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**Man shall not live by bread alone, but by
EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDETH OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD**

The Romance of your PUBLISHING HOUSE

The story of the phenomenal growth of the publishing interests of the Assemblies of God. A work of faith, begun as an individual effort of a consecrated minister of God possessed with the sole thought of giving to others the light of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit which he and others had received, grows into a mighty agency for the propagation of the Pentecostal message. This twenty-fifth anniversary is a special occasion for giving thanks to God for all that has been accomplished.

Greetings!

This year, 1939, the Gospel Publishing House will have completed a quarter century cycle of great usefulness for the entire Pentecostal fellowship. Those who have had the privilege of serving the fellowship in the Publishing House from the beginning have no other thought but the conviction that God has been with us for good and has blessed the publication interests of the General Council beyond all we could have asked or thought.

It seems fitting, therefore, that at this time we should pause to give special thanks to God for His mercies throughout the years that are past, and to make known some of the progress that has been made in the development of the publishing interests.

This report is sent forth with the prayer that it may be an inspiration and encouragement to the faith of all who read. If this objective is achieved, we shall feel well repaid for the effort put forth. It is the hope and prayer of the publishers that in the days to come, should Jesus tarry, the influence of the Publishing House for righteousness and liberty in the Holy Ghost may be multiplied manifold.

The Executive Presbytery

AS WE look back over the past twenty-five years, what memories we have of the Lord's abundant goodness. We say with the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised."

When in the early days of this century God began to pour out His Spirit as He did on the day of Pentecost, there was a great desire in the hearts of many to spread the good tidings far and near. Some were constrained to go to the uttermost ends of the earth to preach the Full Gospel message. Others devoted their time and strength to the publication of papers and tracts. Most of these publications were sent out free. But, as those who sponsored these free papers and tracts were generally of limited resources, they found it difficult to continue this ministry. So some began to publish papers on a subscription basis.

At Malvern, Ark., E. N. Bell, pastor of the Pentecostal Assembly there, was encouraged by a number of neighboring pastors and evangelists, to publish a monthly periodical called "Word and Witness." This publication was sent out in large rolls for distribution by the Pentecostal assemblies, and the plan was followed for several years. At the



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same time, J. Roswell Flower was publishing at Plainfield, Indiana, the first weekly Pentecostal paper entitled "The Christian Evangel." This, like *Word and Witness*, was on a subscription basis.

Early in 1914, a call was published in the "Word and Witness" for a general convocation of Pentecostal ministers, the purpose of which was to promote a better spirit of fellowship and co-operation among those of like precious faith, to devise means of evangelizing the world more effectively, to consider the needs of the fellowship for schools and to advance the publishing interests. In response to this call, a number of Ministers and Christian workers gathered in Hot Springs, Ark., and the General Council of the Assemblies of God was launched. A simple declaration of constitutional principles was adopted and the first steps taken for the building of a great fellowship, which has since had such phenomenal growth. E. N. Bell and J. R. Flower were elected as chairman and secretary respectively, and each offered to turn their publications over to the new fellowship. These brethren were then chosen as editors and publishers of the official publications of the General Council.

The equipment used for the publication of both papers was primitive and inadequate. The

use of a building for publishing purposes was offered by T. K. Leonard at Findlay, Ohio, and for the first six months the two papers were published in that city. Late in the fall of 1914, it was agreed that it would be better to go to St. Louis, Missouri, and publish the papers from that central city. The move was made in January, 1915. The fellowship was new and its strength was small, so it seemed impossible that funds could be raised for the creation of the new publishing house. A brother offered to donate a large early model Huber press, together with

an ancient cutting machine and other equipment, which were then stored in a barn in Washington, D. C. A second-hand linotype machine was found in Alton, Ill., which could be purchased for \$1000. In the providence of God, the necessary \$1600 to cover cost of transportation of the press and purchase of linotype was loaned, and the new Gospel Publishing House began to take shape and form.

It was surely a difficult task to keep the institution going in those days of very meager funds. But sacrifice was the keynote of both the management and the friends who were interested in the work, and God met the consecration of the workers by supplying every need. If it had not been for the donations of some kind friends from time to time, it would have been difficult for the work to survive those early days of financial struggle.

At the 1915 General Council, E. N. Bell dropped out of the work and J. W. Welch came in as superintendent and editor. In the year 1916, Stanley H. Frodsham joined in the headquarters work. At the beginning of that year, the monthly paper *Word and Witness* was discontinued, and all the publishing interests were combined in a 16-page weekly, still known as the *Christian Evangel*. Later the name was changed to *The Pentecostal Evangel*. The weekly publication and a few gospel tracts were the sole product of the Publishing House.

Those were interesting days between 1914 and 1918. The printing plant was located in a small store-room at 2838 Easton Avenue, St. Louis. The editorial rooms and business offices were in the living rooms above the store. At that time practically all the workers lived on the communal plan, in a large home located on Garrison Avenue. A common table was provided for the three families and the four or five lady assistants. It was the honor of J. R. Flower and S. H. Frodsham to work on the publi-



Office of Business Manager

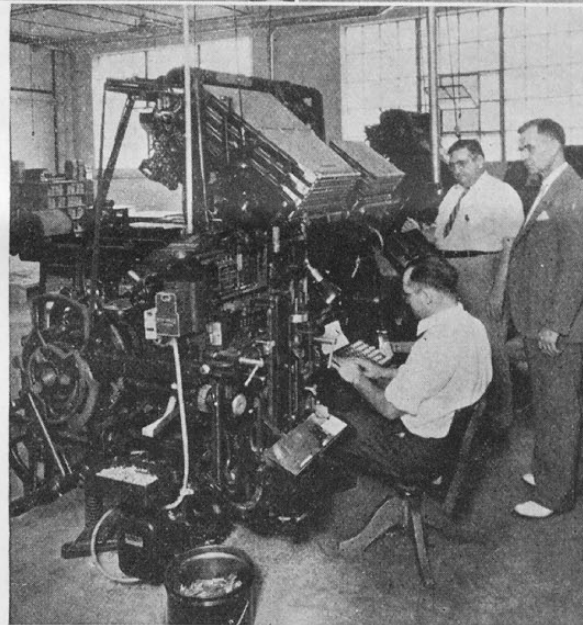
Right:—The general business office where more than 113,000 orders were received for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1939. From fifteen to eighteen employees are required to take care of the many details of the business in this office.



Below:—Showing the mailing section of our Sunday School literature department. Many tons of papers and quarterlies are sent out each year to our large list of Sunday schools in all parts of the United States, Canada and a number of foreign countries.



Above:—Another section of the mailing department, also showing some bindery and cutting equipment. In this section the Pentecostal Evangel and the Sunday school papers are mailed. Workers can be seen at the two gang stitchers where thousands of pamphlets are wire stitched.



Left:—Showing one of the latest and most modern machines used for the setting of type for our many publications. Four Linotypes are required in this department, and are quite busy from morning until night. The purchase price of the machine shown was more than \$8,000.00.

cations during the daytime, and early in the morning and late at night to act as janitors in the home. But there was no money to hire extra help, so all worked with grace which was freely supplied of the Lord.

On *Evangel* mailing days, everyone assisted in getting out the paper. Brother Flower often went down to the print shop, where we had three helpers, to assist in folding and trimming the paper. And what trouble we had with that secondhand folder! It simply persisted in misbehaving itself. One day Brother Flower came up from the printery, his face smeared with ink, saying, "We must have a new folding machine; we cannot make that old thing do any more good work." It was suggested that we have a prayer meeting. Down on our knees we went and asked the Lord to send us money enough to pay for a new folding machine, which we could get for \$400, and also an extra \$1,600 to enable us to pay up our debts. Before we were off our knees we had the witness that the Lord would supply, and we were giving praise in full assurance for \$2,000.

That \$2,000 did not come in to us by the next mail. Neither did it come the next week, nor the next month. But still you would often hear the words said in childlike faith, "Thank You, Lord, for the \$2,000." Then on one never-to-be-forgotten day, Brother Welch came over from the *Evangel* Home to the Gospel Publishing House and showed a check that had come in for the work. For how much do you think this check was? \$2,000? No, that check was for \$3,000. The Lord knew that we not only needed the \$2,000, but that we should also need an extra \$1,000 to carry us through the days of summer when very little money came into the institution.

In the early days of 1918 a second donation came from the same generous saint who made

this first gift. This time she gave \$3,500. Brother Bell had come back to help us again at this time, and he suggested that instead of paying rent we should seek to purchase a building somewhere and have our own publishing house. He was sent on a tour to look around and see where he could locate a suitable building. After visiting various places he came back with the recommendation that we locate in Springfield, Missouri, where we could secure a two-story building 45x50 feet, having a concrete floor, suitable for our press room, and 9 rooms upstairs which would make splendid offices. So it was decided to leave St. Louis and make our headquarters at Springfield.

There were some things we did not know at that time but learned later. We did not know that in the early days of Pentecost God had burdened several to pray much for the city of Springfield. Mrs. Rachel Sizelove of Long Beach, California, who had been a Holiness evangelist, and who had received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit at the old Azusa Street Mission in Los Angeles, came to Springfield with the Pentecostal message. We believe this was in 1906 or 1907. At that time she was given a vision. The Lord let her see a large fountain in the center of the city

and rivers of water were flowing out in every direction. It was revealed to her that He was going to let rivers of blessing flow from this center to the ends of the earth. A few years ago the writer had lunch with Sister Sizelove in California, and as he told her of the number of ministers and missionaries that had gone forth from Central Bible Institute, and of the quantities of literature that had gone forth from the Gospel Publishing House, resulting in many being saved, healed, and filled with the Spirit, this sister wept for joy.

It was about thirty years ago that a Pentecostal tent meeting was held in Springfield. A school-teacher, a very godly woman, would go into that tent and spend whole nights in prayer. She prayed that God would give a Pentecostal Assembly to Springfield, that He would give a Pentecostal Publishing House, and that He would also give a Pentecostal Bible School. On the very site where she prayed there is today the large Central Assembly. That is not the only Pentecostal assembly in the city, however. There are at this writing eight others, all working in splendid co-operation with the central assembly. The Gospel Publishing House, with its more than 100 employees, is here in response to that godly woman's prayer. Not far north of the Publishing House there is the Central Bible Institute with its splendid faculty and its 350 students in training for Pentecostal ministry throughout the world.

The one who made one donation of \$3,000 and later another of \$3,500 was a godly widow who lived in San Diego, California. One day Brother Bell dropped in to see her, and told her what her gift had done, and how through the agency of the *Pentecostal Evangel* so much had been provided for missionaries. This dear sister

wept for joy and before Brother Bell left she handed him \$5,000; \$1,000 of this was given to the missionaries, and \$4,000 was utilized in helping to build the Central Bible Institute.

It was in May, 1918, that we shipped our machinery from St. Louis to Springfield, and as we came into what seemed to us very spacious quarters we thought we had room enough in which to expand for twenty years. None of us foresaw the future. How limited we are in our vision! It is very easy for us to condemn the Israelites for limiting the Holy One of Israel, but who of us has not been guilty of this very sin? How very few of us have had a full vision of the possibilities there are in His service! Oh, for God to give us a real vision and then grace not to be disobedient unto the heavenly vision!

Four times it has been necessary to enlarge. The Gospel Publishing House has now a frontage of 128 feet and goes back 245 feet. A large part of this is two stories high. The building now contains approximately 45,000 square feet of floor space—ten times what it was at the start.

One of the primary reasons for the organizing of the Assemblies of God was the apparent need of spreading the gospel of Christ to foreign lands. The Gospel Publishing House has furnished the necessary publicity for the prosecution of this great work. In the beginning it was made known that all missionary offerings sent to the Gospel Publishing House, would be forwarded to missionaries on the field 100%, without deducting from the gift even the cost of postage and money order. At first only small sums were sent, but in 1916 it was shown that a little over \$4,000 had come in for the missionaries during

the fiscal year. There was a better showing in 1917 when it was reported that \$10,000 had been received. In the 1918 Council the missionary report showed donations amounting to \$29,000. The following year, \$63,000. And so missionary giving has grown in volume until at the present time the sum is nearing the half million mark for each year.

We are sure that one of the reasons why God has so signally blessed the Gospel Publishing House and the headquarters work is that they have been factors in helping on His missionary program.

Every work has its difficulties at the beginning, and when we came to Springfield we had real difficulty to find Christian printers. Definite prayer was made that God would give us a real Bezaleel. Ex. 35:30. We are sure that God answered this prayer when J. Z. Kamerer from Findlay, Ohio, joined us in 1919. It has been a great relief to us to leave all the responsibility of the printing and publishing departments with our Brother Kamerer and his excellent assistant, E. K. Ramsey, who joined our staff some seventeen years ago.

As one observes the army of over one hundred persons passing through the doors of the Publishing House every work-day morning, it is difficult to realize that only twenty-five years ago, the staff consisted of an editor, a boy printer and a few girls who assisted on mailing days. Now the editorial department alone employs fourteen residential and three or more non-residential writers; the missionary department which began with a pigeon-hole on the editor's desk, employs no less than ten persons, and the other departments have grown proportionately.

Once there was a small job press and a few fonts of type. Now there are four huge mountains of rolling steel, turning out printed pages of gospel literature day and night, besides automatic job presses, folding machines, power cutters, four linotype machines, and much other printing equipment. Carloads of paper are seen stored in great storage rooms, for sixteen carloads of paper pass through these rooms each year. A book bindery has also been added, and we now do our own binding of song books and other books, with cloth-bound backs equal to the work of the best book binderies in the country.

During the first five years, no attempt was made to print Sunday School literature. However, the demand for Pentecostal comments on the International Sunday School Lessons became so great that in 1919 we made our first attempt. We began with simple lesson leaves, using the same material in bound form as a lesson quarterly. Gradually the range was extended, until now, twenty years later we are publishing four Sunday School papers, eight quarterlies, lesson leaves, and a full line of cards and rolls equal in every way to the Sunday School literature output of the larger publishing houses of the country.

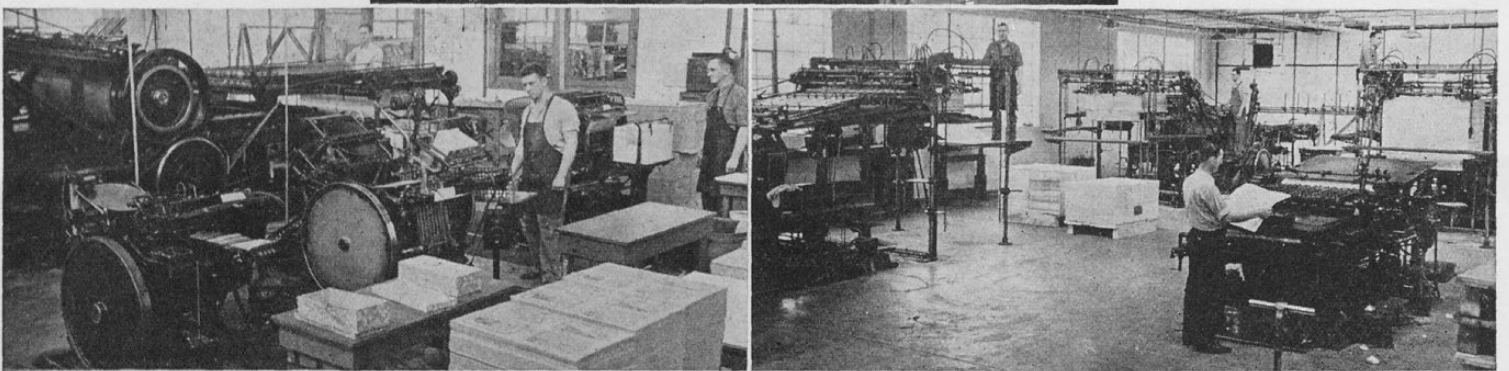
We have been very definitely led by the Lord to abandon the International Sunday School Lessons and to publish our own Seven-Year Whole-Bible Course of Sunday School Lessons. We also have a Three-Year Primary Bible Course for the primary children. We are now printing approximately 352,500 quarterlies each quarter, about 142,000 Sunday School papers each month, about 37,000 Primary Story papers each quarter and about 57,000 Lesson Leaves each quarter.

At the beginning of 1938 we took over the

Right:—Hand Composition department, showing in the rear the linotypes. Here is where the type is made into pages for the Pentecostal Evangel, Christ Ambassadors' Herald, the many Sunday school papers and quarterlies. A new Elrod machine used for making spacing material was recently installed.



Below:—Showing our four cylinder presses through which more than seventeen cars of book paper passed during the past year. These presses are located in a well lighted and ventilated room. Three are equipped with automatic feeders and extension pile delivery.

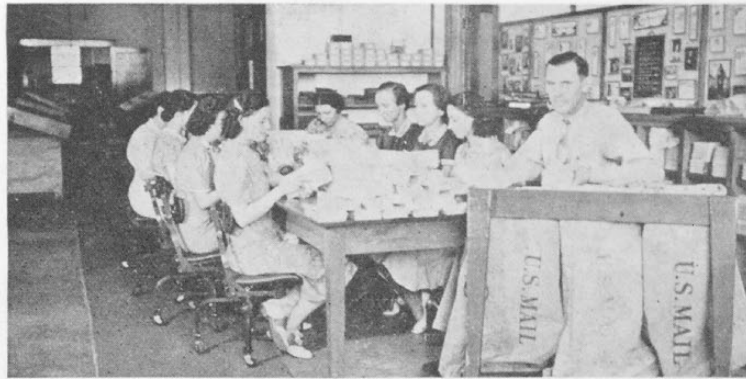


Above:—A view showing the smaller presses on which practically all of the smaller work is done, such as book and pamphlet covers, circulars, envelopes and stationery. These presses are automatically fed and are fast, millions of impressions being made each year.



Left:—Here is seen another section in our bindery department. Four folders are required to handle the work. This equipment consists of one Baun, one Cleveland and two Dexter folders, all automatic and all in fine condition.

Right:—Here will be seen a happy group of workers in our Sunday School department, preparing and mailing out helps and suggestions to the many Sunday school teachers and officers. Splendid progress is being reported in this branch of the work.



Below:—The Subscription department, showing the Graphotypes, Addressographs and the filing cabinets. Thousands upon thousands of names and addresses are filed in these cabinets. Should your address be wrong, just tell these young ladies, and they will see that it is made right.



Above:—Showing one section of our book department, where there is much activity, especially as the Christmas season draws near. In addition to our own books we carry a large line of helpful books and Bibles published by other publishers. Our new catalog is just off the press.



Left:—Here we see the splendid staff of consecrated writers and workers in the editorial and Sunday school departments. Much time and thought is required by this group to supply the material which goes into the many publications and books.

Christ's Ambassadors Herald, the paper published for the young people of our movement and formerly edited by Carl Hatch of Los Angeles, California. Already we are having to print 12,000 copies of this monthly paper. Many letters have been received telling of blessing through this periodical.

During the past twenty years we have published a great many books. Some of these have had a remarkably large circulation. Notable among these has been the book, "Ever Increasing Faith," by Smith Wigglesworth, which has had a circulation of more than thirty thousand. "Praying to Change Things" by Charles E. Robinson has gone through a great many editions. We have printed a number of books for children and have found a great demand for these.

The Gospel Publishing House has also entered the song-book field, and for a number of years has been furnishing song books for congregational and revival meeting use. The publication of song books is an extensive branch of the publishing interests.

Twenty years ago we were printing about 7,000 copies of the *Pentecostal Evangel* each week, but towards the close of last year our circulation went over 60,000. We can well remember in our Editorial prayer meetings, some fifteen years ago, one of the workers would persist in praying for a circulation of 50,000. Some of us confessed that we did not have faith for this. But the Lord has done exceeding abundantly above all that we asked or thought.

But there are no illusions concerning the source of this great growth. We know that it is only as we walk humbly with our God that the ministry of the publications can be enlarged. So each morning, all the staff gathers together

for earnest prayer before beginning the duties of the day. Not only are our own needs mentioned before the throne of Grace, at these early morning prayer meetings, but many prayer requests from all over the world are brought unitedly to God in earnest prayer. Each Wednesday morning there is a special prayer meeting of the executives and management. Four nights a week, the Editorial workers meet after working hours for prayer. Some of the loyal workers in this department have never missed a prayer meeting in many years, save on occasion when they have been ill or on vacation.

We can say with Samuel of old, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped," and we believe that He who began a good work will continue to be our helper. We are looking for better things ahead, for is it not written, "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day"? The Pentecostal movement is still a movement, thank God, and the Pentecostal message is still exceedingly vital. As long as the blessing of the Lord rests upon us as a people, we can expect even greater things for the future.

It is not too much to expect that the *Pentecostal Evangel* will soon reach the 100,000 mark in its circulation, and that the Sunday School publications will go far into the hundreds of thousands. Let us all pray and believe to that end.

MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD

Adele Gay Goldman is a Jewish girl employed as a stenographer in a hospital. Six years ago she accepted Jesus as her Saviour and in consequence suffered much persecution from her family. Recently her father passed away, leaving a fortune. Adele's portion was \$45,000 — on condition that she prove within a year of his death that she has given up Christianity and married a Jewish husband.

Adele is not waiting for the remainder of the year to make her decision. Christ is more precious to her than silver and gold. She "hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

Do not fail to read the important announcement on Page 18 entitled, "Your-Sixteen-Year Old."

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A Hidden Ministry for the GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP



The General Superintendent, Ernest S. Williams, in his office

There is one department of the headquarters work of the Assemblies of God which is little known to the general constituency. The Publishing House, Central Bible Institute, and the Foreign Missions Department serve the fellowship more openly, and the activities of these departments receive considerable publicity. The Executive Department, however, has a hidden ministry, and yet one that is most important to the entire fellowship. This department has the responsibility of co-ordinating all the work of the various institutions and activities of the headquarters work.

When the Assemblies of God began as a co-operative fellowship, it was decided that a small body of ministers should be chosen to serve as an Executive Presbytery, into whose hands would be committed all the missionary, educational, and publishing interests of the fellowship. Men of careful, godly, conservative spirit were chosen to serve on this Presbytery.



Top. Office of the Assistant General Superintendent, Fred Vogler
Middle. General Secretary, J. Roswell Flower
Bottom. Margaret Beede and Ruth Taylor, assistants in Executive Offices

Unto this day they have persistently followed a conservative course in the development of each department.

Back in 1914, at the close of the General Council (the second one that year) held in the Stone Church, Chicago, Ill., they were given a colossal task—to establish a headquarters for the newly formed fellowship and to create a plant for the publication of Christian literature. The General Council had only been formed eight months previously, and the fellowship was weak in numbers and in finances. So there were no funds from which an appropriation could be made. The newly elected officers had no alternative except to assume the responsibility and fight the good fight of faith until their task was completed.

It is now a record of history how these men rose to their trust, pooled their own personal resources, obtained ancient printing machinery and actually created out of nothing a headquarters work and publishing plant for the fellowship.

Those who were acquainted with the *Word and Witness* and the *Christian Evangel* of those early days will recall how the family spirit was promoted. All over the country loyalty to the new fellowship developed so that by prayers, gifts, and subscriptions to the periodicals, the headquarters work was able to take deep root and grow. Back of it all were the steadfast faith and vision of the men who had been chosen by the fellowship for the place of leadership.

But few changes have been made in the personnel of the Executive officers during the past twenty-five years. E. N. Bell and J. W. Welch, both of sainted memory, were chosen and succeeded each other as Superintendent for the first ten years until 1925. There have been only two General Superintendents since then, W. T. Gaston and Ernest S. Williams, the present incumbent. D. H. McDowell, J. R. Flower, and Fred Vogler have served as Assistant General Superintendent. J. R. Flower was the first Secretary, chosen at the General Council in Hot Springs, Ark., and is again serving in that capacity. Only two others have served as General Secretary—S. H. Frodsham, and J. R. Evans, who retired in 1935.

The Principal of Central Bible Institute, W. I. Evans; the Missionary Secretary, Noel Perkin; and J. W. Welch have served also on the Executive Presbytery. Three non-resident members whose duties are largely advisory, complete the number, the major portion of responsibility resting upon the resident members.

This body of men is entrusted with the responsibility of establishing the policy of the management of each department, to serve on the directorate of the school, to act as a committee for both home and foreign missions, and as an advisory board for the Publishing House. Their duties are arduous and many hours are spent in conference, study, and prayer over the problems which constantly develop in every department.

The General Superintendent, Ernest S. Williams has been serving the fellowship for ten years, having been elected to this office at the General Council in Wichita, Kansas, in 1929. His duties require that he act as Chairman of the Credentials Committee, Chairman of the Foreign and Home Missions Committees, President of Central Bible Institute, and Chairman of the Board of Management of the Gospel Publishing House. Besides this, in his capacity as General Superintendent he does much field work, visiting conventions, District Councils and camp meetings in all parts of the country. Sandwiched in among other duties, he finds time for an extended correspondence, to write numerous articles for publication in the *Pentecostal Evangel*, to write a section in the Sunday School Teachers' Quarterly, and to write the feature, "Questions and Answers," in the *Evangel*.

The Assistant General Superintendent, Fred Vogler, is particularly active in field work, promoting the World Missions plan of giving in the various districts, co-ordinating the work of our Bible schools, furnishing vision and stimulating home missions programs in various parts of the country. In addition he has taken an active part in the foreign missions program, having been sent by the Executive Presbytery to visit our missionary work in Cuba, Mexico, and Peru, which mission was particularly profitable for the welfare of the cause in those fields.

The office of the Secretary-Treasurer, J. R. Flower, is a beehive of activity. No less than three office assistants are now required to care for the volume of correspondence, records, and reports from ministers and churches throughout the fellowship. Each year the 3,500 ministers and more renew their fellowship certificates during the months of July and August. Many of

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The Growth of MISSIONARY INTERESTS



Noel Perkin
Missionary Secretary

The blessing of God has rested upon the development of our missionary activities in a very gracious way, and we feel that the growth of the Missions Department is one indication of this. As one meditates upon the development of this side of our work he realizes that from an effort to help a handful of missionaries in their bold venture of faith, when we had but a few hundred dollars a month to distribute, the work has grown until today its ministry extends into forty different lands and involves the distribution of over thirty thousand dollars each month. The time has never been when faith did not have to be exercised, and invariably much prayer has accompanied the efforts put forth to raise money for missions, and to get God's mind in the selection of those sent forth to foreign fields.

In the early days the work was handled in the spare time of one of the brethren who had many other duties to fulfill. Today three spacious offices are needed in order to provide room for the busy staff of the department. In addition to the full time of the secretaries of Home and Foreign Missions Departments, there are nine other full-time helpers engaged in stenographic work, bookkeeping, and the arranging of missionary material, besides the other necessary routine of a regular business office. Thousands of letters leave this office every month, going to all parts of the United States and in fact to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Three hundred and eighty missionaries look to headquarters for co-operation and help in their problems. This involves not only the sending out of such funds as come to the department designated for them, but in addition there are special needs which require prayer and careful planning that they may be met. New recruits are needed, and out of numerous applicants those need to be selected who appear to be best qualified and most manifestly called of God. About fifty per cent of the missionaries under appointment do not receive sufficient in designated offerings to take care of their maintenance and work; so their allowance has to be supplemented from the undesignated funds. Numerous other needs become the responsibility of the department, such as aiding in counsel, or the supplying of funds for such needs as the return fare of missionaries who are not provided for by their supporting assemblies, the erecting and repairing of missionary bungalows and churches, assisting in the establishing of mission schools, industrial work, orphanages, Bible Schools, translation work, and the preparing and distribution of missionary literature. Then there is the personal health and welfare of the missionary, which is a matter of deep concern to the department.

An important feature of the Home Missions Department is co-operation in promoting missionary conventions and encouraging systematic giving, so that every assembly and every individual may be encouraged to take a definite share of responsibility in

sending the gospel forth. The World Missions Plan which is advocated by the department provides for a percentage of missionary offerings given under this plan to go for home missionary work; however, no offerings are used in this way unless specifically designated. The policy of the General Council in its missionary activities has been consistently carried out by sending all funds one hundred per cent as designated. Friends having known of this have sometimes sent to us from distant lands, knowing that their offerings would be used exactly as requested.

The Department itself relies on the freewill offerings of our contributors for its maintenance, and feels that money designated for "the expenses of Missions Department" is being given for a very real part of our missionary work.

In order to give a clearer understanding of the regular routine and activities of the office, we have been happy to prepare pictures illustrating the work and personnel who are standing back of our missionary laborers on the field, and would like to add some further remarks for your better understanding of all that is involved in carrying on this part of our work for God.

1—The morning mail comes in, and the day's

work begins. We wonder what it holds. Will it contain the \$1,500 which we must receive each working day of the month if our missionary program is to be maintained? We shall see.

2—The letters are opened, and the exact amount of money enclosed is clearly marked on each letter.

3—At the bookkeeper's desk the money is carefully counted, balanced on the electric adding machine, and the deposit is made up to go to the bank. The letters are then given individual attention, a receipt is written for each offering and the amount placed to the credit of the various accounts according to the instructions contained in the letters. When an amount is designated for some particular missionary, a designation slip is made out for the missionary named, showing the name and address of the donor and the amount designated. These slips are sent to the missionaries so that they may know who has contributed to their support, and are signed by the missionaries and returned direct to the contributors in due time.

4—The bookkeeping in our office is by no means a small part of the work. Every cent received and disbursed is recorded and all accounts must balance. From these records the weekly report of missionary giving which appears in each issue of the *Pentecostal Evangel* is computed and balanced. Every offering received is reported regardless of amount—the assembly offerings being listed under the name of the assembly, city and State, and all personal contributions appearing in one total under the name of the State from which it was sent. At the end of the month another report is compiled showing the total amount each State has sent in.

5—The morning mail always brings matters of concern personally to the Missionary Secretary—from both the home constituency and the more than six hundred missionaries (of whom 220 are non-Council) we are serving in all parts of the world. Each item is given personal and sympathetic consideration before the reply is dictated. Many of the problems must first be taken before the Missions Committee, where the will of God is earnestly sought before decisions are made.

6—Files are systematically kept so that every letter received and copies of all outgoing letters may be quickly located for reference.

7—Because of the great volume of correspondence to be taken care of, it is often convenient, when the stenographers are busy, for the Missionary Secretary or his assistant to dictate on the Ediphone. The stenographer may then at her convenience pick up the ear-phones and from the impressions the voice has made on the wax

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The main office of the Foreign Missions Department

ACTIVITIES OF THE



1—The morning mail comes in, and the day's work begins.



2—Opening the three hundred thirty-one offerings received that day.



3—Balancing the daily deposit requires care and accuracy.



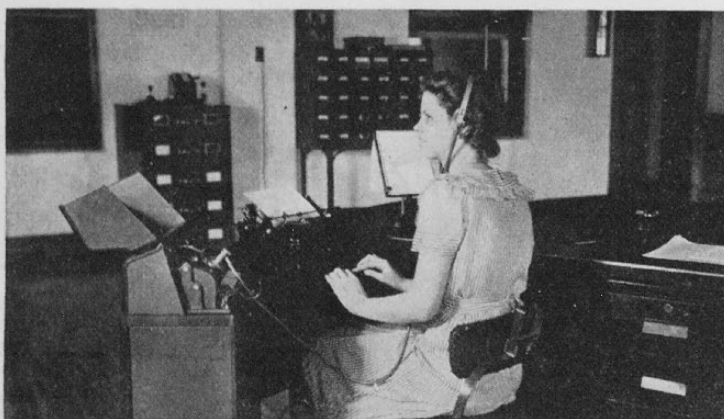
4—Detailed records are kept of all money and accounts.



5—The Missionary Secretary dictates hundreds of letters each month.



6—One of three sections of files where correspondence is kept.



7—Another method of taking dictation is by means of the ediphone.



8—A valuable time-saver is the electric mimeograph.

MISSIONS DEPARTMENT



9—Composing posters, booklets, tracts and missionary news.



10—Sending out missionary literature and helps for meetings.



11—An accurate account is kept of each assembly's giving.



12—Filing duplicates of all receipts sent out.



13—The Assistant Secretary arranges steamship bookings.



14—Balancing the missionaries' accounts.



15—Checks, drafts and money orders ready to mail.



16—These letters will bring joy to hundreds of missionaries.



At the first General Council of the Assemblies of God held at Hot Springs, Ark., in 1914. In the front row are seen J. W. Welch, M. M. Pinson, T. K. Leonard, J. Roswell Flower, Cyrus B. Fockler, Howard Goss, F. N. Bell, and Daniel C. Opperman.

GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP (Continued from Page Six)

these ministers write letters to accompany their applications, which letters must be answered. While most ministerial and church matters are dealt with in the District Councils yet the secretary's office is appealed to again and again for interpretations of policy, instruction, and advice on all sorts of problems.

In this office are kept the records of all the churches, which constantly need revision and additions. Much correspondence is constantly carried on with the officers of the District Councils pertaining to these matters.

All the funds of the Gospel Publishing House, Central Bible Institute, and the Foreign Missions Department pass through the secretary-treasurer's office. The fund for the support of aged and indigent ministers is also raised and disbursed through this office. The responsibility of safeguarding the resources of the fellowship, of investing the funds which are held as security for Annuity Bonds, etc., is no light one. The upkeep of residential properties used as homes for the executive officers, and faculty members of Central Bible Institute is also the responsibility of the secretary's office.

The files of the office of the secretary would reveal many interesting things if you were permitted to look into them, for all the important letters from or pertaining to the ministers of the fellowship have been stored away in these files for the past twenty-five years.

Our interest was aroused recently to ascertain the names of the ministers who were present at the first General Council held in Hot Springs, Ark., April, 1914. From the records in the office and through the retentive memories of some ministers who were present, we learned that 120 ministers and Christian workers signed the first roster of the General Council. That number did not represent all the ministers who were present, for a number came, preached from the platform, took part in all the activities, and finally decided not to enroll. As soon as the report of the organization was published, others quickly took their places, for the record shows that by

the fall of 1914 there were as many as 572 ministers holding credentials issued by the General Council.

Possibly you would like to see the names of some of those first enrolled ministers who are still laboring among us. Here they are:

Frank R. Anderson, Harry E. Bowley, Forrest G. Barker, W. R. Cooper, A. B. Cox, John Crouch, Andrew F. Crouch, Hugh M. Cadwalder, W. W. Childers, O. W. Edwards, J. R. Flower, Wm. E. Giles, Wm. M. Harrison, J. W. Hudson, Walter J. Higgins, W. F. Hardwick, Oscar Jones, Willie Jones, W. V. Kneisley, C. A. Lasater, Jacob Miller, Grover C. Mangum, M. M. Pinson, H. G. Rodgers, L. L. Riley, E. N. Richey, Preston Roberts, and George Shepherd.

While the names of the following ministers do not appear on the roster, we are pretty sure they also were present at this meeting: Wm. H. Boyles, W. T. Gaston, T. K. Leonard, Willie T. Millsaps, Wm. Burton McCafferty, and Ralph M. Riggs.

Some of the old-time pioneers who were present at that meeting have gone on to be with the Lord, among whom we mention: E. N. Bell, A. P. Collins, E. R. Fitzgerald, J. W. Welch, C. B. Fockler, John Goben, S. A. Jamieson, J. H. James, Wm. Morwood, D. C. Opperman, John Sinclair, W. M. Wiley, Mary Arthur, Mother Barnes, and John G. Lake. The names of these brothers and sisters bring back precious memories of hours spent with them in the presence of the Lord. They laid a foundation of Christian integrity, holiness of life, spiritual zeal and power with God which has left its stamp upon many thousands of lives that have followed them.

One of the most interesting features of the treasurer's office is the fund which has been created for the assistance of our aged and indigent ministers. We were a long time coming to a recognition of this need. The fellowship was young in years, and many of the ministers were possessed of youth and vigor. But there were a few older ministers who had reached the place when they could no longer continue in active service. Something had to be done to lend them a helping hand

and to ease them through the hardships of old age.

It was decided four years ago at the General Council in Dallas, Texas, that the first step to take was to create a fund which might be available to relieve the financial pressure resting upon these faithful servants of the Cross. The response to the need has been splendid so far. Only two appeals for aid are made each year, once in the spring and once in the fall of the year. The offerings received on these special days are then distributed monthly over the six months' period until the next offering is asked for.

Recently a check up was made and it was found that disbursements are being made to ministers in all parts of the fellowship as follows: Arkansas 7, Eastern District 5, Illinois 2, Kansas 1, Alabama 1, Kentucky 1, Northwest Dist. 4, West Central Dist. 4, Oklahoma 3, So. California 2, No. California 2, Oregon 1, North Central Dist. 1, Texico 1, Texas 6, Nebraska 1, and Southern Missouri 1. A total of \$805 is being paid out of this fund monthly, which means that the total offerings to replace the disbursements each six months must amount to \$4,830 and more, should the number of beneficiaries be increased. This is a splendid start in a most worthy cause.

Some of the help was not asked for until the minister was practically helpless. Several have gone on to be with the Lord, the monthly remittances cheering their hearts as their days on earth drew to a close. How happy we have been that we could have a part in this most blessed ministry to them.

The Executive Department of the headquarters activities will continue to function in its quiet, unobtrusive way, content to see the fellowship prosper under the blessing of God in all its undertakings on both the home and foreign field. The knowledge of service well done is sufficient reward for each member of this department.

MISSIONARY INTERESTS (Continued from Page Seven)

cylinders type the letters which have been dictated.

A WORD OF THANKS

From the beginning we have sought as a fellowship to co-operate with one another in the promotion of the interests of our Lord and Master.

The desire of each one of us at the Springfield headquarters is to follow in the footsteps of Him who declared, "I am among you as he that serveth." He became the servant of all. We wish to be even as He.

We long to render a joyous service of love to each and all in the fellowship. We consider it a great privilege to be the love-slaves of our oh-so-kindly Master and those who are His. Brethren, we are at your command.

At this time we want to express our thanks to all our brethren on the field for their loyalty and love, and for their splendid co-operation from the first day until now.

It is because of this wonderful co-operation from our loyal ministry and churches that we have been enabled to accomplish all that has been done in our missionary program, maintaining our unique ministry of sending 100 cents in every missionary dollar contributed to the foreign field.

It is because we have had such splendid loyalty and love from our brethren on the field, that though we are one of the smallest denominations in the country, the circulation of our official organ, the *Pentecostal Evangel*, is larger than any similar periodical in this land.

It is because of the magnificent support of our constituency that we have been enabled to develop our Sunday School program. We believed we were doing something pleasing to our Lover-Lord when we moved away from the Sunday School lessons that are recommended by a Modernist committee, to our own Whole-Bible Sunday School course. We were fearful, however, that many would not appreciate this move and would no longer want our Sunday School literature. But all our friends have co-operated so beautifully in standing back of us in this move that our Sunday School business has had a phenomenal increase.

It is because of the remarkable response of the brethren in our fellowship that we have been enabled to render financial help to a number of faithful ministers and missionaries who are now too old to longer serve.

Brethren, we do greatly appreciate this loving co-operation of yours, and on this occasion we desire to say to all in the fellowship: "A million thanks! We cannot tell you how much we appreciate your love and loyalty. If there is any practical thing that we can do to show our appreciation, please remember that we are your love-slaves, happily eager to do all in our power to render you in days to come the utmost service."

8—When form letters are to go out in large numbers, the electric mimeograph machine is a valuable time saver, turning out thousands of copies in a comparatively short time.

9—We are happy to co-operate with our many friends in passing on information which will be a help in conducting missionary meetings, and in general an inspiration in arousing interest in missionary work, believing that a large part of the financial problem will be met when the needs are made known, and also that the battle is well on the way to victory when the home constituency will labor with our missionaries in prayer.

Each week the *Pentecostal Evangel* contains at least two pages of missionary pictures and news including triumphs and progress of the work as well as urgent needs. Then as rapidly as we can, we are adding to our series of booklets dealing with each individual mission field. These booklets are proving to be helpful to mission study groups. We have several good missionary tracts which are supplied free of charge to those who will conscientiously distribute them.

Each month a pamphlet is published containing the missionaries' requests for prayer and a daily devotional reading and comment which enable our friends to make praying definitely for missions an important part of their daily praying.

From time to time we are able to print posters to help keep missionary interest before our assemblies. Just now we are preparing a series of posters in response to numerous requests for maps showing our General Council mission stations and also pictures of all our missionaries. In the picture Brother Perkin is holding up one of these just in the process of being arranged.

10—In answer to many requests each day for missionary literature and helps for missionary meetings, large quantities of this material is sent out. Contributions to our Missionary Literature Fund help us to provide and mail out these publications. Our postage bill alone amounts to nearly \$200 a month.

11—Several thousand accounts are kept in the Kardex system shown, where each assembly's giving is recorded each month. These accounts readily give a picture of an assembly's increase or decrease in missionary giving.

12—For each offering received a receipt is made out in duplicate, the original being sent to the contributor and the duplicate being filed in our office so that we can quickly refer to the record of every offering.

13—It is our desire to be of the greatest help possible to our missionaries as well as to our home constituency. This, we believe, has been accomplished to some extent, since many are the expressions of gratitude from the missionaries for services rendered by the Missions Department. Our Assistant Missionary Secretary searches for the best available steamship and travel accommodations at the lowest possible costs, seeking to take care of many of the details involved when missionaries are preparing to leave for a foreign field. Of special help is this service to the new workers.

14—On through the month our staff is busy with the many duties and responsibilities involved in caring for the needs of our great missionary program, including our own 380 regularly appointed missionaries as well as serving when possible a large number of workers who are out not under our board.

It is often a convenience to our missionaries

SEED THOUGHTS

ALICE E. LUCE

Are you passing through a period of darkness, whether spiritual, physical, or financial? Take courage from the promise in Psa. 97:11 that light is *sown* for the righteous.

Remember that a seed which is sown does not come up immediately—there is always a period of waiting, of silence, of mystery, and of comparative inaction on the part of the sower.

So do not be discouraged if there is a similar delay in your experience of darkness. God is working all the time in that hidden seed, and not one moment is wasted.

There is often a "why" in the heart of the one who is passing through darkness; and perhaps one reason for the waiting may be in order to still the last vestige of rebellion and bring it into absolute conformity to God's will.

He knows just how much time is needed for the decay, germination, and growth of that seed; and when the new life comes forth—oh, was it not worth waiting for?

Even so you will exclaim when the *light* which God has sown for you breaks forth: "It was abundantly worth while going through that time of darkness in order to obtain these rich treasures." See Lam. 3:2; Job 29:3; Isa. 45:3.

to order provisions from America through our office, having us pay their bills and deduct the same from their allowance at the end of the month, or if the charge is too large to be borne in one month, we extend the assistance of paying the entire amount and then deducting from the missionary's remittance in small monthly payments. Various other forms of financial obligations are handled for the missionaries in a similar way, so that when we begin to figure up each missionary's account a few days before the last of the month, considerable bookkeeping is involved.

How glad we are when we see that funds are adequate to meet the budget at the end of the month and that extra funds have come in for the special needs. To some accounts we must add from the undesignated funds—others will have received sufficient designated for them. One of our greatest needs is for an increase in our undesignated funds, because it is from that source that we must supply the missionaries for whom little or nothing is designated.

15—On the first day of each month the entire office staff concentrates on "getting out disbursements" as we call it—writing, numbering, carefully checking and signing the hundreds of drafts covering the money which we have received all through the previous month. The envelopes, containing the drafts, money orders or other form of money most convenient to the individual missionary, a letter from the Missionary Secretary, designation slips and various other enclosures must be weighed and classified as to postage rate and destination.

16—Late in the afternoon the letters are carried out to the mail box—those letters which are so eagerly anticipated by the missionaries on the field—and here in the office we lift our hearts in thanksgiving to God that prayers have been answered, the need has been met another month and we have had our little part in conveying these necessities from the home constituency to the foreign staff.

These paragraphs are only a very brief mention of the various phases of the work of this office. This service is rendered without our taking one penny from the regular missionary offerings. For the maintenance of this part of the work, we are entirely dependent upon the co-operation of our friends in sending in special offerings designated, "For the expense of the Foreign Missions Department."

The SCHOOL

that began in the
basement

NO ACCIDENT was responsible for the establishment of Central Bible Institute. From the very beginning, many of the members of the Assemblies of God fellowship had a God-given urge to provide some means of training for our youth who were offering themselves for Christian service. Individual effort had been made in various sections of the country, and these efforts were crowned with more or less success. However, it was readily discernible that individual effort could never hope to achieve the results possible through united endeavor.

The Assemblies of God are indebted greatly to these first institutions, the majority of which have since disbanded, for the graduates of these schools have found a definite place of service in the fellowship, both as ministers at home and as missionaries on foreign fields.

In the early days following the organization of the Assemblies of God in Hot Springs, Ark., there was little strength, either numerically or financially. Those chosen to serve as officers of the fellowship found their hands full with the problems of promoting the interests of the fellowship, by creating a headquarters for executive and publication work. But even during the few months spent in Findlay, Ohio, in the fall of 1914, some effort was put forth in co-operation with T. K. Leonard of that city for the conduct of a school in his premises. This effort did not prove to be very successful, and the school there did not continue to function for any length of time.

After the headquarters and publishing interests were moved to St. Louis, Mo., in January, 1915,



Central Bible Institute faculty and students in the first year

the school interests were relegated to the background. Finally, a property was offered for school purposes at Auburn, Nebr., and a school directorate was chosen from the ministers of Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and Missouri. S. A. Jamieson of Chicago and O. E. McClary of Findlay, Ohio, were chosen to head the school. Whether this was a premature effort or not, we leave with the Lord, but it seemed to the brethren that we could not hope to develop the school in Auburn to the highest point of usefulness to serve the fellowship, and so, after only one year of operation the school was closed.

In the fall of 1921, a General Council was held in St. Louis, Mo., and special attention was given to the needs of our fellowship for a Bible School and authorization was granted for the establishment of such a school. D. W. Kerr and Willard Peirce, who had been doing some school work in California, offered themselves for this work; so they, together with their staff of teachers,

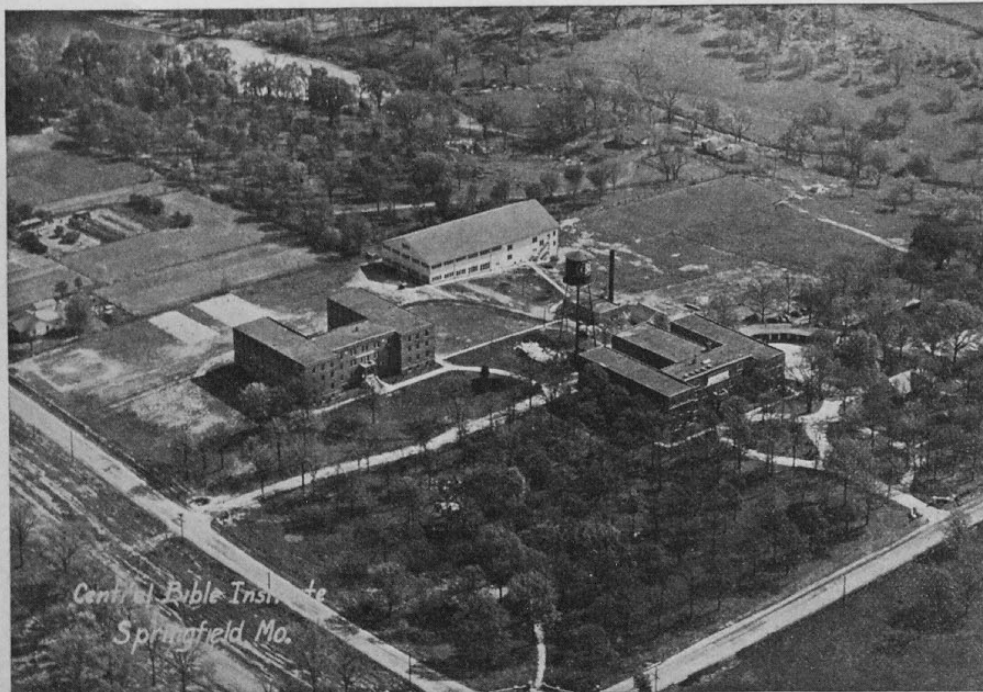
moved to Springfield, Mo., and formed the nucleus of the faculty and management of Central Bible Institute.

The new school, designated as Central Bible Institute, had this distinction that it owed its existence to an authorization of the General Council of the Assemblies of God. It had the advantage of being located in Springfield, Mo., where it could obtain the counsel of the Executive Presbytery, and the columns of the *Pentecostal Evangel* were open to it for publicity. Other than these, more or less doubtful advantages, there were none. There was no school building, no dormitories, no classrooms. The brethren at headquarters had always followed a "pay as you go" policy, and were not willing to shoulder debt for new buildings. All we could offer the new school was the simple facilities at hand in the local Assembly of God Church. Fortunately, this church was provided with a basement, and the rooms therein could be turned into classrooms. The first students must find living rooms in the homes of the people.

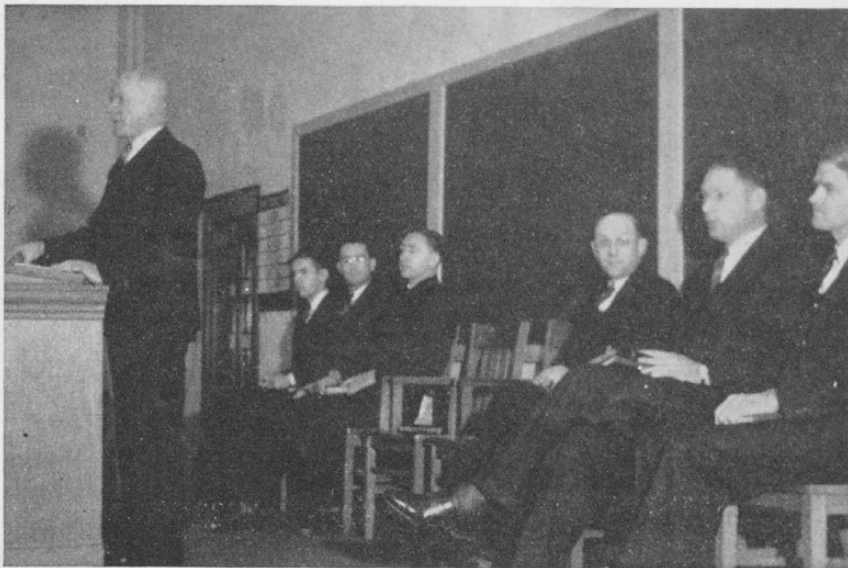
One member of the first graduating class gave his impressions of the school when he first reached Springfield as follows: "I came to the church, a small white building having a seating capacity of about four hundred. In the basement of this church, I was informed, the school was located. On descending the stairway my eyes were greeted by a scene of busy activity. Scattered here and there were ladders, cans of paint, brushes and other objects indicative of the fact that some new beginning was in progress. A venerable looking gentleman, clad in white overalls, was busily occupied in plastering some walls. This was D. W. Kerr, the first principal. An energetic, cheerful-looking young man, also clad in overalls, was giving some of the woodwork a first-class paint job. This was W. C. Peirce, the first secretary and one of the instructors. These, with their wives and helpers, were the pioneers of Central Bible Institute. About fifty students composed the first class.

"In the small basement we had our classroom, kitchen, dining room, heating plant, and office. The flight of stairs leading to the church was kept in constant use as the students would steal away for a time of prayer and communion with the Lord."

It is possible that Brother Kerr may have had some misgivings for the future of a school begun under such inauspicious surroundings, for he told us how the inner voice challenged him with the question, "What hast thou in thine



Central Bible Institute from the air



W. I. Evans, Principal, speaking; other members of the faculty on platform

hand?" And his answer was, "Just a basement, Lord." But he was given the assurance that the same God who wrought wonders with Moses' shepherd's staff would do great things with that tiny basement. One thing sure, practically every one of the students who came out of that basement schoolroom have made their mark either on the foreign field or as pastors and evangelists in the homeland, and the quality of their Christian character has been marked. But it was the constant prayer of faculty, student body, and directorate that better quarters be provided for the school. The same God who had answered prayer for a home for the Gospel Publishing House was able to provide a home for Central Bible Institute. It was not long until the answer to that prayer began to materialize.

About two years later, an observer would have seen three men making their way to a piece of ground on the outskirts of the city, about two miles north of the Publishing House, and kneeling there in prayer. The men were E. N. Bell, J. W. Welch and D. W. Kerr. The ground had been secured through the aid of a number of Springfield business men, and these brethren were consecrating it to God for the erection of a Bible School for the training of our young people for the ministry.

With some funds already in hand, and further offerings sent in in response to appeals made through the columns of the *Pentecostal Evangel*, a school building was erected there in the fall of 1923. The first student body numbered one hundred and six. As the student body increased, further expansion became necessary. Thanks to the generosity of the fellowship, a third story and a new wing for a chapel were added. Later a new dormitory building was erected to provide a total accommodation for four hundred and fifty students. Finally, the construction of a large tabernacle was authorized, capable of seating 3,000, to be used for Commencement exercises, conventions, camp meetings and other occasions, and to contain music rooms, prayer rooms, recreation floor and other features helpful to school life.

An institution may receive inspiration from past blessings, but it cannot live on them. What, then, is the vision of Central Bible Institute for the future? It is this: to make progressive adaptation to the needs of the times, without sacrificing the simplicity and enthusiasm that gave the initial impetus to the Pentecostal movement; to avoid

making the institution an end in itself, but ever to view it as one means of extending the kingdom of God. The life of a Bible School consists, not in its buildings and equipment, nor in its expansion methods, but in the vision and spirit that inspire it, and the skill with which it imparts the training called for by the needs of the fellowship.

An old tradition informs us that in the temple at Jerusalem there was a flute fashioned out of reeds, an old flute, having come down from the days of Moses. The sound of the flute was sweet and beautiful, ravishing the souls of the worshipers. But one day the priests at the sanctuary decided to decorate the flute, and they covered it with gold. The flute was never the same again. Its sweet, clear, cool tones were now harsh, metallic, and jarring. Gold had coarsened its melody.

The material success of the church as an institution has often spelled its defeat as a spiritual power. Attempting to gild its institutions with things alien to its spirit, it has lost its note of authority. We shall all of us be wise to learn from the past and profit from the mistakes of others.

All of the founders of Central Bible Institute, at its present home, have gone on to be with the Lord. Only Brother J. W. Welch lived to see the

school in its present form. Just before his death, Brother Welch said to Brother Mason, the new business manager of Central Bible Institute, "Remember, this is holy ground." These words of a dying man are particularly solemn, and are of great instructive value, coming as they do from one who has been a pioneer, executive, and keen observer of the movement.

Remembering the limitations of the best that human nature can accomplish, and trusting in the wisdom and grace of Him who alone is perfect, we ask the prayers of our brethren, that in all the activities and developments in Central Bible Institute, there may be kept before our minds the thought that we are laboring on holy ground.—Myer Pearlman.

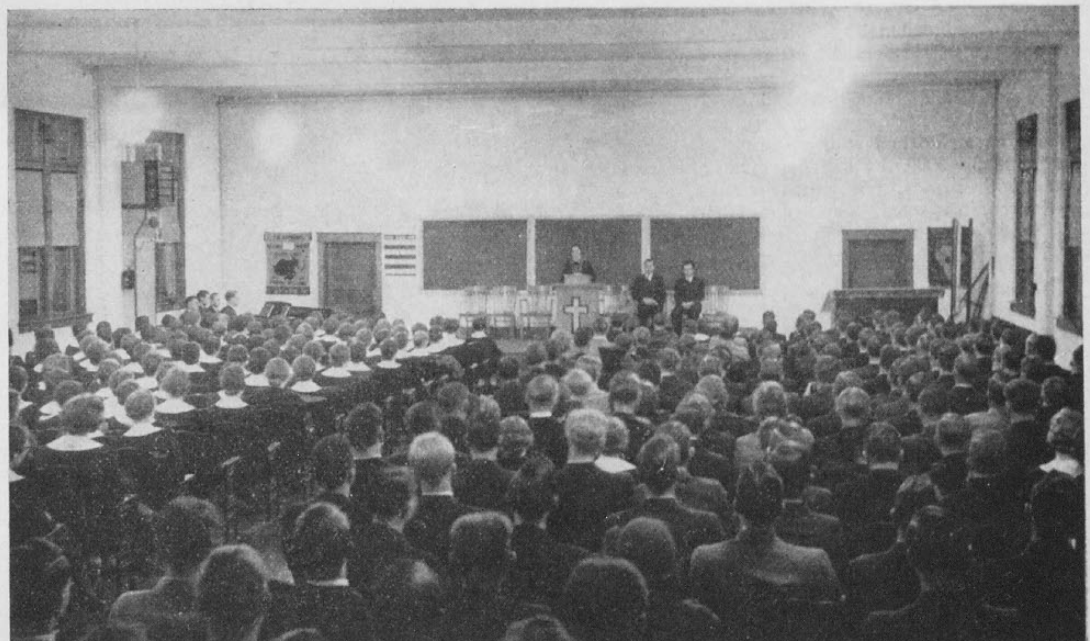
A Word from the President

We are happy to report the continued blessing of God upon all departments of Central Bible Institute in the two years that have elapsed since our last General Council convened. Not only have we rejoiced in His blessing upon our student body, but also upon those of our graduates who have been used of the Lord in His ministry.

Our enrollment for the 1937-8 term totaled 438, with 114 in our graduating class. With the added dormitory facilities we were able comfortably to take care of all of our students. There was a drop in the enrollment for 1938-9, the total attendance being 358. But we graduated our largest class, numbering 115. Many of our young people were unable to return to school for financial reasons. Nevertheless, the Lord was gracious to us and enabled us to close our year within our budget and all operating expenses were taken care of.

Every effort has been made to provide adequate oversight and to assure fullest possible satisfaction to students which enroll at Central Bible Institute. Three new members were added to the staff last year, two in our music department and one to assist in the housekeeping department. Twelve faculty members devote their entire time to teaching. The complete staff of full time workers numbers twenty-three.

The untiring labor of Wm. I. Evans, who has been principal of the Institute for several years, is appreciated, as are the faithful labors of all others who have served the school with equal diligence. Recently it has been felt necessary that one should be selected to take over the business management, since the school has grown to present proportions. Brother Alfred G. Mason has been chosen and it is believed that his ministry and labors will prove a further strengthening.



Friday Night Missionary Service



A Student preaching at an Outstation near Central Bible Institute

Brother Mason has found the institution to be in excellent condition, having been operated with the greatest of economy for which the former management must be commended.

The staff and faculty are serving on allowances that are probably lower than they ought to be, but these financial economies have permitted reductions in tuition until at the present time, room, board, laundry and schooling are all provided for \$4.75 per week. The only extra cost is that of two registrations annually, at \$10.00 each, and the necessary cost of books and supplies. It is the purpose of the School Directorate to operate the Institute on a non-profit basis, giving to the youth of our fellowship any advantage that might accrue from increased attendance. We believe it is apparent to all that the only way this institution can continue to be carried on with its present efficiency at the prevailing low rates is for us to continue to have a large student body. The co-operation of the entire fellowship is essential to this end.

The 1938-9 term marked the close of another expansion program, with added facilities and equipment. For several years we have felt the need of an auditorium large enough to accommodate the many friends and visitors attending our commencement exercises. A combination tabernacle, music and recreation building has been erected to the north of the dormitories. This contains an auditorium with a seating capacity of approximately 3000, 18 individual music practice rooms with pianos, two private studios, and a large orchestra room. This entire building has been paid for from school funds without seeking aid from funds of the General Council.

The blessing of the Lord has rested particularly upon the outstation work during the past year. Seven of these outstations were self-supporting for the entire year; one practically new station, the second semester.

The prospects for a large enrollment this Fall are very good. Approximately 1000 catalogs and application forms have been mailed and distributed to interested young people. Our hearts rejoice in this evidence of spiritual hunger on the part of our youth and we are trusting the Lord for a glorious year at Central Bible Institute during 1939-40.

Ernest S. Williams

And Nothing Shall Be Impossible

Mrs. Leh was burning up with fever. She tossed restlessly on an old pallet, in a dark corner of the dirt floor of the Chinese hut that she called home.

The day was sultry. Not a breath stirred the mulberry trees along the canal, or relieved the fetid air of the sick room. The flies buzzed noisily about and the mosquito plied his deadly work, unmolested. The month was August; the sun-dial in the temple grounds showed the shadow far past noon, but the world still simmered in heat.

The missionary doctor, on his daily rounds of mercy, appeared in the open doorway of the

dingy hut. The patient's face brightened, and she stretched her thin, yellow hands toward him as he knelt beside her in kindly solicitude and breathed a word of earnest prayer to the Great Healer.

While the doctor ministered to her professionally, he noticed that her eyes were fixed on his face with intense eagerness, then she opened her lips and spoke:

"Tell me, Doctor, does God want His children to have what is good for them?" The doctor beamed. "Oh, yes, Mrs. Leh. He is a loving Father, and will not withhold any good thing from those who ask in faith."



The Student Pastors of Outstations getting their instructions from the Dean of men

Be sure to read the important announcement on page 18 entitled, "Your Sixteen-Year-Old."

Then her face grew more eager and her hot fingers clutched his—"Doctor, would not ice be good for me?"

The good physician afterward admitted that he was conscious of a mental recoil as the question smote hard upon his reasoning faculties and he saw the inevitable trend of her logic, but he stood to his guns bravely.

"Yes, my dear woman, ice would be very good for you, but you know that this is mid-summer and it is hundreds of miles to the nearest ice factory, and we must try and not want the impossible."

Such a reply might have quieted you and me, but not this ignorant Chinese woman. She had a great need and a simple faith. What did she care for nature's laws? So she persisted:

"But is not God all-powerful?"

The doctor shifted uneasily as he felt himself being driven on to what he considered dangerous ground; but there was only one reply to make and he made it with steady voice but with trembling heart.

"Yes, nothing is too great for Him."

The clutch of the woman's fingers tightened and the glassy eyes searched his face for final satisfaction.

"Then, Doctor, will you go home, gather the other missionaries together and have them beseech God that He will send me ice to cool my burning fever?"

The missionary felt that the eyes of heathendom were upon him as the woman's friends gathered close to him and peered into his face to hear what his answer would be. Could God do more than Buddha? Would He make ice on a hot summer's day for a poor woman like Mrs. Leh?

The missionary man of science said that he felt himself being hurled, with tremendous force, up against the promises of God, by this simple woman of great faith who but yesterday was a heathen. Believe in prayer? Of course he did, otherwise he would not be a missionary, but to ask the great Creator and Sustainer of the universe to send ice out of a blazing August sky, to please a querulous fever patient—that seemed little short of presumption. And yet—he was God's representative. He could not desert the woman in her extremity. He would go any distance—do anything in reason to give her what she so sorely needed.

Then the truth broke upon him—how much more would his Heavenly Father hear the prayer of His trusting child, who was just turning to Him from heathen darkness. Yes, he would go home humble his intellectual pride and pray for—the impossible.

The doctor's wife, noting his rather downcast mien as he entered the mission compound,



A Faculty Meeting at Central Bible Institute

ran to meet him. She was told of the desperate challenge of his faith and the disastrous results that might follow should the prayer not be answered.

To his surprise, his wife responded joyously. "How lovely! I have just been longing for a real adventure in faith. And here it is. Of course we are not going to be disappointed. I will send out the prayer call at once."

These friends, comrades in an alien land, had stood together many times in spiritual emergencies, so now, as the messenger ran from door to door, they dropped their ordinary work and hurried to the doctor's house. There the incident was rehearsed. They took counsel together. They reviewed God's promises. They confessed their sins one to the other, and then they prayed—prayed as only they can pray who, forsaking all, have gone to the ends of the earth at His command. They pleaded that His name might be glorified among the heathen, and that the faith of this suffering woman might be honored as in the old Galilean days. Then a great burden of intercession fell upon them and they forgot time and place until they were suddenly brought back to themselves by a terrific clap of thunder—then another and another, as though the heavens would split.

As they rose from their knees a heavy rain was pouring down the eaves, and backed by a tempestuous wind was driving through the open windows in sheets; the dusty trees were drenched and rivulets were running down the sides of the walks. The confusion of storm attack was presently augmented by a sharp bombardment—as though millions of pebbles were being dashed against the window panes and on the roof. When the doctor cautiously opened the door to see what was taking place, great hail stones rolled across the floor and were seen banked in glittering heaps of coolness on the sills and about the steps.

"The ice—the ice—I knew it would come!" and the doctor's wife clasped her hands together in solemn ecstasy.

"Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?" queried the evangelist. "Yea, verily," responded the doctor, as he hurried into the hall for his hat and umbrella. Then putting his head back through the doorway long enough to say, "Please return thanks," he ran out into the flooded streets, making his way along the wet cobblestones to the home of his patient.

The storm had almost spent itself when he came in sight of the house, leaving a delightful freshness in the air, but the wind was still struggling through the bamboo branches and the mulberry trees had been riddled by the hail, and bits of green leaves mingled with ice lay along the ground where lately there had been only brown dust.

As the doctor entered the humble doorway the setting sun broke through a cloud and threw a ray of light across the face of Mrs. Leh, which was transfigured by an expression of radiant serenity as though the Master had been there Himself, with His healing touch.

Her hands were full of melting hail, placed there by her awed and wondering friends, who were standing in groups talking about the "Jesus doctrine." At sight of the physician she broke forth joyously: "See, Doctor! God has sent me ice from heaven, now I shall be well. Tell my friends about the Jesus doctrine, for they also believe."

In relating the incident, for it is a true story, the doctor said, in his rather blunt way, "That poor, ignorant woman really believed that the great God, in answer to our prayers and because of her dire need, had opened the windows of heaven and rained down ice, just for her. And I?—Well, I thought so too. Don't you?"—*The Fireside*.

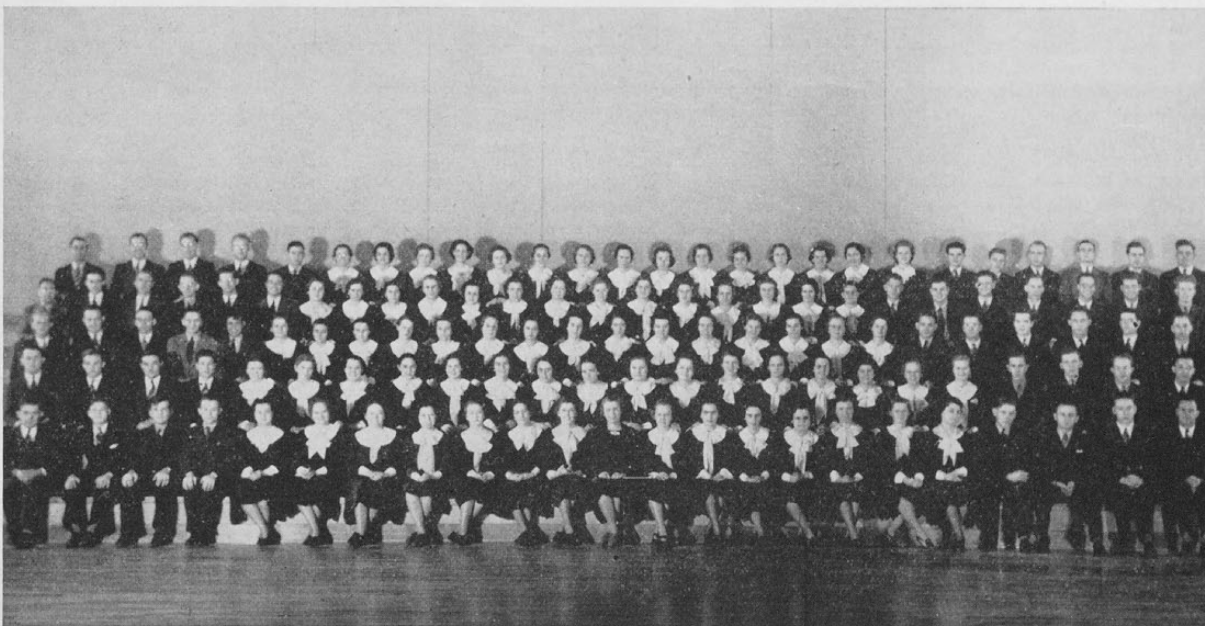
SUCH A GLAD SURPRISE

By the late Sister Abigail

Having some time to spend at the waiting room where I was taking a car, I gave out some tracts to the people around. I had just sat down when a fresh lot of people came in. So I got up to give out more tracts. My attention was drawn to one poor man whose face and hands were terribly disfigured. He wore large dark glasses.

I hardly liked to go up to him for fear he would think it was curiosity on my part. Lifting my heart to God, who always gives wisdom in time of need, I went forward to him, and holding out a tract, said, "Will you take this?"

At once a glad smile passed over his disfigured face, as he held out what was left of his poor hand, and See Page 19



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The Lord for the Body

Dr. Lilian B. Yeomans at Central Bible Institute

THERE is a tremendous responsibility resting upon each one of us because we have the light on Healing for the Body, and Christendom, so-called, is largely in Egyptian darkness on the subject. Some are reaching out their hands to those who have the light. So let us carry them the light.

Jesus promised that the Comforter, the Holy Ghost, would take the things of His and reveal them unto us. How raptured we are as He unveils these things! How happy we are as He reveals the glories of the Altogether Lovely! Ah, let us rejoice, let us be like children, so happy and glad. Let us take the Bible, book by book, and in each book in the Bible seek to ascertain its teaching concerning the Lord for our bodies, because it is there. Everywhere you will find the Lord Jesus Christ held forth as the Healer Divine, either directly or indirectly.

I should like to spend several weeks running through the Bible, and after I had done that take my microscope and study the general teaching of each of the books on this great subject of the Lord for our bodies and the Lord's will concerning our bodies.

When God gave you your body He entrusted you with a great treasure, the most wonderful thing in the material universe. Oh, how marvelous is the human body. Even though the image of God in it has been tarnished, you can still see it in the bones and tendons and muscles and nerves, in their mysterious operations which enable us to live such full lives.

At eighteen years of age I was a medical student. But I was unconverted. Of course I went to a fashionable church once in a while, but as for my Bible I did not know I had one. I had a prayer book sometimes and I knew there was a cross on the outside of it, but that was as far as I had gone in the matter. The cross was very much on the outside.

I remember the first time I saw a human brain. There is not anything so beautiful anywhere as the human brain. When I saw those exquisite, complex convolutions and realized that through those convolutions we do our thinking, I was scared. And it took a good deal to scare me. I tell you, I was scared. I said, "Oh, my, I'm scared to death!"

God has entrusted us with something very precious. I am talking about our bodies now. We have no conception of their value. They are so precious that God is going to raise them from the dead. They are so precious that the Holy Ghost is occupying them as His temple. They are so precious that they are members of Christ. Think of it. Think of the glories of the resurrection when this body shall be changed. Not a different body, but this body shall be changed and made like unto His glorious body. Glory to God!

So we owe it to God and owe it to those to whom we are going to minister, to know the Word of God on Divine Healing. The study of it is so important that it may mean life or death to you personally, and it may mean life or death to those to whom you are to minister. We are to choose life, the Bible says. That means physical life as well as spiritual life. It

is provided for us. It is in the Bible, in the promises of God, and as we stand on these promises God will deliver us from death. I will give you a scripture. When the enemy comes and says, "Now is your time," you say, "I plead the Blood, the Blood, the Blood! For the Word of God says, 'With long life will I satisfy him.' I am not satisfied, with anything less than a long life of service for Christ, and as I meet the conditions, He will fulfill His Word."

Now for a moment I am going to tell you about a student of mine who went to Africa. She was a very devoted, faithful student of the Word of God, studying the Scripture on



Above:—Showing two of our large paper cutters
Below:—Another view of our mailing department.

healing very zealously. She had to go from one station to another, and she was in a very wild place. She had to be carried through that awful jungle. She became ill and she said she knew she was dying. Of course, she looked to God. She said, "Lay Mama down, boys." She had a lot of black boys with her. "The Lord is going to take mama home." And so the boys laid her down.

She said, "Pray one for another." She did not think to ask them to pray for her. She expected to be escorted to heaven by the angels. She had forgotten those boys. When she awoke, far from being surrounded by glistening white, she was surrounded by a solid wall of black. They were all around her to keep the evil powers out, and how they prayed. They just tore the heavens down, the way they prayed. And their simple faith, hallelujah, brought Mama back. And Mama is still there, and going to stay.

She had not only taught them about Jesus their Saviour, but she had taught them that He forgiveth all our sins and healeth all our

diseases, so they prayed in the name of Jesus and she was healed.

Oh, it is all important to study the Word, and then teach the Word. Hallelujah! Man is material as well as spiritual. God made provision both for the material and the spiritual, and the only cure I know is within the covers of my Bible.

You talk about rest cures. Christ said, "Come unto me . . . and I will give you rest." It is the best rest cure I have ever seen. Only Jesus can give you rest. Some people say they believe in electric treatments. Well, this is an electric cure. It says in Job 37:3, "He directeth his lightning unto the ends of the earth," and I know of no electric treatment I would rather have than to have the Lord treat me. "He directeth his lightning." Some people say, "Well, my grandfather died of—a certain disease." Well, I don't care what my grandfather died of, it does not say I will die of it. Jesus heals all kinds of sicknesses.

Now I am going to go on and give a story from Luke's Gospel. "And it came to pass, as He went to Jerusalem, that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered into a certain village, there met Him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: and they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when He saw them, He said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And He said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole."

Now there is a sense in which in many respects all the healings in our Lord's ministry are alike, and yet each one has its own peculiar special characteristics, making it unlike the others. Now this healing is entirely different from the other healings recorded in the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ, in that it is a group healing. We remember in the 8th chapter of Matthew the healing of the multitude. And in Mark 8:22-26 we read of the healing of the blind man, a healing gradual in its manifestation. Don't let anybody tell you there is no such thing as a healing gradual in its manifestation. "And He (Jesus) cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto Him, and besought Him to touch him, and He took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when He had spit on his eyes, and put His hands upon him, He asked him if he saw ought."

Jesus seemed to want to be alone with this man before He healed him. And then He spit on his eyes, and put His hands upon him. "And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking." He had a distorted image. The only way he could tell a man from a tree was that the man was walking and the tree was not. It was a healing gradual in its manifestation. That is only one instance.

I could give you others, though, as a matter of fact, in most cases the healing manifestation was instantaneous. But not always. In the case of the healing of the nobleman's son, it says that he "began to amend." That shows us that we should not be discouraged if we are not healed immediately. In this present-day gracious outpour-



The Editorial Department at work

Top, Left. J. Bashford Bishop, who writes the weekly Sunday School Lesson in the *Pentecostal Evangel*, together with the editor.

Second. Dorothy Morris and Zella Lindsey, editorial workers, doing research work in our library.

Below. Two well-known writers for our Sunday School papers, E. Blanche Koon and "Cousin Clara" Brooks.

Top, Right. Myer Pearlman, who is responsible for our *Adult Sunday School Quarterly* and *Adult Teachers' Quarterly*, consulting Chas. E. Robinson, who writes for many of our papers.

Second. Adele Flower, filing some of the thousands of cuts that appear in our fourteen publications.

Below. Charles Ramsay, our artist, whose Scripture cartoons appear in each *Evangel*.

ing of the Holy Spirit in healing power, there are gradual healings which lead to perfect restoration.

But let us go back to our group healing. There were ten in the group, and there is something very significant about the number ten in the Bible. It is the number of trial and testing. You remember in Daniel, the children of Judah were in captivity, and Daniel asked that they might be allowed to go on a restricted diet for ten days. And in the book of Revelation, speaking to the church in Smyrna, the martyr church, they were told that they should have tribulation ten days. It seems to be the number of trial.

Now we notice that these men all had leprosy. It is absolutely certain that they were all alike in having leprosy, but no doubt the cases were different. Doubtless some were incipient, others more advanced, and some maybe even at the ghastly stage when near death. These men were all different physically and in every other way, but they had all reached that point where in their

desperation they were willing to come to the Lord Jesus Christ. They said, "If we stay here, we shall die; and if we go we cannot do any worse than die. If the rabbi catches us we shall be punished, for we are not allowed to mingle with any other human beings." So they reached out after Jesus. But they stood afar off. Why? Because it was the law.

These poor fellows were standing afar off and crying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." I imagine somebody had said to them, "That man over there can heal you, if you just go and ask him." I believe they must have made certain before they organized this expedition. "And when He saw them, He said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests."

Now that was the last thing they wanted to do, to go and show themselves to the priests. They would rather hide. They were not allowed to go and show themselves to the priests until they had been cleansed, and then the priests would

give them a clean bill of health, if their condition justified. What kind of faith do you think it took for these men to start to go and show themselves to the priests? It took real faith. And "as they went, they were cleansed."

If they had stayed where they were, they would not have been cleansed. I had an experience like that when I was in the government service in Canada. Besides working in a government office I was holding some fourteen meetings a week. I had been working very hard and felt I was about to have a breakdown. Well, I thought to myself, it is a good thing that I am in the government service. I can get six months' vacation, or even longer, with full pay. I thought, I will put in an application, and if the doctor decides I really need a rest, I can stay away a year if I want to. I might even go to Europe.

It is always best to talk to the Lord before taking an important step, and so I thought I

would talk to the Lord about it. I asked Him for a scripture. Can you guess what He gave me? The 17th chapter of Luke, about the ten lepers. And what clause do you think He emphasized? "As they went"—it was not on a vacation, it was going on, doing their duty—"as they went, they were cleansed." These lepers all exercised faith to the extent that they went to present themselves to the priests.

"And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?"

My, what a question! It just goes through and through my heart. Where are the thousands of people who have been healed within the last twenty-five years? Are they all with loud voice giving glory to Christ? There have been thousands healed, some of real organic trouble and diseases of the vital organs. I can enumerate offhand cases that no human power could touch. A very prominent doctor in California—he is a Christian, but I don't think he has the Baptism—told me he had gone to a number of meetings where the sick were being prayed for, and he said he had taken an advantageous place of observation—it was accorded to him as he was a doctor—and he said, "I have seen my own patients that I have been unable to help by any method of treatment known at present, marvelously improved and healed by the power that came on them."

He was so certain about it that he went to the California State Medical Association and told them, and the doctors had him on the carpet. But he stood his grounds and told them if people were not healed that way now they ought to be, because it is in the Bible. He said they ought to be; it is right that they should be, for God has not changed, He has not made any amendments to Scripture. It is for every one. Hallelujah! It is not going to be altered, no matter what people believe.

He said that some men who knew something about the Bible tried to question him about Divine Healing, and he stated that he could not answer offhand. You have to know. I advise you to know your Bible.

I will tell you about an experience I had. I was in a very fine assembly, the pastor was an intelligent man, quite intellectual as well as spiritual, and he said to me, "I tell you what we could do to have a glorious campaign." I said, "Let us hear it." He said, "You know, there has been a good deal of interest aroused lately on the subject of Divine Healing in this particular locality, and"—he said—"if you will just let me announce that you will answer any and every question that anybody cares to present to you on that subject, at a meeting date to be announced, I believe we would have just a bumper house."

I was going to say, "I cannot." He said, "Will you do it?" A little voice said, "Say yes"—and I knew that voice. And I said "Yes." I tell you, I was scared. But I said "Yes." And so he went away and arranged the meeting. Then I talked to the Lord. I said, "Now, Lord, You know I cannot answer any and every question that might be propounded to me. Why did You make me say Yes?" He said, "You will not have to answer." I said, "I will not have to answer? who will?"

And do you know what happened? He showed me how to answer, and I am going to show you how to answer. I want you all to prepare yourselves to answer questions in that way. Now this is the way. When a question is asked on the subject of Divine Healing, there is an answer for it in the Word. If possible do not quote the scripture from memory, read it or have it read. If it is possible, make them answer the questions themselves. When some one asks a question, refer him to a certain scripture and then say, "Will you be so kind as to read the answer?" If he has a Bible, he will be glad to do so. Now take a question like this, for instance:

"Doesn't everybody have to be sick once anyway, because it is appointed to men once to die?" When they ask that question, it is a very delicate subject. It is a subject for a doctor rather than for a minister, it needs wisdom. Have them read the Word on this. Just tell them, "Now will you be so kind as to turn to Deut. 34:7?" They read, "And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." You say, "His strength was in nowise diminished when he died. The question is answered, you see. Thank you very much." You have to know about Divine Healing, of course. But study it, and you can get scriptures that will cover all the questions they will ask you.

Your Sixteen-Year-Old

Students of sixteen years old may now enter Central Bible Institute. Many parents are anxious to have their children take Bible Training as soon as they have finished High School. This provision is now made at C. B. I.

Formerly it was the policy of the School to encourage only students of not less than nineteen years, although exceptions were made from time to time when those younger showed special fitness for grasping the importance of the subjects provided at this Institution.

Recognizing the need among our younger youth, yet believing it to their advantage to be a little older before they take the heavier studies, it has been decided to create a preparatory department where special subjects, more fitting for their years, may be taken for one school year by consecrated young people before they assume the task of the regular courses. This preparatory course affords many advantages.

1. These younger students will be able to enjoy the wonderful spiritual blessings showered upon the student body.

2. They will be laying the proper foundation for obtaining the greatest benefit in the succeeding years of study.

3. Since the subjects studied will be part of the great variety of studies offered in the regular courses of Central Bible Institute this extra year will be making room for many desirable courses which they would otherwise be denied.

4. The Godly atmosphere of the Institution will greatly assist them in ascertaining what may be God's will for their future lives. This will prove of inestimable value in arranging their further courses of study.

5. The unexcelled fellowship of a large family of consecrated young people will help to mould their character for God and give them the highest cultural ideals.

6. This preparatory year will provide the management the opportunity to judge the fitness of young people enrolled to continue in the advanced studies of the regular courses leading to graduation.

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The next school year begins September 29. Those wishing to take advantage of this provision should write at once to

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GOOD NEWS

"Not of Works"

A man of considerable prominence not only industrially but politically and economically as well, has gone on to make his report to Him whose piercing gaze searches out every secret thing. This man was greatly praised for his benevolence. He gave away to worthy individuals and to institutions devoted to some form of helpfulness sums whose vast total runs far into the millions—some estimate his gifts at seven hundred million dollars.

Can you picture such a man, depending solely on his good deeds, presenting himself before the Judge at the gate of paradise? He says:

"I have been a man greatly noted for generosity. I have given to the poor, to churches, to hospitals, to asylums, and to many other benevolent enterprises sums so large that they total seven hundred and fifty million dollars. I suppose of course that record entitles me to an abundant entrance here?"

"How did you get your money that you gave away?" the Judge inquires.

"By making hard liquor. I was a distiller. I made good whiskey and conducted my business so uprightly and with such business honesty that I ranked very high among industrialists."

"A distiller!" the Judge exclaims sternly, "and yet you expect the gate of paradise to open to you? Have you entirely overlooked my words, 'Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink?'"

Wholly unused to experiencing any difficulty in gaining admittance anywhere, the rich man is jarred into speechlessness.

"But passing that for a moment," the Judge continues, and the rich man can see no softening of the frown on the Judge's face, "do you come here as a child of the devil who has done a lot of good, or as a child of God? You were born into the world a child of the devil, and if you are now a child of God it is because you have been born again. Is your reliance on the blood I shed for you that you might be redeemed? Have you applied it to your guilty soul through repentance and faith; or do you depend on the good you have done?"

"I certainly thought seven hundred and fifty million dollars given away to do good would cause this gate to swing wide."

"Not so. All who enter here must have on a robe of righteousness. All the acts of your own righteousness are no more acceptable here as a robe of righteousness than the filthiest rags."

Turning His face away from the rich man, now cringing and begging before Him, the Judge commands, "Take him away, Satan."

The pride of the natural man often makes him unwilling to receive anything he cannot pay for. He calls this self-respect. So he passes by with disdain the offer of free salvation through faith in Jesus, and sets about meriting salvation by good works. He gives money to the church and to the poor, he prays many long prayers, he lives very carefully and painstakingly keeping the law of both God and man, he unites with the church, he is baptized and takes the communion of the Lord's Supper, and when people ask him whether he is saved he replies with smug self-satisfaction, "I am a member of the — church."

Can it be that any reader is so foolish as to think he can live in such a way that he will be admitted into paradise because he did so many good deeds and so few bad ones? It is not true. Though a man gain the whole world, what shall it profit him? To pay it all in exchange for his soul would not entitle him to enter paradise. On the contrary, after paying ever so great a price he would find himself like the rich man of the sixteenth of Luke, lifting up his eyes in hell.

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Acts 16:31.—C. E. R.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Jehoshaphat's Great Victory

Lesson for September 17. Lesson Text: 2 Chronicles 20

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the tearing down of strongholds." And how Jehoshaphat, King of Judah, wielded those weapons! When his country was threatened with invasion by the combined forces of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, he resorted to prayer. When his army went forth to battle, they employed the weapon of praise! Without their lifting a sword the enemy was defeated, spoils were gathered, and surrounding nations were impressed by the demonstration of the power of God among them!

The Opportunity for victory. 2 Chron. 20:1-2. "There cometh a great multitude against thee." What? This an opportunity for victory? Yes, that is what Jehoshaphat considered it! Do we realize that every trial, every adverse circumstance is allowed to come upon us not for the purpose of discouraging us, or subjecting us to needless suffering, but to bring us spiritual enlargement and blessing? Joseph was tried for twelve years, but it was all a preparation for his exaltation. Job was bereft of all he had but his wife, but God blessed his latter end more than his beginning! Are you facing adversity, testing, and fiery trial? Think it not strange! Your loving Father is preparing you for great things!

The prayer of victory. 2 Chron. 20:3-12. What was Jehoshaphat's attitude in adversity? Did he become depressed, rebellious, apathetic? Ah no! He went to God and prayed, not for victory, for he had victory; Listen to Him!

"We have no might against this great company." God must often use drastic means to bring people to the realization of their own impotence. Jehoshaphat was helpless and he knew it. And it was something worth knowing! The individual who once and for all has been convinced of his own helplessness is in line for great things from God and great service for God!

"Neither know we what to do." That was a happy admission Jehoshaphat made! He was not foolish enough to try to extricate himself by his own power from his trying circumstances. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding," saith the Scriptures (Prov. 3:5), and Jehoshaphat obeyed this admonition. Adverse circumstances come to us all, and we don't know what to do. But that is all right, for there is one thing we do know, and that is that He knows! He will work all things together for good!

"But our eyes are upon thee." And that means everything! Jehoshaphat was weak and he knew it; he lacked knowledge and he knew it. But that made no difference, for he had his eyes fixed trustfully upon One who had all power and knew all things! Are you faced with great difficulties? Look not at yourself! Look not at your weakness! Look at Him! And like Peter, you will walk on top of the sea!

The promise of victory. 2 Chron. 20:13-17. "Then upon Jahaziel . . . came the Spirit of the Lord in the midst of the congregation; and he said . . . Be not afraid . . . for the battle is not yours but God's . . . stand ye still and see the salvation of the Lord." How quickly God responded to the prayer of faith! And what an encouraging promise! Thank God, it applies to us today!

Are you faced with a battle? Are you being fought against, your name slandered? Are you being falsely accused and mistreated? Don't fight back! Follow the example of your Lord "who when He was reviled reviled not again; when He suffered He threatened not; but committed (his cause) to Him that judgeth righteously." If you commit your battles and troubles to God, they become His responsibility. And if God fights your battles you cannot lose! "If God be for us who can be against us?" Rom. 8:31.

The praise of victory. 2 Chron. 20:20, 21. God had spoken by His Spirit, assuring them that victory was theirs. That was enough for Jehoshaphat! The next morning he led forth his army. Were they armed with machine guns and cannons? No! They went forth singing a song of victory that was already theirs through God! How are we facing the battles of life? the oppo-



sition we face seems impossible to overcome! But what saith God's Word? "In all these things we are (not, we shall be) more than conquerors through Him that loved us!" Rom. 8:37. We do not have to go forth struggling for a position of victory! The victory is already ours—won nineteen hundred years ago by the Son of God on Calvary when He laid down His life, crying, "It is finished," and rose again triumphant over all principalities and powers, putting them to open shame! Eph. 1:17-21; Col. 1:15. And we go forth to battle working from that position!

The manifestation of victory. 2 Chron. 20:22-28. "And when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir . . . and they were smitten." And while Jehoshaphat and his army stood by singing, their enemies destroyed one another! How did this come about? We do not know! But who can explain the supernatural interventions of God! When the battle was ended, did Jehoshaphat's army leave the field, many of them dead or wounded? Oh no! They left the scene unscathed by the enemy, carrying spoils of war which they were three days in gathering, so great was its quantity. So it is with

us. We do not come through our battles, barely escaping with our lives. That may be true of mere conquerors. But we come forth untouched, enriched, carrying spoils, "for we are more than conquerors!"

The effect of the victory. 2 Chron. 20:29. "And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of those countries, when they had heard that the Lord fought against the enemies of Israel." What a profound impression such a miraculous occasion made on surrounding nations! And this was as God intended it to be. Why does God lead His church through trials, tests, and battles that are terrific? Eph. 3:9, 10 answers the question! God's purpose is that through His own, He might demonstrate to the world and to Satan and all his hosts, His eternal power and glory! Beloved, may we simply let Him have His way!—J. Bashford Bishop.

A TESTIMONY

There came a time when the Holy Spirit showed me how badly I was treating this mighty revelation of God—how I was stunting my own soul by a haphazard method of study. So I was led to the reading of the Bible from beginning to end. At first I confess it was hard work. There were parts which seemed as dry as dust. But I went through them as one goes through desert regions, thinking only of the green fields that lay beyond. But presently an astonishing thing happened. I discovered little by little that those regions had diamonds scattered about and I began a hunt which has continued to this day. A hundred and thirty-two times I've travelled through from Genesis to Revelation and never a journey that has not yielded fresh treasure to my astonished eyes. Like those diamond mines yonder at Kimberley, but infinitely more so, the Book of God is exhaustless in its riches. The deeper we go the richer the deposit, and it only waits the patient appropriation of faith.—W. R. Hotchkiss.

THE WORLD

"Demas forsook me, having loved this present world." 2 Tim. 4:10. The old oriental story of Sinbad's voyage tells of a magnetic rock that rose, silently, out of a placid and glassy sea. All unconsciously, the ship was sucked towards it. Silently the bolts slipped from the ship's sides one by one: until, all the bolts and clamps withdrawn, the whole structure collapsed, and the sailors woke to their drowning agonies. So stands, among us all, the magnetic rock of worldly enchantment. The suction is silent, subtle, slow, but, under its spell, bolt after bolt of holy resolution, clamp after clamp of godly habit, is drawn; and the whole structure of a radiant discipleship dissolves in tears and shame.

SUCH A GLAD SURPRISE

(Continued from Page Fifteen)

said, "That I will, I have so often wished to see you again." "Indeed," I said, "but I don't remember having met you before."

"No, I expect not," he said. "When you last saw my face, and indeed my whole body, was covered with cloths. But you remember coming to the Emergency Hospital at the time of the great explosion? Then it was I saw you, and being afraid I could not recover, and dreading to die, I believed what you told me about the Saviour, and I trusted Him, and He saved me. I got well after many months, and now I am so glad to see you and to tell you what the Lord has done for me."

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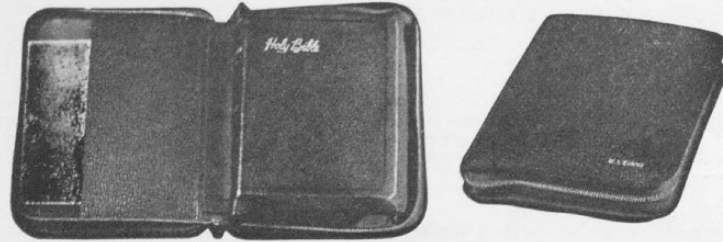
His prayer is for the restoration of Israel; but we, with the larger revelation of the New Testament in our hands, look forward to something greater—the restoration of all things which God has spoken by all the prophets since the world began. Acts 3:21. The restoration of all the years the locust, the cankerworm, the caterpillar, and the palmerworm have eaten, when the promise of God will be fulfilled physically as well as spiritually: "Ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you." Joel 2:25, 26.

Let us seek to go beyond the letter of Scripture and catch the very spirit of it. Let us catch the vision of our High Priest, a greater than Daniel, as He ever lives to make intercession. He would have us watch and pray with Him in this last dark hour that precedes the glorious dawn.

Daniel prayed, "O my God, incline Thine ear, and hear; open Thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by Thy

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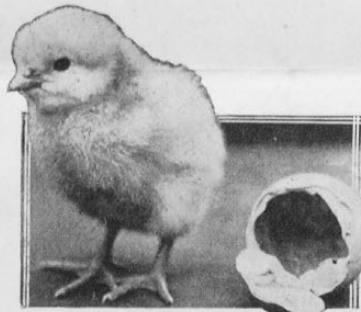
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name: for we do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses, but for Thy great mercies. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for Thine

own sake, O my God: for Thy city and Thy people are called by Thy name." Dan. 9:18, 19.

Let us catch the spirit of this prayer and unite with our High Priest on high for the restoration of all things. The Septuagint name for Eden is "the Garden of Delight." Our heavenly Elijah, who will restore all things, will make the whole earth a Garden of Delight. Let our constant cry be, "O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for Thine own sake, O my God."—S. H. F.

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THE COST OF ANTI-SEMITISM

Not only does anti-Semitism bring the wrath of God upon the Jew-hater, but Dr. John S. Conning, writing in *Our Jewish Neighbors Press Service*, points out that it is expensive in dollars and cents. In Germany many business concerns were seized from the Jews, but over eighty per cent of these have, through lack of ability or mismanagement, floundered along for a time and then collapsed. A similar fate has befallen thousands of the medical and other professional practices that were turned over to pure Aryans. Furthermore Dr. Conning says, "In the very places where there has been the most deliberate pauperization of the Jews, there is seen the greatest misery among the people," and he cites the city of Vienna as an example.

So the law that God passed centuries ago against anti-Semitism is still enforced. God said concerning Abraham and his Israelitish descendants, "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee." Gen. 12:3.

THE HIGH COST OF PEACE

It has cost six nations more than sixteen billion dollars to keep peace during the twelve months of 1938, states a writer in the *Standard Bearer*. The year's armament bills were as follows: Russia, five billions; Germany, four billions; Great Britain, two billions, Japan, \$1,750,000,000; America, \$1,700,000,000; France, \$1,100,000,000. Compare with this the fact that the total foreign trade for these six nations amounted to less than eighteen billion dollars for the year.

DECLINE IN BAPTIST MISSIONS

Says *Herald of Holiness*: "Dr. W. B. Riley quotes from the Baptist Year Book of 1924 to show that denominational appropriations for foreign missions have in fourteen years dropped from \$1,873,306.41 to \$764,775.09, or a loss of \$1,100,000.00." This and corresponding reports from many other denominations proved that spirituality is the dynamic of missions.

A WAR-BENT NATION

Winston Churchill estimates that Germany's present rate of spending on arms amounts to nearly 26 per cent of her entire national income.

REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

SPARKS, OKLA.—For 2½ weeks we were privileged to have Evangelist and Mrs. T. D. Crabb, of Washington, for an outdoor meeting. Large crowds attended these services. People of the town and country round about, as well as those of the church, were stirred by Brother Crabb's messages. Two men were reclaimed, and 5 followed the Lord in water baptism.—Opal Selp, Pastor.

CORRY, PA.—An intended two weeks' revival extended to four weeks as the Word went forth here in power under the precious anointing of the Holy Spirit. The services were conducted by Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Frank, Evangelists. Crowds increased from night to night. Six were saved, several reclaimed, 4 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 8 refilled with the Holy Spirit. Several miraculous healings encouraged the saints to press on to the fullness which God has for us. Since this revival our church is spiritually moving forward.—Edna Roush, Church Secretary.

MARQUEZ, TEXAS—I took over the work here the first Sunday in June. God began to bless with good crowds, people began to show extra interest, and the work is growing. In July we began a revival; the first week Brother Pate of Palestine was in charge and the last week R. L. Rhodes of Flynn conducted the services. Several were saved, and one sister prayed through to the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Some were saved after the meeting closed. We have all parts of the work in order, have organized a C. A. class, a W. M. C., and also a Booster band. We are looking to the Lord to do great things for us.—Maud Anderson, Pastor.

TRINITY, TEXAS—The Willie Wiggins Evangelistic Party conducted a revival at Pegodia, Texas, with great success. A little over 30 were filled with the Spirit, quite a number were saved or reclaimed, and 18 were baptized in water. Sister Wiggins worked in harmony with the assembly at Trinity, and 27 put their names on the roster of the Trinity assembly, after an all-day meeting, baptizing, and time of fellowship, July 9, which closed the 2 weeks' revival. Friday night of each week divine healing services were held. Many were healed and the whole country was benefited by this revival. Whole families were saved and filled. We are now in a revival here in Trinity with the Burdine Evangelistic Party and God is blessing.—Tollie Perry, Pastor.

LONGMONT, COLO.—July 30 we closed a successful 3 weeks' revival, in which a number sought the Lord for salvation. Roy "Frosty" Foster was the evangelist, and the church appreciates very much the interest and co-operation he gave in the meeting. A most remarkable service was enjoyed the closing Sunday morning when the presence of the Lord was felt so sweetly that during the song service a lady, who had never been saved, made her way to the altar; another came, and another, and still another, until 4 had gloriously prayed through, without even a chance for the sermon. We are thanking God for the many souls saved in the past months, and for His presence which abides after the evangelists are gone.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

McALESTER, OKLA.—Evangelist Martin Luther Davidson came to us last February, and in less than 3 weeks, 23 or more found the Lord and several received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Due to public sentiment, after an outbreak of smallpox in the community, we deemed it wise to close the meeting, so we invited Brother Davidson to return in July. We have just concluded a 4 weeks' tent meeting which proved to be very successful. Great interest was shown and good crowds attended every night. It was estimated by several that the last Sunday night's crowd was well over 1,000. Members from all churches co-operated and business men expressed approval of the meeting. The newspaper interviewed Brother Davidson and gave him unusual write-ups. We are praising God for the continued blessings of the Lord.—L. H. Arnold, Pastor.

BAY MINETTE, ALA.—We have enjoyed a very successful meeting with T. C. Anderson, Biloxi, Miss., as the evangelist. Brother Anderson's uncompromising and anointed ministry of the Word proved a great blessing to the church as well as to the unsaved. A goodly number knelt at the altar, repenting and giving their hearts to Jesus. We were glad to witness a mighty out-pouring of the Holy Spirit as believers were filled as on the day of Pentecost.

When we took over this work in May, 1939, the Sunday School attendance was from 6 to 12. During this revival the attendance increased to 75. Thirteen united with the church. The revival fire is still burning and we are greatly encouraged to believe God for greater and mightier things from Him in this place. All Council brethren passing this way are invited to stop.—Pauline Huguen, Pastor.

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND COUNCIL

Looking back on the ten glorious days we were privileged to spend at the Camp Meeting and Council of the Appalachian District, which convened July 20-30, at Richlands, Va., we can truly say it was the most successful camp we have had in a great many years.

Evangelists Edna Koonce and Pansy Sample, of St. Louis, were the night speakers. Their inspiring messages persuaded many to turn from sin unto righteousness. The altar was so filled from night to night with those seeking God that it was impossible to keep an account of those filled with the Spirit and those receiving salvation. Some nights, after the altar was filled, numbers knelt in the aisles and prayed through to a real experience with God. The night crowds averaged 2,500 and several nights the crowd was estimated at over 3,000.

The Bible teachers were James Earls and W. E. Lindsey. Their teaching was truly a blessing to all, and indeed refreshing.

In all the services there was a marked presence of the Lord. Sometimes the glory of the Lord came down in such floods that our hearts were melted. At other times we seemed to be lifted to the highest height.

At the close of the meeting pledges were taken for the purpose of building a church at Richlands; \$300 was received and plans are now under way for the new church.

The District Council convened the last three days of the camp. A sweet spirit of love and unity prevailed. Every one was encouraged at the progress made this past year in unevangelized territory. Several new churches have developed as the result of the District tent work.

M. B. Hampton, of West Graham, was re-elected Superintendent; S. W. Sublette was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer.—A. H. Morrison, Camp Chairman.

COMING MEETINGS

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

GENERAL COUNCIL, Springfield, Mo., Sept. 7-14.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—3100 East 31st; meeting in progress; George Hayes, Evangelist.—A. A. Wilson, Pastor.

LOVINGTON, N. MEX.—Sept. 20—Morris Malone, Wewoka, Okla., Evangelist.—Mrs. Ortha Jones, Pastor.

ELMER, MO.—Sept. 17—Glen Kelly, of Birch Tree, Evangelist.—V. Lenzy Hertzweg, Pastor.

BEATRICE, NEBR.—8th and Elk St., Sept. 17—Evangelist and Mrs. Ernest Shores.—Don W. Throne, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—1746 Mississippi Ave., Sept. 17—Hildreth Ethridge, Evangelist.—F. E. Heady, Pastor.

THAYER, MO.—Sept. 17—Oct. 1, or longer; Mayme E. Williams, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist.—E. D. Cockman, Pastor.

ABILENE, TEXAS—Full Gospel Assembly, Sept. 17—Oct. 1; Jack and Esther Martz, Reading, Pa., Singing Evangelists.—Jeff Gibbs, Pastor, 1018 Cypress St.

KENNETT, MO.—Assembly of God, Sept. 17—Smith and Rogers, Evangelists.—E. L. Hance, Pastor.

JOPLIN, MO.—1508 Virginia Ave.; Sept. 17, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild.—S. K. Biffle, Pastor.

BAZINE, KANSAS—Sept. 19—Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—O. L. Faupel, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—538 N. Laverne Ave. Sept. 17—Anna B. Lock, of Galva, Evangelist.—K. Aaron Auten, Pastor.

FLAT RIVER, MO.—Sept. 17—James D. Cockman, Evangelist.—Powhattan Huffman, Pastor.

KENOSHA, WIS.—25th and Roosevelt Road, Sept. 8-24; J. Vernon Cardiff, Mountain Park Lake, Md., Speaker.—R. S. Peterson, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. DAK.—Meeting in progress; Barfoot Brothers, Ontario, Canada, Evangelists. H. C. Meyers is pastor.—By Evangelists.

FORT MADISON, IOWA—1212 30th St., Sept. 15—Oct. 1; Evangelist and Mrs. R. S. Peterson, Kenosha, Wis.—W. E. Longdin, Pastor.

WAUSAU, WIS.—"Deeper Life" Meetings, Sept. 5-17; J. Milton Tucker, of Oshkosh, Speaker. Stafford Anderson is pastor.—J. Milton Tucker.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Almira and Grant Sts., Sept. 17—Oct. 8; Roland and Mary Hummel, Philadelphia, Pa., Evangelists.—Richard Prue, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—First Assembly of God; meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. L. H. Sheets, Sterling, Colo.—J. A. Rogers, Pastor.

IRVINGTON, N. J.—Pentecostal Assembly, Sept. 10—Oct. 1; C. M. Shaffer, York, Pa., Evangelist.—Joe. R. Potter, Pastor.

HAMILTON, ONT.—34 West Ave. N., Sept. 17—Wallace G. Ross, 910 Elliott Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist. T. H. Blair is pastor.—By Evangelist.

SHERMAN, TEXAS—304 E. Houston St., Sept. 17—Oct. 1; Martin Luther Davidson, Colorado Springs, Colo., Evangelist.—Leonard Norville, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—N. Capitol and K Sts., Sept. 17—The Gunderson Evangelists, Lakewood, N. J.—Harry V. Schaeffer, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—34th St. and Michigan Ave.; Sept. 17, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. F. Pepper, Bremerton, Wash.—L. R. Sturgis, Pastor.

ELECTRA, TEXAS—Sept. 17, for 2 weeks or longer; Bracy Greer, of Ft. Worth, Evangelist.—Paul V. Chamless, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, N. DAK.—Aug. 27, for 2 weeks or longer; The Johnson Sisters Trio, of Barwick, Ont., Evangelists.—H. Kesler, Pastor.

STOCKTON, CALIF.—Aug. 27—Olga V. Olsson and Rhoda M. Tout, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelists and Musicians. E. O. Robeck is pastor.—By Evangelists.

MANILA, ARK.—Open Air Healing Revival; Sept. 10, for 2 weeks or longer; Clara Classen, Evangelist. E. E. Jones is pastor.—By Evangelist.

LAWRENCE, KANSAS—14th and Rhode Island Sts.; Sept. 17, for 3 weeks or longer; "King's Musical Messengers," London, England, Evangelists.—P. D. Pittman, Pastor.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—Missionary Convention, Illinois District, 26th and State Sts., Sept. 18-19; Adolph Peterson, Pastor. This is a parting meeting with Everett Phillips before he sails to Africa. Fred Vogler will be present. C. M. O'Guin in charge.—C. M. O'Guin, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 512, Rockford, Ill.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT COUNCIL Tennessee District Council will meet at First Assembly of God, 960 S. Third St., Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 26-28. Evangelist J. D. Saunders will be the main speaker and will conduct a revival in conjunction with Council, beginning Sept. 17.—I. A. Smith, District Superintendent, 1405 Aste St., Memphis, Tenn.; by Wm. E. Pickthorn, 900 S. Third St.

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OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL **OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**—The 24th annual session of the Oklahoma District Council will convene at Capitol Hill Tabernacle, 3518 So. Harvey, Sept. 25-27. First service Monday night, Memorial and communion services will be held. Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, will be special speaker. J. B. McDonough, 28 S. E. 29th St., Oklahoma City, Pastor; G. W. Hardcastle, Box 145, Okmulgee, Okla., District Superintendent.—W. S. Bragg, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla., Secretary-Treasurer.

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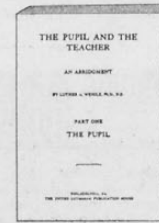
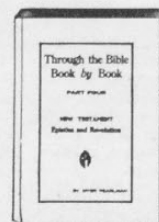
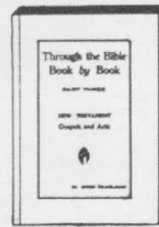
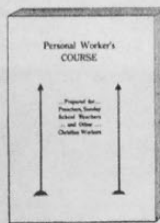
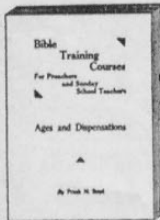
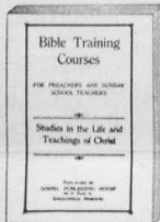
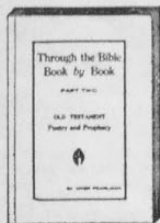
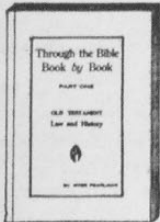
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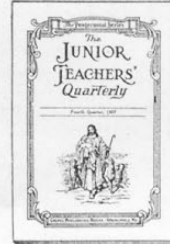
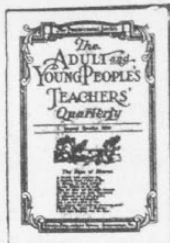
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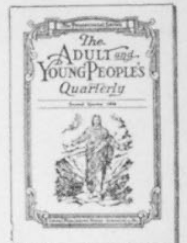
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