missionaries. Doubtless their assemblies are situated mostly in richer communities than ours, but we are sure we can learn lessons from our Alliance friends in consistent, regular, systematic missionary giving, and that by so doing we should at least double our missionary offerings.

OTHER FIGURES We notice that the Salvation Army, with its 4,670 ministers, has only a membership of 81,224. We presume the junk business they are carrying on in most cities demands a good deal of attention and the salvation of souls that characterized this body in the early days has come to be a secondary item. We see that the Spiritualists who say they have 600 "ministers" and 690 churches, boast a membership of 75,000, an average membership of nearly 1100 to each church. It looks to us as though these figures were inflated. The Buddhists state they have 34 ministers and 5,639 members. Our friends, the Pentecostal Holiness people, have 282 ministers and 8,096 members, and the General Assembly of the Churches of God, 300 ministers and 4,628 members.

THE REAL THING Man magnifies quantity, is taken up with outward appearances and is ever busy counting heads. The Lord is more concerned with quality; He looks at hearts, and His Word shows us that He weigheth the spirits. Prov. 16:2. He questions, "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8. We fear that in spite of these pompous statistics given above, He will find but little. His indictment against the church at Ephesus was, "I have somewhat against thee because thou hast left thy first love." How does this divine test find you? To the seventh church, the Laodicean, surely the church of to-day, Christ says, "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth." We remember attending a great Pentecostal gathering some years ago when the Spirit of the Lord said to us in a manner we can never forget, "O My people, My people, pray that ye become not lukewarm."

What is the temperature of your heart to-day? This is not so much a question for the masses as for the individual members.

May the dear Lord give us grace to be a lowly people, a loving people, a people of a broken and contrite spirit, a people who delight to pray, who are strong in faith and fervent in zeal, a people who walk humbly with God, doing justly and loving mercy. The Lord has all-sufficient grace to give to individual saints so that out from the Laodicean church there can come forth overcomers to share His throne with Him, a little flock to whom it will be His good pleasure to give the kingdom. Will you be one of this little flock?—S. H. F.

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The Promise of Christ's Coming

THE PURIFYING HOPE

"Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many." Heb. 9:28. This one sacrifice outweighed every sacrifice that had gone before. The mind fails to comprehend the number of cattle, sheep, goats, doves and pigeons that had been offered since the time of Abel to the time that Christ was crucified. The streams of blood that flowed from this multitude of animals could never compare with the blood of Christ. The whole stream of blood that flowed from these animals was an index finger pointing to the precious blood of the Lamb of God. The blood of the lamb that Abel offered was the first of a continuous stream that flowed right on until the two lambs were offered on the morning of the crucifixion. It was just one line leading to God's Lamb.

These many lambs and oxen were offered to put away sin, but they *bare* none; the one offering of Christ bearing the many sins and putting sin away. He effectually removed it by the sacrifice of Himself. It required the sacrifice of the God-man to put away the sin of man. An animal could not atone for a man, because man sinned against God and sheep and oxen belonged to a different realm, not knowing right from wrong. It required One in relation to God and in relation to man to bridge the gulf. So Christ, the anointed One, the Son of God and Son of man, put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

He Himself offered no sacrifice when upon earth, because He was *the* sacrifice. He was God's High Priest, but He offered no sacrifice, and was never allowed in the Holy Place, or in the Most Holy. Why? Because God reserved the true tabernacle for Him and He has offered up one sacrifice for sins that will be effective forever, and by His own blood, has entered into the Holy Place, and has obtained eternal redemption for us.

The High Priest, after accomplishing the atoning work in the Holy of Holies, came out again alive. So Christ will appear from within the Veil the second time, apart and separated from His priestly work, His sacrificial work, His intercessory work. Sin has been dealt with and put away. He will appear the second time without sin unto salvation or redemption to those who look for redemption.

How anxiously the children of Israel waited on their great day of atonement for the reappearance of their great High Priest. The sin question had been settled for the time being, and the High Priest came out from the presence of God with the benediction of God. So our High Priest, Christ Jesus, when He comes again will bring the fullness of salvation with Him, going back again with all those who are saved and looking for Him.

Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation." This verse is in line with most prophecy, time and the time element being eliminated. The putting away of sin on Calvary and His coming again are set forth in the same verse as part and parcel

of the whole, and the long interim is not even mentioned. Why? Because to Him who is the Eternal One a thousand years is as one day; and if there is an interval of two days it is not worth recording. If you are to visit a friend within a day or two you just write and say, "I will be with you soon, or shortly." So two thousand years more or less is soon or shortly in God's reckoning. If you have eternal life, *then* you should judge time from the eternal standpoint.

When Christ heard that Lazarus was sick, He abode two days still in the same place where He was, and then He returned to raise Lazarus. Therefore can not we hope that Christ's lingering two days away from Lazarus is a blessed type of His coming to raise His dead friends and comfort His living friends?

Though He tarry, He will not tarry indefinitely, but will surely come. Now the just shall live by faith—by faith in the promise; and enjoyment of the expectation will follow faith in the promise. The just are justified by faith, the just live by faith, the just are translated by faith as Enoch was; and faith keeps you healthy, living and rejoicing in the expectation. The One who gave the promise of His coming again will give you faith to live in expectation that He will fulfill that promise.

THE LORD DIRECT YOUR HEARTS INTO THE LOVE OF GOD

A very precious old friend of mine, a blessed saint, highly conscientious and holy, but somewhat legal, told us one day as she walked the street a sweet Voice said within, "Nancy, I love you. Nancy, I love you." "So," she said, "if the Lord said it, I suppose He does." Life became richer and sweeter in its ministrations to others because she kept receiving the caresses of a great Lover, as she heard Him saying, "I love you."

He is saying to you, dear reader, this moment, *from under His shed blood*, "I love you." Let it come into the ears of your heart, and rejoice thou in the love-warmth. "God so loved the world," so loved the world." Hear it, poor, dear sinner, you who have so hated the Lord and His Word, "God so loved the world." If you are in the world, that means you, means He gave His only Son for you. Hear it, dear child of God, He so loved, that He gave, and is *always giving* His

Son. He gives Him *to you*, that your life may be always, "Not I, but Christ." Every moment, in every provision of life, He is always saying, "I love you." "All things are of God." "All things are for *your sakes*." All things working together! Listen! Hear it! How stupendous the utterance! To conform "to the image of His Son"! How glorious the purpose! What magnitude of pattern! And every trifle lighter than air, as well as every cataclysm of woe, every height of throne, of gift and bounty; *all* working together to bring it to pass! Sweeter than lullaby of a crooning mother's heart, comes every moment, each passing event, laden with, "I love you."

Accustom yourself to hear it, and praise Him for the brown-paper parcel of events which wraps the love. Love thrives on reciprocity. You know that in natural life. Our tiniest every day occurrences are the vehicles on which our great Lover sends His, "I love you." Do not make so much of the incident as of the message with which it is freighted.

Many years ago a returned missionary from India, I walked the street on some errand, when it was borne upon me, "This is spring time, shad time, would you not like to have a bite of shad?" Accustomed to constant and deep self-denial of all sorts, I said to myself stoutly, "No, I do not want it. I want nothing but what I get." Then within a gentle Voice whispered, "But if the Lord gave it, you would like it, wouldn't you?" Returning home, I found a bouncing shad in the kitchen, marked, "For the Missionary," and the family dined royally that day. A sweet suggestion that God in blessing us lets the overflow into hearts around us. Another motive for hearing Him say all the time, "I love you." After dinner came the Voice, "I made you to long for the fish, then touched the brother's heart to send it, that you might hear My whisper, 'I love you.'"

"I have loved you with an everlasting love, therefore (no other reason for it whatever) with lovingkindness have I drawn you." No other reason in each "draw" but infinite, eternal love! How did He draw you? He began with me by letting every earthly prospect fail me. My young life plans were crushed. Then He set my secret sins in the light of His countenance, and I was guilty and miserable. Love, unutterable Love, shattered life for me that I might take nothing less than Love supernal as my portion! The blessed "draw"!

Two young Scotch Christian girls had been meeting with reverses. They had seen their father die. His death plunged them from easy living into rigid economy. Later the only brother sickened and died. This brought them still lower in finances and they had to take to needlework for support. Their last remaining joy, the precious, frail mother, was taken. As they bore the coffin from the house, the one sister screamed, "Now I know God hates me." There was a sympathetic sob ran through the room from friends and neighbors attending the funeral; but the other sister said, "Now

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I know that God loves me, for, 'Whom the Lord loveth, He chasteneth.'

Oh, that sweet, "I love you"; it runs through all our life. It speaks out through every great and small affair. "I have loved you, therefore have I done this and that and everything. I love you, I love you."

If you will but abide under His sweet, glad, holy Word, you will hear Him say, "As the Father hath love Me, so have I loved you: continue ye in My love." If you will but keep under this glad some word, "I love you," there receiving love, you will float out on God's love as a mote floats out on a sunbeam, and the eternal progression of God's love will take possession of you; and you, for whom He laid down His life, will find yourself day by day and hour by hour laying down your life "for the brethren"; in your praying for them, laying down your life for the brethren; in denying self to give unto them, laying down your life for the brethren; not even in your thoughts (much less your speech!) dwelling on their sins, their faults, their frailties. But because He laid down His life for us, we also, hourly, and momentarily directed in the sweet current of God's love, lay down our lives for the brethren. Yes, even though the more abundantly we love them the less we are loved. So the stream of God's love flowed through Paul, and so if we will give right of way it will flow through us.

"That the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them!" Let it come; it is whispering now, "I love you." Hear it, which is appropriating it, and it will cause you to see a life-atmosphere touching every one you meet. "He that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God." It is "the ointment of the right hand which betrayeth itself." God sees you in Christ; not in sin, not in nature, not in your half-finished condition as a Christian, but "accepted in the Beloved."—Tract, contributed by Elizabeth Sisson.

ATHEISTS PESSIMISTIC

If the admissions of defeat in the Second Annual Report of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, are to be taken at their face value, it is clear that atheism is making no progress whatever. Were I an atheist, I would be so discouraged in reading the printed report, that I would not want to donate another cent to the cause. The tremendous opposition, so frankly admitted throughout the report, let alone the loss in lawsuits and debates, aside from the pervading tone of pessimism, which characterizes nearly every page, spells nothing but doom, so far as atheism is concerned.—Oswald J. Smith in the *Herald of the Times*.

When the mind thinks nothing, the soul covets nothing and the body acteth nothing contrary to the Will of God, this is perfect sanctification.—Written in an old Bible, 1599.

Precisely the same Jesus came back from the dead as died on the Cross—not precisely the same body. So with us, we shall have glorified bodies.

There was a farmer on one of the islands in the Inland Sea. He had money, and he was sinful, drink and the usual immorality, indulged in by the Japanese before they become Christians, filled up the measure of his pleasure. He had occasion to go up to Tokyo on business, and just before returning to his home he wandered into a second-hand book shop to buy something to while away the time on the journey home. Among the many books displayed for sale, he saw one with a strange title which rather appealed to his curiosity, it was called, "The writings of the New Covenant complete." He bought it very cheaply and became so intensely interested in reading it, that everything else was forgotten on the homeward journey. Arriving sober and docile he was the cause of much wonderment to his family, and neighbors asked to explain the change which had come over him. He replied: "I do not know how it is, but it came through reading this book which I bought in Tokyo." Drinking, gambling, and profligacy were swept completely out of his life.

Mark you, there was not one Christian on the island where he lived, and he had never once heard one word of the New Testament explained, and yet almost instantaneously, a great moral change had taken place in him. From being one of the worst sinners among the inhabitants of his island home, he was so transformed as to become the pattern for the people. He had only one explanation to every inquiry as to what had wrought the change—"It came through reading the Book." His influence was felt in almost every part of the island.

Some six years later he went across to the island of Shikoku, and on the first Sunday noticed quite a number of people entering the building; thinking it was some lecture—for the Japanese love that sort of thing—he followed, but it happened to be a Christian church, and to his amazement he heard the leader of the assembly reading words from the Book which had brought about such a change in his life. "Why," said he, "that man is reading from my book; I wonder where he got it." When the service was over, he went to the pastor and asked how he came to be reading out of "my book." "Your book?" inquired the pastor, "How is it your book?" "Oh," replied the man, "I bought it in a second-hand book store in Tokyo, and it has changed my life."

Taking in the condition of things at a glance, the pastor explained that the book was the Christian's Bible. "Christian?" said the man, "What is that?" When the meaning of the word was explained, he related his own life story, and how reading the book had so utterly changed his life and habits. "Well," said the pastor, "if you believe this book you must be a Christian." "Yes," replied the man, "I must be. Will you baptize me?" Being rather doubtful as to the man's

fitness for baptism, he postponed the ceremony pending further inquiries, and meanwhile wrote to the man's friends in his island home. The answers which he received were so remarkable in their testimony as to the changed life and character of the man for the past five or six years, that he gladly admitted him to baptism, and the man returning to his home, continued witnessing for Christ until about a year later, when he passed from a happy death-bed to be forever with the Lord.—A. L. Dyer.

ANOTHER HOAX EXPLODED

The daily papers are now making merry at the expense of evolutionary scientists over the fact that the famous million dollar tooth has been proven to belong to a pig rather than to any missing link. This tooth was found in Nebraska and many scientists rushed to declare that it was undoubtedly from the jaw of a prehistoric creature, an ape man. The late William Jennings Bryan, who faithfully denounced this conclusion, was ridiculed as being unlearned in this department of science. But further excavations in the pit where the tooth was found have brought to light other similar teeth fast imbedded in the jaw of a wild pig. The American Museum of Natural History has issued a public retraction of the former unfounded claim for the precious tooth. This episode is on a par with the incident of about a year ago when a skull found in Java widely declared to be another incontrovertible proof of man's relation to simian ancestors was finally pronounced to be the kneecap of an elephant. A museum in New York, however, still presents to the public an exhibition of artificial skeletons ranging from a primitive pre-ape monster through various gradations to modern man. The skeletons are entirely manufactured and are not even supposedly founded upon any existing fragments. Is it not time that this utterly false testimony should be destroyed in the interest of scientific as well as religious truth? Our readers are probably aware that no evidence exists anywhere to substantiate the claim that man is connected with the lower orders of life by direct succession. The Word of God still stands and will ever stand as final authority for man's origin. God created man in His own image.—The Alliance Weekly.

GALL STONES HEALED

My heart is full of praises to the dear Lord for healing my body. Twelve years ago I was operated on for gall stones, but gradually they came back on me until last fall I was taken real bad with the affliction again. I kept trusting the Lord that He would heal me. April 7, 1928, Brother and Sister Howard Pratt anointed and prayed for me. The fire of God fell and filled my soul, and I was immediately healed.—Mrs. Geo. Beals, Brown City, Mich.

Another Wonderful Year at C. B. I.

Central Bible Institute has just completed by the grace of God another year, which we believe will contribute definitely to the work of the kingdom and to the bringing back of the King. Twenty-seven students were graduated and every one is eager for God's place of service and anxious to reach the "firing line" immediately.

We wish that our Evangel fellowship could look in on us for the two or three closing days of the school year and hear the testimonies in our annual "family fellowship" meeting of how definitely God led the students to C. B. I. in the first place, how He has supplied financial needs apparently from nowhere, how in times of spiritual crisis He has met them at "Wit's End Corner," how the rough edges have been polished off their characters and how the self life has been dealt with. The father of one of the graduates spent the last week

ing for our students and for all of us here—faculty included.

We wish you might have been with us at the Commencement Exercises. This year they were held in Grace church (we have no chapel of our own). Quite a number of Springfield people, outside our own Pentecostal fellowship attended—bankers, business men, pastors of other churches. Hearty were the words of appreciation from some of them of the impression the service made upon their hearts. On a number of occasions our student body has attended evangelistic services and meetings outside of our own assembly and unusual and numerous have been the comments on the modesty of dress and the unbobbed hair of the ladies, on the joyous note in their choruses of praise, evidencing definite experience in salvation, on the positive note in their testimonies and their Commencement messages. Hungry

hand, he is one of the staunchest modern defenders of the "faith once delivered," that we have heard in many a day. He is sometimes taken to task by the brethren of his presbytery for fellowshiping Pentecostal people, for he frequently preaches in our assemblies, and he tells them not to lay their hands on "this" for it is "that," and that he cannot afford to be cut off from fellowship with his Pentecostal brethren. Oh, for the day when the prayer of our Lord is answered, "That they may be one . . . that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me!" He brought us a soul-stirring message from Romans 12:1,2 on the cross in consecration. The Spirit powerfully witnessed to the truth through tongues and interpretation.

Brother Ward, in another article in these pages, presents to you the need of C. B. I. for prayer rooms. The portion of the building over the boiler room was left uncompleted through lack of funds and we greatly need the class room space and the combina-



THE FACULTY AT CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

of the year with us and he said to me one day, "Brother Boyd, this Bible School business has gotten under my skin. May I do this (and he mentioned something that was on his heart) for the Institute." Needless to say we appreciated these words of encouragement.

One of the greatest contributions that the life and atmosphere of C. B. I. makes to growth in grace is the contact of different personalities, brought up in different environments, so that through this contact we all learn to appreciate others, to depreciate ourselves and to "bear and forbear." One of the greatest assets in the equipment of the Christian worker—yea, in that of all Christians—is adaptability, that is, to know how to rub elbows with all kinds of people, to fit into any kind of environment, cultured or crude, comfortable or otherwise, and in it all keep sweet and glorify our Master. This, we believe, is one thing that C. B. I. is do-

ing hearts long for reality and recognize it when presented.

At the Commencement, Mr. William Kay of Orange, Australia, spoke on "Steadfastness in Christian Service." We were all encouraged to "press the battle to the gates." Miss Margaret Beede, of Youngstown, Ohio, quickened our hearts afresh with the message of "The Coming King." Surely He is on His way. Missions were not forgotten and we felt moved again to gird up our loins to the task of reaching the yet unevangelized fields for "We are able," as Mr. Everett Phillips, of Cleveland, Ohio, reminded us in his stirring message.

We wish you might have been present at the Baccalaureate Service, May 13, at the assembly. Dr. A. P. Gouthey of Seattle, Wash., preached the sermon to the graduating class—and to all of us. Brother Gouthey is a Presbyterian, but the most broad-minded one in the circle of Christian fellowship, that the writer has ever met. On the other

tion music and prayer rooms, which two stories built over this area, 36x24 feet, would give us. We are not seeking anything pretentious for the school (not ours but yours, by the way, for we are just endeavoring to administer what the Council has authorized, for His glory) in the nature of great material equipment, but the fact is we are seriously handicapped in our work for lack of these facilities, as well as by the lack of cottages to house some of the faculty members.

If each of our Evangel readers would send us even a little help, we could do this and work better for the Lord. We covet the prayers of our people in our great responsibilities. "A long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together" will bring us all through the labor and conflict of these last days up to the glorious day of His appearing. Let us work as if He were not coming for a thousand years and live as if He were coming to-morrow. Hallelujah!—F. M. Boyd.

Prayer--the Crying Need of the Hour

Christianity needs, above all things else, men and women who can in prayer put God to the test and who can prove His promises. It is not educated men who are needed for the times. It is not more money that is required; it is not more organization, more machinery, more ecclesiastical laws, but it is men and women who know how to pray, who can in prayer lay hold upon God and bring Him down to earth, and move Him to take hold of earth's affairs mightily and put life and power into the church and all its machinery.

We do not live in a praying age. This age is noted for its practical efficiency and its spiritual shallowness, yet prayer is so mighty an instrument that no man ever

tion to another letter which I am addressing to the friends of the Central Bible Institute throughout our entire fellowship.

We are just closing one of the best years in the history of C. B. I. and possibly ere this issue of the "Evangel" reaches you, many of the 1928 graduating class will be in the Lord's work in different parts of this great land of ours. These precious Spirit-filled young men and women have applied themselves faithfully during their years of training to the study of the Bible and have taken many a lesson in "kneeology" (prayer). Day after day, and *night after night* throughout the entire school year they, with all the other members of the C. B. I. family including the faculty have given them-

wide missions, prayer for all classes and conditions of men everywhere. Yet with it all, we have been greatly handicapped. I am sure you will be surprised when I tell you we have no room anywhere in the Institute which can be devoted entirely to prayer—no prayer room.

I can imagine your astonishment as you read the above; nevertheless it is true. Friends, it is a *great need*, not an imaginary one, but a very *real* one. We all feel we must have at least two rooms entirely set aside for prayer, but how are they to be secured? Will you not kindly answer this question for us?

Just a little from each member of our many interested friends and the above question will be answered, and our next year students will have a quiet, secluded place where they can wait upon God, *undisturbed*, until they have prayed things through, until



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thoroughly mastered all its keys. They sweep along the infinite scale of man's wants and God's goodness. The oil which lubricates the wheels of God's machinery used for evangelizing the world is prayer. Prayer oils the chariot wheels of our returning Lord. The greatest agency put into man's hands is prayer. The greatest thing anyone can do for either God or man is to pray. Prayer is a world-moving force. It is not a trifling power, but a power that can shake, destroy, and build up. God's best working days on earth are the days when His saints pray the most, therefore Satan would rather we would let the grass grow on the path which leads to our prayer closet than almost anything else. What a privilege to pray! Is there not some mistake about it? Is it possible that we weak creatures of a day may have free access to the audience room of the eternal God, and there urge upon Him the small interests of our vanishing life?

Dear Reader, the above thoughts, some original and others borrowed for the occasion, have been written by way of introduc-

selves to unceasing prayer—prayer for the different classes and teachers, prayer for all the former students and graduates of the Institute, prayer for unsaved loved ones, prayer for the many sick ones who have asked to be remembered, prayer for world-

they have unlocked the storehouses of God's infinite grace and power, for all that God is and all that He has is at the disposal of prayer.

Your brother in the Lord,
A. G. Ward.

FOR THE NEEDED PRAYER ROOMS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR
CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.

Dear Friends:

Enclosed find offering of \$..... for the needed prayer rooms and other equipment for Central Bible Institute.

Yours faithfully,

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The Flow of Best Living

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brought powerfully under conviction for the experience I did not possess. Vaguely I had been conscious of the meaning. Some times I saw it as you see stumps and stones revealed on a dark night when a flash of lightning tears away the storm cloud. I stopped suddenly—afterwards they told me I turned deathly pale—walked down to the altar, and asked the converts to come and pray. For ten days I fought that battle. As I prayed, gradually the revelation came to me that in one particular at least, my will was crossing the purpose of God. I am so ashamed of it now, but it might be of value here. As the light shined in me, I saw more and more clearly that I had great secret ambitions to become a great pulpiteer. I was dreaming of a big city church, an important pulpit, with an appreciative official board, and a great congregation of people of prominence.

As I prayed on, God began to reveal His plan and program. Ten days the battle went on. I got to the place where food did not taste good and I ceased to eat. I could not sleep and I didn't try to do so. I was alone almost day and night with nobody to help me, and, glory to God, with nobody to hinder me, the fight went on. Then one morning about nine o'clock when I was praying out by the old rail fence (I had a place all my own out in the corner of the pasture which was enclosed by a small bunch of trees), my will suddenly left me and in came the will

of God and quicker than I can tell it to you, I was filled with the Holy Ghost. I went out from under that little bunch of trees and on through the cow pasture yelling so they heard me for three miles. Cows put their tails in the air and started running down through the field as though some wild animal had broken loose.

The Lord's Leading

The road of God had forked off from the main highway where I had expected to travel. The next Sunday morning under a great maple tree—a place I had learned to know so well and which I know to this day—God showed me the road, winding out into the forest into the unknown and I saw myself for the most part a lone traveler. In other words He called me to the evangelistic field, and as He told me my work, He told me the first place I was to go and it was a town I had never heard of. I hurried down to the house, shouting and crying all at the same time, to get ready. I didn't have much, and so it didn't bother me to move in those days. I hurried on to the depot and asked the ticket agent if there was such a town on his railroad. He said, "Yes" and I said, "I want a ticket." "Return?" "No, I am not coming back." At nightfall, walking down off the steps of the

coach it dawned on me what I had done. No one was there to meet me, of course, so I picked up my suitcase and started up the street. I went on until I came to the Methodist church all lighted up and walked in. The preacher stopped and looked at me and, turned as white as could be. He then walked down the aisle to me, and said, "You are a preacher, aren't you?" I answered, "Yes." He said, "I saw you in a vision last night. God sent you here to hold a meeting for me."

We held that meeting and many were saved and missionaries are on the field who were saved at that time. From that day to this I have never been without an open door. I have never had a committee or an advance agent. I have never had the promise of a single dollar as a stated salary and

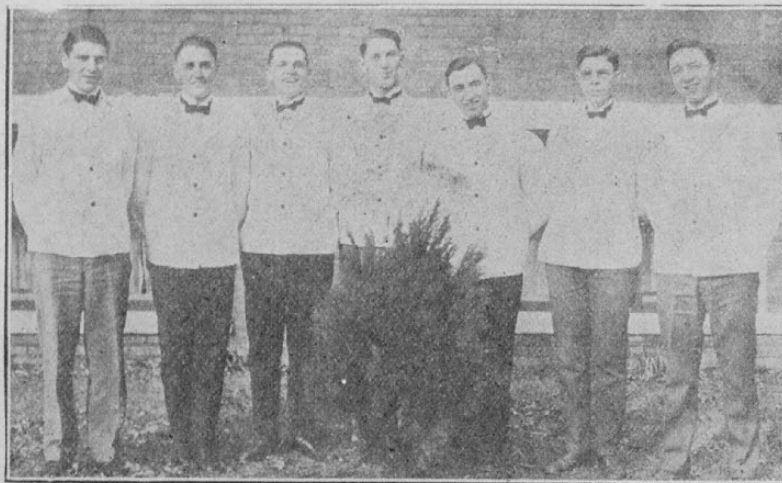


TABLE-WAITING CREW

if I were to take all the calls coming to me I would be dated until about 1940, summer and winter. That is by way of encouragement. You will not, of course, travel the route I traveled. You will not experience what I have experienced because you are a different personality. He will deal with you as He has to deal with you.

Healed of the Lord

When I came back from France my friends said I would never preach again and at times I felt surely it was so. I was so seriously gassed with mustard gas that I could not get up a very short flight of steps in our home. My heart was withered, my lungs were rotting and it was only a matter of days, the surgeon said. One day when so weak that I couldn't get out of bed, I said to Mrs. Gouthey, "Honey, if you could prove to me that I am going to die, it would not frighten me. I have lived for it for a quarter of a century. If I were to die I am not sure but it would be gain, but deep down in my heart I don't think I have finished my work." I finally hobbled down for a family altar, for we have always had it. Mrs. Gouthey was leading, because I was too weak. After reading she started to pray, and as she prayed she began to climb into the mountain tops and I became con-

scious of a new atmosphere. I could tell she was in the mountain top and quicker than I can tell you, God poured over me His power, like a bath of warm water, and I could feel mustard gas actually pouring out of the pores of my skin.

When I got to my feet, I was as well as I am now, and with that experience came the revelation again of the condition of these last days, for I surely believe we are living in the closing moments. God called me all over again to preach, and once more showed me a road branching off from the main highway. Well in my heart I knew it would be the most lonely road I had ever traveled. It is not the job for everybody, but I am sure I am at my job.

I say unless you experience God and find your place, you will never accomplish your task. You say, "How, preacher, how?" By way of death, that you present your body a living sacrifice. Said Paul, "I bear the marks in my body" and before the Cross means anything to you or me, we must bear the marks in our body. Oh, to be true to the Cross and bear its mark in your body.

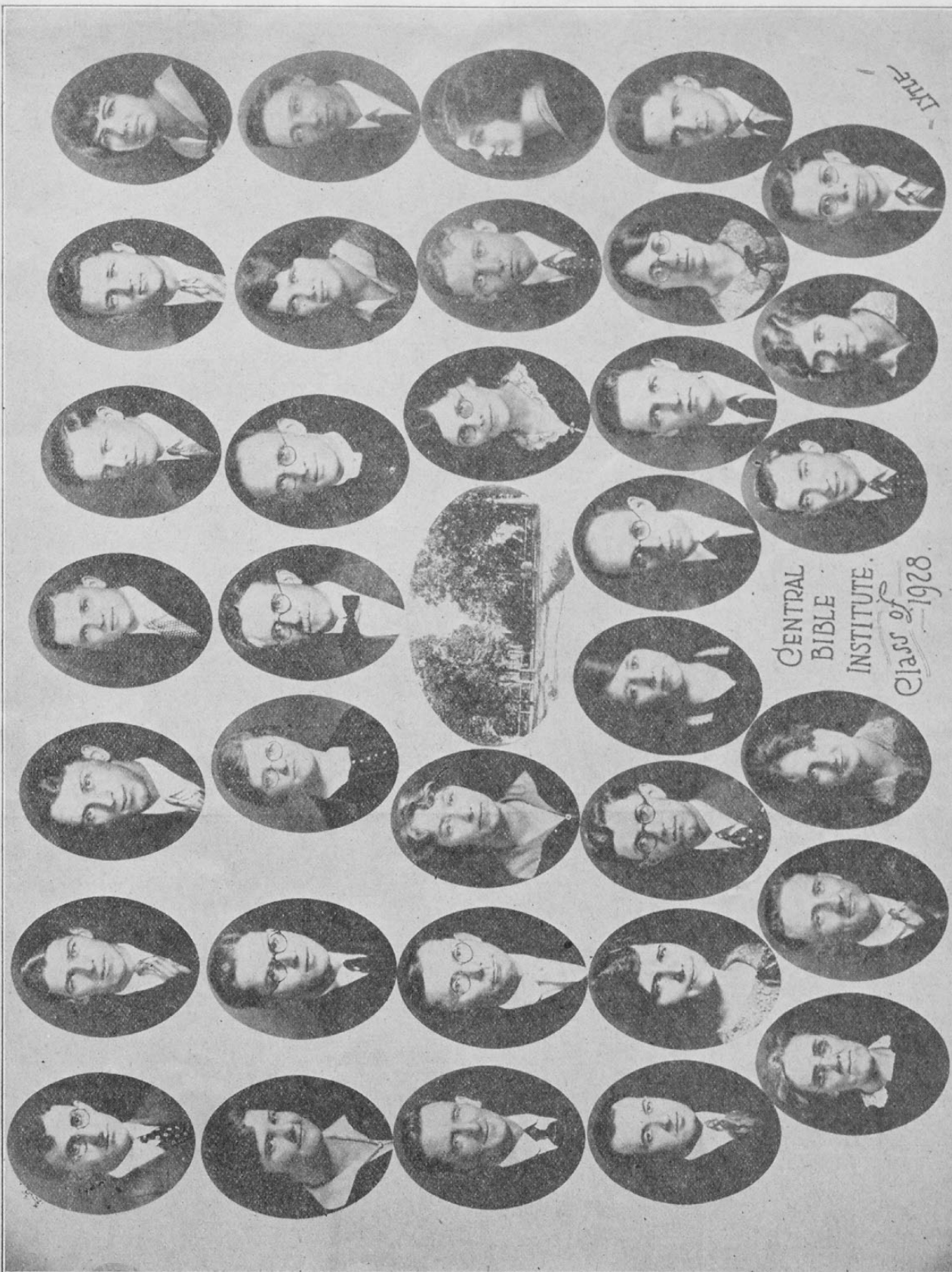
Your Mind Renewed

The Cross must not only be a symbol, it must be an experience. It becomes the experience of your life and as you substitute for your will the will of God the Holy Spirit will transform you by the renewing of your mind. You will not only have a new experience which makes you God-conscious but you will have the illumination of mind which will enable you to estimate values in the light of on-coming years. Thus you will not be swept away by the offering of immediate reward, but like Moses of old, you will endure as seeing Him who is

invisible, "esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt."

Tomorrow or the day after there is to break out a mighty change in which the yellow of our gold will run the gutters like yellow mud. In the meantime, men and women who have been true to Him will shine in His Kingdom, and sit with Him on His throne, and experience permanent reward.

And this is the message which I would leave with you out of the Word of God, out of my experience and that of thousands of others, If you would live, you must die; if you die, you shall live. As you live God will make your life the open channel through which He will flood our world with saving truth, glorious power and finally when the shadows of your day get long and your sun dips to the Western horizon, the Master of the road will speak once and the sundown will burn into the more glorious horizon of eternal years, lighting you on into the world without end. Be as true to your Saviour as you have been to your college ideal and your college discipline, and a little later the Master will call us into the university of Eternal years where we shall take postgraduate work as to the meaning of the gospel—world without end.



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 (Another graduate, whose picture does not appear, is Shelby Harless, Cortez, Colo.)

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

Missionary News

NEWS FROM FIJI ISLANDS

A. M. Heetebry

The gospel message came to Fiji almost a century ago, and changed a war-like race of cannibals to a quiet, peace-loving people. However to-day, when we look over the situation, we are reminded of the scripture which says: "And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers; and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord." Judges 2:10.

Their churches still stand and practically all the people attend them and are nominal Christians, but judging by their fruits, it seems that the vast majority of them are not Christians at heart, but simply make church-going a hobby—a generation which know not the Lord.

They live lives of idleness which saps their moral and physical strength. What Fiji needs to-day is a revival, the Latter Rain outpouring, and the message of the Lord's soon coming, that they may awake and be made ready to meet the heavenly Bridegroom.

Since we have been on this Island (the second largest in the Fiji group) we have expended practically all of our labors and efforts among the half castes. As the people are scattered, the best way to work here seems to be to teach the children. About eight months ago we commenced with 14 or 15 in both day school and Sunday school both of which steadily grew until now we have fifty attending day school and forty on the Sunday school roll, which is very good, considering the distance many have to come.

The children are taught to memorize the Word, also the true principles of a Christian life. At first it seemed that the hardest thing for them to do, was to tell the truth, but we have already seen improvement in a number of them.

We have services three nights a week, which are quite well attended. At present we have both our school and services on a front veranda 60x11 with an iron roof, which is very hot and in fact too small for our needs. We hope to soon have a more appropriate and comfortable place. As it is so difficult to rent here, the mission should have its own property to make this work a permanent one.

We shall appreciate the prayers of the Evangel readers for us and for these Islands of the South Seas.

All offerings for Foreign Missions and for expenses of conducting the Missionary Department, should be sent by Check, Draft, Express or Postal Money Order, made payable to Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. U. S. A.

PROGRESS IN HE PEI AND OUTSTATIONS

Brother Fred Baltau writes from Tientsin, China, as follows: "In 1920 we opened a mission station in He Pei (He Pei is a section of Tientsin, north of the river



A NATIVE FIJI HOUSE

and is a good location for a mission.) We can't report a large attendance at our regular meetings, but we can say that the work is steadily growing. Many come to the services and kneel at the altar for prayer when the opportunity is given and then go away. Many of these people leave the city and never return, while others come back and testify to having found Jesus. A goodly number have received the Baptism in the Spirit and several of them are preaching the gospel message to their own people. In I-Shing-Fu, a village outside of Tientsin, where we opened an outstation, there is a group of Christians. In another village there is another mission that was started by Mr. Wong who was saved and baptized in our He Pei mission. At first they appealed to us for financial help but our obligations were too heavy at that time for us to offer them any assistance. This did not discourage them but they went ahead

to fight their own battles in the name of the Lord, and He has helped them to gain the victory. They have built their own mission hall and school building, and are paying their pastor \$20.00, Chinese money, a month. We praise the Lord for this little self-supporting work. In 1923 we opened a day school in He Pei with 12 pupils. In spite of the fact that we charged each pupil a small tuition fee the number has increased to seventy bright, happy children.

"Mr. Wu, who is a worker with us here in the He Pei mission has charge of the school. He was saved and baptized in the Spirit here in our mission."

REVIVAL IN MALLAWI, EGYPT

Word comes from Sister Mabel Dean that God has been blessing far above their expectations. She says: "Nine have received the Baptism within the last few weeks. The break came on Monday afternoon in our women's meeting. Everything seemed so dry and we were tired and ready to go home when suddenly the power swept through the place. The crying, the praying, the uplifted hands were a picture to behold. Could we believe that our eyes were beholding the very thing we had been praying for ever since we had been in Mallawi? There were twenty or thirty in all and I suppose they were all saved. One girl about eighteen received the Baptism and many others

were greatly blessed. The meeting lasted four and one-half hours, and yet we felt quite rested at the close.

"Several girls from a denominational school have been coming and two of them have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. There was some opposition to their coming to us but God overruled this and others in the school are crying to Jesus to be saved."

Later she writes: "Another pleasant thing has happened. A few days ago a young man, supported by two of his sisters, came out of the doctor's office which is next door to us. It was a pitiful sight to see the man suffering so, and as they passed my door he dropped to the ground, while a crowd gathered around. The doctor and his wife came out but got into their car and drove off unconcerned about the man. We prayed and the man arose and went home. Several doors have been opened to us through this man's healing."

SUCCESS OF BUSY BEE PROGRAM

Pastor and Mrs. Richard Carmichael

Buzz! buzz! buzz! My, how the bees are singing these days around the Bethel church bee hive making honey for Jesus.

It is the first Sunday in the month and that looked-for missionary day is at hand. Here and there come the honey bees (no drones, mark you, for we have converted them all into honey makers) with their month's collection of honey to place it in the treasury of the Lord. Every one carries an unusually broad smile to-day for this is the first missionary Sunday we have had since we adopted the Busy Bee missionary plan presented to us last missionary day.

The plates are placed on the chancel rail and the "bees" start pouring in with their envelopes stuffed full of honey. It seems that every one has a share in the program, little children as well as the grown-ups. They come from every corner of the church with their contributions and the plates are soon stacked full of the Lord's money. There is no urging or coaxing, for week by week the honey process has been going on at home and now with happy hearts and smiling faces they bring what they have laid by in store for it is the Lord's.

One glance at the offering plates after the envelopes are all received gives one the assurance that the "Busy Bee" missionary program is a success and a little figuring when the envelopes are opened furnishes absolute proof. Notice, that the offering for missions last month was \$28.55, and for this month \$137.46. This is nearly five times the amount received last month.

We think the "World Missions Program" is a fine thing and believe it will prove a blessing to every local assembly that adopts it, and that it will be a great step toward getting this glorious gospel to the uttermost parts of the world. Our assembly is the first one in this district to adopt the program, and we already sense a deeper missionary spirit in our midst. Praise the Lord! We recommend the "World Missions Program" to every assembly and especially to the assembly that needs a missionary urge.

We were very happy to get this fine testimony from the assembly in Quincy, Illinois, and trust it may serve to stimulate a godly jealousy in others to also adopt this plan. Information will gladly be given to those interested. Address communications to Foreign Missions Department, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

ROBBED BY BANDITS

Sister Clara Wyns writes from Chang Pe Hsien, North China: "I am still alone on the station and two weeks ago I was again visited by bandits. This time they arrived at midnight, and we were all in bed. I heard them come into the compound and they first went to the Mongol's room and robbed him. They next went to the Chinese evangelist's room and robbed him of \$40.00 worth of clothes which was all he possessed. Next they came to my window and ordered me to open

the doors. I knew there was no other way so with a trembling heart I let them in. There were five very bad men and one of them held his gun close to me. They took the clothes from my children's bed and robbed me of about \$14.00 worth of articles. Then they fled, and many others came in many times during the night but they did no harm. I remained in the compound all next day and we praise God because we are all safe. None of us were beaten by the robbers.

"Mongolia is badly infested with robbers, especially this part where we reside, and it is great strain on us to have these evil men continually coming into our compound.

"Please remember us in prayer, especially during the summer months as the heat is hard for us to bear. I will have been at this station six years the 6th of June and I am a little tired. Praise God, He is able to take care of His own, and I hope to be able to stay until Brother and Sister Hindle return."



Bertha Weltz

MISSIONARY TO FIJI ISLANDS

We are pleased to report the appointment of Sister Bertha Weltz as a missionary* to the Fiji Islands where she will co-operate in the work with Brother and Sister Heeteby.

Our sister has resigned from the pastorate at Palo Alto, Calif., where God has graciously blessed her ministry, and expects to sail from San Francisco June 14 on "S. S. Ventura." Miss Myrtle Akin will be continuing the work at Palo Alto, Calif.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN BULGARIA

Mrs. N. Nikoloff

No doubt many of the readers of the Evangel have learned from the papers that Bulgaria is passing through much sorrow caused by the great earthquakes that have taken place since April 14 and which still continue. Many villages are completely ruined and a number of cities, including the second largest city of Bulgaria, Philipopolis, are practically destroyed; 265,000 people are without homes, living in small wooden shacks or tents made of canvas or rag carpets. Many of our Pentecostal people in a number of places share the same fate. Conditions are pitiful. People are without work, exposed to disease, cold weather and heavy rains which have been falling since the time of the first earthquake. Hospitals are ruined and the sick are being placed in tents temporarily while wooden barracks are being erected.

Thank God not many lives were lost because people had sufficient warning to flee from their homes. The tremors of the earthquakes have been felt throughout the country and we are praising the Lord that He has preserved us although my husband at the time one of the strongest earthquakes took place was in the danger zone and while trying to make his escape from a church building had one of his arms slightly injured. He has visited the earthquake-stricken area in order to encourage the believers who are affected. Although homeless they are taking their great loss joyfully. Since the places for meetings are badly damaged the believers gather in the open air and the Lord is blessing just the same.

While many readers of the Evangel are enjoying all the comforts of their beautiful homes in America will they not remember that in Bulgaria some of their brothers and sisters in the Lord are homeless and in need of the necessities of life. Pray that the Lord will use the earthquake to awaken many indifferent souls to their need of salvation and that God will give us a mighty revival throughout the country.

ARRIVED IN PORTO RICO

We have just received news of the arrival of Brother Louis Otero at Aibonito, Porto Rico.

Brother Otero left Porto Rico some time ago and came to this country in order to obtain a fuller training for the ministry. He graduated from North Bergen Bible Institute under the ministry of Brother Harold Moss, and has now returned to the field to take up his work afresh. Let us pray for our brother that God may anoint him richly for his labors.

"WEDDING BELLS"

We are happy to receive word regarding the marriage of Sister Ada Buchwalter to Leonard G. Bolton which recently took place at Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Brother and Sister Bolton labored in the same province in China prior to their marriage, with much blessing on their respective ministries, and we are praying that their united ministry may be increasingly blessed of the Lord.

Sister Bolton received word recently from the native evangelist who has charge of the station at Wei Hsi, Yunnan, China, that the favor of God is resting very markedly on the work. He reports that he has recently baptized one hundred people from the Lisu tribe. The weather was cold when these candidates first asked for baptism, and the evangelist suggested that it would be better for them to wait until the weather was warmer. However, they did not wish the ceremony to be postponed in case the Lord should come before they had had opportunity to be obedient to His command. The evangelist accordingly instructed them concerning the deeper meaning of baptism, and when the day arrived they were all delighted to receive a token of God's approval upon the step they had taken, in that it turned out to be a lovely sunny day.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Fields

Home Missionary News

HEALED OF GALL STONE

Pastor Howard Pratt, Applegate, Mich., writes: "Just closed a 5 weeks' revival, and our hearts are full of praise to Jesus for saving 12 souls. There were several cases of healing, one of gall stone. One received the Holy Spirit."

BROOKFIELD REVIVAL

Augusta Murphy writes from Brookfield, Mo: "In the Assembly of God church of which Brother W. W. Clark is pastor, 14 souls were saved and 3 received the Holy Spirit during a series of meetings conducted by Brother J. W. Bostrom, of Okmulgee, Okla. The church in general experienced a revival such as we have been praying for."

CROWDS OVERFLOW TABERNACLE

Brother Elmer L. Tanner, West Monroe, La., writes: "We have just closed a 2 weeks' meeting with Evangelist Meyer Tan Ditter and wife. The power of God was upon the meeting from the first and the crowds overflowed the tabernacle almost every night. Each service closed with hungry souls in the altar. Quite a few from other churches attended the meeting and were made to know that this Pentecostal experience is real."

TWENTY-FIVE BAPTIZED

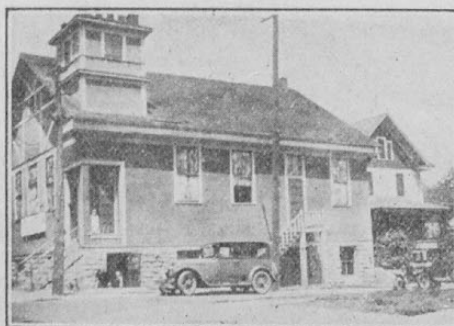
Sister Florence Boucher writes from Bowlegs, Okla.: "We praise the Lord for the meeting at Wenoka, Okla., in which we assisted Sister Tina Haub. Eight were saved and reclaimed and two baptized. Brother and Sister Malone, of McAlester, were with us and were elected to the pastorate. We praise the Lord, too, for His blessing at Canieville. Twelve have found Jesus since the meeting closed. Sunday 25 followed the Lord in water baptism. I have accepted the pastorate here. Services Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday."

PREACHER RECEIVES BAPTISM

Pastor S. A. Tharp writes: "The Lord is blessing in East Texas. We have charge of two churches, one near Beckville; the other near Troup, Texas. Have just returned from Troup. The power of God came down Sunday as in days of old. Some shouted and spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance while others wept. When the altar call was given several came forward, among them a Baptist, who, in a few minutes was wonderfully filled with the Holy Spirit. The interest was so good we stayed all week at Troup, and this brother's wife was also baptized with the Holy Spirit. A backslider who had been away from God 15 years was reclaimed; a sister who had been seeking the Baptism for some time was blessedly baptized. A Baptist preacher came to visit one of the saints and the Lord baptized him in the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit fire is burning."

WALLS OF PREJUDICE CRUMBLE

Pastor E. Parfitt, Hoquiam, Wash., writes: "A great revival started here with Brother W. H. Merrin evangelistic party, which continued 3 weeks. Surely God was in our midst and it was the greatest meeting in the history of Hoquiam. We enlarged our tabernacle to seat 1,000 people, hundreds were turned away on several occasions. Twenty-five were baptized in water at the Swedish Baptist Church, also 11 in the river at the close of the campaign. Thirty-four were at the altar for salvation; 2 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2: 4. Many were healed; about 40 were received into the church; great walls of prejudice broken down and hearts melted by the power of God."



Faith Tabernacle, Kansas City

NEW TERRITORY OCCUPIED

In Kansas City, Mo., in Faith Temple, College and 13th Sts., a new Council work has been launched. Brother A. A. Wilson, District Supt., assisted by Brother and Sister Gray, held the opening services which were crowned with success. It has been our privilege to visit this new work in the fourth week of its existence, and we believe it has a bright future in this great and needy city of four or five hundred thousand. We bespeak for it the prayers of God's people.—Sam C. Perry.

AT HOME WITH THE LORD

Word has been received in our office of the home-going of Brother R. E. Shrader of Panama, Oklahoma. Brother Shrader was one of our General Council ministers and the Lord blessed his ministry and he was faithful to the trust that God had placed in his hand.

We wish to express our sympathy to Sister Shrader and his children who are left behind, but we know it will not be long, for we expect there will be a glad reunion in the near future and we will all be together with the Lord. Therefore we can comfort one another with Paul's words found in 1 Thess. 4:16-18.

Do nothing on which you cannot pray for a blessing.

Introduce the Evangel to a friend and tell them they can get it to the end of the year for 50 cents.

NEW CHURCH AT SANTA ANA

Pastor J. D. Lewen, Santa Ana, Calif., writes: "Santa Ana saints feel very grateful to God for His making it possible for them to purchase a lot and built a new church. Previously they were renting a vacated Baptist Church. District Superintendent A. G. Osterberg dedicated the church and God is blessing in a very precious way. The church is located at Third and Forest Sts., and is called Full Gospel Assembly."

GOD BLESSES AT BIG SPRINGS

Pastor H. J. Ketner, Big Springs, Neb., writes: "Just closed a 3 weeks' meeting; Brother Milton Smith, our State Superintendent as evangelist. Seventeen souls were at the altar for salvation; 26 followed the Lord in water baptism. Brother Alber, of Chappel, Neb., and his assembly were with us, and 11 of his assembly were baptized. The Lord was with us in a wonderful way."

CORNER STONE LAYING

Pastor C. A. McKinney, Akron, Ohio, writes: "The revival services at the Akron Pentecostal church have been steadily increasing in interest until we are now having capacity crowds, and altars filled with seekers every service. Evangelists Finis and Dorothy Dobbins Dake in charge. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McAfee are assisting with musical program. Sunday afternoon the laying of the corner stone of the Pentecostal church was conducted with appropriate ceremonies, visiting pastors assisting. The work is in the best condition for many years; God is graciously blessing. This church building was purchased for the sum of \$37,500.00; it has a seating capacity of 1,000, and it is estimated that it would cost \$115,000.00 to erect such a building to-day."

"LATTER RAIN" SHOWERS

Pastor H. E. Hardt and wife write: "We have been receiving showers of the latter rain here in Marlow, W. Va. On Easter Sunday we opened our Sunday school with 36, and the attendance has been growing. Our Sunday night meetings are well attended and in most every prayer meeting some one receives the Holy Spirit. Some have been healed in answer to prayer. On Sunday last we had a baptismal service at Falling Waters, on the Potomac river, in which 18 from Marlow were baptized and some from Martinsburg. I have attended many services of this kind, but never before have I seen the presence of the Lord so manifest. Many spoke in other tongues and shouted when they came up out of the water. Approximately 2,500 people witnessed the scene. There are many hungry people here."

SCHOOLHOUSE REVIVAL

Evangelists J. W. Brown and Tom Vickers write from Malakoff, Texas: "Just closed a meeting at Postoak schoolhouse; had a blessed time. The country was stirred. The Lord stretched forth His hand to heal the sick. Twenty-eight souls were saved, 18 filled with the Holy Spirit, 18 baptized in water and more to follow."

NEW CHURCH

Brother S. V. Nix, Hoffman, Okla., writes: "Just closed an 18 days' meeting here, Evangelist Miller, of Weleetka, Okla., in charge. There were ten saved and one baptized in the Holy Spirit. This is a new work. We have just paid for our building which is located on Main street. Brother Dillard Harris is our pastor. Any preacher in fellowship with the General Council will find a hearty welcome among the saints if he wishes to stop for a few services."

FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Pastor J. O. Highfill, Carthage, Mo., writes: "We praise the Lord for His goodness to us. He wonderfully blessed us in our Fifth Sunday Fellowship meeting; it was well attended by our neighboring assemblies, 9 being represented. Brother W. E. Atkinson stayed with us for a 2 weeks' revival in which 12 were saved, 2 in a jail service and one in a T. B. hospital at Webb City, and 9 received the Baptism according to Acts 2:4. We baptized 7 in water last Sunday. There were also several who received the Baptism the week before the Fellowship meeting in our regular services. Thank God."

FLORIDA STATE CAMP MEETING

Pastor Perry Hadsock, Durant, Fla., writes: "The bi-annual state camp meeting at Pleasant Grove camp ground May 10-20, was a great success. Dr. Shreve, of Washington, D. C., had charge and the Lord blessed his ministry in a very precious way. Many souls were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. All the services were well attended, many came from outside the state. Pleasant Grove camp ground was established in 1899 and is a place of blessing. Services are held Thursday and Sunday of each week. A warm welcome awaits any who will come and worship with us."

FIRE FALLS IN NEW YORK

Pastor V. K. Fries, Cortland, N. Y., writes: "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad. Have just closed the greatest revival that Cortland has ever had. After ten weeks of prayer meetings our revival began Easter with dear Brother J. D. Saunders in charge. It was wonderful how God worked. The fire fell from the beginning and 20 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit the first week. Many were saved, some were healed and 41 were filled with the Holy Spirit. Twenty-two were baptized in water and our membership has been nearly doubled. God made Brother Saunders a real blessing to our assembly and we praise Him for sending him to Cortland."

TWENTY-NINE SAVED

"Evangelistic party Buster and Babe Smith and Viola Nettrour write: "Just closed a 3 weeks' meeting at Full Gospel Tabernacle, Pampa, Texas, where Brother Joe Newby is pastor. Twenty-nine went their way through to Calvary and 6 were baptized in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4. We are now at Amarillo, Texas."

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL

Miss Chleo Allison, Paris, Ill., writes: "Just closed a successful revival here with Evangelist K. A. Auten, formerly of Decatur, now of Curran, Ill. A number saved and reclaimed, and 6 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. God is still blessing in Paris with Brother J. B. Jones as pastor."

DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

Secretary G. F. Lewis writes: "The ninth annual session of the Central District Council Assemblies of God convened in Bethel Temple, Dayton, Ohio, May 1-4. This session was marked by the largest attendance of ministers and delegates in the history of the district, and by a wonderful spirit of fellowship and love. Worthy of note is the fact that throughout the entire business session there was not a single dissenting vote, all being agreed upon every question.

"When time came for the election of officers, it was moved and passed that rules be suspended and the entire officary be re-elected by acclamation. This was done, and was followed by a time of praise and worship before the Lord, who had brought us together in such wonderful unity. Plans were made for a new financial system to be put into operation over the district, and for an intensive evangelistic campaign to be launched immediately, by going into new fields with tents and holding meetings for the purpose of opening up new works in places that have never had this message. We believe this is the beginning of a mighty revival throughout the Central District. Features of the Council meeting were memorial services for Brother George Bowie, of Cleveland, Ohio; Missionary services; Chart talk on the Book of Revelation, by Sister Jacks of Indianapolis, Ind., and special revival services in the evening conducted by Brother R. M. Shearer. All services were marked by splendid musical numbers. The report of the District Superintendent was most encouraging. According to the report fourteen assemblies joined our fellowship during the past year. On Thursday afternoon sufficient money was raised by the Council to purchase a new car for our beloved District Superintendent Brother Van Meter. A very impressive ordination service was held Thursday evening at which time fifteen were ordained to the full ministry."

WANTED.—A pastor for assembly in Wellington, Tex. Write Jack Thomas, Box 698, Wellington, Tex.

NOTICE.—Having accepted this pastorate our friends may address us at—117 North Street, Union City, Ind.—Barth and Edith A. Dean.

Brother A. Christensen having moved from Detroit Lakes, Minn., may be addressed at Kulm, N. Dakota.

OPEN FOR CALLS.—As evangelist. Can go anywhere if tent transportation is met, or will preach in any assembly wanting an evangelist.—Ethel Musick, Childress, Tex.

NOTICE.—At the invitation of Brother Baker, pastor of the Montreal assembly, I am leaving California to conduct a campaign and have charge of the work there for at least three months. Miss Vira Erickson, the Swedish singer and musician, will accompany me. My address will be—79 Drummond St., Montreal, Canada.—Mae Eleanor Frey.

OPEN FOR CALLS.—As evangelist or Bible teacher for short periods with worthy young evangelist. Have been in the Pentecostal ministry for 18 years as pastor and evangelist. Am in full fellowship with the doctrines and teachings of the General Council.—E. F. Cunningham, 1030 N. Plum St., Mt. Carmel, Ill.

Forthcoming Meetings

Spent your vacation at a camp meeting. Write ahead for tent or rooms, and cot accommodations. Take bedding and toilet articles with you. Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notices of meetings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—A revival beginning June 10, at South Side Assembly of God, 1326 Jennings Ave., will be conducted by Brother and Sister F. J. Dake.—Pastor R. W. Griffin.

CAIRO, ILL.—Evangelist Meyer Tan Ditter and wife will conduct a revival campaign in our church, 36th St., and Washington Ave., July 4-27. For further information write Pastor W. E. Thurmond, 613 37th St., Cairo, Ill.

TRENTON, MO.—Brother T. G. Cline, of Monroe, Iowa, will begin a revival here June 23, continuing until July 15, or longer as the Lord leads. Near-by assemblies are invited.—Glen McClure.

NOTICE.—The six weeks' summer school of the Southwestern Bible School, Enid, Okla., will open June 4th. For further information address P. C. Nelson, president.

COLUMBUS, GA.—Evangelist Stephen Vander Merwe will be at the Pentecostal Tabernacle for a revival campaign beginning June 24th. For further information write, Pastor J. M. Graham, Box 124.

PILOT POINT, TEX.—Our summer campaign will begin July 28, to continue indefinitely. Evangelist "Billy" Black and wife of Los Angeles, Calif., have promised to help us if possible.—Pastor B. B. Moland.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—A daily vacation Bible school will open at Faith Temple, Assembly of God church, 13th and College Ave., Kansas City, Mo., June 18th. Mrs. Josephine Gilmore, a trained worker, will have charge of the school together with other volunteer workers. All children are requested to attend. A cordial invitation is extended to all visitors. Write W. F. Gray, 1134 Troup Ave., Kansas City, Kans.

KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETINGS

The Annual Camp Meeting for Eastern Kansas will be held in Topeka, July 12-22. Brother Harold Moss, Missionary Field Secretary of the General Council, will be the main speaker, assisted by other ministers. Take Oakland Bus, get off at Norton and Seward, walk east to camp ground. For further information, write Pastor Chas. Sheall, 407 Burgess Ave., N. Topeka, Kansas.

The annual camp meeting for South Central Kansas will be held at ATTICA-SHARON, July 26-Aug. 5. Evangelist Ben Hardin, will be the speaker. The Hymes family orchestra of Ottawa, will furnish special music. The camp ground is located six miles west of Attica, and five miles east of Sharon on State Highway No. 12. For further information write Pastor A. R. Farley, Sharon, Kans., or Pastor C. W. Safford, Attica, Kans.

The annual camp meeting for North Central Kansas will be held at Woodston, Aug. 9-19. Evangelist Ben Hardin of Chicago, will be the leading speaker. The camp ground is located three miles east of Woodston, on Highway 40 N. For information write Pastor Oria Bray, Woodston, Kansas.

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS RALLIES

There will be a service daily for the Christ's Ambassadors at all the camps. Evang. Claude Utley, Secretary Sunday schools and young peoples' societies, will be at the Attica & Woodston camp. Other prominent young people will be present at all the camps. These rallies in the past have proved to be a great blessing to all attending.—Fred Vogler, Dist. Supt., Ottawa, Kans., 748 S. Mulberry St.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Tent meeting July 8-29. Stephen Jeffreys and party from England, in charge.—W. E. Moody, pastor, 1918 N. Franklin, Springfield, Mo.

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.—Camp meeting July 1-31. For information write W. E. Coates, El Rio Auto Camp, Santa Cruz, Calif.—Ben F. Smith, pastor.

ELGIN, TEX.—Old-fashioned camp meeting beginning July 1, continuing 2 weeks. Brother W. A. Mercer of Pasadena will do the preaching. Come prepared to camp.—Pastor T. A. Beard, 1401 E. Ave., Austin, Tex.

AMARILLO, TEXAS.—Sectional camp meeting for the northwest section of Texas District Council, July 26 to August 5. Fuller notice will be given later.—Mrs. R. L. Miesse, 500 Cleveland St., Amarillo, Texas.

SLAY, TEX.—Sister Tennie Smith and workers will conduct a two weeks' meeting beginning July 6. Near-by saints are invited to come and help us. Slay is 3 miles northeast of Frost, Tex. For further information write Mrs. T. H. Gilmore, R. 2, Frost, Tex.

TOLEDO, OHIO.—Evangelistic campaign will be conducted by Evangelist Loren B. Staats, June 3 to July 1, inclusive, at Bethel Tabernacle, Dorr Street and Lawrence Avenue. Services every afternoon and evening except Monday. Address Pastor Hermon L. Harvey, 840 Fernwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

WARSAW, IND.—Camp meeting through the month of June beginning on the 1st, at Full Gospel Temple, 2234 E. Center St. Meals on free will offering plan and rooms at reasonable rates—shop and street meetings in near-by towns. We are on street car line. Write early to Pastor Flora F. Miller, 2234 E. Center St.

PORT LAVACA, TEX.—Old-time Pentecostal camp meeting June 10-July 1, conducted by C. A. Lasater, of Ft. Smith, Ark. Table will be run on free will offering plan. Bring bedding and toilet articles and come prepared to stay through the meeting. A special invitation is extended to missionaries.—Pastor J. S. Elswick.

SUMMER CAMPAIGNS.—Evangelist Wm. F. Kirkpatrick and wife, of Modesto, Calif., will conduct a city-wide revival May 20-June 4, at Oroville, Calif. Other dates: Escalon, Calif., tent revival, June 5-17; Auburn, Calif., June 19-29; Santa Rosa, July 1-15; Rohnerville, July 17-29.—Wm. F. Kirkpatrick, 126 Spencer St., Modesto, Calif.

OBLONG, ILL.—City-wide tent campaign, July 1, to Sept. 1st. Workers: Mrs. West, her daughter Nola, Evangelist Jas. Roland Hummel and his wife, of Philadelphia, Pa. We invite the assemblies of Mattoon, Terra Haute, Robinson and other near-by places to come over and help us. For further information write, Mrs. Martha Rhodes, R. D. 2, Oblong, Ill.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Revival campaign beginning Aug. 4, continuing through the month, under the auspices of the Southern California District Council. Brother Stephen Jeffreys, of England, whom God is using for the conversion of thousands of souls and the healing of every kind of disease, will be with us. Tent to seat 5,000 secured.—A. G. Osterberg, District Superintendent, 243 W. 59th Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

MUSKEGON, MICH.—Evangelist Adolph Peterson, of Chicago, Ill., will conduct an evangelistic campaign at the Gospel Tabernacle, corner Central and Jacksboro Sts., May 27, to June 17, inclusive. Meetings every night except Monday at 7:45, Sunday at 3:00 p. m. Pastors and assemblies in this section are invited. Take Jackson Ave. bus to end of line and walk one block east.—Marcus Horness, pastor, 911 Southern Ave.

DENVER, COLO.—Evangelist Jacob Miller and wife will begin a revival in the Radio Prayer League Church, E. 37th Ave. and Gilpin St., June 10, to continue three weeks, or longer. Take street car No. 66 at Central Loop. Meals in the basement of church on free will offering plan. Two services a day and all-day meeting Sundays. Services broadcast each Sunday morning, 9 to 10 o'clock, and Wednesday evenings over radio station KFXF.—S. H. Patterson, pastor.

ELDORADO SPRINGS, MO.—Beginning June 10, to continue 3 weeks or longer, a tent meeting will be conducted by Evangelist R. S. Peterson, of Pelican Rapids, Minn. We would appreciate the co-operation of other neighboring assemblies. The tent will be just two blocks off of Main Street, east of Venter's Garage. We expect to dedicate our new church here before these meetings close.—Pastor H. E. Ross, 206 W. Olive St.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, LACKAWANNA BIBLE INSTITUTE.—The Pentecostal Assemblies of the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valleys, have combined to offer a vacation Bible

study course from June 4 to August 31. The Bible Institute, located high on West Mountain, overlooking Scranton, offers unusual opportunities for rest, recuperation and spiritual help. Full information from the secretary, Ralph B. Thompson, P. O. Box 260, Scranton, Pa. The Bible Institute referred to above is not sponsored by the Eastern District but by local Assemblies of God.—J. R. Flower, President.

BENTON, ILL.—Tabernacle revival May 20-June 17. Pastor Guy Phillips and his brother, Everett, will be in charge. We are building a tabernacle down town seating about 800 people. Dedication services Sunday night, May 20. If you live near Benton, drive over for a visit.—Pastor Guy Phillips.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS.—The District Council of Texas and New Mexico, will convene June 5-8, inclusive, at Rosen Heights church. Our General Superintendent, Brother W. T. Gaston, will be with us, we are also expecting Brother Harold Moss, Field Secretary to be present.—Hugh M. Cadwalder Dist. Superintendent.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.—Our new church building at Seventh and Linden Streets, will be dedicated June 17th. Brother P. C. Nelson, of Enid, Okla., will bring the message of the hour. There will be three services, 11:00, 2:30 and 8:00. A number of ministers and workers are expected.—Pastor F. L. Doyle.

TOTTENVILLE, N. Y.—Brother Alexander Gibson, of Philadelphia, Pa., will hold an evangelistic campaign at the Wells Memorial Pentecostal Church June 7-17. Brother Gibson was formerly a Methodist evangelist, having only recently come into full fellowship with the General Council.—Pastor F. F. Reidenbach.

VERDUGO CITY, CALIF.—The Gospel Mission will put on a tent campaign here June 3-July 1. Tent will be located on Honolulu Ave., just west of La Crescenta Ave. Evangelist Edna M. Goodwin will be in charge June 3-17; Evangelist E. G. Copley, June 17-July 1st.—Pastor S. W. Squier.

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.—On or about June 1, 1928, we will launch a large summer camp meeting. We expect to continue in this effort 3 or 4 months. The services of the Williamson evangelistic singers, of Denver, Colo., have been secured for the entire campaign.—J. Edgar Freeman, 232 S. Arrowhead, San Bernardino, Calif.

WESCOESVILLE, PA., CAMP.—The Ninth Annual Pentecostal camp meeting of the Eastern District Council will convene at the camp grounds at Wescoesville, near Allentown, Pa., July 20 to August 12. Cottages are available for those booking early. Tents will be provided for all those unable to secure cottages. Further information can be obtained from the secretary, J. R. Flower, 825 Green Ridge Street, Scranton, Pa.

INTERSTATE CAMPMEETING.—The District Councils of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri, will hold their annual camp meeting in Eureka Springs, Ark., Aug. 30, to September 9, 1928. For further information write either district superintendent, or E. J. Bruton, secretary-treasurer, Eureka Springs, Ark.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND ANNUAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING.—At Portland, Oregon, June 17th to July 15th, with District Council meeting June 19th to 23rd. All persons looking toward General Council affiliation, should be present at this meeting. The location for these meetings is a very desirable one, at 82nd Street and Sandy Boulevard, directly on the Highway from the East, also can be reached from the south by going north on 82nd Street to the Big Union Tabernacle.

Elder W. T. Gaston, General Superintendent, will be present for the first week, and Elders A. G. Ward and Frank M. Boyd, June 24th to July 8th, with others, who will be announced later. Those expecting to come and desiring information, may write to Pastor Irl J. Walker, 5522 65th Street, S. E., Portland, Oregon, or J. E. Rasmussen, 808 West Spofford Avenue, Spokane, Washington, Dist. Secretary. Tents, cots and other camping accommodations will be available on the camp grounds.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

- May 18-24th, inclusive
All personal offerings amount to \$1,253.97.
- 1.45 Assembly of God Elvins Mo
 - 1.47 Assembly of God Fredonia Kans
 - 2.00 Assembly Lancaster Pa
 - 2.40 Pine Forest S S Frankston Texas
 - 3.00 Christ's Ambassadors Russellville Ark
 - 3.00 Sunday School Sachse Texas
 - 3.00 Sweet Home S S Crocker Mo
 - 3.00 Berean Class Ewing Mo
 - 3.40 Assembly of God Newton Ia
 - 3.50 Assembly of God Maumee Ohio
 - 3.50 Assembly Noxapater Miss
 - 3.75 Hastings Lighthouse S S Vancouver Canada
 - 3.95 Kent S S Turkey Texas
 - 4.00 Overton Tab S S Overton Texas

- 4.30 Mehida Pent'l S S Canaan Center N H
 - 4.30 Young People Memphis Tenn
 - 5.00 Full Gospel Mission Washington Mo
 - 5.00 A Little Band of Saints Midian Kans
 - 5.00 Haskel & Peoria S S Tulsa Okla
 - 5.00 S S & Assembly of Pent'l Church Pasadena Texas
 - 5.00 River Rouge Assembly of God River Rouge Mich
 - 5.00 Full Gospel Rescue Mission Philadelphia Pa
 - 5.00 Assembly S S & Birthday offering Duncan Okla
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 - 9.63 Pent'l Mission Colton Calif
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 - 25.00 Pent'l Full Gospel Tab San Diego Calif
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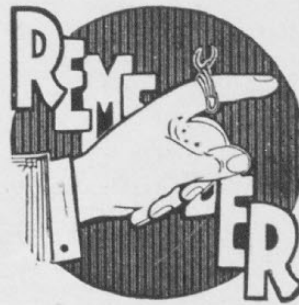
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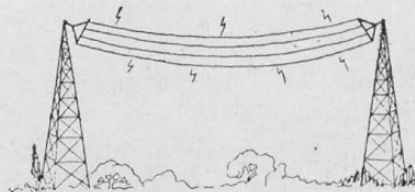
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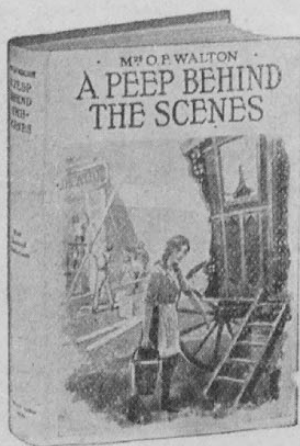
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