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'The fields . . . white already to harvest'



The future of the Evangelical Friends Alliance

PART I



Everett L. Cattell, president of Malone College, Canton, Ohio, and a contributing editor of *EVANGELICAL FRIEND*, presents the first of a two-part series on the future of the Evangelical Friends Alliance. The second of these, "Evangelical Friends Need a Revolution," will appear in the October issue. The author (above, right) is pictured as he discusses such matters with Gerald Dillon, former president of the EFA, at a recent conference of Friends leaders.

The founding of the Evangelical Friends Alliance grew out of some fundamental impulses. One was a weariness with isolationism and a reaching out for cooperation with those of like faith. A second was a weariness with smallness, lack of growth, and provincialism. Many expressed their desire to belong to a church of national rather than small area proportions. Many hoped that the alliance of four independent yearly meetings would be a stepping-stone to a union on a national basis.

Quakers organizationally represent an anomaly. Of the three major historic forms of Christian church organization, Friends are more presbyterial than congregational or episcopal. It is true that by their independence and resistance to outside interference many Quakers act as though they were congregational. But this is not true of original Quakerism, which was organized on the connectional principle. This is to say that the hierarchical structure of subordinate and superior meetings—monthly, quarterly, and yearly meetings—removed us from the congregational and put us in the connectional category in a fashion close to the presbyterial order.

The anomaly is not that we should be connectional but that we were not consistent in the application of the principle. For yearly meetings (excepting England, of course) represented areas rather than national boundaries. By the end of the nineteenth century, American Friends longed for national bodies and set them up within existing divisions, Hicksites gathering in the General Conference and Gurneyites in the Five Years Meeting.

In the latter body the uniting of the yearly meetings was in the form of a federation rather than a union. The Five Years Meeting (now Friends United Meeting) had only those powers delegated to it by the member yearly meetings, each of which in essence remained a sovereign unit. Hence the anomaly. While these yearly meetings have power over their subordinate quarterly meetings and thus

their monthly meetings, they did not surrender sovereignty to the national body as they require their quarterly meetings to submit to them. The reason is not far to seek. It was partly due to a growing independency that was characteristic of the period of quietism but more particularly to the suspicion of one another born of theological difference. The Christological issue that separated Hicksite and Orthodox in 1828 was again infecting the Orthodox. Corollary to the differing views of Christ were the issues of conversion, evangelism, and mission. And the lack of unity on these key issues prevented the Five Years Meeting from becoming a truly sovereign national connectional church.

The issue that will now face the Evangelical Friends Alliance is whether we remain a federation or proceed to be a united church. Will we still operate from a base of fear and suspicion that will keep us merely an "alliance" as another kind of federation? We have declared our theological unity in no uncertain terms. Do we believe this strongly enough to be delivered from fear and suspicion? Can we actually demonstrate the efficiency and potential for growth implicit in a united church?

Do we believe in evangelism as a working force for a constantly growing church, or do we use this only as a flag to hold over what is essentially a suspicious and defensive position? Is our primary stance to be defensive and separatists even from other evangelicals, or is our unity in the deity of Jesus Christ, the saving Gospel, and the determination to bring men to Christ sufficiently real that we can give ourselves to one another in a new and sovereign unity that will make us effective witnesses for Christ?

Our answer as of now is tentative and limited. It is a sort of yes and no. Yes, we want to be united. But the habit of suspicion makes us want to take a long, hard look at just what is being proposed before we agree to a particular method.

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"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." —John 4:35 (Photo by Frank Colcord, Jr.)

Antecedents

Bringing fear to many leading sociologists, scientists, statesmen, and others as we approach the last quarter of the 20th century is this fact of life: the population explosion.

The statistics are all too familiar. In brief, what once took thousands of years (adding one billion people to the earth's population) now is reduced to a matter of a few years!

Where does the church fit into the picture? Should we also fear, or should we rejoice in the growing opportunity? In reviewing the major articles in this month's EVANGELICAL FRIEND, it is apparent that more and more Friends believe that renewal in spirit and innovation in method must take place if we are to have any effect at all upon the burgeoning population. Everett Cattell expresses his concern beginning on page 2. Jack Willcuts points to the imperative of church growth. Editor Dean Gregory calls for revival and stresses the real mission of the church—bringing the lost to a loving, redeeming Savior.

There is a "stirring" among Friends of diverse viewpoints—a longing to be effective witnesses for Christ. These stirrings are found in local meeting and leadership levels alike.

As Jack Willcuts so aptly expresses it: "With the Great Commission ringing in our ears, the love of God filling our hearts, and *people, people, people* everywhere—our church dare not be small."

"...Look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." —H.T.A.

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Theology in the new era

When the astronauts' moon boots took their first steps toward a new horizon, they triggered far-ranging theological speculation about the limits of man in the universe God created.

Dr. Harlow Shapley, eminent astronomer who has directed the Harvard Observatory for 30 years, concludes that "high-life locations," or places where conditions would permit the development of a high form of life, probably exist on 100 trillion planets of the universe. "We are not alone," he says, although generations of theologians have sounded like it and civilized man has acted like it.

Conservative scholar Dr. Charles T. Feinberg, dean of Talbot Theological Seminary of La Mirada, California, does not believe scientific advances are out of place. "The scientific spirit is a spirit we should have," he told the *Los Angeles Times*.

The Rev. Paul D. Urbano, minister of All Saints Episcopal Church in Phoenix, Arizona, expressed amazement that anyone would think that now a new "astro-theology" must result from man's confrontation with space and probing toward the new worlds it contains.

"I always thought we had an 'astro-theology,'" he wrote in a recent article for the *Arizona Republic*. "Christian theology was never 'invented,'" said Father Urbano. "... A lot of humanly-imagined nonsense has, of course, got mixed up with it. But its foundations are in revelation, and revelation is God telling us something which, without revelation, we could not know."

Oxford University's Dr. Charles Coulson, professor of mathematics and an active Methodist layman, says he does not believe that one more person will become Christian on account of the moon visitation and sees no reason why one less should remain Christian.

German-born scientist Wernher von

Braun, who has become an Episcopalian, said it is difficult to understand a scientist who does not acknowledge the presence of a superior rationality behind the existence of the universe.

And from Harvard paleontologist Dr. George Simpson: "I do not think an invisible anthropomorph ever impregnated an espoused Jewish virgin, so it's true that I am not a Christian. . . . However, no rational person can fail to feel awe for this mysterious universe and its first cause."

In the end we will be judged not for our ability to reach the moon but by the quality of life we live, enabled by the Giver who set no bounds upon that.

—Norman B. Rohrer, Director

E.P. News Service, La Cañada, Calif.

DENVER FRIENDS PASTOR SEES APOLLO 11 LAUNCH

DENVER, COLORADO (EFA)—At the invitation of Dr. Wernher von Braun and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, David M. Leach, pastor of First Denver Friends Church, went to NASA's Kennedy Space Center for the launch of the first manned lunar landing mission.

MOON LANDING SPURS EFFORT FOR PEACE ON EARTH

WASHINGTON, D.C.—President Nixon, in a direct radio-telephone conversation with the Apollo 11 astronauts on the moon, said their presence in the Sea of Tranquility "inspires us to redouble our efforts to bring peace and tranquility to earth."

"For one priceless moment in the whole history of man," the chief executive declared, "all people on this earth are truly one—one in their pride in what you have done and one in our prayers that you will return safely to earth."

This historic conversation was telecast to millions of viewers in a connection linking the White House and the moon's surface.

—E.P. News Service

MARS PROBE 'IMMORAL,' SAYS THEOLOGIAN

BUFFALO, NEW YORK—Vice-president Agnew's proposal to have the U.S. space program expanded for a landing on Mars is "immoral," a prominent Protestant theologian charged here.

Dr. Robert McAfee Brown of Stanford University, interviewed after twice lecturing at a Canisius College religious forum, said priority should be given to the earthly problems of poverty, pollution, and population control.

Dr. Brown, a United Presbyterian, called for an accelerated attack on the problems of ghetto poverty, contaminated environment, and the population explosion with the same "magnificent teamwork" of organization, skill, manpower, and money that made the lunar landing possible.

—E.P. News Service

Bradley C. Fisher

A testimonial concerning church attendance

Those who know Maud Redinger know her as a faithful and steadfast Christian. She attends each service in the church and is always ready to speak an encouraging word and render what service she can. She has raised her family the same way. Though they have been on their own for many years, they have been true to the way they were taught.

Maud has a special gift in prayer. When she prays, it seems as though heaven bends just a little closer. A few months ago, she led the midweek prayer meeting. Her lesson was a beautiful story concerning faithful church attendance. Her testimony was as follows:

"Many years ago—it was about the year 1915 or 1916—we lived here in Seiling, Oklahoma, with two small girls. My parents lived seven or eight miles out from Seiling and still drove a team and wagon. At that particular season, my father's elder brother and wife were visiting them.

"One Sunday morning, plans were made for my parents to bring my Uncle and Aunt to our house for dinner. It was decided I would stay home from church and have dinner ready when the company came. My husband and girls went to church as usual. The weather grew stormy and my father decided it was too bad to drive the team to town. They never came but I had stayed home and prepared the dinner.

"I promised the Lord then if he would forgive me, I would never again miss a service to prepare a dinner for company. I can truthfully say that I have kept that promise with the help of the Lord. During the years I have fed many folk on the Sabbath day but always after I had attended the church service. The meal can be prepared mostly on Saturday or early Sunday morning."

Bradley Fisher is pastor of the Friends Church in Seiling, Oklahoma. The EVANGELICAL FRIEND welcomes such brief, devotional or testimonial articles of general interest from Friends.

'To know! To experience! To serve!'

"Evangelism is the proclamation of the Gospel of the crucified and risen Christ, the only Redeemer of men, according to the Scriptures, with the purpose of persuading condemned and lost sinners to put their trust in God by accepting Christ as Savior through the power of the Holy Spirit, and to serve Christ as Lord in every calling of life and in the fellowship of His Church, looking toward the day of His coming in Glory."

The above definition of evangelism sets the tone for the emphasis we constantly seek to present through these pages. Evangelism and mission have always been the very heartbeat of the church. When the flame of revival has burned low, the cause can be traced to a diminished zeal in the prophetic ministry of telling forth the good news of Christ's Gospel to all men everywhere, at home and abroad.

If evangelism results in the effective alignment of people on the side of righteousness and true holiness of character and life, the mission of the church will be set on its proper course. Without the life-transforming experience of conversion and the fullness of the Spirit, the mission of the church will be off-center—creature-centered instead of Christ-centered.

For this reason evangelical Friends do believe strongly in the inspiration, authority, and infallibility of the Scriptures, right alongside of the immediacy of the Holy Spirit's presence and light in the life of the believer. We do believe in the unique deity and lordship of Jesus Christ, through whom alone we have redemption from sin and a right relationship with God, and that in this relationship we are empowered by the Holy Spirit for effective Christian service.

Christians ought not to be slaves to tradition and method but should constantly be searching for more workable and more fruitful means to win the lost to Jesus Christ.

God's people pray for and yearn for revival in this our day. Out of this deep desire for renewal and quickening, a number of Christian leaders in America

have banded themselves together for a great assembly of Christian leaders called the U.S. Congress on Evangelism. It will be a convocation of an estimated 8,000 Christian ministers and key laymen, dedicated to pray, to share, to seek, and to find—by the Spirit's quickening power—some of the answers to burning issues challenging the church and humanity itself in our world today.

The U.S. Congress on Evangelism will convene in Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 8-13, 1969. The Congress is:

A Summons—

To Know! To Experience! To Serve!

"To know the truth of the Gospel; to experience the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; to serve in spreading the Good News."

The Statement of Purpose of the Congress is as follows:

1. To witness to the central fact that the Gospel of Jesus Christ has power to save people in this age, and that faith in Jesus Christ is the way of salvation for all.

2. To find anew the Biblical basis and strategy for evangelism through the urgent proclamation and teaching of the Gospel to each generation by a worshiping, witnessing, and serving church in which all believers once again declare boldly their faith in the risen Lord.

3. To teach believers how to do evangelism in the power of the Holy Spirit.

4. To experience a spiritual awakening within the church by the power of the Holy Spirit.

5. To challenge the powers of darkness, spurring the churches to stimulate believers everywhere to mount a vigorous attack upon the forces producing misery, inequity, emptiness, discrimination, and other evils in our society, and to lift, wherever possible, the spiritual and temporal burdens of man.

6. To encourage the church to develop and use modern and effective means for reaching people with the Gospel in all its relevance.

7. To demonstrate practical Christian unity through witness to the world that Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord.

8. To confess together past failures; to assess together opportunities for evangelism presented by a burgeoning world; and to strengthen one another in the common task of reaching out to that world for Christ.

9. To reaffirm that Jesus, the Lord of the church, is the Lord of history at whose return "every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father."

The Evangelical Friends Alliance has been invited to send representatives to this meeting of Christian leaders from throughout America. Urgent prayer must accompany and follow these highly important days in Minneapolis. Let our hearts burn within us as we walk the ways

of prayer fellowship with our Lord who is concerned for revival within the church.
—D.G.

Editor assumes new position

The office of the editor of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND was moved from Star, Idaho, to 2018 Maple Street in Wichita, Kansas, on August 1. Since the beginning of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND as the voice of the Evangelical Friends Alliance, your editor's office space and much of his office equipment has been furnished, without cost, by the Star, Idaho, Friends Church, where the editor has also served as pastor, dividing his time between editorial and pastoral responsibilities. A special word of thanks is due the Friends of Star for their contribution to the work of this magazine during its first two years.

I have been called to the superintendency of Kansas Yearly Meeting of Friends, which office I assumed on August 1. Friends here have been willing for me to continue my editorial responsibilities with the EVANGELICAL FRIEND, and I shall endeavor to carry out these responsibilities with the help of the editorial staff and assistants.

Kansas Yearly Meeting Friends will miss the leadership and friendly counsel of Fred Littlefield. I have appreciated the fine way he has prepared affairs for me to take over his duties here at the Yearly Meeting office. His spirit of cooperation and concern for the church has been an inspiration to me in this transition time.

At the beginning of EVANGELICAL FRIEND's third year of constant monthly publication, I would like to thank all who have helped in accomplishing any success that the magazine may have achieved. Special thanks goes to the departmental editors, contributing editors, regional editors, secretaries, spontaneous contributors of articles, the entire staff of our publishers—Barclay Press—and to the other members of the editorial staff.

We dedicate ourselves anew to the task of publishing a magazine that will be true to the faith and geared to the contemporary times in which we live.
—D.G.

The imperative of church growth

As we approach the decade of the 1970s, the sociological and economic indicators continue to point toward booming growth. Forecasters are anticipating an era that they call *The Soaring '70s*. What will happen to the churches of the Evangelical Friends Alliance during this expansive decade? Will we continue a pattern of only a few churches growing, while most of our congregations level off and decline, often in spite of beautiful new church buildings set amidst burgeoning population centers?

The serious possibility of such a prospect has prompted a church growth study in Oregon Yearly Meeting, undertaken during the past year by a special committee named by the Yearly Meeting Executive Council. Howard E. Harmon, a church extension pastor; Dorwin Smith, clerk of the Yearly Meeting; Arthur Roberts, dean of faculty at George Fox College; Mahlon Macy, pastor of Portland First Friends Church; and Richard Beebe, a school principal from Eugene, Oregon, served on the committee. Myron D. Goldsmith, chairman of Division of Religion at George Fox College, and Jack L. Willcuts, yearly meeting superintendent, carried out the study. A task of such proportions is a difficult one to be attempted in one year, and the limitations in findings are recognized. Nevertheless, five sources of data were examined as thoroughly as possible:

1. A major Church Growth Questionnaire, which probed the thinking, concerns, and attitudes of our own pastors and people.

2. Examination of our own statistics reflecting the past and present growth patterns of Oregon Yearly Meeting.

3. Conferences with church growth specialists in leading seminaries and at

special gatherings of others concerned for church growth.

4. Visitation of a number of churches across the United States where significant growth is taking place.

5. Study of the published body of literature emerging in books, pamphlets, and magazines concerning church growth.

The study was aided greatly by the special counsel of Dr. Donald A. McGavran, dean of the School of World Mission and Institute of Church Growth at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California, and Dr. Medford H. Jones, professor of Church Growth at Emmanuel School of Religion, Johnson City, Tennessee, whose kind and patient interest was appreciated. The lectures, interviews, experiences, books, and literature that these men and others have produced were analyzed and combed.

Including church profile charts, like the one shown on page 8, of each of our churches, which give 25 different items of information about every meeting, the 187-page report was presented to the Yearly Meeting in session in August. Divided into four sections, the report followed the outline: I. "Where Are We Now? (Evaluation)"; II. "How Do we Compare? (Perspective)"; III. "Where Are We Going? (Objectives)"; IV. "How Do We Get There? (Implementation)."

Making a selection of eight specific recommendations was done with considerable trepidation. Do they cover too wide a range of subjects? Are they really the right priorities? To find a general evaluation and plan accurate and suited to the varied conditions of our churches that will be reviewed by all with hearts and minds open to the direction of the Holy Spirit was prayerfully attempted. Not all of the proposed changes will take place quickly. Hopefully, however, a new sense of direction and specific goals will be realized as the local meetings come to grips with these issues:

1. A growing church has growth goals.
2. A growing church makes all its

meetings count.

3. A growing church has members committed to discipleship.

4. A growing church provides for small group action.

5. A growing church utilizes direct evangelism.

6. A growing church has multiple forms of ministry.

7. A growing church plans for leadership development.

Each of these is developed in booklet form for study and implementation in the local church. The eighth recommendation pertains to the administration of the church growth program itself. It will do little good to have plans and ideas worked out by a committee if they are not discovered, understood, and accepted on the local level. (Oregon Yearly Meeting in session August 1969 approved hiring a church growth secretary to work with the local meetings in implementing these goals.)

The section on "Perspective" gives a report of the growing churches visited. Each of these carries a story describing facilities, staff, types of worship and programs, the growth records, and "unusual features." This summary is followed with a list of possible applications to Friends Church concerns. Churches visited were deliberately chosen to represent not only significant growth patterns but a wide range geographically, denominationally, rural, urban and suburban, old churches that had suddenly demonstrated new life, new churches starting from scratch, and churches with different types of leadership.

Motivation and methods constitute a major part of the study. While doctrine is examined, and a revised Statement of Faith and membership forms are introduced, the assumption is that not our doctrine but our ways are suspect. "Doctrine controls the character of the church, but methods determine its growth," insists Dr. McGavran. Friends must want to grow. Methods alone won't do it; we cannot *make* it grow. Zest and enthusiasm

Executive Editor Jack L. Willcuts, superintendent of Oregon Yearly Meeting, summarizes the findings of the church growth study made by him and Myron Goldsmith during this past year. These findings are in book form, Friends in the Soaring '70s: A Church Growth Era.

"Complacency and discouragement must be met with a spirit of conquest. With the Great Commission ringing in our ears, the love of God filling our hearts, and people everywhere — our church dare not be small."

alone will not bring growth. The right mixture of the two, empowered by the Holy Spirit, *will* do it. Complacency and discouragement must be met with a spirit of conquest. With the Great Commission ringing in our ears, the love of God filling our hearts, and people, people, people everywhere—our church dare not be small. Cognizance is taken of the gains already made, of the many lives changed, and the evidences of spiritual progress for which we must acknowledge the grace and goodness of God. With all this, the fire of concern and the call of Christ still burn within our hearts. There is coming a new expectation for church growth, both qualitatively and quantitatively. We must not fear growth or subconsciously resist its possibilities.

While there is a natural tendency to search for shortcuts, gimmicks, or instant solutions, we all know that there is a holy mystery related to the sovereignty of God in building the church. What must be found are basic principles that reveal the ways of God and men in finding these solutions. What are some of these principles? Is the church to be only the victim of contemporary moods and social circumstances?

Beyond making distinctions in doctrine and methods, beyond removing the deliberate or subconscious mental barriers to church growth, is another principle: *Numbers are important.*

There is nothing unspiritual about counting. There is real danger, however, in being careless about counting. There are two kinds of growth—quality and quantity. There are two thrusts to the Great Commission—preach and teach. One reaches numbers; the other brings them through the nurture of the Gospel into Christian maturity. We must keep them in balance.

Numerical growth is essential for self-support. Because of nongrowth, many of our smaller churches are stifled financially in programming and pastoral support. Mission needs, college needs, outreach needs cannot be met without growing

churches. Yet, quality Christians are required to provide the atmosphere, methods, and motivation for a growing edge. Growing churches are those whose members believe they enjoy a life superior to that which they had before. There is no more convincing proof that a program suits the actual needs of the congregation and community than a growing church. The warmth of fellowship is the greatest appeal to new attenders.

Improved quality leads to quantitative growth, which in turn allows further qualitative improvement. The process feeds upon itself, and where it exists churches find that they soon have to provide space for cars and space for people to flock to the place and the fellowship that meets their needs.

Yet another principle delineated is that new growth comes largely from new or renewed Christians. Every new Christian knows intimately more non-Christians than most of the church people. Family and social circumstances of new Christians provide a frontier growing edge of the church.

Priorities and parallelisms govern church growth or nongrowth. "The great danger is not that the church will fail, but that it will succeed in the wrong things." Seldom is the church involved in anything that is wrong in itself. It does, however, engage in many parallel activities that may at one time have contributed to growth but have since become traditions siphoning off time, energy, and funds that might be more productively used. Everything must be measured in terms of its contribution to growth. The tragedy in parallel programs is that many Christians can be so busy with them that they have no time for the real work of evangelism and ministry and spend all their time in "church work" conscience free, because they regard this as the Lord's work.

Another thrust of the church growth report is aimed at what John W. Gardner, former Cabinet member and president of Carnegie Foundations, says is the pitfall

of most organizations. "They have developed a functional blindness to their own defects." While the church is more than an organization, current research in church growth patterns suggests they also have their cycles of increase, decline, stagnation, and revival. One of the first rules in the cycle of renewal is that every organization must have an effective program of recruitment and development of talent. Friends flinch at the crassness of the word *recruitment*, but we are deeply concerned for the need of more men called of God to be trained and released for service. While only God can call a man or woman into Christian vocations, He often uses the influences of the church, as with discernment hands are laid on those evidencing a gift of ministry.

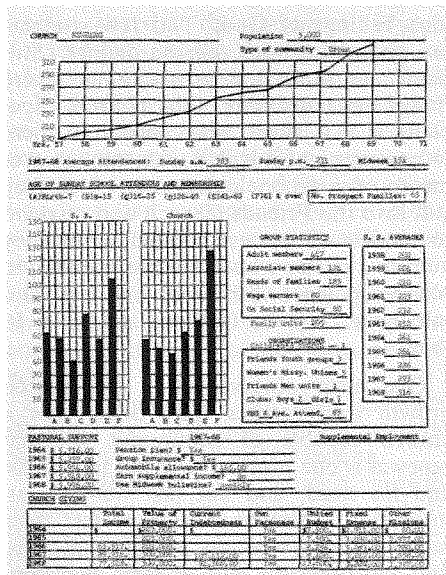
A shortage of able, spiritually deep, highly trained, highly motivated men seems to be a general feature of society and the church at large. We dare not let our youth get sidetracked, boxed in, or go to seed in lesser vocations than that of the high callings of God. Too few students are graduating with religion majors. Students are interested in vocations where things are happening. The church, especially if it is small, may appear to them to compare unfavorably with the achievements of a technological age. Yet they still love the Friends Church and respond to models of success created when they admire a pastor who is sincere, earnest, in obvious contact with God, well-read and intelligent, honest, fearless, and open to them.

One other observation in the church growth study comes from belief that a church capable of continuous spiritual renewal is one hospitable to the individual and his need, and not just building an institution. Quakers who have lost their individualism, who no longer expect to find and fulfill the gifts of their own ministry, will become just cogs in the machinery and will therefore act like cogs in the machinery. Our one main protection against a total loss of Quakerism in true Christian individual initiative is to create

an atmosphere of mutual trust in which anyone with an idea and concern can speak up. We must protect those who do. After one's expressed concerns fall several times with a thud in a passive, immobile monthly meeting or committee, he becomes either one of the silent people himself or slips away discouraged. The fire of new Christians must be fanned and channeled, not stamped out.

Another concern of the church growth studies is that a church capable of continuous renewal and growth is alert to seize every opportunity for ministry. We must offer our helping hand at every point of human need, the material and physical, the psychological, and social. This is going to cost us something, more than money; it means that to share another's burden you have to carry some of the load. We as evangelical Friends must learn again to love, to care for the black power people, the hippie, the migrant families, alcoholics, the angry generation—not just tolerate, ignore, or withdraw in a safe place to pray for them, but go out to them in the love of Jesus. One feature of the church growth studies discusses these issues with a listing of 37 different possible ways for the local meeting to *get involved*. This generation wants action, not words only. Compassion is the key, as Christ demonstrated again and again.

The church growth studies manuscript, a plastic ring loose-leaf book entitled *Friends in the Soaring '70s: A Church Growth Era*, is available to anyone wishing to study and use it. (Barclay Press, \$3.00 plus postage) While adapted for Oregon Yearly Meeting, other evangelical Friends will find it of interest.



Each church in Oregon Yearly Meeting was profiled separately on a chart as shown above. These revealing statistics are contained in the church growth book.

John H. Rice

Godliness with contentment

"Godliness with contentment is great gain." 1 Timothy 6:6

How refreshing to know there is the possibility of contentment in a world of discontentment and unrest. When we think of the work of our nation in trying to help find solutions to the unrest in our cities and among the youth on college campuses, we know the problem is great and the answers difficult to find. In this world of unrest and discontentment, the Christian knows the answer is found in godly living. There is a way of life planned for all, disclosed in the word "godly." Our Lord would have every Christian live a life "According to God." This pattern is a high goal but it is only our reasonable service. For discontentment, the Bible prescription is the pursuit of God, which brings contentment.

Contentment is a state of life to be desired by all, yet it is hard to believe that any real contentment could come to any one apart from God and a godly life. It is my desire to encourage Christians who are troubled with discontentment, possibly brought on by pressures, problems, and anxieties, to know that real godly living can bring peace of mind. There are many Christian people who appear to be uneasy and over pressed by many problems. Ours is a complex society with people overworking and rushing to keep up with life's responsibilities. Some Christians feel that the church demands too much time and effort. In many homes both father and mother are working outside the home to make a living. These are but a few of the problems that Christians face today and may be some reasons why some Christians are discontent with their lot in life.

I have learned in my own experience in the Christian ministry that discontentment is not desired by God for the believers. God spoke to me in a personal way when I used this text for a sermon delivered to my church. This opened the truth to me that it is not God's will for Christians to be unhappy, discontented, and upset over the concerns of life. He has provided the way of holiness for all

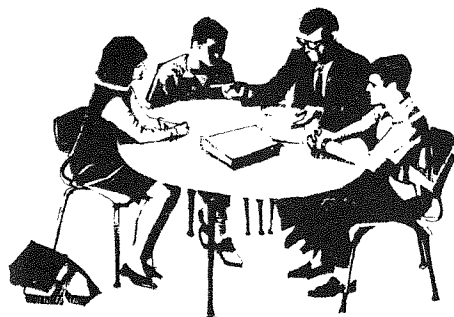
Christians, which brings blessed peace to one's soul.

This life of godliness comes through total commitment to the will of God. Therefore the pursuit and practice of godliness give birth to contentment. We can't expect to simply think our way into contentment. Rather, contentment comes from a right relationship with God.

Young people are not content with what they find in the world today. They find that a pursuit of worldliness leads to heartache, disappointment, and frustration. But the Good News is that in God there is an answer to be found.

We could conclude that the reason any person does not have contentment is because he fails to follow God fully. We might be tempted to say that our many trials and troubles make us unhappy. How can a person be happy and have peace of mind while undergoing trials and problems that seem too hard to endure? I am reminded of Paul and Silas, with the pain of bleeding backs from the stripes laid on them for the cause of Christ, and while there in the Philippian jail, were yet content to suffer for the cause of their Lord. They could even sing God's praise in that condition. We then must conclude that the Christian can be content even while in trial or sorrow. Our Lord will never ask His followers to bear more than they are able.

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BY MARJORIE LANDWERT

SCHOOL TIME AGAIN

The annual trek of our children and youth back to the classroom should serve to remind us that, as Sunday school teachers, we need to be seeking out those from our classes who have been off on summer holidays. If we want to make the most of our limited time to teach God's Word, these pupils should be in our classes every Sunday.

You might try a fall *roundup* social to remind pupils of their privileges to learn spiritual values in your class. Perhaps a reminder in the mail, a phone call, or a brief visit will encourage them to get into the Sunday school habit. The effort you make will be valuable for your class but most of all for the pupil who has been missing.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

Five hundred high school students were asked to list in the order of their importance four persons or agencies that had most affected their ideas about God and the Bible. The highest ranking response was, "My father."

In a nationwide survey of Free Methodist high school students in 1960, Donald Joy found that young people whose parents conducted "regular family altar" worship were "active Christians" at a ratio of seven to one as compared to young people who came from homes where there were no family prayers.

These facts reaffirm what the Bible teaches us about the importance of teaching spiritual truths to our children. The question for most Christian families is, How can we do this?

Realizing this to be of great concern to Christian parents, the George Fox Press through the new Aldersgate Graded Curriculum is offering some very practical help in the form of a new family devotional book entitled *Table Talk*. This booklet is published quarterly and designed as a home reinforcement to the new Aldersgate Graded Curriculum for Sunday schools. Whether you are using the new curriculum or not, *Table Talk* can be a valuable aid to family devotions be-

cause it is concerned with imparting to children and youth the basic concepts of the Christian faith.

Table Talk includes reading material, Bible readings, discussion questions, prayer suggestions, hymns with guitar chords, games, and suggestions for parents. It has been planned to help parents teach basic scriptural principles and to add spiritual life to family devotions.

For the adult's own personal devotional life, as well as an additional aid to family devotions, *Fruit of the Vine* is also suggested and recommended. This quarterly guide, published by Barclay Press, contains suggested Scripture passages, reading material, prayer, and hymn suggestions. What makes *Fruit of the Vine* of special significance is that it is written by and for Friends. Besides being an excellent help to personal and family devotions, *Fruit of the Vine* is a valuable piece to be used in visitation, as a witness placed in waiting rooms, and for the home department.

Your church could do an immense service to families by providing these spiritual helps for them. Write to your George Fox Press distributor for *Table Talk* and *Fruit of the Vine*.

IT CAN BE DONE

Do you want to grow? Read some ideas offered by George Bales from the Rose Valley Friends Sunday School and Church (Washington).

"We certainly did nothing spectacular this year beyond getting a theme (political), getting organized (departments), giving inducements (candy bars), using competition (beat the other churches).

"Rose Valley is situated in a unique position, being the only church in a quite closely knit community. Our opportunities are unlimited in the next 20 years if we can get the vision of what can be accomplished. We are in the process of buying 2½ acres adjoining us to the east and will eventually total about seven acres. This will give us room for an enlarged church building, two parsonages, a large recreational building, a swimming pool, a day camping park with adequate parking and whatever else is needed. We are working on a ten-year project that will probably turn into about 30 years.

"One of the chief factors in church growth is good public relations. We go all out to cooperate with other community organizations. We participate wherever possible, loan our equipment and facilities without charge, help advertise community events, and do everything possible to create a good name in the community. When a new family moves into the community and asks about the church, they get a positive answer. You have to get involved in the community

before they will get involved in your activities.

"Short term campaigns like Sunday school contests and visitation programs are great to give the program a shot in the arm and get people going and to advertise the church in the community. However, it is the day-by-day optimism and work of the church people that pays off in lasting results. I am very thankful for the many people in our church who patiently and consistently work every day through good and bad. They give liberally of their time and money and do a minimum of griping about the conditions under which they work. If growth continues at Rose Valley, it will be through the efforts of these people, implemented by the Holy Spirit."

NEW THINGS COMING UP

The Christian Education Commission of the Evangelical Friends Alliance rolled up its collective sleeves and went to work at the meeting in Colorado Springs in April. Several decisions were made there that will keep the commission members working all year. It won't be long until you will be seeing some of the following results of their efforts:

A new EFA addition to ACT (Aldersgate Christian Training) to help you train workers.

A revision of the EFA Achievement Goals.

The preparation of a uniform Christian Education Handbook for all local churches.

A study of various weekday activities programs.

A year of emphasis on Sunday school and church growth for 1971.

Preparation of tapes to help your youth and adults better communicate their faith.

The George Fox Press will become an official arm of the Christian Education Commission, and they have some exciting things to offer to you, too, such as:

The new Aldersgate Graded Curriculum to begin September 1969.

A full year of Bible Survey in the *Adult Friend* and *Teacher's Friend*, which began in July, 1969.

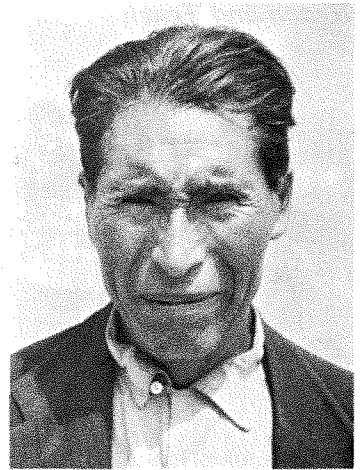
A Friends doctrine course, *Let's Be Friends*, for youth. Ready for summer of 1970.

A new training text to go with the Aldersgate Graded Curriculum, ready now, entitled, *Meaningful Learning in the Church*, by Donald M. Joy.

The commission is working to help you. What are you doing to help your Sunday school?

An Aymara sower

Joaquín Benito,
an Aymara sower



BY NICK MAURER

The first time I met Joaquín Benito was during our first week in Peru. He came to our house in Juli from his community six miles away, with three other believers. As the leader of his church at Tiri, he came to welcome us as new missionaries. The soft Spanish dialect spoken by the Peruvian Aymara is very different from the crisp Costa Rican Spanish we had just finished studying, so I really did not understand all that these friendly men had to say. But I responded with nods of the head and an occasional "sí," or "yes," just to be polite.

Sometime later, Joaquín informed Everett Clarkson, the senior missionary, that the new missionary had agreed to help them remodel their church building and supply some materials! This was news to me! As an indigenous mission work, we do nothing for the national believers that they are able to do for themselves. This avoids childlike dependency upon the missionaries, and allows them to rely upon their own initiative and resourcefulness, and most importantly, upon the Lord Jesus Christ. So Everett soon made it clear to the Tiri men that no matter what the new missionary had agreed to, we would not help them on their building. I learned never again to indicate assent unless I was sure what had been said!

So Joaquín and I got off to a bad start. This was shown later on when I took over the weekly class for church leaders, held at Tiri. At the first session without Everett, Joaquín remarked, "I don't know why I should bother to come to these classes. I know everything in the Bible anyway!" Most of the men attending this session gathered round and remonstrated with him. And he did continue to attend the weekly classes.

Joaquín was a proud man. His brother Maximo was the first Friends believer in the Peruvian high plains. At that time, Joaquín was a rather notorious drunk in his community, but with his brother's testimony and the missionaries' help, he too put his trust in Christ as Savior.

Since then he found victory over alcohol and, being a natural leader and a competent man, soon became the one in charge of his local church. He had a gift for preaching, and being somewhat better educated, understood more of what he read in God's Word. He led what then was the largest congregation in the Peruvian Friends work. But he had his pride.

The Aymara is very dependent on the land. As the custom of dividing land among the sons and the sons' sons goes on, the land becomes more and more scarce, and frequent squabbles over ownership occur. Tiri was in the midst of such a dispute for an extended period of time. Agreements were broken, and some legal settlements were violated. One day Joaquín came to ask for prayer over the current phase of the problem. As he left, he said, "For someone who is trying to follow Jesus Christ, land and possessions are just a snare." I believe that this expressed a turning point in his life, for from about that time he did not take an active part in land quarrels, and seemed to take evangelizing more seriously.

It was good to see Joaquín grow in his Christian life. Fruit that he began to bear showed that his desire to follow Christ was genuine. Last year was a difficult one for the farmers. Rain was scarce, and hail and killing frosts damaged much of the crops. There were widespread rumors and very real fears that thieves from harder hit areas were on their way to steal anything of value. Joaquín came one afternoon to ask me to bring in to our place for safekeeping a box of his books and a chest of carpenter tools belonging to his son. I told him that the next time I passed Tiri I would. When I did stop, Joaquín amazed me by what he said.

"No, it's all right. We're trusting in the Lord to keep us. His Word is our sword to protect. We're praying each night in different people's houses, and we're not afraid. God will fight for us."

This was real faith at work at a time

when others were digging great ditches across roads or blocking them with rocks to keep the thieves out. Some drove their flocks up into the hills to hide them. A clerk in the Juli Post Office asked me if I didn't have a gun I would lend him. "We are defenseless," he said. The thieves did not come, or, if they did, they by-passed Tiri.

Joaquín began to visit me regularly to get tracts. He always asked for prayer. He told me, "I have little opportunity to evangelize in Tiri because the people remember what kind of a life I used to lead. So I come to Juli. I meet people from all over here in town, because it is a political center for our region." I wondered at first at the great quantities of tracts he took. Soon he showed me a notebook with lists of people's names. "When somebody seems really interested in the Gospel, I write his name down. Sometimes they say, 'Why are you writing my name in your book?' I tell them, 'I'm going home and pray for you, that you will believe in the Lord Jesus for salvation.'"

Joaquín and I have had some precious times in prayer together, as he in a humble spirit realized that the Lord was using him, and that he could do very little without His help.

So I have had the privilege of seeing Joaquín Benito grow in the Christian life. How much the Lord has done for him! From a well-known drunkard to a really diligent and joyful servant. I believe his efforts will bear fruit for the glory of Jesus Christ. Do you wonder I think of my friend Joaquín as the *sower*?

Nick and Alice Maurer have just returned for furlough from their first term of missionary service in Peru under Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends. They are both recent graduates of George Fox College.

Rough Rock Vacation Bible School

BY LOIS ELLIS

The white pickup stopped in front of the summer home, and shy faces peeked to see who was there. We went inside and explained we were picking up children for Vacation Bible School and would like to have the girls come the first week and stay at the mission. We would bring them home and pick up the boys a week later. After some discussion between mother and children, the girls got the suitcase, checked the contents, added a few things, then were ready to go. This continued until we had checked all the homes in the area; then we returned to the mission. Dinner was waiting and a cold drink, which was very good. The girls were registered, assigned beds, and given a towel, washcloth, and comb. Then they went to the showers.

We carefully checked to see that all

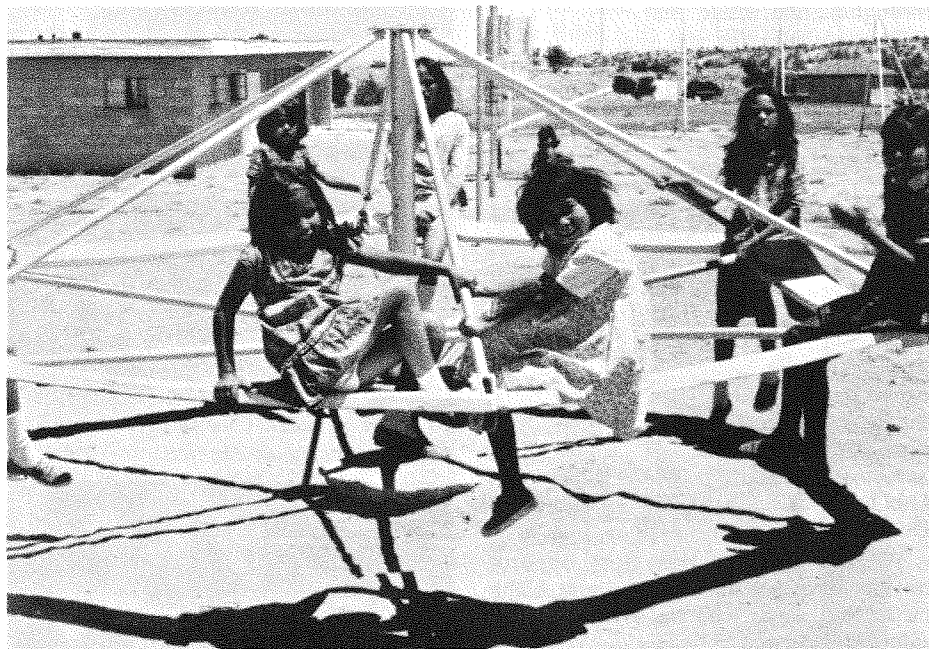
clothing was marked, then told the girls we would wash the following morning. Did you ever think how big a pile of dirty clothes you have when 49 girls contribute? The ironing and mending came next. We sewed on buttons and more buttons, sewed up little rips and big rips, and patched holes. We really appreciate these iron-on patches.

They really enjoy the water, for at home it is hauled in barrels and must be used sparingly. When we call bedtime, the girls patiently stand in line in the washroom; but it takes a long time to wash your face and hands, maybe your feet, and then wash out your anklets, for you probably have only one pair. One night I thought I would hurry things up a bit, so I said to what I thought were the last few girls, "If you girls will just

hurry and get in bed, I'll finish washing your anklets for you." I started and immediately six more pair of anklets landed on the counter to be washed. They catch on fast!

They enjoyed every minute of Bible school, the fun on the playground, the singing led by Frances Carr, the Bible stories and object lessons by John Carr or Mary Gafford, and the regular classes. They really enjoyed studying God's Word, finding the Bible verses, and the handcraft was such fun. "May we take our Bibles home?" they asked, and permission was granted.

All too soon the week was over and it was time to go home and herd sheep, help mother cook, and care for baby brother or sister, while their brothers came in for a week of Bible school.



Lois Ellis, missionary to the Navajos in Arizona, writes of Vacation Bible School at the Rough Rock Mission and presents these candid photos of some young girls who took part in the VBS activities.



Chhatarpur Hospital in India— a medical report for 1968-69

It is with true gratitude in our hearts to the Lord for His abundant help and blessing that we review the events of 1968-69.

This year has been marked by an increase in services in all the departments of the hospital and a more nearly adequate staff. We are glad for the coming of Miss Oomman, Miss Mathew, and Miss Lall to join our staff nurses and also Samuel Prashad and Santosh Bhima in the male nursing services. We now have a second laboratory technician, Phileman Paul, who came to us from Ferozpore, who is now doing cultures and sensitivity tests, making it possible for us to more accurately and effectively use antibiotics. We are glad to have Victor and Hilda Lall back with us to work in the pharmacy and O.P.D. We have a new auxiliary nurse midwife, Evelyn Singh. It is good to have both Dr. Mathew and Dr. Pothan from Christian Medical College in Ludhiana serving on our staff. Dr. Pothan has had special training in pediatrics and obstetrics and holds the D.C.H. Diploma. We miss Dr. Mategaonker and his family but are very happy that they can have the privilege of post-graduate study in Ludhiana, where he is working on his M.S.

We are completing the projects, subsidized by OXFAM, in the remodeling of the hospital O.R. and its ancillary units, which will make it possible for us to have two operating rooms, larger central supply and sterilization area, and also to have more rooms for nursing service as well as an office for nursing superintendent, an office for the hospital superintendent, and a room for doctors. Our maintenance department has been doing a splendid job with this building as well as the day-by-day maintenance of the many items of equipment that have to be kept in repair.

Among the items of new equipment that we have received are a new colorimeter, incubator, analytic scales for the laboratory, Jeep station wagon, an air conditioner and emergency light for the operating room, and some new oxygen equipment.

A Manual for Nursing Procedures has been worked out by Miss Kathy Thompson. There have been conferences with the head nurses to aid in communication and increased efficiency in nursing services.

We are glad for the return of Alena Williams and Ashalta Nath, who have received their training as sister tutors at Indore.

Our chaplain, Gabriel Massey, and his assistants, Mrs. D. Dass and Mrs. H. Lall, have done splendid work in the religious life department of the hospital. Regular meetings have been held in Sava-sadan on Saturday nights, which are well-attended. At these meetings many Gospels are sold as well as at Nishkalank Avatar, which contains many Bhajans. During this year the total sales from the Reading Room has been Rs. 454.88—total Bibles 52 (Urdu Bibles 5, Hindi 19 and English 28), Gospels 634, New Testaments 17, and tract books 277.

Visits have been made to evangelistic camps as often as possible, and also several trips have been made to the village of Dhamora for evening meetings.

The Hospital has won first prize in the flower show for the last two years on Republic Day.

We are glad for our continued affiliation with the Nursing School at Women's Union Missionary Society at Jhansi, and are looking forward to a greater degree of affiliation when the building that they are planning to build on our property will be completed, making it possible for their second year nurses to continue with us throughout the whole year.

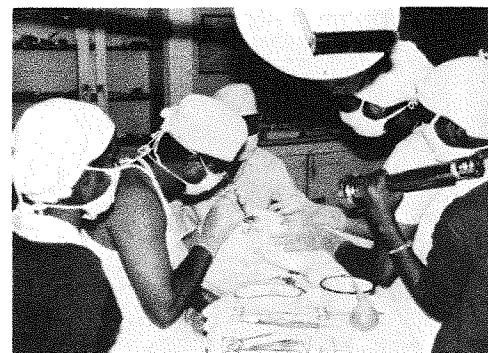
The statistics for the year:

	1967	1968	Increase
Indoor patients	1,547	1,787	240
Outdoor patients			
New	2,898	3,659	
Old	12,388	14,108	
Total	15,286	17,767	2,481
Operations			
Major	224	287	
Minor	409	576	
Total	633	863	230
Eye operations	54	44	
Fractures	42	36	
Blood transfusions	45	64	19
Family planning ..	31	10	
X-rays	661	1,070	409
Lab tests	11,220	17,100	5,880
Deliveries	103	149	46

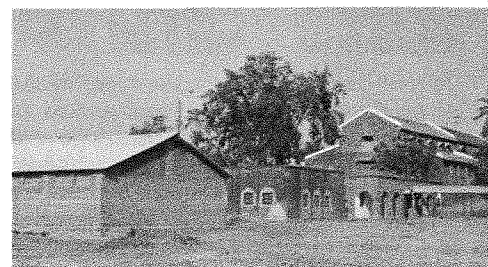
We are glad for this great opportunity to serve not only people near Chhatarpur but some who have come a considerable distance.

We covet your prayers that our ministry may be acceptable to the Lord and be a means of spiritual and physical blessing to our fellowmen.

—W. E. DeVol, M.D.
Hospital Superintendent



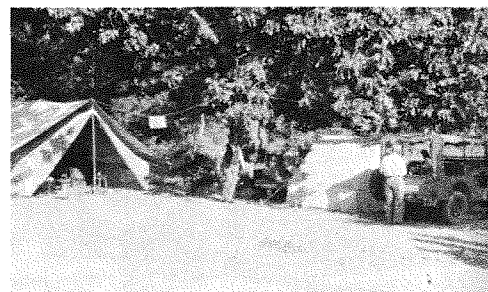
Dr. Thomas Mathew performing an eye operation.



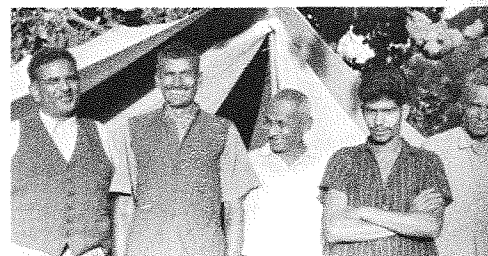
The hospital at Chhatarpur showing units (left to right): relatives shelter, the new male medical ward, the pediatric and male surgical wards in the two-story building, and the maternity ward at far right.



Back view of the new unit being built which will contain a utility room, x-ray, sterilizing, and operating rooms.



Camping party at Jeenjen.



Camp party at Jeenjen includes Stuti Prakash, a villager, D. S. Singh, and S. H. Massey.

The witnesses

By BETTY M. HOCKETT

"I'm sure glad Mrs. Thompson planned our Sunday school class party for today," remarked Linda from the middle step of the front porch stairs.

"Yeah, me, too," Miriam agreed from her spot on the top step. "Just think! Back to school, the day after tomorrow!"

Until time to walk to the party, the girls were enjoying their last summer-Saturday by remembering and discussing again and again their memories of summer camp, swimming, picnics, bicycle rides, and lazy afternoons in the shade. However, something else was on their minds, too.

"Do you suppose Mrs. Thompson will give us some more ideas today about how we can be good Christian witnesses?" wondered Miriam.

"I sure hope so. I'd like to tell somebody about how much God loves them, but I wouldn't know how to do it."

"Me, too. Mrs. Thompson says that it is real important for us Christian kids to let our friends know that we are Christians."

Linda thought a minute before answering. "But it seems like it would be so hard to say something like that to any of the kids." Suddenly she noticed the time.

"Hey, it's just now two o'clock. We'd better start walking to Mrs. Thompson's house."

After hollering a quick "Bye, Mother" and "Bye, Mrs. Smith" through the open screen door, the two friends were on their way.

"Hi! Where you girls headed?" asked a voice from behind.

They looked around quickly. "Oh, hi, Jeff!" said the girls at once. Then Miriam explained, "To our Sunday school class party at Mrs. Thompson's house."

"A Sunday school class party?" laughed Jeff. "Why don'tcha do somethin' fun? Not much more time for fun before school starts, you know, I think I'll go swimming and then go over to the park and see what's doin' there. I want to have some fun!"

"Our class parties are the most fun ever," Linda said defensively. "Mrs. Thompson always plans the neatest things. One time we had a treasure hunt, and once we got to make fudge in her kitchen."

Miriam chimed in with further details. "Just after school was out, she and Mr. Thompson took our class camping for three whole days. We've been out to the lake for picnics, too."

Jeff got off his bike and walked along with the girls. "Well, maybe your parties might be fun, but I'll bet that Sunday school isn't!"

"Yes, it is," answered Linda. "We sometimes have little plays to act out the Bible stories and we have real neat books that we work in every week."

"Don't forget, we study the Bible, too," continued Miriam.

"The Bible? That old book? I'd rather read something exciting!" said Jeff emphatically.

"There's some pretty exciting stories in the Bible. There's the one about the queen who saved her whole country from being killed. Then, there's a real good one about a man who worked 14 whole years before he could marry the girl he loved. He got tricked, and everything!"

Linda added to Miriam's comments. "Remember about Moses who was put in a basket by the river when he was a baby so the mean king wouldn't kill him? And Joseph who was sold by his own brothers?"

Jeff looked surprised. "You mean all of that is in the Bible?"

"Sure, and lots more," replied Linda. "The Bible tells us about how God loves us and how He made the world and everything in it, and about Him sending His Son Jesus to earth to die for our sins. It tells us that we should love God and

ask Him to forgive us so that we can go to be with Him in heaven when we die. All of that important stuff is in there. You ought to come to Sunday school."

"Hey, yeah! Why don't you come, Jeff," invited Miriam. "You'd know all the guys in the boys' class!"

"Well, I don't know . . ."

"Mr. Bentley's the teacher. He's neat! They study the Bible like we do and have books to work in, too. Can't you come tomorrow?" urged Linda.

"Well . . ." Jeff swallowed hard. "Is that part about God really true? I mean about Him loving everybody and that stuff?"

"Sure!" said the girls at the same time.

"Well . . ." Jeff swallowed hard again and cleared his throat before answering in an odd tone of voice. "I don't know if I can make it."

Nothing more was said until they got to the corner. Then he said very softly, "I might think about it, though. In fact, I just might be there!"

Turning the corner toward Mrs. Thompson's house, the girls said, "Bye, Jeff. Hope you can come tomorrow!"

Suddenly both girls began to laugh. They looked at each other, saying almost at the same time, "Guess what! We just did some Christian witnessing!" Then they laughed again.

"We just did what we thought we would not know how to do," said Linda.

"We told somebody about God loving us!"

"It came easy! Witnessing for the Lord isn't so hard after all," decided Linda.

"Maybe God helped us. Come to think of it," Miriam remembered, "this morning I did pray that God would help me be a witness for Him. Now I know that we can be good witnesses at school."

"Yeah! Now we know for sure!"

What do you do in your classroom?

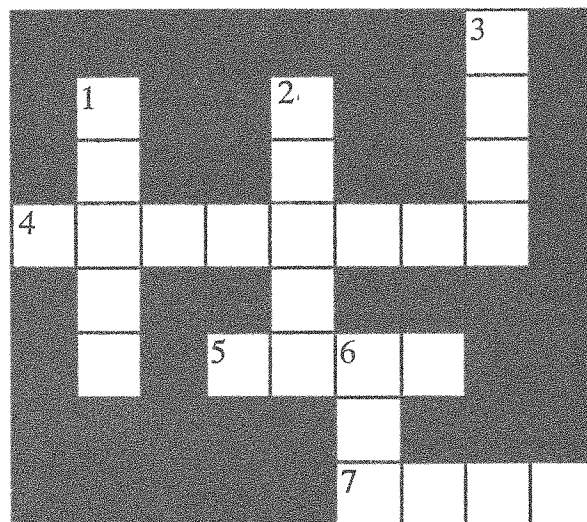
Each day at school is filled with many activities. Some of the things that you do in the classroom are found in the following verses. Work the puzzle by finding the right word in each verse.

DOWN

1. 2 Timothy 2:15
2. Jeremiah 30:2
3. Exodus 32:6b
6. Matthew 6:27

ACROSS

4. Ezekiel 36:30a
5. Isaiah 34:16a
7. John 4:15



(Solution on page 18)

For the working man

During my vacation last summer, in two churches—seven days and 700 miles apart—I heard the same heresy.

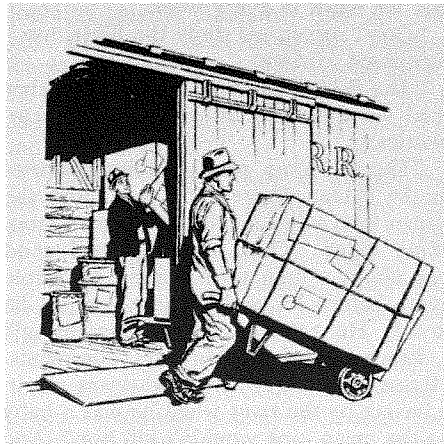
Said the first pastor in his announcements: "Next Saturday is cleanup day at the church. We'd like to have as many as possible help paint and give the premises a thorough cleaning. Do come and give an hour of your time to the Lord."

I could not help wondering to whom the other 167 hours of the week belonged. I am sure the pastor knew that they also belonged to the Lord, but I do not see how the members could have escaped the implication that there was something holier about the hour spent on the church premises than about those spent elsewhere.

Later I heard another minister make an eloquent plea in his sermon for parishioners to give themselves *completely*—not just partially, but completely—to Christ. He mentioned a number of men who had thus yielded themselves. Strangely, all were missionaries or men who had left "secular" occupations and started orphanages or similar projects "on faith." In emotional tones he pleaded for his parishioners to do likewise.

To be sure, the minister allowed that not everybody could go to the foreign mission field. Some had to stay behind to work, earn money and then give it so that others could be sent.

In trying to analyze the effect that the sermon might have had on the people, I decided that they probably developed either callousness or a guilt complex. Undoubtedly this was not the first time



the congregation had heard that kind of a sermon, nor would it likely be the last. They would not have to think too carefully to realize that it would be rather impractical for 600 people in the community to suddenly give up their jobs and put themselves at the disposal of the church on a "full-time" basis. But if the pastor's sermon were to be taken seriously, that is what it would mean.

The response? Perhaps Christianity was never really intended to be taken seriously. Perhaps pastors deliberately exaggerated to make a point. Perhaps the way to listen to a sermon is to take it with a grain of salt. After a while, you just begin to discount many things the pastor says. You begin to develop a callousness, or what may be even worse, you do not even hear what he says.

FEEL GUILTY

The alternative response to the sermon might be the development of a guilt complex. Since the only way to yield yourself completely to Christ is to go into so-called "full-time church work," and since for many people this is an absolute impossibility, they go home dejected because they cannot do what the pastor has urged them to do. True, he did leave an out for them. They could stay on their jobs and contribute heavily to the church. In this way they could at least share by

proxy in this full-time service.

However, at best he offered them a second-class citizenship whose highest achievement is to support the first-class citizens, those who devote themselves completely to the work of the church. But they can expect to come back to church and be scolded for not being first-class citizens of the Kingdom.

The technical name for this heresy is docetism. It is one of the oldest heresies in the church. Its error is in making a false separation between the sacred and the secular. That which is done on church premises or in connection with the institutional church is considered more sacred than that which is done in the occupational world. Even when we know better, as most of us do, the heresy crops out in subtle, unsuspecting ways.

I've preached it myself. I would have denied it at the time, for I was too enamored of an illustration that made such an excellent point in the sermon:

A man asked John Smith, "What's your occupation?"

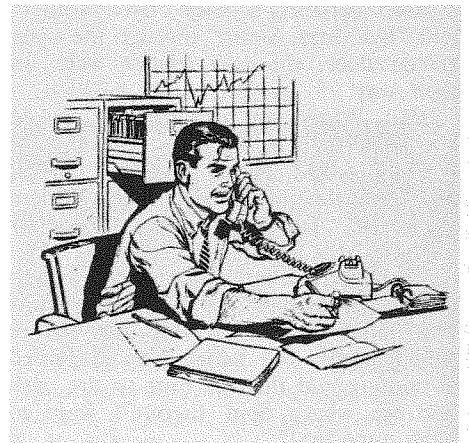
"I'm a Christian," said Smith.

"No, no, no," said the man, "I mean what's your job?"

"I'm a Christian," said Smith.

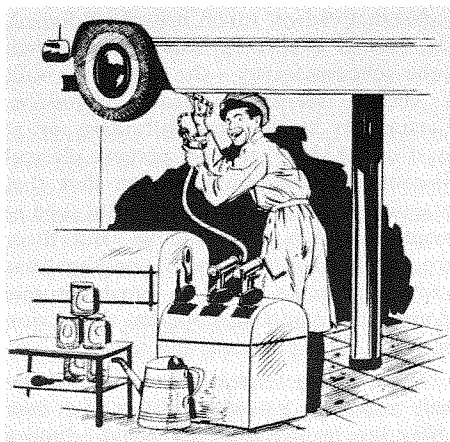
"You don't understand," said the man. "I mean what do you do for a living?"

"My full-time job is to be a Christian,"



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"Mr. Smith does not need to apologize for being a meat packer 40 hours a week. These 40 hours can be just as meaningful as the few hours he spends in church on Sundays."



phasis on the doctrine of the vocation: "The maid who sweeps her kitchen is doing the will of God just as much as the monk who prays—not because she may sing a Christian hymn as she sweeps, but because God likes to see clean floors. The Christian shoemaker does his Christian duty not by putting crosses on the shoes he makes but by making good shoes, because God is interested in good craftsmanship."

NOT ONLY PREACHERS

It would be an error to put all the blame for this heresy on the preachers. At least it would be helpful to think through some of the factors that lead pastors who know better to still go on making the kind of statements described earlier. This kind of thinking comes from Greek philosophy and not from the Hebraic-Christian tradition of the Old and New Testaments.

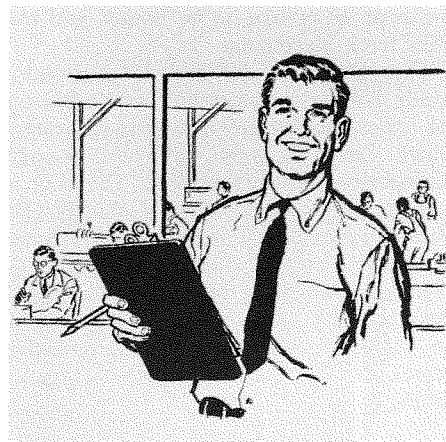
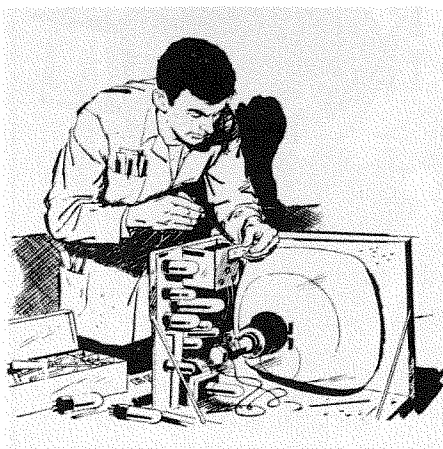
In the beginning, God made all things good. It is true that with the Fall the whole created order suffered, but God did not turn His back on His created material world. It is significant to note that even before the Fall, God assigned work to men. The Old Testament Jew could not think in abstract or "spiritual" terms when he thought of the blessings of God. His relationship to God was a per-

replied Smith. "But I'm a meat packer to pay expenses."

I still remember how hushed the audience was. This was one Sunday I could be sure of a "My, but that was a good sermon, Reverend," as I shook hands with the people at the door. That was neither the first, nor will it be the last time that a minister was thanked for preaching heresy. Not long ago I heard a top official in a national church body introduce himself by saying, "My occupation is a Christian, and I earn my living as executive secretary of . . ." This is the heresy of docetism.

Mr. Smith does not need to apologize for being a meat packer 40 hours a week. These 40 hours can be just as meaningful as the few hours he spends in church on Sunday and the additional hours he spends at the church for committee meetings during the rest of the week. Nor need he rationalize that the 40 hours at the meat packing plant attain spiritual stature only if he uses his job as an opportunity to witness to his faith by telling others about Jesus. Telling others about Christ is in no sense to be deprecated, but the point is this: Mr. Smith's job as a meat packer has integrity and validity in its own right as being honorable in the sight of God.

Luther expressed it best in his em-



sonal and a concrete one. The Psalmist prayed: "Thou dost cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate, that he may bring forth food from the earth, and wine to gladden the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread to strengthen man's heart." (Psalm 104:14-15 RSV)

It was the Greeks who attached evil to the material world. The soul was good and the body was evil, the prison in which the soul was held captive during this life. At death the soul became free when it could slough off the evil body.

Much of the thinking in the church today has taken its cue from Greek philosophy rather than from the Old and New Testaments. We divide life into two compartments, spiritual and physical, sacred and secular. Then we attach "spiritual" to those things done on Sunday or in connection with the institutional church and making evangelism calls, and secular to those things that have to do with our jobs from Monday through Friday. Saturday becomes a kind of no-man's-land or no-God's-land—secular if we devote it to recreation or work and spiritual if we give an hour of it to God by helping clean and paint the church.

THE ADVANTAGES

The heresy has a certain advantage for the layman. He does want to be a Chris-

tian, but seven days a week is a pretty stiff dose, particularly if you can settle for a few hours on Sunday morning, choir practice on Thursday night and a few other meetings during the month. It is really much easier to make a clean-cut division.

If there is nothing about your job that would make it either Christian or un-Christian, then at least for 40 hours a week you do not need to be concerned about the claim of Christianity on your life. If all your Christian obligations can be fulfilled in the comparatively few hours you are engaged in activity directly related to the organized church, this then leaves you free from the claims of Christianity during the major part of the week—except, of course, to be honest and refrain from blasphemy.

This clean-cut division is also very handy for the minister, but even more so for the denominational headquarters, which insist that the minister supply statistics on his effectiveness. The way a Christian fulfills his vocation during the week is so much more difficult to reduce to objective statistical information than is checking attendance at worship services, the frequency of communing, offices held on various church committees and the degree to which a person comes close to tithing.

NO EXAGGERATION

Lest you think this is exaggeration, take a look at the following checklist supplied by one denomination to help its members evaluate their spiritual life:

Do you go to church every Sunday?

Do you pray every day?

Do you read your Bible every day?

Do you tithe?

Do you witness for Christ?

How many souls have you brought to Christ in the past year?

(Incidentally, it would be interesting to see someone bring a *soul* to Christ. Where is the body? Or can it live without Christ?)

I do not want to belittle the value of the six questions listed above. They do tell something about a person—just as blood pressure and temperature tell something about a patient—but certainly many more factors need to be taken into consideration.

The problem is that if a person passes the test on these six questions—and the average Christian usually does—he is led to believe that he has at least fulfilled his obligation reasonably well. The fact is that these questions usually have to do with only a small part of a person's life that directly relates to institutionalized religion.

Any church—and particularly a young mission church—is eager to get members

with leadership ability. And so a young lawyer or doctor or teacher who moves to the community is ready game for all the churches. He makes his choice and immediately he is caught up in the whirl of church activities. He gets elected to the church council; he is a Sunday school teacher; he sings in the choir; he is a member of the evangelism and the finance committees. He does his work well, and he enjoys it. It does not take long for word to get around, and so before long he is elected to a regional, state, and perhaps even national committee in his denomination. Now he is what we call "active in the church."

But all of his religious activity is associated with the institutional church and what happens on the church premises. Seldom is he made to feel that the work he does in his law office, for which he is trained, has deep religious significance of its own—unless he does some legal work for the church.

FAITH AT WORK

A close friend of mine is known throughout the state for his activity in the church. He is also a very successful businessman. I have been together with him many times at social events, but I do not remember a time that we have talked about his occupational life. We talk about Christianity virtually every time we get together, but it always centers around activity in the organized church. Never once do I recall discussing how his daily occupation is also a reflection of his Christian faith.

The church that is gathered on Sunday morning is not very significant if the message that is heard or the act of worship does not carry over during the week when these Christians are scattered in the community in their various occupations. St. Paul describes the purpose of the or-

ganized and institutional church best in Ephesians 4:11-12 (RSV): "And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, *for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry . . .*"

Phillips translates it: "His gifts were made *that Christians might be properly equipped for their service . . .*"

This emphasis reverses an opinion held by many, namely that since the preacher cannot do everything, he needs a lot of active laymen who help him. But it is not the laymen's job to help the minister; it is the minister's job to help the laymen. The whole task of his ministry is "that Christians might be properly equipped for their service."

No matter how much it may be denied, the fact is that very subtly—and often quite subconsciously—the clergy has built a vested interest in their profession. Fortunately those who still insist or at least ask if they get a 10 percent clerical discount are beginning to see that that practice is pretty much outmoded, not to mention that it is degrading. But there are other ways by which congregations and clergy alike place an unwholesome, if not false, emphasis upon the distinction between the clergy and the laity.

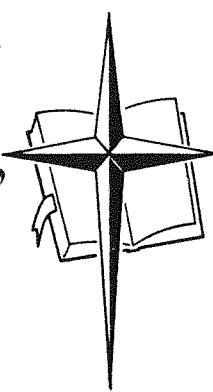
There is the tendency to speak of the *holy* ministry. I would feel less ill at ease about this terminology if I could be more sure that by this expression we did not mean that the call into the ministry is higher than the call into other professions.

The president of one national church body, in extolling the virtues of the ministry to a young theological student, said, "Young man, if after you become a minister you should be elected President of the United States, be assured that you have been demoted." The student should have been told that if after he became a minister he felt convinced that he could serve better as a ditch digger, it would be a promotion for him to accept the calling to which his conscience tells him God has called him.

Why is it that church papers find delight in publishing stories about medical, engineering, or law students or middle-aged successful businessmen who change their careers and enter the ministry? I have yet to find an equally exciting story about a successful seminary student or minister who entered business or some other profession. There are such. If we really take the doctrine of vocation seriously, we should be just as overjoyed about the one finding his vocation as about the other.

A clergyman who ought to have been a businessman is just as much a misfit as a businessman who should have been a minister.

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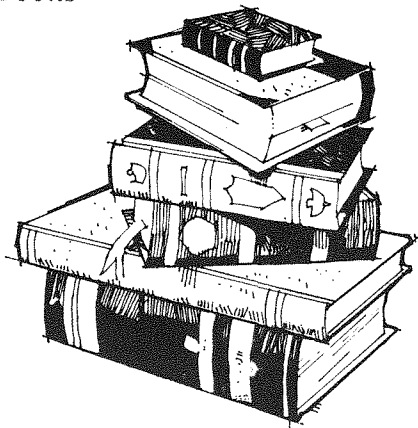


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Books



James C. Hefley, By Life or By Death, Zondervan Publishing House, 1969, 208 pages, \$4.95.

Many times Christians are called to make the supreme sacrifice, that of giving up this present, earthly life. *By Life or By Death* is the account of nine Christian missionaries to Vietnam who have made that sacrifice, and five more who have been captured by the National Liberation Front.

Author Hefley spent several weeks in Vietnam visiting the places where these missionaries worked and talking to those with whom they worked. He was permitted access to missionary correspondence, which was used to portray the personal dedication that these had for their cause.

Missionary activity in Vietnam has several different dimensions and problems that must be confronted by those serving there and by those here at home who serve in a supportive way. Physical danger brought on by the war is ever present. These difficulties are made a little more real to one as he reads the accounts of death and terror experienced by these servants of God.

Hefley tries to stay clear of the politics involved, but it becomes apparent that even missionaries are affected by politics. This would be a good book to read for some new insights into Christian work, as it has been and is taking place in Vietnam.

—Fred Gregory

Omar Eby, A House in Hue, Herald Press, 1969. Paperback.

Omar Eby has put into print the drama experienced by young people facing the reality of death. He has recreated the story, as told by June Sauder, of her experiences, along with six other Christian volunteers to Vietnam, during the 1968 Tet offensive in the city of Hue. You cannot help but catch the suspense that hung over their house, and you also are given a glimpse into the work that Christians are doing in Vietnam to aid in reconciliation in that country.

Jerry Sandoz of Oregon Friends was a member of this group of young Christian volunteers.

—Fred Gregory

It's Always Too Soon to Quit, The Steve Spurrier Story, as told to Mel Larson, 1968, Zondervan Publishing House; 159 pages, \$3.95.

Boys with athletic ambition; parents of athletically talented sons; if you have doubts, read the Steve Spurrier story.

All the way from grade school through college football to win the highest awards, even the coveted one and only Heisman trophy, Steve never hesitated to give his testimony—to give thanks to God for giving him the ability to play football.

—Lois Couzens

These paperbacks published by Moody Press are reviewed by Editor Dean Gregory:

A Woman in Her Home by Ella May Miller, 1968, 50 cents. Here you will find 16 chapters of "heart-to-heart" talks, especially for women. Some subjects discussed are: a happy marriage; problems of worry, discipline, fear, managing money, mental health, loneliness, and others.

Second Corinthians by G. Coleman Luck, 1959, 95 cents. An exposition of Paul's Epistle, with emphasis on the Ministry of Reconciliation, the Ministry of Giving, and the Ministry of the Apostle—vindication of Paul's authority.

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When eight years old, she accepted Christ as her Savior and has been a Bible student all of her life. She is a long-time member of the Friends Church. Through the years she taught Sunday school in whatever community she lived, and for several months at one place she filled the pulpit while the pastor of the church was

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away. For many years she taught school in her native state, Kansas.

It is remarkable how she can quote verses and even whole chapters from the Bible. Sometimes she dictates sermons on tapes that are played over a local radio station.

A gifted poetess, she can compose and quote verse almost as fast as it can be written down by the average person. When 81 years of age she obtained a typewriter and learned to type her poems.

Mrs. Arnett is an aunt to our well-known Quaker preacher and evangelist, Hubert Mardock, who is also a poet as well as writer of books.

As the years come and go, she rests in the promises of the Scriptures. The Holy Spirit helpeth my infirmities, and "My grace is sufficient for thee," are favorite promises from the Bible.

"We can accept our handicaps and lay down in the harness, or, we can use them as stepping-stones to climb out over to the top," she maintains.

Among the many poems she has written, this is one of her favorites:

IN HIS LIKENESS

By Elva Arnett

Life is very like a vapor;
Days like weavers' shuttle fly,
Soon the Master may be calling,
And I'll bid this world good-bye.
Comes the time of my departure,
When He bids my warfare cease,
'Mong the ransomed of the ages,
Shall my spirit find release.
And although this earthen vessel,
May in mother earth be lain,
To await the call of trumpet,
Full redemption to attain,
I shall waken in His likeness,
I shall be well-satisfied,
As He is, I then shall see Him,
Who through life has been my guide.

CHILDREN'S PAGE SOLUTION:

Down: 1. study, 2. write, 3. play, 6. add
Across: 4. multiply, 5. read, 7. draw

The future of the EFA *Continued*

It might help allay our suspicions if one fact could be recognized. That is this: Theological soundness is in no way controlled by a particular form of organization or the lack of such organization. It is controlled by people. A close look at those around us will show that neither congregationalism, presbyterianism, or episcopacy have any edge on the others in preventing theological drift. There is just as much liberalism (and one might say, conservatism) among Baptists and Congregationalists, among Presbyterians and Lutherans, among Methodists and Episcopalians, as the others. Organizational forms are incidental to efficiency. Theological soundness may be had through watchfulness and through faith and trust. Suspicion and independency do not produce or preserve it.

We in the Evangelical Friends Alliance declare that we *have* theological unity. Let us demonstrate it in action. This leaves us free to give careful thought to what form of organization at this moment gives most promise for intensifying our united witness to Christ.

To simply organize a superstructure above our present four yearly meetings will be unwarranted expense and deeply frustrating if it merely shepherds our present smallness and weakness.

The new system must do two things to be successful: (a) Radically streamline our structure for simplicity and effectiveness. (b) Capture a new enthusiasm for growth at the grass roots as priority number one.

We will do well to consider these two propositions at some length.

A great deal of thought has been given by some of our leaders to the manner of organization. In order to simplify and streamline the organization, much more thought will have to be given, *for it is always easier and quicker to set up something complex than to simplify.*

It has been proposed that a general superintendent be appointed now. This is good, for the job will not get done unless someone gives it vigorous leadership. This, however, need not commit us to any further organizational change until ample study and consensus have taken place.

The form of organization can wait. But growth in our meetings cannot! That is why we must first give attention to the revolution at the grass roots that is necessary if we are to change from defending smallness and weakness to a sense of mission and growth. Unless we have such a revolution, spanning our littleness with a national overbody is futile.

(Part II will appear in October.)

Over the Teacup



New ideas

BY CATHERINE CATTELL

Do you ever get into a rut? Take cooking, for instance—with all the variety of foods in a supermarket and all the recipes of the dozen cookbooks on the kitchen shelf plus all the women's magazines pushing new ideas for meal planning at us every month, would you think there could possibly be monotony in the menus of any home in America?

And yet—there is. There may be a hundred and twenty ways of serving hamburger, but I usually settle for the usual meat loaf, cheeseburgers, or sloppy joes. Why? Well, I suppose it takes effort to be imaginative, and time to get down the cookbook, and half the time the recipe

calls for something I do not have in the house. Then who knows if the family will like the new dish? So, we fall back on the same old ways, use the same vegetables cooked in the same manner and wonder why a meal out is such a treat!

I have a newly-married daughter who is trying out all kinds of new dishes and ideas and writes in detail of how thrilled she is about the art of cooking and setting a pretty table. Every meal is an adventure. I read her letters and wonder what has happened to me!

There are basic rules about good cooking, and basic foods are required to keep the body well, of course, but basic things do not need to be boring. Thank God, there is variety in all of His creation—such a wide variety of fruits, vegetables, and meats, grains—everything! When a woman puts her mind to it, feeding the family can be a delightful art. Some women enjoy exchanging ideas and recipes, finding enormous inspiration in sharing new ways of using familiar foods.

With all the Word of God given to us so generously and in such variety for all conditions of all people, have we gotten in a rut ourselves, and provided little to produce hunger in those for whom we profess to care? Or to satisfy the hunger they do have?

The best thing I know to bring freshness and variety—not to say LIFE—to

the study of the Bible is doing it together. Share thoughts and insights and the richness. It can be a very exciting and rewarding experience. Why not have a few women come in and share it with you? You can try a new coffee cake on them, too, if you like, but what they will treasure most is the sharing of the Bread of Life—the Living Word.

Say, why don't we do that next time "Over the Tea Cup"? Write your ideas down and share them. We can make our own collection of helps! But remember this: talking about new recipes never feeds anyone. One eventually has to get down to actually producing the meal.

So spiritual exchange of what God shows us is helpful only when we do what he says and put it to work!

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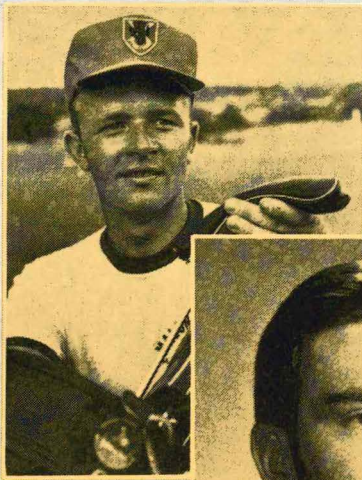


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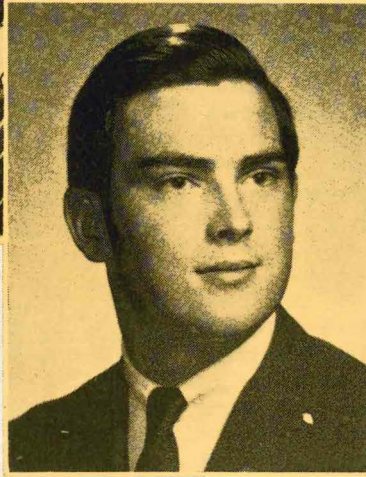
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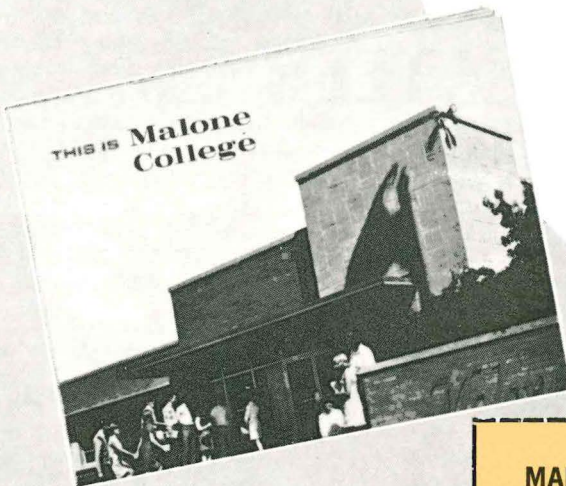
JON TEUSCHER

By our standards, an "All American student". Jon is a junior from Somerdale, Ohio, a Dean's list scholar; vice president, student senate; treasurer, Circle K Club; 4-H Club advisor; a member of the Nazarene Church; president, N.Y.P.S. and former Boys' Stater. Jon received the Ohio Americanism Award from the Danforth Foundation in 1968. He recently won first prize in a national safety contest, his short story won a new car, but instead, he chose money to further his education. In addition to working part time in a brick yard and as a house painter, Jon also finds time to appear in a frontier costume as "Mr. Pioneer" at intercollegiate athletic contests.

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'BE YE CLEAN'

AN OUTSTANDING QUALITY OF GODLINESS IS CLEANLINESS

The title for this article is a part of a verse in Isaiah 52:11. God desires and requires that His people be a clean people. When we speak of cleanliness, it can be applied to many realms.

CLEAN PHYSICALLY

One of the earliest memories of my life was that of times when my mother washed my neck and ears. It seemed that she was scrubbing so hard that it would remove the skin from my neck as well as the dirt. What was she doing? She was trying to get me clean!

When we were children at home we used to like to go barefoot in the summertime. But there was always one drudge that went along with it. When bedtime came, we all had to get the washbasin and take turns in washing our feet before going to bed. What was the purpose? Our feet had become soiled during the day, and it would not do to place them between white sheets in that condition. They must be clean!

EQUIPMENT FOR CLEANLINESS

Keeping clean is big business. Just look around your house and see the equipment you have for the purpose of keeping clean. There is the washing machine for the purpose of keeping our clothes clean, the vacuum sweeper to keep the floors clean. The dust cloth, the kitchen sink or dishwasher, the mop, the scrub brush, and the whole bathroom are devoted to helping keep us clean. We also try to keep our cars clean, our yards clean, our streets clean, and even the sewage systems are efforts to keep the city clean. The sewage systems empty into the rivers and the rivers into the ocean. The oceans of the world's surface are great purifying plants to care for the filth of the world.

MORAL CLEANLINESS

More important than physical cleanliness is moral cleanliness. Moral and mental cleanness go together. The Scriptures say, "As he [a man] thinketh . . . so is he." Clean thoughts will contribute to clean habits and clean bodies.

It seems as though we have fallen upon days when filth and uncleanness are more attractive to the young than cleanness and decentness. It seems as though it is the rage of youth today to go with hair uncombed, clothes unkempt, and shoes unpolished. They also use language that is rough and uncouth.

From the Superintendent



"I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority." (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

The field covered by our prayer life reveals the extent of our concern for the advancement of God's kingdom among men. Just what is the boundary of your prayer life? Does it reach to "all men," as Paul suggests? Or is it largely limited to the emergencies that arise from time to time within your own family circle? Like that familiar specimen of narrow, selfish petition: "Lord, bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife, us four and no more. Amen." And that one, you will remember, was followed in the next breath with, "John, pass the bread."

Perhaps your prayer horizon has so extended that it includes all the interests of your local church, pastor, Sunday school teacher, leaders of groups for children and young people, missions, and the regular Sunday services; and you would not forget those friends who are sick in the hospital. Quite a list you say, but would this suffice as a field for prayer for one who loves his Lord to the utmost?

The concept that Jesus had for the prayer life of His followers was worldwide. On the mount He taught His disciples to pray, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done." When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion, and said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:38) The harvest field includes all nations (Matthew 28:19-20).

Do not think that in spreading your prayer interest over the world that it will become so thin as to lose its power. That may apply when spreading butter on bread, but not in God's economy. How do we measure up with this truth? The twentieth century church excels in many things, but surely not in the area of prayer.

PERSONAL NOTES

It is an easy matter to report on my activities the past month. More than half of the time was spent in the Eisenhower Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado. At this writing, I have been able to attend one service in the local church. I do appreciate the many ways we have been remembered during this experience. We thank you. I am recuperating and hope to have more to report next month.

*Prayerfully yours,
Merle A. Roe*

Cleanness and refinement seem to be out of order.

SPIRITUAL CLEANLINESS

There is much in this world to soil and contaminate. There are many shelves full of detergents, soaps, and cleansing agents in our supermarkets and stores, but these are inadequate when it comes to spiritual cleansing.

Sin is the worst thing in the world to contaminate the person. It will contaminate all three parts of man: the spirit, soul, and body. The cleansing of the spirit is the key to the cleanness of the whole man.

You may clean up a man physically, but he will slump back into filth again. You may instruct a man mentally how to behave morally, but he will slump into the beggarly realms

of immorality and sin. But when one is cleansed spiritually, you will soon see him cleaning up physically and morally.

There are no man-made cleansers for the spirit of man. Sin is a deep-seated contamination. It is a blood disease. The blood of Jesus Christ is the *only* cleanser from sin. The Bible says, "The blood of Jesus Christ . . . cleanseth us from ALL sin." The place to begin to cleanse any man or woman is with the heart. Then, and then only, will you have success in cleansing the whole man.

MUST BE CLEAN TO ENTER HEAVEN

Cleanness is a requisite for entering a clean heaven. There shall be no contamination there. In Psalm 24:3 we read: "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?" Or simply

putting the question, we would ask, who is going to make it to heaven? Verse 4 answers the question of verse 3: "He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart." This answer shows two cleansings. Hands speak of our doings. Heart speaks of our nature. Both must be cleansed.

In Psalm 51:10 we find the psalmist praying for cleansing in these words, "Create in me a clean heart." Reformation will not change the heart. It actually must be a creative act of God, or a new birth, as Jesus told Nicodemus.

THE WORD HAS CLEANSING POWER

God's Word, the Bible, has cleansing power. In Psalm 119:9 we read, "Where-withal shall a young man cleanse his way?" The ways, habits, and conduct of a young man need cleansing. The psalmist answers this question in the remainder of the verse thus, "By taking heed thereto according to thy word."

There is cleansing for the whole man, thank God, but it must begin with the heart. We can be cleansed in this life and be prepared for heaven while here. If one is not prepared for heaven while in this life, he never will be prepared for heaven. God's standard of purity is high. Jesus made a startling statement to His disciples. He said, "Be ye therefore perfect [holy], even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect [holy]." God has only one standard of purity—that is holiness. He cannot have a standard any lower than His standard of holiness. Holiness is an experience to be possessed and lived in this life.

May it be the desire and prayer of each one of us to live clean lives by all the provisions that God has made available for us.

—*The Gospel Minister*
August 1966

HIAWATHA QUARTERLY MEETING

Hiawatha Quarterly Meeting convened Saturday morning, July 19, in the South Fork Church, with delegates present from each of the three monthly meetings. James Hickman, in the absence of our yearly meeting superintendent, Merle A. Roe, brought a challenging message.

The afternoon session opened with Quarterly Meeting Superintendent Thomas Hansen presiding. Devotions were led by Fred Cain. The clerks, Cecil and Ruby Holliman, were in charge of the business session. Delegates to our recent Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting sessions were asked to report. Several issues were clarified.

Sunday noon we all gathered at South Fork to participate in a bountiful dinner. We appreciated the presence of the David Leach family. He spoke briefly about his recent missionary tour and also about his experience in witnessing the launching of Apollo 11.

The quarterly meeting skating party was held at Rainbow Rink, Friday night, July 18, with good attendance.

The Benkelman Friends Church hosted the Echoes from Friends University. These young men gave a heartwarming and challenging message in both word and song. They were overnight guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hendrickson.

—*Martha Wilson, reporter*

COMING EVENTS

September 23-24 Pastors Retreat, Covenant Heights Camp, near Estes Park, Colorado, sponsored by the Colorado Association of Evangelicals
October 10-11 Arkansas Valley Quarterly Meeting, Las Animas, Colorado
October 17-18 Hiawatha Quarterly Meeting, Benkelman, Nebraska
October 25-26 Prairie Hills Quarterly Meeting, Empire Church, Vale, South Dakota
November 1-2 Springbank Quarterly Meeting, Omaha, Nebraska
November 8 Rocky View Quarterly Meeting, Denver, Colorado
November 18-19 Midyear board meetings, Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 7 Western Slope Quarterly Meeting, Paonia, Colorado

NEWS OF ROUGH ROCK FRIENDS MISSION

On the evening of June 27, John, Frances, and Dannie Carr and Pattie Snyder from Greenleaf, Idaho, arrived at the mission for Bible School. We surely appreciated the assistance of John and Frances in directing the music, having devotional lessons, and teaching classes. It was also nice to have Dannie attending classes with our Navajo children.

We were also very grateful for the assistance of Pattie Snyder and Virginia Douglas. Pattie helped in the kitchen and assisted Virginia in playground supervision. Virginia also assisted me in teaching the beginners. Vern and Lois had the responsibility of overseeing the cooking and caring for the children at the dorms. Their daughters, Patricia and Sandra, assisted as they were needed.

We are deeply grateful for Keith and Elizabeth Ellis, who have joined our staff. They have been attending language school for the past month and have assisted at the mission on weekends.

At the beginning of Bible School, we may have thought that the ministry to our youth (51 girls the first week, and 35 girls the next) was the main task at hand. However, needs of our people also became apparent. This added ministry fell mainly to Vern and Lois, in addition to their caring for the children. Other workers endeavored to assist where they could.

Several examples of this were as follows: On the morning of July 8, Lois took one of the little boys to the clinic. He had fallen from bed the night before and cut his face.

Earlier in the morning Vern had gone to Gallup to obtain a casket and bring back the body of Roy Benally, brother of our former interpreter, Freddie Benally. Classrooms at the church had to be vacated, as preparations for the funeral were soon to be made.

We workers rotated in duty at the playground as Vern and Lois helped to dress the body. Lois returned to assist at the playground, while some of the workers attended the funeral.

In the evening, following the funeral and classes, which had been resumed afterward, news came of another tragedy. The brother of our present interpreter, Amos Redhair, had been killed in an auto accident. Plans were made for this funeral to be held at the grave-

side near his home.

The day after our boys were taken home from Bible School, Vern and his son Keith, accompanied by Amos Redhair, went to Gallup to get the body. Christians sang several songs, and Vern preached the funeral at the graveside. Approximately 70 stood in attendance as the hot sun shone on us. After the funeral, the Navajos served a meal at Amos' parents' home.

—*Mary Gafford*

DORRY WOLLSTEIN RECEIVES HIGH HONORS

Dorry (Dyer) Wollstein, formerly a member of First Denver Friends Church, Denver, Colorado, and now residing in Hawaii, has recently received highest honors upon graduation from the University of Hawaii under the two-year honors program.

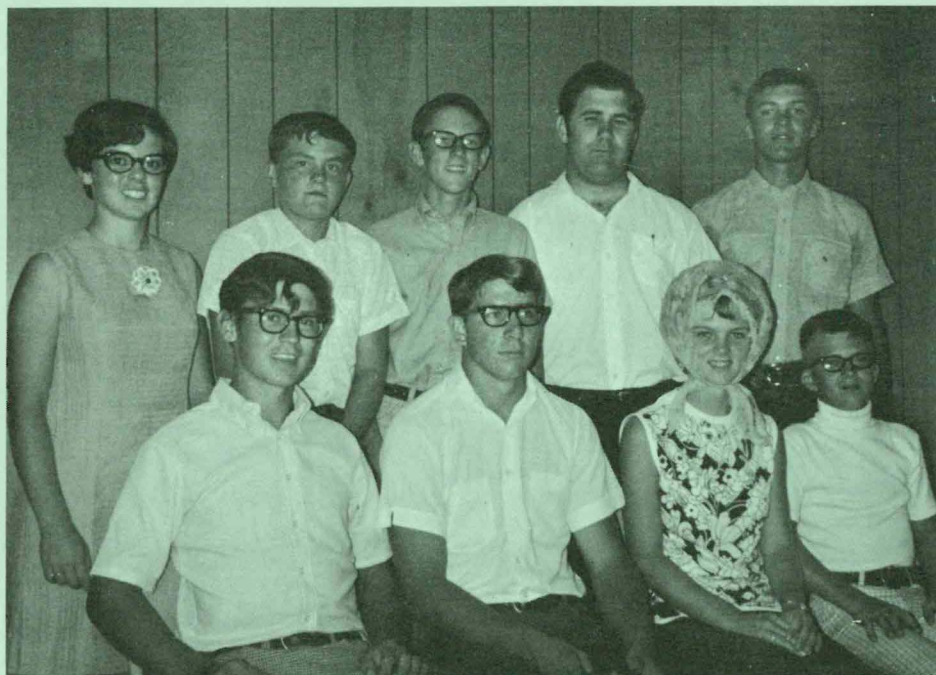
Her grade point average was 3.9, the highest on record at the University of Hawaii. Her major was in Greek. Because of her achievement, she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies. Speaking of the graduation ceremonies, Dorry in a recent communication said, "It was a thrilling occasion—there were over 2,000 graduates and as class representative, when the degree was conferred on me it was symbolic of the entire class receiving their degrees. How much we thank the Lord and our Father God for His wonderful help throughout my college years and for the days ahead."

Dorry has been active as a staff member at the Army's Children's Facilities in Honolulu. She and her husband John reside at 2950 Manoa Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822.

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CHIVINGTON FRIENDS YOUTH

The Chivington Friends Youth (above) held a flea market sale on August 2 at Eads, Colorado. Merle A. Roe, Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting superintendent, was the auctioneer. The youth group made about \$300 on this sale. The money will be used to landscape the church and parsonage grounds at Chiving-

ton, Colorado.

The youth who participated were Marki Bowen, Rodney Brown, Greg Bowen, Homer Dean Carpenter, Ronnie Brown, Chuck Bowen, Russel Carpenter, Annete Morris, Kelley Morris, and Emma Lee Parker.

—Kelley Morris, reporter

DID YOU KNOW? THE YEARLY MEETING WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OFFERS A SCHOLARSHIP?

GUIDELINES FOR MISSIONARY SCHOLARSHIP

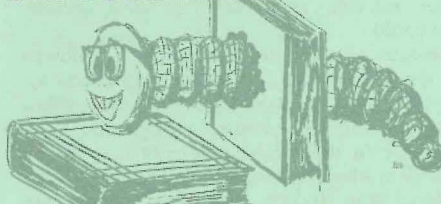
1. This scholarship is to be for college preparation of missionary student.
2. The student applying for a scholarship must give a clear and up-to-date testimony of a born-again experience.
3. He or she must give a definite witness as to God's calling into missionary work.
4. The student should be, preferably, a member of the Friends Church (Evangelical).
5. The local monthly meeting is to recommend the name of the prospective student to the scholarship committee, who in turn would send him or her a questionnaire to be filled out and returned to the committee.
6. The student preferably should attend one of our Bible colleges: George Fox, Friends Bible College, Friends University, or Malone College.
7. The student should be willing to work, if possible, at on-the-job training at Rough Rock, EFA Youth Ambassador program, etc., for a period of time.
8. The scholarship committee must receive letters of reference from the pastor, a teacher, a businessman, and a friend.
9. This scholarship is to be for one student, \$100 a semester, or \$50 a quarter, depending upon the setup of the school he or she attends.
10. The final awarding of the scholarship

would be subject to discussion and approval of the Yearly Meeting Missionary Board.

If you are interested, and qualify, write for application in care of Shirley Davison, 2247 Bennett, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80909.

—Shirley Davison

THE BOOK WORM



Now is the TIME! Yes, NOW is the time to read that book. Summer is gone and the long evenings are again upon us, so pick up that book you've been wanting to read and do it now. To learn more of your own church, try *Through Flaming Sword* or *The People Called Quakers*. You want something easy and delightful, you say? Try *They Loved to Laugh*. These don't appeal to you? Then why not see your church librarian, literature chairman, or your pastor? There's a wealth of good reading, and a whole new world to open up, in the wonderful pages of Christian books.

—Josephine E. Krieger

RMYM AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS

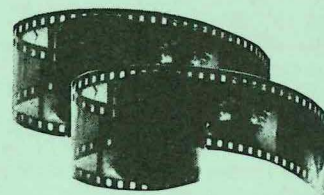
Filmstrips and records for use in Sunday school and Bible school are available through the RMYM Christian Education Board. A few of those which are available include:

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COLORADO SPRINGS FIRST FRIENDS *Colorado Springs, Colorado* *Lloyd and Doris Hinshaw, pastors*

We are glad that our general superintendent, Merle Roe, has recovered from illness and is able to be with us again.

Eight of our senior young people, as well as a good many from the junior and junior high groups, attended camp at Quaker Ridge.

Visitors from Kansas, Michigan, Oregon, Tennessee, and Puerto Rico have fellowshipped with us this month. Some of the visitors were former members.

The Echoes, male vocal quartet from Friends University, were enjoyed on July 23.
—Ruth Royston, reporter

GRAND JUNCTION FRIENDS *Grand Junction, Colorado* *Olen and Martha Ellis, pastors*

Eleven of our juniors and junior high age people attended camp at Quaker Ridge July 7 through 11. Our pastors and Neal Rusco made the trip as sponsors.

July 8 was the date of the annual missionary society picnic. There were 23 in attendance and all report an enjoyable evening.

Our youth sponsors, Neal and Delores Rusco, along with several of the youth group spent several days at Rough Rock Mission the weekend of July 19.

The evening of July 24 we enjoyed the Echoes quartet from Friends University.

At the close of the morning service on Sunday, July 27, dedication service was held for the infant son, David Lee, of Butch and Mary (Ellis) Stassen. Maternal grandparents are Olen and Martha Ellis.

HASTY FRIENDS, Hasty, Colorado *Iona and Elwin Kinser, pastors*

Our pastors and daughters, Myrtle and Eva, attended the sessions of Arkansas Valley Quarterly Meeting held at Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 11-12. Good reports came from both meetings.

Our yearly meeting youth camps were very helpful and appreciated by those who attended from our meeting.

The sanctuary of our church is experiencing quite a redecorating and improvement procedure. Harvey Hutson and Elwin Kinser, assisted by Floyd Cline and others, are doing the work. Iona Kinser and a few assistants are the cleanup crew.

Mr. and Mr. Floyd Cline made a trip to Colorado Springs, July 29, to consult a doctor regarding Floyd's health.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Miller of Las Animas, Colorado, celebrated their Golden Wedding July 29. Many people called to extend congratulations. All of their children were present with their families with the exception of three grandchildren.

Recent visitors at the parsonage and our church services have included SSgt. Jacob Kinser and his wife Janice. He will soon be sent to Vietnam. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clark of Wichita, Kansas, and Sam Kinser of Denver were also welcome visitors. We appreciate their musical talents, which are a blessing to our services.

LA JUNTA HEIGHTS FRIENDS

La Junta, Colorado

Kenneth and Katherine Storey, pastors

Our church enjoyed a picnic dinner in the city park Saturday, July 26. A large group was present and the fellowship was wonderful. After the meal, a surprise shower of groceries was given to our pastors.

Wednesday evening, July 30, following our prayer meeting service, all convened at the Fred Davison home for a farewell party. Refreshments were served. The Davisons will certainly be missed in the activities of our church. They have moved to Colorado Springs.

Sunday, August 3, our pastor and a group of singers held a service in the La Junta Nursing Home. This service was deeply appreciated by the occupants.

Monday, August 4, Norma Piil underwent surgery in Penrose Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado. —Mabel Tyler, reporter

PLAINVIEW FRIENDS

Plainview, Nebraska

C. Earle and Esther Turner, pastors

Friends Club enjoyed a picnic at Grove Lake the evening of July 9 with 12 present. Later they visited the fish hatchery, which is near the lake.

La Velle Schneider and Thelma Matson have spent some time in the hospital during the month of July.

Missionary Union met at the parsonage for their lesson. Reports of the Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting WMU were given by Lillie Lingenfelter and Esther Turner.

—Eula Gould, reporter

SOUTH FORK FRIENDS

near St. Francis, Kansas

William W. Leach, pastor

The Kenneth Kinsers recently visited in our community. It was a privilege to have them in our Sunday morning service July 6. Kenneth and Nadyne favored us with a beautiful duet.

Karen Harvey underwent back surgery on June 12 and will be in a cast for some time. She has adjusted to the inactivity and spends much time reading and knitting.

The David Leaches visited our church July 20. We appreciated Marcil's testimony, the

girls' camp song, and David's off-the-cuff review of his recent world tour.

Other recent visitors at South Fork have included the Merrill Ramseys of Ohio, Dwight Cases of Oregon, Harvey Cunninghams of Sidney, Nebraska, and Elroy Lampe of Salina, Kansas.

Our DVBS of June 2-6 was a five-day course with morning sessions. We had 12 pupils, most of whom had perfect attendance. Their program was given Sunday evening, June 8, followed by a tea in honor of our public school graduates and promotions.

Several of our people attended the program given by the Echoes of Friends University in Benkelman, Nebraska, July 17. The quarterly meeting roller skating party was held in Benkelman, Friday night, July 18.

The Dwight Smiths recently visited in the William Leach home.

—Ruby Holliman, reporter

EMPIRE FRIENDS, Vale, South Dakota *Terry and Marcia Ash, pastors*

A farewell dinner was held in the church parlor, June 1, for Phil and Iris Smith, our departing pastors. It was well attended.

The ladies of the Missionary Union held a work day at the parsonage to get it in readiness for the arrival of our new pastors. Terry and Marcia Ash arrived here July 1. An open house and pound shower was held for them on the evening of July 13.

Martin Williamson, Terry and Marcia Ash, and seven young people attended quarterly meeting at New Hope Church, Hay Springs, Nebraska, July 26-27.

Our pastors and some of the young people attended the Billy Graham Crusade in Rapid City, South Dakota, Saturday night, August 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Powell of Kansas are visiting her parents, the Daryll Williamsons, and other relatives and friends before going to their teaching responsibilities.

—Hanna Lundgren, reporter

VITAL STATISTICS

DEATHS

HAMILTON—Mrs. Ethel Hamilton passed away on July 11, 1969. She was a member of the Grand Junction Friends Church. Prior to coming to Grand Junction, she was an active member of the Colorado Springs Friends Church. In recent months she had been a patient at a local hospital and Medcenter.

SHELTON—Marguerite Shelton, of Hasty, Colorado, was killed in a car-truck collision in Hasty on June 12, 1969. She was a member of the Hasty Friends Church for many years, serving as monthly meeting clerk and in other responsible positions. Funeral services were conducted by Iona Kinser. Burial was in the Hasty cemetery, along with little James Steffler, who was killed in the car with her.

LEISNER—On July 20, Mable Leisner, age 60, who attended the Plainview Friends Church, Plainview, Nebraska, in recent years, passed away. C. Earle Turner, pastor of Plainview Friends Church, assisted with the services, which were held in the church.

CARMAN—Ruth Carman, age 76, of the Riverside area, St. Francis, Kansas, passed away May 27. She was intensely interested in the activities and ministry of the South Fork Friends Church, especially in missions.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

Public relations! Does your church have an effective public relations program? Progress depends upon it! A good program can:

- Communicate our message
- Create a desirable image of our church

- Draw people to our Christ
- Promote the program of the church.

Use of the printed page is one means of public relations. As plans are formulated, some questions should be asked: *What* is our

message? *Whom* do we want to reach with it? *How* do we do it effectively?

Jesus has given us the message. We are to reach people with the message of the Gospel. Every activity of the church must be related to that. Our program of accomplishing this is *what* we want to communicate.

The church must have a clear vision of *who* must be reached. It affects what we say and how we say it. The local Friends church has two segments of people to reach:

1. The entire membership of local church
2. The general public.

How do the leaders in the local church reach the entire membership? The Sunday bulletin, weekly newsletter, the EVANGELICAL FRIEND, with its Kansas Yearly Meeting Supplement, are means to do this. Promotional literature produced by various departments of the Yearly Meeting can also be used.

How can the local church use literature to reach the general public? The alert church will use the local newspaper. Most editors will accept well-written articles, news items, and advertisements of church activities. The weekly newsletter can be slanted towards the general public. Some literature can be obtained from the Yearly Meeting Office.

The Publications Board invites you to make suggestions to us concerning your literature needs. Let us help you with your public relations program.

—Cooper Beaty, Chairman

SUPERINTENDENT'S SCOPE



The first century of the Friends Church in Kansas Yearly Meeting is almost fulfilled, and that history is replete with recorded evidences of God's blessings and providences.

The founding of this Yearly Meeting in 1872 came as a result of the westward movement of settlers, among whom were many Friends seeking new land and new opportunities, together with a strong concern on the part of many Friends for a ministry to the Indian people of this newly-opened territory. The Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854 had opened this great area to settlement, resulting in the rapid movement of Friends and others to this new land of promise.

My wife, Kathleen, and I are happy to accept the gracious invitation of Kansas Yearly Meeting to serve the church in this part of God's vineyard. As I assume the duties of the office of general superintendent, I recognize that I am debtor to all those who have contributed to the great and enlarging stream of our Christian heritage through Friends.

Kathleen and I both grew up in parsonage homes in this Yearly Meeting. To the loving memory of each of our Christian parents, we want to dedicate our present service toward the same ideals and goals for which they labored. Many of these hoped-for and prayed-for goals have not yet been achieved.

We trust, by God's grace, to see in this our day some evidences of revival and renewal in our churches that will be the springboard for:

1. Fervent evangelism and outreach,
2. Increased missionary concern and broadened fields of labor in other lands,
3. Vigorous extension of the church into needy areas within our own borders,
4. A strong, Christ-centered, Bible-oriented education program in every church and in our church-related schools,
5. A well-planned and consistent ministry to, and program for, our youth,
6. A ministry of love and compassion to the poor and downtrodden among all groups of people, at home and abroad, in Christian social service, a strengthened and united voice and program on matters of moral action, and our distinctively Christian peace testimony,
7. A TOTAL STEWARDSHIP—an all-out dedication to the Christian task of penetrating the world with the healing, saving Gospel of Jesus Christ, accomplished by the power of the Holy Spirit.

In the light of our cherished heritage of faith and good works and the continuing ministry of the church in our day, let us dedicate ourselves in a new way toward the realization of these goals for revival and renewal and a greatly enlarged ministry on every front—for Christ and His Church.

—Dean Gregory

FOURTH ANNUAL MUSIC CONFERENCE

The fourth annual Church Music Conference was held at the Fine Arts Center of Friends University on Monday, August 11.

Guest speakers were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rains from Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky. Mr. Rains' workshop was on "A Meaningful Ministry of Music." Mrs. Rains' workshop presented "Music and Christian Education."

Stanley Perisho, director of admissions at Friends University, presented "The Pastor's Role in the Music Program"; Cecil Riney demonstrated "Choral Techniques in Rehearsal." Doris Rishel gave a demonstration of playing the bells.

The day closed with a panel discussion with the class leaders making up the panel.

The Music Committee trusts that the day was profitable to those in attendance and that it will be a means of improving the music in their church. Any suggestions or helpful criticisms you may have will be appreciated.

—Letha Lawrence, Chairman
Music Committee

Burundi Prayer Corner

NYANKANDA

Pray that revival fires will continue to burn among our people. Pray that persecutions from pagan and Catholics may turn to spiritual strengthening and joy for our Christians. Pray for James Maforo as he continues leprosy studies in Ethiopia.

KWIBUKA

Pray that we will soon see a revival in our area and that the elders above all will get a burden to stand for the things of the Lord. Pray for Binyoni, director of a Primary School, that he will be led of the Lord in selection of teachers for the coming year.

MUTAHU

Pray for Sodiya that he will know the Lord's will for this coming year. He has not been recalled at Mutaho.

KIBIMBA

Pray for Mugabo and Nkundwa, now back-slidden, who were early Christians. Pray for Kahuzehose, ex-dispenser, and family, who have great potential with no Christian influence.

KWISUMO

Pray for the building projects that need to be done during the dry season. Pray for visitation and work in out-school.

LITERATURE CENTER

Pray that the Center will make progress under the new management. Pray for Esther Choate as she helps with translation work and the production of new literature in Kirundi.

CORDAC

Pray for contacts with government officials relative to permission for the development program to proceed. Pray for the staff, who have heavier loads during the summer vacation months.

MWEYA

Pray for the Lord to call new students He wants in the Bible Institute. Pray for more teachers needed for the Christian college to begin in 1970.

Pray for the Friends Church leaders to get a real burden to start prayer calls.

Friends University

Jack L. Kater was named head basketball coach today (July 18) by Dr. Roy F. Ray, president at Friends University. Jack, who has been the basketball coach at Wichita Heights High School, will succeed Jim Mc-Nerney to the Friends post.

Friends University will offer the twentieth annual Pastors' Short Course on October 27-31, 1969. Guest lecturer will be Charles A. Wells of Princeton, New Jersey. Mr. Wells is editor and publisher of *Between The Lines*, a monthly news magazine. Charles Wells is a Quaker and a 1920 graduate of Friends University.

CHURCH CONCERNS

RINGWOOD

Glenn R. Sanders, Pastor

Several Oklahoma Bible Academy students attended the Ringwood Friends Church the 1968-69 school term. Two of these students have joined the church.

Five local churches have participated in union Sunday evening services for the summer. There has been good fellowship.

Seven youth attended Junior Camp and one attended Junior High Camp. All of these youngsters reported having a good time at camp this year.

HOMESTEAD

Albert Brown, Pastor

We are happy to have Albert and Bonnie

Brown and their four children as our new pastors. An ice cream social and food shower was held to welcome them into our church and community.

Bible School was held the first week in June with Wonsevu Christian Church in the Homestead Church. Ruth Mercer was the director. The theme used was "Jesus Leads Me." There were 30 children in attendance, with both the teachers and children receiving a new blessing from attending and doing God's work.

FAIRVIEW

Esther Figgins, Pastor

Our VBS was held June 9-13. There were 40 children and young people from the church and community in attendance.

The WMU is active in service projects and in projects to raise funds for the mission budget.

SEILING

Bradley Fisher, Pastor

"Believing God's Book" was the theme of Vacation Bible School under the direction of Violet Redinger. A good offering of \$102 was received for their project, Burundi Africa Youth Camp.

Several from our church attended Junior, Senior, and Family Camps at Camp Quaker Haven.

Jim Paris has been inducted into the armed services and stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas.

The Crimsonaires, a trio from Friends Bible College, were with us in June. Annette Beaty, a member of the trio, and Cooper Beaty, their sponsor, are members of Seiling Monthly Meeting.

LEAGUE CITY

Glenn Hawthorne, Pastor

League City Friends Church is happy to have our new pastors, Glenn and Ruth Hawthorne and family, with us. We appreciate especially this fine family and the contribution they have made to the youth group. We are looking forward to working with them this year.

MARRIAGES

LOUTHAN-COMBS. Sharon Louthan and Jay Combs were united in holy matrimony June 21, 1969.

BIRTHS

COX—Pastors of the Lawrence Friends Church, Eldon and Gayle Cox, are the proud parents of a new baby girl. Her name is Karmen Rachelle, born July 22. Congratulations to Pastor and Mrs. Cox!

DEATHS

LORD—Rose Lord passed away on May 4, 1969. She was a charter member of Seiling Monthly Meeting.

TITUS—Delsie Titus passed away June 2, 1969. She had been a member of Seiling Monthly Meeting for a long time.

UNBER—Edna Unber passed away in June, 1969. She was a nonresident member of Seiling.

WMU NEWS

The women of Kansas Yearly Meeting WMU are to be commended for having sent two representatives—Rosa Mae Taber and Ferne Cook—to the mission field in Burundi, Africa, this past year. The women of Burundi appreciated so much this effort, and it proved such a blessing to them in the meetings held with the various groups there. Many victories were won and we trust encouragement and blessing to all. It was a joy for us to meet with the Umuhari w' Abapfasoni ba E.E.A.—a wonderful group of fine African Christians with officers capable of carrying on the business at hand and many carrying a real burden and concern for the needs of others.

I have traveled some 550 miles since returning from the field to different churches and organizations presenting the report of our visit to the field. I have appreciated the privilege of meeting with these groups and am looking forward to being in many of the other churches and missionary societies. Ferne Cook will be sharing her report with you as you invite her to come to be with you and help in organizing your local prayer units.

Once again the goal of a \$2,000 project has been reached. Other projects and offerings have been faithfully supported, and we thank you for each contribution.

We do appreciate so much the cooperation of each officer and all departments of the WMU this past year.

Program books have been prepared for the youth this year, and we trust this will be a help to them. May we do our best to encourage the youth and junior mission work in each local meeting.

Remember that "the only ideas that will work for you are the ones you put to work." Let's do our very best this WMU year, 1969-70.

May we each be challenged this year with our theme, "His Witnesses." No one liveth unto himself. Our life is casting a shadow. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

—Rosa Mae Taber, President
Women's Missionary Union

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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

'IT'S LATER THAN IT'S EVER BEEN'



Wallace Denton, in his book, *What's Happening to Our Families?* tells of an elderly lady. She was startled when the old grandfather clock in the hall struck thirteen. She shook her husband awake and exclaimed, "Wake up, Pa. It's later than it's ever been!"

Our Moral Action Board is attempting to disturb our tranquility. They are shouting to us, "Wake up, Ohio Yearly Meeting. It's later than it's ever been!" The great social, economic, political, moral problems of our day appear to be getting worse rather than better. Racial conflict, hunger, student rebellion, Vietnam, the explosive Israeli-Arab dispute, the sex revolution, promiscuous dope experimentation, the Nigeria-Biafra conflict, rampant pornography, and the great increase of crime scream to the church—"Wake up. It's later than it's ever been!"

In the midst of the darkness, practically all the news media is blaring forth: The church is irrelevant. At this point we do well to ponder the statement of Halford Luc- cock, "If the church marries a given generation, she is sure to be a widow in the next, and that without visible means of support." The gist of what he is saying is that the church is always in a bad way when the NOW generation accepts her as completely relevant. The great message and mission of the church is always out of date to pagans and totally beside the point to the modernist. It is more important to be up-to-date with God.

Dr. Kitigawa declared, "Most public worship has become little more than a private devotion in public. We go to our kind of church to worship God in company with our kind of people, leaving the world behind and especially those who are not of our kind. . . . The local congregation has become a club of like-minded people." We are indeed asleep and need awakening if Dr. Kitigawa is describing our church. For this is not the image of Christ's church that is ministering in today's desperate world.

The philosophy of the world is to GET—the core of Jesus' teaching is to GIVE. In any contemporary secular society this means a head-on clash. The battlefield is identified—all about us in so many areas, as we listen to the threatening sound. The New Testament teaches us that the Christian is one who is willing to jump into the middle of the battle even if it does mean getting hurt.

The hour demands Christians who are identified with Christ and the cross. Crucifixion is more than fantasy or fiction. It must be stark reality in our everyday living. Without this kind of Christian, redemptive commitment—reconciliation, forgiveness, and healing are not possible. The way of the cross is Christ's way. It is the only method to reflect an effective witness for Christ in the divided, diseased, doomed, and desperate world of 1969. Christians committed to the cross must do more than conform to established mores. Pious words without deeds are hollow! *The greatest of all our resources, the Gospel itself, must be brought to bear upon our problems directly, specifically, and relentlessly.* With "the Bible in one hand and the daily press in the other," we must discover what God wills each of us to do amidst the manifold hurts in our world. Our ministries will be varied, but we will be ministering. In 1955 General Carlos Romulo of the Philippines said, "We belong to the community of the hurt and brokenhearted and of deferred hope." The church that is His church cannot say nor do less! "Phoneyess" sooner or later will be unmasked.

"It's later than it's ever been!" God give Ohio Yearly Meeting a great host of disciples who are crucified with Christ, willing and ready to move into the middle of the battle, to identify with the community of the hurt, brokenhearted, and deferred hope. This is effective Christian social action. Our work is evident. This is no time to delay.

—Russell Myers

Centennial of Adrian Quarterly Meeting

It was as early as the late 1700s that many Quakers moved from New York state to the Northwest Territory, settling in lower Michigan.

By 1843, Michigan Quakers were sufficient in size and organization to become established as a quarterly meeting by New York Yearly Meeting. The original churches of Adrian Quarterly Meeting were: Adrian (Raisin Valley), Rollin, Raisin Center, and Ypsilanti. These churches had become monthly meetings in 1831, 1835, 1842, and 1855 respectively.

In 1866, a delegation, sent by Adrian Quarterly Meeting, visited the sessions of Ohio Yearly Meeting. Having previously visited Friends in Canada, the delegation recommended to Adrian Quarterly Meeting that it unite with Ohio Yearly Meeting, with headquarters in Damascus, Ohio.

On September 7, 1868, a committee appointed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting reported in at the Ohio Yearly Meeting sessions. Ohio Yearly Meeting appointed a committee to meet with the Michigan group. On September 11, the yearly meeting committee reported to the sessions that they felt "mutual benefit might result from such a union and the cause of Truth be promoted thereby."

In the following year, permission was received from New York Yearly Meeting by Adrian Quarterly Meeting to leave its affiliation to become a part of Ohio Yearly Meeting.

On September 6, 1869, the matter was again laid before the Ohio Yearly Meeting sessions, as a first order of business. "After which the meeting dipped into a precious feeling of near unity with our dear friends of Adrian Quarterly Meeting. There was a large expression of unity with the proposition. And a cordial welcome into religious fellowship with us as a Yearly Meeting was freely extended to them, under a lively hope and belief that it will tend by the blessing of our Heavenly Father to our mutual edification and the advancement of the cause of our Holy Redeemer. Women's meeting having also fully united with the proposition, Adrian Quarterly Meeting is now incorporated as a branch of this Yearly Meeting." (from the 1869 Ohio

The above article was prepared for Adrian Quarterly Meeting on August 2, 1969, by Dan Frost, pastor of Raisin Center Friends Church.

Yearly Meeting Minutes, page 4) It was done. Adrian Quarterly Meeting was a part of Ohio Yearly Meeting.

Following this union, Adrian Quarterly Meeting has significantly grown. Lupton, Tecumseh, Adrian City, Selkirk, Olive Street, Jackson, and Lansing churches have been established. Selkirk, however, has recently been discontinued.

Ohio Yearly Meeting soon after took on the added responsibilities of foreign missions, Cleveland Bible Institute, and the Friends Rescue Home. And we were there to help.

Adrian Quarter has significantly contributed to Ohio Yearly Meeting. She has sent capable laymen to serve on her various boards and committees, missionaries to her fields, ministers to her pulpits, and finances to her coffers.

In return, we have profited from the Yearly Meeting's wisdom, finances, leadership, pastoral supply, camps, and fellowship.

It seems fitting that, 100 years after our Ohio Yearly Meeting affiliation began, we should be meeting at the Westchester Extension Monthly Meeting of Friends. In the cooperative effort of Ohio Yearly Meeting and Adrian Quarterly Meeting, this church is a symbol of the progressive, evangelistic, and cooperative effort we still enjoy. This 100 years has seen considerable growth in both Adrian Quarterly Meeting and Ohio Yearly Meeting.

Surely we can look forward to our continued Ohio Yearly Meeting association "under a lively hope and belief that it will tend by the blessing of our Heavenly Father to our mutual edification and the advancement of the cause of our Holy Redeemer." (from 1869 *Ohio Yearly Meeting Minutes*, page 4)

SMALL THOUGHTS ON BIG SUBJECTS

A SINGULAR SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN NATURAL LAWS

Who has not longed to mystify an audience with feats of power, or to point out with imponderable accuracy an event that is yet to happen? Does anyone exist who has not secretly desired to possess the power to transcend natural law—to soar with the ease of the eagle, or cruise the mysterious depths with the grace of the porpoise?

The possibility of such power staggered the mind of Nicodemus—and his question to Jesus found explosive articulation: Lord . . . can a man be born again? And Jesus answered that he must be, or he could not see the kingdom of God.

There! Jesus had said it. A natural law could be suspended. Think of it. As though for the first time, to enjoy the fragrance of fresh-cooked bacon in the still morning air, to behold the colors of the spectrum in the arch of the rainbow, to possess again the enchanting innocence of childhood, or to see one's fellowman from the perspective of unprejudiced objectivity. *New birth*—to rise from the deep sleep of the dead and see the dew-flecked green of a well-kept lawn polka dotted with the crimson of exquisite roses.

These experiences are ours—for life in Christ is the *singular suspension of certain natural laws*! Life in Christ grants us such radical transformation that "all things are become new." We need not dream longer—such power is ours in Christ Jesus.

—Eugene Collins

WITH OUR CHURCHES

ADRIAN QUARTERLY MEETING

ADRIAN CITY—John Rice, pastor

On July 27 following the evening service, we had a farewell party for Pastor John Rice and his family. Our church appreciates what Pastor Rice and his family have done for us during his ministry with us for the last three years. —Norene Spreeman, correspondent

RAISIN CENTER—Dan Frost, pastor

On July 6, three infants were dedicated in our morning worship service. Rev. Joe Shultz was guest speaker on July 13. Several found victory at the altar.

—Dale Shreve, correspondent

YPSILANTI—Herbert E. Burch, pastor

Ypsilanti Friends Church had as guests Sunday evening, July 27, the New Friends Five, students of George Fox College, Newberg, Oregon. Their Christian ministry consisted of plays, Readers Theatre, dramatic readings, and dramatic monologues, interspersed with musical numbers on the guitar. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hadley from the college accompanied the quintet.

—J. Hammond, correspondent

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Malone College News



PERSONALIA

Dr. William Green announced the addition of 14 new faculty members. He is elated in the knowledge that the majority of these people have their Ph.Ds. The new members are:

ANDERSON, ALVIN L.—Professor of Education. Cascade College, A.B.; University of Oregon, M.Ed. and Ph.D.

CHAMBERS, RICHARD V.—Associate Academic Dean. A.B. and B.S. in Education, Marion College; Case-Western Reserve University, M.A. and Ph.D.

HULL, GUY A.—Director of Student Financial Aids, Placement Office. Malone College, B.R.E. and B.S. in Education; University of Akron, M.S. in Education.

LAIR, ROBERT L.—Professor of English. Bob Jones University, A.B. and A.M.; Middlebury College, A.M.; Ohio State University, Ph.D.

LAIR, ZOVINAR N.—Assistant Professor of

Spanish. Bob Jones University, A.B. and A.M.; completing M.A. at Middlebury.

MANGANELLO, JAMES A.—Resident Counselor of Men. Eastern Nazarene College, A.B.; Suffolk University, Ed.M.; Boston University, A.M.

MILLER, EVELYN C.—Resident Counselor of Women. Malone College, B.A.; working toward M.A. at Kent State University.

POND, CAROLYN E.—Assistant Professor of Physical Education. Southern Illinois University, B.S. and M.S.

RITTER, R. DALE—Assistant Professor of Chemistry. Westmont College, B.A.; Oregon State University, Ph.D.

STANLEY, JAMES G.—Assistant Professor of History. Asbury College, A.B.; Central Michigan University, M.A.; American University, Ph.D.

STEPHENS, MARVIN W.—Assistant Professor of Chemistry. Cedarville College, B.S.; University of Nebraska, Ph.D.

STUCKEY, JAMES H.—Assistant Professor of History. Bluffton College, B.A.; Ohio State, M.A. Resident work on doctorate completed at Case-Western Reserve University.

WAKEMAN, ALBERT J.—Assistant Professor of Linguistics. Bob Jones University, B.A. and M.A.; University of Michigan, M.A. Doctorate expected January, 1970.

ATHLETE OF YEAR

Ken Hyland, a 1969 graduate of Malone, led the golf team to championship in the

MOC and NAIA after having been named the athlete of the year at Malone. He was also named All-American, having become the NAIA national champion in the tournament in Texas. He owns a college career record of 50 wins, 5 losses.

FINE ARTS

The Lyceum Concert Series for 1969-70 offers a sparkling array of talent and expertise. Following is the schedule:

Gerald Goodman, Troubadour, October 18, 1969

Cleveland Symphony, January 13, 1970
Roberta Peters, April 7, 1970

PROGRESS

Herb Hallman, director of developments, informs us that bids for the new library were opened August 7 and contract was to be let on August 9. As yet unnamed, the building will house 100,000 new volumes. Work will begin in September. As of now, the estimated cost stands at \$1,350,000.

ALUM CREEK QUARTERLY MEETING

ALUM CREEK—James Brantingham, pastor

DVBS was held June 9-13 under the direction of Esther Westbrook. Doris Robbins, serving for WGM in Bolivia, presented the Bible stories with an evangelistic emphasis each morning; 16 children sought spiritual help. The theme was "Climbing Mountains with God," and the total setup was planned and prepared with local help. Mary Staley wrote the theme song, "Mountains Are for Climbing." The enrollment was 137.

Family Night was held July 22 with a basket supper on the church lawn. A farewell program was presented for Richard and Lois Johnson and their family. The Gilead Friends Quartet were guest singers.

James Brantingham, our new pastor, began his labor in our midst August 1.

—Elma E. Black, correspondent

CLEVELAND QUARTERLY MEETING

BARBERTON—Charles Bancroft, pastor

June 30 to July 5 was a great week for our pastor as well as 13 youth from our church, and one of the youth directors, Mrs. Martha Jamison. These people were in attendance at the young Friends Conference at Camp Caesar.

For our Wednesday evening prayer meeting July 23, our guest speaker was Miss Janet Briggs of the South American Mission for Indians. —Arlie W. Lupardus, correspondent

BOSTON HEIGHTS—R. Linwood Johnson, pastor

Rev. Lawrence MacAllen and "Gospel Pete" held a youth revival the weekend of June 13-15. Young and old alike enjoyed the good preaching, music, chalk art, and magic. Several young people and adults found the Lord.

DVBS was held June 16-27 under the direction of Mrs. Martha Mowery. Our average total attendance was 137, including 34 teachers and workers. Part of the offering is to be used for medicine for the hospital in India.

The first time we used the new picnic area on the church grounds was July 26 for our annual Sunday school picnic.

The young married couples have started a Bible study group that meets once a month in the homes of members and prospective members.

COLUMBUS-WESTGATE—

Edward Baldwin, pastor

June 16-20, we loaded 30 junior age children on our bus and headed for Camp Cobec near West Liberty with Pastor Baldwin directing. We had a wonderful week.

We held our evening VBS July 7-11, with classes for three-year olds through adults. The attendance was very good and the staff was the best. Florence Jones and Marjorie Langdon were codirectors.

—Florence Jones, correspondent

DAMASCUS QUARTERLY MEETING

ALLIANCE—Galen Weingart, pastor

On July 6 the Crimsonaires Trio of Friends Bible College, Haviland, Kansas, presented several numbers in song in the morning worship service. Cooper Beatty, evangelist of Seiling, Oklahoma, brought the message. In the evening service the youth presented "Camp Caesar Echoes."

An informal "Friendly Gathering" was held on Tuesday, July 15, at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall to get acquainted with four West Coast Friends. Their inter-yearly meeting visitation was sponsored by the Friends World Committee, of which our pastor is an associate.

The Brigade Dad-Lad summer project was the stock-cart race held on August 12. The boys obtained the blue prints for building their own stock carts from their sponsor, Paul Smith.

—Ruth Hoff, correspondent

BETHEL—Harold Wyandt, pastor

"Jesus Leads Me" was the theme of our 1969 DVBS, June 9-20 from 7 to 9 p.m. Norma Wyandt was in charge. We had an average attendance of 80 each night and gave 76 certificates.

—Mary O'Hara, correspondent

CANTON—William Atchison, pastor

Dr. Everett Cattell, president of Malone College, was the guest speaker on July 13 in the morning worship hour. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowman and family were with us on Sunday evening of July 13.

Eleven young people from the church attended Camp Caesar and reported a blessed time of fellowship and spiritual meetings.

DAMASCUS—Douglas Jones, pastor

Superintendent Russell Myers was guest speaker for our recognition of seniors service. We had 23 graduating from high school and two from college. There was a special service for them and gifts were given to each one.

"Jesus Leads Me" was the theme of our 1969 DVBS, June 9 through June 20, with an attendance of 116 pupils and 38 teachers and workers. The children gave a total of \$305.82, which was presented to the hospital in India.

EAST GOSHEN—E. Roy Skeeter, pastor

Our DVBS was held June 23-27. The theme was "Jesus Leads Me." The leaders were Janet Gologram and Beverly Lockhart, who were assisted by our pastor Roy Skeeter. The offering amounted to \$94, which will be used to purchase the Gospel of John in Spanish and will be sent to Roscoe and Tina Knight for use in their work in Mexico. They had as their guest speakers, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sanford, along with their songs, Bible stories, and memory work. The children also did handicrafts. On Sunday evening they had a program and also a nice display of the work they had done.

—Mary Mercer, correspondent

WINONA—Richard Johnson, pastor

On July 10-20 we held our annual summer revival at Friendly Acres in Winona, Ohio, with Glenn Althouse of Marysville, Ohio, as our evangelist. Mrs. Glenn Althouse was in charge of the youth services nightly at 7 p.m.

Recently we held a farewell for our former pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. David Brantingham, who went to Battle Creek, Michigan, to pastor. Rev. Richard Johnson and family have assumed the pastoral duties at Winona.

—Mrs. Lester Wilson, correspondent

GOSHEN QUARTERLY MEETING

BYHALIA—Jason Sherwood, pastor

While our pastor was on vacation, the

pulpit was filled June 15 by Walter R. Williams, Jr., of Byhalia, who gave an informative talk about the early writings of the Bible.

Sunday evening of the 15th, the Daily Vacation Bible School children presented their program with the theme "Jesus Leads." There were 74 children in the community Bible school, 19 youth helpers, and 11 teachers, under the direction of the educational co-chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown.

On July 14 a Fellowship Supper was held. At the close of an enjoyable evening a farewell gift was presented to Rev. and Mrs. Sherwood with best wishes from the church membership. They will be pastoring at Van Wert, Ohio, beginning August 1.

—Ethel Eastman, correspondent

CELINA—Fred Lippiatt, pastor

The Celina Friends Church had a very successful DVBS June 9-13. Mrs. Fred Lippiatt was the director.

—Kathryn Slusser, correspondent

GRINNELL QUARTERLY MEETING

Grinnell—Myron Harris, pastor

Evangelist Willis Miller helped us to want to read our Bibles more by taking us on a two-hour tour of the Holy Land with marvelous slides. He explained them so well that we almost felt like we had really visited there on July 7.

On July 14, Rev. John R. Putt and family held a service that included testimonies, grand songs, and a splendid message titled "How God Cares for His Own."

—Nola Graves for Linda Doane, correspondent

HAMPTON ROADS QUARTERLY MEETING

DEEP CREEK (Newport News)—

E. J. Lauffenburger, pastor

Our missionary group has only nine members. We are small in number but have enjoyed the joining together of our hearts in earnest prayer for our missionaries. We praise the Lord for answered prayer.

Deep Creek held a two week DVBS. The average attendance was 137. In reaching 37 new families, there were 13 decisions for Christ.

—Ann Long, correspondent

NEWPORT NEWS 1st FRIENDS—

Bryan C. Teague, pastor

A number of our young people attended Southern Youth Conference held at Camp Wakefield, Wakefield, Virginia. Pastor and Mrs. Teague, Bill Chapman, Jack Mayo, and Sara Brown assisted with the conference.

Inauguration of a church-wide family fellowship night was held July 30.

—Mrs. Murray Brown, Jr., correspondent

PENIEL—E. A. Lockwood, pastor

The Esther Lockwood Missionary Society and the Home Missionary Society had a bazaar and white elephant sale at the parsonage recently, at which time we raised \$50 for the Friends Home Chapel Fund.

The senior FY gave a banquet with the theme, "Keys to the Future," in honor of our four graduates—Maggie Callis, Faye Callis, Paul Pugh, and Jimmy Robbins.

The primary FYF class presented a missionary program recently with a song written

especially for the occasion by Maida Hudgins. —B. Callis, correspondent

PIEDMONT QUARTERLY MEETING

IMMANUEL—Edgar R. Phelps, pastor

Vacation Bible School was conducted each evening, June 9-13. Attendance was very good. The Men's missionary group assisted in transportation.

John and Barbara Brantingham and family were our guests on June 8 for the morning service.

Three of our youths attended Wakefield Camp full time. They are Paul Hyler, Jr., Tony Jones, and Delores Minter.

—Cynthia Wray, correspondent

EDEN—Edgar Phelps, pastor

Special services were held for Edgar Phelps on July 27, 1969. This concluding sermon of his eight years of pastoral service was broadcast over radio. Following his message everyone met in the fellowship hall for a special dinner in honor of Pastor Phelps and his wife. He and his wife received several gifts, including a rug presented by the church.

—Cynthia Wray, correspondent

LONGVIEW

There were 79 campers and workers who attended Piedmont Junior Camp, July 14-17, northeast of Danville, Virginia. Roy Taylor is the camp director.

On July 23, Friends Youth surprised our Pastor Roy Taylor with a birthday party and presented gifts from the members.

—Annie Bryant, correspondent

PENN QUARTERLY MEETING

HUGHESVILLE—Richard Gessling, pastor

Summer activities have been centered largely on the Hughesville Camp Meeting grounds. First was a Junior Camp held jointly with Williamsport Friends Church, Dane Ruff, pastor, for children from 3rd through 6th grades. It was held June 18-20. Forty-two youngsters attended the camp.

Hughesville Camp Meeting was held July 10-20, inclusive. While the camp is truly interdenominational, it has close ties with the two area Friends churches and with yearly meeting personnel. Earl M. Smith is camp president, and his wife Catherine is the children's worker. This year one of the two main speakers was Robert Hess from Malone, taking part in the Bible study hours as well as the preaching services. Both Earl Smith and Robert Hess are from Hughesville.

—E. Warner, correspondent

SHORT CREEK QUARTERLY MEETING

EAST RICHLAND—Wayne F. Ickes, pastor

We were privileged to have John and Barbara Brantingham with us Sunday, July 13.

Our annual Sunday school picnic was held July 17. There were about 130 who attended.

We were so pleased to have over 50 members of the Zinn family attend our morning worship hour July 27. Rev. Russell Zinn gave a very interesting message.

We were proud to have so many of our young people attend our camps this summer. Eleven girls and six boys attended the Junior Camps and four boys attended Junior High Camp, in which Pastor Ickes was the camp pastor. —Lois Less Pickering, correspondent

WITH OUR PEOPLE

MARRIAGES

BIGGER-MECKLEY. Betty Louise Bigger and John E. Meckley, Jr., August 2, 1969, in the Hughesville Church. John is from Milton, Pennsylvania.

BIRCHER-DOSSI. Peggy Bircher and Joseph Dossi, June 22, 1969, in the Damascus Friends Church, Damascus, Ohio. Harold Winn performed the ceremony.

FULLER-GRITZMAKER. Sandra Fuller of Adrian and Craig Gritzmaker of Raisin Valley Friends Church, June 14, 1969, in the First Baptist Church in Adrian, Michigan.

HILL-FRY. Jean Louise Hill and Larry Fry, in the Hughesville Church, Hughesville, Pennsylvania, June 14, 1969. The officiating minister was Richard Bower, nephew of the bride, performing his first wedding ceremony.

HOOPES-PARSON. Linda Hoopes and Jay Parson, June 14, 1969, in the Damascus Friends Church, Damascus, Ohio.

KIKO-PHILLIPS. Mary Kiko and Bill Phillips were married June 21, 1969, at Saint Paul's United Church of Christ, East Canton, Ohio. Rev. Frank Wright performed the ceremony.

MERRIWEATHER-MAYES. Julia Merriweather and Rodger Mayes, July 31, 1969, in the Hunter-Hills Friends Church. Dr. John R. Church performed the ceremony. Rodger is a member of the Longview Friends Church and has now moved into the parsonage at Brewster Friends Church, Brewster, Ohio, as the new pastor.

MORTON-SPURLOCK. Grace Ellen Morton and SSgt. Mickey Spurlock, July 26, 1969, at Ypsilanti Friends Church. Herbert E. Burch performed the ceremony.

SABEN-FISKE. Janice Saben of Willoughby Hills Friends Church and Robert Fiske of Cleveland, Ohio, July 5, 1969, in Wilmore, Kentucky. James Norton performed the ceremony.

SLAYMAN-CURRY. Wanda Slayman of Canton and Martin Curry of Louisville, Ohio, July 4, 1969, in First Friends Church by William Atchison.

SOWERS-BANE. Nancy Marie Sowers and George Irving Bane, Jr., of Newport News, Virginia, July 3, 1969, in the home of the bride.

SPELLER-JARRETT. Cheryl Speller and Richard Jarrett of Adrian, Michigan, May 31, 1969, in the Raisin Valley Friends Church. Pastor Lawrence Cox performed the ceremony.

SPOUSE-SUMMERFORD. Debra Lynn Sprouse and Robert Grayson Summerford, May 9, 1969, in Deep Creek Friends Church. Ernest J. Lauffenburger officiated.

WILSON-BIRCHER. Cathy Wilson and Jack Bircher, May 25, 1969, in the Sebring Nazarene Church, Sebring, Ohio.

WOODS-BOLHKA. Kathleen Woods of Adrian and Donald Bolhka of Blissfield, Michigan, June 6, 1969, in the Raisin Valley Friends Church. Pastor Lawrence Cox performed the ceremony.

ZUIDEMA-CRISWELL. Mary Alice Zuidema and David W. Criswell of Sully, Iowa,

June 27, 1969, in the Sully Christian Reformed Church.

BIRTHS

BRANTINGHAM—To Rev. and Mrs. Ben Brantingham of Southeast Friends Church, a son, Lee Robert, July 11, 1969.

BURKEY—To Bill and Eunice Burkey of East Goshen Friends Church, a boy, William Robert.

CARR—To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Carr of Gilead Friends Church, a son, Sean Andrew, March 11, 1969.

DAVIS—To Jim and Jane Davis of Alliance Friends Church, a daughter, Amy Elizabeth, June 29, 1969.

EAST—To Mr. and Mrs. George East, Jr., of First Friends Church, Portsmouth, Virginia, a son, Bradford Allen, July 15, 1969.

FROST—To Rev. and Mrs. Dan Frost, pastors of Raisin Center Church, a son, James Daniel, Jr., on June 28, 1969.

GARA—To Arlan and Dianne Garra of Alliance Friends Church, a son, John Kenneth, July 11, 1969.

MASSIE—To Robert and Clara Massie of Bethel Friends, a son, Robert, June 1, 1969.

MURPHY—To David and Carolyn Murphy of Troy, North Carolina, a girl, Dacia Laine, June 6, 1969.

REICH—To Mr. and Mrs. John Reich of Boston Heights, Ohio, a daughter, Michelle Lynn, March 6, 1969.

SORENSEN—To Roger and Judy Sorensen, formerly of Canton, now of Chicago, Illinois, a daughter, Heidi Lynn, July 14, 1969.

STONE—To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stone of Boston Heights, Ohio, a daughter, Sandra Renea, June 26, 1969.

WORKMAN—To Mr. and Mrs. Butch Workman of Beloit, R.D. 1, on July 16, a boy, William Merle.

YOUNG—To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Young of Raisin Center Church, a son, Gordon Herbert, June 10, 1969.

DEATHS

HONE—Mrs. Edward (Viola) Hone passed away in her sleep May 17, 1969. Fred Lippiatt conducted the funeral services.

KERR—Mrs. Lela Kerr, 81, member of Damascus Friends Church, passed away May 6, 1969. Douglas Jones conducted the funeral.

RICE—Harold E. Rice, 61, of Rose City, Michigan, passed away July 17, 1969, at the home of his son, Duane Rice of Deerfield, Ohio. Other survivors include his wife and sons John Rice of Adrian, Michigan, and Don Rice of Kauai, Hawaii. Each son is a minister of the Gospel.

SHANEOUR—Hugh C. Shaneour, 69, who attended Raisin Center, passed away on July 20, 1969. Dan Frost officiated at the services, assisted by Lowell Shreve.

VAN EVERY—Clara E. Van Every of St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, an elder of Pelham Friends Church and wife of former pastor W. S. Van Every, passed away on July 22, 1969. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor C. Lynn Shreve.

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YEARLY MEETING ATTENDANCE

(Evenings)

Tuesday, August 12	467
Wednesday, August 13	544
Thursday, August 14	494
Friday, August 15	481
Saturday, August 16	148
Sunday, August 17 (afternoon—not including children and youth)	559
(night)	636

'LET LOVE GUIDE YOU,' STEWARDSHIP THEME

During the Yearly Meeting Sessions, the stewardship packets were given all pastors for each church with material on the theme, "Let Love Guide You." The author of the material, Edward Hales, addressed the Wednesday night meeting. Mr. Hales is vice-chairman of the Stewardship Commission of the National Association of Evangelicals.

The "Let Love Guide You" plan provides helps and ideas for the local church, including suggestions for stewardship presentations in Sunday school, youth meetings, primary church, etc.

MEDFORD 'FLY-IN' TO YEARLY MEETING BANQUETS

The enthusiasm at Medford was really high to come to the annual missionary banquets held the opening night of Yearly Meeting. They chartered 12 small planes carrying a total of 39 attenders to the two banquets. As this fleet landed at the Newberg airport, they were met by the Newberg Friends bus to be hurried to the banquets. Richard Krupp, a Medford member of the Oregon Yearly Meeting Board of Missions, engineered the plans and piloted one of the planes.

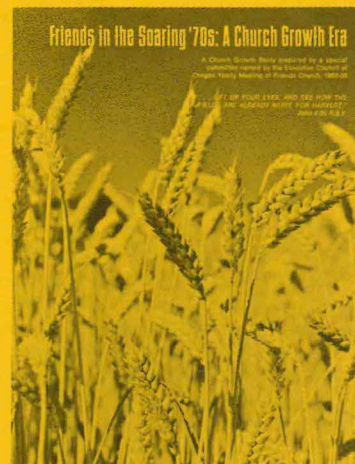
More than 400 attended the ladies' banquet; 246 were at the men's meeting.

Church Growth Emphasis

CHURCH GROWTH BOOK READY

The Soaring '70s: A Church Growth Era is the title of the report and recommendations of the special committee named a year ago by the Executive Council to make such a study. Beamed primarily at the local church, the reports give evaluations of each congregation based upon statistics and questionnaires secured throughout the year. Seven specific recommendations are given to be implemented in the local meeting. It is hoped these will be carefully studied by Sunday school classes, elders and overseers, committees, and all members as well as the pastors. Any church without copies should write immediately to the Barclay Press. A gift copy is available to each pastor. Other books and materials suggested in the various recommendations may also be ordered through the Barclay Press.

A church growth institute is planned at Newberg, November 10-12, on the George Fox College campus with Dr. Donald McGavran of the Institute of Church Growth, Pasadena, California, the guest speaker. Sponsored jointly by the college and the Board of



Evangelism, it is open to all who can attend. Pastors are urgently requested to attend. Five special lectures with Dr. McGavran, followed by question and answer periods, will be featured in the conference. Other sessions with pastors and ministerial and seminary students will be held.



Pictures record the Medford "fly-in" to YM banquets. At left, Wayne and Bertie Roberts with a lady who experienced her first plane ride. Lower left shows some of the planes at Newberg's Sportsman Airpark and lower right, one of the 12 planes landing.



FRIENDS PHOBIAS

Have you ever counted the phobias in your dictionary? There is acrophobia, or fear of height; claustrophobia, the fear of closed places; agoraphobia, fear of open places; neophobia, fear of the new; pathophobia, fear of disease; photophobia, fear of lights. More than 75 phobias are listed including ereuthophobia, fear of blushing (we could do with a little more of that!).

There may be another, quakerophobia, which is a fear of size and is related to neophobia, fear of the new. The fact is, of course, we are a lot better off being afraid of some things. Children with healthy fears of matches, razor blades, and scarlet fever are safer. In many ways, we are moved by fear as well as drawn by love. Why do you pay your income tax—because you love Uncle Sam? Maybe. But the threat of penalty is an aid to promptness! Fear causes us to do many good and constructive things. Uncontrolled phobias can be fatal, but closing our eyes to danger can be fatal, too.

"Perfect love casteth out fear." God planted fear in our moral natures to make us uneasy with our sins. He will never let us be wrong and feel right. Just as a toothache will quickly send you to the dentist, fear in the soul is a distress signal warning of some inner wrongness, a healthy prod to bring us to God in prayer and repentance. Fear can overlap its purpose into pathological manifestations, but it can be made a friend that spurs us to righteousness and redemption.

To read a Bible statement like, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die," or "... the ungodly shall perish," sends shivers up my spine. This is part of the truth of God. We also see God working in our fear by explaining that He came "into the world [not] to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved." Jesus says, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

Certain phobias, then, are encouraged. Fear of sin is one. Other phobias are bad. Let us cast out the fear of size with a fear of smallness—as people or as churches. What can we call this—miniphobia?

—Jack L. Willcuts

News of George Fox College

About 400 students, including 150 of them new, are expected to enroll as George Fox College on September 30 opens its doors for the 78th year.

A new president, Dr. David Le Shana, will be greeting students as well as several new faculty members. Several physical changes on the campus will be noticeable to returning students.

Freshmen begin arriving September 25 with the opening of dormitories and will take part in an orientation program from the 25th through the 29th. Upperclassmen begin arriving on the 28th.

Three new members will be added to the George Fox faculty this fall, and three professors now on leave will return to campus teaching assignments.

Richard Allen, a teacher and coach at Salem Academy for the last seven years, will teach in the physical education department and serve as assistant basketball coach and head track coach. Allen has a master's degree from the University of Oregon and taught in the Seattle public school system for two years before moving to Salem.

Berton Lamb, who receives a master's degree in international relations from San Francisco State College this month, joins the faculty as instructor of political science. Lamb was a resident assistant in 1966-67 at California Lutheran College, where he earned his bachelor's degree.

Harold Wilhite, since 1961 a teacher of mathematics and bookkeeping at Neah-Kah-Nie High School in Rockaway, will become assistant professor of business. Wilhite, who

taught at George Fox in 1960-61, is a certified public accountant with 25 years of public school teaching experience. He receives a master's degree in business administration from Portland State University this summer.

Returning to the college are Dr. George Moore, former dean of faculty; Dennis Hagen, assistant professor of music; and Dale Orkney, assistant professor of biology. Dr. Moore has been on a one-year sabbatical as visiting professor in general psychology and educational psychology at Malone College. Moore earlier announced his retirement from administrative duties. He will be teaching full time in the psychology department.

Hagen, for the past year, has been studying for a doctorate in music education at University of Indiana. He joined the George Fox faculty in 1964.

Orkney, awarded a National Science Foundation Science Faculty Grant in 1968, has been working on a doctorate at the University of Idaho.

A campus-wide project designed to furnish more and better parking space for students, faculty members, and visitors has been completed under an \$8,000 construction contract. One of the major portions of the project was the paving of the 16-foot wide campus roadway connecting East North Street to Carlton Way on the southern edge of the campus.

Parking for 40 more cars has been provided through expansion of the parking area near Hester Gym, and faculty and staff parking areas were improved on the Crescent Drive in front of Wood-Mar Hall and on the east side of Minthorn Hall.

MISSION NEWS

MISSIONARY COUNCILS REVIEW FIELD ACTIVITIES

BOLIVIA:

The general program of the National Church seems to be carried on with good stability and progress. All meetings, including quarterly meetings and Yearly Meeting are regularly held. Attendance at the Mesa Directiva meetings has not been always what it should be. Most of the quarterly meetings, which are also evangelistic efforts, have new converts. Yet, because of the preoccupation with the many programs within the church, there has not been the outward evangelistic thrust that we would like to see. This does not mean there has been none, but it should be increased. New meetings continue to appear, both from new growth and as a result of people migrating to newly-developed agricultural areas. We are trying to get more adequate statistics, but as yet have not been able to do so. The financial growth of the church continues. Over B\$16,000.00 pesos bolivianos were given for the tabernacle alone (\$1,350), and the local churches are spending hundreds of dollars on their local building programs, schools, and miscellaneous needs.

PERU:

This year found continued progress in the organization of the Peruvian National Church. During the 1969 Yearly Meeting sessions over Easter weekend, a Mesa Directiva with six members was installed to continue oversight of the national church work in Peru. As we close the church year, we find that we have brethren in 21 different communities, with five communities where there are brethren who have accepted the Gospel but do not hold regular services, another five communities where irregular services are held because of a lack of leadership, and 11 communities where there are churches that would correspond to established monthly meetings. In March 1967, the Peruvian Council went on record favoring the establishment of a permanent Bible school, and in June 1969, the first term of this Bible Institute began. The results have been most gratifying as we have started this on an extension-type Bible school plan. Thus we find we are reaching exactly whom we want to reach. The Extension Bible Institute is not designed to be a short-term Bible course or a stop-gap measure until a traditional type Bible school can be established, but is designed to be a permanent, full-scale institute.

NEW MISSIONARY CANDIDATES

As a further step in preparing themselves for foreign missionary service, Duane and Sherrill Comfort of Sandy, Oregon, have recently begun a seven and one-half month program of training under Missionary Internship at Farmington, Michigan. Though they are not as yet under appointment, Duane and Sherrill were introduced to the Yearly Meeting, and prayer is requested for them as they prepare for anticipated missionary service.

YEARLY MEETING RETROSPECT

(Taken from the writings of Patricia Helman in the Messenger).

The gathered church disperses,
Moving out from the beachhead of
togetherness
Onto the sea of aloneness
The gathered church is a shattered church,
A perplexed church, a reluctant church, a
church off-balance
With one foot in the grave of an old world
a-dying
And one foot in the new world a-borning.
Lord, you are the plumb line straight and true
Against which we measure the old and the
new.
Holy Spirit, hover over us in our dispersion.
Move in us so that when we gather again
There will be more devotion, less emotion,
More decision, less derision,
More commitment, less committee,
More witness, less wit,
And more love, more love to you O Christ.
Amen.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

Newberg—Fred Littlefield, pastor

Newberg welcomes Fred Littlefield as pastor. Fred and Naomi and their two daughters arrived August 7 from Wichita, Kansas, where he has been superintendent of Kansas Yearly Meeting.

Following the evening service on July 27, a pie social was enjoyed in the social hall. Edward and Sandra Dealy and their children were honored before they left for missionary work in Africa. Gerald Dillon and family were also honored; he has been our pulpit minister for 11 months.

Speakers on Christian camping in our services have included Myron Goldsmith, Dan Nolte, David Hampton, Perry Dodson, Margaret Chapman, Ralph Chapman, Peter Snow.

The Music Committee and the choir honored Sheldon Louthan with an after-church social on August 10 in appreciation of his

years of service as choir director.

Seventeen new members were recently welcomed into the church.

Newberg Quarterly Meeting met in our social hall on Saturday evening, August 2, for business and a report by Jack Willcuts on the Friends Action Board's work in Seattle.

The "49ers and Over" enjoyed a visit to Oregon Museum of Science and Industry on Friday, July 11, using the church bus.

Our float won first place in the civic and fraternal division of the Newberg Berrian parade on Saturday, July 26.

—Margaret Weesner, reporter

PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

Lynwood—Roger D. Smith, pastor

Under the direction of Peter Fertello, our teens have been kept busy with a variety of activities this summer. During the month of July, 45 teens and their leaders enjoyed a picnic dinner at Alpenrose Dairy followed by their attendance at the Americana pageant and fireworks display. Another evening was spent at the Louis Coffin home picnicing and swimming. The highlight of the month was a pack trip into Twin Lakes near Mt. Hood July 25-27. This turned out to be a real spiritual experience for the 19 young people par-

Book by Milo Ross is Credited For Beginning of Community Center

A book written by former George Fox College president, Milo C. Ross, 17 years ago, today is producing a new community center in South Bend, Indiana. The Ross-instigated project is gaining national attention in *Christian Life* magazine.

Called simply the Christian Community Center, the project is located in a leased, unoccupied business building in the residential area of the city of about 150,000.

With a resident husband and wife team, the center offers help and counseling to anyone who needs it—24 hours a day.

Members of the Redeemer Missionary Church in South Bend, appalled by their own lack of concern for youth, began the project feeling that if the church didn't begin sharing itself it would become stagnant.

A comment in the book, *Outreach*, by Dr. Ross is given credit for starting the center. Ross wrote: "Generally speaking, when a church with an evangelical emphasis reaches a sound membership of about 100, it is time to swarm, or there will be decay, rot, corruption, error, carnal unbelief, dissatisfaction, stagnation, and a tendency to mold into a hardened cast of self-sufficiency . . ."

Some of the members of the church felt it was time to swarm.

Young people of all ages regardless of their church affiliation—or lack of it—are welcome at the center. Different age groups are scheduled at various times. As many as 40-50 high school age youth, and up to 100 grade school children can be found at the center at one time.

Center equipment includes an Exergym, sets of weights, exercise benches, mats for tumbling, shuffleboard, Ping-Pong tables, indoor horseshoes, and table games.

There's a snack bar where popcorn, candy,

pretzels, and soda pop can be bought. Short devotions, clowns, ventriloquists, jugglers, filmstrips, and folk singing are part of the varying program.

Pleas for adult help have brought immediate results. A former welterweight boxing champ is giving instruction to the boys. A city policeman is building a bullet-trap and has volunteered to teach target shooting. A national car customizing winner is starting a car club, and a former college art instructor will teach drawing and painting.

Volunteer help has transformed the dirty, unused 40 x 84 foot store basement into the center.

Because many do not like to attend church in the traditional "church building," Sunday morning worship services are now being held in the center. The new nonchurch building has a meeting room that is carpeted and has moveable, stackable chairs. There is no platform, no fixed seating, and the room can be used for many types of meetings. It is not planned to be a sanctuary and it is drawing those who are afraid of identification with a particular sect, of being forced into a mold, and of being told what they must do.

Now chancellor of the Associated Christian Colleges of Oregon, Ross, who authored the book in 1952 while a Friends Church minister in Seattle, was unaware of the new product of his book until he was shown a clipping of the magazine article sent to the college.

Published by the Board of Publication of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, *Outreach* is a manual of suggestions and ideas for church extension.

It was printed by Barclay Press before it moved to Newberg and two years before Ross became president of George Fox.

WHAT IS MEMBERSHIP?

Membership is pride in what you're doing.

Membership is a tiger in the tank of your organization.

Membership is the cement which binds us into a unit.

Membership is a voice in the decisions which affect your profession, your children, and the public welfare.

Membership is a sense of belonging.

Membership is being heard—where it counts.

Membership is research to make you a better teacher.

Membership is testimony that you want to do your part.

Membership is getting and giving.

Membership is your effective voice in matters of school legislation.

Membership is professional status.

Membership is a bridge between where you are and where you want to be.

Membership is putting hundreds of people and millions of dollars to work for you for just pennies per day.

Membership is doing what you alone cannot do.

Membership is going where you alone can't go.

Membership is solidarity in the face of opposition.

Membership is power in a power-conscious society.

Membership is a better public image.

Membership is you! NOW!

—From NEA Journal October, 1967

The foregoing is by Jewell Hoke, third grade teacher, Berry Elementary School, and NEA membership chairman, Texas State Teachers Association, District 1, Houston.

icipating, as evidenced by their testimonies in the August 3 evening service.

During the time our pastor was vacationing, the pulpit was ably filled by Peter Fertello, Kenneth Williams, George Palmer, and Dean Griffith.

Our August 3 evening service featured testimonies by Duane and Sherrill Comfort of the way the Lord is leading them into new channels of service. They will be leaving us in September as they move to Farmington, Michigan, where they have been accepted by the Missionary Intern Center. They will be missed, but we rejoice with them as they continue to discover God's best in their lives.

—Patricia Comfort, reporter

PUGET SOUND QUARTERLY MEETING

Everett—Calvin Hull, pastor

We were honored with the presence of Fred Gregory at the July 13 evening service. He showed slides and told of his experiences during his two years in Vietnam.

During the absence of our pastor and wife in August as they visited in Idaho and Oregon and attended Yearly Meeting, we were pleased to have Eric and Carolann Palmer with us on the 3rd; Dick Hendricks spoke on the 10th, and on the 17th we had an open meeting where everyone spoke as they felt led in a testimony, experience, or devotional thought.

—Susan Seratte, reporter

Olympic View—Dan Nolte, pastor

Will and Jan Howell have moved into our area from Seattle to be the Day Care directors at our church. Plans are for the church to be completed by September 1 and the Day Care program to begin at that time. Will Howell has been interim pastor until the Dan Nolte family arrives in September to be our pastors.

Final sale of the present church property has been made to the Bible Baptist Church of Federal Way, who will assume occupancy in September.

Sunday evening, July 27, a toy shower for the Day Care program was held at the new church with refreshments and evening service following.

—Donna Knutson, reporter

Tacoma First—A. Clark Smith, pastor

Although the summer has found many of our church on vacation, the Wednesday night Prayer-Bible Study attendance has increased. We are very thankful for this increase as we know the benefits will show elsewhere in our meetings.

July 29 was our Sunday school picnic at Point Defiance Park with over 50 present. There was a cake contest, races, hog-calling contests. A good time of fellowship was had by all, and we thank Friends Youth for the clever games with which they kept us busy.

FY purchased a new, lively chorus book, *Sing-a-chorus*, and we have all enjoyed learning the choruses together on Sunday night. We open the Sunday evening service in song with all of us together, and about a half hour later we go into two groups—FY and Sunday evening regular service. The FY have their devotions and meeting, and we do likewise. Ken and Donna Peterson are the FY sponsors.

—Dolores Sacha, reporter

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Highland Avenue—Everett H. Craven, pastor

Everyone has appreciated the work of

Lester DeLapp and Marion Myers in the painting of the parsonage and garage. The roof was cleaned of moss and sprayed, screens fixed, and eaves trough installed.

On July 27 after Sunday evening services, a reception was held for our new pastors, Everett and Charlene Craven.

VBS was held August 4-8 with John and Frances Carr of Greenleaf, Idaho, and Judy Angle as guest helpers.

Klamath Falls—Evert Tuning, pastor

Our VBS conducted by ten young people from Medford church, along with their director, Harold Antrim, had 50 enrolled in the morning classes, and six attended the junior high activities in the evenings. Keith Jensen brought eight children in from Sprague River each day.

A very enjoyable program was held on Thursday night, at which several students received awards. Refreshments were served, and the good crowd that attended enjoyed viewing the exhibits and learning how much had been accomplished in such a short time.

—Miriam Carmichael, reporter

Scotts Mills—Daniel Stahlnecker, pastor

Paul Mills is scheduled to be our evangelist October 19-26. We have been praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our church and community, and we are looking forward to the blessing of God in music and message, as well as to fresh news and pictures of the Holy Land to be brought by our speaker.

Our pastor, Daniel Stahlnecker, and his family with five girls from our youth group spent a week this summer at Wallowa Lake Mountain Camp, finding it exhilarating, educational, and deeply refreshing spiritually. New commitments to Christ were made by some of the young people.

—Ruth E. Mills, reporter

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

HAWTHORNE—To John and Carolyn Hawthorne, a son, David John, born July 18 in Tacoma, Washington.

MACGREGOR—To Malcolm and Meg MacGregor, a daughter, Margaret Mary, born July 22.

SUGDEN—To Jerry and Geraldine Sugden of Portland, a son, Toby Michael, born April 19, 1969.

MARRIAGES

CRISMAN-GREGORY. LaVonne Crisman and Fredric Gregory were married at the Presbyterian Church at La Grande, Oregon, on July 20. Clynton Crisman and Dean Gregory officiated.

FALKENBERG-WILLIAMS. Julene C. Falkenberg and Daryl K. Williams were married at the Burlingame Baptist Church in Portland on July 26, with Kenneth Williams and Ernest Laycock officiating.

HAWORTH-FRUTIGER. Donna Haworth and Keith Frutiger were married August 9 at the Maplewood Friends Church.

MICELLI-NEWKIRK. Hazel Ann Micelli and Jonathan Newkirk were married July 6 at First Friends Church, Whittier, California, with Sheldon Newkirk officiating.

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING

Cherry Grove—Herbert Sargent, pastor

Camping activities became of great interest this month as our pastor and many young enthusiasts spread their energy among the various camps. Camping participation was encouraged by the WMU as they gave out several \$12 scholarships to qualified applicants.

Lloyd, Beverly, and Gary Melhorn were given a hearty welcome by the Friends at Cherry Grove. The welcome included a picnic at Lewisville Park with lots of time for bringing back many memories of their past ministry at Cherry Grove. The Melhorns have moved to Nebraska Yearly Meeting.

Another wonderful happening was the presence of our general superintendent, Jack Willcuts. He brought us some interesting announcements on up-and-coming events and then presented the morning sermon.

Joe and Lulu Johnson are presenting interesting commentaries on their recent trip to the Holy Land.

—James Prew, reporter

BOISE QUARTERLY MEETING

Star—Kenneth and Rosalie Pitts, pastors

Local winners of the Scripture memorization contest were: Primary—Jay Ralphs, Junior—Shawna Lee, Junior High—Crystal Ralphs. They were the winners of the quarterly meeting contest also.

July 20 Marlin and Bernice Witt presented slides of nearly two years of service among our Eskimo Friends in Alaska. They also showed many articles of interest from Alaska.

Dean and Kathleen Gregory have left for Wichita, Kansas, to begin work for Kansas Yearly Meeting of Friends. Kenneth and Rosalie Pitts are now our pastors.

—Leona Ireland, reporter

DEATHS

COLLINS—Lina Collins, a faithful member of Second Friends Church, passed away February 23, 1969. Clare Willcuts conducted the services, assisted by Russel Stands.

HALDY—Arthur J. Haldy, 87, Friendsview Manor, a Friends minister, passed away July 25. Services were held at Newberg on July 29 with Gerald Dillon and Charles Beals officiating.

IRELAND—Elmer Glenn Ireland, age 21, son of Delwin and Jane Ireland of Star, was killed in Vietnam July 1, 1969. Funeral services were conducted by Dean Gregory at Star Friends Church July 11.

ROESKE—Funeral services were held for Helen (Mrs. Virgil) Roeske, mother of Sandra, Patty, Linda, and Jim, in Vancouver August 1. Helen and her family attended Cherry Grove Friends Church.

SCHOFSTOLL—Sarah Beatrice Schofstoll of Newberg died August 25 at the age of 63. She was the mother of Mary C. Hendricks of Tacoma First Friends.

WEISS—Dora Abigail Weiss, many years a member of Second Friends Church, passed away February 9, 1969. Clare Willcuts conducted the funeral services.