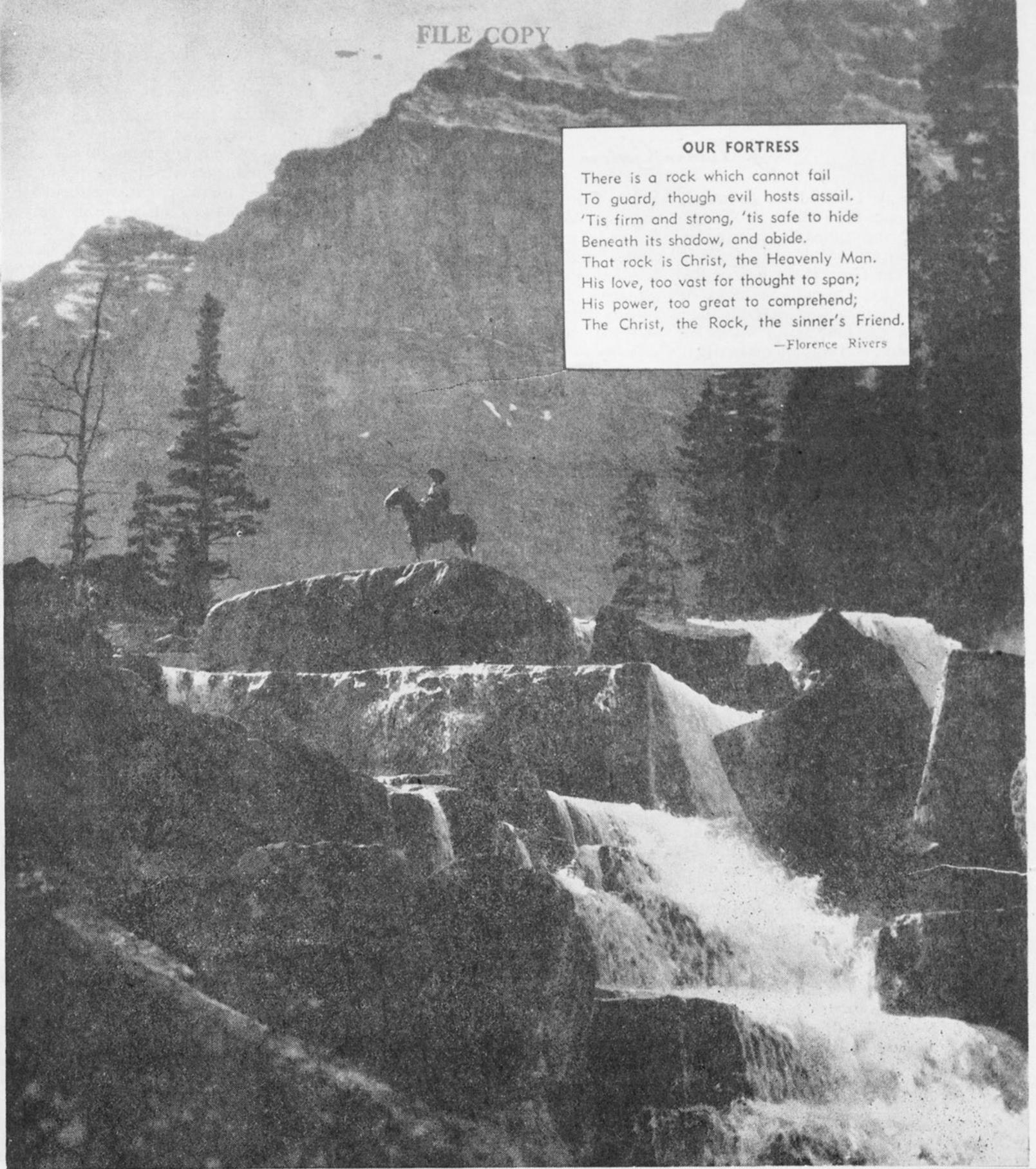


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There is a rock which cannot fail
To guard, though evil hosts assail.
'Tis firm and strong, 'tis safe to hide
Beneath its shadow, and abide.
That rock is Christ, the Heavenly Man.
His love, too vast for thought to span;
His power, too great to comprehend;
The Christ, the Rock, the sinner's Friend.

—Florence Rivers



The NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD
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Giant's Steps, Paradise Valley, Alberta, in the
Canadian Rockies (photo by H. Armstrong Roberts)

"God Presents Sermons in Song"

J. Narver Gortner

LAST Sunday I tuned in, as usual, to hear our "Sermons in Song" broadcast, and tuned in just a bit late. The broadcast begins with the announcement, "The General Council of the Assemblies of God presents Sermons in Song." Tuning in a few seconds late I failed to hear the first seven words of the announcement, and was almost startled when, in a loud voice, these words came from the radio, "God presents Sermons in Song." It is remarkable how sometimes a few words impress themselves upon the mind and suggest a long train of thought. I was unable all through the broadcast to get away from the impression made upon me by what I had heard, and the impression has lingered ever since. I began to ask myself the question, "Is it not true that every service that is a service FOR God should be presented BY God?"

Paul, or whoever wrote the Epistle to the Hebrews (I think Paul wrote it), began that remarkable treatise, with these words, "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son." We all believe that, when our Lord spoke at the time He was here in the flesh, it was God who spoke, for the Lord Jesus was "God manifest in the flesh." John asserts that He, the Word, the *Logos* who "was in the beginning WITH God," WAS God, and that "the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." And our Lord Himself asserted that the words He spoke had been given to Him by His Father; so they were the words of God.

The words quoted from Heb. 1:1, 2, indicate that the words spoken by the prophets, or THROUGH the prophets, were as distinctively the words of God as were the words that were spoken by the Lord Jesus when He was here upon earth. This many have denied, but this we are bound to believe if we accept all that has been written in the Bible as God's Word. An expression more frequently, perhaps, upon the lips of the prophets than any other, was this, "Thus saith the Lord." And we know that those who rejected the message of the prophets rejected Jehovah. It was in the name of Jehovah, with the authorization of Jehovah, that the prophets came to the people and addressed them. So, when the prophets spoke, God spoke.

When our representative at a meeting of the United Nations speaks, the United

States Government is regarded as speaking, and very frequently the statement is made in the press that the United States said so and so or took such a position, quoting the words of the representative. He had not expressed his private opinion; he had been previously instructed, and he merely acted in his capacity as a representative of the government at Washington.

Every divinely commissioned minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ is a representative of God Almighty. He is not at liberty to express his private views, whatever they may be, concerning the fundamentals of the faith. It is not permissible for him, if he would be true to his mission and to the God who commissioned him, to preach with the end in view of establishing a reputation for himself, or acquiring a competence, or even what is called a living. The supreme end of his preaching, of his entire ministry (for his ministry includes not only his pulpit ministrations but his pastoral work as well, and all of his activities as a minister and as a man), should be the setting forth of the truth of God in God's words.

He should be able to say, as said the prophet Jeremiah, "Thy words were found, and I did eat them." Eating the words of God involves digesting them, to the end that they may become a veritable part of the being who has eaten them, so that when he speaks his words will be God's words. Some one may say that this is the ideal, but that it cannot be realized. Why not? We may not be able to point to any man in whom the

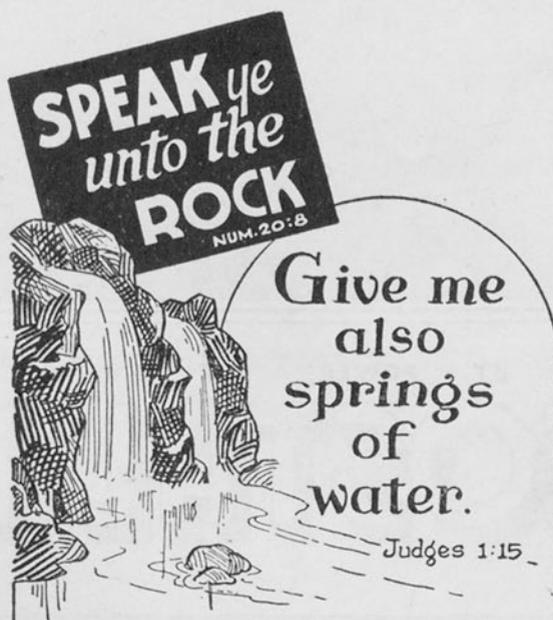
ideal has been realized, but it is nevertheless the ideal, and toward the achieving of it every minister should strive.

In the preparation of our sermons, in the planning of our services, in the mapping of our programs, in all of our endeavors, not only in the pulpit, but also outside of the pulpit, we should have the Lord Jesus so set before us that we shall reflect His truth as truly as though He were here upon earth, occupying the place we occupy, and doing the work we are doing. How blessed it would be if, at the beginning of every service in church, or hall, or street corner, we could say in our hearts, if not with our voices, "God presents this service in the interest of the souls of men, the upbuilding of His cause, the enlargement of vision, the strengthening of faith, and the enhancing of the divine glory!"

After our Lord had been transfigured in the presence of the three chosen disciples on the summit of the mountain, and the bright cloud had come and overshadowed them, they opened their eyes, and "they saw no man, save Jesus only." Matt. 17:8. It would be blessed indeed if in all our services man could put himself, or could be put, so completely in the background that only Jesus could be seen—that when the singers sing, or the preacher preaches, the presence of God could be sensed in such a real way, and His voice so heard in the depths of the soul by every person present, that it could truly be said that the entire service was under the immediate control of God, "in the hand of the Lord." (We are told in Prov. 21:1 that "the king's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water." The word rendered *rivers* means rivulets or streams, the reference being to the small streams in the irrigation ditches that the man who is doing the irrigating has under complete control at all times. "He turneth it whithersoever He will.")

When Moses came down from the summit of the mountain where he had been in communion with God for forty days and nights, his face shone. It shone with such splendor that the people were not able to look upon him with a steadfast gaze, and they were afraid to come near him. Moses called them to him, and while he talked with them he veiled his face. When he went into the presence of the Lord he took the veil off, but when he came out to talk to the people he put it on again. The Goodspeed rendering of 2 Cor. 3:7, 8, is very significant: "But if the religion of death, carved in letters of stone, was ushered in with such splendor, so that the Israelites could not look at Moses' face on account of the brightness that was fading from it, why should not the religion of the Spirit be attended with greater splendor?"

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The Pentecostal Visitation at Azusa Street

"Remember the days of old." Deut. 32:7

ON APRIL 9, 1906, the Latter Rain began to fall from heaven upon a little band of humble, hungry saints in the city of Los Angeles, California, and within five months about 150 people had received the gift of the Holy Ghost and the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues.

A paper called *The Apostolic Faith* was sent forth to tell to all the world the wonders God was performing in response to simple faith and earnest prayer. Through the kindness of friends we have obtained a few of the early issues of this paper, and we hope your heart will be stirred as ours was by the reading of the reports and testimonies therein.

The first issue is dated September, 1906. In large, bold letters the joyful news is told—"PENTECOST HAS COME. Los Angeles Being Visited by a Revival of Bible Salvation and Pentecost as Recorded in the Book of Acts." The opening paragraph is graphic: "The power of God now has this city agitated as never before. The scenes that are daily enacted in the building on Azusa Street, and at missions and churches in other parts of the city, are beyond description."

It continues: "The meetings are held in an old Methodist Church (312 Azusa Street) that had been converted in part into a tenement house, leaving a large unplastered barnlike room on the ground floor. Here about a dozen congregated each day, holding cottage meetings in the evening at 214 Bonnie Brae Street.

"In a short time God began to manifest His power, and soon the building could not contain the people. Now the meetings continue all day, and far into the night, and the fire is kindling all over the city and surrounding towns. Proud, well-dressed preachers come in to 'investigate.' Soon their high looks are replaced with wonder; then conviction comes, and very often you will find them in a short time wallowing on the dirty floor, asking God to forgive them and make them as little children.

"It would be impossible to state how many have been converted, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. They have been and are going out daily to all points of the compass to spread this wonderful gospel."

The paper tells how the message had

been brought to Los Angeles from Houston, Texas, by three workers (W. J. Seymour, J. A. Warren, and Lucy F. Farrow). On January 1, 1901, the Latter Rain had fallen at Topeka, Kansas. In the five intervening years since that date it had spread to many parts of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas. "Something like 13,000 people have received this gospel," it is stated. "It is spreading everywhere, until churches who do not believe backslide and lose the experience they have."

Brother Seymour, whom God was pleased to use as leader of the Azusa Street meetings in those early days, was a colored Holiness preacher. He had not himself received the Baptism but was convinced that it was real, and when God definitely led him to come to Los Angeles and tell the people about it he knelt with the rest and sought the Lord with all his heart.

For a year or more the little group had been praying for more power with God for the salvation of lost and suffering humanity. When Brother Seymour came and told them about the Pentecostal baptism, they began to fast and pray for it, and on April 9 the fire of God fell. Three days later Brother Seymour himself received the Baptism, "and," the paper adds, "the fire has been falling ever since. Hundreds of souls have received salvation and healing."

Marvelous miracles were wrought by God's wonderful power. A man was healed of asthma of twenty years' standing. A little girl, who walked with crutches and had tuberculosis of the bones, as the doctors declared, was healed and dropped her crutches, and began to skip about the yard. A young man was converted, filled with the Spirit, and healed within an hour and a half. He had had tuberculosis, but when he visited the doctor after the Lord had healed him the doctor pronounced his lungs sound.

"Many have laid aside their glasses and had their eyesight perfectly restored," the paper says. "The deaf have had their hearing restored." Brother Campbell, a Nazarene brother 83 years of age, who had been serving the Lord for 53 years, received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues in his own home. His son, who was a physician, was called and came to see if he was sick, but he found his father only happy in the Lord.

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Drink, yea,
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"Not only old men and old women, but boys and girls, are receiving their Pentecost. Viola Price, a little orphan colored girl eight years of age, has received the gift of tongues."

A Nazarene brother who received the baptism with the Holy Ghost in his own home during family worship, in trying to tell about it, said: "It was a baptism of love. Such abounding love! Such compassion seemed to almost kill me with its sweetness! People do not know what they are doing when they stand out against it. The devil never gave me a sweet thing. He was always trying to get me to censuring people. This baptism fills us with divine love."

Many spoke in known tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. A returned missionary from the interior of Africa was present in a meeting when a sister testified in an African tongue, which the brother interpreted to be, "The Lord is my husband."

Many prophecies were spoken in unknown tongues, and interpretation and many visions were given concerning the Lord's soon coming. It was impressed upon the people that the heathen must receive the gospel before Christ's return. One message was: "The time is short, and I am going to send out a large number in the Spirit of God to preach the full gospel in the power of the Spirit." So great was the burden for the heathen in the first weeks of the outpouring that, according to the paper, many hundreds of dollars were laid down for the sending of missionaries to the ends of the earth.

One article states that different nationalities were now hearing the gospel in their own tongue wherein they were born. "Sister Anna Hall spoke to the Russians in their church in Los Angeles in their own language as the Spirit gave utterance. They were so glad to hear the truth that they wept and even kissed her hands.

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A Song of Encouragement

Some of David's sweetest songs were given to him while he was going through the greatest trials. His son Absalom was heading up a rebellion, seeking to take the throne away from his father. Through his subtlety he had weaned the affections of the people away from David and toward himself. All knew of David's great sin, and their attitude is shown by the statement he made at that time: "Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God." Psalm 3:2.

GOD FREELY FORGIVES

But David had deeply repented of his sin. We see this alike in the prayer of penitence in Psalm 51 and in the song of assurance in Psalm 32. In the latter psalm he states: "I acknowledged my sin unto Thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and *Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.*" Where there is deep repentance, and a full confession of sin, God freely forgives and completely cleanses. And He declares to the forgiven one, "Your sins and your iniquities will I remember no more." When we have this assurance we can sing aloud with David: "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity." Sins which we cover, God uncovers; but sins which we uncover, God covers.

"STILL PRAISING"

The first part of Psalm 71 is a prayer. As David prayed, faith sprang up, and faith manifested itself in song. He declared emphatically: "My praise shall be *continually* of Thee." Not occasionally, not spasmodically, not just when I feel like it, but *continually!* Down in the cave of Adullam, in his early days of trial, he had sung: "I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall *continually* be in my mouth." Psalm 34:1. And now that he has become old and gray-headed he purposes not only to continue in praise but to *increase* his praises; for he says: "I will hope continually, and will yet praise Thee *more and more.*" Psalm 71:14. His attitude is "I may have praised a good deal when I was young, but I was

only an amateur at it then." But now he prays, "Let my mouth be filled with Thy praise and with Thy honor all the day." Verse 8. And then after he has prayed he asserts with assurance, "My mouth shall show forth Thy righteousness and Thy salvation all the day." Verse 15.

PRAISE IN RESURRECTION

The absolute certainty of resurrection was blessedly real to David, and he testifies to this assurance: "Thou, which hast showed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth." Verse 20. Then what, David? An eternity of praise! Listen to his purpose of heart: "My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto Thee; and my soul, which Thou hast redeemed." Verse 23. And so say we all. Some of us, in our desire to make a joyful noise unto the



If God be for us, who can be against us? *Romans 8:31*

Lord, will ask for the use of some of those "loud-sounding cymbals" that are spoken of in Psalm 150. And we will call to all the folks who sit at the organ, "Open up all the stops!" And to the trumpeters, "Go ahead, brothers; blow your hardest!" And we will encourage the dancers and the Miriams with timbrels to make His praise absolutely glorious.

SUNG IN THE DAYS OF CAPTIVITY

The Septuagint, that rendering of the Hebrew Scriptures into Greek that was made in 280 B.C., has this introductory note to Psalm 71: "By David. A psalm sung by the sons of Jonadab and the first that were taken captive." Let us refresh our memories about the sons of Jonadab by referring to the 35th chapter of Jeremiah. The Lord told His prophet to bring these men into the house of the Lord, and to set before them pots full of wine, and bid them drink. He did so. But they refused, saying: "We will drink no

wine: for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, neither ye, nor your sons for ever. . . . Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters."

This was a good visual aid lesson to Jewry, for the Lord said to them through Jeremiah: "The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment: notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto Me."

SONGS IN THE NIGHT

When these sons of Jonadab were taken captive to Babylon, even though their slavery was severe they apparently loved to sing this song of praise. How appropriate would be the prayer of verse 3, "Be Thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort." Even though the temple had been destroyed by the ruthless Chaldeans, the Lord would be "a little sanctuary" (Ezek. 11:16) to them in the land of their captivity. We learn from Psalm 137 that there were many Jews who lost their song in Babylon. They hung their harps upon the willows, and they said: "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" But the sons of Jonadab chose to sing even in unpleasant circumstances. The attitude of each one of them was: "My praise shall continually be of Thee." You can visualize these Fellows of the Ancient Order of Chronic Praisers camping at the threshold of Daniel and Ezekiel, and joying in the prospects of the sure and eternal reign of their glorious Messiah, and shouting: "I will hope continually, and will yet praise Thee more and more."

This can be our attitude also in these desperate days. For as we gather from Isaiah 14:26, the whole world has become a Babylon and is doomed to destruction. But in the new heavens and the new earth, wherein "righteousness shall be at home," the attitude of all the saints will be: "My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto Thee; and my soul, which Thou hast redeemed." And that can be our attitude even now.

PRACTICAL PRAISE

The wife of a certain preacher who (Continued on page eight)

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Carnality in the Church

Howard Carter

WE can, speaking generally, endure the persecutions of the world which we have forsaken, and to which we have been crucified by the cross of Christ; such persecution is expected and by the grace of God is faced and overcome. If our separation from former friends and institutions and manner of life had no repercussions in this direction it would seem strange. The world loves its own, and, in spite of the modern outward show of respectability, still hates the true disciple of the Christ it has rejected.

What we find hardest to bear is the competitive spirit, and carnal ambitions, which curse the Church of Jesus Christ. When we glory in success, when we vaunt ourselves over blessings which the Lord has graciously bestowed upon, or wrought through us, when we magnify results and disparage our brethren, we grieve the gentle Dove of the Spirit.

How hard it is to bear discontentment in the brethren in Christ. Very naturally the world around us is discontented; we preach about the blessings of the sanctified life, and the satisfaction that is found in the Lord. When our preaching has borne fruit and a soul has been brought into the Church, how often is the newborn soul confronted with the very spirit of discontentment within the sacred walls of the spiritual Jerusalem.

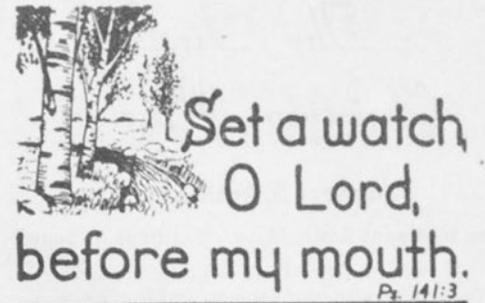
Has it occurred to us how injurious our words can actually be? A babe in Christ may be stumbled, a true member of the mystical body may be caused to backslide, because of a grievance persistently rehearsed. Someone has offended us and we cannot forget the slight, and our greatest pleasure is to relate the unfortunate detail to every one who has the patience to listen to the ever-increasing particulars of the case. However good our cause may be, let us not forget that forgiveness was commanded by our Lord and has a sacrificial aspect. There must be something to forgive, something really wrong, or forgiveness becomes a trifling pleasantry, all apology for, shall we say, standing in another's way, or spilling his coffee in the saucer.

Covetousness also can grow like a rank weed and spoil the good work of the Lord. The vile and grasping hand laid upon filthy lucre, causing every offering taken for the needs of the community to be regarded as an opportunity for self-enrichment, is a spiritually leprous one. How we need to guard against the possibility of

grieving the ONE whose life's blood purchased our deliverance from sin, lest we associate ourselves unconsciously with the spirit of the gamblers, who, under the very shadow of the Cross, sought to make the greatest possible material gain from the spiritual sacrifice which Christ, in His dying agony, was making.

The spiritual vitality of the Church is sapped away by carnality; its glory is tarnished; its enterprise is killed; its love for the lost is destroyed. Carnality will make a point of doctrine more important than the saving of a soul. Carnality will set the children of peace at enmity one with the other, and feed the new born babes in Christ on the acidity of its vituperations.

Nevertheless, in spite of all the difficulties which may arise within the sacred walls of the living Church, we must not overlook the fact that it is the safest place for a born-again soul to be in. It is



like Noah's ark, which rose above the fearful waters of the flood of judgment, and kept those within it in safety. It was probably a very noisy place, with many discomforts and problems that we know little about, which arise when space is limited and compartments are crowded. But for safety it was the only place that could afford protection from the wrath of God. Let us abide within the "Church of the Firstborn" so that when the judgment of God is again poured out upon the world, as it will surely be, we may be safely sheltered "in Christ Jesus" until the judgment has passed, and we find ourselves in the eternal calm of the presence of our God and Savior.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

A. B. Simpson's Secret

There was silence, and I heard a still voice.

Job 4:16, margin.

A SCORE of years ago, a friend placed in my hand a book called *True Peace*. It was an old medieval message, and it had but one thought—that God was waiting in the depths of my being to talk to me if I would only get still enough to hear His voice.

I thought this would be a very easy matter, and so began to get still. But no sooner had I commenced than a perfect pandemonium of voices reached my ears, a thousand clamoring notes from without and within, until I could hear nothing but their noise and din.

Some were my own voices, my own questions, some my very prayers. Others were suggestions of the tempter and the voices from the world's turmoil.

In every direction I was pulled and pushed and greeted with noisy acclamations and unspeakable unrest. It seemed necessary for me to listen to some of them and to answer some of them; but God said, "Be still, and know that I am God."

Then came the conflict of thoughts for tomorrow, and its duties and cares; but God said, "Be still."

As I listened, and slowly learned to obey, and shut my ears to every sound, I found after a while that when the other voices ceased, or I ceased to hear them, there was a still small voice in the depths of my being that began to speak with an inexpressible tenderness, power and comfort.

As I listened, it became to me the voice of prayer, the voice of wisdom, the voice of duty, and I did not need to think so hard, or pray so hard, or trust so hard; but that "still small voice" of the Holy Spirit in my heart was God's prayer in my secret soul. It was God's answer to all my questions; it was God's life and strength for soul and body, and became the substance of all knowledge, and all prayer and all blessing: for it was the living God Himself as my life, my all.

It is thus that our spirit drinks in the life of our risen Lord, and we go forth to life's conflicts and duties like a flower that has drunk in, through the shades of night, the cool and crystal drops of dew. But as dew never falls on a stormy night, so the dews of His grace never come to the restless soul.

The First Christian Martyr

Ernest S. Williams

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. Acts 7:59.

STEPHEN was carried to his burial amid great lamentations. These lamentations came from the hearts of many who loved this man, the first person ever to be killed for his Christian faith. He is described as a man "full of faith and power, who did great wonders and miracles among the people." When the early church needed deacons to look after the widows' needs, Stephen was chosen as one of the seven. You will find the full account in the sixth chapter of the Book of Acts.

This man's character was above reproach. His faith was above average. God was very near to him, and he lived very near to God. Many since have lived in similar communion with the Lord, and God would be pleased were all of us to be equally consecrated and noble. And we can be if we will. God and His salvation have not changed. The change is in man's attitude. Genuine Christianity has been left behind by too many. If they acknowledge Christianity at all, they acknowledge it only as a group of ideals left by a master teacher of long ago. I wish we would go to our Bibles. There we would find what Christianity is. It begins with a personal acceptance of Christ; its ideals become life through the Spirit, who comes into us that we might live Christ's life. It is "Christ in you, the hope of glory."

Not only was Stephen filled with the Spirit of God, but he was familiar with the Holy Scriptures as well. This is shown by his answers to those who persecuted him. "They were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake." They hired falsifiers to witness against him, but "all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel." They could witness falsely against him, but God was in him. It is God in you, witnessing through you, that demonstrates real Christianity to the world.

As death seized upon Stephen, "he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God." This infuriated the crowd still further, "and they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he knelt down, and cried

with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge! And when he had said this, he fell asleep."

My friend, when you have record of such a testimony as this, how can you doubt the reality of God? And how can you doubt the reality of a Christian life? God is as real today as He was in the days of Stephen. He waits to make His presence known to you. If you are in doubt, take your Bible and study it. There you will learn of God's dealings with men.

I do not know how better to present Christ to you than to point out those whom He has saved and add my own personal testimony. Christ definitely saved me. I knew it. And He has kept me now for many years. He wants to save you too, if you are not saved. He waits to save you *now*. Is your heart not hungry? Tell God to come into your life as He came into the life of Stephen. Would you not like to know that your sins are all forgiven? Jesus paid it all. Salvation is yours, if you will only accept Him as your personal Savior, believing in Him with all your heart, and obey His Word. God bless you.

THE PENTECOSTAL VISITATION AT AZUSA STREET

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They are a very simple, pure people, hungry for the full gospel. The other night, as a company of Russians were present in the meeting, Brother Lee, a converted Catholic, was permitted to speak their language. As he spoke and sang, one of the Russians came up

and embraced him. It was a holy sight, and the Spirit fell upon the Russians, as well as on others, and they glorified God."

The same happened at other places. The paper told of an incident at Melrose, Kansas. "The power of the Holy Ghost was greatly manifested in the meetings by the speaking in unknown tongues. This was much criticized by the town and vicinity, so the principal physician, who was familiar with several different languages, was prevailed upon to go to the meetings in order to denounce the whole as a fake. Miss Tuthill, in a language unknown to herself, but known to him as Italian, spoke his full name, which no one in the town knew save himself, telling him things that had happened in his life twenty years ago, and on up to the present time, until he cried for mercy and fell on his knees seeking God."

The fire spread from Los Angeles to surrounding cities. A band of workers went to Oakland, and soon the report came back that hundreds had been at the altar. Many had been converted, many had been healed, and thirty had received their Pentecost, speaking in tongues.

A gentleman in Oakland came saying, "I have been afflicted with paralysis eighteen long years. If you can do anything, will you lay your hands on me?" Before he was prayed for, he called a physician to be a witness. The Lord relieved the man of his distress in the presence of the physician.

A minister in the same city was raised up after eight years of suffering. Another man who was deaf, and said he had not been able to hear for half his lifetime, was prayed for.

"God instantly gave him his hearing, when he was anointed and prayed for. He was a practicing physician in Oakland. He weighs between three and four hundred pounds. The Lord dropped him on the floor and gave him the Pentecost."

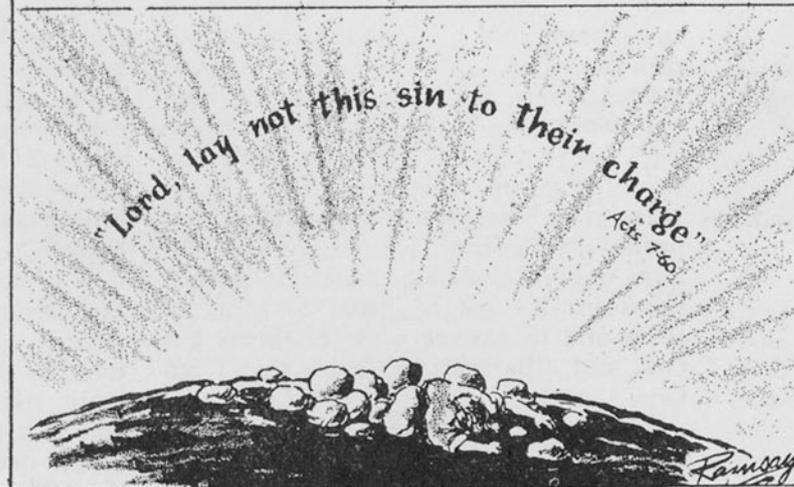
A man who had been a spiritualist medium, came to the meetings in Azusa Street. He was so possessed with demons that he had no rest, and was on the verge of committing suicide, but when they prayed for him he was instantly delivered from demon power. He then sought God for the pardon of his sins, and soon he was filled with the Holy Spirit.

"Many have received the gift of singing, as well as speaking, in the inspiration of the Spirit. The Lord is giving new voices; He translates old songs into new tongues; He gives the music that is being sung by the angels, and has a heavenly choir all singing the same heavenly music in harmony. It is beautiful music; no instruments are needed in the meetings."

A significant paragraph reads: "The secular papers have been stirred and published reports against the movement, but it has only resulted in drawing hungry souls who understand that the devil would not fight a thing unless God was in it. So they have come and

MIRACLES OF LIFE AND DEATH

And Stephen... did
great wonders and
miracles among the
people. Acts 6:8



found it was indeed the power of God."

Another paragraph states: "Many churches have been praying for Pentecost, the Pentecost has come. The question is now, will they accept it? God has answered in a way they did not look for. He came in a humble way as of old, born in a manger."

It was said, of the work in Los Angeles, that it was "born in a manger and resurrected in a barn." Many are praising God for the old barnlike building on Azusa Street, and the plain old plank beside which they knelt in the sawdust when God saved them and baptized

them with the Holy Ghost. "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" "Come and see." This was the Nazareth of Los Angeles. Some came from long distances to this spot, directed of the Lord, and the humble always went away greatly blessed. It is to those with a humble and contrite spirit that revival is promised. "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones." Isaiah 57:15.—R. C. C.

The New State of Israel

JACOB GARTENHAUS

THESE are ominous days in which we are living. The rush of events grow in volume, intensity and significance. Prophecies of centuries are rapidly being fulfilled. There is a stirring and a rattling of the dry bones of Israel, the like of which the world has not known in more than two thousand years.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

May 14, 1948 marked the day of a nation reborn. On that day the provisional Jewish government meeting in Tel Aviv proclaimed to the world through its first premier David Ben-Gurion the existence of a new State of Israel. The following is a part of the Declaration of Independence of the Jewish State:

"We members of the National Council representing the Jewish people in Palestine and the Zionist movement of the world, met together in solemn assembly on the day of the termination of the British Mandate for Palestine, and by virtue of natural and historic right of the Jewish people, and by resolution of the General Assembly of the United Nations, hereby proclaim the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine to be called 'Israel.'

GUARANTEE FULL FREEDOM

"The state will be open to all Jewish immigrants, will promote the development of the country for all its inhabitants, will be based on the precepts of liberty, justice and peace taught by the Hebrew prophets, will uphold full social and political equality for all its citizens without distinction of race, creed or sex, and will guarantee full freedom of education and culture."

Jews throughout the world hailed that day as one of the greatest in their history. At 6:01 p.m. on Friday, May 14, the flag of Israel was raised by the Jewish agency in Washington, D. C., when masses of people gathered. The commonwealth of which Jews had dreamed and prayed for nineteen hundred years was at last a reality. Neither time nor foe could frustrate the fulfillment of faith and prophecy. It was born in the travail of conflict and bloodshed.

God has been working out His purposes concerning the people and the land in a way that many have not dreamed of. Students of prophecy, however, are not at all surprised at these events. Only the willfully blind fail to see God's hand in this. That these scattered bones of Israel should manifest any life at all after nineteen centuries of dispersion and oppression, is a miracle in itself.

PUBLICATION, RADIO RECOGNITION

These events, until recently the subjects of only prophetic Bible teachers who were considered fanatics and extremists, have now become the subjects of radio commentators and editorials in some of our leading daily papers. We quote from one of the editorials in a daily paper:

"Christians the world over, furthermore, will feel an affinity with the objectives of the Palestine Jews. Followers of the Nazarene accept the re-establishment of a Jewish State as inevitable, the fulfillment of the Scriptures."

The well-known commentator, Lowell Thomas, recently began his broadcast by saying that a battle is now raging around Armageddon (from the Hebrew 'Har Magiddo') the scene of many past battles and the final destruction of the armies of Gog—the forces of anti-Christ so clearly foretold in God's Word. When even commentators and editors of the secular press recognize the hand of God in present day events it is tragic to think that there are professed Christians who fail to grasp the significance of it.

GLORIOUS PROMISES FULFILLED

I am convinced that God is working out His eternal purposes with His people Israel and through them for the world. I believe with all my heart that the prophets and the apostles saw by faith these things (Matt. 13:16-17). Regardless of the immediate outcome of the war between Arab and Jew, we shall no doubt read about much more bloodshed. The Jews will ultimately possess the land because God so willed it, and the glorious promises to these people will yet be fulfilled:

Ezek. 37:22, "And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all."

Joel 3:17, "So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more."

Zeph. 3:14-15, "Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the King of Israel, even the Lord, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more."—*International Evangelist*.

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YOUNG INDIANS SAVED AT AGENCY SCHOOL

A most thrilling letter has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Washburn, working among the Apache Indians in Arizona. We are printing part of it here, believing that it will cause our Evangel readers to pray more earnestly for the spiritual welfare of the Indians:

Dear Brother in Christ:

We thought you would be happy to hear how God is moving in Phoenix. The Lord opened this door of service in the Indian School Agency. It is like a little city in itself—school, hospital, sanatorium and other lovely buildings, and a beautiful campus set in citrus and palm trees.

The first to be saved were four Indian girls from the school, whom we took to the Apache Assembly at San Carlos, Arizona, over the Easter weekend. Some of the girls began going to church with us here in Phoenix, where the pastor of the First Assembly is helping us in every way possible.

In a short time three others were saved; then twelve came, and recently fifteen came crying down the aisle to the altar, seeking the Lord with their whole hearts. The glory of the Lord came down on all the young people in the church. Last Sunday three of these were filled with the Holy Ghost. We were amazed at how simply they reached out and took the gift of the Holy Ghost. All but two of these students are from San Carlos; one is from Whiteriver and one from Needles, California.

One of these who received the Baptism is a faithful Christian girl from the Whiteriver Assembly, who has been working among the other students in the school, trying to get them out to church. All her people on the Whiteriver reservation are saved. Most of these young people will return to their reservations for the summer. We plan to hold special meetings in the San Carlos church soon to help get these new converts established in the church there.

We also have been working in the hospital and sanatorium doing visitation and personal work. Many ask us to pray for them when they hear us pray for others. One girl we prayed for was paralyzed from her waist down. She was saved and healed that day, and was well and dressed and reading her Bible when we went in again. A Cherokee Indian from Oklahoma was healed of a lump in her stomach when she asked for prayer. The power of God shook her whole body and her bed. When we returned, she had been dismissed from the hospital. Her husband, still there, told us,

"She get better all at once—go home." All praise to the worthy name of Jesus.

We meet people from many different tribes from all over the west, give out literature, and pray and read for them. Any little attention given is so greatly appreciated by them, as well as by the nurses and matrons, for they are far from home and do not have friends to visit them. Many are the opportunities to win souls in this hospital work for one who has a love for these neglected people.

(Note: Mrs. Washburn would like to have Sunday School papers and picture cards, Gospels and Testaments, to give out to those to whom she ministers. Send them directly to Mrs. Clarence Washburn, 2244 20th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.)

A SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT

(Continued from page four)

was somewhat strong on talk, said to him one day: "I have often heard you preach to folks, 'When the flour bin is empty, put your head in it and sing the Doxology.' Now, Dear, our flour bin is empty, and the purse is empty too; come and practice what you preach." There was a determined look in her eye and the preacher quailed before it. Then he said meekly, "Well, Honey; I will put my head in, but I don't want to make it a solo. Put yours in and let us make it a duet." And so in that kitchen that morning there was a flour-barrel "special." The Lord must have enjoyed it, even if there was no one else around. He soon saw to it that there was more meal in the barrel, and more oil in the cruse.

A DRUNKARD DOWN AND OUT

Some years ago, in the city of Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, a number of young men gathered week by week for prayer. It was suggested that they pray for the worst man in town. They decided to concentrate their petitions on a certain drunkard who spent most of his days in jail. After they had prayed they talked to the man, and as far as they could judge he yielded his life to Christ. But they were all very jarred when this "convert" went off on a drunken spree and once more was given a term of residence behind prison bars!

When the prayer group met again, one of them said: "Well, he will be in jail at Christmas time. Humanly speaking, it would have been impossible for him to keep sober with so many offering him a drink. Let us go to prayer again and storm heaven not only that he will get salvation but that God will do a mighty transforming work within him." So they prayed.

CHANGED

In the cell of that drunkard was a Bible. He picked it up and began to read this 71st Psalm. He was arrested by the phrase, "Thou hast given commandment to save me." He began to meditate on this. If God had given commandment to save him, all the men on earth and all the devils in hell could not countermand that order. And if God loved him enough to command his salvation, and had provided Christ to die for him to make it a reality, surely the only thing he could do was to close in with so great a love, and yield his life to Him. And there, on the stone floor of that prison, a real birth from heaven took place.

He read on to verse 4: "Deliver me, O my

God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man." Here was a prayer to be delivered out of the hand of the unscrupulous saloonkeeper who never ceased to tempt him to squander his income for drink. The drunkard made this his personal prayer. In fact, he learned the whole psalm by heart. When his term in jail had expired, and he was released, he came forth a new creation in Christ, and he could truthfully say in the words of the 7th verse of this psalm: "I am as a wonder unto many; but Thou art my strong refuge."

OUR RESPONSE

I believe that our Lord Jesus Christ loved the 71st Psalm. I have an idea that He knew all the psalms by heart, and that He could meet all the attacks of His enemies because of the fortitude inspired by these Spirit-given prayers

Delivered From Cancer

"My Jesus saves, I know it for He saved me;
My Jesus heals, and takes away all pain;
My Jesus fills me with the Holy spirit;
And one day He is coming back again!"

I knew Jesus as my own personal Savior in October '38. I knew Him as my Baptizer in the Holy Spirit in October '41. I know He is my coming King, and on March 1st '48 I knew Him as my Healer! Praise the Lord! He has put a new song into my mouth, even the praises of our God!

Hallelujah! I have the most wonderful news to tell you! I am healed!

A little over a month ago, the doctor told me I had an outbreak of cancer just above the collar bone. He recommended me to a certain "ray" specialist. I prayed to the Lord and He gave the word, "I AM the Lord that healeth thee," making that I AM so very real. Because of unbelief and obstinacy I failed to enter in then.

I came down to Calcutta expecting to be here two months and to spend a lot of money on the treatment. Monday morning—March 1st—I visited a Pentecostal sister, who laid her hands on my shoulders and "cursed this cancer in the name of Jesus." By way of admonition she said, "Though He slay you, trust Him." I came away thinking how wonderful her faith was.

After lunch I thought to have a rest, but the Spirit drove me to my knees. I commenced praising the Lord in song, "Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!" I could not keep my mouth shut; I had to go on praising. Then my "tongue" changed and I was speaking another language. The words were spoken very slowly and softly but with such force that my bottom denture was falling out. I threw it on the bed and went on speaking in tongues. Great sobs shook me and the tears flowed down. (I had no idea what it was all about, nor was I even thinking of my healing.) I believe it was at this place the Holy Spirit was taking me through the Blood of Jesus!

After a while I got up from my knees but could not keep my feet still. I walked around the rooms and all the time my feet were moving, my left hand was working over my neck, shoulder, back and below my neck. I was re-

peating over and over "the Blood has been applied." Still I had not thought of my healing.

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- 1st vial — Noisome sore.
- 2nd " — All sea Blood.
- 3rd " — All rivers Blood.
- 4th " — All men scorched by sun.
- 5th " — Darkness.
- 6th " — Euphrates dried up.
- 7th " — Great Earthquake.

I had read this several times while occupying the room but it did not mean more to me than just a Bible lesson.

As my feet and hand stopped moving I stood in the bath room door and my eyes fell on this lesson. I said aloud, "Noisome sore—why Lord, that's my cancer! It has had the Blood applied; the Blood has been applied! It has been scorched up by the Sun of Righteousness! All darkness has been dispelled! It has dried up and now Lord, there is a great spiritual earthquake in my life!" Then the truth burst on me and I cried out, "Lord, you have healed me!" I fell on my knees and worshiped Him. He gave me Isaiah 48, especially verses 5, 11, 20, and Revelation 16:17.

I thought to have this cancer dried up by the deep rays of electricity—but, praise His wonderful name, He dried it up, He scorched it by the deep, almighty, eternal rays of the power of His precious shed Blood! All the pain has gone, the feeling of lassitude has been replaced with a new energy, and my nerves have been strengthened.

I desire to obey His command: "With a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth." Isa. 48:20. May His Glory, that Glory which He will not give to another, be manifested in the midst of the people. "I AM the Lord that healeth thee." Ex. 15:26.

Jesus is so real to me in a new way. It is wonderful to have Him so close.—MRS. DOROTHY KELLY, India.

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The Passing and the Permanent

BIBLES FOR JAPAN

During 1947 the American Bible Society produced 150,000 Japanese Bibles. The undertaking required the largest amount of paper ever used in publishing a single edition of any Bible or Testament in the history of Bible printing.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

A recent *United Press* survey shows that in the thirty largest cities in the U.S.A. there were nearly half as many divorce suits as there were marriages in the first ten months of 1947. Oklahoma City and Dallas recorded more divorces than weddings!

WORKING MOTHERS

Blaming working mothers for the increased divorce rate, Judge Michael Scott of St. Louis asserted that "it is high time industry started housecleaning mothers out of the factories and business and insisting they go back into homes where they belong."

SEX STANDARDS

In the June *Reader's Digest* is a rather lengthy symposium on, "Must We Change Our Sex Standards?" Commenting upon it, *Christian Victory* says: "Preachers, scientists, educators and writers are quoted, but not a thing is said as to what the Bible teaches. Since all of us must give a final accounting to God, why not see what He has to say on such questions? The seventh commandment has never been changed. Adultery still is wrong, and God will always punish sin."

THE HOOVER DAM

Lake Mead, the reservoir of the Colorado River, made by the building of Hoover dam, is the largest man-made body of water in the world. It is now storing 26,000,000 acre-feet of water. It is 547 feet deep and 115 miles long. Its capacity is 32,359,247 acre-feet. The inflow is 82,400 cubic feet a second, equivalent to 37,000,000 gallons per minute. This water, stored up, feeds the thirsty land of several states through the dry seasons. Thus man attempts to gain dominion over the natural earth, a privilege granted him in Eden but not now realized.

RESCUED BY ROBERT BROWN

When Donald Gee was in Marseilles, France, recently he heard Robert Boudehent's testimony. At the age of fifteen, young Robert jumped his ship in New York. The young Frenchman could speak no English, and found himself quite friendless. Eventually he entered Glad Tidings Tabernacle. The pastor, the late Robert Brown, gave him a ticket for board and lodging in the Y.M.C.A. for eight days, and prayed for him—"Lord, save this young man, and make him a preacher." Ten years later young Boudehent was saved at a Pentecostal meeting in LeHavre. Today he is the successful pastor of the Assembly of God in Lisieux, and has become a gifted preacher. "Surely this is another gem in the crown of Robert Brown of New York," says Brother Gee. "God be praised."

BLOSSOMS IN THE DESERT

War is slowing, but not stopping, the progress of colonization and land development in Israel. The Jews have built a new Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovoth, in the Judean hills, where they are seeking by scientific research to master the desert and reclaim the malignant wasteland that now covers so much of their homeland. The Institute employs 54 research scientists from all over the world. A modern bio-chemistry unit has just been added; and soon additional divisions of experimental biology, pharmacology, and plastics research will start operations. The fig tree is budding; the desert will soon begin to blossom as the rose.

THE BIBLE IN RUSSIA

The Greek Orthodox Church intends to print an edition of the Bible at the Government Printing Works in Moscow, and so the American Bible Society has offered the plates from which an edition of Russian Bibles was printed in America. According to *Bratsky Vestnik* ("Fraternal Messenger"), the All Union Council of Evangelical Christians—Baptists also is arranging to print the Scriptures in the Russian language. It is believed that the Government will not hinder a limited printing. Let us pray that the Word of God may be read by many Russians, and that it may result in their eternal salvation.

PROHIBITION IN INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Non-Christian governments are putting America to shame by their courageous stand against the liquor traffic. The government at New Delhi has asked all its administrators to refrain from serving alcoholic drinks at official or semiofficial functions. At Bombay, Governor Sir Naharaj Singh has announced that no alcoholic drinks will be served in Government House nor at any Government House function in the future. Prohibition is spreading over more and more of India and Pakistan. It is announced that Cawnpore, the largest industrial city in India, with a population of half a million, is to go dry.

USING LOUD-SPEAKERS IN PUBLIC

The following news item in *Watchman-Examiner* is of interest to all gospel workers who wish to use loud-speakers in public:

"The right of a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses to set up a loud-speaker out of doors to preach has been sustained in a 5-to-4 ruling handed down by the Supreme Court. Legal action had been taken in 1946 against Samuel Saia, a Buffalo, N. Y., city employee and preacher for the Witnesses, after he was fined and jailed for setting up his speaker equipment in Outwater Park, Lockport, N. Y. Speaking for a bare majority, Justice Douglas declared that Saia's conviction was a violation of the Constitution and void on the face of it. 'Loud-speakers,' he said, 'are indispensable instruments of effective public speech.' 'Must a candidate for governor or the Congress depend on the whim or caprice of the chief of police in order to use his sound-truck for campaigning?' he asked."

COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA

Travelers in Latin America are bringing back reports of a recent development in the Communist technique in Latin America. Large, attractive Communist book stores are being opened in the major capitals of Latin America. These book centers are being used as a base for the sending out and distribution of millions of copies of Communist literature. "The Evangelical Foreign Missionary Association's venture in setting up evangelical book stores in this area is most timely," comments *U.E.A.*

WHEN EDUCATION BECOMES SECULAR

Christians who are indifferent regarding the American trend toward secularism in the public schools, need to read the following warning:

When asked why a nation such as Germany, with its long Christian tradition and with its contribution of spiritual leaders, should turn to paganism, Emil Brunner replied: "Ah, there is where you make your mistake. The paganism of Germany was not a sudden thing. For over half a century God and religion have been gradually disappearing from the schools of Germany. Education has become secular. A generation has arisen which acknowledges no God and no longer regards those basic moral sanctions which are the safeguard of national and international harmony and decency. That is why the churches of Germany are empty and the nation has turned its face toward the darkness in the wake of Adolph Hitler."

A PENTECOST IN FRENCH CONGO

Leonard Steiner, writing in *Pentecost*, tells how some Swiss Pentecostal missionaries labored for three years in the Oubangui-Chari district of the French Congo, battling against many discouragements; but they kept praying, and at the beginning of 1945 a glorious revival broke out.

The Holy Spirit fell upon a field conference of Baptist missionaries in the neighborhood, and a number of white missionaries, as well as natives, received a mighty baptism. A revival swept over the entire district. The Baptists, who hitherto had been opposed to the Pentecostal testimony, now found themselves united with our missionaries in the overwhelming experience of this heavenly visitation.

The natives, who had been faithfully taught the Word of God, were prepared for the outpouring, and scores of them were filled with the Spirit. Demon power was detected and rebuked in the name of Christ. Countless scenes of instantaneous deliverance from demon possession were witnessed, and many miracles of healing took place. Large numbers of heathen turned to the gospel.

This wonderful revival has been going on until today, and is spreading more and more. When the missionaries returned to Switzerland for their furlough at the beginning of 1948, they could give the following report:

"The spiritual work is prospering more than ever before. We have baptized 950 in water. Over 250 have been baptized with the Spirit on our mission station alone. The number of native evangelists is 14. There are 40 elders and 13 established native churches, while three or four more are in process of formation." To God be all the glory!

A Workers' Conference

William C. Stepp, Venezuela

RECENTLY E. Yngve Olson, a native worker and I started out from Caracas at 6:30 in the morning on a 300 mile trip back into the interior. As we scaled the steep winding mountain road in the "Speed the Light" Chevrolet, the clouds hung so low they were like fog, but soon the bright morning tropical sun shone across our pathway.

The first stop was Maracuy where we visited one of our newly constructed churches and then went on to Valencia arriving about noon to have lunch and fellowship with another of our missionaries who is pioneering a promising work in this fanatical Catholic city, the third largest in Venezuela.

On down the dirt and gravel road, deeper into the interior we went. Literally choked and covered with *polvo* (dust), we finally reached our destination, the town of Corora, at 9 p.m., where we found a goodly number of native workers, believers, and missionaries gathered for a workers' conference.

My first impression as a new missionary was that it reminded me of our camp meeting back home. Hammocks and cots were seen outside the chapel and in the adjoining patio. At 5:30 a.m. one could hear the prayers of the people as they slipped into the chapel to seek God for a mighty outpouring of His Spirit upon the day's activities.

Mr. Olson was the daily Bible teacher and evening speaker, but somehow I was asked to speak several times through an interpreter. Mr. Olson brought a series of studies on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and I felt led to speak on Holiness. The closing day, Sunday, after Yngve Olson finished teaching the lesson, the saints began to pray and worship the Lord, and the Holy Spirit fell in our midst and baptized two right in their seats! Many became hungry and sought the Lord most of the day.

That night I had no sooner finished preaching the evangelistic message than one young man about twenty-five, a backslidden former Bible School student, came weep-

ing to the altar and found his way back to God after praying for over an hour. That was only the beginning, for nearly every believer in the congregation followed this man to the altar and began seeking God as desperately as I have ever seen people seek the Lord. Some were prostrate on the crude cement floor, others were weeping and crying aloud, and by 11 o'clock when we had to leave, four had already received the Baptism and about twenty-five Catholics, strangers from the town, had pressed their way into the chapel to see what was going on! I made sure that they at least received the gospel portions we had.

Reports since have informed us that some of them have come back and one lady was saved and received the Baptism the following week. Furthermore, one of the workers went back to his post inspired and word has reached us that he has experienced a revival in his station with over twenty-four receiving the Pentecostal Baptism, praise the Lord!

Pray with us that real old time Pentecostal showers will fall freely upon the work in Venezuela, that many souls will be saved and baptized and that Pentecostal signs and wonders will be wrought in the name of Jesus.

A Revival of Marriages

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Cole, Honduras

SOME time ago in San Marcos, we had two weeks of intensive Bible study with classes every day, for prospective workers. On the last day we had a fellowship meeting. God greatly blessed these classes and much has been done for the future of the work.

We all enjoy revivals, and God has given us revivals out here in these two and a half years, but this thing of getting married is not only a revival, it is a revolution! Mar-

riage here among the common people is an uncommon thing. It is rather a peculiar sight at times, as many have lived together for years and have children from a few months to twenty-five years old. Now, the couples that have accepted the Lord in this district are getting married in order to line up their lives with the Word of God. One brother said, "I could leave my whiskey, my tobacco, etc., but get married to this woman, that was just too much!" Well, thank God, he and many others like him are going through with the necessary steps for marriage, for God is removing obstacles and not giving them any rest until they have obeyed His Word.

A few days ago, we came home from a trip of eight days, having had a service each night and a baptismal service too. Our trip led us out the first day down along the frontier to Chinchal (which means "place of many bedbugs") which is very hard to get into because of the steep mountains all around.

We arrived there in the afternoon and had a service that night. Early the next morning we went on our way again. Some places we had to walk because it was so steep. In one of these places, Sharon's horse walked over the top of her, stepping on her, but God undertook so that she did not suffer any ill effects.

The third day, we arrived at a place where we have an organized church. There we had two and three services a day for two days and a baptismal service in the river, with many attending who never had heard or seen such a service before.

From there we traveled most of the day to reach a town where there is no gospel work. God opened up a home in the center of town, and there was great interest manifested in the service. All readily received the gospel literature. When we arrived home we felt glad that we had been able to do the will of the Lord. We had made a great circle of more than 120 miles, mostly over the very roughest of mountain trails. However, we felt the continued presence of the Lord with us in and through it all, and His blessing was extra great in all the services, for which we thank Him.

A native workers' conference in Venezuelan interior. L. E. Dowdy is standing at left of third row.



Dedication of the "AMBASSADOR"

THE flagship "Ambassador," a Curtiss-Wright C-46, of the Assemblies of God missionary air transport line MISSIONARY FLIGHTS will be dedicated at the Springfield Municipal Airport on Sunday afternoon, August 1, at 3 o'clock.

Participating in the service will be representatives of the Missions Department, the C. A. Department and the Southern Missouri District Council. All visitors from surrounding states are invited to attend the ceremony.

The next day, August 2, the first flight to Africa will commence with the first leg of the journey to Miami, Florida.

A MONUMENT FOR CHRIST

Everett G. Hale, Bolivia

BECAUSE we were in need of a larger hall, we began to pray. God touched the heart of Mr. Zapata once again and caused him to offer his property at a very low cost. He built his new home next door to the present location. Feeling it was of the Lord, the property was purchased. January 21, eighteen men began to tear down the old shed and make way for the foundations of the new twenty-eight by seventy-two tabernacle.

You can imagine our joy at seeing an Evangelical church being erected to stand as a monument of the TRUE GOSPEL among the many Roman Catholic Cathedrals. The community is stirred as God is causing the building in itself to be an awakening.

At this writing our religious freedom is being threatened by the Catholics. Friday night the service was interrupted by a screaming mob throwing bricks. Yesterday the Baptist missionary was beaten and put in jail. We are wondering what will happen next. Pray that God will protect and give us a Holy Ghost revival.



Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hale stand with their group of believers in front of the new church that has been erected recently under the direction of E. G. Hale in Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

God Provides a New Church

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ollson, Venezuela

FROM the very beginning of the work here it has been a struggle to get a good hall for services. Confident that such prayer would be answered for a church, a building fund was begun four months after the work was started. Apart from faith, it seemed unwise and hopeless since there were only five or six saved ones at that time and they were very poor.

Did we hope for a church building which could be dedicated exclusively for the work of the Lord? To be sure we did! The services were being held in the small room of a home of a family who was friendly to the gospel. Venezuelan custom among the poorer class is that the chickens occupy a roost in the same house (some times even in the same room) with the family. Thus it was in this particular home. The chickens felt free to roam about from one room to the other, and the room for services was no exception. One room adjoining this was used by the family as a bedroom and was a favorite nesting place of some of the hens. Imagine, if you can, the disturbance in the services on Sunday mornings when one or more hens would lay eggs and would begin cackling! Since the only open door was through the room where services were held, the hens would make their way slowly through, cackling as they went.

Then there was the smoke from the charcoal grate in the kitchen near by. Everybody present would fan and cough when the direction of the wind would change and blow the smoke into our little room. Finally, we asked that the door be closed, preferring the tropical heat to the suffocating smoke. Did we hope for a church building? We surely did! "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Some of these few believers didn't even have purses, so it was certain they couldn't have much money for a building fund. There were other expenses of Sunday School literature, rent on the little room, electric lights, etc. But faith makes up for the "things not seen." The offering was taken. After counting the

pullas, lochas, medios, bolivares, etc., (equivalent to the American pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters it amounted to 47 bolivares and 25 centimos (approximately \$14.00). However, more than half of this amount was given by two visiting brethren from a more established assembly in a near-by town together with what we gave. From then until the present time the faithful few have brought their small amounts. Only once since then has any offering exceeded the first one. Usually it amounted to four or five dollars weekly, and at times even less. But as the Lord gave the increase of souls, the offerings increased.

A building and lot were purchased in a very good location. God has blessed and after repairs on the building were paid for and more benches and a pulpit bought, there was still around \$100.00 left in the building fund to help pay back the loan. Eventually a new and adequate chapel will be built in the place of the present building. It is now inadequate for Sunday School classes. Nevertheless, it is a real blessing for the work. We trust that offerings shall so increase that within a year a new building can be erected. It is ideally located on a corner lot directly in front of a large, new, government school which covers an entire city block. Thus there will be contact with the boys and girls to give them the gospel. Most of the local autobuses and many of the out-of-town buses pass directly in front of the building. This month when the first preaching service was held in this new location several of the buses stopped while the passengers listened for a while to the singing and preaching which was carried to the street by a loud-speaker.

There are many homes surrounding the property. Pray for these souls. Many are ever ready to listen to the gospel but slow to give up the religion of their fathers for the truth that is in Christ Jesus. Pray too, that we shall be able to rent a house nearer to the services before the rainy season begins. Where we live now is not only very far from the hall but also far from a bus line.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

June, 1948

Alabama	\$ 900.81	Nevada	227.49
Arizona	749.65	New Hampshire	44.59
Arkansas	3,262.19	New Jersey	3,026.78
California	31,853.39	New Mexico	624.20
Colorado	4,364.99	New York	9,061.08
Connecticut	580.01	North Carolina	285.40
Delaware	794.75	North Dakota	1,617.44
District of Columbia	2,010.61	Ohio	10,019.84
Florida	8,257.98	Oklahoma	6,313.84
Georgia	1,743.70	Oregon	7,522.10
German Branch	441.28	Pennsylvania	8,509.15
Hungarian Branch	82.00	Polish Branch	10.00
Idaho	1,942.47	Rhode Island	223.73
Illinois	7,141.92	South Carolina	96.04
Indiana	2,690.78	South Dakota	1,925.98
Iowa	2,527.34	Tennessee	563.22
Kansas	5,094.34	Texas	12,078.19
Latin American Branch	116.77	Ukrainian Branch	163.90
Kentucky	565.52	Utah	33.13
Louisiana	452.94	Vermont	41.55
Maine	166.40	Virginia	938.76
Maryland	800.08	Washington	13,574.53
Massachusetts	708.68	West Virginia	383.55
Michigan	6,735.33	Wisconsin	3,866.57
Minnesota	6,225.10	Wyoming	310.65
Mississippi	256.04	Alaska	100.99
Missouri	9,925.87	Canada	790.55
Montana	1,815.20	Foreign	171.50
Nebraska	3,130.97	Legacies	215.15
		Miscellaneous	16,257.06
Total Amount Reported	204,334.07		
District Fund	10,088.33		
National Home Missions	1,882.91		
Office Expense Fund	2,786.07		
Literature Expense Fund	156.64		
Given Direct to Missionaries	24,629.37		
	39,543.32		
Amount received for Foreign Missions	164,790.75		
Amount received for Home Missions	9,204.95		

FOREIGN MISSIONS DISBURSEMENTS FOR JUNE, 1948

Congo	\$ 5,715.84	Chile	2,010.50
Dahomey	522.00	Colombia	452.53
Egypt	4,713.19	Paraguay	383.00
French Sudan	191.61	Peru	3,684.35
French Togo	183.44	Uruguay	304.25
Gold Coast	8,017.15	Venezuela	2,892.88
Ivory Coast	6,847.10	British West Indies	4,896.39
Liberia	8,983.49	Burma	891.47
Nigeria	7,601.79	Fiji Islands	422.42
Nyasaland	1,043.00	Hawaiian Islands	1,110.06
Sierra Leone	1,930.80	Japan	612.71
Tanganyika	416.00	Malaya	965.00
Union of South Africa	3,049.63	Netherlands East Indies	3,862.21
China	16,142.47	Philippine Islands	2,577.93
Ceylon	5,281.99	Samoa	169.37
India	27,142.99	Retired Missionaries	1,183.60
Europe	5,683.01	Entertainment of Missionaries	1,151.85
Palestine & Near East	1,756.64	General Transportation	4,407.96
West Indies	7,180.72	Spanish Literature	50.13
Mexican Work in United States	393.50	Non Council Missionaries	4,718.54
Mexico	1,715.89	Miscellaneous	5,368.91
Central America	8,270.14		
Argentina	1,136.48		
Bolivia	1,209.21		
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Charged from Reserve	5,983.52		
Total Receipts	\$164,790.75		



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Mark the words—"on account of the brightness that was fading from it." Moffatt's rendering is similar—"on account of the dazzling glory that was fading from his face." Mark the italics Moffatt has used, and consider their significance. The "dazzling glory" belonged to God; Moses was able simply to reflect it as a result of his having been in the divine presence. As soon as he came out of that presence it began to fade, thus indicating to the people that the glory was not the glory of Moses, but the glory of the Lord. This is a wonderful thought that is difficult for us to get through the rendering in the King James Version. As the Israelites looked upon the face of Moses and beheld "the dazzling glory that was fading from his face" they must have been visibly impressed with the fact that the glory was not his, but God's, and when Moses went again into the divine presence, and came out with a renewal of that "dazzling glory," the thought must have impressed itself with renewed emphasis upon their minds. Paul seizes upon the fact that the glory that Moses reflected was the glory of the old dispensation, and that it was not designed to be permanent, as was evident from the fact that its tendency was to fade, and the people actually saw it as it was fading.

It is the design and purpose of God that every minister—yes, and every Christian—should be a mirror in which the people of this world shall see a reflection of the divine. Paul wrote, "We all mirror the glory of the Lord with face unveiled, and so we are being trans-

formed into the same likeness as Himself, passing from one glory to another—for this comes or the Lord the Spirit." 2 Cor. 3:18, Moffatt.

But do we "all mirror the glory of the Lord"? We should, but do we? Whether we sing in the choir, or preach in the pulpit, or testify on the street corner, or render any service anywhere—even in the performance of our ordinary daily tasks, in the words that we speak, and in the disposition that we manifest—do we "mirror the glory of the Lord," or is pride, ambition, sin, or selfishness in any form (in a word, the old man, the old carnal nature) very frequently in evidence, so that the glory of the Lord, if there is any glory there, is veiled, when God would have it unveiled?

The Lord help us! I trust that not only will "Sermons in Song" always be a presentation by God of what God would have presented, but that all our services, and our lives, as disciples of the Master, may also be such a presentation on the part of Him "whose we are and whom we serve," that it shall be evident to all that we are luminaries that are shining in a dark place, not reflecting any light that is in ourselves, but reflecting the light of Him who said, "I am the Light of the world." In order that we may reflect that light we must spend much time in His presence, as Moses spent much time in His presence on the mountain, and all desires that are of a selfish nature must be effaced or utterly subordinated to that one great purpose for which God has "called us out of darkness into marvelous light." Forget not that He who said, "As long as I am in the world I am the light of the world," said to His disciples, "Ye are the light of the world." And forget not that He added, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

BERKELEY, CALIF.

Among the Assemblies

CHANNEL VIEW, TEXAS—We have just concluded one of the best revival meetings in the history of the assembly, which is 11 years old. Our evangelist was W. S. Barham of Houston, a former Methodist preacher who has been with the Assemblies of God for a number of years. The services were marked by a definite outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Twenty-five received the baptism in two weeks; on the second Sunday 14 were filled as recorded in Acts 2:4. The Divine Healing services were replete with Pentecostal power. Many testified to having been healed in answer to prayer. The evangelist preached the Word simply, yet powerfully, and faith was generated in the hearts of the hearers until they were anxious to seek God.—B. Hagee, Pastor, Route 5, Box 443, Houston, Texas.

PHILIPSBURG, PA.—I am very happy to report a very successful revival meeting at the Gospel Tabernacle during May, with the McColl-Gerard Trio of Canada. Their ministry in song and word was much appreciated, and was given under a real anointing of the Spirit. The Tabernacle was filled nightly and overcrowded on weekends necessitating our moving into the largest church auditorium in the community the last week, and that too was packed out. About 60 were saved, 7 or 8 were filled with the Spirit, and on the last Sunday we baptized 26 in water. Others have been saved and filled with the Spirit since the close of the services. The revival spirit is still with us. The Sunday School attendance reached new heights, and the assembly was given a real boost.—H. A. Christopher, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—We recently concluded a series of special meetings with Evangelist Nicholas M. Gruick of Wisconsin. Attendance and interest were good, and the blessing of God rested upon the meetings. Of special interest were the illustrated object lessons that Brother Gruick used in effectively emphasizing the great truths of Scripture. Besides those that came forward for salvation, the Sunday drive broke all previous records and more than doubled our regular attendance.—John W. Seregow, Pastor, Gospel Temple.

MARTINEZ, CALIF.—We just closed a 3-day Divine Healing meeting with Evangelist Wilbur Ogilvie of Chowchilla. Many were healed; the deaf were enabled to hear, the dumb to speak, crossed eyes were straightened, and bad habits broken. We are thankful, above all, that a number of souls were saved.

In two other evangelistic services, with the Washingtons and the M. P. Bohnets, along with a number of out-of-towners that were saved we have, so far this year, baptized 19 in water.

We are now starting a service with Mary Moore. God has been good to us.—Otto Schmidt, Pastor.

KINGSTREE, S. C.—We have had a 4-week meeting here with Evangelist and Mrs. F. U. Whaley of Tampa, Fla. This being a new work, we were handicapped in many ways, but God richly blessed. Twenty-two found the Lord for salvation, 14 followed Him in water baptism, and 13 united with the church. There were some outstanding healings. One was that of an 18-year-old girl who had been impotent in speech from birth. God saved and healed her, so that she can give a wonderful testimony for Him. The Sunday School attendance was built up, reaching an all-time high of 70. We are thankful for the prayer and effort put forth by everyone who helped to make this revival meeting a success.—Ernest M. Cooper, Pastor, Route 1, Box 248, Georgetown, S. C.

BEMIDJI, MINN.—The Erickson-Seavert Evangelistic Party of Wenatchee, Wash., were with us for nine nights. The church was filled the first night, and on the fifth night we moved into the Armory. We were there for the remaining nights and saw hundreds of people in attendance. Around 200 came forward for salvation and hundreds were healed; 53 came forward the last night. One sister had arthritis so badly that she used a crutch to get around in her store to wait on people. Now she walks without any aid and feels no pain. A young boy almost totally blind received such sight that he began to recognize people and colors for the first time; his eyes are still improving. Many deaf had their hearing restored; impaired eyes, paralyzed limbs, tumors, arthritis, internal troubles, goiter, and all manner of diseases were healed. Trophies of the meeting include canes, a brace, crutch and glasses. We credit the success of the meeting to fasting and prayer and to the earnest and positive ministry that Brother Erickson has. It was an answer to the assurance God gave me two and a half years ago, of seeing hundreds listening to the full gospel in Bemidji.—George Rasmussen, Pastor.

ALBERT LEA, MINN.—God has given this city such a visitation of Holy Ghost power as has never before been witnessed by most of those in attendance. One pastor said he had attended many great meetings in the past, but nowhere had he seen such great evidence of the mighty hand of God. In a 7-day period, 200 came for salvation, according to personal worker report. Scores of people were healed of all manner of afflictions. One evening there were five women in a group, all afflicted with goiter. Immediate deliverance came to each one upon being anointed and prayed for. One had a goiter that was very visible; several ministers saw it disappear as hands were laid upon her. A man born cross-eyed was healed instantly. So many miraculous things took place that it is impossible to relate them all.

It was my happy privilege to be in a service at Mankato the evening following the campaign of the Erickson-Seavert Evangelistic party in our city, and there to see more than 50 come forward for salvation out of a crowd of 150. Many were healed as Brother Erickson prayed for them, one of them being a woman who had been given only five months to live. A great cancer, larger than a man's fist, disappeared immediately. God has continued to bless with healing power in our own services.—E. C. Rosen, Pastor, The People's Church.

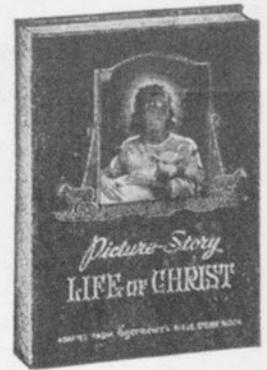
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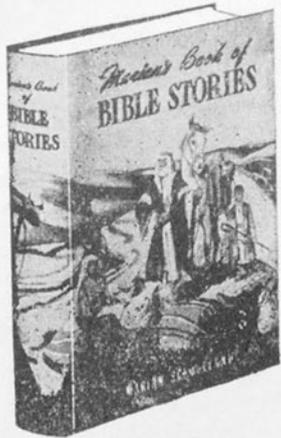
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CLEVELAND, OHIO—The Pentecostal Church of Cleveland has just closed a series of special services with Evangelist O. L. Jagers of St. Elmo, Ill. During these meetings our church experienced the greatest revival we have seen in our thirteen years of ministry here. Over 200 knelt at the altar for salvation and many received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Brother Jagers prayed for the sick and many were healed of deafness, sinus infection, heart trouble, arthritis, and cancer.

A mighty spirit of conviction rested upon the audience as the evangelist ministered the Word from night to night. At times it was impossible to preach, and sinners thronged to the altar to seek the Lord as the Holy Spirit moved upon the people.

The music was blessed of God and was a great uplift to the services. Our Sunday School was greatly benefited, the attendance being around 600 during the meetings, or about 200 more than our average attendance. The church is enjoying a real spirit of revival and the blessing of the Lord is continuing.—D. P. Holloway, Pastor.

BROWNSVILLE, TENN.—We have just closed our second revival meeting of the season. The first was on April 14—30 with Evangelist and Mrs. Paul J. McKeel. Four were saved, one was baptized with the Holy Spirit, and our Sunday School attendance increased to an all-time high of 106. It was a very good meeting.

During the past two weeks we were blessed by the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Wm. F. Watkins of Albuquerque, N. Mex. We had some Spirit-filled preaching by both Brother and Sister Watkins. Five grown folk were saved.

These meetings have served to draw attention to the church here.

We were asked by the District officials to take the church on October 1, when we came back to Memphis from Clayton, N. Mex., where we had started a work and built a church. This church is now under the ministry of O. O. Shipley, and souls are being saved and believers filled with the Holy Spirit.

When we came to Brownsville, the average attendance was about 11 to 18. On October 5, our first Sunday, we had 28 present. Last Sunday we had 111. We have had a steady increase each Sunday since we have been here.

We have finished the church and made the parsonage over, and have finished some Sunday School rooms, bought new rug for the altar, runners down the aisles, and new window shades.

These furnishings, except the runners, were bought by the W. M. C. It is such a joy to work with groups that will co-operate as wonderfully as the churches at Clayton and Brownsville have done. They cannot help but be blessed of the Lord.—Pastor and Mrs. T. L. Ward, 209 Margin St.

WHISTLER, ALA.—We came to Whistler, a suburb of Mobile, in November, 1946, to assume our duties as pastors. We are now beginning to serve the third year.

Immediately after assuming the pastorate, we started working on a Sunday School building program. In eight months we had erected a 13-room educational building and a choir loft. We have installed Butane gas in the church, fluorescent lights in the choir, chairs and equipment for the Sunday School rooms. Recently, we purchased a Sunday School bus. Our average attendance has increased 65, making our average attendance for this year 130. Many have been saved, filled with the Holy Ghost, and healed; and 26 have joined the church.

God has blessed us in giving us good evangelists. The last ones were Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Beard of Hattiesburg, Miss. These evangelists have had an anointed ministry for years, several preachers having been saved and filled with the Holy Ghost in their meetings. Several persons were saved, baptized with the Holy Spirit, and healed in this revival.—Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schulz, Pastors.

MASSILLON, OHIO—On January 20 we began a series of meetings with Evangelist Fred Numrick of Springfield, Ill., and God met with us in a great way. A backslider of 10 years' standing was brought back to God and refilled with the Spirit. Also one who had been tarrying for a number of years was baptized with the Holy Ghost.

In April we had a 2-week meeting with August Lindholm, singing evangelist from Helsingfors, Finland. The saints were greatly built up during this meeting.

Commencing May 9 we began a 2-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Vanderploeg of Toledo. The two weeks lengthened into four, and God came on the scene in wondrous saving power. Twenty-eight knelt at the altar for salvation, two were refilled with the Holy Spirit, and two more received the Baptism. There were several notable healings. A woman suffering from enlarged heart and high blood pressure testified to having been healed, and the wife of the evangelist was

instantly healed of two tumors. A man, afflicted with a serious lung condition, who had been previously prayed for but had not worked for many months, testified to healing and is now working. We have added 18 new members to the church this year. Since the meetings closed there have been several at the altar for salvation and two have been filled with the Holy Spirit.—V. L. Wells, Pastor, Peniel Tabernacle.

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.

HARRISON, ARK.—Divisional C. A. Rally, August 9. Harry Myers, main speaker.—W. H. Richardson, Director, Pyatt, Ark.

FLINT, MICH.—Riverside Tabernacle, August 6—20; Jean Benefiel of Grand Rapids, Mich., Evangelist.—M. A. Jollay, Pastor.

FAIRLAND, OKLA.—July 14, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Cobb of Oklahoma City.—W. Austin Wilkerson, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE.—116 N.W. 14th Ave., August 10—15; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley P. McPherson.—Wm. F. Hageman, Pastor.

CHEROKEE, OKLA.—Camp Meeting, August 3—13; W. C. Shackelford, Evangelist. J. S. Murrell, Presbyter.—W. C. Gilbert, Pastor.

SOUTH BEND, IND.—Old-fashioned Tent Revival, South Michigan and Haney, in progress; Lester F. Sumrall, Minister.

MADRAS, ORE.—July 25, for 2 weeks or longer; G. W. Hocker of Cottage Grove, Evangelist.—Alfred R. Brown, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—833 St. Clair Ave. W., August 8—Sept. 5; Evangelist and Mrs. M. A. Lake, Houston, Texas, preachers and musicians.—H. R. Panabecker, Pastor.

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FRASER VALLEY PENTECOSTAL CAMP
Fraser Valley Pentecostal Camp, August 4—15. John Watts, afternoon speaker; Hans F. Bretschneider, evening speaker. For particulars write Fraser Valley Pentecostal Camp, Box 337, Mission City, B. C., Canada.—Maureen Gaglardi, Acting Camp Secretary.

INDIANA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING
Indiana Camp Meeting, Lake Placid, Hartford City, Ind., August 28—Sept. 6. A. N. Trotter, camp evangelist; T. J. Jones, Principal NCBI, Bible teacher. For reservations write Assembly of God Camp, P. O. Box 1020, Terre Haute, Ind.—Roy H. Wead, District Superintendent.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT C. A. CAMP
Rocky Mountain District C. A. Camp, Cedaredge, Colo., August 24—27. Chas. E. Blair, pastor of Central Assembly, Denver, main speaker. M. A. Newman, District C. A. President, in charge. Victor Brown, Local Pastor, Cedaredge, Colo.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

NEW ENGLAND CAMP MEETING
New England District Camp, District Camp Grounds, Auburn Street, Framingham, Mass., July 28—August 8. Albert L. Hoy, Bible teacher; Ernest Sumrall, camp evangelist. For reservations write Camp Committee, 7 Auburn St., Framingham, Mass.—Lyle W. Butler, District Secretary.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL
Arkansas District Council, District Camp Grounds, 9 miles from Hot Springs, Ark., on Highway 7, August 23—26. State Christ's Ambassadors Rally, Monday night. David Burris, District Superintendent.—H. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING
Nebraska District Camp Meeting, Lexington, Nebr., August 13—22; Dwight H. McLaughlin, main speaker. Missionary services, August 20—22, H. B. Garlock in charge. Youth camp, August 9—12. For further information write M. F. Brandt, District Superintendent, 1704 W. Division St., Grand Island, Nebr.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT YOUTH CONFERENCE
Fourth Annual Michigan District Youth Conference, Fa-Ho-Lo Park Camp Grounds, Grass Lake, Mich., August 9—20. Ages 15—35. W. A. Brown, Springfield, Mo., evening speaker.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING
Michigan District Camp, Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich., July 24—Aug. 8. W. I. Evans, Bible teacher; Arthur Arnold, evening speaker. Credentials Day, August 3.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT MINISTERS' SEMINAR
Third Annual Michigan District Ministers' Seminar, Fa-Ho-Lo Park Camp Ground, Grass Lake, Mich., August 9—13 and 16—20. District Superintendent Chas. W. H. Scott, Principal. Special instructors: R. M. Riggs, T. A. Kessel, A. L. Hoy.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.

PARIS SECTION CAMP MEETING
Camp Meeting, Paris Section, Pittsburg, Texas, July 30—August 8. A. C. Bates, morning speaker; E. R. Winters, evening speaker.—C. G. Nichols, Secretary-treasurer, 1608 W. Houston St., Paris, Texas.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COUNCIL
12th Annual Louisiana District Council, High School Auditorium, Bossier City, La., July 27—29. General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, night speaker. District Christ's Ambassadors Rally, same auditorium, night, July 26. For reservations or further information write Pastor E. W. Davis, Box 71, Bossier City, La.—L. O. Waldon, District Secretary.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CAMP
Rocky Mountain District Camp Meeting District Headquarters, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo., August 3—13. T. J. Jones, morning teacher; D. P. Holloway, evening speaker. For information write R. G. Fulford, Secretary-Treasurer, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

HUNTINGTON LAKE, CALIF.—Two Pentecostal Conferences, newly-organized Lakeview Lodge, on shores of beautiful Huntington Lake, 7,000 ft. elevation, 65 miles east of Fresno, in the high Sierras. Young Adults, Aug. 21—28; L. R. Keys, San Francisco, speaker. Senior Adults, Aug. 28—Sept. 4; Dr. A. G. Canada, Oakland, speaker. Room, board and registration \$17.75. For either camp; discount for children. For information write Earl Draper, Registrar, 463 N. Fresno St., Fresno, Calif. Limited capacity for entertainment.—Pastors W. Doyle Opie and Floyd L. Hawkins, Fresno, Calif.

LUZERNE, PA.—Tent Meetings, Luzerne Assembly of God, August 3—; C. S. Tubby, Quadville, Ontario, Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies and pastors welcome.—J. B. Woolums, Pastor.

DATE CHANGED

MEMPHIS, TENN.—East McLemore at Somerville. Dedication New Church, Home Coming and Sectional Fellowship Meeting, August 8—9. Ernest S. Williams, main speaker. Dedication 3 p.m., August 8.—James E. Hamill, Pastor.

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Annual Appalachian District Camp Meeting, new Assemblies of God Camp Ground, August 6—15. F. D. Davis, Houston, Texas, camp speaker. Camp located 18 miles northwest of Gate City, Va., 2 miles east of U. S. Highways 58 and 23 at Sunbright, Va., and only 5 miles northeast of famous natural tunnel. Cafeteria on grounds; dormitories for men and women; some rooms and tents for rent. If possible, bring bedding or other camping facilities. For further information write W. W. Smith, Box 224, Big Stone Gap, Va.—Committee Chairman.

LIVING WATERS CAMP MEETING

Fourteenth Annual Living Waters Pentecostal Camp Meeting, Eastern District Council, Cherry Tree, Pa., July 23—August 8. D. H. McDowell, Bible Teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Caldwell in charge of Camp Bible School; ages 12—18. A. N. Chase, Camp pastor. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Balliet in charge of C. A. services. Thomas Johnstone of Toronto, Canada, Camp evangelist. Foreign Missions, August 1, 2:30 p.m., John Horn in charge. EBI Day, July 31, 2:30 p.m. Other ministers will assist. For further information write R. F. Bender, Camp Chairman, 220 Arden Rd., Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mississippi District Council, Community Center Auditorium, Hattiesburg, Miss., August 3—4. First service, Tuesday, 2 p.m. C. A. Rally, Monday night. J. O. Savell, Texas District Superintendent, guest speaker. For information regarding rooms write A. L. Wolfe, 700 Bernice Ave., Hattiesburg, Miss. For further information write L. C. Ashbrook, 4603 8th St., Meridian, Miss.—Jeff Gibbs, Superintendent.

"LATTER RAIN" CAMP MEETING

"Latter Rain" Camp Meeting, Mother Neff State Park, near Waco, Texas, July 28—August 8. Carl Wattenbarger, John Reel, and Harold Reel, speakers. Three services daily, with old-fashioned grove prayer meetings and sunrise prayer service. Special music and singing. This beautiful park lies along the bank of Leon river, deep in the heart of Texas, 8 miles west of Moody. Bring complete camping equipment; or simple accommodations may be had at reasonable rates. For further information write Woodrow Wilson, Box 245, Moody, Texas.

LAKEVIEW GOSPEL CAMPS

TROUTBURG, N. Y.—Lakeview Gospel Camp, New York-New Jersey District summer schedule: Boys' and Girls' Camp, July 24—31; ages 8—13. C. W. Denton, Director.

17th Annual Pentecostal Camp Meeting, July 31—Aug. 15; A. H. Graves, Bible Teacher; Bert Webb, Evangelist. Opening rally, July 31, 8 p.m.; Missionary rally, Aug. 1, 2:30 p.m. Camp Junior Bible School for young people, ages 12—20. Daily vacation Bible School. Concerning accommodations write N. J. Kenyon, 39 S. Grove St., East Aurora, N. Y. Concerning Junior Bible School and Boys' and Girls' Camp write C. W. Denton, Box 22, Dansville, N. Y.—Frederick D. Drake, Camp Committee Secretary.

MONTANA YOUTH BIBLE CAMP

Sixth Annual Montana Youth Bible Camp, Beaver Creek Playground, Bear Paw Mountains, near Havre, August 4—12. Ages 10—20. Speakers: older group, Paul Hild; younger group, Mrs. Roy Munger. Mornings devoted to classes, afternoons to recreation, evenings to meetings. For further information write W. A. Buck, Box 89, Havre, Mont.—Paul Williscroft, Director of Christian Education.

NEW MEXICO DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Sixth Annual District Camp Meeting, New Mexico District, Mountainair, N. Mex., July 30—August 8. Aaron A. Wilson of Kansas City, Mo., morning and evening speaker. Visiting and local ministers will speak in early morning prayer service and in afternoons. Cafeteria service on grounds. For reservations write Pastor J. J. Grubbs, Box 353, Mountainair, N. Mex.—Irvin E. Smith, District Sec.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA YOUTH CAMPS

Southern California C. A. Youth Camps: Camp Sierra, August 7—14. Located 55 miles N. E. of Fresno, between Huntington and Shaver lakes in the Sierra Nevada mountains. Camp Evangelist: Kenneth Schmidt. Teachers: C. M. Ward and Mrs. Irving Harrison. Vesper services, Doyle Opie. Room and board \$17.75. For reservations write Earl Draper, 463 N. Fresno St., Fresno, Calif. Send \$5.00 for each reservation desired.

Camp Sealey, August 21—28. Located at Crestline, 18 miles north of San Bernardino, near Lake Gregory. Camp Evangelist: Paul Boyer. Teachers: C. M. Ward and Mrs. F. C. Woodworth. Vesper services, Ralph Love. Room and Board \$17.75. For reservations write Wayne Turner, P. O. Box 682, Elsinore, Calif. Send \$5.00 for each reservation desired.—L. B. Lewis, Southern California District C. A. President.



Mr. Pastor and Superintendent:

In General Council last fall a Sunday School resolution was passed to the effect that our Schools strive to issue at least 12,000 Workers' Training Course certificates by October 1948. During the first six months we issued 3,599. This leaves three-fourths of the goal yet to be reached—with October 1 the deadline.

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KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Kansas District Camp Meeting, Woodston-Alton Camp Grounds, on U. S. Highway 24, three miles east of Woodston and five miles west of Alton, August 12-22. T. J. Jones, morning Bible teacher; W. R. Steelberg, evening speaker. Afternoon services in charge of State C. A. President. Children's services each morning. For reservations write G. A. Gaddis, 1503 Avenue 4, Dodge City, Kansas.—Paul C. Samuelson, Secretary-Treasurer.

EASTERN OKLAHOMA CAMP MEETING

Eastern Oklahoma Camp Meeting, City Park, Poteau, Okla., August 3-12. Sponsored by Section 2, 3 and 4 of Oklahoma District. R. L. Steger, morning speaker; Robert E. Goggin, evening speaker. Visiting and local ministers will speak each afternoon. Vesper services by C.A.'s. For further information write Homer Boyd, Presbyter of Section 3, 521 Dewey Ave., Poteau, Okla.—Robert E. Goggin, District Secretary-Treasurer.

INDIANA CHILDREN'S CAMPS

Children's Camps, Assembly of God Camp Grounds, Lake Placid, Hartford City, Ind. Bible study, prayer and preaching; plenty of supervised recreation. Boating, swimming, hiking, etc. Children 9-15 years of age. Cost only \$10.00. Boys, August 16-21; girls, August 23-28. Write Assembly of God Children's Camp, P. O. Box 1020, Terre Haute, Ind.—Roy H. Wead, District Superintendent.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Northern California and Nevada District Camp Meeting, August 3-15, on beautiful new 130-acre camp ground in Santa Cruz mountains, among the redwoods, 7 miles from Santa Cruz, on main four-lane highway from Los Gatos to Santa Cruz. F. C. Cornell, former Superintendent of Oklahoma District, main speaker. Camp closes August 14-15 with grand C. A. Convention; Ralph Harris, former National C. A. Secretary, speaker.—R. J. Thurmond, District Secretary-Treasurer, 1475 Ellis St., San Francisco, Calif.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—P. O. Box 4089, Ft. Worth 6, Texas. "I have accepted a call as associate pastor of the North Side Assembly of God."—Bracy I. Greer.

NOTICE—Assemblies of God teachers, qualified to teach in Junior High School, please contact M. W. Roll, 4205 S. Lincoln St., Englewood, Colo.—V. Shannon Sanders.

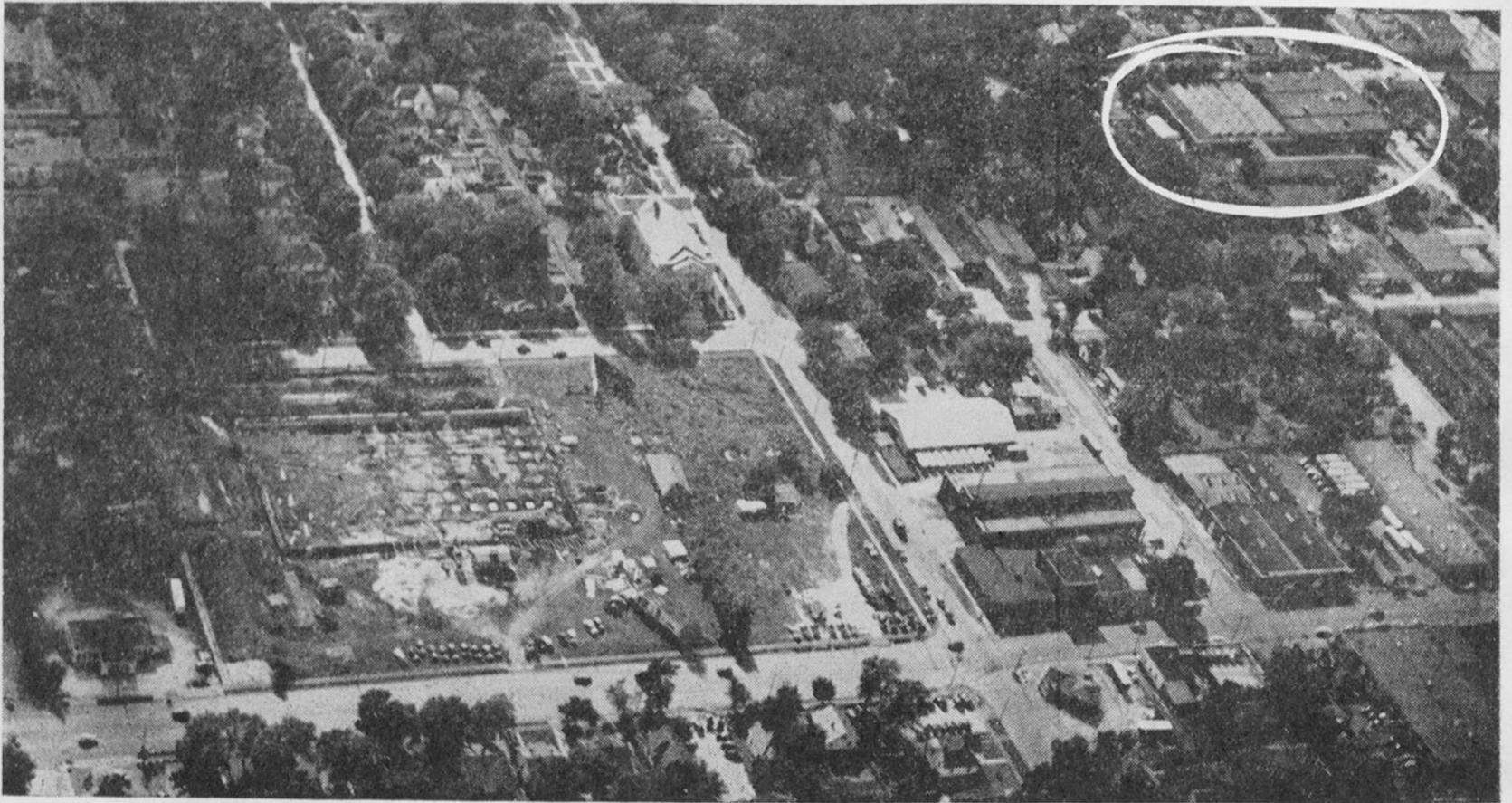
ARIZONA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Arizona District Camp Meeting, at Powder Spur on the Iron Springs road, 3 miles from Prescott, August 11-22. Aaron A. Wilson, camp speaker. Raymond Ton of California will speak on Sunday School work each afternoon for first four days. Then Missionary Rally. Visiting speakers each afternoon for duration of camp. C. A. Vesper service 6:30 p.m. Bring your tents, or trailers, and bedding. Limited space available in tent dormitories. Meals served at mess hall. Further information from P. O. Box 1511, Prescott, Ariz.—J. K. Gressett, Superintendent.

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