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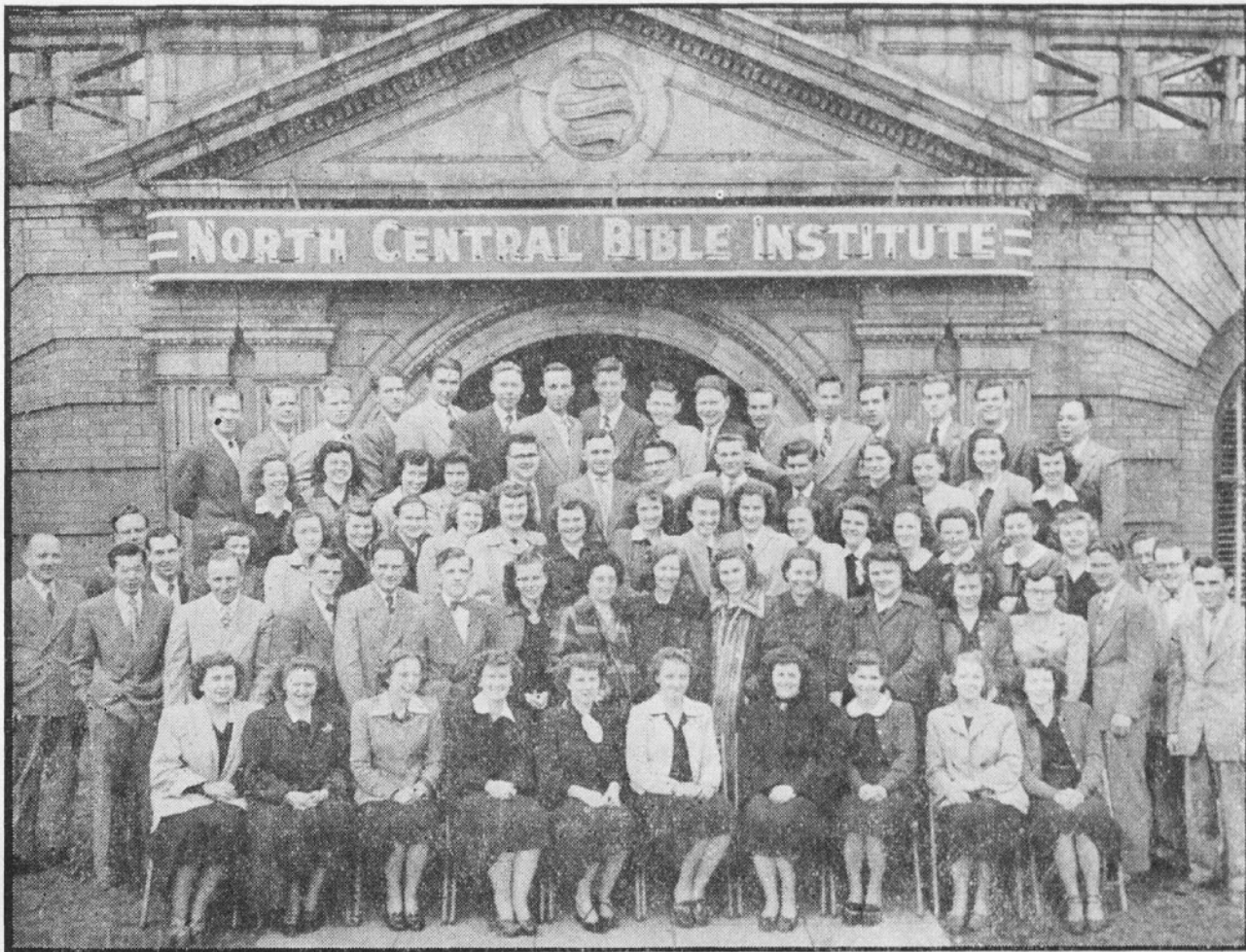
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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



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Limitless Power at Man's Disposal

BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS BY WESLEY R. STEELBERG

at Central Bible Institute, May 24, 1950

● IT SEEMS but a short time since that day in 1923 when some of our brethren gathered in the oak grove which still stands on the corner of the C.B.I. campus. They bowed their knees to pray and ask God to guide them as they had desired to open a Bible School for the training of ministers and missionaries, that the Word of God might be disseminated throughout the earth. Now we sit together once more on one of these grand occasions, and see a fulfilling and realization of the hopes and prayers of those good brethren. For not only are there ministers, missionaries, and workers that have gone to the ends of the earth, but some of them have been privileged to return and add to their training, because C. B. I. has grown and placed at their disposal seminary privileges which they have appreciated enough to enroll again. I notice among the graduating students some of our precious missionaries, and am reminded that a few months ago I was with them in the heart of Africa where so many of them had assembled in conference. My heart rejoices to realize there are those who not only were anxious to fit themselves in the beginning, but who were anxious to take refresher courses that they might do even greater things for God. Oh, that we might all realize that in God the horizons are unlimited! In God there are no limitations except those which we place. May God grant to us vision, courage, determination, purpose of heart, and a spirit of sacrifice that we will readily say, "O Lord, if need be, I am expendable."

As I reminisced concerning the various occasions when I have been privileged to

be here at Central Bible Institute for the graduation exercises, I thought of those who had run their course, who had finished their fight. I thought of Oren Munger who laid down his life in Central America. I thought of dear Brother Myer Pearlman, and others whose names I shall not try to mention at this time. There came to me this thought, "Am I, too, willing to be expendable in the service of the Lord? Am I so wholly committed to Him that every avenue of my being is placed at God's disposal?" It is only as we place ourselves at God's disposal that we can expect God to place Himself at our disposal.

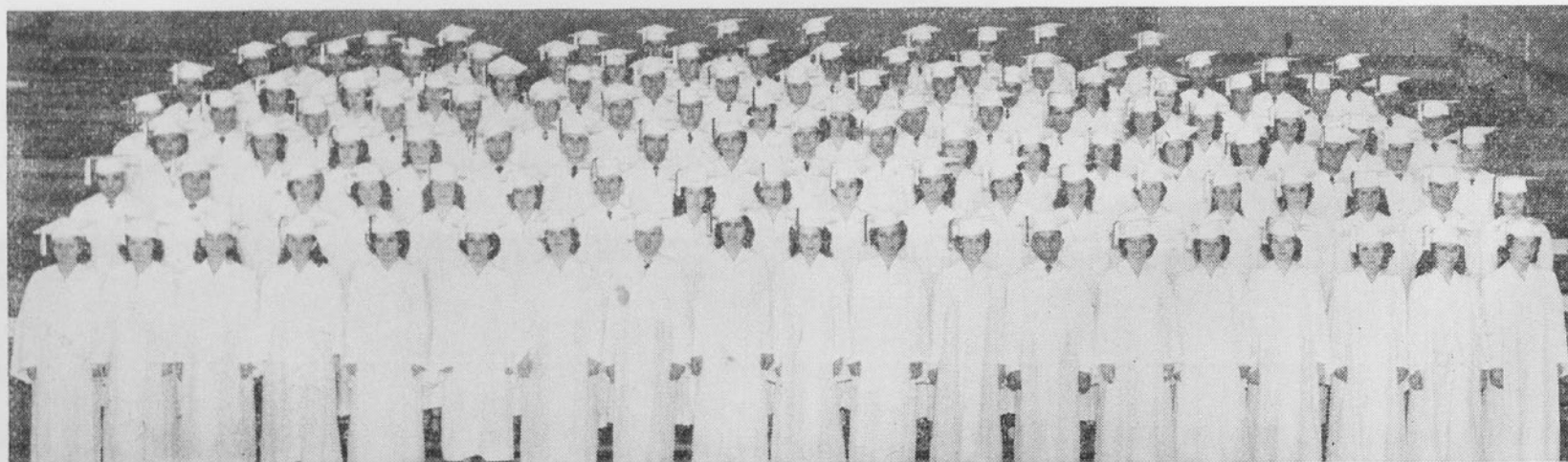
You may ask, "But, Brother Steelberg, is there ever an occasion when God offers to place Himself at our disposal?" Yes, I believe there is, for there are scriptures that bear out this thought. One in particular which comes to my mind at this time is that one found in Isaiah 45:11. We find in the latter part of that verse these words, "Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me."

Some years ago I quoted this scripture while I was ministering at camp meeting, and a man challenged me. He stated that the scripture I had quoted was not an offer of God, but it was a question of God. He said, "Why, God is outraged and alarmed at man's audacity, and is questioning, 'Are you trying to tell me what to do?'" So I looked at my Bible again, but I could not find any question mark at the end of that verse. I went and got another Bible and I could not find any

question mark. I said to myself, "Others can make it a question mark if they want to. I am going to take it as a promise, as a challenge to my own soul." "Concerning the work of my hands command ye me."

Oh, beloved young people, you have studied hard; you have applied yourself faithfully. You have entered with zest and sincere fervency into all the activities of school life. You are now honored to be numbered among those who have achieved and who have the right to be considered a graduate of Central Bible Institute. But I trust that you will never be content until you graduate into His presence with His commendation upon your life, and may it be, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Omnipotence is placed at man's disposal in proportion to man's placing himself at God's disposal.

Many years ago, Dwight L. Moody, a shoe salesman, heard a message. In the sermon which the minister brought at that time, the statement was made that it remains yet to be seen what God will do with a life that is wholly given over to Him. That young man went out and determined that he was going to be that man. It is a personal determination that we must make. It is a personal consecration that dares to say, with the apostle of old, "For to me to live is Christ." We may not be faced with rosy prospects. We are living in hours of increasing pressure, when the enemy of our soul is stirring up the nations of the earth against our God and His Christ. But where does the light shine brightest? In the darkness of the night. And where are miracles of grace

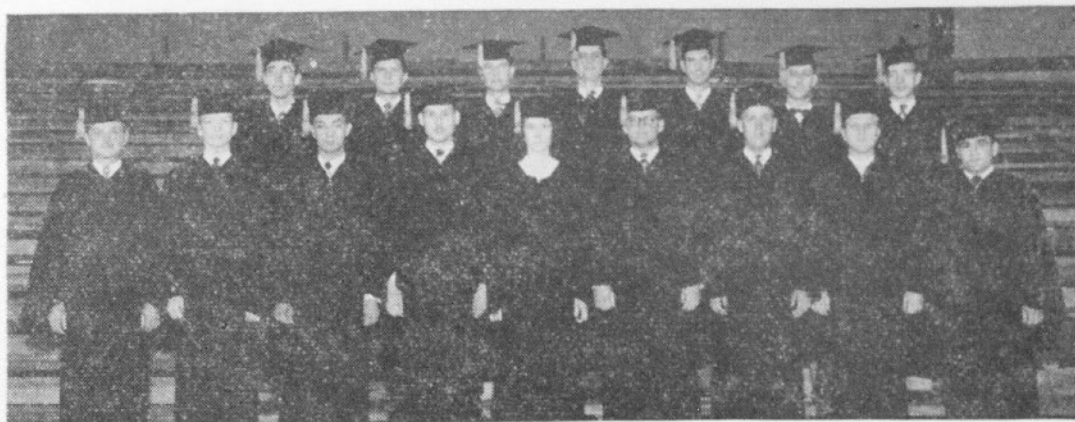


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most definitely appreciated? In the midst of the greatest need.

I am sure that as you have studied the Word of God you have come to the realization that it is a desperate need, that extends its hands to God, that causes His compassion to be moved. It is never a self-sufficiency. It is never a consciousness of having ability of our own, an attitude of not being obliged to bother God. I heard someone say some years ago that he didn't want to bother God; but may I say to you that God likes to be bothered. God appreciates a confession of need. If you will always be conscious of your need of God and of your utter dependence upon Him, you will find yourself equal to the occasion, able for the hour, ready to meet the obligations without fear, for God Himself will sustain you.

We are Pentecostal people, a peculiar people unto the Lord. I trust we are not peculiar from the standpoint of being unnecessarily odd, or queer; but let us be peculiar in that we believe in and cling to the truth that advocates the supernatural. The Pentecostal Movement has faced many strange tests, and has gone through intensely difficult trials. We have faced all of the complex forms of opposition shared by every other religious movement through the ages. Perhaps not as severe a persecution has been laid upon us as upon some of our forebears, but we have faced some of it. Our fathers and mothers have faced ridicule. They have faced the possibility of being fired upon when they left the church. They have had the windows broken in the buildings as they preached the gospel. I am not from those who were the stalwart forefathers, but I have succeeded in the line, and I can remember what it meant to be conscious that at any moment something might be hurled at the pulpit while the message was going forth. Disturbances of every kind have been raised to endeavor to suppress the work and to bring fear into the hearts of those who were listening to the gospel. But, thank God, a faith in Him has survived all this and made us better men and better women for having



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gone through a little suffering with Him. God grant we shall never shrink from it.

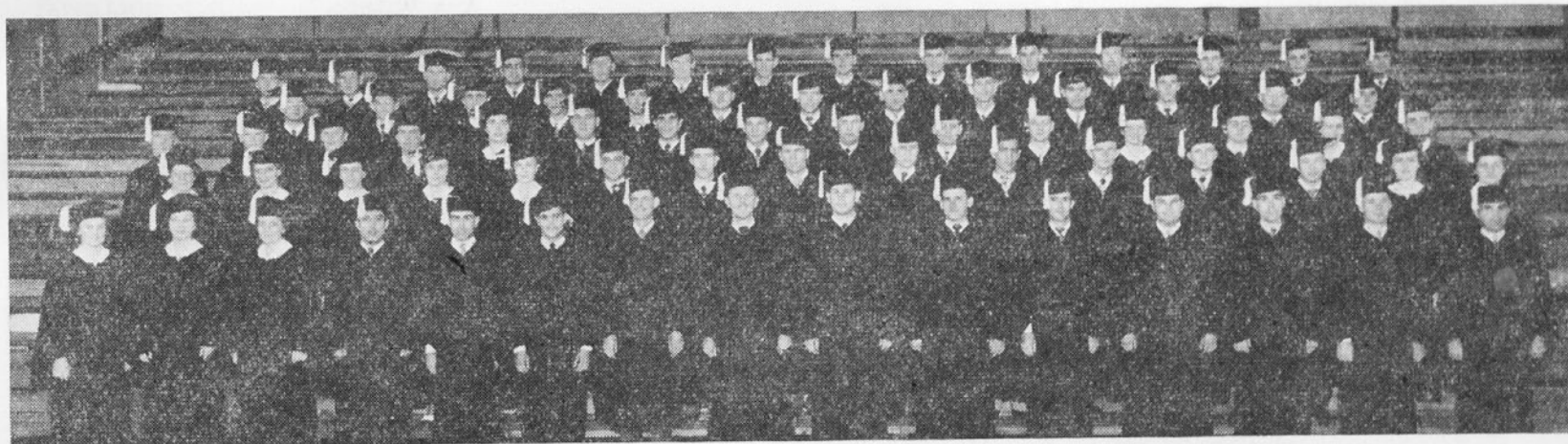
The crisis that we face today is not exactly the same as our forefathers faced. We are confronted today with opposition from a two-fold source. On one hand we encounter apostasy in its most virile form, men who placidly and without fear defy and denounce the supernatural. On the other hand, we are forced into competition with distinctly different religious groups who, finding themselves faced with an increasing horde of metaphysicists, who craftily handle the minds of men through psychology and vain philosophy and spiritism and mental science, feel that they must do something to forestall the powers of these vile counterfeits of the supernatural, so they have striven to utilize the chariots and horses of Egypt to fight their battles. They resort to sensationalism, to entertainment, to that which certainly is not spiritually edifying and will not produce the miraculous results which the Holy Spirit of God intends to be the signs following the believer.

But I thank God that even though we are faced with these problems we can continue to be fervent in spirit; and seeking the face of God, we can expect God to confirm His Word with signs following. We can expect God to meet us and corroborate our testimony, even as individuals. He has not failed. He will not fail. He is the same yesterday, and today, and for-

ever. I firmly believe that every one of you precious young people who are going forth in the name of the Lord to seek to accomplish His will in whatsoever field of endeavor God shall appoint you, will find that as you seek the face of God in simple earnestness even as your fathers and mothers did before you, that same God who heard their prayers will hear your prayers.

After I had been in the ministry some years and was pastor of a church where I could count on a certain income each week, I came up to the Christmas time and was without funds. I found myself unable to purchase the gifts that I wanted to purchase. I felt especially obligated to some of my wife's precious people whom I wanted to favor in a special way, and I had nothing. I went before the Lord in prayer and said, "Lord Jesus, I don't understand this. You have prospered me. You have brought me into this place as a pastor, and I am well situated, and people would be a bit dubious if I were to tell them I am penniless. Lord Jesus, why is it?" The Lord said, "Son, I just wanted to teach you that, even though you have progressed a little, you are still dependent upon me. I can shut off the source of supply any time I wish." I said, "Lord, I don't want this for myself—I want it for others—and it is coming toward the season when this money should be in hand right now." The Lord said, "I am well aware of that." It is

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Fourth-year graduating Class, 1950, at Central Bible Institute

EDITORIAL

Are You Thinking of Building?

If you are thinking of building a new home or a new church, you may be interested in the following lines from a layman in the Northwest. He writes:

"I came home from World War II and without consulting God my first purpose was to build a fine, comfortable home where my wife and I could spend our time in comfort and enjoy life. I did not even get the place finished before I found that God did not want me to have a mansion down here. I found out how wasteful a large home can be—how careful you have to be with it—how it can tie you down and keep you from going to church. From now on we are only too content to live in a small, unpretentious house and look forward to our mansion in the sky."

Our brother expresses his convictions in regard to the building of churches, as well as homes. He states:

"In the cities our assemblies are building bigger and better centralized churches. I have noticed that some of the new ones far outshine those of other denominations in size and beauty. That is not the kind of church I was brought up in. We are not building a monument to posterity in this old earth that is soon to be destroyed by fire.

"God wants us to put the salvation of souls far, far ahead of beautiful churches. Other denominations have recognized the need for more, smaller, decentralized churches instead of a few large ones. Two small churches on opposite sides of a city usually will reach many more people than one large church in the middle of the city. Large edifices are much more expensive to build and maintain, and when they are less efficient why should we build them?

"Our denominational friends are tired of supporting their impressive and cold churches, and are looking for something with genuine spirituality. The Pentecostal assemblies must be on the alert to reach out with a helping hand and encourage them to break loose from binding traditions and find a true, personal relationship with the Saviour.

"God has much work for us to do, and only a short time remains. The fig tree is budding and other signs are all around us. God grant that we may do our utmost, and in heaven not have any bitter memories of what we should and could have done."

The foregoing strikes a Pentecostal note which should find a responsive chord in all of our hearts. We recognize the need of attractive and comfortable places of worship, with adequate facilities for carrying on the work of the Lord, and we thank

God for every fine building He has given us; but our prayer is that each assembly may be known not for the fine architecture of its sanctuary but for the glorious presence of the Holy Spirit manifesting Himself in the midst of His people.

God's Controversy

"And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day." Gen. 32:24.

Notice that the living God came down in the form of a man, and wrestled with Jacob. And the same living God has come down to us, for the same purpose for which He came to Jacob that night. It is not a question of pleading for a blessing. Some of us have been doing that. It is God pleading with us and wrestling with us that we may do something whereby we may be blessed. God had a controversy with Jacob. And God has a controversy with you and with me. We know that our lives have not been surrendered. We know that we have lived for our own good pleasure, and that we have not given God the first place in our plans in all that we have done for Him. God wants us utterly for Himself, that He may make us what He would have us to be. God wanted Jacob for Himself; no more scheming, no more planning. And God wants you and me. All night long, He wrestled with Jacob; and all night long, if need be, He will deal with us—till the breaking of the day.—E. L. Langston.

The Chair Was Not Empty

An Africa missionary writes of his experience:

"One evening, with no grain or other food for my staff of men on the morrow, I sat in gloom and depression of spirit by the fire in my unroofed house. I had come to the region and tribe fully believing I was doing the will of God, and hoping for the development of a work of evangelization which would reach not only the entire tribe but other tribes farther to the west. Now to be held by so small a matter as a grain supply seemed tragic.

"An empty chair stood opposite me on the other side of the fireplace. I suddenly became aware that the Lord Jesus Himself was seated there. Very quietly, and with such genuineness and graciousness that no possible sting was attached to the rebuke, He said: 'I am the Head of this work.' I heard no voice, but nothing could have been clearer. He proceeded: 'The entire responsibility of the work is mine, both as to guiding it and providing for it.' I could only say with confusion of face: 'Yes, Lord, I know; I had forgotten for the moment.'

"Next day sufficient food for the day only was brought in, but my heart rested

in Him and rejoiced. The day after was the same, but with no shadow of doubt. Then, within a week, nearly a ton of grain came in, and from that day there have been full rations."

"This is my Father's world," goes that beautiful song. If so—and it is so—how much more true is it that this is our Father's work. We cannot possibly be concerned about it as much as He is. He may try us, but He has not forsaken us and will not. Let us be found in faith, awaiting the fulfillment of His promise: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."—Free Methodist.

Wesley's Proof of Inspiration

I beg leave to give a short, clear, strong argument for the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures. The Bible must be the invention of good men or angels, bad men or devils, or of God.

1. It could not be the invention of good men or angels, for they neither would nor could make a book and tell lies all the time they were writing it, saying, "Thus saith the Lord," when it was their own invention.

2. It could not be the invention of bad men or devils, for they could not make a book which commands all duty, forbids all sins, and condemns their own souls to hell for all eternity.

3. Therefore I draw the conclusion that the Bible must be given by divine inspiration.

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Russia In Prophecy

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Part 2

● GERMANY defeated Russia decisively during World War I in 1917, but when she in turn lost that war to the Western Allies, the resurgence of Russia began. She overthrew the Czarist regime of Nicholas II, murdered him and his entire family, and established the Bolshevik government, the so-called dictatorship of the proletariat, or common people, a Communist form of government.

When, after the Treaty of Versailles, Germany gradually developed a democratic form of government under Chancellors Stresemann, Mueller, and Bruening, Germany and Russia were in close collaboration; in fact, in 1922 they concluded a treaty of alliance with each other. But the pendulum swung the other way when Hitler came to power, and he kept thundering against the Bolshevik menace. In those days the Russian rulers made no bones about establishing a world-wide Communistic form of government through the Communist Internationale.

So great was this menace from Russia felt to be by Fascist elements in France and Germany that in May, 1925, the French and German steel and munitions manufacturers, army officers, and politicians, in collaboration with the rising power of the German Junker military caste, planned to equip an army of 800,000 Germans who would invade Russia. The plan, worked out by General Von Hoffman, was approved by conference, but was wrecked by David Lloyd George, British statesman, who feared still greater French influence in Europe. This plan is well authenticated with documentary proof.

We all know of the undeclared war of Germany under Hitler against Russia in 1941, and of the resulting disastrous defeat of Nazi Germany, which has brought her practically under Russian domination. This fulfills the point of the prophecy of Ezekiel that Russia, not Germany, will have the ascendancy in the final days of this age.

Another ally of Russia in the last days, as the prophet Ezekiel sees it, is "Togarmah of the north quarters," identified by some as Georgia, already in the Union of Soviet Republics. This

factor is relatively unimportant, for the major allies are already identified.

To whom the expression, "many people with thee," in Ezekiel 38:6 refers, we cannot dogmatically state, but they may include the people of the Far East, India, Indonesia, Indo-China, Burma, Siam, etc., for Russia desires to be recognized as the champion of the peoples oppressed by the so-called capitalistic powers. As "guard" or "commander" to her allies (Ezek. 38:7) she seems ready to foment discontent and revolution by creating incidents, and then to step in and help the revolutionaries wherever she can.

Now, the occasion of the prophesied invasion is the covetous desire to possess a prosperous Palestine and the Middle East (see Ezek. 38:9-12). It is not difficult in our day to note the trends toward such a situation. Palestine, despite the rocky road the Zionist Movement has had to travel, has made phenomenal advances in the development of cities, colonies, agriculture, industry, education, foreign commerce, etc., and the mineral wealth of the Dead Sea alone has been estimated at over one and one-fourth billion dollars. The war in 1948-1949 between Palestine and the Arab State of Transjordan, allied with Egypt, which ended in a truce (but really a great victory for the Jews) has now completely constituted the new nation of Israel, which has been recognized by the United Nations. The revival of the nation in every direction is now going on with accelerated pace.

However, Ezekiel 38:13 reveals that a group of peoples, designated as "Sheba, Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say

unto Rosh, 'Art thou come to take a spoil? Hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?' These words indicate clearly that an opposing alliance disputes her designs against Palestine.

The question then arises, Who compose this opposing alliance? There may be difficulties of exposition here, so we shall not dogmatize. However, Tarshish, son of Javan (Gen. 10:4), according to Dr. Davis's Bible Dictionary, has long been identified as a western Mediterranean country, which traded in ancient days with Tyre and greatly enriched her (cf. Jer. 10:9; Ezek. 27:12). Dr. Davis says that Tarshish was believed to be Tartessus in the south of Spain, near Gibraltar. It has even been identified with Britain. In either case, we know who has possessed Gibraltar for many years, and we are acquainted with the "lion" symbol of our passage as referring to Britain—"The British lion." Who then would be the "young lions" of Ezekiel 38:13? If Britain be the lion, the young lions would be the dominions of Britain—Canada, Australia, New Zealand, etc.—who have always been loyal to the mother country.

Furthermore, the "young lions" symbolism could be appropriately applied to the United States, for were we not in our early days colonized from Britain and held by her until the American Revolution in 1776? The truest Americans today, with the exception of the Indians, are the descendants of these early colonists. To sum up, then, if our exegesis be correct, we have the British Empire and the United States, with certain allies, opposed to Russia and Germany with some allies over the status and wealth of Palestine or the Near East.

Who can fail to realize that in recent world questions we have lined up with Britain and the Benelux group of western Europe against Soviet Russia, and in the deliberations of the United Nations Organization the cleavage has been quite marked, and even acrimonious. Russia has been recently boycotting the Security Council of the United Nations, because of the presence of a delegate who represents the Chinese Nationalists, and because the Communist regime of Mao-tse-tung is not represented. She has frequently vetoed alone constructive measures for world peace, which the rest of the nations have unanimously approved. In other words, she has constantly been flinging a monkey-wrench into the working of the UN.

Already our news bureaus are suggesting a possible UN upset and what courses our government should take in that event. Soviet Russia has made demands upon Turkey which that

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1950 GRADUATING CLASS
South Central Bible College, Hot Springs, Ark.

Out of Darkness Into Light

Mr. and Mrs. James G. King, Liberia

● WE HAVE just returned from visiting 11 of our Liberian churches. We were away nearly three weeks, and trekked about 150 miles.

The way the churches have come up out of the spiritual darkness that prevails in this land certainly is a testimony to the mighty power of God. The members of the churches have been pulled one by one from superstition, heathen worship, and sinful practices. In various ways, even through dreams and visions, God has convinced the people of His reality. Many have been given a knowledge of the true God before hearing a gospel message.

While we were receiving members into one of the churches we noticed several men watching closely all that transpired. Later, just before we left the town, one of the men came and asked the local pastor to go to his home. In just a few minutes the pastor and the man returned to the parsonage with a wash tub. It was full of fetishes and medicines. We watched what the man had held dear go up in smoke. We have since received word that the next day another of the men who had watched so intently asked to have the pastor burn his fetishes, too.

In one of the towns the local pastor had been fined because he allegedly had disobeyed a law of the devil society. The paramount chief declared that the Christians were under the laws of the devil society and would have to abide by them. Three days before our arrival all the devil men of the tribe had met together and agreed to stand as one man on the decision. If the tribe persisted in the requirement we could see that the Christians would have to leave that section. Some of the pastors had not been able to have services for some time.

We had heard that the chief himself was a strong believer in witchcraft. He had threatened to have two of our pastors bewitched. We suggested that he bring his witch doctors so we could see how they would perform. He looked rather sheepish and admitted that sometimes when they talked about "witch business" they only did so to make people afraid.

The outcome was that the pastor was refunded his fine money, and we were given a letter of assurance that the Christians were not to be considered under the laws of the devil society.

HE GAVE HIMSELF TO GOD

(The following accounts were submitted by Mr. and Mrs. King along with the report of their recent activities.)

Daniel Sargee was regarded by his people as a promising young witch doctor. He had built up quite a profitable business in only a few years, and his fame was spreading out even to other tribes. He seemed to have the answer for nearly everyone who had sicknesses and other difficulties. When the prescribed remedy failed Daniel always said the fault was not with him, but in the sacrifice or payment. It had been too small!

It was not until sickness entered his own

home that Daniel realized that what he prescribed for others would not work for his own interests. When he turned to one of his fellow witch doctors for help—Daniel's child was ill—he was advised that a duck was needed as a sacrifice. The sacrifice was given but the child grew worse. Daniel demanded an explanation and was told that the other witch doctors of the tribe had not been invited to come. When they were invited a goat was demanded, but still the child did not improve. Somewhat vexed at the outcome, Daniel demanded a further explanation and was told to leave the child with God.

To the surprise of his fellow witch doctors Daniel replied, "That is just what I will do." Picking up his child, he set out to see our pastor, who lived in a neighboring town. When he arrived at the pastor's home he told his story and said that he had come to give his child to God, but as he talked the child slipped out into eternity.

As Daniel made his way home with the sad news he considered how he had been told to give his child to God. He had tried but had been too late. Along the way he came to the greatest decision of his entire life—he would give himself to God.

To make a public confession of his faith he well knew would bring the other witch doctors down on him immediately because he would have to expose their evil practices. He knew that they were fully aware that *dead men tell no tales*; in other words his life would be endangered. Daniel packed his belongings during the night and before daylight, with his wife, had left his home behind. Once again he went to our pastor.

Though he gave himself to God the years of living in darkness had formed shadows in Daniel's mind. The witch doctors had taught that on the day that one of them ate fish he would die. Daniel had never eaten fish. When the pastor pressed him into eating fish a few days after his conversion he was certain that his end was near. The shadows started receding when nothing at all happened to him.

We were having a ministers' institute. When his pastor prepared to attend, Daniel decided that he would go along and hear something from the Word, too. It was quite a triumphant procession that walked into our mission. Two days after the party arrived Daniel received a glorious infilling of the Holy Spirit, and the morning following his wife also received the Holy Spirit in the home of some heathen folk with whom the Sargees were staying during the institute.

Before the institute was over Daniel expressed a desire to attend Bible School in order that he might receive Bible training. If he could only be in school for two years it would help him to become more strong in the Lord he said. He and his wife were overjoyed when we told them to go for their household belongings.

On the evening of their return Daniel came to visit us. We prepared to look for an inter-

preter as we did not know his dialect, but to our amazement Daniel began to talk to us in English. It was broken, but we could understand. Some years ago he had picked up English while laboring along the coast. When he returned to his tribe the witch doctors had forbidden his using the English. They told him that he would die if he used it, so he had not used English since that time until he started talking to us. He is still alive and still speaking English.

He has asked that we take him with us when we go into the country where his people live. He is a bit wary of going there alone. Of course we will take him, for we feel that he will be of great assistance in working with his people.

"NOW I CAN DIE IN PEACE. . ."

Last December we had the privilege of attending one of the several Christmas conventions held by our churches in Liberia. The speaker for the afternoon service was the sectional secretary-treasurer of the national churches. His message on salvation was one of the most powerful we had ever heard. Well over a thousand persons were present that afternoon. We saw that vast audience go to its knees as one man and begin to cry to God.

While it was yet dark the next morning we were awakened by a woman singing. Later when we gathered for a prayer and praise service we learned the reason. For years one of the women had carried on the work of a devil doctor. When her daughter became ill she tried to save her daughter's life by the same means she had advocated for others. The daughter died and the mother became despondent over the loss, and ashamed of the failure. During the night after the Christmas service she had seen through the darkness and found her way to Christ. As the peace of God began flowing in, the shame and despondency had to leave, so out there in a slumbering African town a song arose as a testimony to the power of the Christ we preach.

After the convention we started out for a town in another area, nearly two days' journey from our station. Just 25 years ago a young man and his wife went to the town to open a work for God. Shortly after their arrival a misunderstanding arose between them and some members of the secret society of the town. The members of the society called a secret meeting with societies in near-by towns. It was decided that some of their brave men would hide by the forest trail and kill the young pastor when he went to his farm the following morning. Others were to be prepared to kill his wife when she went to the river for water.

After the plans were all made the head of the local society began to realize the seriousness of the crimes that were about to be committed. He had been among those who had asked the pastor and his wife to come to the town. Why should he have part in taking their lives? Thinking that it was too late to change the decision of the society members, he slipped to the house of the pastor and told him not to leave his house for any reason during the following day. Unfortunately the head of the society was overheard talking to the pastor. He was beaten. The pastor and his wife were forced to leave town.

In the latter part of 1948 the same town began appealing for another pastor. Later they

called the chairman of our national church to confess the wrong the town had done years before. You see, our chairman is the same man they sought to kill years ago.

At our ministers' institute in the fall it was decided that once again a pastor should go to the town. Less than two months after he arrived a fine new church was completed and ready for dedication. Our mission at the town was to dedicate the new building.

But the story does not end there. At the close of the dedicatory service an old man

stood up and asked permission to speak. Standing before us he told of how the first man of God who had come to the town had been treated. Then he told of his years of waiting for another man of God to come. One by one all of the men who had had a part in the wicked plot had passed away until he alone was left. He waved his hand and said, "Now I can die in peace because my eyes have seen the fulfillment of that for which I have waited." You see, this lone old man was the man who went to the pastor's house to warn him of the plot to kill him and his wife.

Our Work in Chile

Henry C. Ball

(Editor's Note: Here is another of a series of articles that Brother Ball, Field Secretary for Latin America, is furnishing during his visit to the various Latin American fields.)

● MARCH 31 will long be remembered by our Assemblies of God people in Chile. On that day in the city of Santiago the Assemblies of God of Chile was formed. Cyle G. Davis was elected Field Superintendent; Everett E. Devine, Assistant Superintendent; and John C. Jackson, Secretary-Treasurer.

Our work has been established in Chile for some eight years now. Satisfactory progress has been made.

Upon my arrival in Santiago I found that our missionaries had pitched a tent, given by the Oregon District, on Carmen, near Victoria Street. The first night of a series of services conducted in the tent a number of children, who had no idea as to the nature of the services, gathered. They came for fun, and milled around until the air was quite heavy with dust. We began teaching choruses and Bible verses to them, and by the time the regular service started at 8:30 they had become fairly docile. We could see a real change in them from night to night thereafter. By the end of the week they were our friends.

Many came to the altar for salvation, and I believe that quite a number really found Christ for I met several at our services in the various churches later.

We have several nice chapels in Chile. The Davises have built a chapel on Cuevas Street in Santiago. The family lives on the second floor. In Nunoa, a suburb of Santiago, the Theodore R. Buenos have a chapel. It also houses the family. In San Bernardo, a few miles to the south of Santiago, a chapel is under construction that will be one of the most attractive of all our chapels in Chile.

Far to the south, in the city of Valdivia, I visited the Emil R. Schneiders. On Thursday night before Easter we dedicated their new chapel. It is our largest. Three hundred came for the dedication. The missionary home is to the rear of the structure. Mr. Schneider has made most of his own furniture and has done a splendid job. Under the chapel and the home a basement was made which can serve for Sunday School space; also, there is a balcony in the chapel suitable for that purpose.

Two of our evening services there were broadcast. The programs reached out 100 miles. I believe that a great work will be accomplished around Valdivia.

I was with Mr. and Mrs. Devine for the Easter services at Valparaiso. They are using a rented hall. Their congregation was most attentive. Eleven responded to the altar call. The folk in Valparaiso are looking forward to having a new chapel sometime in the future.

The greatest need for our work in Chile at present is a Bible School. We need Chilean pastors and evangelists.

In the June 3 issue of the Evangel, C. Leroy Williams' picture was shown but information concerning him was omitted. He recently returned to Peru. Mrs. Williams will be joining him on the field in the near future.



Baptismal service of the Taipeh Church on the island of Taiwan (Formosa). Mr. and Mrs. Garland Benintendi and Mr. and Mrs. J. Philip Hogan went to Taiwan in April, 1949 and started a work there. All have now withdrawn. Mr. Hogan is second from left in the back row. He has his back to the camera in the upper picture.

TAIPEH CHURCH

J. Philip Hogan, Taiwan

Recently we had a wonderful baptismal service. As few people on the island have ever been immersed, since most of the other missions only sprinkle, it proved to be quite an unusual service.

Last Sunday I served communion to some seventy people. I think that we may now well think in terms of the "church" in Taipeh. In ordinary times their offerings would be enough to make the church entirely self-supporting.

We have a Christ's Ambassadors choir of eighteen voices which sings every Sunday. It also sang two numbers at the baptismal service on the river bank.

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Sunday School Lesson

by Ernest S. Williams

DEATH OF SAUL AND JONATHAN

Lesson for June 25

1 Samuel 31:1-13

To some extent we have been tracing the activities of the Amalekites since the time when the Lord told Saul to utterly destroy them. We find an Amalekite again in our lesson for today. If we accept the messenger's testimony in 2 Sam. 1:8, 10 as true, then Saul died at the hand of an Amalekite. If we refuse to go all the way in destroying the enemies of God in our lives, these enemies will destroy us.

1. "The Triumphing of the Wicked is Short." Job 20:5

Saul was unrelenting in his determination to get David. Success seemed to follow him, except that he was unable to take David's life. This became a sore grief to David. Nevertheless he would not put forth his hand against Saul, for he recognized him as God's anointed. As long as God would let Saul go, David would suffer it.

Some have suffered long at the hands of unrighteous dealings. There may be those who do not live to see things cleared up, but they will be cleared up. Many tears were shed by David. Then he looked beyond the present and prayed, "Put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book?" Psa. 56:8.

2. How Was the Mighty Fallen!

God had provided His way for His people to learn His will. Witches and wizards were under the guidance of another spirit and were not to be consulted, but were to be destroyed from the land. Exodus 22:18; Deut. 18:10. Saul had set about to put these commandments into effect. ch. 28:9. Then we find him, in his distress, going to a witch himself. It is easy to pass judgment on others. It is when it comes home to us that our faithfulness is proved. Some can be harsh in their denunciations until their test comes. Let the same thing that you harshly condemn come to your home or family, then see what your attitude is.

Saul had reached a state of desperation. Samuel was gone. God would not answer his prayer. The Philistines were becoming stronger and stronger. David, who might have been a boon to him, had been driven into the land of the Philistines. Where could he go for counsel? Apostatized from God, he felt his only hope lay in seeking counsel from those who had familiar spirits. He disguised himself and went to the witch of Endor.

It seems that God wrought a special miracle in Samuel's responding to the wishes of Saul. A personage appeared. The woman with the familiar spirit saw and described him. Samuel spoke, and distressed Saul replied, "The Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me." ch. 28:15. Pitiful words from one who had once known God!

Then came the sad and true answer, "The Lord hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbor, even David." ch.

28:17. No hope for Israel remained with Saul. Israel was to be defeated. He and his sons were to be in the place of death with Samuel. The words were too much for Saul. He fell prostrate in an agony. v. 20. He had counted it joy to seek the life of David; but now that he was to reap what he sowed, it over-powered him.

3. Judgment Comes at Last

The Scripture says, "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." Eccl. 8:11. Saul is an example of this. Long before, Samuel had warned him. Many times David had shown he had no malice against him. Free to make his decisions, Saul had stifled conscience and pursued his evil devices. Now payday had come and in what remorse do we find him! May God keep us tender of conscience, walking in the fear of the Lord.

When Saul fell he did not fall alone. This is a sad fruit of backsliding. He sought to be brave on the field of battle. He would steel himself to the end. Unfortunately, with him fell his brilliant son Jonathan and his other sons. "No man liveth to himself and no man dieth unto himself." If by backsliding we go down, we drag others with us. The sad ending for Saul was in keeping with the life he had lived. It ought to have been otherwise with Jonathan.

4. Self-will Brings Self-destruction

There was a time when Saul could fearlessly go out against the Philistines. Now he suffers utter destruction, humiliation, and mockery at their hands. I was near the site where Mr. Mussolini was taken, just before he reached the border of Switzerland in his flight. With him was his woman companion. In his possession were vast quantities of Italian money. He offered all he had if his captors would leave him free to get across the border, but they would not. He was taken, killed, humiliated beyond description. He had lived in self-will, had been unfaithful to his wife, had his son-in-law murdered, feasted on arrogant pride and hardness of heart. Now his doom had come. Sentence by God had been passed long before. It was only then that judgment caught up with him.

Saul, his men being dispersed or destroyed, was grievously wounded. v. 3. I read a comment that indicated the words "hit him" (v. 3)

more literally mean "found him." He was overtaken. Fearing that he would fall into the hands of the Philistines who might shamefully handle him, he desired his armorbearer to slay him. The armorbearer refusing, Saul fell on his own sword and died. We never can tell how we will end if we give ourselves over to evil. And remember, Saul's downfall began when he disobeyed and refused to destroy the best of the Amalekites. It is so with us. Unless we are ruthless against our carnal, sinful nature, we do not know where it may take us.

5. Nobility Shown by David

Many a man in David's position would have gloried in the death of Saul. They would have seen in his misfortune the means of their own promotion. Well might David have had such feelings for he knew he was to succeed Saul as king. Instead, he lamented and made one of earth's most beautiful eulogies. "The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!" "Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided." 2 Sam. 1:19, 23. True greatness cannot rejoice over the misfortunes of others. Greater than position is greatness of character.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

David at Ziklag (Lesson for June 18). Lesson Text: 1 Samuel 30:1-18.

OUR HEAVENLY HELPER

When God enters your life, points out to you your duty, calls you to your mission, lays on you a burden, crowns you with suffering, He stands at your side and says to you, "Together you and I can."—Abbott.

WHOSE WORD WILL HE BELIEVE?



THE PASSING AND THE PERMANENT

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

IN ISRAEL'S JAIL

Says Rabbi Samuel Silver, in *The National Jewish Post*: "In one respect Israel is far behind other nations. There are only 270 criminals in Israel's jail, one to every 4000 inhabitants."

SYNAGOGUES IN TEL AVIV

There are 400 synagogues in Tel Aviv, a city of 300,000 inhabitants. This represents one synagogue for approximately every 750 inhabitants—yet Tel Aviv is a worldly city, which newspaper correspondents call "the Paris of Israel."

BRITAIN AND ISRAEL SETTLE CLAIMS

Settlement of all claims and counterclaims arising out of the termination of the former British mandate over Palestine was reached in London recently. Under the agreement, Israel will obtain clear title to all lands, buildings, installations and facilities of the Palestine Administration in Israel and most of those of the British government, in consideration of about thirty million dollars.

HOW ISRAEL HAS GROWN

Fifty years ago, Palestine's Jewish population numbered 50,000. On May 14, 1948, it was 655,000. Last December it reached the million mark. In January and February of 1950, 21,299 more Jews came. It is estimated that 150,000 more will come by the end of 1950, and this figure does not include the 100,000 Jews of Iraq who must reach Israel in 1950 or else remain in ancient Babylon indefinitely.

JEWISH IMMIGRATION

In 1949, 1700 ships and 2400 planes brought 239,331 Jews to Israel—more than 655 persons every day. This tidal wave of Jews "coming home" brought the almost complete liquidation of six Jewish communities of the Diaspora—Cyprus, Yugoslavia, Austria, Cyrenaica, Yemen, and Bulgaria. In all, the immigrants came from 53 different lands—152,000 of them from the DP camps of Germany, Austria and Italy. The doors of Israel are open to all Jews, from all parts of the earth, be they old or young, rich or poor, male or female—even to Christian Jews.

RE-BUILDING THE OLD WASTES

The prophet said: "And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations." Isaiah 61:4. That is exactly what is happening in Israel today. Building plans mapped by the Israel Government envisage the erection of new towns on the principle of "garden cities." Each "city" will cover an area of 500 dunams (125 acres) of land on which will be built 1500 housing units for the accommodation of some 5000 to 6000 residents.

Each neighborhood will be wholly independent, with its own school and health facilities, but the units will be linked administratively. Light industry based on the co-operative principle will probably be established near each development.

TELEVISION SETS INCREASING

Production of radio sets is decreasing while the sale of TV sets is on the upgrade. Last year more than 2,800,000 television sets were produced, compared with 975,000 in 1948, the Radio Manufacturer's Association reports. It estimated that about 10,000,000 radio sets were made in 1949, compared with 16,600,000 in 1948.

JAPANESE OFFICER SAVED

Mitsuo Fuchita, former captain in the Japanese navy, who was commanding officer of the 360 planes that attacked Pearl Harbor, has accepted Christ. Recently when Mr. Fuchita was invited to give a lecture to a Culture Club, he chose to read to the 1,000 men gathered at the meeting a gospel tract entitled, "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" written by Evangelist John R. Rice.

THE BIBLE IN 1,118 LANGUAGES

As of Jan. 1, 1950, some part of the Bible had been published in 1,118 languages and dialects, according to the American Bible Society. Since that date a portion of God's Word has been appearing in some new language about every five weeks, through the untiring efforts of missionary-translators; but there are at least 1,000 other languages in which no part of the Scriptures has appeared as yet.

BRILLIANT YOUNG JEWS

According to *The National Jewish Post*, there were 13,585 high school students competing for the 40 annual Westinghouse science scholarships, and half of the highly coveted scholarships were won by young Jews. Since American Jewry numbers only 5% of the total U.S. population, do the results of the Westinghouse contest indicate that the Jewish mind is ten times superior to the Gentile mind? Let us think—who was it that was looking for a super race?

REMEMBER NATIONAL RADIO DAY

July 2

An offering is needed from each Assembly to advance "Revivaltime," the Radio Voice of the Assemblies of God.

SPIRITUAL HUNGER IN HOLLYWOOD

Screen actress Jane Russell is reported to have started a prayer group in Hollywood, so that some 25 motion picture celebrities now are meeting every Monday night for prayer, Bible reading and hymn singing. Porter Hall, a character actor who has joined the group, says, "There is quite a hunger in the entertainment world for God."

CHRIST HAS THE ANSWER

Many public officials have ventured a solution to the problem of the Hydrogen Bomb which threatens civilization. Andrew W. Cordier, executive secretary to the Secretary General of the United Nations, perhaps came nearest to the correct answer when he said that what we need is not some means to control the H-Bomb, but rather, an effective means to control man. He stated that man continues to act as a "social derelict" because of his failure to gain "inner control through the utilization of spiritual forces."

The spiritual force men need is to be found in Christ and the Spirit of God. Without Him men will perish.

A LESSON FROM INDIA

Recently there appeared in *The Free Press Journal* of Bombay an article entitled, "Madras Follows Bombay Way." It said that drinking scenes would be censored in all films. "To ensure successful working of prohibition, the Madras Government has directed the Film Censor Board, Madras, that all liquor drinking scenes except those discouraging the drinking habit, should be eliminated from films exhibited in cinema houses in the province."

We should be ashamed of the fact that a land of idolatry like India is more awake to the seriousness of the liquor menace than we are in so-called "Christian America."



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"THEY ARE COMING IN"

These are the words of Mrs. Clarence Washburn, pastor of our new Indian church at Phoenix, Arizona, who is reaching 22 tribes of American Indians with the gospel. She writes:

"They are coming in from all ways with their sad stories, needy souls, sick bodies, hungry hearts and hopelessness. The lovely sign over our church doors pictures an Indian hogan and a tepee in a Western setting, with a welcome to all tribes, *Phoenix Indian Assembly of God*. We have welcomed all tribes, and now they are coming expecting help for anything they need. There can be no refusal on our part—we must meet their needs. When we give till there is no more, we must pray till there is more. Undoubtedly this is God's day for an ingathering of Indian people.

"Easter Sunday was the second anniversary of the Indian church in Phoenix. Two years ago the first 15 were saved. For more than a year we worshipped in the Christ's Ambassadors' hall of the First Assembly of God. Hardly a service passed, without someone found Christ, and sometimes whole families gave their hearts to Jesus.

"The Spirit of God also moved in the Indian Hospital and Sanitarium. Some who were sick unto death, paralyzed, crippled, and with broken necks were healed as prayer was made for their bodies and souls. The hospital work soon opened the way into the reservations outside Phoenix. Wherever we prayed for the sick we left a Gospel portion with our address

and telephone number. Calls began to come to us saying, 'Come to the reservation,' and we went out in many directions. Every time God had gone before us, and there we found a little congregation waiting to hear the good news. There is now a group of 50 or more meeting regularly to worship, praying for a tent and a Holy Ghost outpouring in their particular tribe."

REPORT FROM KETCHIKAN, ALASKA

Wesley Hansen, our pastor at Ketchikan, Alaska, writes: "Greetings from the First City of Alaska—Ketchikan. We are happy to report victory for Jesus here.

"We were privileged recently to have with us Evangelist Homer Rugwell of Everett, Washington, for five weeks of meetings. Several people attended the services every night of that five weeks. God really met us, and people received a lot of gospel teaching.

"The majority of people in Alaska, especially the natives, know only church membership. No other church here has been getting many to the real 'know-so' salvation. They seem to strive only for church membership.

"Consecrated workers are greatly needed for Alaska. Last winter for a while in our Ketchikan Sunday School we had only one teacher besides my wife and myself, in a school of about 60 children. We are praying for Christian couples to come to help us.

"Work generally is available, and there is a demand for skilled labor such as carpenters, engineers, mechanics, teachers and civil service employees. If any of our readers are interested in coming to Alaska for employment and as vocational volunteers, any of us pastors or missionaries will be glad to do all we can for you, for we desperately need trained and Spirit-filled helpers."

LIMITLESS POWER AT MAN'S DISPOSAL

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wonderful to have the Lord talk to you, but it is very heartsearching. It lays bare all the motives of your soul when God searches your heart. As I listened to the Lord, wept in His presence and

confessed my faults before Him, I said, "Lord, when I was a district home missionary, I could believe that you would wake a man up at three o'clock in the morning and send him 158 miles to give me a suit of clothes, because then I was a home missionary." That is just what happened to me. I had to have a suite of clothes, and God awakened a man who drove all that distance to bring me a suit of clothes. But now I was pastor of a well-established church and nobody knew that I had a need.

A dear woman came to me one Sunday after the morning service when I was locking the doors. She said, "Brother Steelberg, I have a little money here that I want to give you to do with what you think best."

I said, "Well, sister, I appreciate that, but would you please designate what it is for?"

"No," she said, "I'll let you do that."

"I would prefer not to," I said. "I don't feel that I am the one to decide where your offering goes. If you want it to be divided two or three ways we can put part of it in foreign missions, send some to the District for home missions, and put some in the building fund of the church."

She stood there for a few moments and seemed rather agitated. Finally she said, "Brother Steelberg, maybe you need it."

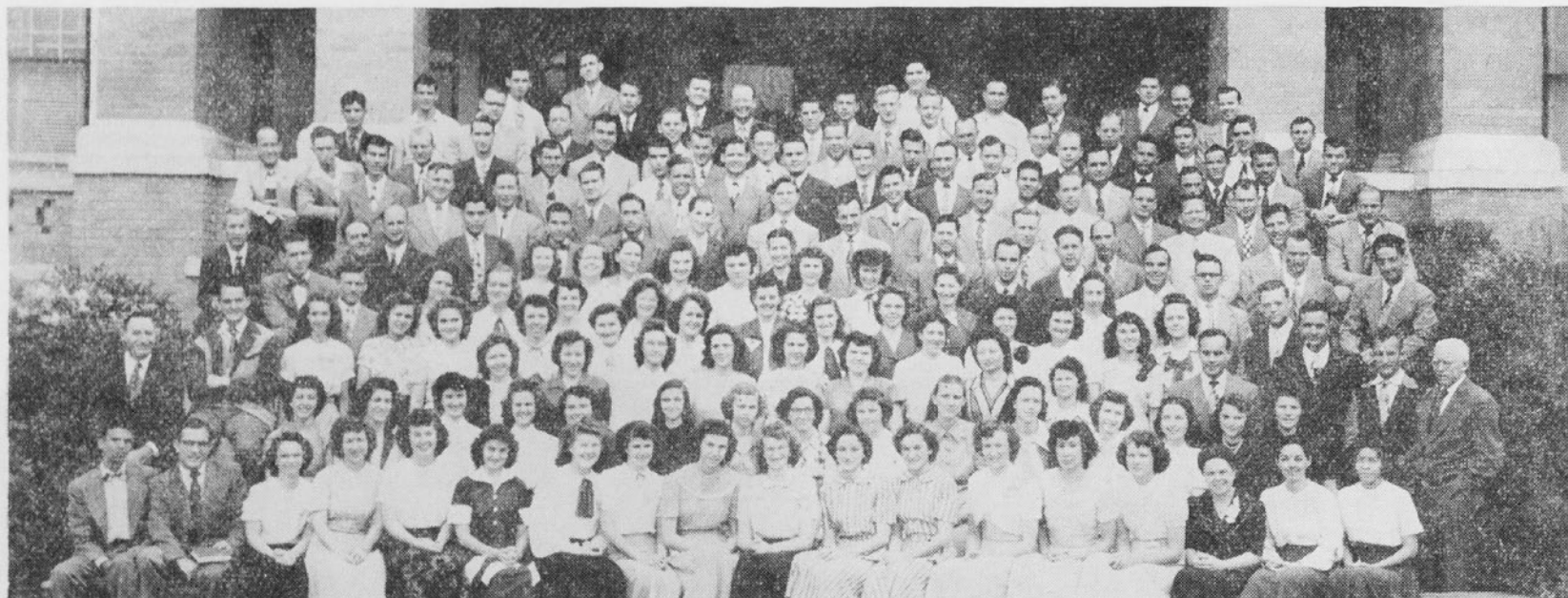
"Why, sister, if I needed it, I would scarcely tell you; for after all, I am working for the Lord, and He is the One who will supply my need."

"Don't you have an extra need once in a while?"

"Sister, please don't make it embarrassing for me. I don't want to say anything further about any finances pertaining to my own need. I want you to ask the Lord to guide you, and then give that money to the treasurer."

I started out the door and she began to cry. I said, "I'm sorry if I have offended you. I didn't mean to. But I just didn't feel that I could stand here and tell you what I needed, nor give you advice as to what to put where, except that I should cite certain departments of the church that would be very happy for a little extra."

She sobbed for a moment and said, "Brother



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Steelberg, God told me last night to give this to you, but I argued with God and told Him that I thought you had plenty. So I want you to forgive me, and pray that God will forgive me, and I want you to take this because it really belongs to you."

"Well, sister, now that you have made this statement I will tell you that I have been sorely pressed financially, and I have been asking God to supply my need, not for myself, but for others."

Then she began to sob violently. She said, "That is exactly what God said to me. God said, 'If you will give it to my servant, he will do what is right with it. You can trust him. You give it to him.'" Oh, it is wonderful to be cast upon God. Even though we go through many experiences where we prove His faithfulness, He never ceases to put us in positions where we must continue to rely upon Him.

This work of preaching the gospel is not an easy road. We must never expect it to be. God has not called us to be foremen and to be supervisors, in the sense of holding positions over others and making them do what we tell them. We are simply to be laborers together with Him. Thank God we have a Workman who has set the example, who said over there in John 9:4, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day." God wants men and women, young men and young women, talented men and talented women, who will place themselves at His disposal and say, "Lord, whatever Thou wilt, however Thou dost lead, that is my choice. My joy will be to please Thee, to do with my might what my hands find to do." For God will get glory out of some things that we may not even realize could be glorifying to Him in the accomplishing of the task. Oh, how wonderfully God turns our little efforts to His praise.

I was in the mission hall in Phoenix, Arizona. It was a hot day and someone came to the mission hall and rattled the door. I said to my wife, "I wonder who is coming so early."

I opened the door and said, "I'm sorry, but the services are not going to be until three o'clock. However, you may come in if you wish."

The caller said, "Could you come right away to the sanitarium and pray for a woman who has tuberculosis?"

"I'll be glad to do that if you wish," I replied.

She said, "This woman will not last long. She will probably die before the day is out. But she wants a Pentecostal minister to come and pray for her. The only persons that have called on her have been Christian Science practitioners, and she wants a Penetcostal preacher."

I jumped into my 1913 Model T Ford and drove around to the sanitarium. It was a private institution. When I went into the front room, a very austere-looking nurse met me. She asked, "Are you a minister?" I said, "Yes, ma'am." She scrutinized me as much as to say, "Well, you don't look like one."

She said, "Are you one of these noisy preachers?" I said, "Well, we are very enthusiastic in our worship. We sing heartily. We pray earnestly. We have some enjoyable times."

She put her finger down in front of my face, and said, "This patient of mine is very, very ill. In fact, I shouldn't allow you in there at all. But inasmuch as I try to please my patients I'm going to let you go in. However, if I hear one untoward sound out of you, I'll see that you get out of there."

I walked into the room and found a poor little woman lying there gaunt and emaciated, gasping for air. I knelt beside the bed and whispered to her, "The nurse has forbidden me to pray too loudly, so I'm going to whisper my prayer, but our God can hear any kind of prayer that comes from the heart." She reached her two hands up and grasped my hand feebly. I anointed her with oil and I began to pray quietly. I asked God to touch her and heal her and restore her by His mighty power. I told God that only He could help under these circumstances.

Suddenly, as though someone (and it was *the One*) took hold of me, I was saying words that I didn't intend to say. I said, "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I command you to get out of this bed and walk." I was astounded at my own self.

For a moment a quail of fear came over me, for here I was talking aloud and telling this woman to get out of bed. I got up quickly and slipped out the door. The nurse was standing right there. She looked as though she gladly would have gotten hold of me by the coat collar and ushered me forcibly out. She said, "Please do not return."

I said, "Thank you," and started down the steps.

She went in the door. I heard her say, "You

get right back into bed." Then I heard a strong voice answering her, "I will not."

"You are delirious. You are out of your mind." But the little patient said, "Will you please bring me my clothes, or must I go for them myself?"

I stood there transfixed on the steps. I wanted to laugh. I wanted to cry. I didn't know what to do, but I knew that God had made His promises sure, for He had said, "Concerning the work of my hands command ye me," and heard a whispered prayer.

That woman was in the three o'clock meeting that afternoon and testified to the healing power of God. When she had gone back to Chicago from whence she had been sent by her husband and two lovely children, she wrote and told us that she had gotten off the train in a pouring rain. She had tried without success to get a cab, and had been absolutely saturated. She said, "To think I didn't even sneeze. I didn't even cough." One year later she wrote and said, "What God has done stands good today." That happened in the early days of my ministry. I had not had much experience, but oh, how wonderful to know that God's Word is true, and that He is no respecter of persons, or places, or times, or seasons. Hallelujah!

Put your hand in His and say, "Dear Lord, I place myself at Thy disposal. If it be that I should be expendable, then by Thy grace I offer myself. If it be that Thou wouldst use me in a place that is isolated and hidden from view, help me to fulfill my obligation there. If Thou dost choose to give me a ministry that would be more prominent, get glory to Thy name. Get interest on the investment that Thou hast made in my life." May God in His infinite grace and His wonderful goodness pour into your hearts a desire, a determination, a purpose of heart to place yourself at God's disposal.

RUSSIA IN PROPHECY

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government deems impossible. Iran certified her dispute with Russia to the UN Security Council, much to Russia's disgust, but Russia gained her point to settle the dispute by direct negotiations, through compromise in the Security Council. In turn, to get back at Britain, Russia demanded that the Council look into the reasons for the presence of British troops in Indonesia and Greece.

The Turks have met the demands of Moscow



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for territorial cessions with the notice that they will oppose force with force and that if fighting begins they will ask the Security Council for punitive action. As *Newsweek* reported, Russia would have three choices: (1) Mollify Turkey and have the case withdrawn from consideration; (2) accept the Council's judgment; or (3) interpose a veto. We quote *Newsweek's* observation on all this apparent impasse: "If the Russians adopt the last course, some of President Truman's advisers advocate putting into effect their alternative policy—as a last resort, admit the failure of the UN and project the United States into a position of leadership for all the world outside Russia. The people and Congress consenting, Washington would declare intolerable a veto by a Council member of judgment on a complaint brought against it by a small nation. The United States would then propose that the UN be dissolved in favor of a union of peace-loving states. President Truman's advisers have no doubt that, under such circumstances, most if not all nations outside the Russian orbit would agree to go along."

Now in May 1950 former president Herbert Hoover has proposed this very move of letting Russia go her stubborn way, along with her satellites, and continuing the United Nations organization by the freedom-loving, truly democratic nations of the West. However, there is not general agreement with this policy by our great publicists.

Demaree Bess, one of the editors of the *Saturday Evening Post*, gave his opinion that we have already botched our occupation of Germany, and implied that it is now too late to remedy the situation. Frederick Sondern, Jr., eminent correspondent and roving editor of *Reader's Digest*, painted a worse picture.

May we venture a prediction that Russia will, sooner or later, withdraw from the UN as she did from the League of Nations? She is already opposed by a formidable array of nations and has gathered about her other nations who are compelled to be favorable to her own point of view.

Thus do we see the division of prominent nations into two opposing camps as Ezekiel prophesied. Former Prime Minister Churchill's advocacy of an American-British military alliance, the demands of Britain and the United States on Soviet withdrawal according to agreement from Iran and Manchuria, and Russia's antagonistic "Hands Off" reply, all indicate the serious rift between these former allies—Russia on the one hand and the United States, Britain, France and the Benelux nations on the other. We do not know how soon or when these Scripture predictions in their final details will be fulfilled; we are observing only trends.

Now what shall be the fate of this great power into whose jaws the Lord says He will put a hook? Chapter 38 of Ezekiel answers in verses 2, 4 and 6: "I will turn thee back and leave but a sixth part of thee . . . thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel . . . I will give thee unto the ravenous birds . . . I will send a fire upon Magog." Their bones will be left bleaching on the mountains of Palestine. cf. Ezek. 39:11-16.

The reason for this dire judgment is their effort to exterminate Israel and to possess the wealth of the land of Palestine. The judgment of God is on the principle of His covenant with Abraham—"I will bless him that blesseth thee and curse him that curseth thee." God's program for the establishment of His kingdom among the nations involves the preservation of Palestine, "the glory of all lands," and of the confirmation of the "Holy City" Jerusalem,

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purged of its sins, as the "city of the great King," from which the law shall go forth to all nations, when Christ the rightful sovereign of the world rules on the throne of David. Isa. 2:3.

The idea that the Gog of Ezekiel 38 and 39 and the post-millennial battle of Gog and Magog in Rev. 20:7-9 are one and the same may be disposed of by Ezekiel 39:7, 23, 25, 28 and 29, where the result of Gog's defeat is the exaltation of Israel through chastening to her place of excellence among the nations, after their long experience of captivity and oppression. This is what happens at the return of the Lord Jesus Christ from glory to rule "over the house of Jacob" on the "throne of David," NOT after the millennial period has run its course.

The godlessness of Russia's Communistic rulers is authenticated by their utterances and their studied atheistic program to wipe out all religion. In fact, no one can be a Communist in good standing who is not antireligious. Is it any wonder that Russia's rulers cannot be trusted? No God means no moral responsibility. No MORAL RESPONSIBILITY leads to keeping of agreements only on the ground of expediency, to be repudiated if the ostensible national interest requires it.

Have we forgotten the historic pogroms against the Jews at Kishinev and other Russian cities well within the memory of the writer?

Have we forgotten the persecution of our own

Pentecostal brethren of Southern Russia and their banishment to Siberia, where, as far as we know, they have perished?

The God of all the earth will "do right" if either individuals or nations presume to "mock" (literally, "turn up their noses at") Him.

Fellowship NEWS

711 Bible School Graduates

A total of 711 young people were graduated from our Assemblies of God Bible Schools this year, out of an enrollment of 2890. In this issue of the *Evangel* we have pictures of the 1950 graduating classes.

There were 438 graduated from a three-year course and awarded a diploma. There were 245 graduated from a four-year course and awarded a B. A. degree, and there were 28 who completed a five-year course and receive a B. Th. degree.

To Visit European Assemblies

Wesley R. Steelberg and David du Plessis are spending the month of June in Scandinavia, ministering in various Pentecostal assemblies there. At the end of June, Brother Steelberg will return to U.S.A., but Brother du Plessis will remain in Europe until the latter part of August. He and Donald Gee expect to travel together through Switzerland and Germany, conferring with most of the Pentecostal workers. After that, Brother du Plessis will go to Italy and France. Pray that God will bless these brethren as they minister from place to place, and as they endeavor to strengthen the bonds of world-wide Pentecostal fellowship.

WMC To Be Organized in Michigan

Bond P. Bowman, pastor of Brightmoor Tabernacle in Detroit, is the new Assistant Superintendent of the Michigan District. He and Parvin C. Lee will serve as General Presbyters of the General Council, together with the District Superintendent, Chas. W. H. Scott. D. G. Foote will continue to serve as District Secretary-Treasurer.

At the recent session of the District Council, a resolution was adopted authorizing the establishment of a Women's Missionary Council as a department of the Michigan District.

Expansion Program Under Way at Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle

A new Sunday School building is being added to the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, Minneapolis, Minn. According to the pastor, Frank J. Lindquist, the addition will cost about \$140,000. It will be ready for dedication some time in December. When the building is completed there will be room for 900 in Sunday School.

The Lord has blessed this assembly with a gracious moving of His power and many have been saved and filled with the Spirit during the past year. About \$65,000 was taken in by the various departments. At the Missionary Conference last month the church set a goal of \$18,000 for World Missions during the next 12-month period.

Southern Missouri District Council

A total of 355 registered as delegates at the recent District Council meeting at Sedalia, Missouri. Emil A. Balliet was elected to serve as Assistant District Superintendent. Thomas F. Zimmerman was re-elected on the nominating ballot to serve as Secretary-Treasurer. Brothers Zimmerman and Balliet were chosen to represent the District in the General Council as General Presbyters, along with the District Superintendent, K. H. Lawson.

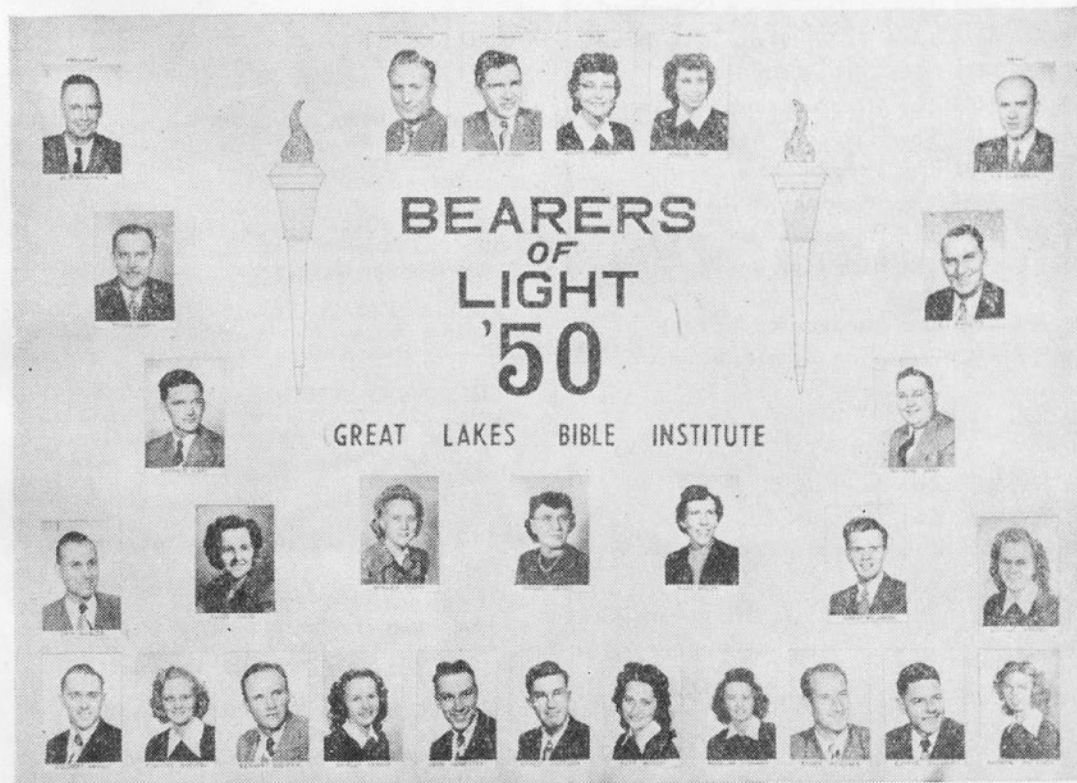
Among the Assemblies

DUNCAN, OKLA.—We had a good revival at the Duncan Second Assembly with Evangelists Margaret Vann and Frances Moss of Sheridan, Ark. God moved in our midst from night to night. Some were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, several made deeper consecrations, while others were reclaimed or refilled with the Spirit. We thank God for His blessings.—Floyd Schaeffer, Pastor.

FALLON, NEV.—We have been praying for an old-time Holy Ghost revival, and the Lord is answering our prayers. Last Sunday we had a wonderful service. People were slain under the power of God, and five received the Holy Ghost. Every service is getting better. We do not have an evangelist, but God is giving us a revival in answer to believing prayer.—Bradford Wilmoth, Pastor.

ST. FRANCIS, KANS.—We recently closed a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Okra Gaddis and son, John. It was one of the best meetings our church has had in a number of years. There were some saved, and quite a number healed, including some with afflictions of long standing. The power of God was manifested each night. Many were built up in the faith, and were encouraged to press on.—V. H. Glendening, Pastor.

BEAUMONT, TEX.—The Beaumont Section has witnessed one of the greatest revivals that has ever come to this part of the country. Evangelist Jack Coe of Fort Worth, Tex. came with a large tent at the request of a number of ministers who dismissed their midweek services to co-operate



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in this revival. As many as 2,000 to 4,500 attended the services nightly. Seventy-five to 100 came to the altar for salvation each night, and over 300 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Many miracles were performed as the people came through the healing line. One man with leukemia was healed and went to a doctor for an examination. The secretary of this section has the doctor's written report that shows "no abnormal condition." A baby that was born with club feet was healed instantly. The parents took the steel braces off, and more than 1,000 people passed by and saw the baby's feet after they were straightened. A boy from Port Acres, Tex. was healed of crossed eyes. His teacher gave him a written eye test which he passed 100%. The woman remarked, "God has surely healed you." A lady was brought by ambulance from the hospital. The doctors gave her no hope, but God instantly healed her and she walked out of the tent praising God. She came back every night thanking God for deliverance. A minister's sister had a large goiter and it disappeared while she was being prayed for. One man who was prayed for spit up a cancer after he had gone home.

Ministers of other denominations came to the meeting and desired the Holy Ghost. Some of them have started healing meetings in their churches.

There were 23 churches co-operating in this revival. Testimonies have come in from pastors that their churches have been blessed. Pastor Varnel C. Smith, Beaumont, baptized 26 new converts as a result of this revival. Pastor W. D. Metzgar, Nederland, reports 17 new converts, and Pastor Thomas H. Neal, Beaumont, baptized 10. These are only a few of the many testimonies that came in after the revival. The results of this revival are still being felt throughout this section.—L. E. Ivey, Presbyter; W. D. Metzgar, Sectional Secretary; Thomas H. Neal and A. G. Wilburn, Beaumont Pastors.

Coming Meetings

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

TRENTON, MO.—June 6—; Evangelist James Eastman, Springfield, Ill.—by E. W. Kelly, Pastor.

GILLETTE, WYO.—June 14—; Evangelist Eugene Smith, Cheyenne, Wyo. (Alvin Haun is pastor.)

DALLAS, TEX.—Oak Cliff Assembly of God, 919 Morrell Ave., June 11—; Evangelist A. A. Allen. (H. C. Noah is pastor.)

METALINE FALLS, WASH.—June 25—July 9 or longer; Evangelists Homer and Gertrude Doyle, Sunnyvale, Calif.—by Clyde M. Huson, Pastor.

VINTON, IOWA—Gospel Tabernacle, June 18—July 2; Evangelist Dan Kricorian, Boston, Mass. (Lloyd Shoemaker is pastor.)

WALLA WALLA, WASH.—June 18—July 2; Evangelist L. H. Sheets and family, Gardena, Calif.—by Dave Carlson, Pastor.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.—Gospel Tabernacle, 2631 E. Willamette Ave., June 13—; Evangelist Carl Nicholson, Woodbine, Iowa.—by R. E. Silvers, Pastor.

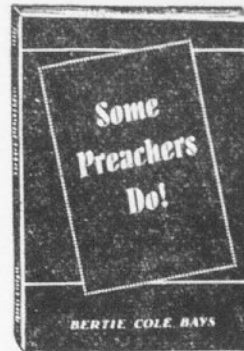
KAUFMAN, TEX.—First Assembly of God, 601 S. Washington St., June 18—; Evangelist Hardie G. Weathers, Houston, Tex.—by O. E. Tidwell, Pastor.

PATERSON, N. J.—Bethany Full Gospel Church, Main St., June 11—25; Evangelist H. E. Hardt, York, Pa. Two services daily 10:00 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.—by David Leigh, Pastor.

MONTANA YOUTH SEMINAR

Montana Youth Seminar, Glacier Bible Camp Grounds, Hungry Horse, Mont., June 27—30; Gene Martin, speaker; District C. A. President, W. A. Buck, in charge. Young people ages 15-35 urged to attend.

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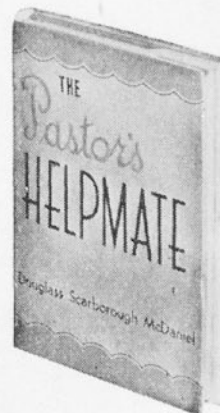
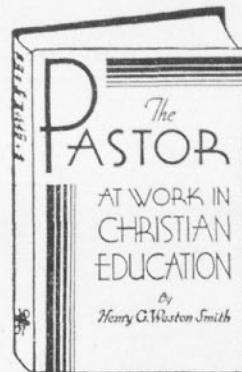
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WEST CENTRAL C. A. CONVENTION

Iowa and Northern Missouri Christ's Ambassadors Convention, First Baptist Church, 8th and High Sts., Des Moines, Iowa, June 15, 16. Don Mallough, National C. A. Secretary, special speaker. Services both days 10:00 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.—by Vinton E. Huffey, District C. A. President.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

RADIO BROADCAST—"Echoes of the Cross," station KNAL, Victoria, Tex., 1410 kc., Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.—Willis E. Berry, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESS—1136 W. Madison, Milwaukee, Wisc. "Have resigned from pastorate at Sheboygan, Wisc., to enter evangelistic field."—Philip Wannemacher.

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BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—Assembly of God, West 3rd and Virginia Sts., June 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. D. C. Ogden.—by C. H. Asher, Pastor.

LONGMONT, COLO.—Full Gospel Church, 8th and Bross, June 25—July 2; Evangelist Alfred W. Cawston, Pasadena, Calif.—by Milton Newman, Pastor.

TOMAH, WIS.—Assembly of God, May 31—June 18; Evangelist and Mrs. Maurice E. Lamb, Youngstown, Ohio.—by G. M. Hillestad, Pastor.

WATERTOWN, WIS.—Assembly of God, June 6—18; Evangelist B. E. Galyen, Marshall, Minn. Sectional C. A. Rally, June 12.—by H. L. Flaherty, Pastor.

PLAINVIEW, TEX.—First Assembly of God, June 18—July 2; Evangelist Harold Horton of England. Services 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.—by W. H. Magee, Pastor.

TACOMA, WASH.—Evangelistic Tabernacle, South 13th and "K" Sts., June 15—; Evangelists Mark and Huldah Buntain of Canada. (Don R. Rogne is pastor.)

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 5th and Fairmount Blvd., June 25—July 9; Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (Carl A. Goad is pastor.)

CENTRAL TEXAS CAMP

Central Texas Camp, July 27—Aug 3, at Neff State Park, 9 miles west of Moody and 4 miles south of McGregor, Tex., situated on the banks of the Leon river. Ralph M. Riggs, Assistant General Superintendent, morning and evening speaker. Three meals a day served at camp kitchen. Plenty of free camping space under beautiful trees. Necessary for everyone to bring their own tents and bedding. Camp sponsored by Waco Section of the Texas District Council; H. M. Cadwalder, Presbyter.—by Bracy I. Greer, Committeeman, Corsicana, Tex.

SPENCER LAKE YOUTH CAMP

Spencer Lake Youth Camp, Waupaca, Wis., June 26—July 4. Paul Hild of St. Paul, Minn., speaker. Study classes will be conducted in the morning, supervised recreation in the afternoon, and a service in the evening. Cost for entire camp including registration, tuition, and insurance, \$12.00. Commencement with open house July 4, also C. A. services in afternoon and evening of the 4th. W. E. Wood, Director. For further information write O. J. Hanson, Secretary, 317 W. Carroll St., Portage, Wis.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI YOUTH CAMPS

Southern Missouri District Youth Camps, Lake of the Ozarks Camp Grounds, 13½ miles S. W. of Eldon, Mo. Boys' camp, July 17—24; ages 9 to 14. Girls' camp, July 24—28; ages 9—14. Entire cost per camper \$7.50. Youth Conference, July 31—Aug. 4; ages 15 to 35. Entire cost per conferee \$10.00. For further information and application blanks write T. F. Zimmerman, District Secretary, 424 Woodruff Bldg., Springfield, Mo.

GOOD SAMARITAN CAMP MEETING

The Good Samaritan Camp, Hammondsville, Ohio, July 25—Aug. 6. L. T. Stewart of Beaver Falls, Pa., morning and evening speaker. Mrs. Stewart and Faith will be in charge of the children's services each day at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Opal Selzer of Akron, Ohio and Dorothy White of Dellroy, Ohio will be song leader and pianist, also having charge in Young People's services at 7:00 p.m.

Some cottages, rooms and tents. Arrangements can be made by mail to meet buses at Amsterdam or Hammondsville, Ohio. For further information write Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCausland, Hammondsville, Ohio.



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