

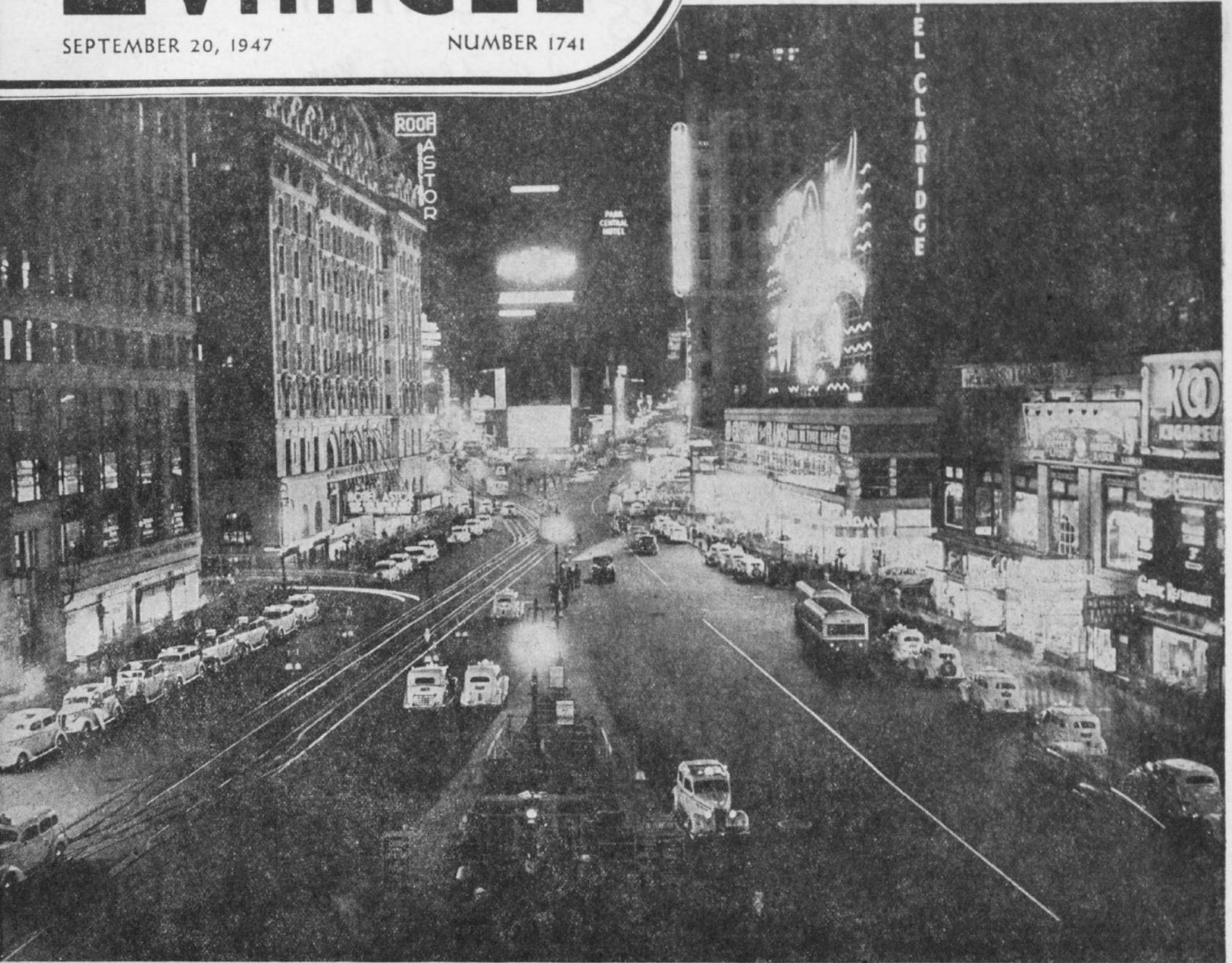
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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER,
BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



"QUITE SUDDENLY"

*Quite suddenly—it may be as I tread
the busy street,
Strong to endure life's stress and
strain,
Its every call to meet,
That through the roar of traffic, a
trumpet, silvery clear,
Shall stir my startled senses and pro-
claim His coming near.*

*Quite suddenly—it may be in His
house I bend my knee,
When the Kingly Voice, long hoped
for,
Comes at last to summon me;
And the fellowship of earth-life
That has seemed so passing sweet,
Proves nothing but the shadow
Of our meeting round His feet.*

*Quite suddenly—it may be as I lie
in dreamless sleep,
God's gift to many a sorrowing heart,
With no more tears to weep,
That a call shall break my slumber
And a Voice sound in my ear:
"Rise up, My love, and come away;
Behold, the Bridegroom's here."*



Work --

The Night Cometh



E. S. Williams at the General Council, Grand Rapids, Mich.

This is not a verbatim report of Brother Williams' address, but a digest that he has kindly given to us beforehand. The Lord may lead him to speak on other lines.

I MUST work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4.

With the above words Jesus looked toward the time when His ministry on earth would be ended, His lips sealed, and His works to follow Him. He was not interested in just working. The works which He did were to be "the works of Him that sent Me."

God, my brethren, has given us a work to do. He has not bestowed upon us the Baptism with the Holy Ghost for naught; neither has He endowed us with power that we might work our own work, satisfying carnal desire or human ambition.

It requires nothing less than an absolute surrender to the will of God for us to work the works of God. Where selfishness creeps in there will be works of self-interest rather than the sanctified works of God. I would that we all, specially those in the ministry, would deeply and earnestly search our hearts to see if we have lived and labored wholly for the Lord, or if self-interest has inspired much of our labors. Remember, the sifting time is coming. Only that which is done for God will stand approved when we stand before the Judgment seat of Christ.

"The night cometh." Jesus looked into the future. Lifetime to Him was working time. He also saw the present dispensation and knew this age would come to its close. If we live only for the present we may think of selfish advantage. It is as we keep the future in view, the time when we must render an account, that we feel like laying aside every weight and working wholly for God. As with Jesus, "Who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame," so it will be with us. Let us think of the hour when our labors will cease. How will we then survey our lives and ministry?

Have we toiled faithfully? The question is not how great has been our success.

It is how faithful have we been. Success may even deceive. There is danger of looking to it for reward rather than looking to entire integrity of character. We see all about us wrecks of those who have had much success, who began to depend on and glory in their success, later brought to humiliation, some of whom have turned their success to their own advantage rather than to the glory of God. The great question is, Have we labored faithfully and unselfishly? Have we kept ourselves pure? Can we with Paul face the end without regret?

Let us think also of dispensational night. Night came to the antediluvians. They heard their last warning message, then the Lord closed the door to the ark and they were lost. While the storm of divine vengeance deluged the world, Noah and his family were safe in the ark. Sodom sank deeper and deeper in iniquity until the fires of eternal vengeance swallowed up the wicked city. Lot and two daughters alone escaped to safety. The Jews rejected our Savior and cried for His blood to be upon them. Their judgment came, but when their city was destroyed the believers in Christ escaped as by miracle. It now looks as if our present age is doomed. Iniquity abounds, the nations are bankrupt and in despair, threatenings of a new war are heard, internally and internationally the earth is filled with strife and discontent, with little thought of God. Christ is on the outside, rejected and despised. If any service is rendered Him it is too largely lip service, devoid of correctness of character. No better words can describe the condition than those of Paul who said, "For all seek their own, not the things of Jesus Christ."

We will not here dwell on world conditions nor the fulfillments of prophecy which are taking place before our eyes. We just remind those who are faithful to the Lord that, as God spared His own from the catastrophes that marked the end of other ages, He has promised to deliver us. "For the Lord shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be

caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." What a future! How this truth should stir us to freshness of zeal, to renewed determination to live "holily, justly, and unblameably." Oh, the regret if we are weighed in the balance and found wanting when Jesus comes!

If we are living in the end of the age, as signs everywhere indicate, it is not going to be easy faithfully and zealously to continue to "work the works of God," for "because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." I beseech you as I beseech myself, "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not."

Whether the age is at its end or not as it seems to be, we know not the day nor the hour which may call us from our present trust. Death has taken several of our faithful ministers and missionaries since last we met in a General Council, and a goodly number from our many churches. Some of these were taken early in life while others lived to a ripe old age. But they are gone. Never can they come back to try to undo wrongs or make amends for a selfish or wasted life if they had such. Their destiny is sealed. Their rewards will be according as their works have been. It is a serious thought. I wish it might grip us deeply.

Brethren, it is yet day. Eventide may be near, but let us remember the parable of the man who went out to hire laborers. Those hired at the end of the day received the same wages as those who had been hired early in the morning, which means that, if we who live at the twilight hour are faithful, our reward will be as full as if we had labored through any other part of the age. May we dedicate ourselves to fresh waiting on God, and to renewal of "the works of Him who has sent us."

We have received a Baptism. Jesus said, "Tarry until ye are endued with power from on high." The enduement was to be the Holy Ghost. Then we were to be witnesses. The word "witnesses" here follows the thought we have been considering. It means martyrs, and a martyr is

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The Diary of a Delegate

To The GENERAL COUNCIL, Grand Rapids, Mich.

HAVEN'T yet arrived at Grand Rapids, but have had a glance at the reports prepared for General Council, and my heart is praising God. Feel like shouting, with Daniel, "How mighty are His wonders!"

GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

This General Council fellowship, dear to the Lord as it is to us, has continued in steady growth throughout each of the past two years. Compared with 1943, the number of affiliated and co-operative assemblies has grown from 5,106 to 5,548, the enrolled membership has increased from 226,705 to 243,515, and the number of ordained ministers has jumped from 4,664 to the large number of 5,746 (not including our 4,477 exhorters and licentiates). There are now 10,223 preachers holding credentials in our Assemblies of God fellowship! What a host of Pentecostal heralds, proclaiming the soon return of our blessed Saviour! May the anointing of the Holy Ghost rest mightily upon every one of them!

Many other fine things are in Brother Flower's report, but am noting only one. It is not so encouraging. The majority of our assemblies have failed to send any offering for the Ministers' Benevolence Fund. In the past six months, for example, only 666 assemblies contributed. The total offerings for six months were \$15,557.02 while the disbursements to aged ministers were \$18,798.00. From some districts there was not even one offering. Are we not failing in our duty to our aged brethren?

FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

In two years our corps of foreign missionaries has grown from 538 to 614. Our work is carried on in 50 different foreign lands. Our people have given a total of \$3,883,544.17 to World Missions during the two-year period. Of this amount \$222,382.87 was returned to the Districts for home missionary work, according to the World Missions Plan. Noel Perkin, our Foreign Missions Secretary, reports that the total giving for foreign missions during the past year was \$1,823,736.78 which is a new record in the history of our fellowship. The Lord be praised for this! But let us not forget that, though our giving has increased, missionary costs have increased, as the *Evangel* of August 23 so clearly showed. That is why, with an increase of 49% in offerings, we have

an increase of only 14% in the number of our missionaries. The cost of missionary work has increased 100%. We must increase our individual giving much more if we are to enlarge the scope of our missionary work.

MISSIONARY GIVING

By states, California leads with \$554,691.77; Washington is second, having given \$283,606.57; Texas is third, with \$225,525.69; Ohio fourth, with \$202,933.95; after which comes Missouri, Pennsylvania, Michigan, New York, Illinois, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Oregon, and Kansas, in that order.

The 25 assemblies leading in missionary giving for the two-year period, Aug. 1, 1945 to July 31, 1947, are as follows:

1. New York, N. Y. Glad Tidings Tabernacle	\$68,730.76
2. Cleveland, O.; Pentecostal Church	64,065.29
3. Los Angeles, Calif.; Bethel Temple	53,423.93
4. Chicago, Ill.; Stone Church	31,054.75
5. Minneapolis, Minn.; Gospel Tabernacle	29,958.16
6. Philadelphia, Pa.; Highway Mission Tabernacle	29,917.02
7. Springfield, Mo.; Central Assembly	27,269.27
8. Seattle, Wash.; Hollywood Temple	22,550.81
9. Battle Creek, Mich.; Church of the Fourfold Gospel	21,913.40
10. San Diego, Calif.; First Assembly Tabernacle	19,858.38
11. Tacoma, Wash.; Pentecostal Assembly of God	18,552.35
12. Goose Creek, Tex.; Trinity Tabernacle	16,244.81
13. Hutchinson, Kans.; Assembly of God	15,151.06
14. Fresno, Calif.; Full Gospel Tabernacle	14,260.00

15. Kansas City, Mo.; First Assembly of God	14,220.48
16. Dayton, O.; Bethel Temple	13,950.21
17. Alhambra, Calif.; Bethany Church	13,915.00
18. Oakland, Calif.; First Pentecostal Church	13,853.99
19. Detroit, Mich.; Brightmoor Tabernacle	13,823.34
20. Washington, D.C.; Full Gospel Tabernacle	13,603.59
21. Washington, D.C.; Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle	13,571.69
22. New Castle, Pa.; First Pentecostal Church	12,256.00
23. Minneapolis, Minn.; Fremont Tabernacle	12,128.20
24. Kansas City, Kans.; Full Gospel Tabernacle	11,448.17
25. Sacramento, Calif.; Bethel Temple	10,990.44

Brother Perkin, our Missionary Secretary, reports that adherents in all mission fields connected with our Assemblies of God missions and churches are reported as totaling over 200,000. This means that we have almost as many adherents to the Assemblies of God in our foreign mission work as we have in the U. S. A.

THE WORK IN AFRICA

Our Field Secretary for Africa, H. B. Garlock, who has recently returned from a visit to our stations all over this vast field, reports that God is giving us a bountiful harvest in Africa. We have today 127 missionaries on this field and 33 on furlough. The total number of our mission stations is 70. We have 736 African preachers, 685 churches, 40,500 believers, 7 Bible Schools, and 60 day schools.

In Nigeria, where we have 90 Spirit-filled African workers, over 100 churches, and approximately 10,000 believers, the Lord is giving our missionaries a joyful harvest. In eight short years our work has grown until it is larger than that of some of the denominations which have been working in Nigeria for over fifty years. To God be all the glory!

In Nyasaland, East Africa, we are experiencing one of the greatest indigenous revivals in Africa, according to Brother Garlock. Brother Laiton Kalambuli, a native of Nyasaland, was saved and filled with the Spirit in South Africa. He felt the call of God to return to his people with the Pentecostal message. Being

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Hitherto
hath the Lord
helped us

I Sam. 7:12

Emmanuel

AT the birth of Christ the word spoken by the Lord through the prophet Isaiah was fulfilled, "Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." Isa. 7:14; Matt. 1:23.

This was God's great gift to man. Jesus Christ was Emmanuel—God with us—God manifested in the flesh—in order that man might be redeemed and raised from his fallen condition to God's standard.

Man's standard is as far removed from God's standard as a blade of grass in height is short of the distance to the sun. The sun can influence the blade of grass, but the blade of grass cannot influence the sun. It is written "All flesh is grass, and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field: the grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass." Isa. 40:6, 7.

But Satan said to Eve, "Ye shall be as gods." Gen. 3:5. But Christ did not say anything like that to Nicodemus when he came to Him by night. He said, "Ye must be born again." John 3:7.

Men comparing themselves with themselves are not wise. Modern preachers are telling men everywhere today that they have a spark of God in themselves, and they must cultivate it. Man needs to learn that there is nothing within himself, that even all his righteousness is like filthy rags in the sight of a holy God. There must be a cleansing from sin. But the invitation has gone out, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18. There must be a receiving of Christ within. That alone can satisfy God. It is an imparted gift. "God so loved . . . that He gave." John 3:16. "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23.

God wants to endow the receptive soul with His riches—the riches of His grace, the riches of His glory, the riches of His love, the riches of His healing power, the riches of His wisdom, the riches of His compassion, the hidden riches, the unnamed riches, the unspeakable riches, the inexhaustible riches, the wealth of unexplored riches; to make the incomprehensible comprehensible.

All the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, all the glory and majesty of God are hidden in the Son of God; for in Him

dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. Christ is the divine depository of God Himself in human frame. God has given His Son that every man, every human being, who comes into relationship to Christ may be partaker of the riches. And to those who have accepted Christ the Holy Spirit says, "Ye are complete in Him." Col. 2:10. Those who have received Him are heirs of God and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ. It is more than a partnership, it is a relationship. They are bone of His bone, and flesh of His flesh. All is available. It is all in Christ.

But remember this. There is a great gulf fixed between the natural man and the spiritual man. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him." 1 Cor. 2:14. It is easier to try to teach an ape philosophy, or teach a dog astronomy, than it is to try to teach the natural man the things of God. They are foolishness unto him. The Word of God says so. It is only as we receive the Spirit of God that we understand the things of God.

The monkey would think the philosopher a fool to try to teach him philosophy. The natural man thinks the spiritual man a fool to try to teach him things that do not belong to this world. The natural men are earthly, sensual, devilish. Darkness has no fellowship with light. Dark-

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ness does not comprehend the things of life. But God says to those who have been born again, who have received the Spirit of Christ: "Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day." 1 Thess. 5:5. He tells us to walk as children of the light. Christ said, "Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you." John 15:16. It was not arbitrariness, it was love. Our inheritance in Christ and with Christ is the outcome of love. And having loved His own, He loved them unto the end. John 13:1.

My Counselor

GEORGE MULLER

ONE office which our precious Lord Jesus sustains is "Counselor." Isaiah 9:6. There are numberless things before us continually in our earthly pilgrimage regarding which we need counsel, or advice. Under these circumstances we should go to our Lord Jesus Christ and say to Him: "My Lord, my precious Saviour, I am ignorant; now what am I to do? Thou art my Counselor; show me clearly and distinctly how to act under these circumstances."

What will be the result? We shall be taught. But our danger is to think ourselves wise, and to say: "I have lived many years and know how to act; I am a man of experience." This is the very way to make mistakes, to be left to ourselves; but, feeling our ignorance, what we have to do is to own that we are little ignorant children and to ask the Lord to teach us.

When the apostle John was asked a question by one of the elders, he said: "Sir, thou knowest"—in other words, "I do not know." As soon as he acknowledged his ignorance he was taught. And thus it will be with regard to ourselves; directly there is found in us a heart of humility, so that we come asking of God that He would tell us, we shall find what it is to have a Counselor in heaven.

You need never to take a step in the dark. If you do, you are sure to make a mistake. Wait till you have light. Remind the Lord Jesus that as He is Counselor to the church of God He will be in your particular case Counselor and Guide, and will direct you. And if you patiently wait, believingly, expectantly, you will find that the waiting is not in vain, and that the Lord will prove Himself a Counselor, both wise and good.

Revival has always come when things in the world around have been at their blackest. That is just the time when God steps in and revives His Church.—E. Buckhurst Pinch.

Flying Saucers

vs. Flying Wheels

E. F. M. STAUDT

SOME people have been "seeing things." If I were to take seriously all that people have told me that they have "seen" or "felt" it would quite upset my mental equilibrium. I have not seen anything like "flying saucers," but I have read in the prophecy of Ezekiel (Ch. 1:16) about flying wheels. Ezekiel saw them in connection with the throne of God, and I believe they represent to us the forces of nature and history. The scientist and the historian have tried to eliminate God from nature and history, but God is moving, nevertheless, in this material universe and in the history of mankind.

EZEKIEL'S WHEELS

Each wheel had another wheel inside of it, like the equator and the meridian. These wheels were in motion, for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheel. They could run in any direction (not limited like a train to a track). God works in freedom, and can turn the direction of events as He chooses. "Providence is in motion—change is part of the order of nature and life. There is a divine progress moving on to a grand consummation. The wheels were full of eyes. The course of nature is not blind. Every fact is stamped with thought, every change marked by intelligence."

God has a plan of the ages—an eternal plan—sure of complete fulfillment. Eph. 3:11. "The wheels were in accord with heaven. They always accompanied the living creatures. Heaven and earth are linked together. The same principles displayed above are seen in the divine movements here." We are not fatalists. We believe there is a God in heaven who loves the race He has created and is working out all things for His glory and our good. Rom. 8:28. In the world and in the church things are moving toward a climax. To the unregenerate, current events may look like flying saucers, but to the saint with vision, there is a grand purpose in all, and moving toward a perfect world, brought about by the return of our Lord Jesus Christ—His millennial reign of righteousness and peace.

OTHER WHEELS

I call your attention to some other wheels of great importance to us just now—

THE WHEELS OF TIME

We are not standing still—the universe is in motion, and we are moving with it. Sunrise is followed by sunset, days by weeks, months, years. There is a time to work, a time to rest, a time to play—but remember there is also a time to die. "It is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment." Heb. 9:27. Man is a responsible being and is held accountable by the Creator for the life he lives here. To the saint it is written: "We shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ and give account of the deeds done in the body." 2 Cor. 5:10. The 20th chapter foretells the judgment and the lake of fire awaiting all whose names are not in the Lamb's book of life.

WHEELS OF PROGRESS

"Knowledge shall be increased." A hundred years ago the world knew nothing about airplanes, radio, automobiles, telegraph, or atomic energy. Human knowledge and scientific achievement have made tremendous strides. We wonder sometimes, can there be anything more for man to discover? The crux of the matter is, what use are we making of these things? How much glory does God get out of it? Or is it all for man's enjoyment and perhaps for his destruction?

WHEELS OF OPPORTUNITY

Every one has an opportunity of leaving this world, wiser, richer, better than when he came into it. Think of the vast amount of good accomplished by one person—a Moody, a Sunday, and a Simpson, a LeTourneau and others. Millions have been influenced by these men for eternity. "He that winneth souls is wise." "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars for ever and ever." We may lay up for ourselves treasure in

heaven, or live a lazy, indifferent, selfish life; blind and heartless to the needs of a perishing world. "What will the harvest be?"

WHEELS OF FAITH

Do we have a moving, growing, increasing faith? A faith energized by the Spirit of God? "The Order of the Grain of Mustard Seed" founded by Zinzendorf sent out the gospel light to every continent on this globe. Thank God for men like Hudson Taylor with a missionary vision, a heart of love and living faith, that set wheels in motion that are still carrying life and blessing to the eternal day. What is your faith doing for the world? What has it done for you? Bring out that rusty talent, put it to work for God and humanity. Wheels of blessing can be set in motion BY YOU, the results of which only God can estimate. "Only one life, 'twill soon be past; only what's done for Christ will last."

WHEELS OF PROPHECY

Oh, how fast they are moving today! What means the present unrest, economically, socially, politically? What means the awakening of a national consciousness in India, Egypt, Korea, Burma, Indonesia; and the violent ferment in Palestine—"the fig tree (Israel) and all the trees (Gentile nations) are putting forth leaves" of national life; demanding recognition, independence, self-government. The national consciousness of humanity is moving side by side with prophecy, for the setting up of Christ's universal kingdom on earth. Read Isaiah 11; Psalm 72. *But before that day*—the great tribulation, universal misery, setting up of the man of sin, great apostasy—"darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the peoples."

THE RED TIDE IN THE GULF OF MEXICO

Many Floridians have been disturbed over the mass destruction of fish—literally millions of them washed upon the beaches accompanied by a reddish fluid that is still a mystery. Scientists call it "dinoflagellate," a tiny marine organism and say that is responsible; local people still believe it is caused by shells filled with mustard gas dumped into the gulf by the army—which the War Department denies—but whatever the cause, we are reminded of the tribulation judgments under the second trumpet and the second vial. "As the blood of a dead man," says the Word, will be the water of the sea. Natural causes may still have a supernatural background, and may we add, perhaps a judgment from God on the ungodly attire seen at the beaches, Sunday fishing, and the general indifference of the people at these Gulf resorts.

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The Church in Rome Greets You!

LESTER SUMRALL

ROME! What panoramas of controversies, contradictions, and incongruities flash before our eyes as we mention this city! It is the tottering capital of a world empire; it is a metropolis of culture and education. A galaxy of emperors, dictators, despots, and popes has ruled over this great city by the river Tiber.

In a sense Rome is one of the most important cities in the world. Other than Jerusalem, it is one of the most important cities in Christendom. Rome is a city where the saints in all ages have been persecuted. In this city Paul became a martyr to the righteous cause. Following him, tens of thousands became human torches to burn before the lust-intoxicated emperors of Rome, or became food for starving wild beasts. In Rome, the infant church was driven underground and lived in subterranean passages called catacombs, and there they buried their immortal dead. And until this present day, any vestige of Holy Ghost revival is persecuted by the same evil spirit that dwelt in ancient Rome. However, in spite of this, the church is still established in Rome. The church triumphant lives on. The church in Rome greets the American brethren. "They of Italy salute you." Heb. 13:24.

PASTOR ROBERTO BRACCO

Our pastor in Rome is a young man, thirty-two years of age. Upon meeting him, you recognize that he possesses ability of leadership. He began his ministry when he was twenty years of age, and has continued through the Fascist and Papist regimes until the present time. He has been imprisoned eighteen times for preaching the gospel in Rome.

Pastor Bracco was reared in a nominal Catholic home, but he was early disillusioned by the emptiness of the religion of Rome, and declared himself an atheist. Until he found a people who worship God in spirit and in truth, and was personally transformed by the power of God, he considered all religion to be false.

But after meeting the Lord, he became an ardent disciple. His church in Rome has 300 members. Because of lack of building facilities, they worship in an underground basement at the rear of some other buildings. We nicknamed the place, "The Modern Catacombs." Pastor Bracco needs a building very badly.

A CHRISTIAN BUSINESS MAN

Mr. Umberto N. Gorietti is one of the leading Christians of our church in Rome. He owns and operates a group of shoe stores. God has blessed him in a material way, and also in a spiritual way. Mr. Gorietti, because of his constant religious activities for the church, had been sentenced to prison for three months; but fortunately, it was at the time of the Fascist disintegration, and he was released. Brother Gorietti is a pillar in our Rome church, and a humble Christian.

A CONVERTED MONK

Sitting among the Christians each night, and listening to the expounding of the Word of life, is a converted Franciscan monk. He left the monastery because of the testimony of a Christian and now has a wonderful experience in Christ. He told me that he had discovered a new world of truth and joy and peace, and that what he did not find in the cloistered monastery he had found in the Evangelical church.

OUR INTERPRETER

Eliana Rustici was our interpreter. She speaks English quite well and is an unusually able interpreter in expression and translation. She is private secretary in a business firm. Because of her aggressive stand for Christ, she was sentenced to twenty-one days in jail by the Fascist authorities under Mussolini. One day, as we were walking on the street in Rome, she pointed to a dirty beggar woman and said, "This beggar woman was in prison with me. She was in prison for begging alms on the

street, and I was in the same cell with her for witnessing for Christ."

These representative members of the church in Rome send their greetings: Brother F. J. Lindquist, C. B. Smith, E. W. Robinson, C. E. Blair, Mrs. Blair, and an Italian brother from Montana in our group as we conducted a week of revival meetings. We found the response wonderful. A great number accepted Christ as their Saviour. Even in Rome, God is blessing in these days, saving and filling with His Spirit.

No Help Wanted

Stalin rejected an offer of help from prayer warriors during the Moscow conference of foreign ministers. Dr. Frank C. Laubach held a prayer mission at the Paris conference last year. Said he: "God has permitted science to unlock the ultimate forces locked in the atom thirty million times as powerful as dynamite. Now scientists are frightened lest men may use this awful power to destroy the world. Prayer will enable God to unlock in the spiritual realm the only power that can save the world from self-destruction. This is the one and only great contribution most of us can make, and it is enough." So, under auspices of the Laymen's Movement for a Christian World, he made this contribution at Paris by conducting prayer meetings.

He planned to go to Moscow and make a similar contribution, by organizing prayer meetings for the success of the conference; but he was denied a visa. A personal request was made to Stalin, by cable, but it too was refused. No help wanted from the Almighty! A world in danger of destroying itself with its new inventions, yet some men deliberately ignore the only One who can save it. But Dr. Laubach's words are true, and God's people can make "the one and only great contribution" to the world's need by praying, whether others want God's help or not.

Don't let books swallow you up. An ounce of love is better than a pound of learning.—John Wesley.



Work -- the Night Cometh

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one so devoted to Christ that "he loves not his life unto the death." Unless we are willing to "endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ" we are not in the witnessing class. The Holy Ghost has not been given so we can make a noise. He has been given that we might develop character and consecration and go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

We need a new vision of the fields that are white to harvest. Look at Europe. Many who have made a study of that field believe the time may be very short that missionary work may be done there. Look at India. What is done in that land must be done quickly. Look where you will. The conditions are alarming. But with it all we have the promise that was given the church at Philadelphia—the church that was promised, "I will keep you from the hour of temptation that shall come on all the world." Hear the words, "Behold, I have set before you an open door and no man can shut it." Until the church meets Jesus in the air, we are to press out into all the world, telling the people of a Christ who died to save and a heaven for which they may prepare.

Paul caught a vision, not of his district only, but of the world, and we hear him say, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." What is your vision? How far does it reach? Jesus who said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me," said also, "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one shepherd." He looked away from the place of His immediate ministry and saw a world that needed Him. Then, when He was risen from the dead, He gave the great commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

May we not be as the slothful servant who feathered his own nest, lost sight of the coming of Christ saying, "My Lord delayeth his coming," and then began to beat the men servants and maidens. God grant that through this General Council we may be brought back, if we have gotten away, to the responsibilities of our calling, and may God pour out His Spirit afresh upon us. Having begun in the Spirit, may we not deceive ourselves by thinking we can be made perfect through the flesh, whether it be legalism, culture, or any other creature advancement that quenches the Spirit. God endue us afresh and lay upon us the burden, for "the night cometh when no man can work."

"SHOW ME THE WAY TO HELL!"

Lester Sumrall

ONE summer in a Pennsylvania camp meeting, it was my special privilege to labor with Mrs. Jennie Shepperd, who is affectionately called "Ma" by all who know her. For fifty-four years "Ma" Shepperd has valiantly fought in the ranks of the Salvation Army.

It is thrilling to hear her describe how she was met with flying cabbage, overripe tomatoes and tin cans, as she preached in the slums of London. In contrast to this, she vividly pictured barking guns, flowing blood and death-dealing shrapnel as she nursed the soldiers in the front lines during the last World War.

One day "Ma" told us of a sermon she preached in one of our large American cities, which was so anointed by the Spirit of God that many sat weeping as she spoke. When the plea for the unconverted was given, men and women responded to the call and knelt at the old-fashioned altar to pray.

The meeting was drawing to a close. The altar service had triumphantly ended with new names inscribed in God's book of life, when a man arose in the rear of the hall, with a dark scowl on his face. He walked abruptly up to the elderly woman preacher, and said, "I heard you tell us the way to heaven; now show me the way to hell."

"Ma" Shepperd replied, "Man, do you mean what you are saying?" "Yes," he snarled, "show me the way to Hell!"

With a solemn finger of judgment, she pointed to the mission door.

That man walked through the open door and directly into a moving street car. His body was crushed and cut before the car could come to a halt. Life fled from the unfortunate sinner before he could possibly beg forgiveness for his insane and blasphemous statement.

Jesus Christ beckons to all men to choose between the two roads which lead to eternity. One is the broad road leading to destruction, the other is the narrow way leading to life. God in infinite mercy created man a free agent, with power to choose his eternal destiny.

The Word of God cries unto all "Halt!" "Today is the day of salvation." No man knows what tomorrow may bring forth. Your choice this moment may be your final decision for all eternity. Seek God while He may be found.

A DESPERATE SITUATION

From Germany comes a plea for prayer on behalf of the refugees. Many German families, having been turned out of their homes in Upper Silesia by the Poles, are returning to Germany. In Hanover, for example, several trainloads arrived each week. No housing is obtainable so the refugees are taken into the large underground vaults which were used during the war as air raid shelters. Here each family is allocated a few square yards of floor space, where they pile their bundles, and where they live and eat and sleep for the next few weeks. A small amount of food is provided, and a clinic offers medical attention, but conditions are said to be terrible. Boys and girls, men and women, of all ages and classes, are herded together with complete lack of privacy, and an atmosphere of hopelessness prevails. There lives are empty. Their hearts are empty. If only they could be pointed to Him who can solve every problem. Some gospel work is being done among them but it is greatly hampered by a scarcity of Bibles and a total lack of Christian literature. Will you pray that needed supplies may be forthcoming, and that many of these poor, pitiable folk may be led to our Lord Jesus Christ.



WESLEY R. STEELBERG
National C. A. Director

Perpetuating Pentecost

Knowing that history records the decline of other movements raised up by God, many are questioning whether our movement can continue with the same spiritual fervor as in the past. We dare to say that we need not fail, and by the grace of God we shall not succumb to the snares of Satan as have others. One reason for our confident optimism is the blessing of God so evident in the lives of our Christ's Ambassadors, those upon whose shoulders rests the responsibility for perpetuating this glorious revival.

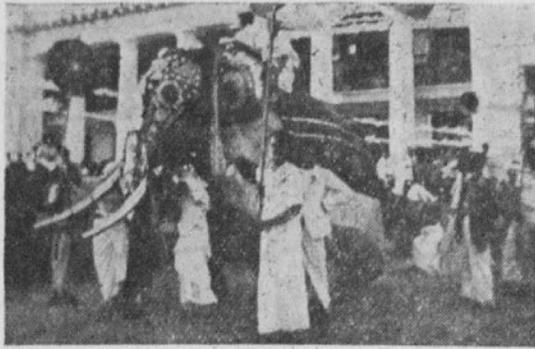
Our older friends will rejoice to hear of how God's blessings have been poured out upon the young people in recent days. From all over our land come reports of young people thronging around the altars of our camp meetings. Literally hundreds of them have received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit in the old fashioned way. At one of these altar services twelve young folk came through to a real Pentecost within an hour. At another camp meeting the boys were slain under the power in their barracks, while the girls in a different part of the grounds were speaking in tongues lying on their cots in their tents, all receiving genuine Pentecostal experiences.

Word comes to us from all parts of our country that God so mightily visited our Bible schools last term that at times classes were suspended for days while students were carried away in rapturous visitations by the Spirit. Some young people were miraculously healed of incurable afflictions, others baptized in the Spirit, and still others received calls to specific service. God's presence in one instance was so real that an actual aroma of divine perfume pervaded the atmosphere of the chapel.

From our youth camps comes the glorious report that dozens of young people have been swept through to the Pentecostal baptism. After witnessing a mighty outpouring of divine power in a youth camp where she was engaged to teach, the wife of one of our District Superintendents joyfully said, "Our youth camps are the salvation of the Pentecostal movement."

One boys' camp reported thirty-one baptized in the Holy Spirit and an eager hunger for knowledge of Pentecostal truths.

No, Pentecost need not succumb to the stifling, throttling clutch of modernism. Rather, it *can* be, it *must* be, it *shall* be the answer to this unbelieving generation. Pastors, parents, teachers, leaders, we solicit your prayers, your confidence, your encouragement for our youth as they yield themselves to God as vessels to perpetuate Pentecost.



- One of the King's tusked elephants with Kandiyen Chief on its back in the "Sanchi Relic" procession at Colombo, Ceylon in May, 1947.
- Kandiyen Chiefs in the "Sanchi Relic" procession at Colombo, Ceylon.

PENTECOST IN GERMANY

A Pentecostal pastor in the British Zone of Germany writes: "At present we meet in the cellar of a damage schoolhouse, and prophesying, revelations by vision, and other spiritual gifts are very much in evidence. But the most important sign is this, that in all ways God is proclaiming that the return of our blessed Lord is at hand to fetch His own to gloryland, as He has promised in His Word."

Edrique Hernandez

Verne A. Warner, Dominican Republic

THE first time we saw Edrique Hernandez, we were impressed with his smallness of stature and his friendly smile. Edrique waited on us as we bought a few items in the hardware store where he works. Later, we were happy to see him in the church services. We learned that he was not married, yet maintained a home and had three children. One Sunday night, the young lady whom he lived with was saved. At once they began to make plans to be married and establish their home in the God-ordained way. Leaving a false religion and being genuinely born again implanted the desire in their hearts to forsake unholy living. Only recently they were married, baptized, and became members of the church. Their marriage was a real testimony to their neighbors and friends who have grown to accept home without marriage as quite a common thing. The true gospel of Christ makes the difference, sanctifying the home as a God-ordained institution with Christ as its head.

Returning to Singapore

Lula Ashmore, Singapore

AS the "Marine Adder" pulled up alongside the pier at Singapore, we saw a group of about fifteen of our believers waiting for us. We were received with warm greetings after which we were taken to the church in a school bus which they had rented. There was room for more, so about ten of our missionaries came with us to see the church. It was practically in the same condition as the day we left it, and as I heard later from the people—a testimony of the preserving power of the Lord. Upon entering the church, songs of praise spontaneously poured forth from our hearts and we had a time of praising the Lord for keeping His protecting hand over the people and this place of worship, and for bringing us back again.

The next afternoon a welcome service was given for Brother Sandahl and me. As the ship was still in port, most of our missionaries were able to attend. Brother Sandahl and I were asked to say a few words of greeting after which Brother Cummings brought a precious message from the Word. In spite of the fact that the service was held in the afternoon when so many could not come, and that just before the time of the service there was a tropical downpour, a good number were in attendance.

Several new ones have been brought to the Lord during our absence and it was a joy to see them also in our midst. Two British soldiers who have been faithful in helping in the services were presented with gifts to show appreciation for their aid. After the message, refreshments were served which gave us all an opportunity to have sweet fellowship with one another.

At the Sunday service it was most gratifying to see the believers come in one by one. A few families were missing but upon visiting them later, I found that lack of proper clothing and transportation had made it impossible for them to come. The hearts of all have been encouraged and each service has

shown an increase of interest over the previous one.

All of our people suffered greatly during the Japanese occupation. My heart has been stirred to the depths as I have heard stories from the lips of the various members telling of the constant struggle for existence. They lived in dread and fear, being forced to labor for the Japanese, catering to most of their whims and desires or else have their heads chopped off (which happened to many people in Singapore). They were forced to sell their clothing, bedding and other possessions in order to keep from starving, and as a result most of them are still suffering from malnutrition. The health of some has been permanently injured. At least eleven of our former members were either killed by the Japanese or died as the result of the starvation diet.

During these five years of hardship, and even since the liberation, food has been terrifically high and the wages small, the reaction upon them spiritually has been varied. Some seemingly lost faith in God and are entirely backslidden, while others learned to trust the Lord in a greater way and have become stronger in God. Some have wonderful testimonies of divine protection.

Although the government is striving to wipe out the black market and lawlessness, conditions in Singapore and throughout Malaya are still in a state of confusion. Gangs of robbers make it somewhat unsafe even during the day, and at nights the people remain in their homes. For this reason it is difficult to carry on the services. We must gather early enough so that the people may reach home by dark. A street car and bus strike does not help the situation. I have had to take care of all business and visitation by taxi. That makes it very expensive. Those who do not live within walking distance of the church cannot afford to come by taxi. I am expecting the jeep to arrive next week which will help a great deal in our transportation.

Benefit From "Speed the Light"

Virgil Smith, Brazil

THE International truck which was contributed by the Speed the Light fund has been a great help to us. The truck not only saves time and expense in traveling but is a source of great relief to my wife, who is now able to go with me on many trips and so escapes continual confinement in the house.

The first journey in the truck took us to Sao Francisco to lay the corner stone for the new church being put up there. We had a very precious service. The devil has certainly tried to hinder but God has given victory. It is one of the most fervent congregations in the State. The number of believers has grown so much that the building we bought two years ago has to be enlarged. The liberality of the Christians in giving and working has been wonderful.

After Sao Francisco the truck carried us more than one thousand kilometers to visit

the works in Florianapolis, Urubici, Rio do Sul, Alto do Rio Dolman, and Blumenau. We stayed a week in Urubici to conduct Bible studies which were attended by all the workers in that part of the State. The members of that church took the week off from their jobs to spend the time in prayer and meditation in the Word of God.

Next month the truck will again take me over a large part of the State. One family will be moved to Crisiuma, another to Urubici, and a third to Canoinhas. On this trip I shall visit the town of Cacador where we have the newest station. It is one of the best towns of the State and until last month had no Assembly of God work. We have been praying for months for the place, and now a couple of fervent servants of the Lord are there to preach the gospel. Remember them in prayer.

Giving to GROW

Perry Dymond, Honduras

DURING July it was my privilege to dedicate two new chapels. Both were in the northwestern section of Honduras. Just a few years ago it was hard to find a believer there, and the few there lived far from the Bible standard. But today there are four little churches owned by the native brethren and built largely by them at their own expense.

The fellowship meeting in the little mountain village of Laguna Verde was blessed of the Spirit. Scheduled to begin Saturday afternoon, it began instead on Friday and four services a day were held. Two made profession of faith, eight were baptized in water, and one couple was married.

The pastor who has raised up that little group killed a fat steer, so there was no meat shortage. The will to sacrifice for the service of the Lord has marked him always. He is quiet and reserved, but has shown a determination to go ahead at any cost.

The next Sunday we were in a large village about fifteen miles away to dedicate another church. Only a handful of believers live there, but it is the road of commerce, and at the present time the end of the highway. We can reach men from most of Honduras.

One day I met a mule train. The driver yelled, "Are you going to be in Sula tonight?" "Yes," I replied.

He said, "I wish I had not left today."

A nice little church has been built for which 90% of the funds came from one native brother. I labored there for three weeks with another minister to get it built. It was partly finished when I left for the missionary conference in Salvador. Sickness in the family made it impossible for me to return as planned. But when I finally came back it was finished, and almost ready for the dedication. Over a hundred brethren gathered in for the dedication, causing quite a stir in that village. Another steer was killed for this occasion. Imagine one man playing guest to 100 people for two days, yet Mercedes Bonilla of Sula did just that, after having given most of the funds to build the church. Two were baptized in water, and God's presence was manifest in a wonderful way.

The secretary of our conference visited another section at the same time, and reports that five were baptized in water in the new field. The congregation there has the funds to buy a building for a church and are now closing the deal.

Journey's End

Edna Peterson

WE had a fine ocean voyage—being a month aboard the ship before we finally dropped anchor in Port Bouet. It will be some time before we forget our experience with the mammy-chair as we came over the side of the ship and almost spilled out into the little boat.

It was a week before anything was unloaded from the boat and three weeks before it was all in. Then it was another week before we got them through duane (customs). We found customs, rail-freight to Bobo-Dioulasso and truck freight on to Ouagadougou very high, but the Lord wonderfully took care of our things and nothing was stolen and very few things damaged.

You can well imagine the joy we felt as we loaded the cars and actually started up-country. In the lower Ivory Coast the jungles and forest are beautiful. The rains had begun along the coast so there was practically no dust the first two days and driving was really enjoyable. But as we came north we could tell we were getting closer to the desert. The country rapidly changed and the trees became dwarfed. The heat increased and at times the red dust seemed unbearable. We watched for animals along the way but saw only four monkeys. After four days on the road and three at Bobo getting our things into trucks, we arrived in Ouagadougou. How refreshing the glasses of iced fruit juice were that Mrs. Hall gave us. After greetings all around—yes, with the Christian natives too, we cleaned up.

We were privileged to spend three days at the Bible School at Kouberi. The students and their wives came to greet the new missionaries the first evening. It was dark and they had come with a few lanterns and were sitting around the edge of the veranda. They sang one of their native hymns. Their black faces shone with the blessing of God. I think it was the biggest thrill I have ever had as I heard their voices raised in praise to God. We each gave a word of testimony which was interpreted into the native language. Then they sang some more for us and shook hands and greeted each one of us as they left.

Kouberi is in lion country—so we had to sleep on the roof to be out of their reach. It is so hot that we all sleep outdoors except during the rains which should be starting soon. One evening some of the men went hunting for a short time. The next morning the natives reported that a girl of about ten years had been killed by a lion just where the men had been and only a short time after they had returned to the mission. That evening after we had gone to bed, we heard the sound of loud, excited voices coming toward the mission house. A student came saying that there was a lion in the corral with the animals. The men went with their guns but found no lion.

We came to Tenkodogo and we were glad to see Miss Johnsrud standing on the porch of our new home to greet us. Our buildings at the girls' foyer are temporary ones. They

are three round mud huts with grass thatched roofs joined together in a T shape to make a dining room between them. The floors are pounded zoka—red mud. Our kitchen and storeroom are to one side and the house for the nineteen girls and the one native baby are to the other. It has been quite a job to get unpacked and settled. We are anxious to get the language and begin a real ministry among the girls and women. Do remember us in prayer.

From the precious Christian natives we have met and the marvelous difference between them and the heathen round about, I know missions pay, and it is worth all that it costs. I'm so glad I can labor for God here.

Palestinettes

Mrs. George Carmichael, Jerusalem

All signs in Palestine are written in the three official languages—English, Hebrew and Arabic.

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The old city of Jerusalem covers only about 300 acres. It is about two and a half miles in circumference and one can walk around it in about an hour and a half.

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Mount Carmel is not a high mountain peak, as many suppose, but a mountain range fourteen miles long. It goes inland from west to east until it terminates in the valley of Esdraelon.

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Some of the largest threshing floors in Palestine are located on the Plains of Sharon.

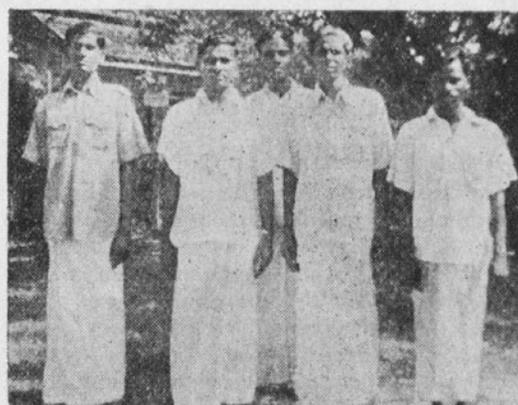
In Need of Prayer

Harry Mamalis, Greece

WE are surrounded by many troubles and conditions are getting worse every day. Our children are in danger, pray for their protection. Our two older daughters, nineteen and twenty years of age, have finished high school, and our desire is for them to attend Bible School. Pray that God may open the way.

We cannot visit the saints out of Athens as traveling is very dangerous. Thousands of people have been arrested lately.

Pray for the protection of God's people here.



● Four converts in Ceylon after having been immersed in water baptism. The evangelist is in the center of the group.

The Passing and the Permanent

THE COST OF GLOBAL WAR

Researcher James H. Brady of the American University has attempted to estimate the cost of World War II. Considering the value of armaments and property damage, he sets the figure at \$1,384,000,000,000—but this does not begin to evaluate the lives lost and the sorrow and sin caused.

ALWAYS A BEST SELLER

Recently a British department store sold 10,000 copies of a beautifully bound Bible in six weeks. The demand was so great that the firm gave another order for 100,000 copies. Said the manager: "There is only one Book in the world of which any business firm would dare to order 100,000 copies."

SOWING GOOD SEED

The Rural Bible Crusade, with headquarters in Chicago, has announced that millions of Bible verses have been memorized during the past year by country school children. In Iowa over 17,000 rural scholars were enrolled in the "Scripture Memory Contest." Over 15,000 were enrolled in Illinois. Each pupil must memorize 500 verses to earn a good leather-bound Bible and also a week at a summer Bible camp.

MIDNIGHT IS NEAR!

Said Senator Vandenberg recently: "One commodity that cannot be bought with all the dollars in the world is time. And time is running out very fast. . . . We cannot delay our decisions much longer. The hands of the clock are moving on toward midnight of the brief day that is left to us." One thinks of Jesus' words, "The night cometh, when no man can work." What we do for God we must do quickly.

TREATMENT OF PRISONERS

A contrast between an atheistic government and a nominally Christian government is shown in the report concerning treatment of prisoners of war. The U.S.A. has returned to Germany virtually all the German prisoners who were in this country, and for their labors here has paid them \$200,000,000. The U.S.S.R. has not returned the German prisoners but is making them work as slaves. Of the 5,000,000 Germans still held as prisoners of war, most of them are said to be in Russia.

LIQUORLESS MAGAZINES

The Associated Church Press recently passed a resolution commending those periodicals that refuse liquor advertising, and condemning those that accept it. Among the liquorless magazines are *Reader's Digest*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Ladies Home Journal*, *Pathfinder*, *Farm Journal*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Copper's Weekly*, *Country Gentleman*, *Etude Magazine*, and *Woman's Home Companion*. There may be other things in some of these magazines which are objectionable to God's people, but at least they are free from liquor ads, thus deserving our preference.

WHAT WAR DOES TO MORALS

During World War II there were 1,100,000 teen-age girls lured into vice and immorality. There were 300,000 teen-age Americans afflicted with social disease, and 75,000 teen-age girls had illegitimate offspring. These were not included in the official casualty lists, but they constitute one of the war's worst tragedies.

A FORMULA FOR PEACE

Says Dr. Robert G. Sproul, president of the University of California: "With the atom bomb now loose, we have found a way to die together, perhaps to the last man. But no scientist has yet devised a formula to show us how to live together." It is true that no mere man has devised such a formula, nor ever will—but Christ has done so. We already have the formula, given in His gospel, but too few want to adopt it.

OLD-FASHIONED SHAME

In spite of penicillin, venereal disease has increased. In Atlanta, we are told, at least 400 girls are picked up every month and turned over to a clinic for treatment. The physician in charge suggests that perhaps, after all, old-fashioned shame might be called in to do what penicillin cannot do. But to have shame there must be a sense of guilt, and to have a sense of guilt God's Word must be preached more fully and more earnestly than it is.

MIRACLES IN THE DESERT

"Jews Coax Garden Miracle Out of Barren Desert," said a headline in the *Minneapolis Star* recently. Down in Negev Desert, south of Hebron, sixty young Jews are producing fruits, vegetables, and flowers from a hundred acres of soil that has been desert wasteland for thousands of years. It took them four years to succeed. Newspapers may call this a miracle if they want to, but it is a small thing compared to the miracle that God will work when all the desert in the Promised Land shall blossom as the rose.

Incidentally, these sixty young Jews are enjoying friendly relationship with the neighboring Arab tribes, and there is evidence that Zionists may center their activities in southern Palestine where Arab resistance is least active.

DIABOLICAL DEVICES

The phrase, "a war of nerves," may become more literally true in the future. Germany used screaming devices on its dive-bombers to terrify civilians, and America evidently is following suit. Gen. George C. Kenney, head of the Strategic Air Force, cited the dog whistle as an example of the effectiveness of sound waves, in a recent address. "An airplane equipped with a sort of super dog whistle," he said, "conceivably could fly around a city for a while and upset the nervous systems of the whole population." Men are very clever, but for some reason their genius results in making weapons of destruction more than in making the earth a better place to live in. Is it not a sign of the depravity of human nature apart from God?

WHAT AMERICANS READ

Bad food produces bad health, and bad reading produces bad character. How deplorable, then, to read the monthly circulation figures for the periodicals which Americans read. For example, 7,976,300 True Confession Magazines, 3,223,000 Detective Story Magazines, 10,755,800 Movie Magazines, and 25,000,250 Adventure-Comic Magazines are distributed every month!

TWO THIRDS TO BE DESTROYED

Prof. Albert Einstein says: "I do not believe that civilization will be wiped out in a war fought with the atomic bomb. Perhaps two thirds of the people of the earth might be killed, but enough men capable of thinking, and enough books, would be left to start again, and civilization could be restored." Apply Einstein's words to the land of Israel, rather than to the whole world, and you have the very prophecy which is found in the Bible: "Two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein." Zech. 13:8.

BRITAIN'S GIFT TO INDIA

Said a learned Indian Judge, the Hon. Sir Narayan G. Chandavarkar, to a meeting in Bombay some years ago: "Let me tell you what I consider the greatest miracle of the present day. It is this: that to this great country with its more than 350 millions of people, there should come from a little island, unknown even by name to our forefathers, many thousands of miles distant from our shores, a message so full of spiritual life and strength as the gospel of Christ. This is a miracle, if ever there was one. The ideas that lie at the heart of the gospel of Christ are slowly, but surely, permeating every part of Hindu society and modifying every phase of Hindu thought."

When Britain finally withdraws the last of her troops from India, she will have left in that land what the great King of the nations foresaw when He permitted her entrance there two centuries ago.

YOUTH THEN AND NOW

The generation which grew up with the late Henry Ford knew more about God and His Bible than many of the rising generation today. "In grammar school we always started the day with what we called 'devotions,' consisting of reading a Bible passage and singing a hymn, with a brief prayer at the end," said the automobile magnate. "This kind of religious emphasis in school is a great thing, and I wish it still prevailed in every schoolroom in America. For that way of beginning the day instills subconsciously in every scholar a feeling of reverence and a set of ideals that cannot be lost in later life."

But most of the children today get no religious instruction at home, at school, or at church either. The pitiable ignorance in spiritual things is shown by an incident that occurred recently at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Some children wandered into a Lutheran Church and began tearing up Sunday School books, damaging hymnals, and wrecking things in general. Asked if they did not know they were in the house of God, one answered, "No, we didn't see Him." Only one child out of three is in any Sunday School. What are you doing to reach the other two?

A Call to Pentecostal Revival

DAVID J. du PLESSIS

IT was my privilege to attend the World Conference of Pentecostal churches at Zurich, Switzerland, during May 1947. Just before I flew from South Africa I attended one of the greatest and most glorious general conferences we have had in the Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa. Over the Easter weekend there were thousands camped on the grounds at Maranatha Park, Johannesburg. The prayer-tent was crowded at all hours. The children's tabernacle was overcrowded and over one hundred were saved and many filled with the Holy Spirit. Some of the after-meetings at night lasted till the early hours of the morning in the large Tabernacle where scores were filled with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Ghost spoke through tongues and interpretation and prophecy and warned us that the coming of the Lord was at hand. Over Easter Sunday about 5,000 people gathered on the campgrounds and over 3,000 crowded into the large Tabernacle and some 600 into the children's tabernacle while hundreds stood outside to listen to the messages given in these two places. Brother H. B. Garlock of America was our guest speaker in the large Tabernacle. The Spirit of God was mighty over the camp where more than 300 tents were pitched for visitors. Praise God the revival time is rising in South Africa.

PENTECOST IN GREAT BRITAIN

After the World Conference I had the pleasure of attending the General Council Meetings of the Assemblies of God in Scarborough. Some two hundred and fifty pastors, missionaries and workers were gathered. There was marvellous unity and godly zeal in every meeting. The Holy Spirit was honored and He spoke to the gatherings through tongues and interpretation and through prophecy frequently. Once again He warned that the coming of Jesus was at hand and we must be all out for a final assault on the fortresses of darkness in all countries. This is the time for aggression against evil.

I visited some Elim Assemblies and some Full Gospel and Apostolic Assemblies and found the same wonderful moving of the Holy Spirit there. At the same time I found a much closer spiritual contact between the various movements than I did in 1938.

PENTECOST IN SWEDEN

I arrived on a Saturday, and on Sunday spoke at three services in Skovde where the very first Pentecostal fires in Scandinavia began to burn in 1907. From small beginnings God has built a mighty work in Sweden. This was evident when I came to the Bible Week Conference at Nyhem. A tent seating 3000 was pitched and during each of the four daily meetings there were from 1000 to 3000 present. Over the week end the crowds increased and on Sunday there must have been about 8000 in and around the tent under the shady trees. The Holy Spirit was honored and God spoke to His people frequently to confirm the Word that was given in teaching. Once again the Holy Spirit warned "My people, my people, the time is short, the doors will soon be closing, and I have

much for you to do." It was great to meet pastors from most of the Swedish assemblies and missionaries from most of the world fields. All told of blessing and all expected a great but short period of Holy Ghost revival before Jesus comes.

I visited several assemblies in Sweden; the wonderful Smyrna Assembly with 3000 members in Gothenburg and a hall seating some 2000. This is without a doubt a mighty Pentecostal assembly. After this I had services in smaller assemblies with smaller church buildings but the power of the Lord was felt just the same. As it was midsummer many of the assemblies were conducting tent campaigns and it was my privilege to speak at several. There was a great stir and many souls were being swept into the Kingdom of God. The greatest tent meetings were being held in Stockholm where the "Fildelfia Assembly" of 7000 members with a church seating 5000 had pitched a tent that could seat about 4000. The crowds in the evenings usually numbered about 5000. The power and depth of the Holy Spirit was in evidence in every great service and there came messages in prophecy that stirred the people of God to the depths of their souls. It seemed the Holy Ghost echoed the cry of perishing millions in the world.

PENTECOST IN NORWAY

From Stockholm I flew to Oslo to attend the great annual conference of the Norwegian Assemblies which was held at Drammen this year. I arrived just in time for an evening service and was asked to preach within half an hour of my arrival. At first I expected it would

be difficult for an absolute stranger and foreigner to do justice to a gathering of over 2000 packed into a great tent. However, with the singing of the very first hymn I sensed the Holy Spirit was moving mightily. When my turn came to speak I felt perfectly at home and just bursting with a power within that usually fills the soul of a Pentecostal preacher when he has the Lord's message. The few days I spent at this Conference and my contacts with Norwegian pastors and missionaries convinced me that in Norway the revival tide had already gathered even greater impetus than in any country I had visited thus far. The missionary zeal of my Norwegian brethren was a real inspiration to me.

THE REVIVAL IN FINLAND

From Oslo I flew back to Stockholm to be in time for a boat to Turku in Finland where I was met by Dr. Shamela and entertained in his home for an hour. Then in a taxi I was sent to Pori and from there to Vaasa in a bus where I arrived at 9:30 p.m. I found a temporary Tabernacle crowded with some 400 people patiently waiting for the tired visitor to preach. I had been travelling from Monday 3 p.m. to Tuesday 9:30 p.m. without having slept for more than 1 hour. Before I spoke they sang—and the joy of the Lord is our strength—so I was quickened and deeply stirred and spoke with as much fire and fervor as if I had just had a day's rest. This was the Conference of the Swedish population of Finland, and if the tide in Norway was deeper and stronger than in Sweden I found it was here undoubtedly more mighty and even deeper than in Norway. The meeting closed after 11 p.m. but the sun had just set and it was broad daylight at 12:30 a.m. when I got to bed. The sun rose again between 2 and 3 a.m. I was in the land of the midnight sun. The few days at this conference stirred me more than anything I had experienced for years. Poverty was evident on every hand. Food was poor but enough for all. No one, however, seemed to care about food or clothing.



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Their one and only concern was the extension of God's kingdom. How can we hasten the Pentecostal message to every village and city of Finland? was one of the questions at the conference. Another was, What can we do to help in a world-wide missionary effort since not one cent is allowed to be sent out of the country? I have never seen such missionary zeal. Over one hundred brothers and sisters in Finland are ready to leave for mission fields as soon as the door may open just a little. In fact some have left without a hope to get any support but they are trusting God wholly. It was decided to collect as much funds as possible so that in case it becomes the policy of the Government to allow funds to leave the country there shall be plenty to send out the waiting recruits to the mission fields.

From Vaasa I went to Pori to attend the last few days of the great Conference of the Finnish section of the Pentecostal movement in this country. This was of course a much bigger conference than the Swedish one and it was being held in two large tents pitched together to accommodate 2000. I arrived 12 midday and was announced to preach at 1 p.m. By this time I knew that in a revival atmosphere a Pentecostal preacher can do well at all hours under all circumstances. The blessing of the Lord was marvelous. Souls were saved, the sick were healed and many were filled with the Holy Spirit. After I had spoken for more than an hour through an interpreter the people sat waiting for more. The Holy Spirit spoke in such wonderful deep messages that edified that conference and stirred God's people to greater efforts in His Kingdom.

From the glorious conferences I visited some assemblies. Souls were saved in every service and many sick were healed. It was wonderful to find in Helsinki a Swedish speaking assembly of over 1000 members with a hall that could seat about 1200. Then there was a Finnish assembly of about 1500 members with their own church seating nearly 1500. These are the largest two assemblies in the city but there are also smaller ones. In these large assemblies I found the revival tide was as high as anywhere else. Indeed Finland is poor in material riches but the Pentecostal saints are rich in the power of the Holy Spirit.

My last Conference in Scandinavia was to be in Denmark. I went by train to Middlefast where many of the Danish pastors and missionaries and members were gathered. What sweet fellowship I enjoyed! There were not the crowds that I had found in the other Conferences, but the Spirit of God was present. The work in Denmark is divided among several Pentecostal groups and is not as strong as in the other countries of Scandinavia.

GENERAL REMARKS

Thus far, since leaving South Africa, I have travelled in three months nearly 15,000 miles, visiting six countries, attending eight Conferences, preaching in twenty-five Churches, and speaking to nearly 60,000 people. I have met over 1000 Pentecostal pastors and more than 200 missionaries. I am convinced the Pentecostal Revival is gaining in strength and depth, and there is a new wave of life sweeping through its ranks everywhere. God is definitely moving in a miraculous way. I believe He has a plan for us and expects Pentecostal saints to close their ranks and stand united in a more aggress-

sive effort to evangelize the world. We hear much of the choice between Communism or Catholicism—*God's answer is Pentecost*. The world is looking to Stalin or the Pope—let us look to Jesus Christ the Saviour, Healer, Baptizer in the Holy Ghost and our Soon-Coming King of Glory.

The Diary of a Delegate

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on fire for God, his ministry has been accompanied with signs and wonders. Multitudes have been saved and healed and many filled with the Holy Spirit. About 75 of his converts have felt called to the ministry and are now helping him to evangelize Nyasaland's two and a half million people.

The Assemblies of God membership in South Africa now numbers approximately 20,000 believers, with 300 assemblies, and 300 pastors and evangelists.

LATIN AMERICA

H. C. Ball, our Field Secretary for Latin America, reports: "Under the blessing of God, the past two years have witnessed a more rapid growth in our work than in any other similar period. The revival continues in Brazil and doors are opening everywhere in that land. The objective of a Bible Institute and a Publishing House for Brazil is about to be realized and will serve the Pentecostal constituency of over 100,000 members of the Brazilian church. This work is carried on co-operatively with our Swedish brethren. A Bible Institute is now in vision for Argentina while Chile seeks similar help. In our 12 Latin-American Bible Institutes now existent, we had in 1946, 383 students, the largest number to attend in any year."

CHINA

During the past two years there has been a great exodus of missionaries to China. Of the 74 under appointment, 52 are in China and others will be on their way before the end of the year. Reports come to us of the marvelous way in which God has preserved His people in China during the war years, and just recently from two different areas reports have been received of a large number being baptized. The threat of a Communist-dominated China is a very real one. Howard C. Osgood, our Field Secretary for China, has done a very splendid work in helping to weld together many of the Pentecostal groups working in China in order to form a united Assemblies of God for China. The missionaries of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada are one with us in this endeavor and are making a splendid contribution to the work in China.

INDIA

At the present time we have 77 missionaries on this field and 33 more on furlough. We have approximately 150 national pastors and evangelists, and a national church of approximately 3,000. This has not been the extent of the fruit, for God has raised up many other Spirit-filled believers, who, while not officially members of the Assemblies of God, are preaching the full gospel as the result of the labors of our mission-

aries. We have three Bible Schools, two nurseries, four orphanages, a widows' home, and a leper colony in India. Our work in this country at the present time is faced with many difficulties due to the political changes now taking place.

EUROPE

Our Secretary for Europe, Gustave Kinderman, has established an office in Basel, Switzerland, and from there he is contacting the countries of Central as well as Eastern and Western Europe. During the past year we have been able to send help in the form of food or clothing to the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Greece, Germany, Hungary, Holland, Italy, Poland, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia. The total number of food parcels shipped was 2,922, and 313 more through the CARE agency. There have been 449 bales of clothing and 76 parcels sent. This means a total of over 41,000 pounds of food and 90,000 pounds of clothing, valued altogether at over \$100,000. In addition to this material help we have given direct financial aid of approximately \$30,000.

There is still going to be need for relief work for some time to come. With the granting of material aid we are seeking to take advantage of the situation to extend the knowledge of God's message of eternal life to whosoever will receive it.

PUBLICATIONS

Our Spanish Literature Department is now in operation, issuing three quarterlies and other publications with a growing circulation. Our objective: the printing of gospel literature in every tongue; the training of 5,000 native workers to evangelize their own lands; the sending forth of 1,000 missionaries to accomplish this task and hasten the return of our Lord.

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

Though this has been one of the smaller departments, the Home Missions program, under the direction of Fred Vogler, is expanding rapidly and a really worthwhile work is being done. Gospel workers are busy among the Indians, the Jews, the prisoners, the deaf-mutes, and the foreign language groups of the U.S.A., as well as in Alaska.

During the past few months a new spiritual awakening has come to most of our American Indian missions in widely separated parts of the United States. Large numbers of deaf mutes have also accepted Christ in several revival meetings.

Our Home Missions Department has rendered substantial financial assistance to a number of District Councils in the opening of new churches, especially where the Districts were unable to finance the projects alone. A total of \$129,186.00 was disbursed through our Home Missions office to various home missionary projects and workers during the fiscal year just closed, including designations for the Kentucky Mountain work and pioneer workers in miscellaneous fields. This represents a gain of 25 per cent in money disbursed over the previous fiscal year.

Numerous churches have been established in Alaska, besides two Children's Homes. The value of the Home Missions property in Alaska, including two gospel boats, is \$142,800. In addition, there is a good Indian church build-

ing at San Carlos, Arizona, valued at \$12,000.

To date, 160,000 copies of the Department's new evangelism sheet *Evangeleaf* have been sent out. Orders are still being filled at \$15.00 per thousand, and those who want a good paper for public distribution ought to order a supply at once.

GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE

Brother Kameron, manager of our Gospel Publishing House, is able to give a good report concerning our 26 periodicals. The circulation of all of them has increased substantially since two years ago, except for one periodical. At the time of the last General Council we were printing 116,000 *Evangels* each week. Today we are printing 132,000. We are printing 116,000 *Gospel Gleaners*, compared with 102,000 two years ago. The *Adult Student Quarterly* has increased from 180,000 to 210,000 copies per issue. Our newest publication, *The Family Altar Guide*, has a circulation of 32,000. In addition to the periodicals, there are the picture rolls and picture cards for the little tots, making a total circulation of 1,384,245 on all publications. This is a gain of 217,770 for the two-year period.

But while circulation and book sales have increased, the net profits have not kept pace with the same. This is due to the fact that the costs of material, wages, etc. have increased greatly, and the fact that the prices of our periodicals has not been raised in proportion. The *Evangel* is still the same price as it has been from the beginning.

The Publishing House is faced with many problems, including scarcity of paper, lack of adequate floor space, and the need of replacing long-used equipment. Let's praise God for all He has done in giving us such a wonderful circulation for the printed message of the Full Gospel—and let's pray that soon we may have a new and larger printing plant in which this important work may be further expanded.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Our Educational Department, under the direction of Ralph M. Riggs, reports that Ministers' Study Conferences (virtually two-week Bible Schools) were recommended to the Districts to be conducted in and by the Districts for the benefit of our ministers and their wives. Standard courses have been prepared covering the fields of Doctrine, Homiletics, Pastoral Theology, English, Christian Evidences and Dispensations. Certificates are issued for the completion of these courses. Michigan, Illinois and Louisiana have conducted successful Ministers' Study Conferences for two consecutive years.

Under the sponsorship of the Educational Department, plans are under way for the setting up of a Correspondence School to provide thorough study in Bible Synthesis, Pentecostal Truth and Prophecy. These courses will soon be available to our constituency, and other courses will be added as the school gets under operation. Dean Frank Boyd, a veteran Bible Institute teacher, is being employed as Director of this Correspondence School. It is expected that he will take residence in Springfield, Mo., at the conclusion of the 1947 General Council.

The Educational Committee has provided the curricula for a fully graded Sunday School Lesson series which, when completed, will provide eighteen consecutive years of study, advancing from the Beginner level through the

Adult Department. It is believed that this will meet a real need for the indoctrination of our constituency of all ages. It is planned to have this graded Sunday School material available to our schools by October 1, 1948.

RADIO DEPARTMENT

It is only since the last General Council that the Radio Department has been organized. Brother Thos. F. Zimmerman, the Departmental Director, is to be commended for the progress that has been made. The "Sermons in Song" broadcast is now going out over 104 stations each week, and we are confident that as the countless thousands of radio listeners hear the inspiring music of the young people and the meaty sermonettes of our Brother Williams they are being drawn toward the Lord. Only eternity will reveal how much fruit is being borne by this radio ministry.

An excellent broadcasting studio has been installed at Central Bible Institute, with superior recording equipment, and there is promise of even better radio programs in the future. But our fellowship as a whole has not rallied sufficiently to the support of "Sermons in Song" to meet the expenses, and it is hoped more of our people will see the importance of this radio ministry and send in regular offerings to the Radio Department.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Space will not permit the mention of all the interesting things in Brother Grable's report. One highlight, however, is the fact that 1,075 new Sunday Schools have ordered our literature. No doubt a large portion of these have been organized during the past two years.

Only 2,270 Sunday Schools reported to the Sunday School Department last fall, but these showed a total increase in attendance of 21,337 pupils, and there were 10,548 souls won to Christ in these Sunday Schools. At least half of our Sunday Schools failed to report. If those who failed to report are having the same growth and results as those who reported, it is evident that great progress is being made and a glorious work is being done for Christ in the lives of the Sunday School scholars.

CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

In 1945-46 there were enrolled 286 young women and 200 young men, of whom 54 were veterans. In 1946-47 there were 263 young women and 287 young men, of whom 180 were veterans. In 1946, 105 graduated; in 1947, 118. Over 800 students have been accepted for the coming year. Of these, approximately 100 will live outside the school buildings. The Student Ministry Department now has 39 outstations where student pastors and workers carry on regular services weekly throughout the school year.

Brother W. I. Evans states: "We wish to express our deep gratitude to God for the periodic visitations of the Holy Spirit upon our school—those delightful, refreshing, extracurricular sessions so essential to the normal well-being of a Pentecostal school."

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME

On September 22, 1944, the doors of this home were opened and three little boys were received. In a short while 17 children filled every space that could be found in the one 7-room cottage and double garage apartment which was purchased by the General Council of the

Assemblies of God for \$11,500.00. Three months later, what is known as the "Oklahoma Unit" was purchased and paid for by the Oklahoma District Council, the cost being \$12,500.00.

Early in 1945 the Oklahoma Unit was filled to capacity and an application was made for a permit for the construction of a new building. The permit was granted and a new two-story 72' x 90' building has been completed. This building is valued at \$75,000.00. While under construction the overhead expense was met and the contractor was paid at the rate of \$2,000.00 per month. This new building is being designated as the "Texas Unit." The Texas friends are helping very liberally. The new building has been almost completely furnished and the entire home is now valued at \$150,000.00, with an indebtedness of only \$17,000.00, which Miss Gladys Hinson, the Superintendent, says, "We believe will be fully covered within a very short time."

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS DEPARTMENT

Wesley Steelberg, Director of our Christ's Ambassadors Dept., states: One of the most outstanding projects of our Young People is the Speed-the-Light Campaign. This was launched about the time of our last General Council and since then a total of \$192,489.26 has been donated by the Christ's Ambassadors for missionary equipment. As a result, there are today on our many missionary fronts a total of 392 vehicles, including airplanes, jeeps, motor boats, motorcycles, station wagons, and other gospel—to help to speed the light of the gospel to the ends of the earth.

The scope of Speed-the-Light has now been enlarged to include missionary radio. A cooperative arrangement has been made with the Far East Broadcasting Company in establishing a radio station at Manila in the Philippines. This station at Manila is in a strategic location and will be able to reach approximately one half of the world's population as broadcasts go to Japan, Russia, China, the Philippine Islands themselves, India, and the Netherlands East Indies. It is the plan of our C. A.'s to purchase small pretuned receiving sets which may be located advantageously by the missionaries.

VOCATIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Our Christ's Ambassadors Department is focusing attention upon the enlistment of young people as "Vocational Volunteers"—Christian laymen who, while following their chosen vocation, may be placed in needy fields at home or abroad, where they can assist the full-time worker by spiritual, moral, practical, and financial support. The plan is being developed first in the homeland. If we can flood the home and foreign fields with consecrated laymen, it seems to be the most effective means yet discovered to spread the gospel with the rapidity required for these last days.

SERVICEMEN'S DIVISION

The Servicemen's work continues. Although correspondence and personalized service continues to men in uniform, during the past two years it has been felt that hospitalized veterans, too often the "forgotten men" of war, deserve a large part of our efforts. Through correspondence, literature, recordings, and field ministry we have been ministering to the sick and wounded ex-servicemen in more than 120 Veterans Administration Hospitals throughout the United States. There are approximately 100,000 of these patients at this time.

Former Chaplain Albert C. Lane has been on the field most of the past summer, contacting the chaplains of Veterans Hospitals and visiting Assemblies of God men who are confined in these institutions. The C. A. Department is offering the patients free subscriptions to the C. A. Herald and a free fourteen-book Bible study course. We have arranged for our "Sermons in Song" broadcasts to be played over the public address systems in 26 of these hospitals.

Modeled after its war-time brother, *Reveille*, a special Veterans Hospital paper, "*Chat, the Pocket Chaplain*," has been prepared and the first issue already distributed through the hospital chaplains.

It is difficult to estimate the value of the Servicemen's Department, but the fact of the presence of 584 veterans in our Bible Schools last year shows that the help given to the men in uniform has not been in vain. Ten Assemblies of God chaplains are still in uniform.

PRAYING MOTHERS

S. D. Gordon

A GOOD while ago in smoky, foggy, lovely London there was a fully surrendered, consecrated woman—gray haired, bent back (she spent many hours a day over the washtub and the ironing board). She had a boy. He ran away to sea in his teens and for years she did not know where her boy was. And she prayed, of course. These praying mothers! And prayer never slips! Many a time the dew of her eyes mingled with the suds as she prayed for John on the high seas, she knew not where. And the prayer was answered, of course. No real,

simple prayer ever slipped yet. It cannot. John came to Jesus. And then he began telling others about Jesus, and he became known as "the sailor preacher" of London. And John Newton, London's sailor preacher, was the means of turning men—I will use a big word thoughtfully—by the THOUSANDS to Jesus.

Among the many that John Newton touched, there was one man, Thomas Scott—cultured, scholarly, moral, "didn't need a Saviour." Scott came to Jesus; and then Scott, as many of you know, by tongue and by pen—again I will use that big word—swayed THOUSANDS for Jesus.

Among the many that Scott touched, there was one man, the very reverse of Scott—young, dyspeptic, melancholy, "too bad" for God to save. But Scott touched Cowper, and Cowper found out about a fountain filled with blood. And he was cleansed in the flood of blood. He wrote down his hymn, "There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood." Some folk do not like that hymn today. Some of the new hymn-book makers are leaving it out. But the old hymn was sung, and saved people by the THOUSANDS.

And Cowper touched a man among the many: Wilberforce—clever, a Christian statesman, who was a lay preacher of the old school. And Wilberforce touched THOUSANDS of the great middle class (as they say yonder) of England and inspired the Empire to free its slaves.

And Wilberforce, among the many, touched one man, a vicar of the Church of England, in the Channel Isles; namely, Richmond. He was changed. And Richmond knew the story of the daughter of a milkman in an adjoining parish. She had had an unusual touch of the

power of God. He wrote down her story. He called the little bit of a book, *The Dairyman's Daughter*. And *The Dairyman's Daughter* went into forty-odd foreign translations (a remarkable thing in that day.) The little bit of a book went into peasants' huts and kings' palaces and all between and everywhere burning like a soft, intense flame. And untold THOUSANDS of lives were touched and changed.

The center of the whole thing, an old woman—gray haired, bent back, stubby fingers—bending over the washing and ironing as she prayed for her boy, John. And praying until John came. . . . I am very clear about this; the Man on the throne yonder, who came from the throne to the cross and back, would say: "This woman, she was My friend. Through her prayer I could loosen out the power that touched untold thousands." —*The Challenger*.

Among the Assemblies

ARP, TEXAS—We have just closed a 2-week revival, Evangelist Wm. Panos of Ft. Worth doing the preaching. The church has been strengthened and has enjoyed a time of great fellowship. Quite a few were saved and filled with the Spirit.—C. W. Brister, Pastor.

MALDEN, MO.—Report comes from Pastor J. C. Morgan of a 3-week meeting conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Glenn A. Green. Brother Morgan writes: "The blessing of the Lord was upon the services from the beginning. We had old-fashioned preaching and singing. Eighteen were saved and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Any Council brethren passing this way will find a hearty welcome."

WAURIKA, OKLA.—Pastor K. E. Caughman reports that they are having a very successful revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Spinden of Electra, Texas. In the first four nights, 12 have been saved and 6 have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. There is a great increase in Sunday School attendance. Brother Spinden has done the church much good and they are thanking God for his anointed ministry.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS—Pastor C. W. Flippo writes: "The Diamond Hill Assembly recently closed their second good revival for this summer. There were a number saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. We baptized 9 in water and had 8 additions to the church. Leo Chappell came to us for two weeks in May, and Charles Barnes was with us for three weeks in July. We recently paid the last payment on the church building, making the church free of debt. Council ministers passing through are cordially welcome."

WASHBURN, MO.—We recently enjoyed a 4-week revival with our pastor, Brother Perry Hickman, and also Evangelist Homer Burns and Warren Gilchrist, conducting the services. God blessed in a wonderful way, 17 being saved and 8 receiving the Holy Ghost Baptism as in Acts 2:4. We had never witnessed such crowds, the power and presence of God and hungry hearts crying out to Him in a greater way. Only eternity will reveal the good that was done. We praise God for this visitation of His power.—Lucy Ellis, Secretary.

PARLIER, CALIF.—We started holding services here in February and these services have continued regularly ever since. The work has grown steadily. The Southern California District has just purchased two lots for a church here. We are starting on the foundation of the church this week. We have just closed a 3-week revival with Evangelist Barney Hendrix of Selma, Calif., in which 28 souls came forward for salvation. One received the Holy Ghost Baptism. Our crowds exceeded the 200 mark some nights. Brother Hendrix preaches the gospel without compromise. He preaches heaven sweet, judgment sure, eternity long, and hell hot.—G. C. Boyd, Pastor.

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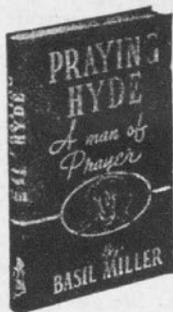
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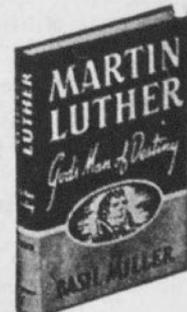
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Springfield, Missouri

BLUE SPRINGS, ALA.—Our church has been blessed with a good revival, the old-fashioned type, with Evangelist and Mrs. Harry W. Snyder of 2935 1/2 Fifth Ave. S., St. Petersburg, Fla. In the two weeks, 10 were saved and a few received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School attendance broke all records, and the church was built up by the ministry of Brother Snyder. Some supernatural healings took place in our midst.—C. Hagler, Pastor.

FRANKSTON, TEXAS—We just concluded a very successful campaign with Bennie Harris of Fort Morgan, Colo., as the evangelist. The church was crowded to capacity almost every night. Seats from the Sunday School rooms were moved into the auditorium to accommodate the people. The last night found many standing outside, unable to secure a seat. The anointing of the Holy Spirit rested heavily upon Brother Harris as he ministered the Word. Thirteen were saved and 4 were baptized with the Holy Ghost.

This revival climaxed one of the greatest years in the history of the church, 43 having been saved and 17 having been filled with Holy Spirit in the past year. Our Sunday School has been departmentalized and shows an increase of 40 per cent over last year.—J. A. Bennett, Pastor.

YELLVILLE, ARK.—We have just closed a good meeting here, in which 23 prayed through to salvation, 14 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and 12 were baptized in water. God has given us the best revival in years. G. L. McKinney of Tulsa, Okla., was the evangelist. He sings, plays, and preaches.—O. E. Carwile, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE.—On August 16, a reception was held in the West Side Assembly of God, 115 N.W. 14th Ave., for our pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Hageman, in honor of their 9 years of service to this church. A large number attended and the saints were unanimous in their expression of love and gratitude to these faithful leaders of our church. A number of useful and practical gifts were given. Brother and Sister Hageman came to us when the church was a small struggling group and at present the pastor has a calling list of about 300 and many sincere friends inside and outside the church. Within the last 9 years, scores have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, many have been saved, and miracles of healing have been wrought. The membership has more than tripled. At present the lower auditorium is being redecorated and a new lighting system installed.—Frank W. Burleigh, a member of the church.

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.

WICHITA, KANSAS—Orchard Park Assembly of God; meeting in progress; Eugene Smith, Cheyenne, Wyo., Evangelist.—C. W. Shumway, Pastor.

HOGANSVILLE, GA.—Tent Revival, Sept. 7—21; Roy E. Gilliam, Little Rock, Ark., Evangelist.—C. L. Myers, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT S. S. CONFERENCES

Eastern District Sunday School Conferences: Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 3—5; New Castle, Pa., Oct. 6—7; Jeannette, Pa., Oct. 8—9; Altoona, Pa., Oct. 10—11; Wilmington, Del., Oct. 12—13; Danville, Pa., Oct. 14—15; Moosic, Pa., Oct. 16—17.

Services 1:45 and 7 p.m., first day; 9:30 a.m., 1:30 and 7:00 p.m., second day. L. C. Honderick, F. F. Reidenbach and the Sectional S. S. representatives, assisted by local workers, will be the speakers.—F. F. Reidenbach, Sunday School Representative.

Space for address or church announcement

WAYNE, MICH.—5403 S. Wayne Road, Sept. 14—21; Lester Sumrall, Evangelist.—E. A. Manley, Pastor.

JOLIET, ILL.—Clay and Park Sts., Sept. 23—28; Mirko Parlotz, Evangelist.—Wilbur E. Weides, Pastor.

GRAFTON, W. VA.—Sept. 14—; Hazel B. O'Brien of Grafton, Evangelist.—J. Rudolph Wilkinson, Pastor.

DULUTH, MINN.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Sept. 23—28; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Allan G. Snider, Pastor.

DULUTH, MINN.—Youth for Christ Rally, Denfield Auditorium, Sept. 28; Christian Hild, Speaker.—Allan G. Snider.

COLUMBUS, GA.—12th Ave. and 22nd St., Sept. 21—Nov. 7; Virgil and Edythe Warens, Artist Evangelists.—J. D. Stevens, Pastor.

MUNCIE, IND.—915 E. Memorial Drive, Sept. 14—; Thomas Don Carlos of California, Evangelist.—Roy J. Davidson, Pastor.

CAMBRIDGE, MINN.—Sept. 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Ethel Hook of Nova Scotia, Canada, Evangelist.—Carl P. Cornelius, Pastor.

GENEVA, N. Y.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 29—Oct. 5; E. N. Stanley, Burlington, Vt., Evangelist.—David M. Wellard, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—705 N. Quaker, Sept. 14—Oct. 5; Evangelist and Mrs. B. O. Oslin of Big Spring, Texas.—M. D. Hartz, Pastor.

WILLMAR, MINN.—Willmar Gospel Tabernacle; Sept. 14, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist Arthur Arnold, Hebrew Christian.—O. E. Carter, Pastor.

HOLLYDALE, CALIF.—Aug. 31, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Lester Fox.—Alva Buckley, Pastor.

OPP, ALA.—First Assembly of God; Sept. 7, for 2 weeks or longer; Wm. Skondeen Evangelistic Party.—Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Norton, Pastors.

WARREN, OHIO—235 Highland Ave. S. W., Sept. 14—28; Evangelist Ralph L. Cranston, recently returned from a preaching tour in Europe, Sept. 25, Einar Waermo and Einar Ekberg, one night only.—Paul J. Emery, Pastor.

CAMANCHE, IOWA—Fellowship Meeting, Oct. 4. Services 2:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Supper at Garner's Hall, 5 p.m. Bri g basket lunch and musical instruments. Stanley Clarke, District Superintendent, will be with us. Ralph E. McCaulley, Presbyter.—Carl Bergman, Pastor.

TENNESSEE S. S. CONVENTIONS

Tennessee District Sunday School Conventions: Covington, Sept. 22; Dyer, Sept. 23; Madison, Sept. 24; Scott St. Assembly, Knoxville, Sept. 25. Services daily, 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Speakers: M. L. Grable, Promotional Director of National Sunday School Department, and James E. Hamill, District S. S. Representative.—J. E. Hamill.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 32nd Oklahoma District Council will meet at Convention Hall, Corner Brady and Boulder Sts., Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 6—10. First service, C. A. Rally, Monday, 7:30 p.m., with District C. A. President L. B. Keener in charge. Business session will open Tuesday, 10 a.m., District Superintendent F. C. Cornell in charge. Those desiring ordination will secure the proper blank from the District Secretary, fill it out in ink, and present it to the Credentials Committee during the Council Session. For further information write V. H. Ray, District Secretary, Box 1341, Oklahoma City 1, Okla.

TEXAS DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCES

Texas District Fall Bible Conferences: San Angelo Section, 1002 N. Oakes St., San Angelo, Sept. 30—Oct. 1. Wichita Falls Section, Church and Grand Sts., Olney, Oct. 2—3. Ft. Worth Section, Boulevard Assembly, 14th and Boulevard Sts., Ft. Worth, Oct. 7—8. Dallas Section, Mt. Auburn Assembly, 703 Beacon St., Dallas, Oct. 9—10. Greenville Section, Morgan and Barrett Sts., Denison, Oct. 14—15. Paris Section, Sulphur Springs, Oct. 16—17. Tyler Section, Kilgore, Oct. 21—22. Lufkin Section, First Assembly of God, Lufkin, Oct. 23—24. Beaumont Section, Glad Tidings Assembly, Beaumont, Oct. 28—29. Houston Section, Magnolia Park Assembly, 79th and Baltimore, Houston, Oct. 30—31. Waco Section, Calvary Assembly, 18th and Dutton, Waco, Nov. 4—5. Austin Section, Luling, Nov. 6—7. San Antonio Section, Eastland Hts. Assembly, Walters and Grimes Sts., San Antonio, Nov. 11—12. Yoakum Section, 609 E. North St., Victoria, Nov. 13—14. Corpus Christi Section, Houston St. and Ireland Ave., Aransas Pass, Dec. 2—3. Valley Section, Brownsville, Dec. 4—5.

Over-all theme, "The Minister." The headquarters staff will be the speakers. Services daily, 10 a.m., 2 and 7:30 p.m. For further information write your Presbyter or the Headquarters Office, Waxahachie, Texas.—J. O. Savell, District Superintendent.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Youth Revival, 7300 Virginia Ave., Sept. 21—Oct. 5; Warren La Rose, Evangelist.—V. L. Hertweck, Pastor.

WINFIELD, KANSAS—Revival meetings, new church basement, 7th and Harter Sts.; Sept. 14, for 3 weeks; Chas. and May Miller, Houston, Texas, Evangelists, Robert A. Peters, Pastor.

ALABAMA HOME MISSIONARY RALLIES AND MINISTERS' INSTITUTES

Mobile, Assembly of God, Michigan Ave., Oct. 13—14. Excell, Assembly of God, Oct. 16—17. Opp, First Assembly of God, Oct. 20—21. Dothan, First Assembly of God, Oct. 23—24. Opelika, Assembly of God, Oct. 27—28. Siluria, Alabaster Assembly of God, Oct. 30—31. Birmingham, East End Assembly of God, Nov. 3—4. Millport, Liberty Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 6—7. Toxey, Assembly of God, Nov. 10—11. First service at night, first day; 3 services next day. Marvin L. Smith, T. H. Spence, and Howard P. Trawick, special speakers. Others will be speaking also. First night of each convention given over to a big Home Missionary Rally.—Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Box 1138, Myrtle Point, Ore. Have accepted the pastorate here.—James M. Reb.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 43, Fayetteville, Ark. "We have accepted the pastorate of the First Assembly of God here. All Council brethren are welcome."—W. R. Evans.

NOTICE—All students attending Arkansas State Teachers College will find a cordial welcome at the Conway Assembly, 525 Grove St., Conway, Ark. Names of friends and relatives at college will be appreciated.—Joe Adams, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESS—931 Mt. Vernon, Springfield, Mo. "Have accepted the pastorate of the South Side Assembly of God."—D. A. Hastie.

WANTED—Complete set Pulpit Commentary. State condition and price postpaid. Will pay cash.—Donald R. Piro, Chelan, Wash.

BROADCAST—"The Pentecostal Message" presented by Pastor and Mrs. Andrew Rahner, Sundays, 6:15—6:30 p.m., Station WAAT, Newark, N. J., 970 kilos.

NEW ADDRESS—We have resigned the pastorate of the Little Rock First Assembly of God to join the Sunday School Department, Gospel Publishing House.—Mr. and Mrs. George H. Davis.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 422, Burlington, Vt. "Mrs. Stanley and I plan to return to the evangelistic field immediately. We plan to follow some meetings in the East with a Western itinerary later."—E. N. Stanley.

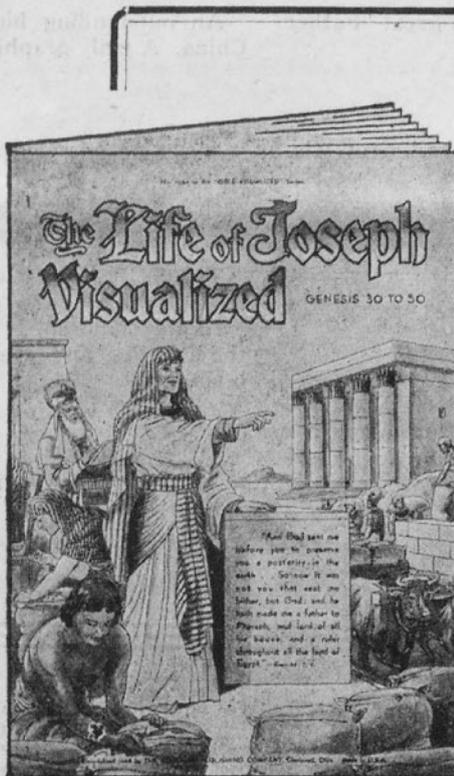
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