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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Giant Sunday School Parades

Nearly 100,000 children and teachers marched in the annual Sunday School parade in Brooklyn, N. Y., and some 50,000 others staged similar parades in Queens and Nassau counties. Three hundred Protestant Sunday Schools were represented. There were hundreds of decorated floats depicting the parade theme, "Christ the Good Shepherd."

No Chapel in the Capitol

There is no space set apart in the national Capitol to which Congressmen and their associates can retire for prayer, and so a bill was introduced in the Senate and House to provide such a chapel. The proposal died for lack of public support, but the sponsors of the bill may revive it next year if there appears to be sufficient interest among the taxpayers.

TV and the Theater

The place television is assuming in American life is indicated by a report that 91 theaters in Chicago, or 25% of the total, went out of business in 1951. Obviously the theater-goer is increasingly finding his fare on the TV screen. The implication for the conscientious Christian has been well stated: "Either TV must be barred from his home, or he and his family must steel themselves for very selective viewing."

Another Priest Won in Spain

We have mentioned various priests in Spain who have been won to Christ by the Spanish Christian Mission. Another recent conversion is that of Dr. Carrillo de Albornoz, General Secretary of the Marian congregations all over the world. A French pastor who recently visited him reported that this brother is full of joy for having received the courage to confess Christ publicly. He has lost honors, position and wealth, but feels that he has far more in having the Lord's approval.

Ambassador to Serve Church

Ambassador Francis B. Sayre, retiring as U. S. representative on the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, is going to Japan in the service of his church. A former assistant secretary of state, Mr. Sayre will be the personal representative of Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherril to Presiding Bishop Michael H. Yashiro of the Episcopal Church in Japan. He believes that Christianity can do far more than the United Nations to solve Japan's problems.

Divorce and Remarriage

God must be greatly grieved over the divorce evil in America. The U. S. census bureau reports that divorces occur at the rate of approximately 500,000 a year. The bureau also estimates that 300,000 of every 500,000 persons who are divorced eventually marry again. The Bible tells what God thinks of the situation. It says: "Take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth. For the Lord, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away." Malachi 2:15, 16.

Anglican View of Divorce

The views of the Church of England on divorce will remain unchanged, no matter what may be the findings of the Royal Commission on Marriage and Divorce, the Archbishop of York said in a diocesan letter. The commission is reviewing British codes and practices for possible revision.

"The Church teaches that marriage is a union, permanent in its nature and lifelong, of one man with one woman, to the exclusion of all others on either side," he said. "This teaching derived from Our Lord Himself. While it is binding on all members of the Church, it should also be the ideal of the nation."

Released-Time Now Spreading

Now that the U. S. Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the released-time plan of religious education, the work is spreading in several states. In New York, sponsors of the Protestant program have set up a study committee. In Indiana, the State Council of Churches has elected a director to guide this work, and a number of communities are adopting the plan. In Illinois, many towns are resuming or initiating the program.

In other states as well, definite plans for released-time programs are being launched where fear and uncertainty regarding the legality of the idea had formerly blocked it. The plan allows public schools to release the pupils for a period each week so that they may go to the church of their choice to receive religious education.

The Gospel on Skid Row

Rescue missions assisted more homeless and friendless people last year than ever before. With 23,000 beds available each night in 229 U. S. and Canadian missions, more than 5,500,000 persons received overnight lodging and more than 10,000,000 meals were served.

Well over 155,000 gospel services were held and there were an estimated 104,000 conversions.

These facts were reported at the annual convention of the International Union of Gospel Missions in Trenton, N. J. by the President, George L. Bolton. The only hope for Skid Row, he said, is renewed evangelism.

Women Turning to Crime

J. Edgar Hoover, Chief of the FBI, reports a "marked increase" of wonten in crime which may indicate "a dangerous weakness in the moral fiber of this nation." He said that arrests of women during 1951 were 11% greater than in 1950. The increase carried over into the first three months of 1952.

Records being compiled by the FBI on a nation-wide basis show that the increase in the number of women arrested is three times greater than the increase in male arrests. The FBI Chief is especially alarmed at the increase in arrests of women charged with driving while intoxicated, and with violation of the narcotic drug laws and liquor laws.

Draft Boards More Liberal Now

A dispatch by Religious News Service seems to indicate that draft boards are becoming more liberal toward ministers, missionaries, and other full-time church workers.

The National Appeals Board of Selective Service at Washington, D. C., decided that laymen who devote their career to "furthering the interest of the church" will in many instances be eligible for 4-D (ministerial) classification in the draft even though they are not ordained clergymen. The action was described by a Selective Service spokesman as "giving a little more liberal interpretation" to the 4-D classification than that which hitherto has prevailed.

The decision was made in the case of an appeal to the President from a layman, Roy E. Holder, who is minister of music and religious education at the McGill Street Baptist Church in Concord, N. C. The draft board at High Point N. C., was directed to give him a 4-D classification.

A Selective Service spokesman said that lay missionaries, both abroad and at home, are being given 4-D status if it is shown that they have adopted the mission field as their life calling.

"Each case, however," he cautioned, "will be considered on its individual merits. We are not attempting to lay down any hard or fast rules in this highly complicated field. We are just trying to be a little more liberal and go on the basis of a man's demonstrated dedication to a religious calling."

Men classified 4-D are not called upon for any military or alternative civilian service.

An Outstanding End-Time Sign

J. Narver Gortner

THAT WE ARE approaching the end of the church age, and that our Lord will soon take His place upon the throne of David that has been vacant ever since Zedekiah was dethroned by the king of Babylon. We all believe; but do we fully realize and thoroughly appreciate the fact that the end of the power of "the prince of this world" is at hand?

Ezekiel was in Babylon at the time Zedekiah was dethroned, and he fore-told the event before it took place. He asserted, as a spokesman of God, that there would be no other king of the Davidic line to sit upon the throne until Christ, the rightful sovereign, should appear to take the reins of government into His own hands. Marvelous words these: "I will overturn, overturn it" (meaning, of course, the throne that at that time was occupied by Zedekiah) "and it shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it him" (Ezek. 21:27).

Many indeed are the signs that indicate that the time is at hand for the setting up of Messiah's kingdom, and attention is frequently called to these signs by our preachers and writers. Perhaps the most outstanding sign is the marvelous outpouring of the Holy Spirit that has been taking place all over the world during the past fifty years. God has undoubtedly sent this "latter rain" in order that He might make ready His redeemed people for translation in the day of the rapture which must precede the setting up of the kingdom here upon earth.

But there is another outstanding sign that is sometimes overlooked. I speak of the appalling increase and prevalence of demon power.

It is quite generally agreed that back of the Communist movement which aspires and threatens to dominate the whole world is the power of the devil operating through the agency of demons who indwell and influence men. Paul asserted in his day that "evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived" (2 Tim. 3:13). And those of us who are familiar with the prophecies of Revelation, and believe them, know that at the middle of the week

—Daniel's seventieth week, a seven-year period that is scheduled to follow the rapture of the saints—the devil will be cast out of heaven, and will come down to earth, having great wrath because he knows that he has but a short time (Rev. 12:7-12).

Undoubtedly the devil knows more about prophecy, and more about the divine plan, than a great many children of God know. He has been watching the progress of events and giving attention to the utterances of the prophets ever since God said to him, after the fall of man had been brought about through his cunning craftiness, "I will create a feud between thee and the woman, and between thy progeny and her son: he shall crush thy head, but thou shalt bruise his heel" (Gen. 3:15, a modern rendering).

We know that when our Lord was here in the flesh, demon power was unusually active. Apparently the devil was trying to prevent the accomplishment of the purpose for which Christ had come into the world. Of course, he utterly failed; nevertheless he did his best, or his worst, to upset God's plan.

I have been reading recently a book that was translated from the German and published in this country about a hundred years ago, Neander's Life of Christ; and in it I found a very interesting reason given as to why demons were so active in the days when our Lord was here in the flesh. Here are Neander's words:

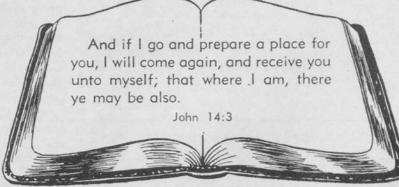
"We may find a reason for the remarkable prevalence of such phenomena at that time, not only among the Jews, but also throughout the Roman Empire, in the character of the age itself. It was an age of spiritual and physical distress,

of manifold and violent disruptions; such as characterize those critical epochs in the history of the world at which, from the dissolution of all existing things, a new creation is about to unfold itself. The sway of demonism was a sign of the approaching dissolution of the old world. Its phenomena—symptoms of the universally-felt discord—were among the signs of the times which pointed to the coming of the Redeemer, who was to change that discord into harmony. The insatiable craving of want is always a precursor of the approaching supply."

And I was intensely interested in a quotation in a footnote from Schelling's Philosophical Inquiries into the Nature of Human Freedom. Here is what Schelling wrote more than a century ago, after having discoursed upon the existing splendor of the civilization of his day: "The time is coming when all this splendor will be dissolved; when the existing body of this fair world will fall to pieces, and chaos will come again. But before the final wreck, the all-pervading powers will assume the nature of evil spirits; the very powers which in the sounder time were the protecting spirits of life, will become, as dissolution draws on, agents of mischief and destruction." Very significant words indeed, coming from a German philosopher such as Schelling, and coming so long ago. But had I been writing what Schelling wrote, instead of saying that "the all-pervading powers will assume the nature of evil spirits," I think I should have written that "the all-pervading powers will be possessed, dominated or controlled by evil spirits." That this condition of affairs is in evidence at the present time, and is becoming more

marked every year, none can

The outstanding proof, outside of the Bible, that there is a personal devil is the existence of Communism and the almost unbelievable progress it has made during the past few years. In the Bible we learn that at the time of the end the Antichrist will get his authority, his power and his throne from the dragon (i.e., the devil). See Rev. 13:2, where we read, "And the



dragon gave him his power, and his throne, and great authority" (the word rendered "seat" in our Authorized Version means throne, and it is so rendered in more modern versions). The Antichrist, at the time of the end, could not possibly succeed, as the Word tells us he will succeed for a considerable period of time, were it not for the fact that he will have the full co-operation of the devil whom God, for judicial reasons, will permit to indwell and operate through him, to the end that the divine purpose may be carried out in pouring judgment on the earth-dwellers and setting the stage for the final wind-up of this present evil age.

And I think it can be safely said that it is quite incredible that Communism could have made such remarkable progress during the past few years, so that at the present time it is menacing and threatening to engulf the entire world, were it not for the fact that the devil is the active agent who is back of it and in it. Our most spiritual observers agree that this is true; and they argue that, since it is true, it is imperative, if we would effectively cope with Communism, that we meet it with a power greater than Satan's power; and that power, of course, must be the power of God, for the power of man apart from God is utterly inadequate in any conflict with the devil and the legions that are marshaled under his leadership.

The devil is making a bid for complete world dominion. He affirmed when our Lord was here in the flesh that the kingdoms of the world were his and that he could give them to whomsoever he would, and he is now trying to demonstrate that his claim was valid. He is aspiring to overthrow every church, to destroy every Christian, and to fill the whole world with atheism, lawlessness, and a disregard and hatred of every moral principle, every lofty aspiration and every primitive virtue. He would, if possible, drag the Almighty from His throne and plunge the whole universe into moral darkness and death. He has launched his attack on humanity, through Communism, to this desired and despicable end.

Sometimes when our Lord cast out evil spirits, the spirit proceeded to tear the bodies of their victims as they came out, doing all the damage and destruction they could possibly do as they took their departure. And so the devil, who is soon to be ejected from this world, and shut up in the bottomless pit, is doing his utmost to bring moral and spiritual ruin to the inhabitants of God's created and redeemed earth—inhabitants who can trace their genealogy back to Adam, who was created in the image of God that "he might glorify God and enjoy Him forever."

But Communism is doomed to fail, as did every effort and agency of the devil to prevent our Lord's first advent, and later to prevent Christianity from gaining a foothold in the world. It will probably grow stronger and become more destructive and devilish as the months come and go; and it may be that even America the land we love so well, will fall under its hellish spell and power.

The Marxist dictators who have seiz-. ed the reins of power in Russia, and in Russia's satellites, are eagerly waiting for the economic system of America, and the other so-called capitalist countries, to collapse, knowing that it is impossible for national debts to continue to pyramid indefinitely and the economy of the nations to remain sound, and the nations solvent; and then Communism purposes to take over. Russia hopes it can be accomplished without the risk of having her cities pulverized by atomic bombs; and it looks as though her waiting time may not be in vain. Our economy, in spite of what some of our leaders have said, must be almost at the breaking point, and the Communist dictators may not have to wait long. The Lord have mercy on us!

But Christ is coming, and He it was who was manifested to destroy the works of the devil. He will most certainly destroy them, for the head of the serpent has been doomed to be crushed ever since the first Messianic promise was made after the fall of man.

Until our Lord shall come to deliver us, not only from Communism but from every evil work, let us do our utmost to warn men to flee from the wrath to come. Let us oppose Communism by the use of spiritual weapons, and let us be like those overcomers described in Revelation—"And they overcame him by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony, and they loved not their lives unto the death" (Rev. 12:11).

"Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shall compass him about." Psalms 32:10.

What Is Salvation?

Wilfred A. Brown

"Salvation is the setting free of the soul from sin and death." So says the dictionary. Others tell us that there are three tenses of salvation: past, in that the believer has been saved from the guilt and penalty of sin; present, in that the believer is being saved from the habit and dominion of sin; and future, in that we shall be brought into entire conformity to Christ in our entire being.

Salvation is not by keeping the Law. Many depend on their good works, such as keeping the various commandments. The Law makes us conscious that we are sinners, but it cannot save us, for the Scriptures plainly tell us, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us" (Titus 3:5). "For by grace are ye saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8, 9).

Salvation is through the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and only so. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). This stumbles many who feel that there are many ways to salvation. Here we must be dogmatic! Jesus is the Door (John 10:1) and the only way to the Father (John 14:6).

Salvation is for everybody. The most famous word on this subject is "whoso-ever." That includes all: rich, poor, learned, ignorant, good or bad. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).

Salvation, if neglected, means God's penalty. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation? (Heb. 2:3). There are many who actively oppose the gospel, but there are many more who though unconverted, actually believe that the gospel is true. Yet they are lost because they have put off receiving Christ into their hearts. This is one of the most tragic mistakes a man can

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ever make. Almost a child of God, and

yet for ever lost!

Salvation is by faith. Just believe a story and be saved. Is it as simple as that? Yes, if it is a faith with all the heart, and if it is accompanied with true repentance. The Philippian jailer in deep conviction cried, "What must I do to be saved?" and Paul replied with the most hopeful words in the world, "Believe on

the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:30-31). "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead; thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:9, 10).

Finally, salvation can only be guaranteed now. This does not mean that God will fail to give the best possible chance to folk to get saved, but it does mean that we should accept the opportunity to trust Christ now. Each man's future is uncertain and thus he should wisely remember that "now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2.)

Brother Steelberg Is With the Lord

With deep 'regret we announce the passing of our beloved General Superintendent, Wesley R. Steelberg, on July 8, 1952.

Brother Steelberg was in Cardiff, Wales, when the Lord took him home. He had just passed his fiftieth birthday. Mrs. Steelberg and their son Wesley were with him. The body will be brought to Springfield, Missouri, where the funeral will be on Wednesday morning, July 16.

For many months Brother Steelberg had been troubled intermittently with a heart affliction. Often he was weak in body as he travelled to various parts of the land for speaking engagements, but he carried on dauntlessly and trusted the Lord for strength from day to day. He was possessed of an unusually strong sense of duty that carried him forward relentlessly. The triple responsibility of his executive work, his field ministry, and his radio preaching made his load so heavy that even the strongest man might have faltered beneath it.

In March he became so seriously ill that he was unable to address the National Sunday School Convention. For several weeks he was confined to his home, while much prayer was made unto God for his recovery. He steadfastly refused to accept medical help, preferring to trust wholly in the Lord as his Physician, and gradually his strength returned. He was able to meet with his executive brethren when they came to his home for consultations, and he carried on his correspondence. He even preached a number of times for the "Revivaltime" broadcast, a work which was very dear to him and which lay very heavily upon his heart.

By the first of May he had recovered his strength sufficiently to encourage him to believe that God had indeed healed him, and he felt it would show a lack of faith if he did not proceed with his plans to sail for Europe. Arrangements had been made for him to speak at a number of radio rallies prior to the World Conference of Pentecostal Churches in London, and he felt duty-bound to keep these engagements and also to serve as the North American representative on the executive committee of the World Conference.

The pressure of making preparations for the voyage greatly weakened Brother Steelberg, and when the time of departure came he was almost exhausted. However, he felt that God would make him a blessing to the people, even in weakness, and so he departed for Europe in the company of his wife and Brother and Sister J. R. Flower.

The first radio rally was at Cardiff, Wales, on Saturday evening, June 8. The strain of preaching proved to be too great for his heart and he had another heart attack that night. Other attacks followed. For a month he lay dangerously ill at Cardiff. His son was called from California to be at his side.

Many people were praying for his recovery, both in Europe and in America, and faith for his deliverance seemed to be mounting. The employees of the Gospel Publishing House and General Council departments fasted and prayed

for Brother Steelberg's healing. But God saw fit to deliver His servant from weakness and pain in a different manner, and we can only trust His infinite love and wisdom and say, "The will of the Lord be done."

Brother Steelberg is survived by his wife, Ruth; one son, Wesley P., pastor in Redwood City, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Lloyd N. Colbaugh, Mrs. David Pearlman, and Marvel, all of Springfield, Mo.; one brother, Philip, of Los Angeles, Calif.; two sisters, Eva Steelberg of North Hollywood, Calif., and Mrs. Douglas Graham; a stepmother, Mrs. Ebba Steelberg of Los Angeles, Calif.; and four grandchildren, Gary and Kenneth Steelberg, and Dwight and Deborah Colbaugh.

Word of Brother Steelberg's death comes just a day before this issue of the Evangel will be plated for the press. All members of the Executive Presbytery are busy on the field so we shall have to wait until a future issue to publish their tributes to our departed leader. Fortunately Brother Williams, who served as General Superintendent for twenty years and upon whose retirement in 1949 Brother Steelberg was

A TRIBUTE TO OUR DEPARTED LEADER

We have lost a beloved General Superintendent, a real man of God with whom it has been my privilege to labor during many years. I can truly say, "We took sweet counsel together and walked unto the house of God in company." We have labored and travelled together and I always found in him qualities which commanded admiration.

In Brother Steelberg's death the General Council has lost a faithful leader, a devoted servant of God, a brother and a friend, tender and compassionate. Even when physical strength was unequal to the demands which his office made upon him, he gladly gave his all, seeking to keep to himself the physical weakness which he suffered. God has seen his fidelity and has now promoted him to the Paradise above.

May God comfort dear Sister Steelberg, who has shared with him both the sacrifices and the blessings of his ministry, and all members of the family; and may the Lord be with all those of the Fellowship for whom our brother gladly gave himself.

-Ernest S. Williams.

elected to that office, is in Springfield at the present time and he has written a brief tribute for this issue.

The General Presbyters will meet in

the very near future to elect one of the Assistant General Superintendents to serve as General Superintendent until the 1953 General Council.

Popularity or Adversity?

Vance Havner

Baruch was a young scribe, promising and ambitious, the amanuensis of Jeremiah. From the prophet he received the evidence of the purchase of the field of Hanameel. Jer. 32:11-16. Then he recorded the prophecies of Jeremiah and read them before the assembled princes in the king's house (chapter 36), after he had first read them publicly to the people from the chamber of Gemariah.

We do not know what Baruch thought the outcome of this might be, but if he had hopes of recognition and promotion they were blasted. After Jehoia-kim destroyed the book he ordered the arrest of both Jeremiah and Baruch, so that, instead of preferment, the young scribe was faced with prison. The Lord hid him, however, and he wrote a new roll with even more threatenings of wrath and vengeance. Later, he was accused of favoring the Chaldeans (43:3) and finally was carried with Jeremiah into Egypt.

The 45th chapter of Jeremiah is a message to Baruch alone. Incidentally, there is comfort here for the individual in troublous times. After the mighty and involved prophecies concerning many nations, how encouraging to find the Lord turning to one solitary, discouraged servant! With all these pages of flaming wrath and vengeance, together with heartbreak and yearning and promise, God is not unmindful of one worried scribe.

Let us enter into Baruch's predicament. He was a young man, starting out in the world. He was gifted with the abilities that might easily lead him to the honors and preferments of his day. He was fearless to declare the truth in public and before princes, and his was the pen of a ready writer. Moreover, he was willing to line up with Jeremiah and be a mouthpiece for God in a decadent generation. Let us give Baruch his due: his kind are not found around every corner.

Nevertheless, there was within him the play of mixed motives. We leave it to the psychiatrist to take him apart and put him back together. The Word informs us indirectly that he sought great things for himself. Had he hoped, as he

set down the divine message, that it would establish himself among the writers of the realm? When he read the roll to the fast-day throngs from Gemariah's balcony, was there the inner ambition to make his own bow to the general public? When he repeated the reading before the princes, was there within him the pride of being noticed and invited into the higher circles? We know how easy it is for red-blooded youth to mix its own dreams with the ministry of the Word, to use the message of God to pave the way for a personal triumph. How often has self used a heavenly mission to satisfy an earthly motive!

And now poor Baruch is in deepest despair. The Lord through Jeremiah states first his condition, then the cause. "Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the Lord hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest." He had identified himself with the prophet of God and now he has brought down the wrath of the powers that be. Instead of promotion, warrants are out for him; he must hide for his life. He had courted the smile of success, had raised his expectations too high in this world, and now he complains that God has added trouble to trouble.

God's answer to the misery of Baruch is threefold. He reminds him that it is a day of judgment: "Behold, that which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land." "Behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh." Ruin is coming upon the nation and now is



no time to be aiming at success and promotion. Then the real cause of all his trouble is revealed: "And seekest thou great things for thyself? Seek them not." When all around you are headed for ruin, when everything is uncertain and perishing, you have no business to be courting the favors of earth. Well does old Matthew Henry put it: "What folly is it then to seek great things for ourselves here, where everything is little and nothing certain!"

Baruch is promised his life: "Thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest." It is no rosy prospect for an aspiring youth, simply existence in a life of adversity. He need never expect to be recognized, to sit among the mighty, to wear the laurels of popularity. For him there is left the reproach of God's minority, to be a friend of lonely old Jeremiah. But it appears that Baruch chose the hard road, for we find him persecuted in chapter 43 and then in Egypt with the prophet. And, after all, it was the way of success, for wherever the Word is read, he is known as the scribe of Jeremiah and his name has been carried to the ends of the earth! It was the way by which, losing life, we find it.

We live, as did Baruch, in perilous times with judgment fast approaching. Every day the clouds of the gathering storm grow darker. These lines are written for any Baruch who may be preaching or teaching the Word with mixed motives.

What does it matter in these last days whether the world notices us or not? What matters it whether you are an "outstanding" figure or just "among those present"? "Seekest thou great things for thyself? Seek them not!"

For all our platitudes on the subject, not many believers really die to self, not many arrive at that utter willingness to be plowed under. Indeed, very often the message of the "victorious life" or the "abundant life" gets perilously near a success-talk with visions of personal triumph rather than that self-denial and fellowship of His sufferings to which our Lord calls us. Baruch easily gets his wires crossed nowadays; he starts out with the truth of overcoming the world, but ends up with a rather warped notion of success not unlike the worldly literature on "triumphant living."

After coming away from a rousing address on mountain-top living, the real test is often very sobering. It runs like this:

Can you see others preferred and not be envious?

Are you willing to talk to small congregations and not chafe because somebody else up the street is packing the aisles?

Can you live on in a humdrum community and let your light shine among rather dull and unappreciative souls while someone with less consecration takes the town by storm?

Have you learned to expect nothing from this world, promise yourself nothing from earth, and therefore not be

disappointed?

Are you wholesome, unsoured, unspoiled amidst a multitude of unroman-

tic things?

Have you learned not to try to force results, but to give the Word and pray and trust the Spirit for effects? Is your expectation only from Him?

Poor Baruch's expectations were from the wrong quarter. Had he been

looking toward the Lord he could not have been disappointed, for God does not fail. Someone has said, "Not wanting a thing is comparable to possessing it." Better than possessing the things of earth is to be independent of them. Besides, it takes away all the strain and fever of seeking great things.

Are you free from any desire to advance self, to put yourself across? Then if someone slights you, if another is exalted over you, it does not matter. Only then are you really fit to be promoted. God lovingly withholds promotion sometimes because we are seeking great things, and promotion in such a state as that would be a catastrophe.-The Harvester.

Caleb, One of the Two

Hermes Broadhead

ONLY TWO MEN of the great host of Israel stayed true to God in the day of provocation. They were Caleb and Joshua, the two spies who dared to stand against the false, faith-destroying report of the other ten. They encouraged the people to go forward and possess the land of Canaan. "We are well able to overcome it," they said, for they had faith in God.

Caleb and Joshua were unsuccessful in their effort, because the hearts of the people were melted with discouragement and defeatism at the pessimistic report of the ten spies; but their faith did not go unrewarded. In fact, these two were the only men of that whole generation who lived to taste the goodness of Canaan forty years later. Joshua was made leader in Israel, and Caleb was given Mount Hebron for his possession.

Notice the tribute paid to Caleb in the sacred Scriptures: "Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel" (Joshua 14: 14). Caleb was a "hundred percent" follower of the Lord. The world needs men like him today: men who will not bow to the majority, or to high pressure; men who will dare to stand alone, if necessary, for the right.

Whether in politics or in the pulpit, the right will ultimately win. Soon or late the truth will be flashed across the screen for everyone to see and judge for himself which was wrong and which was right.

Jesus called His disciples from various occupations and said, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

There is joy in soul winning. There is a thrill at seeing tears of true repentance flow. To have that joy and thrill we must follow the Lord; we must be "hundred percenters" like Caleb, Joshua, and the disciples of Jesus.

The conditions of discipleship are still the same. We must be willing to deny ourselves, and take up our cross daily, and follow Him. God's ways are not our ways, neither are His thoughts our thoughts.

One came to Jesus, saying, "Master, I will follow thee." Jesus answered and said, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the son of man hath not where to lay His head." Little did the disciples realize the many trials they would encounter as they entered the life of Christian service and undertook to carry the gospel of a new covenant to every creature. They encountered hardships. But I'm sure that Peter would not exchange his crown today for the old fishing nets. Neither would Luke trade his eternal inheritance for the old pill bag which he used as a doctor.

The promise is held out to all who will qualify. Jesus said: "There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time . . . and in the world to come eternal life" (Mark 10:-

Lord, make me a "hundred percenter" like Caleb of old, one who is sold out completely—lock, stock and barrel—to wholly follow Thee. COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI

Did You Hear of John Harden?

Nearly every preacher has repeated the story. The fearless Harden had plowed through stormy seas, trip after trip, to rescue the passengers and crew of a vessel sinking just off shore. Finally, only one person remained.

Harden's mother, thinking of her son Will who had gone to sea and never returned, restrained him as he headed toward the sinking craft again. "I've lost one son to the sea. Please, my boy -I can't stand to lose another." But Harden plunged on, and, in a struggle with death itself, saved the one remain-

Safe on shore, Harden had time to take a close look at the man-he had rescued. It was his brother Will!

The story reminds us of our international radio broadcast, REVIVAL-TIME. We are tempted occasionally to sit safely on the shore. "Maybe we'd better curtail the broadcast. It's difficult to raise enough money to expand it. By cutting back, it won't be such a financial struggle."

Then we get a letter like the one from the man in Chicago, who says his brother behind the Iron Curtain is hearing the program. Or it may be a letter from one of our servicemen in the Far East who listens to REVIVALTIME.

There was the soldier in Germany, a son of Christian parents, who heard the broadcast while on duty, and came to the Saviour.

Two college boys recently wrote to tell of their conversion through the broadcast.

You never know who is going to hear the broadcast and be moved to Christ. It could be your lost loved one.

Yes—we read these letters, and it strengthens our determination. That man without Christ is someone's brother, and gospel radio may save him.

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He who cannot forgive others, breaks the bridge over which he himself must

One example is worth a thousand arguments.

Influenced by Stand of Another African

David H. Peck, Belgian Congo

For years Nesunguani of Nedobu, a village of Belgian Congo, had been a witch doctor of the witchcraft *Mbele*. Because of distinction in sorcery she had been given the title "mando" in a special ceremony. Thereafter she was called upon at various times to officiate in the rituals of *Mbele*.

Fifteen years ago Nesunguani and her husband, Nibliangopo, were saved as a result of the stand of a Christian father, Aogama, who lived a number of miles from Nedobu. Nibliangopo wanted to purchase Aogama's daughter to be the wife of his nephew. Aogama refused to let the nephew have his daughter because the young man was not a Christian. Nesunguani and Nibliangopo did not forget the father's stand and when our missionary, Herbert L. Griffin, and national evangelists visited their village some time afterward they surrendered their hearts to the Lord. Aogama has been with the Lord for a number of years.

After the conversion of Nesunguani and Nibliangopo the followers of the *Mbele* order were intent on killing the Christians and stamping out the influence of the gospel among the Bamadjo tribe. A poison was prepared, and satanic prayers offered that the poison might be effective in wiping out the Christians. Some of the concoction was put in the spring that furnished water to the Christian family. Poison was placed in the hut and on the path leading to the hut, but the Christians were protected. Instead of harm coming to them it seemed that the lives of the *Mbele* followers were required of them.



CHRISTIANS OF NEDOBU, BELGIAN CONGO

Above: The growing church of Nedobu, Belgian Congo, with the pastor and Missionary David H. Peck. Fifteen years ago pagan worshipers of the Bamadjo tribe sought to kill the first Christians of the village—a former witch doctor and her husband, Nesunguani and Nibliangopo. The story of the attempt on the lives of the Christians is told in the accompanying article.

Right: Nesunguani and Nibliangopo today with their pastor, who was sent to the village two years ago. With the exception of one former witch doctor who also turned to Christ, all of the members of the *Mbele* group who conspired against the lives of the Christians now are dead.

Two years ago we placed a national evangelist in Nedobu. As a result a number of villagers have been won to Christ. Nesunguani and Nibliangopo remain faithful. A church building has been erected. Not a day passes now that the message of salvation is not carried to some of the people of the area. The children are being taught to read the Word of God.

Religious Liberty in Paraguay

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Giordano, Paraguay

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY seems to be in imminent jeopardy in Paraguay. Catholic forces are hard at work, hammering at Protestant movements, endeavoring to strengthen the Catholic church. In some places the Catholics have used violence against Protestants, even to the point of barbarity. A launch, used by one denomination to take the gospel to out-of-the-way places, was wrecked. Police a short distance away at the time of the destruction paid no attention to distress signals. A pastor of another denomination was beaten and carried through the street upside down. His body was covered with blood from his injuries.

We are glad to report a victory through prayer. The Evangelicals now have a radio broadcast each week. We had had a broadcast for a while, then were denied the time. We banded together, asking God to overrule and He did. The time was restored to us.

Another problem has arisen, and we would ask that you join with us in prayer concerning it. All Evangelical churches are supposed to register, listing pastors and church members. This, of course, would serve to let

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the Catholic forces know just where to find Protestants. Most of the pastors have not conformed to the ruling. Catholic instruction in the public schools is another big issue here.

We are preparing to dedicate a new church building in Coronel Oviedo. It will be the fourth new work opened since we have been in Paraguay. A building has been rented in another section of Asuncion for an evangelistic center. Pray that God will make this work a blessing.

In April we visited an Indian camp on an island, Indians taking us to the island in a canoe. Through an interpreter we presented the gospel message. The people, we found, were unwanted and needy. Especially do they need the Lord Jesus.

RURAL JAPAN NEEDS GOSPEL

"Rural Japan needs the gospel," declares the Evangelical Missions Association of Japan in its Fellowship News of May, 1952. Reports show that there are 245 cities in Japan, with Christian churches in 229 of them. There are 1,815 towns (machi), with only 487 containing a Christian church. There are 8,381 villages (mura), but only 193 have a Christian church. A mura is a fairly large rural area including from fifteen to twenty hamlets.

Twenty-four per cent of all Christians in Japan live in Tokyo. There are 998 missionaries in Japan working with evangelical societies, as of April, 1952. The number of evangelical agencies in Japan totals seventy-eight, including three societies with less than three representatives. The largest agency is the Evangelical Alliance Mission, with 153 workers.—E/P

In view of the lands shrouded in darkness, the burden of proof rests upon you to show that you ought not to go.—Keith Falconer.

One way to promote God's Kingdom is to order the Evangel for your friends. Read about the special offer on page 16.



MISSIONS ABROAD

NEWS OF OUR MISSIONARIES

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Morrison, who have been engaged in missionary work in Hawaii, arrived in the States a few days ago for furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Davidson, missionaries to the Philippine Islands, returned home in June.

Constance Swinfen Eady writes from Bangalore, South India: "I do praise the Lord for what He has been doing lately in our midst. In a recent morning service in the little Tamil church at Yesvantapur, a woman and a man came forward in response to the altar call and surrendered their lives to the Lord. Another man came for prayer for a stomach ailment, and after he was prayed for and healed he also gave his heart to the Lord. He is so happy now, and is asking for baptism.

"Quite a number have sought God lately in the Tamil church in Bangalore. One man was a backslider. The Lord convicted him in the service and he wept and wept. Several are tarrying for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit."

Miss Florence M. Byers of the Japan field has been staying at Mission Village in Springfield, Mo., this past week. She will be leaving in a few days for her home in Pennsylvania. Her address will be 529 Pleasant Street, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

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Mr. and Mrs. Laurence A. Summers are now at home on furlough. They have been engaged in missionary work in Cuba.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Cummings, on furlough from the North India field, have been assisting during the summer with the pastorate of Glad Tidings Tabernacle in New York City while the pastor, Marie E. Brown, is abroad. They paid a short visit to Springfield the first week in July to attend a funeral service for Mrs. Cummings' mother, Mrs. Ida McCullagh, and to accompany the body to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for final service and burial. Mrs. McCullagh passed away on June 30 at the age of 87.

Marie Juergensen is on furlough. She arrived home in June from Japan where she has been laboring.

Floyd W. Thomas, stationed at Tamale, Gold Coast, writes: "On May 25, six persons received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and two more the following day in our work here. The spirit of revival continues."

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Stohr, missionaries to Brazil, returned to the States in June.

Robert W. Edwards, stationed at Shencottah, Travancore, India, tells of driving a total of 600 miles to attend a convention at Villupuram, India. He had not regained com-

plete strength from an operation and did not expect to speak. En route a tire picked up a strip of iron and was ruined along with the tube, and a child threw a stone from the top story of a building onto the car, breaking the back glass. At the convention Brother Edwards spoke twice. A middle aged Brahman man attended nearly all the meetings, heard the gospel for the first time and accepted it. "All these years I have missed hearing this message and missed having this peace. Why did I not hear about this before?" the man asked. Brother Edwards says, "This made us feel that all the trials of our journey; to the convention were worthwhile."

Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Denton are staying at Mission Village in Springfield, Mo. They have just finished a term in the Philippine Islands. Their work was at San Jose, Antique.

Tamil Sunday Schools

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Edwards, South India

WHEN WE BEGAN having Sunday School in Kanakkapillai Valasai, South India, a boy named Son of Wisdom started attending our classes. He was a bright chap, and was on our roll for quite some time. Then his baby brother died, and for more than a year we scarcely saw Son of Wisdom, though at the time of the death of the baby we had visited his home and had tried to give what comfort we could.

When another baby brother was born, the mother and grandmother brought the infant to us, saying, "We will buy anything you tell us to buy if you will just show us how to keep this baby." They explained that four babies of the family had died because the mother had not furnished enough nourishment for them.

The baby was near starvation when we first saw it. We agreed to help and every morning the grandmother brought the infant to us. The grandmother was taught how to mix powdered milk and to cook a cereal from a native grain. The infant developed into a healthy child. Now Son of Wisdom attends Sunday School every Sunday (see accompanying picture.)

Another boy of Kanakkapillai Valasai, known as Son of Jesus, was keenly interested in our Sunday School, but for a while his father, a man of some means, would come and pull him out of his class each time he attended. But God evidently has been speaking to the father's heart. One day not long ago he said to our Indian pastor, "Please be patient and teach us. Our ways are so different, but in time we will understand."

Last Christmas, Son of Wisdom and Son of Jesus lined up with eleven other boys of the village and said the Golden Text for the year without help. Each boy received as a reward a Tamil New Testament or hymnbook.

We have seven Sunday Schools in our particular section where village boys such as Son of Wisdom and Son of Jesus are being taught stories from the Bible. Many have never attended day school. Few of them know of Christ until they come to our classes.



Son of Wisdom and Son of Jesus, two Tamil boys who attend our Sunday School at Kanakkapillai Valasai, South India.

We are translating the quarterly, The Junior Teacher, into the Tamil language for the pastors of this area, beginning with the January 1952 lessons. We could use flannelgraph materials for the lessons. If a few teachers in the United States would put their flannelgraph pictures in an envelope and mail them to us after they have finished with them, it would be a great help to us. Date of the quarter should be indicated on the material. Packages should be labeled, "Used Educational Material. No Value." Enough flannel to cover a board and some colored flannel for backgrounds also would be welcome. We would like all of our pastors to be equipped with flannel boards and flannelgraph materials. They have few books and no pictures or other helps such as are common in the States.

We have not begun teaching the 1952 lessons, but we hope to begin as soon as possible. Junior material is best adapted to the various age groups with which we are dealing.

For printing the translated quarterlies for all our Tamil work we will need approximately \$425 each quarter. Offerings should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, designated for the purpose.

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND MISSIONS

Missions are the special work of the Holy Spirit. No one may expect to be filled with the Spirit if he is not willing to be used for missions. No one who wishes to work or pray for missions need fear his feebleness or poverty: the Holy Spirit is the power that can fit him to take his divinely-appointed place in the work. Let everyone who prays for missions and longs for more of a missionary spirit in the church, pray first and most that in every believer personally, and in the church and all its work and worship, the power of the indwelling Spirit may have full sway.—Andrew Murray.



ESTHER MADE QUEEN

Lesson for August 3

Esther 2:5-8, 15-18

To us of Western culture the first two chapters of the Book of Esther are sordid accounts. Had King Ahasuerus not been in a drunken condition he probably would never have made his demand upon Queen Vashti. The Targum reads that he demanded that she be brought naked so that the people might see her beauty. Notice the setting. The king had conquered vast territory, and in celebration of his victories he made "a feast unto all his princes and his servants" (ch. 1:3). He then "made a feast unto all the people . . . unto great and small" (v. 5). Think of the shameful demand on this woman that she expose herself to such a multitude. It was to the honor of Vashti that she refused. Character is of more value than position.

1. An Offended King

A person would think that, when the king got over his debauch, he would feel so humiliated for his conduct that he would make a public confession of his wrong and ask forgiveness of his wife. That he did not do so reveals the contemptible self-esteem which he had for himself, and the poor regard which he had for even the best of women in his kingdom. We hear of double standards, one standard for the man and another for the woman. Here is an extreme example. The woman that was to serve the king must have every mark of purity, while the man might be a voluptuous wretch!

We learn from this lesson that the standard of morals practiced by persons in high position soon becomes the standard of ethics for the populace at large. One reason why divorces are so prevalent in our country is the standard of conduct set by those in the movie world. And when a certain family, having the highest position in our land, could practice divorce and remarriage as it did, how may we expect higher standards in the rank and file of the people? The Church needs to reaffirm the truth, and take a stand for purity in the home and for integrity in the nation. Because standards have been so lowered in the world about us, the tendency has been to lower the standards among the people of God. We speak not only concerning marriage, but concerning purity and honesty in every phase of life.

2. An Unjust Divorce

The women in the harem of King Ahasuerus were taken from any home in the land that might provide sufficient beauty and attraction. It is probable that such conscription could not be refused. It is on this basis that we exonerate Mordecai. Had he (a Jew who knew the Law) shown eagerness to thrust Esther into harem life, we would lose our admiration of him. The Scripture indicates, however, that Esther was selected by those who went searching for suitable maidens-"when many maidens were gathered together . . . Esther was brought also unto the king's house" (ch. 2:8). Some of the maidens probably were happy to be chosen to enter the king's harem, deeming it an honor, and thinking that in this relation they might live an easy, indolent life. Such folks are glad to throw away virtue for the sake of expediency. Others brought to the harem probably looked upon their choice as an evil one to which they must submit because of custom and because the king had the power of life and death.

The record says, "After these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered Vashti . . . and what was decreed against her" (2:1). One wonders how he felt. Did his guilty soul trouble him? Since he had made Vashti his queen, he must have had some love for her, so he must have felt remorse. If he felt no remorse it indicates that he looked upon all women as little better than cattle. Truly we may thank Christianity for the uplift of women and the regard now shown them. But the womanhood of our day is losing much of the esteem that it once enjoyed, because of its bold solicitations to evil conduct.

3. A New Jewish Queen

Esther's Hebrew name was Hadassah (v. 7) which was changed, we may well suppose, when she came to the Persian court. Esther, in Persian, is believed to mean a "star."

Esther, whose parents had died when she was young (v. 7), probably received careful Jewish religious training at the hands of her cousin Mordecai, for she was "his uncle's daughter" (v. 7). Wonderful is the value of

good home training! While Esther was deprived of a mother's love, she probably received in Mordecai's home as near to this as is possible in the absence of a mother.

We sympathize with those who have lost parents. Good parents are a great blessing. No one can enter into a person's life like a mother. But where she is lost, it may largely be compensated for, if the bereaved one comes into the hands of those whose hearts are tender and affectionate. Whether my reader be one blessed with living parents, or be one who has been deprived of these, let me exhort you to appreciate the kind ones of whose care you have become the recipient. And we exhort all those having responsibility for children to prayerfully seek to bring them up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." The knowledge of divine principles will prove of great value to them in years

When Esther was chosen and taken before Ahasuerus, the king did not know her to be a Jewess, for "Esther had not shown her people nor her kindred." This was because Mordecai had "charged her that she should not show it" (v. 10). The Jews, it seems, have ever been in reproach when out of their land. Being a Jewess, she was but a daughter of the captivity. Whether the king was prejudiced against the Jews, or whether Mordecai felt the prejudice of others would influence him against her, we do not know. This we do know, "the king loved Esther above all the women . . . and made a great feast . . even Esther's feast" (vv. 17, 18). This feast was made a blessing to many, for with it the king "made a release [an exemption from taxation for a period] to the provinces, and gave gifts" (v. 18). In this "release' also many imprisoned for debt were probably set free, and other prisoners may have been liberated.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Daniel in the Lions' Den (lesson for Sunday, July 27). Lesson text: Daniel 6:14-23.

THE LEAN YEAR

The story is told of the aged pastor of a little Scotch church who was asked to resign because there had been no conversions in the church for a whole year.

"Aye," said the preacher, "it's been a lean year, but there was one."

"One conversion?" asked the elder. "Who was that?"

"Wee Bobbie," replied the pastor.
"He's just a lad," said the elder. But "wee Bobbie" became the world renowned Robert Moffet who, with David Livingstone, gave his life to the healing of the open sore of "The Dark Continent."

MOULDING YOUNG AMERICA







LEFT: Oratorio Choir of Southern California Bible College renders "The Holy City" under the direction of Gaylord Atwell.

RIGHT: Photo shows patio on the new campus of the Bible College, at Costa Mesa, Calit.

A School With a Vision

"My soul is athirst for God... Here have we no continuing city," sang the hundred-voice Oratorio Choir of the Southern California Bible College in its inspiring presentation of "The Holy City" last Easter. Southern California was thrilled as the A Capella Choir of the college made its annual spring tour—appearing in seventeen cities in public auditoriums and before various youth and church gatherings.

As the voices of these young people rose and fell over the large audiences, they were expressing the faith and joy of hundreds of young people who have streamed through the doors of the College since its founding in 1920. Hundreds of its graduates are in Christian service across the nation, Over 125 have gone into foreign missionary service. One-third of all Assemblies of God Chaplains in the armed services took their training in its halls; and many special endeavors such as the Far East Broadcasting Company are the result of the vision of its graduates. Three hundred students were enrolled last year, including a graduating class of 48.

Southern California Bible College has always been a school of vision. Having met the requirements of the State of California for an institution of college rating in 1939, the school offered two degrees for four years of work: Bachelor of Arts, and Bachelor of Sacred Music. In 1944, a fifth year was added, and a Bachelor of Theology degree was offered for the completion of this work.

Southern California Bible College was founded by the late Harold K. Needham who served as its president until he retired in 1944. Serving with Brother Needham were Dean John Wright Follette and Dean Frank M. Boyd. The present President and leader of the College is I. J. Harrison. The school is owned by the Southern California District of the Assemblies of God. For many years it was located at Pasadena, but in 1950 it moved to a new 128-acre campus north of Costa Mesa on Highway 55 (Newport Boulevard) between Santa Ana and the ocean.

Southern California Bible College seeks to provide the best in education for our Assemblies of God young people, in a Pentecostal environment. "Our young people are just as capable and intellectual as any group that can be found anywhere," says President Harrison, "and they should have the same opportunities for success. A good education is essential for this in most cases. . . . Education in itself is neither good nor evil. Its beneficial or baneful effects are the product of the school, the faculty and the subjects taken. . . . It is therefore imperative that we provide these opportunities for our young people under the auspices and supervision of our church."

Always alert to the needs of its student body, "Southern Cal" has pioneered many programs and courses. It was among the first of all Bible colleges to offer missionary aviation and printing in preparation for foreign service. It introduced extensive courses in Linguistics, an important preparation for missionary service, and has graduated students with a major in this field. Recently an Italian Club was organized for the study of that language in the hope that there would be opportunities for missionaries to go to Italy.

"Southern Cal" still continues a strong emphasis on specialization. It seeks to train each student for the special task to which he feels called. The latest course added is for Ministers of Music. A good department of music has been maintained for years; but there is a growing demand for Ministers of Music who are thoroughly trained and competent in this important field, and so a special curriculum has been set up. Already the demand for graduates from this department is very large.

A combination course to train Directors of Religious Education who can also serve as Church Secretaries has been developed and is finding a response.

Prospective ministers with majors in Theology or English Bible find open fields of service, and also find easy entrance to seminaries to continue their studies if they so desire. Or, if a student wishes to prepare for the chaplaincy, his four years of work at "Southern Cal" will be recognized as meeting the undergraduate requirements.

At present Southern California Bible Col-

lege is organized in two divisions, as follows:

1. College of Bible and Theology—offering majors in Christian Education, English Bible, Missions, Theology, and Sacred Music.

2. College of Arts and Sciences—offering majors in Linguistics, Music, Public School Education, Social Sciences, and Spanish.

For further information, write to The Registrar, Southern California Bible College, Costa Mesa, California.

Southern California Bible College is accredited by the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges in the Collegiate Division, and is endorsed by the Educational Department of the General Council of the Assemblies of God.

(A brochure describing all of the Assemblies of God schools and the courses they offer may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Educational Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.)

Take Christ to the Doorways of America

During the month of October, approximately 15,000 evangelical churches will unite in an intensive soul-winning effort known as the "Christ for Everyone" campaign. This program was originated to encourage a simultaneous, continent-wide evangelistic effort. It purposes to reach small communities which have not been reached by mass evangelistic meetings. Every church is encouraged to conduct an eight-day or two-week evangelistic campaign.

THE ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

The Assemblies of God fellowship has endorsed this plan of evangelism. The plan coincides with the October Enlargement Campaign which our National Sunday School Department has sponsored for the past three years. October is the ideal month in which to launch an enlargement program. Vacations then are past and public schools are under way; the general inter-

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ruptions of summer are over, and the people have a mind to work. The purpose of the Enlargement Campaign is to encourage an all-out visitation program to build up Sunday School attendance.

LAST YEAR'S EFFORT

Interest in the enlargement effort has increased each year since its inauguration. The 1951 campaign theme was, "Enlist for Enlargement; Enlarge for Advancement; One Million Calls for Christ," and it met with a great response. A special edition of the Pentecostal Evangel was published for distribution during October, 932,000 copies were ordered from the Gospel Publishing House, and we have reason to believe that the goal of one million calls was reached.

THIS YEAR'S THEME

The 1952 Enlargement Campaigh theme, "Take Christ to the Doorways of America," harmonizes with the purpose of the "Christ for Everyone" campaign. If we believe that Christ is for everyone, we will take Christ to the doorways of America.

SPECIAL MATERIALS BEING PRE-PARED

Special materials are being prepared by the National Sunday School Department for distribution during the enlargement effort. A handbook designed for pastors includes news write-ups, spot radio announcements, suggested form letters, as well as other helpful ideas. Another special edition of the



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earth in power and glory to rule over the nations. WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

Pentecostal Evangel will be printed. Door knob hangers, blotters, pencils, posters, and newspaper mats will be available through the Gospel Publishing House. Sample packets of Enlargement Campaign materials soon will be sent to Assemblies of God pastors. It is not too early for your church to begin making plans to "Take Christ to the Door-ways of America" in October.



A Piece of Paper

A woman, whose name is unknown, gave a tract to Richard Baxter. He read it, accepted Christ as his Saviour, and became one of England's foremost ministers. Among other Christian services, he wrote a book entitled, "A Call to the Unconverted."

Among other people led to the Lord through reading this book was Philip Doddridge. He became a minister, a hymn writer, and author of a book entitled, "The Rise and Progress of Religion." Through reading it, William Wilberforce came to Christ.

Wilberforce was an outstanding man of his day in England. Among other things, he fought for the abolition of the slave trade between Africa and the British possessions in the West Indies. He, too, wrote a book. It was entitled, "A Practical View of Christianity."

This book led to the conversion of Leigh Richmond, who wrote the well-known tract, "The Dairyman's Daughter." It was first published in the early 1800's. By 1825, over 300 persons were known to have been converted by reading this tract.

What a chain of blessing from that woman's

act in giving out a tract!

Tracts have a long history. The church fathers (Origen, Justin Martyr, and others) wrote tracts. Many of them have been handed down to us and are part of the historical heritage of the Church.

Tracts were one of the means used to bring about the Reformation. Martin Luther could not go everywhere and preach to everyone but he could write tracts. He wrote many of them, which the people read and passed on to others.

Tracts have a work to do today. They should, however, be selected with judgment. As representatives of Christ they should be printed on a good grade of paper, with clear type. The right tract should be given to the right person. An unsaved friend of mine was handed a tract against church suppers, She laughingly said, "Someone has confused piety with pie."

The right tract will do a work for God. A man was under great distress of soul. He knew that he was a sinner and wanted to be saved. He went to a minister but the minister was one who did not make plain the way of the Cross. After talking to the

minister, the man was still upset. He prayed, "Lord, I don't know what to do; but somehow, save me."

As he went into his office building, a man passed him a tract, and through reading it he was saved. He never knew the name of the man who gave it to him. You may not know the results of the tracts you give out, but if you are faithful and prayerful you will meet people in heaven who were saved through your tracts.



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These lines from a letter recently received by Arvid Ohrnell from a prisoner in one of our penal institutions, reveal heartfelt appreciation for the work of our National Prison Representative. God is blessing and using Brother Ohrnell in his unique ministry to prisoners and their families, and to jail workers. Since Brother Ohrnell was appointed as National Prison Representative, he has carried on quite a volume of correspondence with persons interested in getting the gospel to those behind the bars.

Many of our Assemblies are conducting a regular ministry in the local and county jails in their vicinity, or plan to begin soon. The possibilities are limitless and the need is tremendous. Those men and women who are contacted in the local jails are in a good position to accept the gospel, for most of them are acknowledged sinners, and they have already proven to themselves that "the way of the transgressor is hard." We are responsible for getting the gospel to them. In most cases, jail services are permitted, and many local authorities are desirous of religious services for the prisoners.

At present we have Assemblies of God chaplains in several state penitentiaries, and there are prospects for more. Prisoners contacted by Assemblies of God people on the local level, and then transferred to state prisons where our chaplains are in charge of services, are often easier to reach there because of their previous contact with the full gospel.

Let us not neglect this great opportunity to reach lost men and women for God. They are in trouble, and their needs are often very great; families are involved, and need the comfort and strength that only Christ can give. If we carelessly neglect them, it is more than an opportunity that is lost-souls are at stake.

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In order to assist you in your work in the jails, the Home Missions Department (with the help of Brother Ohrnell) has prepared a paper specially geared for us in prison work on all levels, from the city jail to the federal penitentiary. This attractive two-color pamphlet is entitled, "You May Have Liberty," and points to Christ as the only way out of the prison of sin. Already thousands of copies have been given to prisoners, and a reprint has been made. Copies may be obtained from the National Home Missions Department for only \$1.50 per hundred. (Please send cash with your order.) Every prisoner you contact should receive a copy of this special prison pamphlet.

Brother Ohrnell will be glad to send a copy of the paper free to any prisoner who will write for it. Just address your request to Arvid Ohrnell, National Prison Representative, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

Offerings are urgently needed to assist in the maintaining of our national prison work. Our hearts have been touched as offerings, plainly sacrificial, have come in from wives and mothers of men in prison. They know the need and want to help, but they cannot meet the whole need. We must have help from others who realize the great spiritual need of these "forgotten men."

Your offerings will enable us to continue sending correspondence courses, Pentecostal literature, and personal counsel to men who otherwise might never know of God's saving and transforming grace. Please designate your offering, large or small, for "Prison Work," and send it to: National Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri. All offerings received for "Prison Work" will be fully credited as missionary offerings.



C. L. DUCK ELECTED IN SOUTH CAROLINA

COLUMBIA, S. C .- The largest registration in the history of the South Carolina District attended the tenth annual District Council at the First Assembly of God in Columbia. Wilfred A. Brown of Springfield, Mo. was guest

speaker. Walter G. Dixon resigned as District Superintendent, explaining that he had accepted the pastorate of the Assembly in Florence, S. C. effective in August. C. L. Duck was elected as District Superintendent for the next two years. J. C. Hunnicutt was re-elected as District Secre-J. C. Humicutt was re-elected as District Secretary and Treasurer. The General Presbyters are:
C. L. Duck, J. C. Hunnicutt, and Walter G. Dixon. The Sectional Presbyters are: Frank Cottingham, Walter G. Dixon, C. D. Howze, George E. Gould, and B. F. Kittrill.

At the closing service five were ordained to

the ministry.

WITH CHRIST

MAURO NESTA, Rochester, N. Y., went to be forever with the Lord on June 25, 1952, at the age of 44. Brother Nesta affiliated with the Italian Branch of the Assemblies of God in 1951. At the time of his homegoing he was doing missionary work in Italy.

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LESTER G. FLICK of Burlington, Wash. went to his eternal reward June 11, 1952, at the age of 53. Brother Flick was ordained in 1949. He had not been active in the ministry for several months because of ill health.

EVAN H. DAVIS of Columbia Falls, Mont. went to be forever with the Lord, June 13, 1952, at the age of 58. Brother Davis was ordained in the General Council in 1932.

JOHN A. HUGHES of Inglewood, Calif. went to be with Jesus, June 29, 1952, at the age of 58. Brother Hughes was ordained in 1933

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

FALLS, W. VA.—We had a glorious, soulstirring revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Fred Hunt of Evergreen, Ala. Thirteen sought the Lord for salvation. Many came from other denominations and enjoyed the meetings. The Sunday School broke all attendance records with 138 present.—L. L. Trotta, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—We are glad to report a fine two-week meeting with Evangelist A. C. Russell of Shawnee, Okla. Several accepted Christ as their Saviour, and others came into a deeper life. Brother Russell's timely messages were a great blessing to our own people.—Andrew J. Richey, Minister, Evangelistic Temple.

EDINBURG, TEX.—The Lord gave us a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Laurell L. Akers of Tomball, Tex. A number were saved, some were filled with the Holy Spirit, and several were healed. The church was drawn closer to the Lord. Brother Akers played a number of musical instruments. His clear, penetrating messages stirred the hearts of the people.—Clarence G. Mitchell, Pastor.

GREENWOOD, S. C.—We had a grand revival with Evangelist and Mrs. William A. Hines, formerly of Toronto, Canada. Several were saved, some were filled with the Holy Ghost, and many were healed. The Holy Spirit moved in the services in a wonderful way.—C. L. Duck, Pastor.

PAINESVILLE, OHIO—We rejoice in the blessing of God during a three-week meeting with Evangelist John Higginbotham of Cleveland, Ohio. In the first service the Spirit of the Lord descended in such a wonderful way that there was no preaching. Souls were saved, backsliders were reclaimed, and five were baptized with the Holy Spirit during the meetings. Night after night people were healed of various diseases and afflictions. We are looking forward to the time when Brother Higginbotham returns for another meeting.—Joseph Ferrante, Pastor.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 18 days before the date which appears upon it.

MURPHYSBORO, ILL.—Assembly of God, July 30—; Evangelist and Mrs. Harry Hodge, Springfield, Ill.—by Ray Wilkerson, Pastor.

OVERTON, TEX.—First Assembly of God, July 16—; Evangelist and Mrs. Charles C. Robinson.—by O. E. Tidwell, Pastor.

HAMLIN, PA.—Tent meeting, Aug. 3—24 or longer; Evangelist Homer Peterson.—by George W. Clement, Pastor, First Pentecostal Church.

MABANK, TEX.—Assembly of God, July 20—; Evangelists Dave and Gloria Laughlin. (W. O. Stephens is Pastor.)

WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.—First Assembly of God, July 20—; Evangelist D. C. Ogden, Memphis, Tenn. (William Vickery is Pastor.)

ARP, TEX.—July 27—Aug. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Robert J. Salter, Hillsboro, Tex. (Clyde C. Rieson is Pastor.)

FORT WAYNE, IND.—Tent meeting, located on California Rd. between Roller Dome and Race Track, July 30—Aug. 24; Velmer Gardner Evangelistic Party, Springfield, Mo. (Paul Paino is Pastor.)

MOORHEAD, MINN.—July 27—Aug. 10; the Musical Vanderploegs, Toledo, Ohio.—by Alex Karmarkovic, Pastor.

WHEATLEY, ONT., CANADA—Union meeting at Convention Hall on Lake Erie, Aug. 1—17; Evangelist H. E. Hardt.—by Enoch Nelson, Pastor.

CORONA, CALIF.—Home Gardens Assembly, July 20—Aug. 3; Evangelist J. W. Newby, Wichita Falls, Tex.—by Shelby L. Duncan, Pastor.

WEST CENTRAL BOYS' AND GIRLS' CAMP—Storm Lake, Iowa, Aug. 4—8; Charles and Mrs. Denton of the National S. S. Department, speakers.

STERLING, COLO.—Assembly of God children's meetings, July 27—Aug. 3; Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (H. M. Gibbons is Pastor.)

TOLEDO, OHIO—Tent meeting on Oak at Navarre (routes 23, 65 and 68), July 23—Aug. 10; Evangelist Christian Hild.—by Edwin P. Anderson, Pastor, Calvary Assembly.

BRODNAX, VA.—County-wide meeting in Pennington's Pickle Grading Warehouse, July 27—Aug. 24; Evangelists Robert and Lillian Watters.—by Samuel D. Beiler Jr., Pastor.

WEST FLORIDA YOUTH CAMP—Panama City, Fla., Aug. 11—16; Victor Trimmer, National S. S. Representative, speaker. For information write O. M. Dykes, Box 16, Millville Sta., Panama City, Fla.

MUNCIE, IND.—Tent meeting in progress on south side of Muncie at intersection of highways 3, 67 and 35; Evangelist Wilbur Ogilvie, Chowchilla, Calif.—by David M. Hogan, Pastor, Glad Tidings.

AREA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION—Council Bluffs, Iowa, Aug. 8—10; George Davis, National S. S. Representative, and Billie Davis, Associate Editor of "Our Sunday School Counsellor," speaking.

KIRKSVILLE, MO.—Union tent meeting, July 15—Aug. 1; Evangelist C. B. Roberts, St. Joseph, Mo. Surrounding churches sponsoring meeting. William Cambers is host pastor.
—by Floyd T. Buntenbach, Director.

NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA CAMP—Buffalo, Okla., July 22—31; N. R. McDonald, morning and evening speaker. Good camping space and plenty of tourist courts and hotels. For accommodations write E. W. Moore, Buffalo, Okla.—by Olen F. Cossey, Sectional Presbyter.

CHANGE OF SPEAKERS—Grand Canyon Camp, near Prescott, Ariz., July 28—Aug. 7. Wesley R. Steelberg and James Van Meter were announced as speakers, but due to Brother Steelberg's death his appointment will be filled by Bartlett Peterson, President of Central Bible Institute.—by J. K. Gressett, Arizona District Superintendent.

RADIO BROADCASTS

KINGSPORT, TENN.—"Assembly of God Hour," station WKIN, 1320 kc., Saturdays 8:45 a.m.—H. E. Waddle, Pastor.

WINFIELD, KANS.—"Power Hour," station KSOK, 1280 kc., Monday through Friday 6:45 to 7 a.m.—William D. Saunders Jr., Pastor.

CONROE, TEX.—Station KMCO, 900 kc., Monday through Thursday 6:45 to 7 a.m.—Paul Zook. Pastor.

FORT WAYNE, IND.—"Hour of Power," Sundays 8 to 8:30 a.m. C.D.T.; and "Salvation Time," Sundays 6:30 to 7 p.m.; over station WGL, 1250 kc.—Paul E. Paino, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Station KCOH, 1430 kc., daily 7 a.m., Sundays 9:30 a.m. Children's program, station KLEE, 610 kc., Sundays 5 p.m.—James McKeehan, Pastor, Lindale Assembly.

BILOXI, MISS.—"Central Assembly of God Hour," station WVMI, 570 kc., Sundays 8 to 9 a.m.—Douglas Carroll, Pastor.

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Shechem and Dinah

and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 And he said, What meanest thou by all this drove which I met? And he said, These are to find grace in the sight of my lord.

9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself.

10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my pres-

GENESIS 34

18 ¶ And Jacob came to Shalem, a city of Shē'-chem, which is in the land of Cā'-nă-ăn, when he came from Pā'-dăn-âr'-ăm; and pitched his tent before the city.

19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shē-'chĕm's father, for an hundred pieces of money.

20 And he erected there an altar, and called it El-el'-ō-he-Israel.

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Something Better Than Gold

The story of a gold miner in the Sawtooth Mountains of Idaho

WRITTEN BY JOHN L. FRANKLIN

Mr. E. A. Thompson, still agile and spry at 80, recently told me what "The Pentecostal Evangel" has meant to him.

He and his wife lived high up in the Sawtooth Mountains of Idaho. They had just a little stretch of land with a creek running through it, and there they toiled, washing the gravel and finding enough "pay dirt" to make a "go" of it.

It was 125 miles to the nearest town. Often they were isolated from the rest of civilization, especially during the hard winter months when snow would fill the mountain pass (elevation 9,000 feet). When snow was deep on the ground, their mail arrived by sled.

Upon opening the mail box one day they found a copy of "The Pentecostal Evangel." Mr. Thompson told me that he was saved through reading this paper.

"I heard an audible voice," he said. "'This is your last chance,' it said."

"We were saved then. The little paper brought the message to us. Ever since, the 'Evangel' has been our life . . . it was our weekly sermon and food."

Only a few weeks ago did I meet this interesting Christian couple, though I had corresponded with them for fifteen years. They had read in the "Evangel" concerning our missionary work in Guatemala, Central America, and had been supporting our work faithfully from month to month. It was when I was in Fort Worth, Texas, engaged in a missionary convention, that I met the Thompsons face to face. They were touring the South in their car.

Mr. Thompson told me how God miraculously spared his life. He said:

"Years ago, far up in the mountains in the dead of winter, I was dying from a paralyzed colon. I read in the 'Evangel' that God could heal. I asked Him to heal me. I felt His hand on me. And now for twenty years we have never touched a drop of medicine. God has always healed us.

"Once a shaft of steel hit me in the chest and broke a rib. It was so painful I could hardly breathe. I raised my hands and asked God to heal me. After prayer I felt I should strike my chest where the rib was broken. I did so, and I felt an excruciating pain. I did so again, and this time the pain was not so great. I did so a third time, and the pain was completely gone."

Mrs. Thompson is every bit as much a trusting saint as her husband. She said:

"Several years ago we went to Salmon, Idaho, for a convention at the Assemblies of God church. There was a young lady there who was leading the singing, the daughter of a minister. The Lord spoke to me: 'Send that girl to Bible School.' We had saved money to buy groceries and had come to town to get them before the hard winter set in, and before the mountain pass closed up with snow. We needed the groceries for our food supply to last throughout the winter.

"I told my husband that the Lord had just spoken to me saying we should send her to Bible School. He said, 'It's strange . . . God said the same thing to me!'

"It was one of the hardest things we ever did, but we obeyed. The Lord was trying

us.

"We went back to the gravel pits in the mountains without our groceries. For many weeks we had toiled to save enough to buy our

winter supplies. Now it was time for the snow to fall, and the ice already was an inch thick on the water in the pits. Where could we get money to buy our food?

"We asked God to help us and to show us where to dig. My husband broke the ice, I manned the pump, and we dug. Glory be to God—we found enough gold in one week, in a spot four feet square, to repay all that we had given!

"The Lord gave it all back to us with \$65.00 extra. Moreover, the Lord held back the snow, and we were able to get to town and buy our groceries and return through the pass before the snow fell. By this time it was two or three weeks overdue!"

Mrs. Thompson's face was beaming as she spoke. "From then on," she said, "whenever we got a dollar we gave 80 cents to the Lord. We always drove an old jalopy so that we would have more to give to Him.

"While we were in the mountains the unsaved people reviled us and would not listen to us. When we sold our mine and left the country, terrible things began to happen. The same people began to say, 'Those praying Thompsons held evil in check. Since they left all hell has broken loose—murders, suicides, and robberies. . . ."

Then there came a far-away look in her eyes. "If only we could get back to isolation again, where God could talk to us," she said. "He taught us. . . . " And her voice trailed off, as in fancy she returned to the mountain home in Idaho where God first met them, and where the "Evangel" was their weekly sermon and food.

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