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## The Diary of a Delegate



TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL AT SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

(Continued From Last Week)

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FRIDAY MORNING

Another early morning prayer service followed a cold night. Weather has been extremely unpleasant thus far but now the rain has stopped, thank the Lord. More people arriving every hour. Nearly 1,000 now registered.

Due to the large amount of important business before the Council it was decided that there will be no preaching hereafter in the morning and afternoon meetings, except on Sunday. Pastor Niels Thomsen, Canton, Ohio, opened the devotional service at 9 a.m. Pastor E. R. Foster, Amarillo, Texas, led two or three songs and rendered a vocal solo. Then C. W. Ringness, Tampa, Florida, read Romans 12 and led in prayer.

Thursday's minutes read and adopted. Ralph W. Harris read report of C. A. Department. Then J. Z. Kamerer read report of Gospel Publishing House. He ended by describing the new building which is being proposed. It will have nearly four times as much floor space as the present home of our Publishing House and will cost a million and a half dollars.

Harry Jaeger read report of Servicemen's Department. Then W. I. Evans gave report on Central Bible Institute. Referring to spiritual life in the school, he said he has detected a tendency there as well as in our fellowship at large to let up in prayer and yield to a lighter

spirit, depending on methods and equipment rather than on the power of God. His earnest words were followed by a message in tongues with interpretation. The whole congregation was moved to prayer. For nearly an hour a mighty volume of prayer went up to God, who poured out His Spirit in the old-time way. Hallelujah! May God keep us a truly Pentecostal people.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Devotional service in charge of U. S. Grant, Bartlesville, Okla. After congregational singing and prayer, Brother Grant read Philippians 4:4-20. Solo by Joseph Dunets, Goshen, Indiana.

Brother Grable read report of the activities of the Sunday School Department. Report accepted with thanks and appreciation for Brother Grable's untiring work. Representatives of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company were introduced, and presented a group insurance plan for ministers. One of the representatives commented he had never seen so many happy people gathered together in one place.

E. Bartlett Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn., Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, brought a resolution to the effect that (1) the General Council should elect four Assistant General Superintendents without portfolio to function under the direction and supervision of the General Superintendent; (2) that the responsibility of field and office work should be distributed among these men; (3) that

in the event of the death or incapacity of the General Superintendent his successor should be chosen from among these four men; and (4) that the four Assistant General Superintendents should be Executive Presbyters. The reason for this resolution is the enlarged responsibility and increased activity of the Executive office, making it physically impossible for the General Superintendent and Assistant General Superintendent to take care of all the field work and yet to meet the demands of the headquarters office.

There was discussion as to the constitutionality of the resolution, but it finally carried.



J. R. Flower Re-elected  
General Secretary-Treasurer

## FRIDAY EVENING

C. A. Vesper Service in charge of Loren Wooten, Southern Missouri District President. L. B. Keener, Manford, Okla., led the singing. Beautiful trombone solo by Arvid Kingsriter, Little Falls, Minn. Solo by Harry Myers. Then Evangelist Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa, preached. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" He warned against neglecting the preaching of repentance and of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.

Building packed for main service at 7:30. Pastor J. E. Wilson, St. Joseph, Mo. in charge. Carl Barnes, El Dorado, Ark. led the singing. How impressive it was as those on main floor sang, "Throw Out the Lifeline," and those in the balcony echoed back, "Throw Out the Lifeline." An interesting sight was that group of sixteen deaf friends in one corner as they watched Evangelist Lavonn Thompson, Tulsa, Okla., interpret the speaking so beautifully in the sign language. A. C. Bates, Texas District Home Missions Secretary, sang, "The Prophet's Call." Emil Balliet, Minneapolis, Minn., sang, "The Lord's Prayer." Those who love music are getting many treats at this Council.

The evening speaker was Pastor Wilfred A. Brown, Gary, Ind. His subject: "Laying Foundations in the Individual Life." "Christ is the main foundation stone," he said, "but there are others. There are great stones, costly stones, and hewed stones. 1 Kings 5:17. He emphasized the need of giving our children, young people, and new converts a solid

## GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICERS

## For the Next Two Years

- Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent  
 Wesley R. Steelberg, Assistant General Superintendent  
 Ralph M. Riggs, Assistant General Superintendent  
 Fred Vogler, Assistant General Superintendent  
 Gayle F. Lewis, Assistant General Superintendent  
 J. Roswell Flower, General Secretary-Treasurer  
 J. N. Gortner, Non-resident Executive Presbyter  
 A. A. Wilson, Non-resident Executive Presbyter  
 F. D. Davis, Non-resident Executive Presbyter  
 Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Secretary  
 Stanley H. Frodsham, Editor "Pentecostal Evangel"  
 Jesse Z. Kamerer, Manager, Gospel Publishing House

foundation in the great truths of the gospel. He spoke of the costliness of laying these foundations. "Hewed stones" require some understanding work and how we need to understand the people to whom we minister.

## SATURDAY MORNING

Clear sky and rising temperature made the weather pleasant indeed. Short devotional service, in charge of H. C. Ball, Field Secretary for Latin America. Evangelist Robert Thomas, San Jose, Calif., led the singing. Lawrence N. Olson, missionary to Brazil, read the third chapter of Ephesians. Solo by Sister Benson, Kennett, Mo., "Shut in With God." Then the business meeting opened with the reading of yesterday's minutes.

Motion was presented and carried that the next order of business should be the election of officers. Ballots were cast to nominate for the General Superintendent's office. Brother E. S. Williams received 686 of the 743 votes cast, thus being re-elected on the nominating ballot, and everyone arose in a unanimous vote of confidence.

Balloting began on the election of four Assistant General Superintendents. There was considerable discussion as to whether yesterday's decision to have four Assistants, instead of one, was constitutional after all. A motion was presented and carried that the constitution should be interpreted as permitting this expansion of the Executive Presbytery.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

C. A. Brown, Newton, Kansas, presided. Thomas Cunningham, Covina, Calif., led in prayer. Musical number by Brother and Sister Glen Kelly, Knoxville, Tenn.

Business session opened with report of Home Missions Committee, read by Leonard Palmer, Montana District Superintendent, Chairman of Home Missions Committee. It was decided that action on this important matter be delayed until after the week-end.

Tellers reported there were 110 names on the nominating ballot for the four Assistant General Superintendents. On this nominating ballot Ralph M. Riggs was elected; of 705 ballots cast, Brother Riggs' name was on 616. After Brother Riggs spoke expressing his appreciation for the confidence placed in him by his brethren, Brother Williams asked him to preside for the remainder of the afternoon. Balloting proceeded on the election of three more Assistant General Superintendents.

While ballots were being counted the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, Bartlett Peterson, North Central District Superintendent, presented a resolution on behalf of the Servicemen's Department. It called for the continuation of



R. M. Riggs Re-elected  
 Assistant General Superintendent

the Department and recommended that further appeal for funds be made for the servicemen's work. Chaplain Richard Brown, Camp Campbell, Ky., told how popular *Reveille* has been with the servicemen. Said that his head chaplain, who had been overseas with the Ninth Division, told him that while stacks of other religious literature had to be burned because the servicemen did not want it, the demand for *Reveille* was always greater than the supply.

Chaplain F. L. McGowan told how he entered the chaplaincy soon after Pearl Harbor as a Methodist, but said that in 1942 the Lord had "defrosted" him. Stated that the Chief of Army Chaplains had intimated that, in his opinion, the Assemblies of God have been making a greater contribution to the spiritual life of the servicemen than any other denomination, and Brother McGowan said this was no time to stop this good work. God will bless us as we keep praying and giving on behalf of our servicemen. Told how he prayed with an Indian lady in Oklahoma who was seeking the Baptism. After waiting on the Lord for some time she left the service, saying, "Me no get um tonight, me get um tomorrow." A few nights later when a love offering was being given for servicemen's work this Indian sister came down the aisle, her face aglow with joy. "Me give um twenty-five dollars, me got um," she said. She had been baptized in the Spirit and wanted to give an offering in gratitude.

As he pleaded with us to be faithful for the sake of our servicemen Chaplain McGowan could not contain himself. He danced up and down, leaped for joy, then dashed up the aisle. The power of God fell upon the entire congregation. Every one arose to praise God and to pray for our servicemen. When things quieted

down it was suggested that an offering be received to wipe out the \$25,000 deficit in the funds of the Servicemen's Department. A total of \$1,691.75 was received in cash. Then the pastors began pledging offerings on behalf of their churches. Some pledged \$25 or \$50 in memory of gold stars on their service flags. Others pledged \$100 or \$150 in gratitude for the fact there were no gold stars on their service flags. The sum of \$14,500 was pledged, making a total offering in cash and pledges of \$16,191.75. If all our pastors, evangelists and people will show as much enthusiasm as this for the servicemen's work it surely will not suffer for lack of funds. The Servicemen's Department will continue its ministry as long as the Executive Presbytery deem it wise, it was decided.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT

Robert Carrington, Northern California and Nevada District C. A. President, had charge of the C. A. Vesper Service. L. B. Lewis, Southern California District President, preached on the coming of the Lord.

The main service was led by Pastor Paul Pittman, Lawrence, Kansas. Troy Helms, Columbus, Ga., was song leader. Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough drew hearty response by playing two selections on their musical cow bells. Other musical numbers were rendered by the Lummer trio of Davenport, Iowa, and Brother and Sister Gene Martin. Then F. C. Cornell, Oklahoma District Superintendent, brought a wonderful message on "Some Indispensable Things."

Brother Cornell was a civil engineer when the Lord called him to preach. His boss told him he would starve to death but instead he has put on eighty pounds. His boss also offered him his old job if ever he decided to return to it, but Brother Cornell has decided that preaching the gospel is the most important job in the world.

#### SUNDAY MORNING

Memorial and communion service began at 9 o'clock under the direction of Fred Vogler. Paul Pittman, Lawrence, Kansas, led in the singing of several devotional hymns which brought a deep spirit of worship over the entire congregation. C. A. Lasater, Fort Smith, Arkansas, led in prayer. W. I. Evans, Principal of Central Bible Institute, brought the message. He called us to live as members of the body of Christ, filled and controlled by the blessed Holy Spirit.

Brother Williams read the names of 53 ministers and 3 missionaries who have gone to be with the Lord since the 1943 General Council. Brother Vogler mentioned that it is remarkable that there are only 3 missionaries on the list, in view of the war conditions prevailing. He also

spoke of the 1093 servicemen who have passed on, and suggested that we remember them too. He read 1 Thess. 4:13-18 and Rev. 14:13. We then bowed our heads in silent prayer in memory of the departed ones, while a beautiful musical number called our attention to the wonderful home the Lord has gone to prepare for His own. Mrs. D. H. McDowell sang, "I See a Crimson Stream of Blood." The communion service followed, the District Superintendents serving the vast congregation gathered to remember the Lord's death and His coming again.

The 10:45 service immediately followed with Brother Williams in charge. Carl Barnes, El Dorado, Ark., led singing. J. Narver Gortner, Berkeley, California, led in prayer. While the offering was being received one of our lady evangelists from California played, "A Harp With a Thousand Strings," on the marimba.

W. T. Gaston, Superintendent of the Northern California-Nevada District, brought the morning message. His texts were Matthew 11:28, Acts 2:4, and Mark 16:15—Come; Tarry; Go. He spoke of the rest and peace we receive when we come to Christ, of the power we receive when we tarry, and of the increased power which rests upon us as we go in His name. Louis H. Hauff, Superintendent of Arizona District, dismissed service with prayer.

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Tabernacle filled for Missionary Rally. Large crowds came from eight Springfield assemblies in addition to General Council guests, and none was disappointed. Colorful processional and massing of flags of many nations. Nearly 100 foreign missionaries present, many in native costumes, representing 45 countries. One-third of our Assemblies of God constituency is to be found in these foreign lands.

Unusual feature of program was the

"television" broadcast. A radio was set up on the platform, above which was framed an imaginary television screen. The radio announcer (his voice sounded very much like that of Kenneth Short, missionary to Borneo) spoke first of the world-wide missionary program of the Assemblies of God. Then, as the "television" curtain just above the radio was drawn aside, the head and shoulders of one missionary after another came into view. Each missionary, as he was presented, gave a brief but stirring message concerning his mission field. A missionary offering was taken, amounting to \$1,421.61 and a great consecration service followed Brother Osgood's message.

(For a more detailed report of this Missionary Rally and a photograph, see page ten.)

#### SUNDAY EVENING

Around 2,500 people gathered in the tabernacle for the evening meeting. Harry Myers led wonderful song service. Chorus choir, under the direction of Mrs. D. H. McDowell, Elizabeth, N. J., brought an especially beautiful number. Thank God for consecrated musical talent. C. A. Brown was asked to lead in prayer, and just before prayer Brother Perkin told us that word had been received from the National Children's Home that the child prayed for in the afternoon service had been healed. Praise the Lord. A solo, "Master, the Tempest is Raging," was blessed of the Lord and a message in tongues and interpretation followed. Arvid Kingsriter, Little Falls, Minn., played "Rock of Ages" on his trombone. A male duet, at Brother Lasater's request, sang, "Longing to Go." Just before the message the chorus choir sang a grand arrangement of "Onward Christian Soldiers," with piano, organ, trumpet, and trombone accompaniment.

Wesley Steelberg, Superintendent of New York-New Jersey District, brought the main message, "Omnipotence at

## A Forward Move

*It was expressed many times during the recent General Council that in this Council we had taken more steps in the direction of unexplored fields than ever before. I feel that one of the most important steps taken was in the field of Radio Broadcasting. Many of our people have felt for a long time that there should be a nation-wide Assemblies of God broadcast. This we are to have. Each Thursday at 8:30 a.m. (Pacific time) an Assemblies of God Coast to Coast program will originate in San Francisco under the direction of Leland R. Keys, Pastor of Glad Tidings Church. This broadcast will be over the ABC network. As soon as the details can be worked out, it is hoped that the broadcast can originate in different cities. The price of such a broadcast is very reasonable. It has been stated that if each of our churches would contribute on an average of twenty-five cents each week, this present need could be met. It is hoped that our entire constituency will support this new effort which will make it possible for millions who are now unfamiliar with our distinctive testimony to hear.—D. P. Holloway.*

Man's Disposal," or, "Choose Ye—Synthetic or Supernatural." For fifty minutes Brother Steelberg preached under a mighty anointing of the Holy Spirit. A message in tongues with interpretation brought the sermon to a close, and we were called to prayer. There was no need for a second call. Our hearts were stirred deeply to seek the Lord for all He has for us in the supernatural.

#### MONDAY MORNING

H. B. Garlock, Field Secretary for Africa, opened the devotional service. Carlon Townsend led singing. Pastor Thomas Miller, Winterhaven, Fla., read 2 Corinthians 6. Mrs. Philip Megna, Long Beach, Calif., sang, "Just a Little Farther." Then business period opened with reading of minutes.

Tellers reported that the final ballot of Saturday afternoon had resulted in the election of two more Assistant General Superintendents. They are Wesley Steelberg, Superintendent of the New York-New Jersey District, and Fred Vogler, who served the General Council in a similar capacity until two years ago. Balloting continued on the election of a fourth Assistant General Superintendent.

Brother Steelberg told how his election to this office might disturb his district program somewhat, as a new Bible school project and other matters were just getting under way. He felt, however, that all would be well as long as God is having His way. Brother Vogler then told how, in spite of his best efforts, the Lord had blocked his passage to Australia and New Zealand until March of this year. He had fully intended going to the lands "down under" to accept invitations from the brethren there, but when the way finally opened in March he was approached regarding a different kind of ministry in this country. Feeling it might be God's will he postponed his plans and turned over to the Missions and Servicemen's Departments the sum of \$1,500 which his friends had contributed toward his passage.

Results of the fourth ballot for Assistant General Superintendent were announced. Bert Webb, Southern Missouri District Superintendent, received 224 votes. Gayle Lewis, Central District Superintendent, had 191. F. D. Davis, Texas District Superintendent, had 123. As there was no election, balloting continued. In accordance with a rule passed two days ago, only the two leading candidates were left on the board.

Some felt that due to the circumstances under which this General Council was being held there was a preponderance of local representation. This feeling was dispelled, however, when all who had come a distance of three hundred miles or more

were asked to stand. An overwhelming majority stood.

When the seventh ballot was counted it was found that Brother Lewis had been elected.

#### MONDAY AFTERNOON

Meeting opened with the playing of a transcription of the Glad Tidings Temple radio program, recorded in San Francisco.

First order of business was the election to decide which one of the four Assistant General Superintendents should succeed the General Superintendent should there be a vacancy in that office between Councils. Brother Wesley Steelberg was chosen, after three ballots had been cast.

Brother Vogler told of a pastor who had pledged \$100 Saturday afternoon for the Servicemen's Department, who had gone home over the weekend, told his church of the need, and had come back with a \$500 check and the promise to pay the \$100 pledge also.

The report of the Radio Committee was given by Thomas Zimmerman, Chairman, of Springfield, Mo. This report included a resolution that a Radio Commission be appointed by the executive presbyters to take immediate steps to establish a national broadcast for the Assemblies of God. This Commission would appoint a Director of Radio, raise funds for financing the program among our constituency, and inaugurate the program at the earliest possible date. The resolution also stated: "In planning for the new Gospel Publishing House adequate provisions be made for modern broadcasting and recording facilities from which our programs might originate and where quality transcriptions may be made. A transcription library shall be provided for our ministers to draw upon for use in the preparation of their own local broadcast as desired. Complete programs should also be prepared for optional use of ministers, such programs allowing time for local announcements."

Brother Peterson brought a further resolution to provide for insertion in our Bylaws of an article on a Radio Department. The report of the Radio Committee was accepted, and both resolutions concerning radio adopted. Leland R. Keys presented an offer from the Associated Broadcasting Company which would enable us to have an Assemblies of God hour originating from Glad Tidings Temple in San Francisco broadcast over a nation-wide hookup of 34 stations until the Radio Commission was set up. Brother Keys' generous offer was accepted, and a resolution was passed to appropriate at least \$10,000 from undesignated funds of the General Council for the initial launching of the program, and to make appeals through our publications for ad-

ditional funds. It probably will cost \$1,000 per week to keep such a broadcast going.

J. R. Flower was re-elected as General Secretary on the nominating ballot, receiving 477 of 566 votes cast. Brother Flower spoke of his desire for a little more field ministry than he has had in the past, and Brother Williams said he hoped this may be possible in the next two years.

Nominations were made from the floor for three non-resident executive presbyters; 25 names were offered.

A resolution concerning the forming of a Ministers' Benefit Association was brought by Brother Peterson, and adopted.

Major A. C. Lane, one of our chaplains just returned from Manila, brought a word of greeting. He spoke of the many servicemen who have been saved and filled with the Spirit. He has had no interference whatsoever in preaching the gospel. He spoke of the great blessing which has come to those in service through *Reveille*.

#### MONDAY NIGHT

No vesper service. Devotional service held in chapel at 7:30 where about 500 people heard A. C. Bates, Texas Home Missions Secretary, preach on "Bowels of Compassion and Faith for Healing." Many sick folk were anointed and prayed for at the close.

Meanwhile a business meeting was held in the tabernacle, preceded by a brief devotional service led by Lester Summers, Brownwood, Texas. Tellers reported that on the second ballot two non-resident Executive Presbyters had been re-elected: A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo., and J. Narver Gortner, Berkeley, Calif. On a third ballot F. D. Davis, Texas District Superintendent, was elected as the other non-resident Executive Presbyter. Each of these brethren spoke for a few minutes.

After the reading of the Educational Committee's report by the Chairman, F. J. Lindquist, Minneapolis, Minn., there was considerable discussion. There was sharp division over the question of whether God wants the Assemblies of God to engage in academic education. Finally it was decided that no action should be taken for the establishment of a Liberal Arts College until such action is authorized by the General Council in session at some future date.

#### TUESDAY MORNING

Devotional period opened at 9 a. m. with singing led by J. R. Wood, Goose Creek, Texas. T. J. Gotcher, North Little Rock, Ark., led in prayer. Then E. B. Crump, Wichita Falls, Texas, read Psalm 27.

Following reading of minutes, it was proposed that three of our veteran brethren in the fellowship be seated on the General Presbytery as honorary members. They are S. S. Scull, Long Beach, Calif., Louis F. Turnbull, Los Angeles, Calif., and Robert A. Brown, New York, N. Y. Proposal carried unanimously.

A resolution was read to authorize the building of a new administrative building and publishing plant, at a cost of a million and a half dollars. It was stated that half of this sum is in hand and the remainder could be raised by issuing bonds and notes at a favorable interest rate. Resolution adopted unanimously. It is hoped that erection of the new building can be started next spring.

The resolution to establish an Educational Department was brought forth once again. There was a division of thought concerning many of the things in the resolution but it was the desire of the majority that the resolution be considered section by section and voted upon in that way.

The Educational Committee's report provided for the setting up of an Educational Department at headquarters whose function it shall be to supervise the activities of Church Schools, Academic Schools and Bible Institutes. The head of this Department will be chosen from among the four Assistant General Superintendents. The first thought was that nine men from various parts of the field should be elected to serve as an Educational Committee. After much debate it was decided that the nine Executive Presbyters should serve as the Educational Committee.

#### TUESDAY AFTERNOON

S. J. Scott, Tulsa, Okla., presided over the devotional period. Then discussion of the Educational Committee's report was resumed, and finally the report was accepted. Final decision was that the Educational Committee should consist of nine men from the field and our nine Executive Presbyters, making eighteen members in all. Brother Gaston brought an amendment that the nine outside men should serve only in an advisory capacity and should not have equal authority with the Executive Presbyters. This amendment was carried.

The report of the Home Missions Committee was read and adopted. Opportunity was given for Brother Gibson, a colored brother from New York, to speak on behalf of Assemblies of God home missionary work among the colored people of the United States.

A motion concerning trials and appeals was carried. A motion concerning the denying of papers to ministers whose marriages have been annulled was also passed. A resolution that we as a Gen-

eral Council are opposed to anti-Semitism and that our ministers should not associate themselves with anyone spreading such propaganda, was adopted. Another motion was carried to appeal to the President of the United States to insist on religious liberty for Protestant preachers in Italy when the peace treaty is signed. A resolution to insert in the constitution a statement regarding our disapproval of the teaching that "all the tithes belong to the pastor," was also adopted.

The final report of the Roster Committee was as follows: ordained ministers 889, missionaries 82, delegates 88, licensed ministers 80, other visitors 172, total 1,311. It was pointed out that attendance of ordained ministers at this General Council compares very favorably with the best-attended Councils of past years. Four years ago in Minneapolis there were 952 ordained ministers present. Two years ago in Springfield there were 902. This year there were 889.

Brother Flower made a motion that the General Presbyters be given the task of revising the formula for the distribu-

tion of the profits of the Gospel Publishing House. Motion carried. The meeting closed with the reading of complimentary resolutions.

#### TUESDAY NIGHT

No vesper service. Meeting held in chapel concerning Ministers' Benefit Association. The articles of the Association were adopted temporarily and the Executive Presbyters were authorized to act as the Board of Directors for the coming two years.

Evangelist Eugene Bishop, Springfield, Mo., had charge of the meeting in the tabernacle. John Garlock, Tulsa, Okla., led the singing and played trumpet solo. Robert Cummings, Central Bible Institute, prayed. Vocal solo rendered by C. Franklyn Murray, Rolla, Mo. Then Marvin L. Smith, Alabama District Superintendent, preached on "Old-Fashioned Blue-Ribbon Holiness."

Thus ended a most momentous session of the General Council. The next session will be held, Lord willing, in Denver, Colorado, in 1947.

## GEORGE MULLER'S TESTIMONY

**I**N THE year 1830 George Muller wrote in his journal: "My wife and I had grace given to us to take the Lord's commandment, 'Sell that ye have and give alms' (Luke 12:33) *literally, and to carry it out.* Our staff and support in this matter were Matthew 6:19-34; John 14:13, 14. We leaned on the arm of the Lord Jesus. It is now twenty-nine years since we set out in this way, and we do not in the least regret the step we then took."

This was written in the year 1860, but his testimony to the possibility of carrying out this command *literally* lasted to the end of his long life of ninety-three years. Thus we have the instance of one man who for sixty-eight years dared to take the Lord's command *literally, and carry it out.*

He also remarks about Matthew 5:39-44: "It had pleased God, in His abundant mercy, to bring my mind into such a state, that I was willing to carry out into my life whatever I should find in the Scriptures. For instance: 'Resist not evil; but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee at

law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away. Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you.'"

He comments on these commandments thus: "It may be said, surely these passages cannot be taken *literally*, for how then would the people of God be able to pass through the world? The state of mind enjoined in John 7:17 will cause such objects to vanish. *Whosoever is willing to act out* these commandments of the Lord *literally* will, I believe, be led with me to see that, to take them *literally*, is the will of God. Those who do so take them will doubtless often be brought into difficulties, hard to the flesh to bear, but these will have a tendency to make them constantly feel that they are strangers and pilgrims here, that this world is not their home, and thus to throw them more upon God, who will assuredly help us through any difficulty into which we may be brought by seeking to act in obedience to His Word."

# The Savior's Speaking Scars

E. N. O. KULBECK, BELLEVILLE, ONT., CANADA

IN John 28:25 we read the words spoken by Thomas, just after Christ's resurrection, "Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe." After Thomas had looked upon those precious scars he said to the Lord Jesus, "My Lord and my God." Christ replied, "Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

We have heard Thomas called, "Doubting Thomas." True: he did doubt that Christ had risen from the dead, and those thoughts cost him the loss of eight days of precious fellowship. But there is one thing for which Thomas should be given credit, he believed in a crucified Christ. The reason he insisted on seeing His scars was, if the Person who claimed to have risen from the dead was his Lord, He must have those marks as His credentials. If He did not have them, He was an impostor; which He was not, blessed be His Name.

Scars always speak. Have you ever seen a person who has an ugly scar received through trying to save someone else from pain and suffering? If you have, I am sure your sympathy was at once aroused. But I am not directing your attention to Christ's scars to cause you to regard Him as an object of sympathy, but rather that you might see Him as the object of your faith—those scars telling us that we can and must bank our all, and only hope upon Him if we are to possess salvation.

Christ's scars tell us of the price of redemption. When you go into a store to buy an article, you will see a price tag. The amount marked informs you of the cost of your intended purchase. The Lord Jesus' scarred hands, feet, brow, and scourged back, speak to us of the tremendous price paid in full for the redemption of a lost world of hell-bound sinners—the price was the very life blood of the sinless Son of God. We are told in 1 Peter 1:18, 19, that we were not, and could not be redeemed with corruptible things such as silver and gold, but that we were redeemed by "The precious blood of Christ, as of a Lamb, without blemish and without spot." Not only did Christ's redemption provide deliverance from sin, but also deliverance from sickness—a conse-

quence and result of sin. Isa. 53:5 tells us that His scars received on the cross speak of God's provision of physical healing for our mortal bodies. "By His stripes (that is His scars) we are healed."

His scars are signets of His love. A story is told of a young German soldier who was taken captive during the first World War. His captors were taking away all of his personal effects. They came to a signet ring which he had tucked away in his vest pocket next to his heart. In very broken English he pleaded that they would let him keep that, because his mother had given it to him as a silent reminder of her affection, when he had left home to join the army. John, the Apostle, regarded Christ's scars as tokens of His undying love because it was from those scars that His atoning blood poured forth. Listen to His Holy Ghost inspired statement in Rev. 1:5, "Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins, in His own blood." It was love, not the nails, that held Him to the cruel Cross.

Another solemn thought—His scars show the wounds of sin. The scars were the means by which He laid down His life in death. What is the cause of death? Just one thing—S-I-N. "The wages of sin is death." Rom. 6:23.

In India a woman who had been brightly converted was being examined for believer's baptism in water. She was asked, "Did Christ have any sin?" To the utter surprise of the missionary she replied, "Yes." When asked for her explanation she said with a radiant face, "On the cross He had my sin." Yes, praise His Name, that is true. He had my sin, and yours too. Unsaved friend, you can be free from its guilt right now if you will but accept Him as your own sin-bearing Substitute, for we are told in 2 Cor. 5:21, "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him."

Think of the awful load of sin that Christ judicially bore on the cross—that of every human being. During those three long hours while darkness covered the earth, God the Father looked upon His Son, as the one and only Sinner in the world, and judged sin in the person of His own beloved Son, the Lord Jesus. When you accept Christ as Saviour, God credits that judgment

to your account and you are immune to all future judgment as to the guilt of your sins. But if you reject Him, those sufferings will be in vain as far as you are concerned, and His spurned sacrifice will seal your damnation in the blackness of a lost eternity.

Our Lord's scars are the signs of a terrible conflict. The conflict between God and the devil in relation to mankind began in the Garden of Eden. In Gen. 3:15 God said that He put enmity between the serpent, the devil, and the woman's seed. With that, God gave the promise that the Seed of the woman would bruise the serpent's head. The Lord Jesus was the Seed of the woman, and this redemptive promise was fulfilled when He received the scars on Calvary. We read of this in John 12:31, when in anticipation of His death He said, "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out." That is, judicially and provisionally, Satan's death sentence was sealed on the Cross. When the Lord Jesus comes the second time, He will execute the judgment sentence, and Satan and all his followers will be bound one thousand years, then after the Great White Throne Judgment receive the portion allotted to each for eternity in the Lake of Fire.

The nail-scarred hands of our Lord Jesus are title deeds to the Holy Ghost baptism, the power that God has placed at the disposal of every born-again believer to equip and enable for an effective witness to the uttermost parts of the earth. In Luke 24:28 we read, "And ye are witnesses of these things. And, behold, I send the promise of My Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. And He led them out as far as to Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them."

Of those present—apparently more than five hundred (see 1 Cor. 15:6)—only about one hundred and twenty tarried in Jerusalem, according to His command. Ten days later, on the Day of Pentecost, they received from the nail-scarred hands of Christ, which were raised in blessing at His ascension, the new power that He had promised—the glorious Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:1-4 tells us how this wonderful Baptism was received, which is God's pattern of a normal Christian experience for every believer to the very end of this dispensation of grace, in which we are blessed to live.

Dear Christian friend, the very same endowment of power is for you too. When you receive it, it will take place the same way, because God has only

one standard for this entire dispensation. The Holy Spirit Himself will speak through you in a language which you have never learned, because the significance of this Baptism is, that the Lord Jesus has control of every part of your being, soul and body; and according to the logic of the inspired statement in James 3:8, the subjection of the tongue, man's most ungovernable member, to God, is the sign of complete subjection of the entire believer.

The scars of the blessed Son of God are signals of victory. Yes, thank God, sure signals. Depressed, discouraged child of God, take courage. His cause is not a losing one, though our circumstances would often make us think so.

Near the end of his long Christian pilgrimage, John, the apostle, was banished to the Isle of Patmos, because of his faithful testimony for the Lord Jesus. On that lonely, rocky island, it appeared that the devil had the upper hand, judging from the circumstances. But there God gave John a vision of the triumphant Christ. Keys are universally the sign of authority in Scripture. Notice the keys of authority that John saw in the scarred hands of the glorious Victor of Calvary, as recorded in Rev. 1:17-18, "Fear not; I am the First and the Last: I am He that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." From the Book of Revelation, we have a preview of how man's day of misrule is to come to an end, and the various acts by which Christ is going to subdue all evil, and manifest the victory of Calvary. But sufficient it is to say here, that His scars are sure signals of His victory!

Until that coming day of manifested victory, the trusting child of God can rejoice with full assurance, knowing that the scars of our Lord Jesus are seals of safety. 1 Peter 1:5 declares that born-again Christians "are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." Christ Himself tells us of the perfect safety of those who are in His nail-scarred hands in John 10:28, "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand." Let no one think that this precious promise gives one iota of license to sin or to live a loose life. Such a thought is most despicable and disgraceful when one realizes that He bore those scars on the Cross of Calvary to save us from the entire guilt, penalty, power, presence and all consequences of sin. God always deals with anyone who thus presumes upon the grace of God, without altering or violating His sacred promise

(which He could not do and be God, because He is unalterably righteous). See John 15:2, 6; 1 Cor. 11:29-32; 1 Cor. 5:1-5; 1 Cor. 3:17; 2 Cor. 5:10. But in actual experience, when rightly taught with the emphasis properly placed, the effect of this holy truth is the very opposite, because it is the very nature and essence of the grace of God to produce godly living. Titus 2:11-14. Thus in practical manifestation, those who are in His nail-scarred hands have the earmark, "they hear," and the footmark, "they follow." John 10:27.

This reference to the tenth chapter of John would be incomplete without giving attention to another aspect of this portion of Holy Writ. In every country of the world where the issuance of checks is permitted by law governing banks and currency, it is a criminal offence to alter the original figure in which a check is issued. In the business world, checks are "raised," the forger thus thinking to enrich himself.

But in the spiritual realm, the inherent unbelief of the heart of man always fails to grasp the absolute truth of the promises of God. To illustrate; that God will save sinners without any human merit whatever, is "too good to be true." Similarly, with our context, many sincere, conscientious Christians have unwittingly committed the forgery of "altering" Christ's solemn statement, as far as their acceptance of its value is concerned, by adding "if," or "but," thus lowering in their experience the benefits originally stated. More serious still is the fact that the inserting of words not used by Christ, reflects upon His honor, inferring that He did not say all that was needed for the welfare of His own! Let us always remember that the safest thing we can do, is to implicitly believe every word of the good Shepherd, who gave His life for the sheep, whose scars will silently speak throughout the eternal ages of His faithfulness, even unto the death of the Cross.

## OUR CALLING

ROBERT GOVETT

OUR Lord reviews in the Sermon on the Mount much of the Law, and sets up a new and higher standard. The Law generally taught as its principle—righteousness, or strict justice. Man was to render to God His dues; and then he might exact what was due to himself from his neighbor and fellowman. If injured, he was to seek and obtain redress. "If men strive...and if mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life; eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe." Exod. 21:22-25.

This rule Jesus expressly repeals. The Christian is not to resist the evil man; but to be patient under injury, whether that be inflicted on our person, or on our property; by an individual, or by the oppression of a government. Matt. 10:38-41. We are to forgive without limit the evil world in the midst of which we are set; that God may also without limit forgive us. Matt. 6:12, 14. As the Law taught justice the Gospel teaches grace.

Now this is an answer to those who would distinguish between a Christian's personal enemies, and those of his country. We are to resemble our heavenly Father; and He is not making any such distinction of countries. He is calling

men of all nations to be reconciled with Himself. And the Christian is one who has left his worldly standing to become a member of Christ, and one of the Church, which is Christ's body. We are no longer of the world, even as Christ was not. John 8:23; 15:19. We are pilgrims and strangers on earth, seeking a better country, even an heavenly. Heb. 11:13-16.

Our calling then is this: We are to resemble God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ, and to exhibit them to the world.

### A Sacred Trust

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase." Prov. 3:9. Naturally we are inclined to use our temporal things for ourselves, for our own comfort, for our own enjoyment. But this natural tendency is not to be gratified; we have not to seek to please ourselves with regard to making use of the things of this life, but therewith to honor Jehovah. For that is the very purpose for which we are entrusted with them—our health, our powers of mind, our earthly possessions; all these things are put into our hands to be used for the Lord.—Geo. Muller,

# EUROPE'S NEED OF BIBLES

Suppose that there was not a single Bible published in America for four years. Can anyone imagine the hardship that would work in our nation.

Then suppose that our houses were destroyed, while we fled from place to place unable to take any of our possessions, thousands of our Bibles being destroyed, lost, or left behind, and still no new ones published.

Suppose that all about us were political theories, half truths and evil rumors. Trying to hold firm in our Christian faith how we should long for the assurance to be gained by turning to our Bible.

This is the condition in Europe today. Homes will be rebuilt—will they have Bibles? Governments will be formed—will there be Bibles? Evangelicals will be at work—will they be without the Sword of the Spirit?

The answers to these questions rest with the people of America. The American Bible Society is at work now supplying Scriptures for Europe. Nearly a million dollars will be needed for Europe alone and the Society must have two million dollars more to meet its war emergency needs. All this is over and above the required amount of more than a million dollars a year necessary to carry on the regular work of translation, publication and distribution which is so important in the missionary efforts of the Christian Church.

In Europe, the general plan of the Society will be to give Scriptures to the local Bible Societies. They will sell Scriptures and give them away when the situation calls for a grant. Funds from sales will be used to restore Bible printing and distribution by the local group. A \$10.00 gift now may mean \$1,000.00 worth of Bibles in Europe in ten years.

The American Bible Society is the one agency with the facilities to get Bibles into Europe now. It is working in close harmony with the British and Foreign Bible Society. The faithful Christian people of the Assemblies are invited to use the facilities of the American Bible Society to send Scriptures to Europe. Certainly every Christian wants to supply Europe with the Bible. The request for funds is not for the work of the American Bible Society but is rather the invitation to use the American Bible Society as an agent in placing Scriptures in Europe.

The Assemblies of God have been asked to give special help in Europe by sending Scriptures in Hungarian, Ukrainian, Polish, Russian, Bulgarian, and Greek. Assembly missionaries expect to go into these countries as soon as God opens the way.

A look at the conditions in the five countries listed below gives ample proof of the need.

## POLISH

There has been little Bible printing in Poland for four years, although the American Bible Society has been able to produce 6,000 Bibles and 12,000 Testaments in Switzerland. These have already been distributed in Poland although funds have not yet been received by the Society to cover the cost of this printing.

The Society has gone ahead on faith. The American Bible Society is now engaged in printing 25,000 Danzig Version Polish New Testaments and 25,000 Wujka Version New Testaments in Sweden. These will be going into Poland almost immediately. In this printing the Society, in co-operation with the British and Foreign Bible Society has gone ahead on faith knowing that Scriptures must be available in Europe immediately.

The Polish use of Scriptures before the war was many times greater than either of the amounts stated above. There will have to be additional publishing of Polish Scriptures.

## RUSSIAN

There can be no adequate estimate of the need of Russia for Scriptures. During the next few years there will be millions of new readers in Russia. There is a great uprise of literacy. No one can know the attitude of the Russian government but there is every indication that there will be some freedom for Scripture distribution. The American Bible Society has been giving Scriptures to Russian prisoners of war, and the influence of these men will add to the demand for the Bible. The Society is now publishing 25,000 Russian New Testaments in the United States. More will have to be provided.

## BULGARIAN

Mr. George M. Popoff is still carrying on Scripture distribution from his home in Sofia. He needs supplies. Mr. Popoff's subagency depot was closed in 1941 and he removed his remaining stocks to his home. In the first five months of 1941 he distributed 4,000 volumes and could have used many more if stock had been available. In 1939 we heard from Bulgaria, "At the village of Skandalo Colporteur Tzoneff sold a Bible to the village teacher. But this was not all. The teacher had such joy in his heart, that he told Tzoneff to wait till noon and he would help him sell a New Testament to each man of the lumber co-operative of which he was the treasurer. When the men came, he did sell each man a book—over twenty in all." There is an even greater hunger for the Word in Bulgaria than there was in 1939. We must be ready to meet the need. The American Bible Society is now publishing 5,000 Bibles and 10,000 New Testaments in Sweden for distribution in Bulgaria within the next few months.

## HUNGARIAN

The American Bible Society recently received a wire from our agent in Switzerland, stating that 30,000 Bibles and 60,000 New Testaments will be needed immediately in Hungary. It had been thought that Hungarian Bible production had been kept up in a small measure, but this telegram indicates that Hungary has been without the Bible. The request for Bibles and Testaments is for the number required just to start distribution. Many times this number will be needed within the next year. The American Bible Society hopes to start printing in Hungarian within the next month or two.

## UKRAINIAN

Estimates show that an immediate supply is needed. The Society is now publishing 10,000 Ukrainian Bibles in Sweden.

## GREEK

There has been no Bible printing of any kind in Greece for more than three years. 5,000 Greek Bibles are now being printed in Sweden. An additional printing must follow in the very near future. Mr. George Kladis is still active in colportage work but has had practically no stock. In 1939 he was able to distribute 7500 volumes. He could send out many times this number if the Society could get Greek Bibles to him.

This is the need which we must present to the Christians of America and the specific need where the Assemblies of God can give help in sending forth the Word.

(Our Missionary Secretary, Noel Perkin, will be pleased to forward your personal or Assembly offering to the American Bible Society in the interest of this good work.)

## CAPTURED NAZI YOUTH

In *His Magazine* there appears a report from an American Christian who is working with the young Nazis in a prisoner-of-war camp in Texas. Most of these prisoners were captured in North Africa. The report says of them:

"These men know battle, violence and struggle, but as for earning a living as civilians, they are helpless. For the purpose of the government under which they grew up was not to build a youth of tradesmen and artisans, but rather, men who were to fight and die for the Fatherland. The next generation would be tradesmen but these men were to live from the glory of conquests.

"*What will become of them?* In times of stress nations turn to their heritage of the knowledge of God. But these men, who are to return after the war to Germany to try to be pacific civilians have no conception of the worship of God. It is an evidence of weakness; and weakness is a terrible offence in their eyes. Many of them believe in Wotan, they claim.

"A 'good German' cannot accept the Bible for 'good German' leaders in government and education must, by official policy, accept and spread the belief of super Germans. As a result, the worship of God as brought to Germany by Martin Luther, has been made the target of government crusades of derision.

"It is a commentary upon the strength of the fundamental Protestant faith in Germany that today in this stockade the only semblance of worship by any of the prisoners of war is carried on by the Roman Catholic Germans of whom there are a few. Without doubt there must be some Protestant chaplains but in this group of some 1700 Germans the four chaplains are all Roman Catholic priests.

"The fierceness of anti-Semitism reported among the Germans is not in any way exaggerated. All the neurotic persecution complex of the German dictator has found its way into the average German heart in his hatred for all things Jewish. This includes the Hebraic foundation of the Christian religion."

If Germany is to become a peace-loving nation, the hearts of these young Germans must be changed, and only the gospel of Christ has power to do that. Let us pray that God will raise up men to preach this gospel in Germany.

# The Passing and the Permanent

## FUTURE MINISTERS

Upwards of 2,700 men in the armed services want to be ministers after the war. Many of them are now chaplains' assistants. Their names have been sent to the 67 denominations they represent, including the Assemblies of God.

## CAN CIVILIZATION SURVIVE?

The night following V-J day President Truman broadcast this message to the world: "War must be abolished from the earth if the earth, as we know it, is to remain. Civilization cannot survive another total war."

## DRINKING CONGRESSMEN

Dr. M. M. Miller, psychiatrist attached to the St. Elizabeth Mental Hospital in Washington, says: "Too many Congressmen are not moderate in their drinking habits; a few are definite alcoholics, and some are borderline cases."

## PERSECUTION IN PERU

*United Evangelical Action* quotes an official representative of the National Evangelical Council of Peru to the effect that Roman Catholic influence is forcing the government to sentence too-active Protestants into the concentration camp on San Lorenzo Island.

## CHAPLAINS CRITICIZED

Brig.-Gen. Harry Vaughan, military aid to President Truman, said of Army Chaplains: "I don't know why a minister can't be a regular guy, but unfortunately some of them are not." Does he mean by "regular guy" a man who lives a worldly, ungodly life? If so, his words are an unintended compliment.

## CHAPLAINS IN PORTUGAL

Under terms of a new government concordat with the Vatican, a military chaplaincy has been authorized by the War Office in Portugal which is strictly Roman Catholic. According to *United Evangelical Action*, no Protestant ministers will be admitted.

## DEWEY AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Governor Tom Dewey of New York says: "It is a deeply disturbing fact that no fewer than 17 million children in our country receive no religious instruction whatever. For the future of the nation it is desirable that we leave no measures untried to enroll all our future citizens in the Sunday Schools of America."

## THE FORGOTTEN WORD

Dr. Stuart Hutchinson, former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, well says: "There is a word that was once much used in religious conversation. It is the word 'lost.' Those who were not Christians we called 'the lost.' We do not hear the word used so often now. Men do not like to be told they are lost. But we need to come back to it, for in it is bound up the meaning of life as Jesus knew it. He said He had come to seek and to save the lost."

## SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE

In the pamphlet *The Races of Mankind*, two Columbia University anthropologists, Prof. Ruth Benedict and Dr. Gene Weltfish, say: "The Bible story of Adam and Eve, father and mother of the whole human race, told centuries ago the same truth that science has shown today—that all the peoples of the earth are a single family and have a common origin."

## WAR'S EVIL EFFECTS

Says Chaplain Roy M. Pearson: "In peacetime it is wrong to kill; in war we honor him who kills the most. In peacetime it is wrong to steal; in war we take whatever enemy property we can find. In peacetime it is wrong to lie; in war we strive by every means within our power to deceive and confuse the foe. War breaches the emotional walls and the passions and instincts run wild."

## WORLDLY WISDOM

Edwin R. Embee, President of the Julius Rosenwald Fund in Chicago, reportedly has complained that "the average U. S. student is 'over-educated' and thinks he knows all the answers, while the fact is he possesses little or no understanding of his own motivations and is intellectually unfit for many of life's problems."

The Scripture diagnoses the situation perfectly—"ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth"—and points to the remedy: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." 2 Tim. 3:7; Psalm 111:10.

## THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE

It is now possible to tell how near the Nazis came to victory in the "Battle of the Bulge" in Belgium last Christmas. The enemy almost seized fifteen million gallons of gasoline which would have carried his armored division right through our lines. He almost succeeded in overcoming our last reserves—the cooks, clerks and engineers—before reinforcements arrived. He almost had his jet planes ready to throw into this last great offensive. He almost captured General Hodges himself. It is another one of the "almosts" that should cause our hearts to turn to the Lord in unceasing praise and thanksgiving.

## A NARROW ESCAPE

Referring to the Nazis, a writer in the *American Hebrew* says:

"These perverted pigmies were only several short months ago the dreaded rulers of Europe; they enslaved millions of men and women; killed millions of others; exterminated old nations and builders of civilization; burned books; overran a half of the world, threatened the other half; babbled about ruling the world a thousand years. What is more, men fought for them and died for them, and only the terrible sacrifices of millions of noble souls and brave spirits who gave their lives, limb and happiness, saved us from the terrible fate of

having to live under their rule for centuries to come.

"It is despairing to think how frightfully near to the abyss humanity can come and what a narrow breath-taking escape we have all had just now."

And we wonder if even those who have so earnestly looked to God for victory, have begun to give unto Him the thanks that are His due!

## OIL IN PALESTINE

The U. S. Government proposes to build a pipe line across Arabia and Palestine, to carry oil from the Persian Gulf to the Mediterranean. According to *Time*, this will be the third great pipe line in this area, as there are two lines already carrying oil from Iraq to the Mediterranean. One of the present pipe lines empties at Tripoli in Syria; the other at Haifa in Palestine. International oilmen regard the Middle East as an almost unlimited insurance policy against the day when the world's other great oil reservoir—the U. S.-Caribbean area—can no longer supply the world.

But Palestine is not without oil of its own. Back in June 1940, the *Jewish Forum* ran an article which estimated the mineral wealth in petroleum alone in the Dead Sea area to amount to \$1,200,000,000,000 (twelve hundred billions), or about four times the total wealth of the United States. This petroleum is sure to draw more and more Jews back to Palestine. It is bound also to make Palestine a bone of contention between Gog and Tarshish, as the Bible foretells. Ezekiel 38:10-13.

## "PRECARIOUS PEACE"

John Foster Dulles thinks we can keep the peace if we support the United Nations Charter—but admits it is "precarious." Writing in the *New York Times* he says: "This war ends in the glare of bombs releasing atomic energy upon mankind. So our profound relief and thankfulness are troubled by thoughts of the future. . . . Peace is precarious. If past performance is any guide, the odds are that within a few years the reality of unity will have departed from the United Nations, and new and now unpredictable national alignments will be in the making. . . . That there is no magic in League membership is shown by the fact that the four permanent members of the (former) League Council—Britain, France, Italy, and Japan—were shortly divided in war against each other."

Yes, this peace, though purchased at an enormous price, is precarious indeed. As long as men live in sin and Satan is loose to deceive the nations, there shall be wars and rumors of wars. Jesus has said there would be, right up to the time of His return. Thank God, we can lift our eyes above the faithlessness of men and nations and set them upon One who is Faithful and True. Even now He waits in the glory for that fulness of time when He shall step down to earth to begin His reign of righteousness. Then, and only then, shall there be a just and lasting peace. God's people will do all they can to preserve world peace. They will pray for peace so that the gospel may be preached in all nations for a witness. But they know that there can be no permanent peace until Jesus, the Prince of Peace, returns to the earth, and so their cry is, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."



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# Their Work

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## General Council Missionary Meeting

EVERYONE was trying to look in several directions at once as the piano and organ began playing and between seventy-five and eighty missionaries in costume, carrying flags of all nations, marched into the large auditorium at Central Bible Institute on Sunday afternoon of September 16. The missionary meeting of the Twenty-first General Council of the Assemblies of God had started!

The procession was led by Corporal Chester C. Martin with the national flag, and by Allen Baker with the Christian flag. When all had reached the platform, the salute to the flag of the United States of America was given by Corporal Allen Mitchell. Then William Voyles, a Christ Ambassador, followed with the salute to the Christian flag.

The climax was reached when all of the missionaries dipped their flags in reverence to the Christian conquest flag, which was also on the platform, and, led by H. C. Ball, gave their salute: "I pledge allegiance to the Christian Conquest Flag, and consecrate my life to the Christ whose cause it represents; one Savior, vicariously crucified, triumphantly arisen, divinely accepted of His Father, now interceding for a lost humanity.

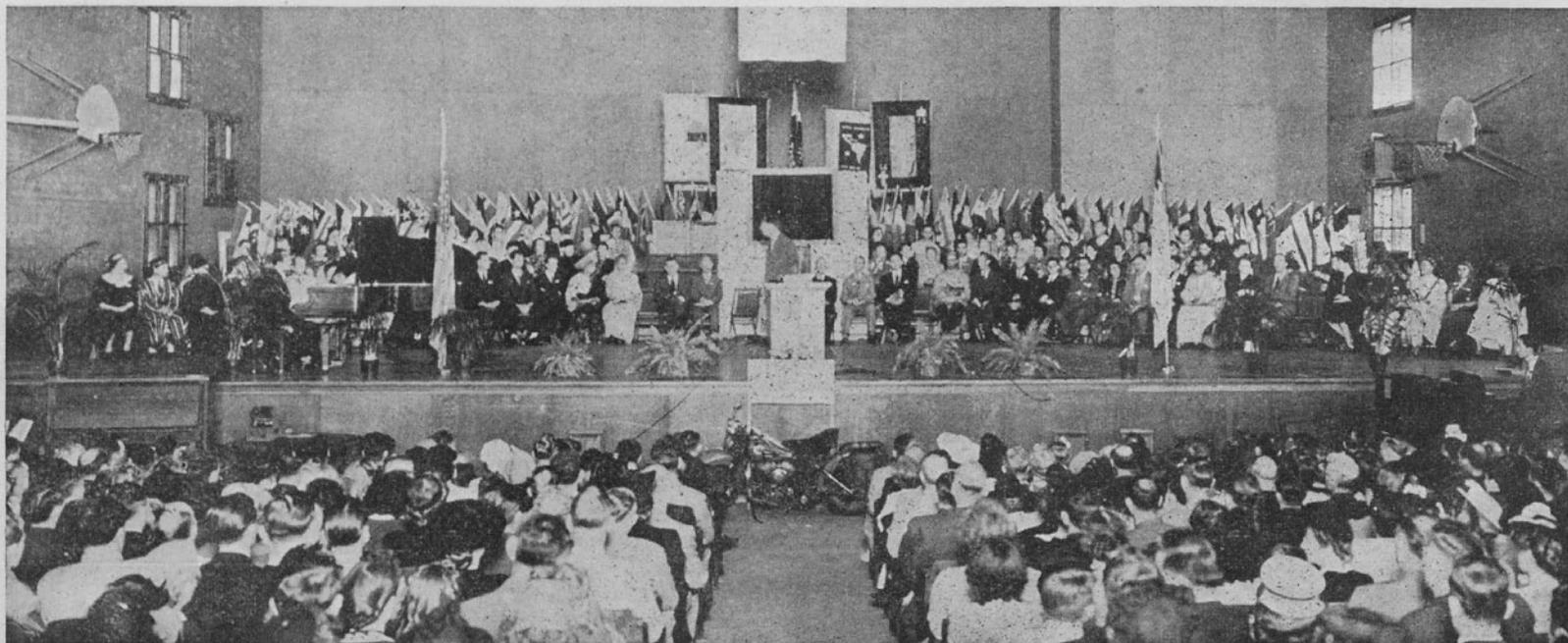
"I dedicate my all to the high and holy calling of unfurling His blood stained banner and proclaiming His gospel to every tribe, tongue, and nation in order to hasten His glorious returning, when He shall take His rightful place to reign supreme forever and ever. Amen!" At the close of the salutes, the missionaries formed two marching circles to the right and left on the platform and placed their flags in a decorative formation at the back of a dais.

A song by the congregation followed. Then six missionaries took part in a Scripture reading. After another congregational song, Dewey P. Holloway of Cleveland, Ohio, pastor of the church which led in missionary giving during the past two years, was asked to lead in prayer. Special prayer was requested for our missionary Jessie Wengler, who has not been heard from since the war with Japan. Mention was also made of the motorcycle—standing in front of the platform—which has been purchased from the C.A.'s Speed-the-Light fund to be sent to Brazil for the work there, and prayer was asked that God would bless its rider.

Introducing the next part of the service, Noel Perkin, the Foreign Missions Secretary, ex-

plained that, with such rapid strides as science is now making, it may be possible in the future for us to receive television broadcasts from our various missionaries on the field. Whereupon, we were given an illustration of what we might expect. A voice over the loud speaker announced each country and the missionaries as they were broadcast to us by "television." Then, as they were presented to us on the "television screen," the following missionaries gave a report of the work being done in the countries they represented: Mr. and Mrs. Maynard L. Ketcham—India; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh P. Jeter—Latin America; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jackson—Africa; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dunn—China; and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Nikoloff—Europe. At the close of the "television broadcast," the choir sang, "Hallelujah! What A Savior!" and the words of praise to our Lord found an echo in every heart.

Howard Osgood, Field Secretary for China, gave the main message of the afternoon. He reminded us that the promise found in Revelation 11:15, "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ," has not yet been fulfilled. If this is to be brought to pass in our generation, each Christian must examine his allegiance. Is his



allegiance first and foremost to Christ and the Christian flag, or is his a divided allegiance? The challenge was presented that if each Christian would win one soul a year to the Lord, in seventeen years the whole two billion souls of the world would be won. "If the Lord had your undivided allegiance," said Mr. Osgood, "and the privilege of putting you where He wants you, where would He put YOU?"

Then Glenn Horst, a missionary from China, brought before the people the fact that, if you cannot go, you can send, for each one has his part to do. The offering plates were distributed among a number of the missionaries, who were asked to go through the auditorium and receive the missionary offering. Meanwhile, a beautiful trio, "I Gave My Life For Thee," was sung. Mr. Horst then gave the plea for those who would consecrate themselves for service wherever the Lord may call. The prayer room was soon filled, and still others came, singing, "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow."

It was a glorious service! We trust that many have renewed their consecration and pledged their undivided allegiance to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to follow wherever He may lead!

## News Flashes!

Mr. and Mrs. Peter W. Funk, who have been doing missionary work for over six years in Hawaii, hope to return to the United States in the near future for a short vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kensinger write that they have arrived safely in Nicaragua, also that the first part of their baggage has arrived by boat in excellent condition. Let us pray that the rest of their baggage will also arrive safely, and that God's special blessing will be upon them as they study Spanish and enter a new field of ministry.

Another new arrival in Central America is Marcus Arthur Bauer, weight 7½ pounds, born September 11, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bauer.

## Progress in Cuba

LOUIE W. STOKES

RECENTLY I have made trips to all six Provinces of the Island, and the Lord has been moving upon many hearts. In Oriente, where we have three established churches and several missions, a number have been filled with the Spirit, and others have been healed. In Camaguey, where Brother Ramon Nieves is pastor, three were baptized. Two of our Cuban preachers report that six received Pentecost in their services held in the country, some 40 miles from Havana. In Pinar del Rio Province, at the western tip of the island, Brother Onelio writes that seven have just been filled. At San Antonio de los Banos, Sister Hilda Reffke was filled with joy when the first two in her church were baptized in the Spirit. In Havana, the Capital, three have received the Promise of the Father. And in many places, the people are hearing the Full Gospel Message for the first time.

Here in the Province of Las Villas de Santa Clara, in the very center of Cuba, the work is very encouraging and doors continue to open for the preaching of the Word. At least 300 gathered to listen in a recent open air service in a town where we plan to open a mission, some 30 miles from Cienfuegos. In another town to the north we have started a mission and are trusting God to save many.

This week has been one of the most glorious ever, for it was Fellowship Week. About 50 brethren from other cities, some from over 200 miles away, gathered with our three local churches in Cienfuegos for a great day of

fellowship and preaching. Before the night service we went to the Central Park, and with the Public Address System had an unexcelled opportunity to reach other hundreds.

Three ministers stayed for several nights, speaking by turns in the three missions. At least a dozen made their confession of faith; and one faithful worker, Rafael, came through to a blessed Holy Ghost Baptism. Only three weeks ago his wife was filled. Now they both are more anxious than ever before to win others to Christ. What a change is wrought in the life of a believer when he is filled with the fulness of God! Of our 15 Sunday School classes in this section, all the teachers have been baptized in the Spirit. The President of our local C. A. group is also a Spirit-filled young man, and at present is in his first evangelistic campaign in Camaguey.

Yes, the work is going forward in Cuba, but we still need your prayers. Pray for our radio programs. In the eastern end of the island we have two programs; near the center, two others; and in Havana, one in Spanish and another in Chinese. Pray for the health of the missionaries. In some cities the water is very bad, and must be boiled and filtered. Pray for larger buildings in which we may have services, as some of the missions are very small. Pray for the workers we are training, and for others to be raised up of the Lord. Finally, pray for deep conviction to fall on the hearts of all who listen to the preaching of the Word.

## GOD PREPARES THE WAY

THIRTEEN days after John F. Hall and family left New York, they arrived in Dakar, French West Africa! This proved God's goodness anew to them. Pan-American Airlines had refused to make them any promises of speedy connections in their transportation when they were making their arrangements to leave—had warned them, instead, that they might even have a delay of six months in Natal, Brazil. But the Lord whispered John 10:4 to their hearts; and they determined to start, and trust the Lord to open the way.

At last they received reservations on a train to Miami, Florida. From there they flew by seaplane to Belem, Brazil—with short stops at Haiti, Puerto Rico, Trinidad, and Dutch Guiana. It seemed at first that the Halls might have a long wait in Belem, but three days later the Lord opened the way for them to continue the 1,000 miles to Natal.

In Natal they found some missionaries who had been waiting five weeks for transportation. But again the Halls felt led to claim the promise of John 10:4. Five and a half days later, arrangements were made through the American Consul and the Air Transport Command for them to fly in a big C-54 from Natal direct to Dakar—a non-stop flight of nine and a half hours!

The Pan-American Airlines had told them that it would be almost impossible to make such close connections—but God still does the impossible! "When He putteth forth His own sheep, He goeth before them." And He prepares the way!

### MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

August, 1945

Alabama	\$ 886.88	Nevada	136.61
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California	18,928.46	New Mexico	297.85
Colorado	2,014.20	New York	5,257.09
Connecticut	517.50	North Carolina	136.10
Delaware	792.21	North Dakota	1,061.93
District of Columbia	842.04	Ohio	8,427.37
Florida	2,663.45	Oklahoma	7,864.47
Georgia	612.89	Oregon	5,354.91
German Branch	347.28	Pennsylvania	5,654.81
Hungarian Branch	32.83	Rhode Island	399.97
Idaho	1,365.06	South Carolina	101.20
Illinois	6,586.60	South Dakota	962.84
Indiana	1,936.20	Tennessee	1,664.64
Iowa	1,427.97	Texas	7,975.31
Kansas	6,534.27	Ukrainian Branch	41.00
Kentucky	417.55	Utah	14.26
Louisiana	303.80	Vermont	26.00
Maine	139.10	Virginia	943.35
Maryland	2,302.47	Washington	15,835.96
Massachusetts	546.61	West Virginia	326.26
Michigan	6,093.94	Wisconsin	2,511.02
Minnesota	4,544.66	Wyoming	412.62
Mississippi	197.49	Alaska	141.18
Missouri	7,255.64	Canada	454.14
Montana	1,575.02	Foreign	306.77
Nebraska	1,539.10	Miscellaneous	2,528.12
Total amount reported			144,768.16
District Fund	8,470.03		
Home Missions Fund	3,585.91		
Office Expense Fund	2,172.80		
Literature Expense Fund	227.98		
Given Direct for Home Missions	12,321.12		
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# A MIRACLE IN CHINA

MINNA ALLWORDEN

SOMEONE has said, "The day of miracles is past"; but this is not true in relation to the Lord's work in China. It has been my privilege there to see countless miracles performed: blind physical eyes have been opened; the deaf have been made to hear; the lame restored to strength and made to walk and the sick have been raised to health, all in answer to believing prayer in the Name of Jesus. But most blessed of all is the miracle of God's saving grace when blind spiritual eyes have been opened; deaf spiritual ears made to hear; the spiritually lame made to walk; the dead raised to life; and demon-tormented souls delivered and set free. The following is a miracle which took place in my district some nine years ago:

Mr. Luh was one of six sons, and stood six feet two inches tall in his stocking feet. His parents were well to do and gave their sons a very good education. When through school Mr. Luh, who wrote a beautiful Chinese hand, took work in the Magistrate's office. Later, though, he gave up this work and entered the Local Militia where he soon became leader with several hundred men under his control.

He was an exceedingly proud man and had a terrible temper. One word from him and all his village bowed in terror. I saw him angry once. He squared his shoulders, and his face, livid with rage, changed from color to color. The air was tense as we cried to God to control his angry passion. His soldiers knew that for them it was "obey or die." Some dared to disobey, and paid with their lives.

When Mr. Luh was 40 years of age God brought him low. He was laid on a bed of illness from which it was said, "He will never recover." Money was not spared. Doctors were engaged. And all gave the same answer, "No hope. Death." But God had other plans. After months of careful nursing hope returned. Life was spared and strength restored. But the mind was gone. Mr. Luh knew nothing and recognized no one. He could not even remember his own name.

This great big man sat in the yard with the little children and made mud cakes. He carried armfuls of straw, sat on the floor and cut the straw very fine, then scattered it over the floor. At other times he tore off his clothes and wandered in the hills for days without returning. On such occasions various members of the family followed him. He slept where night overtook him, the "dew of heaven" for his covering. You ask what he ate? He ate grass! Have you ever heard of another proud man who ate grass? Read Daniel 4:33.

At times he sought to take his own life. He cast himself into ponds of water from which watching relatives dragged him out. At other times he threw himself from high hills, and the marvel is that he was never hurt—but such is the power of the devil in lands of heathen darkness. At times he asked for rope, and asked why he wanted it would complain. "Can't I have a piece of rope if I want it?"

At times he searched through the kitchen for the heavy knife which is used for cutting meat and vegetables. This, however, was kept under lock and key that he might not get his hands upon it. Later, as these traits became more pronounced, he was locked in a brick-walled room to keep him from taking his own life.

During this time God had been laying the burden of this man's soul upon the hearts of our local church leaders and myself. We prayed without ceasing and claimed this soul for Christ. One day Mr. Wan, one of our leaders, came to the city and said, "God wants me to go and visit Mr. Luh; will you go along and pray?" The answer was, "Yes."

We reached the home and the relatives said, "You can't go upstairs, Shi O (Mr. Luh's given name) is very angry today, and will kill you;"—he was strong, and filled with Satanic power, could have strangled anyone. Mr. Wan said, "Do not fear; just pray." While we knelt in prayer, Mr. Wan went upstairs. He knocked at the door and a voice called, "Come in." The miracle had begun! The moment Mr. Wan touched the door, God touched the man behind the door—for Mr. Luh's mind became normal. After a few words of greeting, Mr. Wan said: "Mr. Luh, I have come to you with a message from God," and, opening his Bible he read, "Behold the Lamb of God,

which taketh away the sin of the world." God broke that proud man's heart. Tears began to flow. They got on their knees, and right there Mr. Luh accepted Christ as his personal Savior—the miracle of God's saving grace completed.

I shall never forget Mr. Luh as I saw him that day. He was six feet two inches of skin and bone, and resembled a man of eighty years. Two weeks later he came to the city for our Church Leaders' Conference, bought a Bible and began with Mr. Wan's help to study God's Word. Later he applied for baptism, was examined and accepted. That fall he attended our China Inland Mission Provincial Bible Institute. Mr. Luh with five other young men from Tuchang graduated and entered the Lord's service. Mr. Luh dedicated his home to the Lord and now regular Sunday Services are held there. He has a fine Christian wife and God has blessed their home with a son and a daughter.

Day by day this man's "youth is renewed like the eagle's, a common saying in the district being, "Mr. Luh, you are growing younger, while we are growing older." God is using this His servant to the salvation of many precious souls. Please pray for him and for all our Chinese leaders and Christians who are being sorely tested these days.—*The Prairie Overcomer.*

## NO CONDEMNATION

The Law closed our mouths, but the Cross closed the devil's mouth. He can accuse me no more, since my sin met its full penalty in the death of Him who died for me.—D. L. Moody.

## LETTERS

Letters . . . letters . . . a steady stream of them, pouring in and out of the Servicemen's Department! That's the way it has been for the past two years.

We've just been doing a little figuring, with results that are rather amazing. Do you realize that during the past two years the Servicemen's Department has sent out 1,260,000 letters to Servicemen, each letter carrying a message of spiritual life or encouragement to one of your sons in service? Sounds almost unbelievable—but it was made possible because of your faithful support in prayer and giving.

Much has been said in this war about the vital importance of mail to our fighting men. It has been called a morale builder. How much more important the part letters have played in maintaining spiritual morale!

Other phases of our work among the armed forces have been equally fruitful, but none as far-reaching, as all-inclusive as correspondence. Our letters and literature have followed these

men to the ends of the earth—beyond the reach of service centers or field evangelists, in far-flung outposts, on battlefields, aboard ships too small to rate a chaplain. "You'll never know what your letter has meant," is a common phrase as the men write to us—and I guess we never will "know" this side of eternity. But we do know this ministry has meant salvation, encouragement, spiritual aid to multiplied thousands.

. . . V-J Day, and still the flow of correspondence continues! In fact, surprisingly, it seems to be on the increase. Letters . . . letters . . . inquiring the way of salvation, asking special prayer, unloading problems, requesting the Bible study course. "Please don't stop writing now," they beg, and what's the answer? "Of course we're not going to stop writing; we're standing by as long as you need our help." Yes, that's our answer, and we give it with assurance—because we're confident of your continued support.

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### Divine Intervention

F. B. MEYER

NO form of calamity can befall us without the permission, control, and over-ruling of the Almighty. God is everywhere. His hand is present in all things, either as a permissive or originating cause. Not a sparrow falls to the ground without His knowledge; and not a hawk strikes a sparrow without His permission.

He is never far from any of us; He is specially near us in our deepest trouble; and though we may trace a calamity to the carelessness or mistake of man, these are but second causes, and we see behind them the permit of the Lord. But the question constantly presents itself—Why does the Almighty permit such tragedies as have taken place in recent years?

Let us look carefully at the probable effect which would result from a succession of providential interpositions. Suppose, for instance, that when one train was about to dash into another, God were to put forth His hand and arrest the accident; or when a boat was about to sink, He were to buoy it up in the hollow of His palm—it would change the whole course of nature for the worse. Men would say, "God is too good to let us starve; if the worse comes to the worst, He will cause harvests to grow by miracle. We may as well spend our time in pleasure, and leave our plows to rust." Would that not make for the discouragement or undoing of all that is strongest and noblest in human nature? Suppose once more, whenever there was the likelihood of an accident, an angel were sent to avert the collision or the wreck, what would happen? Would not every railway and steamboat company become careless of accidents of every kind, in the certainty of their being rendered innocuous? There would be no reason for keeping a watch at the ship's bow, and no need for brakes or signals. There would be no longer any certainty in natural law. Exact science would be at an end.

## Among the Assemblies

SEBASTOPOL, CALIF.—A 3-week revival was conducted here by Evangelist Joseph Garland and party. Six or 7 were saved, and 5 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. We broke the record in the Sunday School, the attendance reaching 160. Our church is on the corner of Neva and Huntley Streets in Sebastopol.—Lloyd Jeffery, Pastor, 441 High St.

CROWLEY, LA.—We have just closed a very successful revival with R. L. Bennett doing the preaching. Brother Bennett's messages were very stirring, the crowds were good, and all who were present seem to have a deeper desire to live for the Lord. The last Sunday, our Sunday School attendance reached the high mark of 176, the highest since we have been here.—C. A. McCrary, Pastor.

COVINGTON, TENN.—A very successful revival was conducted here with Denver C. Ogden of Siloam Springs, Ark., as the evangelist. The Lord blessed in a special way.

Fifteen or more were saved or reclaimed, and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. On the last Sunday of the revival, 8 were baptized in water and 7 united with the church. This revival is considered one of the best this city has ever had.—J. D. Bartlett, Pastor.

SAMBURGH, TENN.—Our church recently closed a successful revival under the leadership of Evangelist Chas. Hurst of Stonewall, Miss. Eighteen people found Jesus as their Savior, and a number were filled with the Holy Ghost. We enjoyed the largest crowds in many years, and the revival ran over the scheduled time because the Lord blessed so much. The closing Sunday a baptismal service was held, and several shouted on the bank of the lake.—George Preslar, Pastor, 519 Fremont St., Dyer, Tenn.

DETROIT, TENN.—A very successful revival was conducted here by Evangelist and Mrs. C. W. Quattlebaum of Saluda, S. C. The Lord gave us an outpouring of His Spirit. A great number were saved, 22 were baptized in water, and 21 united with the church. A number received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Many nights the large auditorium was filled to capacity and we were unable to seat the people.—Maxie Daley, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The Lord has blessed the Friendly Church with an old-fashioned tent revival. Crowds of spectators stood around the tent witnessing the moving of the Spirit of God. The forceful message of W. M. Stevens moved the people to seek the Lord. At least 35 confessed the Lord as their personal Savior and 9 were filled with the Spirit. Since the meeting closed a number have been saved and our Sunday School attendance has increased.—J. G. Sanders, Pastor.

GOODRICH, MICH.—We have just finished a 3-week meeting with the Karmarkovic Evangelistic Party of Lorain, Ohio. The church was stirred and revived under the precious ministry of Brother Karmarkovic. The colored chalk drawings brought out many to the services whom we had not seen before. Eleven accepted Christ as their Savior and left with the shine of glory on their face. We are believing that this is but the beginning, and that there is more to come.—Carl E. Ladd, Pastor, Full Gospel Tabernacle.

(Near) HAMPTON, ARK.—We just closed a wonderful old-time revival at the Happy Home Assembly of God, with Dovie McKoy of Fordyce as evangelist. Several souls

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were saved and 7 were baptized in water. The presence of the Lord was manifest at every service, especially at the last, when many came to the altar and some prayed through to victory. The saints were greatly revived. Sister McKoy is a wonderful evangelist, and her messages, have the old-time Pentecostal ring.—G. J. James, Pastor.

TRIMBLE, TENN.—We have just closed an unusual week of revival with Evangelist Chas. Hurst of Stonewall, Mass. Despite the fact that the evangelist was sick during the whole week, God anointed him nightly, and the church was surely helped. Fourteen people came to the altar and confessed their sins to the Lord and went away rejoicing. Our attendance was the best in many years and the interest was deep. We are already looking forward to another meeting, in a big tent, with Brother Hurst as the evangelist.—V. W. Preslar, Pastor.

GRANDFALLS, TEXAS—We have enjoyed a 3-week revival, in which Brother Shortie preached the first two weeks and Sister Mack the last week. Four were saved and the saints were greatly revived. The Lord blessed in the services, and several times there were praises going up to the Lord for thirty minutes at a time. The fellowship meeting was held here on July 17 and the Lord met with us in a great way. Since we have been here, about 8 months, the attendance in Sunday School has grown from 8 to 30, and there has been \$300.00 worth of work done on the church and parsonage.—R. R. Brown, Pastor.

BLYTHEVILLE, ARK.—We recently closed a very successful revival with Evangelist Ardelia Benson in charge. Her inspirational ministry in gospel and song proved a great blessing, resulting in one of our best revivals. The presence of the Lord was manifested in saving, reclaiming, and filling with the Spirit. At the close of the meeting, Sunday night, 14 were baptized in the new baptistry which had recently been installed in the church. On the following Sunday morning, 16 were added to the membership. Radio broadcast every Sunday, Station KLCN, at 2:00 p. m.—L. C. Ramsey, Pastor.

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SEYMOUR, TEXAS—We have just closed an old-time Pentecostal revival with Evangelist and Mrs. H. A. Medford. Twenty-four were saved, 11 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 13 were baptized in water. Eleven new members came into the church. Our church was revived and the town was stirred.—Jack Abshier, Pastor.

JUNEAU, ALASKA—We have enjoyed a 3 weeks' revival with Evangelist Charles E. Blair of Denver, Colo. God blessed the ministry of our brother in our midst with the salvation of souls and the filling of believers with the Holy Spirit. Among those saved was a young married woman who had been raised a staunch Catholic. During the past few weeks, 14 have followed the Lord in water baptism and others have united with the church. We praise God for His blessings and for sending Brother Blair our way, and have extended him an invitation to return at the earliest possible date.—Ralph E. Baker, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANSAS—We are happy to report a gracious visitation of God's presence in our midst, at 638 Baehr St., in the past few months. Up to the last of June the Sunday School average was 74; since July 1, it has been 135. During our recent revival with A. A. Allen of Lamar, Colo., the Sunday School broke all records with 185 in attendance. There were 50 gloriously saved, 22 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 45 were baptized in water. We are still enjoying the presence of God in the services, and souls are being saved and filled.—Charles Shumway, Pastor.

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DALLAS, TEXAS—We closed a revival recently with Evangelist Jack Coe, a serviceman, at the Central Tabernacle, Browder and Pochontas Streets. Several were saved, one was filled with the Holy Spirit, a number of backsliders came back to God, and several were healed. The church was revived. Our Sunday School attendance more than doubled in two weeks. R. Floyd Baker is pastor.—Mrs. Cally Tillery, Church Secretary.

MT. REST (near Walhalla), S. C.—A week's revival was conducted at Mt. Rest, 7 miles above Walhalla, in a mountain section. God surely blessed and poured out His Spirit in our midst. Three were saved, one was baptized with the Holy Spirit, and received a definite call for the service of our King. We enjoyed old-time Pentecost.

I have held services in homes and brush arbors in this section since Christmas, with great success. Have found many who are hungry for the full gospel. About 25 believers. Plans are being made to build a church soon. A lot has been donated. We need your prayers in this needy pioneer work.—Mrs. Alloe Taylor, Pastor, 207 S. College St., Walhalla, S. C.

GARVEY, CALIF.—Evangelist Arthur S. Arnold was with us for a week's revival, during his stopover in Los Angeles, before leaving for the General Council. The Lord anointed and blessed in a most wonderful way. Brother Arnold's Holy Ghost sermons have given our people a new determination to go deeper with God. His sermons from the Old Testament will be long remembered and cherished. The revival spirit is continuing. At our Friday night Young People's service, a boy from the Navy was saved and six of our brothers in the Lord were dancing in the Spirit at one time. Our Sunday night crowds have doubled. Truly a time of refreshing is at hand.—M. R. Hayes, Secretary-Treasurer.

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Reports given at the recent Council Meeting indicated good growth and substantial increase in this section of the Lord's work. During the

fiscal year seven new towns have been opened to the full gospel.

Elections resulted as follows: Bartlett Peterson, District Superintendent; Russell H. Olson, Assistant Superintendent; Emil A. Balliet, District Secretary; F. J. Lindquist and Ivan O. Miller, General Presbyters. District Presbyters are as follows: Allen G. Snider, G. Raymond Carlson, B. C. Heinze, R. D. E. Smith, O. E. Carter, F. R. Gottwald, G. O. Mort, Rolland W. Miller, and E. B. Adamson.

The District Council made the office of the Superintendency full time. Brother Lindquist, who had served as Superintendent for twenty-two years, stated that his desire was to remain in his pastorate at the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle. Public expressions and tokens of appreciation for long years of faithful service were given to Brother Lindquist and Brother Ivan O. Miller. They were re-elected as President and Vice-President respectively, of North Central Bible Institute. Emil A. Balliet was elected as Principal and Dean.—Bartlett Peterson, Superintendent.

### FIRST UTAH STATE CAMP MEETING

The first Utah State Camp Meeting convened at Salt Lake City, August 21—26, with Arthur S. Arnold, main speaker, and J. E. Austell, Superintendent of the Rocky Mountain District, presiding. There were four services daily, all of which were conducted in the tent located at 13th South, between State and Main Streets, on the lots where the new Assembly of God church building will soon be erected.

Brother Arnold spoke at the 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. services each day and three times on Sunday. C. A. Brown, Regional Sunday School Representative, spoke each evening at the 7:00 o'clock service. His series of illustrated lectures given on the Sunday School program added much to the camp meeting and much interest was shown by the pastors and Sunday School workers of all the churches represented.

Other speakers were Evangelist Thelma M. Dotta, Evangelist James A. Call, and Evangelist Harris. The following churches were represented: The Ogden Assembly, John J. Ridge, Pastor; Provo Assembly, V. A. Harris, Pastor; Helper Assembly, Lee Francis, Pastor; Spanish Assembly in Salt Lake City, Brother Enricas, Pastor; and Salt Lake City Assembly, Guy M. Heath, Pastor. Many other evangelists and workers were present from other States and Districts.

Everyone felt that the Camp was a real success due to the great interest shown by the Mormon people of the city. Although the day attendance was fair, the evening crowds were very good, increasing until Sunday night when the large tent was well filled. Several seekers were filled with the Holy Spirit as an outward witness to the many curious onlookers. Brother Arnold's messages were well received by the saints and were particularly adapted to the need of the Mormon people.

For two weeks preceding the camp meeting, Evangelist Ira Heath conducted revival services in the tent. A splendid interest was shown which was climaxed in the great camp meeting. Following the camp, Evangelist and Mrs. James A. Call continued the revival for two weeks. The Lord has surely blessed the continuous tent campaign of the summer months.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

# Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

- MADRAS, ORE.—Oct. 7—; Everett Sloan, Artist Evangelist.—Alfred R. Brown, Pastor.
- SULLIVAN, MO.—Oct. 9, for three weeks or longer; W. M. Stevens, Evangelist.—O. H. Virgin, Pastor.
- ST. ELMO, ILL.—Oct. 3—21; Evangelist and Mrs. C. Merrill Johnson.—D. B. Jagers, Pastor.
- LENOLA, N. J.—Browning and Lenola Rds., Oct. 14—21; John E. Ward, Philadelphia, Pa., Evangelist.—Joseph R. Brown, Pastor.
- DUNCANNON, PA.—Lincoln and Rachel Sts., Sept. 30—Oct. 14; J. S. Wolfe, Lebanon, Pa., Evangelist.—Henry Graf, Pastor.
- HUDSON FALLS, N. Y.—Oct. 7—21; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shaffer, Evangelists, London, Ky.—S. Y. Weidler, Pastor.
- PALO ALTO, CAL.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Cowper and Channing Ave.; Oct. 7—; Mr. and Mrs. F. Wesley Pope, Evangelists.—R. J. Renfro, Pastor.

- ATLANTA, GA.—October 7—; The Gospel Music Makers, Frank, Gladys, and Dorothy Lummer, Evangelists.—Joe Bell, Pastor.
- MARION, IND.—1005 E. 29th St., revival in progress; Dale Zink, Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited.—B. E. Hillman, Pastor.
- WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WIS.—October 2—; Arthur M. Otteson, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist and Gospel Singer.—Paul J. Bicket, Pastor.
- OMAHA, NEBR.—19th and Cass Sts., Oct. 7—; Stanley McPherson, Santa Monica, Calif., Evangelist.—L. E. King, Pastor.
- GRAND ISLAND, Neb.—Sept. 30—Oct. 21; C. Melvin Smitley, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—B. H. Armes, Pastor.
- OVERLAND PARK, KANS.—Oct. 14, for three weeks or longer; Smith and Rogers, Granite City, Ill., Evangelists.—Floyd L. Dennis, Pastor.
- COLUMBUS, GA.—Cussetta Rd., meeting in progress; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McGaugh, El Dorado, Ark., Evangelists.—John Carrol, Pastor.
- PRATT, KANSAS—600 S. Hamilton, October 7—; Wesley Goodwin, Evangelist.—Russell Rexroat, Pastor.
- ELIZABETH, N. J.—Sept. 30—Oct. 21; Ebenezer Church, 856 E. Jersey St.; T. H. Spence, Eight Mile, Ala., Evangelist.—Wm. E. Gundersen, Pastor.
- ELMIRA, N. Y.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, E. Henry and Pennsylvania Ave., Sept. 25—Oct 12; Wm. Conklin, Emerson, N. J., Evangelist.—Peter and John Bedzyk, Pastors.

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WEST HARTFORD, CONN.—Sept. 25—Oct. 14; Hartford Gospel Tabernacle, 31 W. Beacon St. Evangelist Gay Benson will conduct 13th Anniversary Evangelistic Campaign.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Pastor.

BUFFALO, OKLA.—Oct. 9; All day Fellowship meeting. Morning speaker, J. S. Murrell, Alva; Afternoon speaker, Olin Cassey, Mooreland; Mrs. Grace Hopper, Pastor.—W. C. Crowder, Sect. Sec'y.

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**ARKANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

The Arkansas District Council will convene at Russellville, Ark., October 8-11. David Burris, District Superintendent.—H. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

CAMANACHE, IOWA—Annual Fellowship Meeting, Full Gospel Tabernacle, October 6. Services 2:30, 6:30 and 7:30. Supper, 5:30 p. m. Bring basket lunch and musical instruments. J. C. Snyder, Presbyter.—Carl Bergman, Pastor.

**PRAYER CONFERENCE**

YORK, PA.—Prayer Conference, First Pentecostal Church, 474 S. Pershing Ave., October 23—25. Karl Steffens, Brooklyn, N. Y., night speaker. For room reservations write Pastor A. Skyer, 471 S. Pershing Ave.—R. F. Bender, Prayer Conference Leader.

**PRAYER CONFERENCE**

Prayer Conference, Southwestern Ohio Ministerial Fellowship, Bethel Temple, Dayton, Ohio, October 8—9. A. B. Cox, host pastor. Three services daily. Cecil Good, Chairman of Fellowship, will speak. Night entertainment furnished by church. You are urged to come. Write for entertainment to A. B. Cox, 104 Buckeye St., Dayton, Ohio.—Irwin Phillips, Secretary-Treasurer.

**ILLINOIS SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCES**

Illinois District executives assisted by William E. Kirschke, National Sunday School Representative, will be conducting Sunday School Conferences during October at the following places in Illinois: Springfield, October 5—6; East Alton, October 8—9; Belleville, October 10—11; Murphysboro, October 12—13; Great Lakes Bible Institute, Zion, October 15—16. All Christian workers in the various sections and in adjacent districts are invited to attend.

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**NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL**

The New England District Council will convene October 9-12 at Full Gospel Tabernacle, 50 Lupine Street, Pawtucket, R. I., Paul R. Buchwalter, host Pastor. Registration and fellowship, will begin at 7:30 P.M., October 9. Three services daily at 9, 2, and 7:30. Friday afternoon and evening will be devoted entirely to spiritual ministry and the ordination service. Wesley R. Steelberg, Assistant General Superintendent, will be guest speaker, and remain with the local assembly in service over the following Sunday. Applicants for ministerial recognition meet the Credentials Committee at 2:00 P.M. on the 9th, following the meeting of the Executive Committee at 10 A. M.—C. C. Garrett, Secretary.

**WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

West Florida District Council. Oct. 1-3. Marianna, Fla. H. S. Bush, Guest Speaker. C. A. Service, Oct. 1, 10 A.M.; W.M.C. 5 P.M.; All committees to meet Oct. 1, 10 A.M.; Credentials Committee will interview candidates at 10 A.M. Oct. 1.—D. W. Norton, Secretary-Treasurer.

**COMMEMORATION AND DEDICATION SERVICE**

The commemoration service for forty two (42) years of Pentecost in Galena, Kansas will be held Oct. 23, 24, 25. Also the dedication of the new church will be held at that time. The following are the speakers for the three days. Oct. 23. Morning—V. G. Griesen; Afternoon—Paul Samuelson; Evening—F. C. Cornell, District. Supt., Okla., Men's Honor Roll, Dedication Service; Oct. 25. Morning—A. A. Wilson; Afternoon—V. Lenzy Hertweck; Evening—V. G. Griesen. Dedication of Church; Oct. 26, Morning—W. I. Evans, Central Bible Institute; Afternoon—Kenneth Short, Missionary to Borneo.; Evening—W. I. Evans. Rooms will be furnished as far as possible.—G. P. Hertweck—Pastor.

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