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Christmas To The Christian

By Leah Ohse

During this Christmas time the significance of the day will be lost to many people; it will only mean commercial giving and receiving because Aunt Jane or Uncle Tom sent them a gift last Christmas. But to Christians who celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ it means much more. The old Gospel story brings a sweet and tender message that one never grows tired of hearing. Jesus was born in poverty and raised in obscurity. Only once did he ever travel beyond the bounds of his own country and that was in his childhood. Even from birth he was hunted by men who sought to take his life. For a short time he seemed to ride on the crest of popularity and then the multitude turned against Him. How true was His saying, "the foxes have holes, the birds of the air have their nests, but the Son of man hath nowhere to lay His head." On the Cross of Calvary He died an awful death for you and me. Now He is asking to make His abode in our hearts. Fellow follower, does He abide in all His fullness in your life and mine, or does He still have nowhere to lay His head?

It was many years ago that He was born here on earth in that lowly stable in Bethlehem, but He can live on earth again, if we will permit Him. Yes, He said He was going to establish His kingdom here on earth, and He will do it if we let Him have our hearts. Just think, the King of Kings dwelling within your heart and mine!

Let us think of a few of the truths uttered by Jesus Christ while here on earth: He said "I am the way, the truth and the life." Yet after celebrating the birth of Christ for more than nineteen hundred times we have to admit that most of the world does not have the truth, does not have the way, does not have the life. Christ said, "I am the bread of life," yet after nineteen centuries, how great is the famine of spiritual bread! Jesus said to Peter, "Put up again thy sword . . ." yet after nearly two thousand years of Christianity, innocent mothers and children are being blown to bits thru the insanity of war. Christ said, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest . . ." yet today we are living in a world of unrest, uncertainty and instability. Christ said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness . . ." yet we are living in an age of self-seeking, money-seeking, pleasure-seeking, sin-seeking; everything but God-seeking. Christ said, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation . . ." yet how few prayers will be uttered on Christmas day? Christ said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Yet today as we look over the world we find love on the scaffold and hate on the throne.

Again at this Christmas time we are reminded of the familiar truth concerning the condition of the inn at the time of Christ's birth. There would have been room for Him if it hadn't been so filled with others.

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NEWBERG YOUTH WIN

By Wilbur Newby

About one year ago, interested young people of Newberg Senior Christian Endeavor society listened intently to a proposition already discussed in previous meetings but now definitely organized and presented by Professor Emmett Gulley of Pacific College and the local pastors Carl and Minnie Miller.

The challenge was to make Newberg dry. Soon the idea was taken to heart and extremely vivacious and enthusiastic youth of all churches in the city were organized to form a unified body or army in preparation of a terrific battle.

Harvey Campbell, the society president of the Friend Christian Endeavor, was elected president of the organization and Professor Gulley advisor.

Due to other obligations, the acting president resigned and was succeeded by Esther Miller who supervised the active campaign.

Because the issue could not be submitted to the voters on a special ballot, the campaigning remained inactive but all the time planning the most effective methods of attack.

Sixty days before election, Newberg's Youth had canvassed the town with petitions for the "prohibition of alcoholic beverages within the city of Newberg," and had secured more names than necessary to place the measure on the ballot.

This was the call to arms!

The "dry" were the first to strike in advertising and active campaigning. So sincere and certain were these dry worshippers, church-goers, and busy-bodies" as they were called by the "wets" that it was not long before even the beverage dispensers conceded defeat.

The young people presented actual facts in hand bills, door-knob hangers, write-ups, and advertisements which ultimately resulted in contradictions in wet propaganda in order to meet the issue.

Over five hundred citizen attended the first Youth Movement Rally at which time the county sheriff, G. W. Manning, addressed the assemblage. The campaign was largely financed by the older people, the ministerial association and the churches.

A dramatic production "What Shall It Profit" was capably presented to a full house the evening preceeding election, under the direction of Miss Viva Garrett. At the time prizes were awarded by Esther Miller to grade school children who were winners in a contest in which each student submitted five reasons why his or her parents should vote dry. "Vote Dry for Me" badges were pinned on the school children earlier in the drive.

The wets were openly challenged to a public debate by these active youths but the challenge was never answered.

By the time election had arrived, every voter in Newberg was aware of the fact that there was still a great number of young citizens disgusted with the existing conditions.

Newberg previously went wet by a majority of thirty-two. Newberg went dry by a majority of two hundred and eight.

The slogan "Vote Newberg Dry for Newberg Youth" had won the voters.

PRESIDENT ENCOURAGES ENDEAVORERS



Encouraging! When I visit a society and someone comes around and says, "Our gang is still going good since Conference," my heart thumps faster, as I melt in praise to Jesus who is giving victory to so many of us C. Ers.

You have been praying that God would straighten out "up and down" young people so that they would quit flirting with the world. It is a fact that over our

Yearly Meeting this year we have many a young person who is proving for the first time by his consistent, holy, life that he has said a "Yes" to God that will stand for eternity.

But friend, how about you? Are you one of this company who have given the devil the cold shoulder or do you, when temptation comes, have a battle choosing between Christ and satan? Perhaps you have a head like a door-knob, any body can turn it. You let others decide for you instead of you and Christ making the decisions. Go to God and get some concrete opinions, thoroughly mixed and permanently set. Then let your associates try to persuade you away!

My friend goes through a lot more temptations than is necessary simply because he has not made it his goal to get fool-proof principles by which to live. By acquiring a single principle you may lose a half dozen fads. Surely, get only the single holy principle: "Avoid the appearance of evil," and you automatically cut out the multitude of popular sins: the dance, show, cards, wild parties . . .

Many things which tempt others do not grip me now, for I have a judging principle, based on the Bible, in my soul; and 'tis easy to say, "No."

Get going and keep going for God, friend. The floor of hell is being paved with "good intentions," but the streets of heaven with "Blood-bought, holy principles."

Paul Cammack

NOTICE TO SOCIETY SECRETARIES

Will all society secretaries see that your society's decision regarding the new Christian Endeavor Constitution is sent to me immediately? These are several months overdue now, and it is important that I receive them at once.

Marie Ellis
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REVIVAL REPORTS ENCOURAGING

The revival meetings held by Denver Headrick at Marion Friends Church from October 25 to November 8 were owned and blessed of God. The attendance was very good, averaging about thirty-five for the two weeks. Many of those that attended regularly drove from ten to fifteen miles and one family drove thirty-eight miles to attend the last service. Floyd Watson won a Bible for bringing the most new people to the services. The messages were inspirational and heart searching and the Holy Spirit used them to send conviction home to those present. Six of the children and young people knelt and asked God for Christ's sake to forgive their sins. Leonard L. Craven has just concluded a revival meeting at the Star Friends Church. His ministry was clear cut and uncompromising in its message. Our minds were stirred, and our hearts warmed and filled as we sat under the teaching of this man of God. Perhaps this comment made at the close of the meetings best describes Mr. Craven's ministry: "His teaching is so plain and clear that even a child can grasp it."

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

Newberg Quarterly Meeting convened Friday afternoon, November 13, with a meeting of the Ministry and Oversight. Mrs. Carl F. Miller gave the inspirational address on the scripture "Ye are the salt of the earth."

The evangelistic service in the evening was in the charge of Carl F. Miller who spoke on the "Workman who needeth not to be ashamed."

The Christian Endeavorers requested that Sunday afternoon be given to them for a Quarterly Meeting Rally. Edward Haldy, the new superintendent of Christian Endeavor presided. Francis Ohse, pastor of Rosedale Meeting, brought the inspirational address, his subject being "God's Left-handed Legion." Mr. and Mrs. Ohse sang. Paul Cammack expressed his appreciation and interest in Newberg Quarter's Chart work and in the interest being shown in C. E. work. The various society presidents reported the work for their respective societies. Newberg and Springbrook societies furnished special music. This was the first Quartely Meeting Rally ever held as a part of the Quarterly Meeting.

Have you paid your Friendly Endeavor quota?

A GIFT FOR HIM

Meditating in her study; moments passing by;

Not a word her lips escaping, but a guarded sigh.

Christmas day would soon be here, the birthday of her King;

What could she give in gratitude? She hadn't yet a thing.

What nothing for her Lord? She'd given her all, she thought,

And here she was with nought to give; her mind was all distraught.

But suddenly a whispered word arrested troubled thought;

She listened prayerfully unto a message that it brought.

A soul? She should have thought of that; could she another bring?

Had she been hurting all the while Him who was everything?

She wept; she prayed; she won the vict'ry over things undone;

She longed to hear, from Him she loved, those words "Well done,"

And, friend, would you your Lord present a gift, a precious loving token,

Or have you nought to give but tangled threads and vows long broken?

Christ gave His all, and still He gives, my brother;

Could you not honor Him by bringing just one other?

—Olive M. Terrell.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO INTERMEDIATES

From Marita Williams, Intermediate Supt. Dear Intermediates,

Since it is impossible for me to visit each of your societies personally, I would like to get acquainted with you through correspondence. I would like to know your president's name and address and also the number in your society. If you have a problem include it in your letter and I will do the best I can to help you solve it.

Christmas is almost here, isn't it, and I expect you are all counting the days until it arrives. Probably already interesting-looking packages have been hidden around the house. Maybe there will soon be a tree in your living room and you will be wondering what packages are yours. Isn't it just a lot of fun?

You know, Intermediates, the real joy you get out of Christmas is the giving of gifts and not the getting of them. So let's every C. E. Society, composed of boys and girls of Junior High age, find some children in your own community who are too poor to have a happy Christmas and see to it that their Christmas this year will be a joyful one. Why not fill a Christmas basket for them? Don't you think that would be a lot of fun? Try it and see. I would like to hear from every society that carries out this plan or one similar to it.

In all our Christmas joy, let us not forget the One who gives us all our joy, our dear Savior. And when we sing our Christmas carols may we not forget that the One whose birthday we are celebrating is coming back again.

Let the following verse truly be your prayer:

Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay,
Close by me forever and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care
And fit us for Heaven to live with Thee there.

CAN YOU SOLVE THIS?

Dear Juniors,

Here is a rather hard Christmas puzzle. I wonder how many of you will solve it.

1. 42-26-4-21-32-11-33. What did the wise men come to do? (Matt. 2:2)

2. 13-48-39. How many pigeons were offered as sacrifice? (Lk. 2:24)

3. 14-28-50-47-51. What king tried to kill Jesus? (Matt. 2:16)

4. 52-23-12-38-15-30. In what did Jesus sleep? (Lk. 2:16)

5. 18-40-3-10. Mary said, "He hath filled the hungry with . . . things." (Luke 1:53)

6. 8-35-31-16-20-30-34-25. What did Herod do with the chief priests and scribes? (Matt. 2:4)

7. 45-7-4-41. To whom was Jesus presented? (Lk. 2:22)

8. 29-54-1-37-44. Who appeared to Joseph? (Matt. 2:13)

9. 36-2-9-46-19-53-21. In what was Jesus wrapped? (Lk. 1:26)

10. 36.-17-22-5. Unto what was Gabriel sent? (Lk. 1:26)

11. 21-6-49-50. What did the wise men see? (Matt 2:10)

12. 43-24-27. In what was there no room? (Lk. 2:7)

The whole is a Christmas message from heaven.

To Solve: Beginning at 1, put down, in order, the number of the letters of which this enigma is composed. Look up the scripture references given with each question, and find the word in it which answers the question. Place each letter of the word under the respective figures which precede the question. When the work is complete, the letters may be separated into words. What is the sentence? The first word of the sentence will be started with 1, 2, 3, etc.

JUST TO REMIND YOU—there is a contest going on. I have received one life story of Joseph and I think it is fine.

You had better be sending yours in to me pretty soon. Phyllis Macy, 1455 So. Commercial, Salem.

NOTICE! CHANGE YOUR NAME

Is your society properly named? Perhaps not, because your executive committee of Christian Endeavor of Oregon Yearly meeting took action at its last meeting to rename the societies and make them standard throughout the Yearly meeting.

The proper names are as follows: Junior societies, up to and including children of the sixth grade; Intermediate societies, Junior high school; Young People's societies, all young people older than high school age.

In case your group is not large enough to divide in this manner the Junior and Intermediate groups may be combined and be called Junior. The High school and Young People groups may be combined and be called either as the group votes.

The Christian Endeavor Superintendents are: Junior, Phyllis Macy; Intermediate, Marita Williams; High School and Young People's, Elizabeth Ott Bishop.

A NEW MISSIONARY

Helen Marie Trachsel arrived November 5th to help her proud parents, Jack and Laura Trachsel at the N. H. A. Mission in Tientsin, China. Oregon Friends Endeavor extend congratulations to the fond parents with this admonition—"Take good care of baby Helen Marie for we expect her to join us at Twin Rocks next summer."

CHURCH WINDOW By Chester Hadley

BIRDS EYE VIEW OF EXTENSION WORK IN OREGON YEARLY MEETING

(Prepared for Church Extension Sunday December 6, 1936.)

This material to be used by the Chairman of the Evangelistic and Church Extension Departments of the Monthly Meetings.

In the October issue of the Friendly Endeavor an extended report of the Evangelistic and Church Extension Board in each of the Quarterly Meetings was given. In this issue the report is continued:

Rose Valley: At Rose Valley five acres of land has been purchased upon which Oscar and Ruth Brown have begun to erect a house and garage. It was their intention to build a garage and temporarily live in it, but a widower who formerly lived in the community has granted them the use of his house for the winter. In the mean time buildings are being erected on the property. Of real interest is the discovery of several springs on the land, saving the cost of well drilling.

Kelso: Gene and Gertrude Hibbs just finished a revival campaign with Rev. Ezra Pearson as Evangelist. Outward results were meager, but definite spiritual blessings resulted from the series of meetings. There is an increase in attendance according to Gene Hibbs who feels that this section of Kelso should be privileged to have a Church.

Vancouver: Vancouver Church has publicly welcomed Allison and Inez Rogers as their pastors and God has blessed their work since arriving on the field. In the midst of an acute shortage of houses, God in his providence arranged for the Rogers to live next door to the church at 708 W. 24 Street.

Rosemere: At Rosemere James and Mildred Raymond are meeting the needs of the community admirably. They are gaining the confidence of the people and are also continuing in the improvement of the property.

Bethany: Bethany Meeting in Seattle plans on having Hubert Mardock with them in the near future. Esther Hendricks is the pastor and God has blessed her efforts with the children in that needy community.

Vale: At Vale, Oregon we are happy to report that in response to an appeal for money for repairs and improvement that they have been able to build the chimney; secure the stove; and side the walls. The requests in the October issue of the Friendly Endeavor have been answered.

Woodland: From Woodland comes encouraging reports that there is a depth of spiritual life on the part of the young people in that community and the following up of the recent revival seems to be very gratifying.

Johnstown: Curtis and Margaret Morse have become so concerned for their community at Johnstown that they have offered to give \$25.00 of their own funds for the expenses of an Evangelist.

Center Point: Denver Headrick is at the present time with Edward Baker at Center Point. A recent letter reports victory in the midst of difficulties and a genuine response to the Gospel of God.

Prune Hill-Mt. Pleasant: Frederick Baker reports the installation of the furnace in the Church; the organization of a woman's Missionary Society, both at Mt. Pleasant and Prune Hill; the organization of a N. H. A. Prayer Band; the organization of an Intermediate C. E. Society; the entering of another community with the Gospel message; the continuance of the revival spirit begun during the summer tent meeting, with eight

UNITED BUDGET NEEDS COOPERATION

On page 42 minute 78 of the 1936 Yearly Meeting Minutes the follow action is recorded: . . . "That the askings of the Evangelistic and Church Extension Board, and the various department, all of which comprise the home field work and the askings for foreign missions be placed in one budget, and that the money received for such budget be divided out between the home and foreign work by the Yearly Meeting Treasurer at the fixed ratio determined by the askings of the home and foreign work. It is understood that specially designated gifts shall be applied as designated." This action which placed the foreign missionary and the home field money all in one budget completely changed the the program of the past and is of such importance that it should be called to the attention of every member of Oregon Yearly Meeting and everyone of us should honestly face the challenge of this action and realize that by so doing we have undertaken a program which needs the full cooperation from every member of the Church interested in either home or foreign work. When the missionary board graciously made this concession, they did so realizing that thru all the years of the past the missionary interests in the Yearly Meeting had been so stimulated that there was no difficulty in raising the money needed for their work. They realized also that by merging their funds with those of the home field that there would be the possibility of a shortage, unless the people rallied to the program and gave as liberally to both departments as they had hitherto given to the foreign work.

Our treasurer has just written a letter to the missionary chairman of the yearly meeting informing them that he has had to cut the salaries of our missionaries. He was forced to send only seventy-five per cent of the amount that should have gone. For the five months since Yearly Meeting \$1,108.64 has come in for the foreign missionary share of the United Budget. The total amount necessary for that five months was \$1,715.00; in other words the Missionary Department finds itself at this time \$600.00 in arrears. We realize that this shortage occurred during the summer months and that we have always faced the fact that money comes in much slower during that period, but this is a serious handicap as we face the winter months and unless something is done about it, we may find ourselves much farther in arrears at the end of the year and remember that this is a free will budget and unless it comes in, we have no way of sending it on. It does not become a responsibility upon a meeting after the year is closed. We do not want to let our missionaries, either on the home or foreign field suffer. Will you honestly face this situation, cooperate with your missionary chairman and do your very best to raise your share of this deficit, carry on with the rest of the regular program?

victories during the past few weeks, climaxed with one young man feeling the call to preach the Gospel.

THRU THE KEYHOLE

Newberg C. E.ers' Help Dry Up Town
The Newberg C. E. recently cooperated with other Christian young people of the town in crusading for a dry town. The elections found them victorious by a vote of 807 yes, 598 no. They are elated over this good step

EVANGELISTIC BOARD MAKES REQUEST

On page 40 minute 72 of Oregon Yearly Minutes of 1936 the following recommendation approved by the Yearly Meeting appears: . . . "The Evangelistic and Church Extension Board calls attention to the fact that the other departments of the Yearly Meeting have committees in the Monthly Meetings to stimulate interest in their work. The Evangelistic Board has no such direct connection with the meetings; we feel that the establishment of Church Extension Committees in the Monthly Meetings would stimulate interest in our program; we therefore request the Yearly Meeting to recommend to the Monthly Meetings that they establish such committees if at all possible. It is understood that this committee would charge itself only with the program of the Yearly Meeting, and in no wise hinder the work of the Ministry and Oversight body in its program of Evangelism in the Monthly Meetings."

In view of the fact that the finances of the Evangelistic Board and Church Extension Board and the the Missionary Board were merged into one fund this proposition from the Evangelistic Board is very important and should be seriously considered by each Monthly Meeting. Unless there is someone definitely charged with the responsibility of arousing interest in the Church Extension Program of the Yearly Meeting we will find ourselves falling down in the finances of our program which will make the missionary board suffer because of the fact that the missionary interest is well stimulated and the missionary program is well established. The recommendation of the Yearly Meeting calls for the establishment of a Church Extension Committee and we strongly advise it where it is practicable. Yet if there is some other committee in your meeting that could assume this responsibility and would be as definitely interested in it, we have no objection to your doing it in that way as we realize that in the smaller meetings the duplication of organizations is sometimes a serious handicap.

As soon as this matter has been properly cared for, please let the Yearly Meeting Superintendent know so that communication can be established and information can be sent directly to those in charge of this work.

Newberg has taken in voting against liquor in their town.

The Newberg C. E. Gospel teams are working in conjunction with the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. this year. The first meeting which the team sponsored this year was held at Springbrook.

The National Preaching Mission attracted a number of Newberg Endeavorers to Portland to hear Stanley Jones and attend the Youth class which was held Saturday morning. They also attended Young People's meetings in the afternoon, and reported a worthwhile time, altogether.

A campaign to attract new members is being held in this Endeavor, as the number in the C. E. seems to be lower this year. As can be expected, they hope to be successful.

LENTS LOOKOUT COMMITTEE UP AND DOING

The monthly business meeting and social of the Senior C. E. Society was held at the home of Dell Lamb on Friday evening. October 31. (Continued on Page 4.)

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ber 9. The Lookout Committee presented a well received report of activity. A lengthy discussion was then engaged in by the group on the problems of increasing attendance, and interest in our already lively and spiritual Society. Following the business session an hour of games of skill and humor were enjoyed.

Two of Lents' members have gone to their reward only this last month. Miss Wanda Strohmeyer passed away suddenly the afternoon of October 18. She came to Sunday School in the morning but was taken to the hospital in the afternoon for an emergency operation for appendicitis. She failed to rally from the ether.

Mr. Isaiah Denny died October 14 at the Veterans' hospital where he had been confined for some time.

Rev. Chester Hadley brought the Sunday morning message, November 8, on the subject of Home Mission Work in our Yearly Meeting.

Tacoma S. S. Has Unique Contest

During the past month a Sunday was set aside for Parent and Home Department day in the Sunday School. Prizes were then awarded to the mothers having the most children at Sunday School and to the person having the largest number of relatives present.

Chester and Mrs. Hadley were welcome visitors at the McKinley Hill Church on the first Sunday in November. Mrs. Hadley told the Sunday School about bidding the Tamplins farewell and Chester gave some interesting talks about our missionaries, showing motion pictures. Harold Mills, temperance superintendent was also a visitor at the church that day. He brought the morning message and gave us an illustrated lecture on "The Effect of Liquor on the Human Body."

Our Christian Endeavor was well represented at the state convention held Nov. 6, 7, 8, at Gig Harbor, Washington. Eunice Simpson did much in preparing for the convention and making it a success; Mary Etta Pierson had charge of the publicity; Olive Terrell taught a class; and Lawrence Berg sang a solo at one of the sessions. Over a dozen people from our church attended the last session on Sunday afternoon.

Some of the members of the Christian Endeavor evangelistic band have assisted in a number of the services of the Church of the Nazarene just organized about six months ago in Puyallup.

WOODLAND GLAD FOR NEW FAMILIES IN CHURCH

The Woodland Church is being boosted by the addition to their midst of the Weaver family, who are building a house in the community, and are Friends. E. E. Liddkie, another Friend, is also building a house in

the community, and will soon be joined by his family.

The Woodland C. E. choir has started chorus practice again.

Mrs. Fewless, of Portland, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fern Mills, pastor's wife at Woodland.

Sunnyside Young People Publish Monthly Paper

A mimeographed four-page paper, "The Friendly Forecaster" is being published once a month by the Young People's Society. It contains interesting news about the members and the Church.

The two weeks revival meetings with Hubert Mardock as evangelist were a great spiritual blessing to everyone. All that heard his inspiring messages have taken higher ground.

The Young People's Society held its Halloween party at Betty Williams with the ghost atmosphere prevailing.

STAR SOCIETY STILL ON MAP

Mrs. Guy Martin from Boise presented to us an exceedingly interesting talk on "Alcoholic Education" Sunday November 8, during our Endeavor meeting.

My, what a two-sided social we had Friday night, November 6! It was a lot of fun though and it surely paid to be on the winning side. We also held our monthly business meeting.

Rev. Leonard R. Craven from Greenleaf conducted a series of revival meetings October 18 until November 1. Everyone who attended was greatly blessed. Rev. Craven is now holding meetings at the Friends' church at Boise.

CHRISTMAS TO THE CHRISTIAN

(Continued from Page 1)

There would be room for Christ in many lives today if they were not so filled with other things. So at this Christmas season as you sit around in your comfortable homes or the homes of relatives or friends, remember that as Christ looks down upon us, he sees a lost race, a hungry race, a hateful race, a self-seeking race, a prayerless race, and a Christless race. We are hopelessly in debt to the message of the angels, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will towards men."

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