

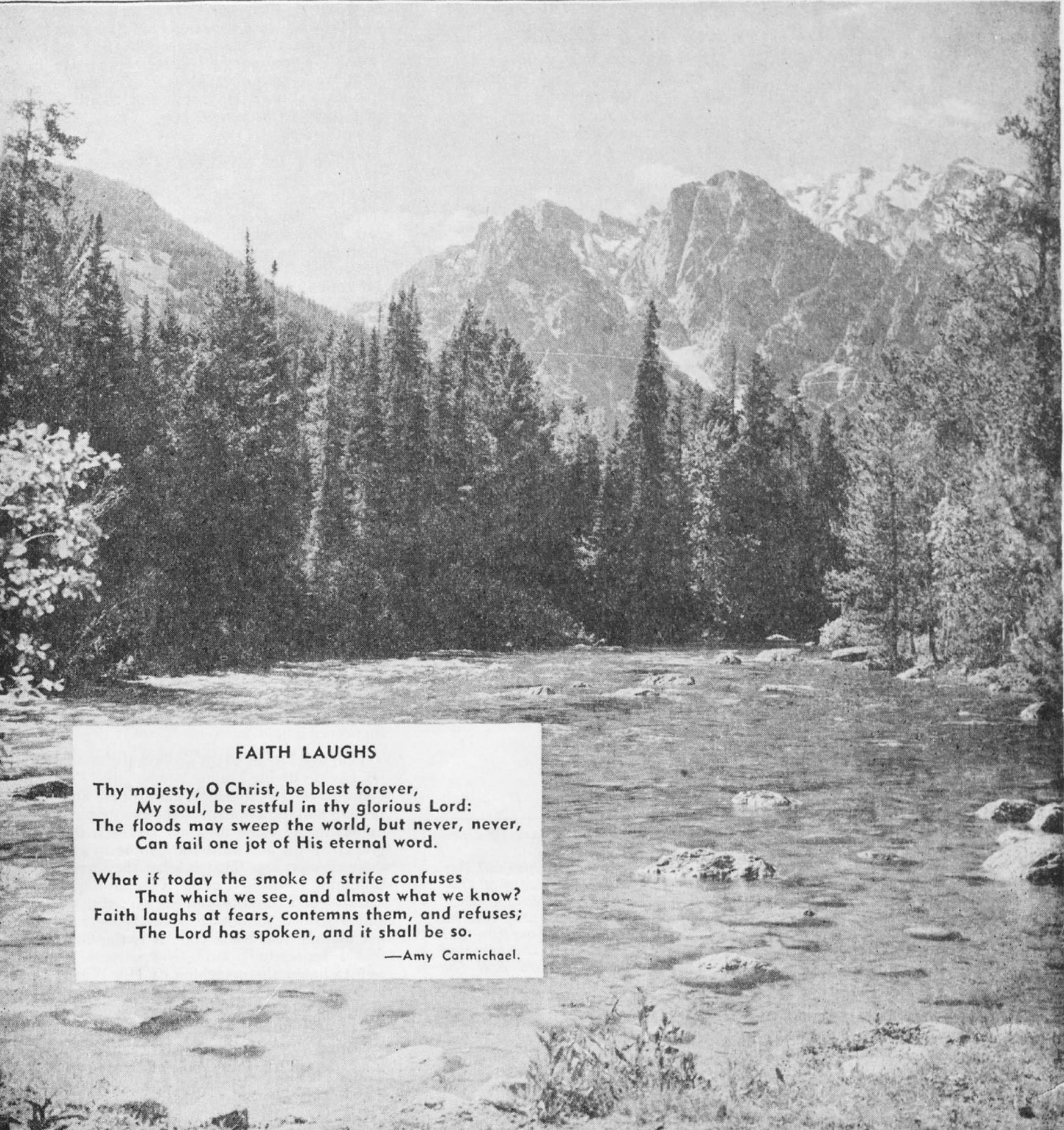
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**FAITH LAUGHS**

Thy majesty, O Christ, be blest forever,  
My soul, be restful in thy glorious Lord:  
The floods may sweep the world, but never, never,  
Can fail one jot of His eternal word.

What if today the smoke of strife confuses  
That which we see, and almost what we know?  
Faith laughs at fears, contemns them, and refuses;  
The Lord has spoken, and it shall be so.

—Amy Carmichael.

# THE SIGNS ARE FOLLOWING

Evangelist Robert F. Fierro

*These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues . . . they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.* Mark 16:17, 18.

● AS I TRAVEL throughout the United States, speaking in a different church almost every night, our pastors say to me, "Brother Fierro, we are on the threshold of a great outpouring of God's Spirit. Our people are seeking God as they never did before." It is an indication of the soon coming of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. There is a going in the tops of the mulberry trees; the Spirit is preparing the way for the coming of King Jesus. One of these days that trumpet is going to sound, heaven will open, and Jesus will appear in the clouds. We are going home, friends, and God is getting His church ready. I believe that before Jesus comes we are to have a great spiritual awakening, not only in the United States but throughout the whole world, and there are many signs that this awakening has already begun.

The people of many different denominations are praying and seeking God as they never have sought Him before. The other day while in my home town, San Jose, California, I had a phone call from a Methodist woman. She said, "Brother Fierro, I want to hear you the other night; you will be glad to learn that some of our Methodist people are receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit the way you Pentecostals preach it." She said, "Come over and pray for me that I will receive that precious Pentecostal experience."

Come with me to the Republic of Mexico. Ask the brethren there which is the fastest growing denomination. A prominent preacher of a large denomination held a great evangelistic campaign for Dr. Eleazar Perez, in the large Presbyterian Church in Mexico City. When this prominent preacher got back to the United States, they asked him, "How is Protestantism getting along in Mexico?" This great man of God answered, "Wonderful! The Lord is blessing the people in a mighty way."

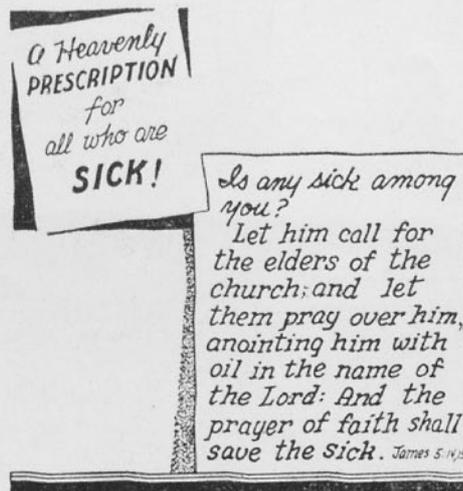
"What denomination seems to be growing the most?" they asked. He scratched his head and said, "Those Pentecostal people are going places. They seem to have the zeal and the enthusiasm that the Mexicans like." Call it zeal, call it enthusiasm, call it Southern emotionalism,

call it what you may, I say it is the moving of the Holy Spirit that the Mexican people like. They are tired of formality. They are tired of lifeless religion. They want the real knowledge of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, that can get down in the deep of their hearts and transform their lives; that can help them overthrow the yoke of illiteracy and superstition, and give them joy and peace.

Come with me to Central America and you will find the same thing. Come with me to South America, and you will hear of the great Holy Ghost revivals that are taking place in Brazil and other countries. The people of Latin America believe the Word when it is preached to them. When I tell them that my God can save, they answer, "Sure He can save." When I tell them, "Jesus heals, my friends," they answer, "Sure, He heals. Hurry up and get through talking, so you can pray for me, and I will get healed." I may have some persecutions in Latin America—I may have some stones thrown at me in some places—but I can always get a crowd of folk who are anxious to listen to the preaching of the gospel.

A few weeks ago I was in meetings in Puerto Rico and God healed the sick. I have never professed to have the gift of healing, and I am not going to claim it now; but in Puerto Rico I saw many miracles as we prayed for the sick in Jesus' name. The blind received their sight—not one or two or three, but literally hundreds. The paralytics walked. I hardly had to pray for them. I just laid my hands on their heads and anointed them with oil in the name of Jesus. Those old crutches slipped out from under those paralytics and they left the platform praising God.

The Methodists, Baptists, Presbyteri-



A message given April 23, 1950, in Springfield, Missouri.

ans, Nazarenes, Christian and Missionary Alliance members, all came in to our meeting. God would come down on the scene and people would receive the Baptism, and those Methodists and Baptists would stand with tears streaming down their cheeks. *Up would go their hands until God gave them the Baptism.* When we would get through praying for the sick, these brethren would come up and say, "Brother Fierro, I have never believed in Divine Healing, but I believe it now." When we prayed for those sick people there wasn't a doubt in their hearts that they would get healed. Here in the United States we are inclined to be suspicious of the miraculous. *We need our faith stirred once again* that we might have faith in the supernatural, faith in God for healing, faith in the soon returning of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

When I was saved out of Roman Catholicism seventeen years ago, that Spirit-filled Spanish Assembly of God minister preached that Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Spirit. The next night he preached the same thing only backward. That man did not have much education, but he had the anointing of the Holy Spirit. He would get down on his knees and seek God for two or three hours before he would ever preach. As he stood behind that sacred desk, wave after wave of glory came upon him. God filled him with the power of His Spirit, and that is what brought me into Pentecost. *Whenever I would meet a paralytic or blind person on the street in those days.* I would say, "Come to my church. These people pray for the sick and you will get well." It grieves my heart as I hear of people today traveling 500 or 1000 miles to the meetings of some dear brother that has dared to preach healing, when they ought to get their healing in the Pentecostal church right in their home town. *Why is it so? Are we afraid to preach it because a few have taken advantage of these precious doctrines and have over-emphasized them or have exaggerated some miracles that have taken place? I'm not going to stop preaching the truth on that account. I'm going to keep preaching the Word.*

I do not intend to go around the country having divine healing campaigns. I'm going to hold evangelistic campaigns, and healing and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit automatically come in when I preach the gospel. I do not want the people to get their eyes on me. That is what they were beginning to do in Puerto Rico, so night after night I stood behind the sacred desk and I drilled it into their heads, "I am not the one that heals you; it is the God that I represent." And God thought it well to honor the preaching of His Word in Puerto Rico with the signs following. You don't buy a pair of shoes and say, "Well, I'll buy the shoes here; I'll go

down a half block and buy the shoe laces; and then go across the street and buy the tongues for the shoes." No, when you buy the shoes, the laces and the tongues come with them!

The signs follow as we believe God and obey His Word. I preached in a tent meeting last summer and a woman who was a paralytic came in a wheel chair. She didn't get up when I prayed for her, and they wheeled her out of the tent. But after she was outside, she got up and ran around the ten-acre parking lot. She wrote and said, "Brother Fierro, you will be glad and surprised to know that after you prayed for me, your God healed me." I sent back an air mail letter by special delivery and said, "I'm not surprised; that is what I expected." There is no use praying some weak prayer and then saying, "Well, let's hope you will be better now." The old devil looks at us and says, "That is just what I wanted." We need to stand up on our two feet and claim the promises of God and say, "I'm a representative of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I rebuke this affliction. Brother, sister, take your healing." The devil will say, "These people mean business," and he will leave. I sincerely believe that is what we need today. Oh, may God give us more apostolic power!

A brother from Bakersfield, California, Mr. Bryan S. Smith, called me up and said, "Brother Fierro, I feel that God wants us to go to Puerto Rico, and God has laid it on my heart that you are to be the evangelist."

I replied, "Is that right? God hasn't told me that."

"Well," he said, "you had better pray about it."

I prayed about it; then I called him up and said, "All right, I will go."

I wrote to the superintendent of our Puerto Rico Assemblies of God, saying: "Brother Alvarado, rent the biggest building you can get in Puerto Rico." I just felt that God was in it and God was going to bless. He answered me, "The largest buildings in Puerto Rico are theater buildings. Our Pentecostal churches can accommodate as many people as the theaters, so if it is agreeable with you, we will hold the meeting in one of our own churches."

My first meeting was in San Juan, Puerto Rico. I preached a simple gospel message in Spanish and asked, "How many men and women will take Jesus tonight?" The pastor counted about 240 hands. We prayed for them. After we prayed a blind man came up to me. A little boy led him by the hand and said, "Here he is." This blind man faced me and said, "God showed me that when you came to Puerto Rico, the first night you were to lay your hands on me and I was to receive my sight." I said, "Who

told you that?" He said, "God told me."

I felt the Spirit of the Lord come upon me. I reached up and laid my hand on his forehead, and prayed in Spanish, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth receive thy sight." That blind man received his sight. He screamed in Spanish, "I want to see my wife. I want to see my children. I want to see my pastor." And they brought his wife and children that he had never seen before in his life.

You can imagine what that did to the congregation—not only to the congregation, but to Brother Fierro too! Pretty soon the church was packed out and the street was blocked off. There was a long line of sick people to be prayed for. I took off my coat and began to pray for them. It was the most marvelous thing I have ever seen, my friends. The crutches began slipping out. The blind would scream, "I see! I see! I see!" The newspaper photographers were called. The newspaper reporters came. The next day there appeared in the newspaper of San Juan, Puerto Rico (*El Imparcial*): "Evangelist performs cures in San Juan." I took this newspaper before the congregation and

said, "The newspaper reporters made a mistake. They left something out. They should have said, 'Evangelist's God performs cures in San Juan.'" Then I used that as my text and spoke about the power of the lovely name of Jesus. From then on, every night the newspaper reporters were there. What was so wonderful about this whole thing to me was that God wanted to give Puerto Rico a Holy Ghost revival. It wasn't because Robert F. Fierro went. Someone else might have gone and seen the same results. It was just God's time for Puerto Rico, and God thought it well to have me go there and have the privilege of seeing Him work in these marvelous ways.

We didn't put out one leaflet of publicity. We didn't make one announcement over the radio. There is no greater attraction today than the power of the Holy Spirit! But we had to move out of our Assembly of God church into the largest and most beautiful park in San Juan. We roped off an altar space a quarter of a block long, thirty feet wide. The policemen estimated that 10,000 people gathered

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## A Narrow Escape

A True Story by Maud Salinger

● IT WAS Friday the 13th. The day would have been disastrous for me but for the intervention of God.

On my return home from Bible Class in Spokane, Wash. a telegram was waiting for me which stated that Mother was very ill in Los Angeles and wished me to come at once. I hastily caught the evening train.

When we were delayed at Ashland, Ore., I was in great suspense over the delay and enquired of the porter the reason for it. "A freight train was wrecked a mile and a half down the track and they have sent for a wrecker to clear the track," he said. After hours of further delay I enquired again and was told that the wrecker itself had also been wrecked and they had to send to Dunsuir for another wrecker to clear both the wrecker and the demolished freight. When we finally reached the scene of the wreck and saw the debris strewn along the repaired track, I thanked God that He had kept us out of this tragic destruction.

We arrived in San Francisco early in the morning and I had breakfast; then I hastened out to the track at Third and Townsend station to take the train for Los Angeles. The conductor called, "All aboard!" but I stood there holding my suitcase as if rooted to the pavement.

"All aboard!" he called again. He waited for me, but I could not move. He swung on to the platform, and the train moved

out and left me. There was no other train until evening.

I decided to go out to Golden Gate Park and spend the day. I asked myself over and over, "Why did I act as I did?" After being in such a hurry to reach my mother's bedside, here I was wasting a precious day in San Francisco! I prayed long and earnestly for guidance. God gave me great peace, though I could not understand the strange compulsion.

I had supper, and boarded the evening train for Los Angeles very much blessed and refreshed, but still marveling over my inability to board the morning train.

When we reached Glendale the following morning I found my answer. The morning train which I had planned to take was lying at the foot of a steep embankment, wheels upturned, completely wrecked. Thirteen people had been killed and many were injured. Friday the 13th could have been disastrous for me, but God had graciously spared me.

As the closing days of this dispensation come upon us with disasters in various elements and places, we shall need to pay careful attention to the leading of our gracious and loving Lord in order to escape them. My anxiety about my mother was unfounded, for she was greatly improved and waved at me from the front porch as I came through the gate.

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# EDITORIAL

## The Possibilities in Television

Television is here to stay, and it is destined to influence the habits and thinking of young and old as no other invention—not even radio—has done.

In his book entitled *Television—Servant or Master?* Edward J. Carnell writes: "In the long and glorious history of scientific labor no more powerful, no more efficient means to relay ideas to the masses of the people has been devised."

The author neither condemns nor commends the new invention as such. Like radio, like money, like the automobile, the good or evil resulting from its use depends upon the character of the men using it. In the measure that it is directed by godly men, the American people "can bow in prayer for thankfulness that this mighty force—equal to that of atomic power—has fallen into the hands of godly spirits." If, on the other hand, it falls into the hands of men and women who care not for the law of God, "TV may undermine those pillars upon which the nation's heritage in righteousness rests."

At present there is a deplorably low moral standard in much of the telecasting. Mr. Carnell reminds us that the taverns were the first to make use of TV, suggesting that "the very fact that television is in harmony with the tavern's philosophy is enough to stir up thoughtful citizens." He insists, however, that "a healthy-minded Christian will evaluate television as part of the mixed order of the world's light and darkness, being careful to remove the good from the new medium, using it to the glory of God, while rejecting the unclean."

The Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, Mr. Wayne Coy, recognizes the need of higher moral standards in the television industry. Speaking at the University of Oklahoma recently he expressed his convictions concerning certain ways in which televised performances need to be corrected and cleaned up.

The National Religious Broadcasters, a group affiliated with the N.A.E., have written to Mr. Coy commending him for the courageous stand he has taken. "We wholeheartedly agree with you," said the National Religious Broadcasters, "for we are confident that the time has arrived for such action by the Federal Communications Commission in order that the morals of our homes and children be protected and television remain a moral force for the upbuilding of our nation."

Whether Christians ought to have anything to do with television is a subject on which there are differing views. Many

godly people are convinced that television has no place in a Christian home. They point to the fact that most of the programs are theatrical performances or sports events. If it is wrong to attend the theatre and the wrestling matches in person, it surely is wrong to watch such programs on television. It is a fact to be regretted that news and educational features are in the minority in most cities, at the present time, and religious programs are quite rare.

There are a few gospel programs on television, however. Percy Crawford was the first to launch a gospel telecast on a nation-wide scale. His is a half-hour program named, "Youth on the March." Chaplain Dave Martin, an ordained minister in the Assemblies of God, has been directing a half-hour telecast called "Crusade for Christ" at Detroit, Mich., each Saturday at 7 p.m. for the past six months. The Lutheran Laymen's League recently laid plans for televising its gospel program, beginning in October of this year.

Television courses are being offered by at least one Christian university to prepare youth for this vital ministry, and it is to be hoped that many more soon will seize the opportunity to use this marvelous new medium for the propagation of the gospel. Thousands of people are buying TV sets every month. More and more are switching from radio to television for entertainment, and a great number may never hear the message of salvation unless it comes to them through their TV set.

## Profit Gained in Prayer

The supreme triumph of the praying soul is not found in supplication to God, but in revelation of God.

This explains our Lord's all-night prayers—not so much all-night asking or interceding, as a spreading out of His whole spirit before the Father. The closet is not an oratory only, but observatory—a place of vision. The first lesson in prayer is that we shut ourselves in with God alone in order to have a vision of God. The greatest necessity of the spiritual life is to "believe that He is, and that He is a Rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." In the secret chamber the believer learns to know God. Prayer is therefore more than asking; it is receiving; it is learning of God—a converse and communion in which He has much to say, and we have much to hear and learn.

Prayer is the most effectual way to flood the Word of God with light. Prayer is the most effectual way to cultivate personal acquaintance with God, and to enter upon a holy walk with Him; and to deliver one from the foes of the spiritual life, as well as to achieve the highest spiritual attainments.—A. T. Pierson.

## Slipping Gradually

Psychologists have discovered that if you put a frog in a pail of hot water he will immediately jump out. But if you put him in cool water and then gradually heat it up, the frog will permit himself to be cooked, apparently being unable to decide when the water is so hot as to be unbearable.

When sudden heinous temptation rears its ugly head, most people instinctively shrink back. But the thing that causes many to get away from God is the almost imperceptible drifting, day by day. First there is neglect of the daily reading of the Scripture, and of prayer. Then unnecessary Sunday work and pleasure are countenanced. Next, church attendance becomes desultory and spasmodic. And then evil and worldly companions enter in and lead the once-earnest Christian into first the "questionable" amusements, and later into open, flagrant sin.

The best protection is to get out of the pot when the water even begins to get warm! *Let sin strictly alone.* Be puritanical. Don't take the first drink; don't try the first smoke. Sin, in any form, is our worst enemy.—*Christian Victory.*

The Roman spear did not hurt Christ as much as the kiss of Judas.

"They who bear the Cross will always have it for a shelter."

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# RUSSIA IN PROPHECY

Frank M. Boyd

● THERE CAN BE no question, in the mind of anyone who keeps himself informed concerning present-day events, of the prominent place which the great nation of Russia is playing in international developments. What the Russian leaders say, what actions they take, what propaganda lines are pursued by them in their great newspapers *Tass*, *Pravda*, or *Izvestia* make a resounding impact on world consciousness. Do you know that Scripture has some very specific predictions to make about that great modern nation, symbolized by the bear, and often referred to as "the bear that walks like a man"?

Ezekiel refers, in chapters 38 and 39 of his prophecy, to a great military power from the "uttermost north" which will invade the land of Palestine in "the latter years," in order to despoil that land, a country described as unfortified. (Read Ezekiel 38, verses 4, 11, 12, 16.)

Let us examine the prophecy more in detail. This message was definitely "the word of the Lord" given to the great prophet of the exile, while he and his Hebrew compatriots were in Babylonian captivity. The land concerned is described by Ezekiel in the Revised Version of the Scriptures as the land of Magog, and its ruler as "the prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal." v. 1. In verse 2 the prophet voices God's opposition to that ruler—"Behold I am against thee, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal."

Now what is the identity of the nation described in this language? If you will refer back to Genesis 10:2; you will find, among others, the names Gomer, Magog, Tubal and Meshech—all sons of Japheth, son of Noah, born after the flood. Students of ethnology (the science of the origins of nations) say that the descendants of Magog, Meshech and Tubal were "the ancient Scythians, who occupied the region around the Black and Caspian seas and were the forefathers of the present Russian people."

Gesenius, one of the greatest authorities on Hebrew definition, states concerning the word: "Rosh, a proper noun, name of a northern nation mentioned with Tubal and Meshech, undoubtedly the Russians, who are mentioned by Byzantine writers of the 10th Century under the name of 'Oi Ros,' (meaning 'the Rosh')

dwelling to the north of the Taurus Mountains, and described by Ibn Fosslan, an Arabic writer of the same age, as dwelling on the river Rha (the Volga)." We know that the Volga is the great river of modern Russia and are all familiar with the famous Russian song—"The Song of the Volga Boatman."

A rather up-to-date touch helps to further identify this people. Just before the war, we are told that the Soviets made an enormous shipment of lead pencils to Great Britain with the word "Gog" stamped on them, with the symbol of a horse.

Meshech and Tubal have been indentified by ethnologists with Moscow, the present capital of Russia, and with Tobolsk, the ancient Siberian capital. Moscow is on the Moskva river and Tobolsk on the Tobol river. So here we have the same names given to a people, a river, and a town. "Under the well-known laws of toponymy (the study of the place names of a region or language), there can be no doubt that the tribes with these names came and settled in the valleys that still bear their names." The modern forms of these names can easily be explained by the transition from one language to another. For example, the Greek version of the Old Testament, the Septuagint, has for Meshech and Tubal, "Mesoch" and "Thobel."

You will note that this nation invades the Holy Land from its place out of "the north parts" (Ezekiel 38:15 and 39:2), literally the "uttermost north." Can there be any other nation occupying the "uttermost north," and with direct access to Palestine as the prophecy indicates, than Russia?

When one realizes the greatness and extent of the former Russian Empire, now known as the Union of Socialistic Soviet

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Be patient therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it, until it receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient, establish your hearts: for THE COMING OF THE LORD IS AT HAND.

James 5:7, 8, R.V.

Republics, it is not strange that Scripture should prophesy—just as it did concerning great nations of the past, Assyria, Babylon, Egypt, Persia, Rome—concerning this great modern country, especially since she looks with covetous eyes toward Palestine, the "glory of all lands" as God views that country. Ezek. 20:6.

As to her greatness, Russia would cover the United States twice, plus all west of the Mississippi three times, plus Texas. The vast virgin forests of Russia would cover all the United States. It produces nearly every known mineral. Such a land has not remained alone and today is the focal point of all eyes, a land of potential danger, a land of mystery.

The prophetic "Rosh" or Russia is viewed in verse 4 as a great military power with a vast army, horses and horsemen in full armor, with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords. Of course, and ancient prophecy could not use terms for modern tanks, jeeps, airplanes, etc., because there was no such war material, nor words in the Hebrew language to describe them. However, the reference to "horses" is particularly applicable to Russia. She has been noted for her great numbers of these animals, and her horsemen, the Cossacks, and their feats of horsemanship, have been famous for centuries.

Even before the outbreak of World War II, at the end of each year, she had a million and a quarter men trained and under arms, with equipment in abundance. She has emerged from the war a great military power still, and such a cloud of mystery pervades her designedly secret movements that suspicion must be aroused as to her intentions. On February 9, 1946, Premier Stalin announced the new Soviet "Five-Year Plan," which purposes to make Russia's production as great as that of the United States. Scientific research is being encouraged also (and Russian scientists are second to none in some fields). Numbers of famous German military scientists fell into the hands of the Russians and are doubtless forced to contribute their knowledge to the military preparedness of the Soviets. All of this, so that Russia shall be guaranteed against any eventuality.

Her great emperor, Peter the Great, who reigned 1682-1725 A.D., instilled into his people an intense nationalistic spirit which has never died. This nationalism has had added impulse from her present "man of steel." The ambition of Peter was to rule the world. He defeated both the Swedes and the Turks and pushed his way to the Baltic Sea and the Black Sea. But even today Russia has no all-year warm water port-outlet to the great oceans. Even Vladivostok on the Pacific is ice-bound in winter. So Stalin, as we know, is desirous of breaking through the

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# Sunday School Lesson

by Ernest S. Williams

## DAVID AT ZIKLAG

Lesson for June 18

1 Samuel 30:1-18

Again we meet the Amalekites, which well represent the flesh life or carnal nature. The Amalekites had attacked Israel, first in their feeblest members, when they came out of Egypt. Exodus 17:8. Knowing their enmity (which represents the carnal mind, which is "enmity against God") God ordered Saul to exterminate them. This he failed to do to his own undoing, ch. 15. Now we find the Amalekites pouncing on David who is already severely persecuted by Saul. "The Amalekites had invaded the south and Ziklag," v. 1. If we sympathize with the flesh, as Saul did, all that we reap is disappointment. If we pet self in ourselves, we are doomed to loss of victory. Our proper attitude is to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof." Rom. 13:14. "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts." Gal. 5:24.

### 1. The Turn in People

When things were going well with David, his followers praised him, but when reverses came they were ready to stone him. They represent the natural heart of man. David's followers were not persons of the highest type. One has said, "Had Saul's government been just and upright David would have had no followers. Many in the land were impoverished by Saul's own exactions, and made bitter of soul by his injustice." Those willing to follow David in his wanderings were "everyone that was in distress, and everyone that was in debt, and everyone that was discontented." 1 Sam. 22:2. The time of David's wanderings, being pursued by Saul, is used as a type of our Lord Jesus in this time of His rejection. Unloved by the carnal world, He is nevertheless gathering His Church. In it "not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called." But God hath chosen "the foolish things, the weak things, the base things, the things that are despised." 1 Cor. 1:26-28. Why has God done this? "That no flesh should glory in His presence."

### 2. Fruit of Defeatism

Deep was the grief when David and his men returned to Ziklag to find the city burned and their wives and children, their flocks and herds all taken away by the Amalekites. It was enough to crush the hearts of the stoutest of men. David joined with the people that were with him in their grief. They "lifted up their voice and wept until they had no more power to weep." 1 Sam. 30:4. The followers of David had not yet arrived at that place in spiritual life where they could "take joyfully the spoiling of their goods." Heb. 10:34. I wonder how near such a spiritual state we have arrived? Only the testings can prove the fulness of our consecration and devotion. I think there is no wrong in feeling keenly when sorrows and

reverses come. Jesus was a "Man of Sorrows." His heart bled over and over. The test of our sorrows is how we react after the first jar and grief.

David united with his men in their expression of great grief. Then came the reaction. His followers, who had been happy in going with him when he started out to battle, now wished to stone him. 1 Sam. 30:6. They accused him of being responsible for all their miseries. God help us that bitterness and unreasonableness may not possess us as the result of our disappointment and inward pain. Many can stand a first shock, who succumb later. The followers of David went down in complete inward defeat. Spiritually they were whipped.

### 3. The Encouragement of David

Everything was swept away from David. It would seem enough that he had to be hounded by Saul—he who had done no wrong. What could be worse on top of this than being deprived of his all, his wives and children being in the hands of murderous men! Imagination could call up anything. Then to have the further crushing when the men with whom, and for whom, he had been fighting turned on him in desperate inconsistency. Who, we may well ask, could stand all of this? It was shock after shock after shock.

Dare we unite with this sad lesson the thought of Jesus? In His lifetime He gave Himself for the distressed. He saw men as wandering sheep "having no shepherd," no spiritual guide that could lead and feed them. He looked on the needs of humanity and saw their crying poverty. He beheld the physical bondage in which many were held. Then He set about to "bind up the broken hearted, and to let the oppressed go free." Luke 4:18. What did He receive in return? Rejection, false accusation—and finally His own disciples denied their knowledge of Him as He was led to judgment and to death. Can we wonder that, in His agony, He "sweat as it were great drops of blood"? Then, like David, He "encouraged Himself in the Lord His God." Crushed and bleeding He would still hope in God.

### 4. A Turn in Events

David's crushings must not remain forever. The crushings of Christ came to an end. If your heart is crushed, look to God. He knows all about it. He can comfort you in your present discomfort and puts before you a heavenly city. Paul

suffered greatly, but considered his sufferings a means to "a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." 2 Cor. 4:17.

With nothing about to encourage, David "encouraged himself in the Lord. Ch. 30:6." By sight all was gone; by faith he saw victory and renewed his strength. Remembering God by whose help he had slain a lion and a bear in his youth, and by whom he had triumphed over Goliath, he believed God would, in some way, snatch victory from defeat now. Instead of brooding over circumstances, he remembered God and went to the faithful priest Abiathar. Together they sought guidance from God, who said, "Pursue, for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all." vv. 8, 9.

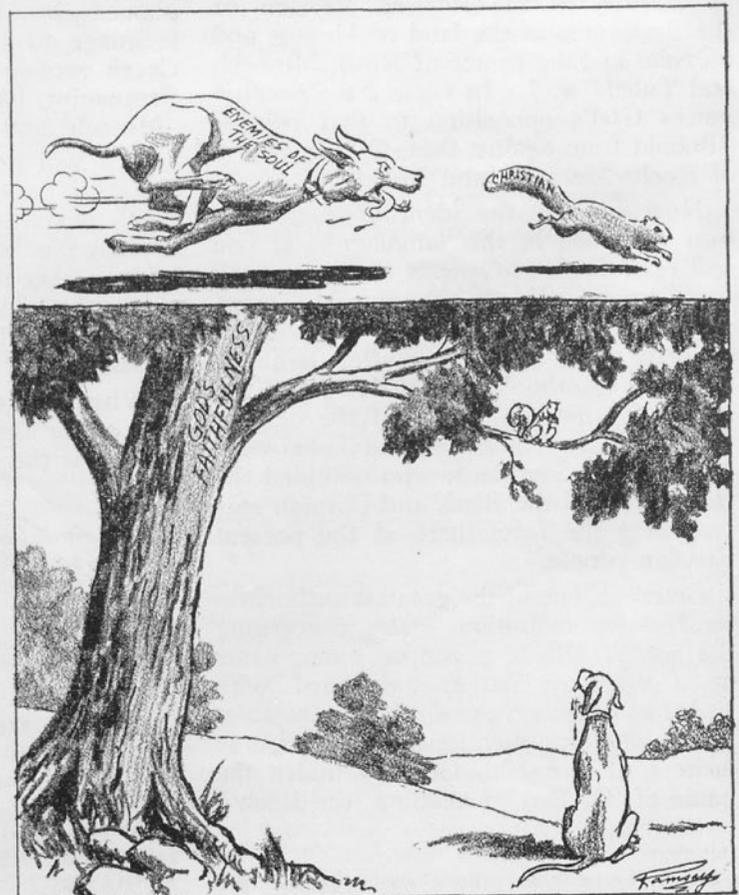
David's faith rallied the spirits of his followers. Instead of stoning him as they threatened, they gladly resumed loyalty. Faith inspires. It turns defeat into victory.

### 5. If There Be a Willing Mind

David started in pursuit of the Amalekites with six hundred men. Every one was willing. Some lacked the physical stamina of others, and because of faintness of body could go no farther than the brook Besor, v. 10. Not all can press equally in physical exertion. The Lord knows it. If your heart is in the work of God, do not belabor yourself if others have more physical endurance than you. David appreciated the willingness of those who had to be left behind, and when the victory was won he insisted that they share equally with those that had gone to the battle, vv. 21, 24. If we cannot throw ourselves as vigorously into the work as some others, we can stand with them in faith and our faith will be rewarded.

### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

David Spares Saul's Life (Lesson for June 11). Lesson Text: 1 Samuel 24:4-10; 15-17.



WHEN IT'S GOOD TO BE UP A TREE

# The Lord's Healing

## TWELVE HOURS TO LIVE!

I was very sick from gall stones, enlarged liver, and a nervous breakdown, which affected my mind to some extent. The doctor said I should have an operation, but my heart was too weak. I suffered intense pain. The doctor gave me twelve hours to live. At that time I heard a voice say to me, "You won't die now." Soon after that I was unconscious. My children were called home to be at my side when the end came. In the evening they all went downstairs to get something to eat. While I was alone the Lord touched me and I was healed. I arose and went down to join my family. They were so surprised when they saw me they hardly knew what to do.

I am able to do my housework, and I also took care of my sick husband for several months before he passed away last summer.—Mrs. Literati, Conneaut, Ohio.

(Pastor Forrest Anderson of Conneaut, Ohio, says that God wonderfully healed Sister Literati, and she is now able to attend services regularly.)

## VARIOUS AILMENTS HEALED

For about four years I suffered with sinus trouble and had to go to the doctor every other day. My ears ran and my left eye also ran. I was almost blind in that one eye and had to wear glasses. In October, 1946, Evangelist and Mrs. J. B. Davis came to Graceville for revival meetings. At one of the healing services God wonderfully healed me.

My youngest brother was ill with typhoid fever. He was already black in the face and the doctor said he could not live but a few hours. The Lord healed him and he is now serving in the United States Army.

Just recently I had spinal trouble. The pain came up my neck to the back of my head and into my left ear. But again God wonderfully healed me. All praise to our Healer, Jesus.—Mrs. Jack Spears, P. O. Box 23, Graceville, Fla.

(This testimony is verified by Pastor W. W. Pennington, Graceville, Fla.)

## THREE "INCURABLE" AILMENTS CURED BY PRAYER

I want to testify to the power of God in healing me when all human efforts failed. I am stating the plain facts of the case without any exaggeration.

First, I had a running ear for a period of five years. It pained and itched day and night. I had the services of two different specialists but got no relief. Twice the ear was abscessed and had to be lanced.

Second, I had an affliction at the end of the spine for six years. It was both external and internal. I had a specialist give me X-ray treatments. He also gave medicines to use internally and externally.

Third, I had an affliction that followed an operation for prostate gland and was left almost as bad as before the operation. This I had for ten years. All three of these ailments defied any medical treatment; I got no relief, although I tried the very best specialists. I was greatly discouraged, and felt that I must have to endure these for the rest of my life.

On December 27, 1949 I was worse than at any time, and decided to consult the physician once more and take X-ray treatment again. I made an appointment for the following day. However, an incident, probably of the Lord, came in the way and I could not go. The following day I felt that something had happened, and that there was no need of going. I waited a few days and no symptoms returned. Now it is almost four months and I am free of all the symptoms. Absolutely cured! Thank God!

Now I have pledged myself to honor God and trust Him for all healing, and to abstain from the use of medicines. It works! Thank God! B. L. Moore, Pastor, Trinity Evangelical United Brethren Church, Dallastown, Pennsylvania.

## HEALED OF HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

For years I suffered from high blood pressure. I was taking some pills that would cause it to go down, but it would soon be up again. I had severe headaches much of the time. In January, Evangelist Mal Kerr was conducting a revival at our church. On the night of January 16 I went to church with a splitting headache and my blood pressure was very high. I was prayed for that night and God instantly healed me. I have not had the least sign of high blood pressure or severe headaches since. I do thank God for deliverance.—Mrs. Ada Ray, Kitzmiller, Md.

(Endorsed by Pastor Harold Kohl, Kitzmiller, Md.)

## CANCEROUS GROWTH HEALED

Ten years ago I had a growth, which doctors said was cancerous, removed by surgical operation at the Waynesboro Hospital. It grew again and three years ago it was burned out at the same Hospital. Again this growth came back. I had intense pain at times, and always an ache and swelling. This time two doctors said I must have a serious operation.

On June 29, 1949, I was definitely healed in Sister Louise Nankivell's meeting. Today I have no pain, the swelling is gone, and I am well in body and soul. Glory to His name.—May Johnston, 412 W. Main Street, Waynesboro, Pa.

(Endorsed by Pastor V. W. Miles of Williamsport, Md.)

## OPERATION UNNECESSARY

In October, 1949, I became ill. My home town doctor and two others at the hospital said I had a growth that entirely covered my female organs, and that it would be necessary to have an operation. There was poison all through my body and I had low blood pressure. They had no hope of my getting well.

I began to pray and to read a number of Scriptures on healing, and my faith grew stronger. I felt impressed to read Matt. 8:3—"And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou cleansed." That verse became real to me and gave me greater faith.

I sent word to the saints in my home town that I was scheduled for an operation. As the saints fasted and prayed for me, the doctors postponed my operation twice. I committed my husband and my little girl into the Lord's nail-scarred hands. The Lord took me into heaven. How beautiful that place was! I was told to play a harp with golden strings. I had never played any musical instrument before, but

I sat down and played the most beautiful music that I have ever heard. When I came back to earth I found I was still in my room at the hospital, and I knew I was going to live.

That night the nurses prepared me for my operation. I knew everything was in the Lord's hands, and I slept like a baby. The next morning as they were taking me into the operating room, I heard the interne tell the nurse that this would be a serious operation, and they did not expect me to live. I was happy and rejoicing in Christ, because I knew that He was at my side. I watched as they injected the needle into my arm, and I began to fall asleep. They kept me in the operating room just 45 minutes, and then sent me back to my room.

My sister waked me and informed me that they did not operate. Later the doctor came in and told me that the growth left my body by itself before they began to operate. Four doctors examined me after that and said that my organs were in perfect condition. They could not understand it. I told them that I knew the Lord had healed me.

My doctor said that I could get up and walk anywhere I wanted to, and that I could go home the next day. Two weeks later I returned to the hospital for a check-up, and the doctor again said that I was perfect. I feel better in body than I have in ten years. I do praise the Lord for His goodness to me.—Mrs. M. L. Gross, Box 122, Munford, Tenn.

## AN ANNOUNCEMENT

### To All Our Ministers and District Officials

Your brethren who serve you at headquarters have counted it a great joy to be able to visit the Districts of our fellowship and share with you their services in field ministry. It affords them a privilege of fellowship and intimate communion which they are otherwise denied by reason of manifold executive duties. This means much to them personally, and it also affords our District executives an opportunity to discuss District problems with their officials, all of which helps to promote harmony and co-operation.

The amount of time which the executive brethren can spare from office duty is limited, however, and as responsibilities increase it may be necessary for them to spend more time at headquarters. It therefore gives us great pleasure to advise all our District officials and all our ministers that our Brother Bartlett Peterson, President of Central Bible Institute, is now going to be available for field ministry.

Brother Peterson is, as you know, one of the Executive Presbyters, and prior to his coming to Springfield to act as President of C.B.I. he served as District Superintendent of the North Central District. He has had a wide range of experience in pastoral and evangelistic ministry, and is well qualified to minister in any capacity desired. During the early period of his office as President of the school he felt it advisable to give close attention to school matters, but he finds that having acquainted himself with the routine matters he is now able to offer his services in field ministry.

We heartily commend our brother to all the fellowship and we hope you will avail yourselves of his services for District Councils, Camp Meetings, Rallies, and any service in which you would customarily invite an executive to participate. He may be addressed at Central Bible Institute or at the General Council office.

Outpourings of the Holy Spirit  
have brought revival to Venezuela.

## Venezuelan Work Growing

Yngve Olson, Venezuela

● IN BARQUISIMETO, after twenty years of spiritual drought, the church is again enjoying refreshings from above. As a result of days and weeks of special prayer and through the ministry of Evangelist Mrs. DeMerchant, the power fell in both of the churches and some fifty were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Hidden sins were confessed, wrongs were made right, souls were saved and the sick were healed. Thank God for this heavenly visitation.

Reports from the extreme west, Maracaibo and Santa Barbara in Zulia State, tell of the wonderful growth in the churches. Many souls are being saved, miracles of healing are being wrought by the power of God and some are receiving the Baptism. The church in Maracaibo, which had an attendance of fifty when I visited it several years ago, now has a Sunday School of 250. These churches are completely under national leadership.

Three years ago Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Olson began in Valencia and now the Sunday School has reached eighty. Recently the first person in Valencia received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The first part of March, William Stepp and I were in Valencia for the dedication of their new temple—a lovely fireproof structure which will seat 150 downstairs with an equally large space upstairs for Sunday School classes. The building was crowded out for the inauguration. The congregation is on fire to accomplish greater things for God in the days to come.

In the State of Falcon, where the late Adolph Blattner labored, the national brethren are carrying on with unflagging zeal—evangelistic campaigns, personal work and house meetings. The reports are good. Souls are being saved, churches organized and chapels built. Over

in Maracay, where our convention was to be held this August, dissension arose in the church which was without a pastor. God had the answer. Our national pastor here in Caracas, Juan Alfaro, felt God call him to fill the need. Though it has meant a sacrifice for us here, since we will have to assume the extra work, we felt God's hand was in it. So Juan has gone and already the difficulty has been healed and the work is moving forward again.

Caracas is enjoying a continuous and enthusiastic onward move. Hardly a week goes by without several being saved. Last night in the weekly prayer meeting several testified of miraculous healing and help from God. At the beginning of the year the Sunday School staff asked Mrs. Olson to take over as superintendent. There has been an upward surge so that the enrollment is now at an all-time high of 303. In Tiro Blanco, a suburb of Caracas where Mr. and Mrs. William Stepp are completing a new chapel, the work has become firmly established after eight years of effort. The Sunday School here is now 100 and the believers are earnestly seeking God.

### A New Work at Atok

Juan B. Soriano, Philippine Islands

● THREE SUNDAYS ago the Lord helped us start a new work at Atok, Beguet, Mt. Province, about 35 miles north of Tuding. This site in the mountains is about 7,400 feet above sea level. Most of the people are Igorots and have never before heard the message of salvation.



At the Tenryn Tubercular Sanatorium in Hamamatsu, Japan, Marie Juergensen passes out Scripture portions. A group of the patients who are saved gather to study the Word. Miss Juergensen is second from right on front row.

During the few days that we testified and preached the message of salvation among them, God blessed. Many attended our meetings. They marveled at the message which was new to them. Thank God many have since believed and some have testified that they have accepted Christ as their personal Savior.

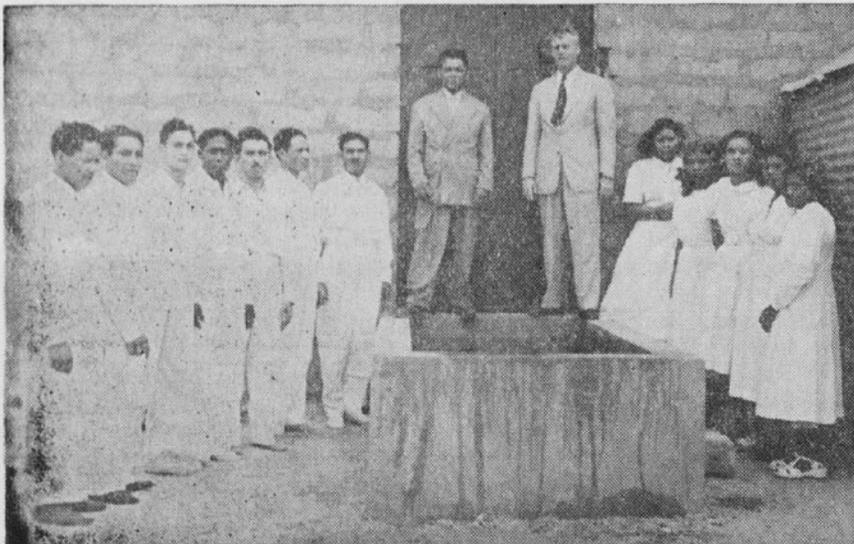
We have services nearly every night and all day Sundays. Last Sunday we had Sunday School followed by two devotional services. I preached two sermons and the people remained in our tent and didn't want to go away. They are hungry for the Bread of Life.

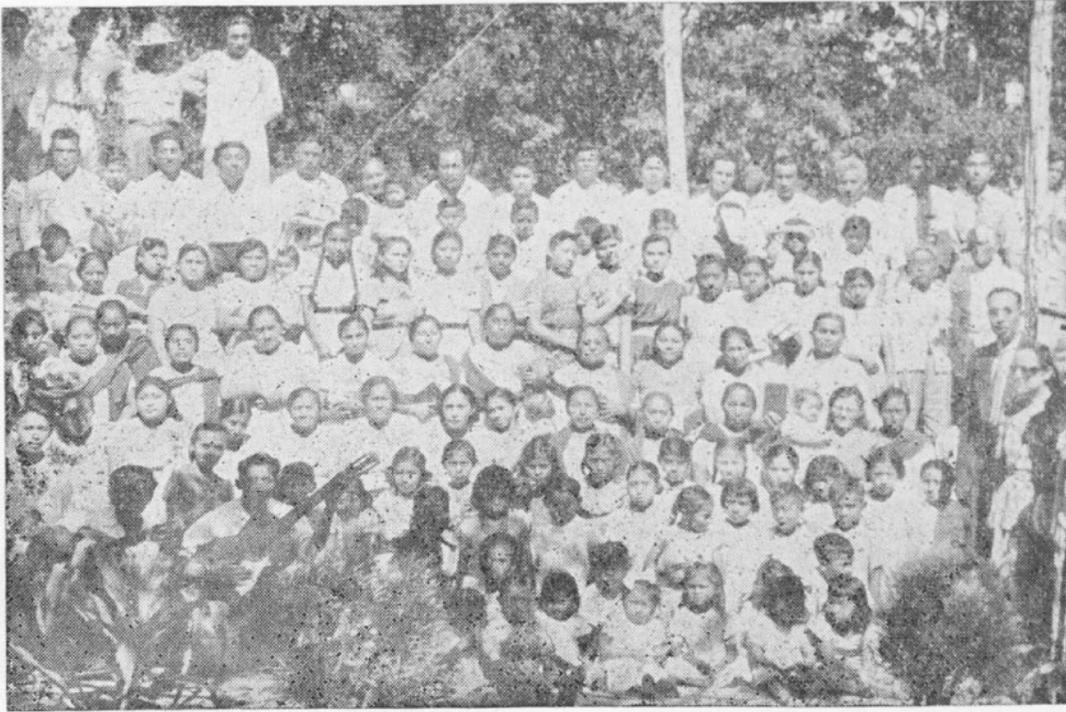
Our eight Igorot Bible School students and three other young people from Tuding are helping in this new work. I praise and thank God for these young people who are sacrificing their lives to win precious souls to Christ. I rejoice and am encouraged by the way the Lord is supplying our every need. We launched out in this new work by faith with no assurance that we would be able to stay. The Lord has provided us with an old house in which to live and we are all happy. Now help us pray for a lot on which to build a church for the new work.

REMEMBER: The doubling of our giving to missions should begin now. We must be in stride when the next fiscal year begins. *Forward in '50—Double in '51.*

Yngve Olson, right, and the national pastor are awaiting the baptismal service when the twelve candidates are to be baptized.

Inside the new church building at Punto Fijo the workers carry on a portion of the service while Yngve Olson prepares to baptize a candidate.





Nothing delights the heart of the missionary more than to see the fruits of his labor gathered together in one company. Here is the congregation at Merida, Yucatan, Mexico where Anna Sanders has been ministering in missionary service. God has abundantly blessed.

There are hardships and problems but there is

## Joy in Service in El Salvador

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lindvall, El Salvador

● TWO YEARS of labor have now been completed for the Master in this part of His vineyard. These have been two of the happiest years of our lives. There have been sicknesses, problems, trials and difficulties, but He has been our Leader and Guide.

In the January 7 issue of the *Pentecostal Evangel* Ralph Williams told of his hazardous trip to San Ignacio. The believers had paid 100 pesos for a year's advance rent on a building for services in San Ignacio. The owner, fearing the displeasure of the townsmen, returned the money a week later and refused to rent the building. A few weeks later Ralph Williams visited San Ignacio and was greeted with a shower of stones which broke the windshield of his car.

But God. Now the believers in San Ignacio have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. All four of the grown children of one of the enemies of the work have received the Holy Spirit and the father consented to sell a house he owned in the central part of the town to the believers for services. You can imagine the rejoicing of the believers. Already several Campos Blancos have been established for preaching the gospel. God is still on the throne!

Two weeks ago we participated in our third conference with the *Asambleas de Dios in El Salvador*. This Twenty-first Annual Conference was the largest and best attended thus far. In the Saturday night Christ's Ambassador service over 1,000 persons were present. As the pastors and delegates of the sixty-six churches counseled together for the advancement of the

work of God one could sense the desire on the part of everyone for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

The seventy-three national workers in the sixty-six churches reported a total membership of 3,268. In addition to these licensed workers there are some 163 local preachers who minister regularly in 171 *Campos Blancos* or preaching places.

Our work still only covers less than one-fourth of the republic of El Salvador. The other three-fourths remains to be occupied. In view of the tremendous needs and the great opportunities on every hand for preaching the gospel, only a Holy Ghost ministry will avail. Pray with us that we may reach out to the unoccupied territory and that laborers will be raised up to meet the need.

Recently the way has been opened to have radio broadcasts which reach the entire republic and into other adjacent countries by long and short wave. By radio we reach people and interest them in the gospel who would never come to our churches to hear preaching. The best way to reach them is by radio.

We now have two minutes of Scripture reading at 6:30 p.m. daily just before the news broadcast. This costs us \$6 a month. We also have a half-hour broadcast every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. which costs \$6 a month. Although these costs are very small we cannot meet them ourselves. We need your help. Offerings for these broadcasts should be designated "Radio, El Salvador" and sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

Funds are needed to cover Foreign Missions Department office expenses. Postage, cables, telegrams, office supplies and equipment, office staff, art work, literature, and all expenses of The Missionary CHALLENGE Not covered by subscription are some of the items involved. Anyone desiring to help with these necessary expenses should send his offering to Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated "Office Expense."

## The "Ambassador" Visits in Greece

Mary Orphan, Greece

● SINCE OUR senior missionary is on furlough we have had to take on added responsibilities. God is helping us and the work is progressing. God has been moving in our services. A week ago a woman rushed to the altar under deep conviction of sin. She was shaking as she confessed her need of the Savior. Others followed her example.

At our prayer meeting this past week a young medical student stood to his feet and confessed his need of the Lord. What a breaking ensued! I wish you could have heard the stirring talk he delivered to the young people. Yes, God is moving in our midst and we rejoice in the Lord.

A young lady came to the services after a series of dreams in which the Lord appeared to her and exhorted her to attend church. God met her and now she is looking to the Lord for healing in her body. Do pray for a mighty revival here in Greece.

We have been privileged to have the "Ambassador" visit us both on its outward and homeward trips. We enjoyed the fellowship immensely. Some of the brethren ministered at the church and the folks were blessed. After the service a number of us took a trip to Mars Hill on which the Apostle Paul delivered his wonderful exhortation to the ancient Greeks. We had a wonderful prayer meeting there. The air was filled with praises to our wonderful Savior and Lord.

Do continue to remember us in prayer that God will guide and direct us. We are planning to take a trip into Macedonia before the farming season begins. We also will be conducting a series of meetings in the northern part of Greece.

## Prayer Brings Revival

Hilda Meyrick, Venezuela

As customary for the past ten years, we held prayer services from New Year's to January 14, our anniversary here. God began to bless as the special speakers, two national pastors, ministered. Souls were being saved so we felt led to continue the meetings nightly. In a short time thirty-four were baptized in the Spirit, and thirty-eight were saved while nineteen have been baptized in water. We praise the Lord that He is working. Please pray that God will continue to visit us with His Holy Spirit here.

# The PASSING and the PERMANENT

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

## THE GOSPEL DID THIS

Chaplain King tells a touching story of one of his experiences in the Bridewell House of Correction, in Chicago:

"As I went about distributing tracts and witnessing to the women inmates, a tall heavy-set woman asked to talk with me. As we sat on a bench, she disclosed that for five years she had been living in sin, in a house of ill-repute, and now finding herself in prison, her desire was to die. She offered to pay me if I would bring her a razor blade. She said it was bad enough to be living in sin, but finding herself in prison was too much.

"This woman, looking like fifty—toothless, graying, with deep, dark circles around her eyes—is only twenty-four.

"With my heart aching for this lost soul, I pleaded, and I said, 'Look how wonderful our Lord Jesus Christ is. You offer me money so I might bring you something whereby you might take and destroy your life. Praise the Lord, He loved you so that *He paid it all with His life* so that you should not perish but have everlasting life, and all you have to do is receive Him into your heart, and *believe on Him, and thou shalt be saved.*'

"I could see from that moment on her eyes becoming brighter as I opened the Scriptures further. It wasn't very many moments later that she repented and was graciously saved. She attends the Bible class faithfully, reads her Bible regularly, and is looking forward to the day when she will be released and return to her home in Pennsylvania to settle down and live for Jesus. Praise the Lord!"

## THE REGATHERING CONTINUES

The United States of Indonesia, the newest country on the globe, has requested Israel and the Jewish Agency to assign representatives to that government in order to expedite the immigration of some of the 1200 Jews living there who have requested visas for Israel.

Out of 20,000 Jews who lived in China in 1945, only 5,000 remain. The Jewish Agency organized an immigration of more than 3,500 of China's Jews to Israel in less than four months.

## CIGARETTE CONSUMPTION

Last year 60 million Americans consumed 400 billion cigarettes, according to *Reader's Digest*. "Every year," the report said, "some 800,000 nonsmokers join the smoking ranks. Two out of every three men, two out of every five women, one out of every seven boys of 14, smoke cigarettes. The average consumption is 19 a day. We spend some four billion dollars a year on tobacco products and supplies—twice as much as we pay all the public school teachers in the United States."

## SYRIA'S NEW CONSTITUTION

Article Three in the projected new Constitution for Syria would make Islam the state religion. Mohammedan officials insist that this clause will not deprive other faiths of their religious liberty; nevertheless Christians and other non-Mohammedans are alarmed, as well they might be, and are opposing the adoption of this Article.

## ARABS RECEIVING ARMS

Israel newspapers are expressing alarm over the continued shipment of British arms to the Arab States. Though Secretary of State Acheson has declared that it is "desirable for the Arab States to obtain from friendly reliable sources such arms as they may need for their legitimate security requirements," Israel spokesmen are pointing out that the Egyptian Government has been receiving destroyers, bombers, jet planes, heavy tanks and other weapons of offensive action.

If the Arabs were wise they would pursue a policy of genuine friendliness toward the Jews. The prophecy of Obadiah gives a solemn warning of divine judgment against Edom (the Arabs) for mistreatment of the chosen people.

## ISRAEL'S NEW COINS

In Israel's new coins, the unit "milleme" has been changed to "pruta" (plural, "prutot") and the name "shekel" has been adopted instead of the "pound." There are 1000 prutot to a shekel, which is comparable to the British pound sterling.

The new series contains one-pruta and two-prutot coins minted of duraluminium, five- and ten-prutot coins of brass, 25-, 50-, and 100-prutot coins made of copper nickel. An eighth coin is yet to be minted. An experiment in minting the coins in Tel Aviv was not successful and so the first lot of coins was made in England.

Two of the coins (front and back) are shown below. The designs are based on those of Israel's ancient coins. They represent typical Israel fruits and objects such as olives, grapes, and ancient jars. The coins remind us of the time when Jesus said, "Show me the tribute money," and asked, "Whose is this image and superscription?" They answered, "Caesar's." In those days the Romans ruled the Jews and exacted taxes from them, but today the Jews do not pay tribute to any other state. They are a free nation—the prophecies of the Bible are being fulfilled—and so they have coins with their own images and superscriptions upon them.



Ten prutot  
(brass)



Fifty prutot  
(copper nickel)

## INVESTMENTS IN ISRAEL

During 1949, a total of \$241,000,000 was invested in Israel. During the year, 250 new industrial enterprises were established, and 204 additional enterprises are today in process of establishment.

## TAPPING DEAD SEA'S WEALTH

A pipe line has been injected into the Dead Sea 200 feet below the surface. It is 30 inches in diameter and 2800 feet long. Through this pipe, with the aid of enormous pumps, the Dead Sea is giving thousands of tons of useful chemicals.

## A THREAT TO LIBERTY

What may happen when the Roman Catholic hierarchy is in full control of a nation was clearly revealed in the Assembly of the United Nations by the Polish delegate. As reported in the *New York Times*, this delegate quoted the following from the Bolivian legal code: "All who conspire directly to establish another religion in Bolivia, or to cause the Republic of Bolivia to cease professing the Roman Catholic apostolic religion, are traitors, and will suffer the penalty of death."

*The Missionary Worker* comments: "This is a law which is on the statute books; it could be legally enforced at any time. It may be that the church in Bolivia is only doing what she would do in the United States or in Canada did she have the opportunity and the power. Protestants are still heretics in the eyes of Rome, and will be treated as such wherever Rome rules."

## A LETTER FROM TRIESTE

Trieste has been in the news lately. Russia has demanded that America withdraw her troops from Trieste, but the Americans are remaining; and one of our Assemblies of God Army Chaplains, J. W. Hulme, Jr., is stationed at that point. Recently Brother Hulme wrote to the General Secretary in Springfield, and in the course of the letter he said:

"The work here progresses with God's blessing on us, and for that we give Him the honor and the glory. We recently had as our guest the Chief of Chaplains, General Parker, and his wife, during their tour of the European installations. He spoke for us in our Sunday morning service the week-end they were in Trieste, and it was a joy to have them with us. He brought to us a fine message on 'The Lives We Live,' showing how none of us lives to himself, and the great influence we have on others—the great influence God wants to have on us, and, through us, on others.

"Our Easter services were glorious, from the beautiful Sunrise Service in the outdoor Amphitheatre, through the regular 10 a.m. service at the other Battalion, the later Sunday School program, and the evening 'Sing Time.' Wish you might have been with us.

"God continues to work, in various ways, and we praise Him for each interested soul. It made our hearts rejoice once again just yesterday when one of the Battalion men, a big, strong football player, came into the office to ask just what we meant on Sunday when we spoke of 'being a Christian.' Then, as we made the Old Story clear to him, to see the tears flow down his cheeks, in submission to his newly-found Master!

"Pray for us: we are counting on you to back us in the most important way of all—prayer."

## THE SIGNS ARE FOLLOWING

(Continued from page three)

the first night we moved into the park. The altar space was packed out. They raised their hands heavenward and prayed, "God be merciful to me a sinner." You can imagine how I felt when I saw over 2000 men and women praying there at the altar, tears streaming down their cheeks. It thrills my heart when some of our pastors write and tell me how many of these people today are so faithful, going on serving the Lord Jesus Christ.

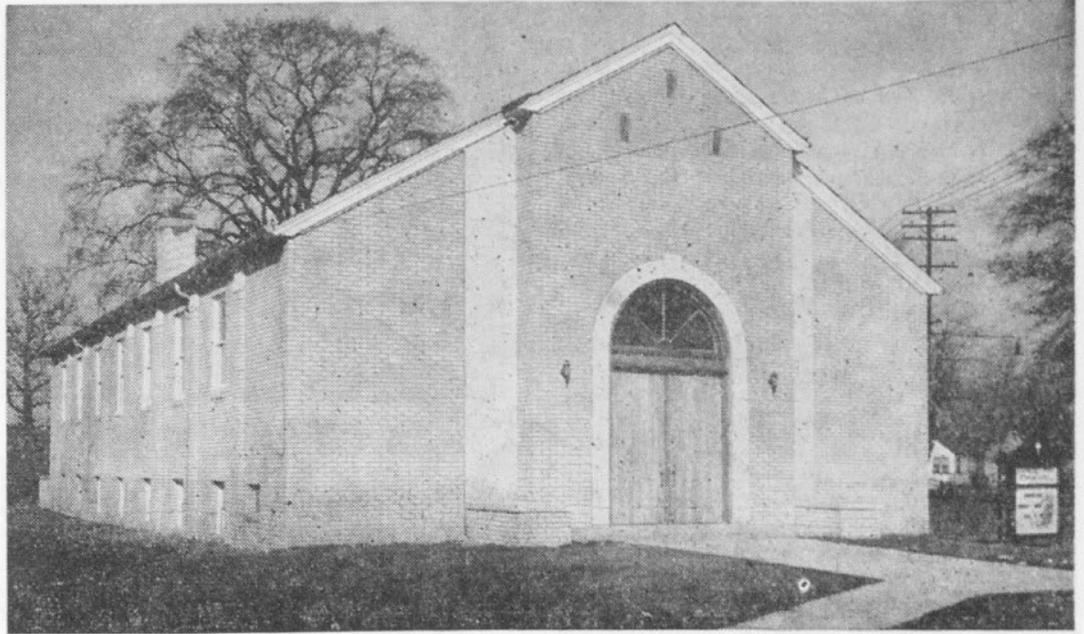
Every night the congregation grew—17,000, 20,000, 25,000. These are not my figures but are what the policemen reported. Then the professors of psychology of the University of Puerto Rico came out and said, "That is just mass psychology." I challenged the professors of psychology. I said, "Come here friends. I will get the people 'worked up' the way you say I work them up. After I have them all 'worked up' with the choir and the music and my sermon and everything else, I will line up the sick and then let you come up to the platform and use this 'mass psychology' that I have already built for you. You may lay your hands on the blind and on the paralytic and see if this 'mass psychology' will open the eyes of the blind and make the paralytic walk."

One day there appeared in the headlines of the newspapers of Puerto Rico this announcement: "Anyone that attends Evangelist Fierro's meetings will be excommunicated by the bishop of the Roman Catholic Church in Puerto Rico." That was my text for that night. I preached a salvation message. "Friends, they excommunicated me eighteen years ago," I said, "but Jesus took me in. I have never had so much peace and happiness in my life as I have today here in San Juan." I got warmed up and the glory of God came down. In the middle of my sermon I felt led to stop. I said, "How many of you will take my Jesus?" Over 2000 hands went up again.

My last night in San Juan I preached to 25,000 men and women, and saw over 3000 hands go up meaning, "I want Jesus. I want Jesus." Then I stood in that great park before the microphones and said, "Repeat this prayer after me." And they prayed in Spanish, "O God, be merciful unto me, a sinner, and save me right now in Jesus' name." Our personal workers dealt with the people as carefully as they could. I had never seen anything like it before and it humbled me.

The newspapers in Puerto Rico, like those in all of Latin America, are practically owned and controlled by our Roman Catholic friends. Yet they gave publicity to our campaign on a greater scale than any revival meeting ever received before, they say. I thought it was very kind of them. I quote from an article written by a Roman Catholic correspondent in *El Mundo*, Tuesday, February 28, 1950: "Multitude hears Evangelist Robert Fierro. It is calculated that nearly 200,000 persons heard Evangelist Fierro in his meetings in San Juan, Puerto Rico in ten days and witnessed his divine healing miracles. Daily he speaks more than twice and usually over the radio, and sometimes over a network of twenty stations. Last Sunday he talked and cured over a broadcast on this network for three hours."

You say, "Brother Fierro, where did you get the money to pay for a network in Puerto Rico and to broadcast for three hours so that you



### NEW HOUSE OF WORSHIP DEDICATED IN PORT HURON, MICH.

The Assembly of God Church in Port Huron, Mich., dedicated this new place of worship on Nov. 6, 1949. The District Superintendent, Chas. W. H. Scott, brought the dedicatory message.

This Assembly was formed in the fall of 1939 when two small groups were brought together under the auspices of the Home Missions Committee of the District Council. Donald G. Foote became the first pastor and served for 3½ years during which a solid foundation was laid and a substantial growth was enjoyed. When he left, Gene S. Hogan and Glenn M. Horst each served as pastor for a brief time.

About five years ago Orie L. Robinson became pastor. A building fund was opened with \$500 contributed by the Sunday School, as a step toward the building of a new church with adequate facilities to minister to the city and expand the kingdom of God. In July 1946 a

full city block was purchased in the heart of Port Huron. Ground was broken in March, 1949, for the new brick building, size 84 x 42. Eight months later it was ready to be dedicated.

About ten men in the church consistently donated many hours of labor, working on the church building after hours. The ladies helped by serving lunches to the workers. As a result of this sacrificial effort, the building was erected and completely equipped for only \$30,000. The main floor has an auditorium which seats close to 400, and a nursery, church office, and Sunday school office. The basement has nine Sunday School rooms as well as a small auditorium.

Brother Robinson recently resigned from the church in order to enter the evangelistic field, and Paul A. Evans, formerly pastor in Terre Haute, Ind., is the new pastor at Port Huron.

could be heard in Cuba, the Dominican Republic, the Virgin Islands, and the St. Thomas Islands?" I didn't have to pay five cents for it. They gave me the time. God moved in such a mighty way that wherever I went they cancelled other programs and gave me practically any hour I wanted. Every one of my divine healing meetings that went over the air was broadcast from the Nazarene Church that is pastored by the superintendent of the Nazarene Church in Puerto Rico, Lebon J. Velasquez, a great minister of the gospel. Brother Velasquez held a little pot of oil as I dipped my finger and anointed the people for whom I prayed. A minister of the Disciples of Christ would say, in describing the meetings: "Here comes an elderly paralytic woman. Now Brother Fierro dips his finger in oil. He puts his finger on her forehead. Friends, the paralytic is walking. The crowd is excited." It touched my heart to watch the dear Disciples of Christ minister going through that. The way the Methodist brethren, the Baptist brethren, and the ministers of other denominations, as well as our own Assembly of God brethren, backed me up just thrilled me through and through. Everywhere I went they would block off the streets for blocks around. I had never been treated so royally and I didn't know how to behave.

My wife and children, as well as Brother Velasquez, the superintendent of the Nazarene Church, and Luis C. Otero, the editor of our official Assemblies of God organ in Puerto Rico, went with me every place I went.

I arrived in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. The Knights of Columbus had already sent word by an important attorney, saying, "If Fierro doesn't leave the country pretty soon, we'll get rid of him." I said, "It is all right; I don't know of a place where I would rather die than here in Puerto Rico." Unsaved people (not our Christian people) began to gather outside the hotel, saying, "If they kill Fierro there will be a revolution in Puerto Rico." I said, "I don't need anybody to defend me—God is with me"; but the Police Department put a policeman in my room with my wife and children to see that no one was molested.

A man came to the lobby where I was having breakfast with Brother Velasquez. The man was blind, and a little boy was leading him. He said, "Be merciful to me; ask your God to heal me." Right there before the room clerk and the superintendent of the Nazarene Church, I reached over and prayed for the man, and said, "Receive thy sight." The man opened his eyes and saw. The room clerk, an unsaved man, raised his hands and said, "God be praised."

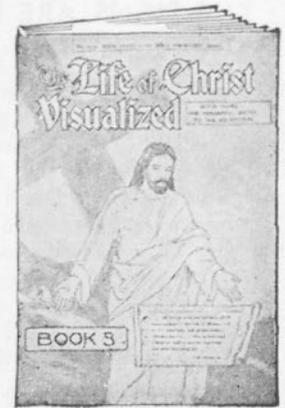
The district attorney came to the meetings because the Knights of Columbus had said, "This is a fraud." He stood close by, looking for something by which to pin me down. Here came a little deaf and dumb lad, brought by his father, an unsaved Roman Catholic man. We prayed for the deaf and dumb boy. He heard and he spoke. The district attorney asked him some questions and the boy answered him. Then we prayed for a paralytic, and she walked. The district attorney tapped me on the back and said, "Do what you want to do in Puerto Rico. I'll back you up."

A man wrote to me, saying, "Brother Fierro, I was a paralytic for seventeen years. You said on the broadcast to lay my hand over the radio and take my healing. There was nobody at home to assist me, so I threw myself off the bed and dragged myself to the radio. I laid my hand over the radio in faith, and your God healed me." That man ran all over Bayamon, Puerto Rico, saying to the people, "Remember me? I'm the paralytic that was bedridden seventeen years. Hallelujah! God healed me over the radio, and that evangelist is coming tonight to Bayamon." It was the best advertising we could have. When I got to Bayamon that night, there were 30,000 men and women in the park. They had commenced to gather at 7:00 in the morning, though we had announced the meeting for 7:30 p.m. The government of Puerto Rico furnished ambulances for the sick to come in. They brought the people to the platform on stretchers and we prayed for them. My Jesus healed the sick, and the ambulance drivers went back with empty stretchers.

Friends, we have what the world needs. I sincerely believe that Pentecost is off the parking lot. Pentecost is off the shelf! Pentecost is on the march! It is time to tell the world that Jesus saves, that He heals, that He baptizes with the Holy Ghost, and that He is coming again. Since I returned from Puerto Rico, two denominations have written to ask me if I would travel for them throughout Latin America. I answered, "Thank you very much, but will you let me preach what I want to preach?" They replied, "Well, we will talk it over with you." You can be sure this smoked Irishman is not going to compromise with any of them. I'm going to preach the whole counsel of God, and if God be with me we will get the job done.

Here is another paragraph that a prominent Catholic correspondent wrote in the newspaper in Puerto Rico: "The number of 'conversions' is calculated at 13,000. He will visit the towns of Ponce, Mayaguez, and Aguadilla, and Thursday he will be preaching in the Methodist Church? You should have heard those Methodists. The Methodist preacher threw his arms around me, planted a kiss on my cheek, and said, 'Brother Fierro, I need what you have.' 'I know it,' I said, 'and you will find it in Acts 2:4.'"

Friends, we are challenged today as never before. Men and women are sick of religion. They want God; they want reality; they want New Testament Christianity. What are you and I going to do to help spread this great Holy Ghost revival? It is wonderful that we have nearly 700 foreign missionaries, but we should have more than that. There are many Spirit-filled young men and women that my God would bless and honor with signs following in preaching the gospel in Mexico, Central America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and the islands of the sea. They apply for missionary



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appointment, saying, "I have consecrated my life to God, and I feel His call. Will you send me?" But our Foreign Missions Department has to answer, "We can't send you. We haven't the finances to send you." Do you think God is pleased? If we are going to get this old sin-sick world evangelized, it is going to take the help of every one of us. We will have to sacrifice in order to keep the Pentecostal fires burning and spreading. The fire will only fall on the sacrifice.

When my wife and I were returning from Mexico City, right in the middle of the highway stood a little Mexican lad. "Stop! Stop!" he cried. I stopped and asked, in Spanish, "What do you want?" He said, "I am hungry. Give me bread." I looked at my wife and asked, "Do we have any bread to give this little lad?" I

took a piece of bread and gave it to him. He clasped it in both hands, and said, "Gracias, Senor. Thank you, Mister." He immediately began eating that hard bread. Tears of gratitude streamed down his little cheeks.

I shall never forget that as long as I live. "Give me bread. Give me bread." Friends, it is the spiritual cry of the whole world today. "Give us bread." Men and women are slipping through our fingers, dying without Jesus and without hope. The Roman Catholics, who have nothing to offer the world, are saying, "We are going to knock at the door of every home in the world." Oh, my friends, we have the message of Jesus; we have a mighty God who is able to supply every spiritual need. Do we have the faith to propagate the message? Are we willing to sacrifice that others may know Him?

## RUSSIA IN PROPHECY

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Dardanelles Strait to the Mediterranean and has made territorial demands on Turkey. Russia has proposed, at least, the internationalization of the Dardanelles, though she is opposed in this by the Western Powers. Thus she is designedly moving toward the Middle East, the great commercial crossroads of Britain and the other nations.

Now let us note who are the allies of the prophetic "Rosh" or Russia in her designs on the land of Palestine. Of what nations is she the "guard" or commander as the text in Ezekiel says? The answer is found in verses 5 and 6: "Persia, Ethiopia or Cush, and Libya or Put . . . Gomer and all his bands, the house of Togarmah of the north quarters and all his bands, and many people with thee."

Persia is simply and easily identified. Need we recall the fact that for several decades Britain and Russia have shared spheres of interest in northern and southern Persia, based on their desire for the great oil fields of that country. Now that the great war is over, Russia, as we all well know, has been intriguing to get complete control of northern Persia and eventually, we believe, of the whole country, by creating an autonomous state in Azerbaijan, under the guise of a revolt on the part of that section of Persia against the central government at Teheran. The purpose of this is so obvious that a school boy can understand it. This Iranian problem, as we know, caused the fire to fly between the British and Russian representatives in the London sessions of the U. N. Security Council.

Another ally is "Ethiopia" or, better, Cush. This term does not refer, we believe, to the realm of Hailie Salassie, recently recovered from Italy by the war, but to a people in the country of Arabia, or else to the Kassites, who for some centuries dominated the land of Babylonia or modern Iraq.

Put, or Libya, is not so easily identified, but "Gomer" is with very little difficulty identified with Germany. Referring back to the beginnings of the nations descended from Noah in Genesis 10 we find Gomer and his son Ashkenaz mentioned in verse 2. Gomer is seen by some students of ethnology as the progenitor of the barbarians of the tribe of Germani, who in turn were the ancestors of the modern Teutonic people.

The identification of Ashkenaz, Gomer's son, is very clear. If you will ask the Jewish shopkeeper who Ashkenaz is, he will say: "Ashkenaz? Vy, dat is Ghormany." In the Encyclopedia Britannica, Elias Levita, the great Jewish grammarian, preferred to call himself "Ashkenazi," that is, the German. In the same source of information the Ashkenazi or German Jews are contrasted with the Sephardic or Spanish Jews. Thus we have Germany identified as a satellite of Russia in this end-time invasion of the Near East.

We are all familiar with the picture now before us of a defeated Germany, the eastern part of which beyond the Elbe is completely under the domination of Russia, and where the veil of secrecy has fallen, from behind which only fragments of information are coming. However, we hear enough to indicate that machinery, tools, animals, foodstuffs and everything of value

which is transportable, is being removed to Russia, to compensate her for Germany's destruction of the vast agricultural and industrial wealth of Russia's western provinces.

The stage is being set for the final acts in the great drama of God's prophetic program. The coming of the Lord must be very near. Are you ready to meet Him?

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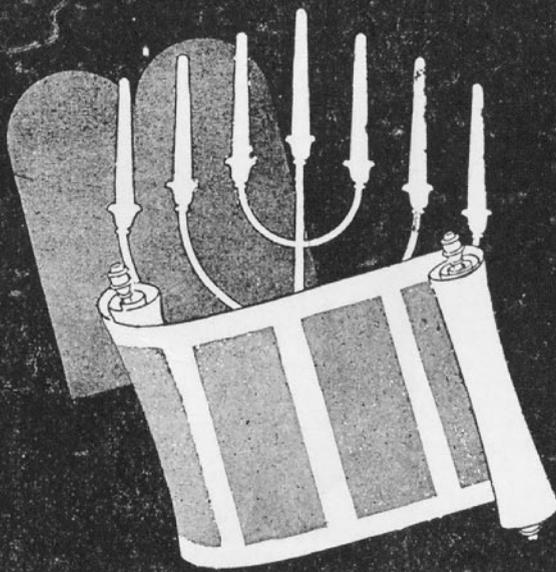
## Among the Assemblies

WASHBURN, MO.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist Lloyd Huffey of Iowa. Four were saved, 13 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and a number were healed. Seven were baptized in water. Perry Hickman is pastor.—Frank Wade, Church Secretary-Treasurer.

HARPERS FERRY, W. VA.—We had a four-week revival in our church, and the Lord richly blessed. Twenty-two came to the altar for salvation, and four received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. A number of those saved were husband and wife. Many folk also testified to definite healing of various diseases. The revival spirit is still in our midst. In our regular mid-week service a man came forward for salvation. Many sinners have admitted being under conviction and are coming to the regular services. We are looking forward to their being saved.

We feel that these results came from the united prayer and fasting of the church. Evangelist V. W. Miles of Williamsport, Md. was with us in this meeting, and his ministry was a real blessing. Our Sunday School reached a new high of 107 in attendance.—Thomas P. Miller, Pastor.

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**BRAWLEY, CALIF.**—We are rejoicing in a revival with Evangelist Arthur Arnold of Los Angeles, Calif. God gave us a soul-searching meeting and many were moved for God. Our Sunday School reached 310 in attendance.—Neville E. Carlson, Pastor.

**AMES, IOWA**—We are praising the Lord for the good three-week revival with Evangelist J. B. Hosier of Waterloo, Iowa. Souls were saved and new families are now coming to our church. People came from a distance of over 40 miles to these services. We thank God for the spiritual uplift we have received.—S. E. Carlsen, Pastor.

**PUXICO, MO.**—Our Assembly had a good revival in April with Evangelists Helen Cox and Mabel Brown of Virginia, Ill. About 40 prayed through to an experience of salvation, and 11 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Some have been filled with the Holy Spirit in the regular services since the revival closed. We thank God for such a visitation of His Spirit.—L. V. Kitchell, Pastor.

**PEARSON, GA.**—We had one of the greatest revivals that our church has ever witnessed. Evangelist John D. Williams of Augusta, Ga. was with us for nearly three weeks. Over 25 were saved and 10 received the Holy Ghost. Scores were healed of various ailments. Our Sunday School reached a new attendance record of 248. We praise God for this wonderful outpouring of His Spirit. This revival was preceded by prayer and fasting.—L. W. Comer, Pastor.

**FREESPORT PA.**—Evangelist E. T. Quanabush of Detroit, Mich. concluded revival services at the Gospel Tabernacle, Apr. 23rd. The meetings were well attended. Many testified to the healing power of the Lord. Some were saved and filled with the Spirit. The singing and preaching of our Evangelist was excellent.—Charles Martin Shaffer, Pastor.

**ALTON, ILL.**—We had a great week of special meetings the first week of December, 1949, with Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Holcomb. This meeting has proved to be of lasting value to the work here. Recently we had a week of children's services with Evangelist Harry Leacock of Covina, Calif. At the closing rally, Friday afternoon, there were 300 children present. Around 60 knelt for salvation; many for the first time in their young lives.—J. C. Kofahl, Pastor.

**JACKSONVILLE, FLA.**—The Southside Assembly of God had a wonderful three-week revival with Evangelist J. M. Stallings and family. A large number came to the altar for salvation. Ten were filled with the Holy Ghost, and several testified to healing. We had the largest attendance in the history of our church. We broke our Sunday School attendance record twice with 205 and 209 present. We also broke our record in Sunday School offering. Several have been saved or filled with the Holy Spirit since the revival has closed.—L. Wayne Pitts, Pastor.

**POPLAR, MONT.**—We have closed one of the best revivals we have ever had in this town. Evangelist Arnold C. Steen of Alexandria, Minn. was with us for three weeks. An outstanding feature of the meeting was the morning services. Our Evangelist so ably expounded the Word, and spoke on a deeper spiritual life. People cleaned up their lives and got right with God. Five were saved, one filled with the Holy Spirit, and two were healed. We held meetings seven days a week. The attendance was very good, even though there were other meetings in this small town.—Elbert W. Brown, Pastor.

**WINDEER, PA.**—We have concluded a five-week meeting with Evangelist Emma A. Dickerson of Elizabeth, N. J. From the first service to the last, every service was marked with the divine presence and power of God. Approximately 40 knelt at the altar for salvation or to be reclaimed. A number were healed of various diseases. Two received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The saints were built up in the most holy faith, and have a determination to go on with God. We are believing God for a greater outpouring of His Holy Spirit. Our Evangelist spoke under a rich anointing of the Spirit, and the messages were well accepted by our people. Saints who have been here for years say that this has been one of the best revivals ever experienced. We are thankful to God for the results of this meeting.—Alfred Coletti, Pastor.

**ALTON, N. Y.**—We are grateful for the mighty moving of the Lord in the Alton Gospel Tabernacle during the past four weeks. Night after night the glory of God charged the atmosphere. Evangelist Joseph Pittman of Youngwood, Pa. ministered the Word under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Many nights the Holy Ghost so filled the tabernacle that it was impossible to minister, and sinners flocked to the altar. Seventy came forward for salvation, and nine received the Holy Ghost. Many testified to definite healings. Much prejudice was broken down, and it was thrilling to see people of different denominations at the altar seeking for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. We can say with the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."—Stanton Virts, Pastor.

**JOLIET, ILL.**—We have completed six months of ministry in the Joliet Full Gospel Church, and we are grateful for the progress the Lord has given us. There has been an increase in the average Sunday School attendance of 33 per cent. Last December Evangelist and Mrs. Ernest Reb of Dallas, Tex. were with us in a meeting. Their ministry was greatly appreciated by the church. A new Sunday School attendance record was set in this campaign. A number were converted.

We also appreciated the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. William Andrews of Seattle, Wash. God has given our brother a special ministry in reaching the unsaved. A goodly number were saved and are standing true to the Lord.

We have purchased a splendid location for our new church and we are looking forward to building in the near future.—Allan G. Snider, Pastor.

**EAST SPRINGFIELD, PA.**—We have closed a two-week meeting. One week with the Pastor as the evangelist, and one week with Evangelist John Ward of Philadelphia, Pa. We are praising God for gracious showers of latter rain and mighty waves of Holy Ghost power that flooded the church night after night. People were saved, backsliders reclaimed, and some refilled. There were marvelous manifestations of God's healing power. Many believe that this is the greatest moving of God's Spirit that has ever been in this church. One night God moved so mightily that every one in the church fell down upon his knees, and cried out to God. Young people ran to the altar to consecrate their lives to God. Some nights while our Evangelist was preaching, people left their seats and came to the altar.

We accepted the pastorate here last February, and God has blessed. The Sunday School has doubled in attendance. We do give all the glory to Jesus.—Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gorman, Pastors.

**AKRON, COLO.**—We are praising God for the revival we had with Evangelist Wilma Miller of Wheatland, Wyo. Six accepted Jesus as their Savior, and 20 were baptized or refilled with the Holy Ghost. There were several definite healings. A burden for souls seems to be prevailing among all the saints. The morning Bible study and prayer meetings were very profitable. We had large crowds from night to night, and many sinners and new families were contacted. At least four new families are now attending the services regularly. Our Sunday School averaged 37 in attendance in March, which was an increase of six over February.

On Mar. 26 we had a mortgage burning at the church and a ground-breaking ceremony for a new parsonage. J. E. Austell, our District Superintendent, was with us, and God met us in a precious way.—R. G. Chaffin, Pastor.

**COLUMBIA, S. C.**—The Pentecostal churches here have enjoyed the greatest revival that has ever been known in this state with Evangelist Oral Roberts. It began in April and lasted 16 days. Often the big tent, which seats 6,700 people, was filled to overflowing. Over 13,000 came forward to seek the Lord for salvation. Some nights over 700 came to the prayer tent to tarry for the Holy Ghost. Many were filled, and many were healed. Our city has been stirred for God and people are still seeking God for His fullness. Some are having to leave churches where they have been members for many years, and are finding a home in our Pentecostal churches.

All of the sponsoring churches have been blessed from this meeting. The meeting was sponsored by the Columbia Pentecostal Fellowship, including Assembly of God, Church of God, Pentecostal Holiness, Freewill Baptist, and Open Bible Standard.—J. C. Hunnicutt, Pastor. First Assembly of God.

**ANSON, TEX.**—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist Bettie Mays of Anson, Tex. It was one of the best revivals we have had for a long time. Many new people attended the services. The presence of the Lord was very real, and every member was strengthened. Two were saved, and one received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Several were delivered from the tobacco habit.

Our church has grown considerably since we came here a year ago. Our Sunday School now averages 40 in attendance. We have 21 members, and we are believing God for 50 members this year.—N. A. McMillan, Pastor.

**WARRIOR, ALA.**—We had a glorious revival with Evangelist Ralph Elmore of Calhoun, La. At first the revival moved slowly, but after the first week, the Lord gave us a break and a number of people came to the altar and cried out to God for mercy and pardon. Others were gloriously baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. There were manifestations of the power of God that reminded old-timers of the early days of Pentecost. The Spirit of the Lord dealt with some while in their homes or going about their work, to seek God for salvation or the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

During the meeting we organized an orchestra. We have had a prayer meeting each evening at 6:00 o'clock for the last four months. God has graciously blessed our church in every way. The saints are deeper in the Lord, and a sweet spirit prevails over all our services. God has also worked some mighty deliverances among our people and brought them out of trying experiences. We know Jesus Christ is just the same today, and with simple trust and faith in Him we can see a repetition of early apostolic days right in our local assemblies.—Talmadge F. McNabb, Pastor.

## Coming Meetings

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**CROSBYTON, TEX.**—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. H. M. Wisenbaker, Sulphur Springs, Tex.—by C. A. Strickland, Pastor.

**PINE ISLAND, MINN.**—Gospel Tabernacle, May 23—June 4; Evangelist Harris E. Lidstrand, Seattle, Wash.—by S. A. Hallblade, Pastor.

**CHARLESTON, MO.**—June 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Dean Underwood, Russell, Kans.—by E. E. (Ted) Smith, Pastor.

**OLIVEHURST, CALIF.**—Meeting in progress. Evangelist Johnnie Smith, Modesto, Calif. (W. A. Frazier is pastor.)

**SOUTH BEND, IND.**—South Bend Gospel Tabernacle, 2315 S. Michigan St., June 4—25; Evangelist Martin Luther Davidson.—by Lester F. Sumrall, Pastor.

**MOUNT SHASTA, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, June 4—18 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Bobby Clark, Bakersfield, Calif.—by Walter Boring, Pastor.

**BRAWLEY, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, 7th and "C" Sts., June 11—18; children's revival, Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (Neville E. Carlson is pastor.)

**BRIDGEPORT, CONN.**—Assembly of God, 285 Wilmot Ave., June 18—July 2 or longer; Evangelist M. Werner Johnson, Gospel Artist of Dexter, Me.—by M. Q. Spencer, Pastor.

**YORK, NEBR.**—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist Florence Klitzing.—by R. D. Turner, Pastor.

**OCEANSIDE, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, 208 S. Clemantine St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Homer M. Doyle, Sunnyside, Calif. (May A. Patterson is pastor.)

### CORRECTION

Bethesda Camp Meeting at Greenbrier, Tenn. (near Nashville), July 18—27; A. A. Wilson of Kansas City will be Camp Speaker (not Bert Webb, as announced previously).—by H. E. Darnell, Tennessee District Secy.-Treas.

**SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
AND CAMP MEETING**

The 7th Annual Council followed by Camp Meeting, Honea Path, S. C., June 28—July 9. Marvin L. Smith, Mobile, Ala., main speaker. For information write J. C. Hunnicutt, 1414 Richland St., Columbia, S. C.—by Haley T. Walker, District Superintendent.

**NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

North Dakota District Council, Assemblies of God Camp grounds Lakewood Park near Devils Lake, N. Dak., June 20—22. Transaction of annual business. Credentials Committee will meet candidates during the Camp Meeting which follows the Council.—by Herman G. Johnson, District Superintendent.

**DEAF FELLOWSHIP CONVENTION**

National Convention of the Christian Deaf Fellowship, June 29—July 6, in lower auditorium, Church of the Open Door, 558 S. Hope St., Los Angeles, Calif. For reservations write Florence Jordan, 8308 LaVilla St., Downey, Calif.

**C. A. YOUTH CAMP**

Manitoba and Western Ontario Christ's Ambassadors Youth Camp, Manhattan Beach, near Ninette, Man., Canada, July 3—9. Special youth speakers and teachers will be James Montgomery, Theodore E. Ness, and Earl Williams. Send applications to Theodore E. Ness, Calvary Temple, Winnipeg, Man., Canada.—Bob Miller, Secretary C. A. Youth Camp.

**BLACK HILLS BIBLE CAMP**

Black Hills Bible Camp, Rapid City, S. Dak. (Canyon Lake Drive), June 29—July 9. Situated at the foot of the beautiful Black Hills, one of America's favorite vacation spots.

R. M. Riggs, Springfield, Mo., Camp Speaker for morning and evening. Elmer Bilton, Springfield, Mo., Christ's Ambassador Speaker and Music Director. H. C. Mock, Camp Missionary Speaker. Youth Camp, July 12—17. E. S. Johnson, Camp Director.

For further information write W. E. Cummings, 410 East 6th, Mitchell, S. Dak., or R. C. Zink (caretaker), Assembly Rd., Rapid City, S. Dak.

**YAKIMA VALLEY CAMP**

Washington State Fair Grounds, Yakima, Wash., June 12—25. Services held in Machinery Building. City bus service to and from camp grounds. Evangelist George Hayes, Houston, Tex., main speaker. Tents or dormitory space reasonable. Cafeteria on grounds. Three services daily; children's church each afternoon. Missionary Rally afternoon of June 25. For further information write J. O. McGahey, Sectional Presbyter, 102 East 5th St., Wapato, Wash.

**EASTERN WASHINGTON CAMP**

Eastern Washington Camp Meeting, Fruitland, Wash., June 21—July 4. Opening Rally, Tues. evening, June 20. Camp Speakers: Ferdinand Baker, Blaine, Wash., and Marries W. Moore, Englewood, Colo. Vernon W. Skaggs, Northwest District Sunday School Representative, will be in charge of Teachers' and Workers' Training Course. Mrs. Thor Hanson, Spokane, Wash., in charge of children's church and V.B.S. For further information write W. A. Kincaid, Wilbur, Wash., or Edwin J. Torgerson, Fruitland, Wash.

**MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES**

**NEW ADDRESS**—Raymond A. Hunter, Crofton, Ky. "Have accepted the pastorate here. Council ministers passing through are welcome."

**NEW ADDRESS**—Peter Pilot, Fairmont, Minn. "After pastoring in Bush, Colo., for three years, have accepted the pastorate of the Gospel Tabernacle in Fairmont, effective June 15th."

**NEW ADDRESS**—C. Franklyn Murray, 1640 64th Ave., Oakland, Calif. "After pastoring the Calvary Assembly of God in Sherman, Tex., for two years, am resigning to re-enter evangelistic field."

**NOTICE**—Eastern District Camp Meetings open July 14. Paid workers and waitresses wanted; none under 16 years. Experienced chef needed for five weeks' service. Write Byron D. Jones, 79 Mary St., Ashley, Pa.

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Dalton E. Calloway, 126½ W. Sixth, Newton, Kans. "After pastoring the Assembly in Crockett, Tex., for over two years, am resigning to enter evangelistic field."

**HOUSTON, TEX.**—Kashmere Garden Assembly of God, June 11—25; Evangelist Bob McCutchen, Austin, Tex.—by L. R. McLamore, Pastor.

**BERKELEY, MICH.**—Assembly of God, June 18—July 2; Evangelist and Mrs. Donald Edson, Minneapolis, Minn.—by Melvin D. Westlund, Pastor.

**KENNEWICK, WASH.**—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelists Earl, Lola and Dorothy Davis. (E. J. Cornwall is pastor.)

**MATTOON, ILL.**—Assembly of God, 11th and Prairie, June 11—; Evangelists Dean and Glenyce Duncan, Denver, Colo.—by A. L. Todd, Pastor.

**EDMONTON, CANADA**—Pentecostal Tabernacle, June 11—25; Evangelists Norman and Eleanor Gardner.—by D. N. Buntain, Pastor.

**ASHLAND, OREG.**—Assembly of God, 485 Siskiyou Blvd., June 11—25; Evangelist Jim Swanson.—by O. W. Klingsheim, Pastor.

**SHAWANO, WIS.**—Assembly of God, June 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. Orrin Kingsriter, Paynesville, Minn. (N. L. Shotwell is pastor.)

**CABINS, W. VA.**—Assembly of God, May 31—June 14 or longer; Evangelist Frank Sharp, Philadelphia, Pa.—W. C. Blewitt, Pastor.

**ELLINGTON, MO.**—Flat River sectional Fellowship Meeting, June 13. Services 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.—J. W. Allen, Sectional Secretary.

**WILMINGTON, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, 18 Wilmington Blvd., June 6—18; Evangelist Don McKinney, Jackson, Miss.—by Herbert W. Ezell, Pastor.

**SIMCOE, ONT., CANADA**—Calvary Tabernacle, June 14—July 2; Evangelist Ira Stanphill and the Hymntimers, Springfield, Mo.—by Carl E. Moffat, Pastor.

**AKRON, OHIO**—Bethel Assembly of God, 4th & Chittenden, meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Vander Ploeg, Toledo, Ohio.—by Fred H. Neubauer, Pastor.

**WICHITA, KANS.**—Glad Tidings Church, 14th and North St. Francis St., June 25—July 16; Smith and Rogers Evangelistic Team, Granite City, Ill.—by Floyd L. Dennis, Pastor.

**CANTON, OHIO**—Bethel Temple, 130 Third St., S. E., May 28—June 11 (not May 25—June 4 as previously announced). The Fox Evangelistic Party.—by Niels P. Thomsen, Pastor.

**PAWTUCKET, R. I.**—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 50 Lupine St., June 8—25 (not May 31—June 18 as previously announced); Evangelist and Mrs. E. V. Berquist, Louisville, Ky.—by Paul R. Buchwalter, Pastor.

**CLEVELAND, TEX.**—Macedonia Assembly of God, 16th Annual Homecoming, June 11. C. P. Robison, Dallas, Tex., morning speaker. All day services with dinner served at church. Special invitation extended to all former pastors and members.—by Roy B. Quillin, Pastor.

**TROUTBERG, N. Y.**—Pentecostal Convention at Lakeview Gospel Camp Grounds, July 3—4; W. Ralph Hornby, London, Ont., Canada, speaker. Services 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.—by Frederick D. Drake, Secretary Lakeview Gospel Camp Committee.

**PARIS SECTIONAL CAMP MEETING**

Paris Sectional Camp, Mt. Pleasant, Tex., July 21—30. Evening Speaker, G. E. Chambers of Hot Springs, Ark. Visiting ministers will speak each day. Three services daily.—by B. O. Smith, Sectional Presbyter.

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