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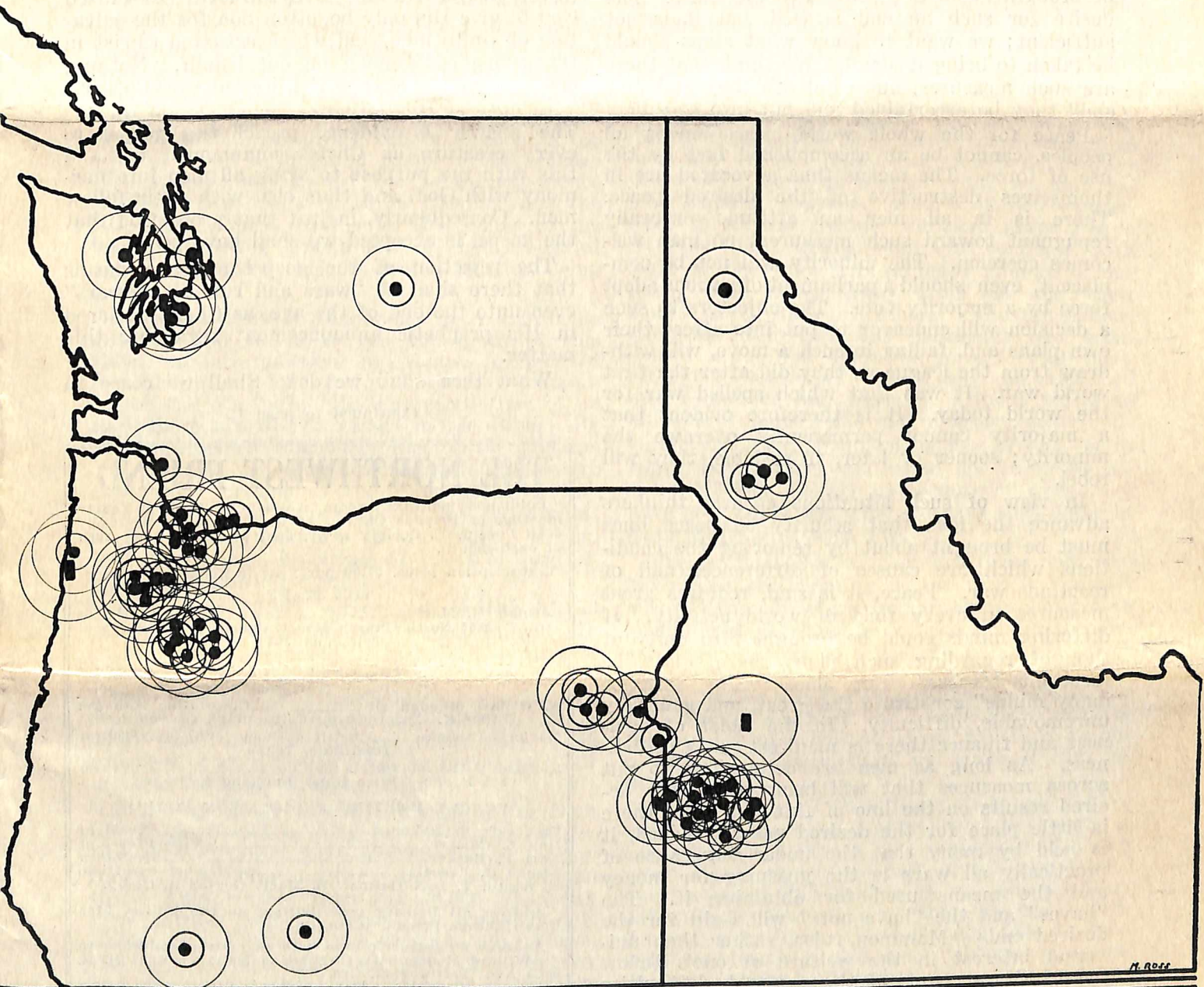
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# The NORTHWEST FRIEND

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"For a great and effectual door is opened ~" 1. Cor. 16:9



# Pertinent Observations

AN ENDURING PEACE: HOW AND WHEN?  
By EDWARD MOTT

In these days we hear and read much about an enduring peace. We abhor war, and everywhere men are crying out for peace. It is therefore a matter of great importance and should receive not only careful but also prayerful attention. The question as to how it is to be brought about is pertinent to the times. The desire for such an end is well, but it is not sufficient; we want to know what steps should be taken to bring it about. We think that there are such measures, but what are they and how shall they be ascertained and put into effect?

Peace for the whole world, peace among all peoples, cannot be an accomplished fact by the use of force. The means thus advocated are in themselves destructive of the desired peace. There is in all men an attitude naturally repugnant toward such measures; no man welcomes coercion. The minority will not be complacent, even should a parliament of nations adopt force by a majority vote. The objectors to such a decision will endeavor to put into effect their own plans and, failing in such a move, will withdraw from the league as they did after the first world war. It was that which spelled war for the world today. It is therefore evident that a majority cannot permanently overawe the minority; sooner or later, if possible, they will rebel.

In view of such situations earnest thinkers advance the idea that security on peace lines must be brought about by removing the conditions which are causes of differences and of resultant war. Peace, it is said, requires great measures in every field of world activity. If differing minds could be brought into unity of thought regarding such plans there might be resultant success. But alas, "many men of many minds" constitute the great, and generally unremovable, difficulty. In the fields of business and finance there is manifest much selfishness. As long as men are determined to put across measures that will bring about the desired results on the line of financial gain, there is little place for the desired peace. Indeed, it is held by many that the underlying cause of practically all wars is the grasping for money and the means used for obtaining it. The "haves" and the "have nots" will fight for the desired ends. Mammon rules, rather than universal interest in the welfare of one's fellow men. On account of these world difficulties even allies fail at times to agree, and chaos results.

## Is There a Way?

As we face the difficulties in the way of peace, we ask, Is there no way to promote the desired effect? In every true Christian heart there is an answer; it is to this effect: the grace of God as manifested in experienced salvation from sinful desires and purposes is the only solution. It changes man from selfish self-seeking to motivated effort for the welfare of others. To such a proposal many reply, It is fantastic; it is not realizable. And so it is if men will not respond to the gospel of divine love, the love that caused God to give His only begotten Son for the salvation of sinful men, and which actuated Christ in the giving of Himself on our behalf. Nothing else can avail to change the present world order.

In view of this situation, what should we do? The answer is evident: preach the gospel to every creature as Christ commanded us, and this with the purpose to bring all men into harmony with God, and thus also with their fellow men. Consequently, in just that proportion that the gospel is accepted we shall have peace.

The rejection of the gospel message means that there shall be "wars and rumors of wars" even unto the end of the age, as Christ declared in His prophetic announcement regarding this matter.

What then shall we do? Shall we cease to

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## Editorial

### HOW MANY PROMISES IN THE BIBLE?

We all have heard the statement made many times that the Bible contains more than 30,000 promises. We have, in our Christian enthusiasm, passed it on to others, sometimes with the apologetic supplement, "although I have never counted them." Knowing the Bible to be a big book of about a thousand pages in the average edition, and having had the joyful experience of discovering many of those promises and the still more happy experience of putting to the test and proving true a few of them, most of us have accepted this oft-quoted total as being correct.

It seems that it remained for a California minister and editor to call the truth of this statement into question; not that he disbelieved the Bible in any way, for he is a strong contender for the old faith. He discovered first of all that there are 31,373 verses in the Bible. He could not believe that there was, on the average, one promise in every verse, since there are such vast portions of the Bible given to historical narrative. Consequently he set himself to the task of making a careful count. He did it in 40 sittings, involving 47 hours of reading, with the following results.

There were 1959 verses out of the 31,373 which contained promises of good things. In these verses God made to man 3,827 promises, man made to man 176 promises, man made 180 promises to God, and Satan made 3 promises to Jesus. Based on this editor's opinion as to what constitutes a promise, there were 4,186 promises of good things made in the Bible, 3,827 of them made to us by our God.

It is regrettable that a statement so far from the truth should so long have been in circulation, but certainly no Christian should be any the less happy now that the actual number is found to be 3,827, rather than the 30,000 which we have always heard. When we consider how sweeping and all-inclusive God's promises are, the 3,827 He has made certainly will cover any and every need that now exists or could ever possibly arise in our lives. It would seem that we could pick out a dozen of God's promises that

would guarantee to the penitent sinner full deliverance from sin, justification, sanctification, full provision for his spiritual and physical needs in this world and all the glories, comforts, and inheritances of the world to come.

### WHEN THE BOYS COME HOME

Among the many topics that are being discussed these days this one is often heard in most any group. It is being viewed from every conceivable angle as to just what we may expect when it happens. And it is not strange, since in all our history we have never had a situation that could begin to compare with what we have now with so many millions of our young men taken away from us and their places being filled by others. The stupendous questions that face our politicians and economists are: Will there be jobs for all these returning veterans? Can they be absorbed into commerce and industry without throwing millions of home folks out of employment?

But still greater questions are arising as to what their return will mean, not so much because of their absence as because of what they have been doing and what we have been doing at home while they were away.

The psychologists wonder how these men who have been participating in the world's greatest mass killing, in which human beings have been slaughtered as so many rats, will adjust themselves emotionally to peaceful civilian life. Will there follow a great wave of crime and murder after they return? When they get back and find how so many at home have grown rich at the expense of a hell for them, will they go out to murder if necessary to get some of that ill-gotten gain?

The governor of Ohio has this to say. "We have been teaching youths how to handle a tommygun, a knife or a blackjack—and many other stunts that were part of his commando-like training. This soldier of ours has a different attitude toward crime than he had before donning a uniform. He has been face to face with the bloodiest and most widespread crime wave in history." He goes on to say that unless these men are immediately given lucrative jobs "this war will be followed with the bloodi-



est and most widespread crime wave in the history of mankind."

Tradesmen, particularly those opposed to labor organizations, are predicting that the veterans, who have not always been supplied as they thought they should have been because of the great loss of production due to strikes and union walk-outs at home, will become bitter foes of these unions when they return.

But perhaps the widest range of opinion exists as to what the church may expect of these legions of returning youth. There is great divergency of opinion in the reports we are getting as to the religious attitude of the boys at the front. From some reports we get, we would be led to believe that great revivals have swept the forces and many of the boys have turned to God. This we would like to believe, for nothing would suit us better. But from other reports we read, religion is the least discussed subject among service men. Some of the boys admit they pray when in danger, but "who wouldn't?" they say when the danger is past, and often a swear word is used to make it more impressive.

"There are no atheists in foxholes" was the much publicised slogan that came out of the south Pacific. We sincerely hope it was true. The November issue of World magazine contained an article written as a direct challenge to that. It was by Capt. Richard G. Hubler, USMCR, entitled, "There Are Atheists in Foxholes." In the course of his argument he said, "War is still what General Sherman called it. It is not possible to expect the supernal to emerge from the infernal." He undertook to show from his wide observation that service men at the dangerous front were not concerned about religion—didn't care for anything only to get the job at hand over and get back to their families at home.

On the other hand, the Gideons tell us of the thousands of Testaments that are eagerly accepted by service men. But it is possible that many of these are carried in the pocket as a kind of a religious charm rather than as a Book to be obeyed.

It is difficult to form any general conclusion in the face of the conflicting reports. There are some conclusions we can form, based on God's Word and the long experience of Christian workers. One of them is that so-called repentance born in the storm will very likely die in the calm. That is, when men pray merely because they are in supreme danger it is very possible that they have little or no real sorrow for sin, which, after all, is a basic element of real repentance that brings salvation and a changed life. Spurgeon used to tell that in his wide experience he knew of a thousand people who claimed to be converted on what they

thought were to be their death beds. But out of the thousand only a very few were active Christians after they recovered.

Unquestionably there will return those young men whose souls and lives were saved at the battle front in answer to their prayers and the intercessions of loved ones. These will take their places in the church as staunch Christians.

We may be too pessimistic, but it seems to us that, in the light of the colossal quantities of cigarettes and liquor that are being sent to and eagerly consumed by the service men, we are to witness the return of a great host of young men who will be far more degenerated than when they left us.

We will be hearing much about mental and physical rehabilitation for these discharged veterans when they return. Will the church be spiritual enough to offer to them spiritual rehabilitation?

H. H. M.

#### EXPLOITS IN EVANGELISM

Cleveland, Ohio, was the scene of a great triumph for righteousness during recent months. Two communications from Byron L. Osborne, of Cleveland Bible College, tell of the circumstances. About one hundred churches united in planning and carrying forward a great evangelistic series in the Public Auditorium in the down-town section of the city. The project called for a thirty-day campaign, and the prayers and interest on the part of Christian people seemed to brighten the prospects for a real revival. Services began February 11.

A more recent letter gives the report of the outcome of this great effort: "Our Cleveland union campaign was a remarkable success. The total offerings were in excess of \$18,000.00 and those professing to be saved and reclaimed totalled more than eight hundred. Many of the churches were revived and quickened in their zeal for soul winning. . . . We are expecting to have a holiness man (next year) and pray that wisdom may be given in making the selection."

Let us rejoice with our friends in Cleveland that God gave such great blessing in answer to united prayer and effort. And let us determine to give Him an opportunity to show what He can do in western communities and cities, also. He always meets those who meet conditions.

#### HOW DO YOU LIKE OUR

#### 12-PAGE PAPER?

#### WE SHALL NEED MORE MATERIAL

#### TO MAKE IT LARGER

## Missionary

### "FELIZ CARNAVAL"

By MARIE ELLIS CHAPMAN

Ever since seeing Howard's pictures of Carnival in Corocoro several years ago, I have had a recollection of it somewhere in the back of my mind, but not until seeing the real thing this year did I understand its significance.

I have never seen such vivid color, beautiful costumes, grotesque masks, and sin marked faces combined in one place before. In trying to walk from our house to Tamplins one Sunday afternoon, we were caught in the mob watching the parade, and we were compelled to watch for a while. The heathen dances, some of which have come down from Inca times, have been incorporated into this holiday of the "church" which is the last celebration before Lent. The dancers come from all parts of the district and compete for prizes in a contest in the stadium on Monday. Each group has its own particular dress and dance, and as the days go by and the dancers get more intoxicated, the dances become more weird.

As all the stores and most other business houses are closed during these days, the people have nothing to do and are easy prey to the temptations that accompany such celebrations. To counteract such temptations, the church here at La Paz has services each year during Carnival. On Sunday evening this year Howard showed his Bolivian movies and Carroll showed some Oregon scenes. Monday and Tuesday during the day, we had classes and a preaching service. Monday and Wednesday evenings there were movies on health shown with the co-operation of the office of the co-ordinator of Inter-American affairs. Tuesday evening was prayermeeting and Ralph celebrated by preaching his first sermon in Spanish.

Tuesday noon we all ate dinner together in our front patio. It also was an Inter-American affair, with chunas, tuntas, and aji, which is very hot spice, mixed with potato salad, egg sandwiches, fresh peaches, oranges and hot tea. Every one seemed to have a good time, and we had a spiritual fiesta, singing and praising the Lord, while the people of the world looked on from the street.

Carnaval is a time of sinfulness and debauchery to most people, but to the people of La Paz Church it is a time of spiritual feasting.

Plant patience in the garden of your soul; the roots are bitter but the fruit is sweet.—H. Austin.

#### MARRIAGE

**Crisman-Miller**—Abigail Miller, daughter of Carl and Ethel Miller of Salem, Oregon, and Leo Crisman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Crisman, of Camas, Washington, at the home of the bride, 198 W. Lincoln, Salem, March 12. Charles C. Haworth officiated.

The young couple left for a short honeymoon at the coast, and the following Sunday took the train for Ottumwa, Iowa, where Mr. Crisman is taking further training for the Navy Aviation service.

#### DEATH

**Smith**—Lillie Belle Hylton was born near Danville, Indiana, April 12, 1867; she fell asleep in Jesus March 8, 1945.

March 7, 1888, she was married to Robert C. Smith. To them were born the following children: Ruel Hylton, deceased; Pearl Gage, of Hoisington, Kansas; Ethel Miller, Salem, Oregon; Zella Miller, McMinnville, Oregon; Robert Jr., of Auburndale, Massachusetts; and George, of Halsey, Oregon.

She is survived by these five children, ten grand children, and two great grand children. With her husband she joined the Friends church about fifty years ago. As long as her husband lived they were active in the work of the church, he serving as pastor in several meetings in Kansas before they came to Oregon in 1924. He was pastor at Sherwood for one year before they moved to Marion, where he served as pastor until his last illness in 1936.

Since that time she has made her home with her daughter, Ethel. She was bedfast the last eight years, but never complained of her lot. She was an ideal pastor's wife, helping in his burdens and responsibilities, and often leading in the singing. She was truly a "Mother in Israel." "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

#### CHRISTIAN JEWS

Seventy-two thousand Jews joined Protestant churches during the nineteenth century, according to the International Christian Press. The number of baptized converts among the heathen and Moslems in the same period was two million, or one to every 525 of the heathen and Moslem population. The same degree of success among the heathen and Moslems as among the Jews would have shown seven million converts instead of two million. Three times as many Jewish converts enter the Gospel ministry as converts from among the heathen. A comparison of facts shows that no mission field of modern times has been so fruitful as the Jewish.—Lutheran Standard.



# YEARLY MEETING, 1945 PROGRAM

## Monday, June 4th

Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.....	2:00 p.m.
Missionary Board .....	4:00 p.m.
Evangelistic Board .....	7:30 p.m.
Devotional Prayer Service, led by Roy Knight .....	8:00 p.m.

## Tuesday, June 5th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Executive Committee .....	8:00 a.m.
Opening of Yearly Meeting:	
Devotional .....	9:30 a.m.
Opening of Business .....	10:00 a.m.
Announcements .....	11:20 a.m.
Inspirational Hour:	
John J. Trachsel .....	11:30 a.m.
Meeting of Representatives and Alternates, Nominating Committee, Caretakers .....	1:00 p.m.
Business .....	2:00 p.m.
Stewardship and Literature .....	2:30 p.m.
Announcements .....	3:50 p.m.
Ministerial Association .....	4:15 p.m.
Permanent Board .....	7:00 p.m.
Meeting for Worship:	
Message by George Bales .....	8:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, June 6th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Business: Report of Discipline Revision Committee .....	9:30 a.m.
Women's Missionary Union .....	10:45 a.m.
Board for Aged Ministers and Missionaries .....	11:05 a.m.
Announcements .....	11:20 a.m.
Inspirational Hour:	
John J. Trachsel .....	11:30 a.m.
Business .....	2:00 p.m.
Public Morals .....	2:30 p.m.
Bible Schools and Publication Board: Presentation of Project for Publishing Bible School Literature .....	2:45 p.m.
Announcements .....	3:50 p.m.
Meeting for Worship:	
Message by J. Leslie Willcuts .....	8:00 p.m.

## Thursday, June 7th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Business .....	9:30 a.m.
Peace and Northwest Friends Service Committee .....	10:15 a.m.
Announcements .....	11:20 a.m.
Inspirational Hour:	
John J. Trachsel .....	11:30 a.m.
Business .....	2:00 p.m.
Missionary Board .....	2:30 p.m.
Announcements .....	3:50 p.m.
Devotional Music service, led by Roy Clark assisted by Quartets and Trios .....	8:00 p.m.

## Friday, June 8th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Business .....	9:30 a.m.
General Superintendent's Report .....	10:00 a.m.
Evangelistic and Church Extension .....	10:30 a.m.
Announcements .....	11:20 a.m.
Inspirational Hour:	
John J. Trachsel .....	11:30 a.m.
Business .....	2:00 p.m.
Meetings of All Boards and Committees .....	3:00 p.m.
General Public Meeting:	
Laura C. Trachsel, speaker Yearly Meeting House .....	3:00 p.m.
Pacific College Corporation .....	8:00 p.m.
Meeting for Worship:	
Message by Frank Haskins .....	8:00 p.m.

## Saturday, June 9th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Business .....	9:30 a.m.
Education .....	10:15 a.m.
Announcements .....	11:20 a.m.
Inspirational Hour:	
John J. Trachsel .....	11:30 a.m.
Home Missions and Social Service .....	2:00 p.m.
Memorial Hour .....	2:30 p.m.
Business .....	3:00 p.m.
Announcements .....	3:50 p.m.
Christian Endeavor Business Meeting .....	7:00 p.m.

## Sunday, June 10th

Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Bible School .....	9:30-10:30 a.m.
Meeting for Worship .....	10:45 a.m.
Meeting for Worship .....	3:00 p.m.
Christian Endeavor Meeting .....	6:30 p.m.
Meeting for Worship .....	8:00 p.m.

Friends will be interested to know that application was made some time ago to the proper national authorities for permission to hold our Yearly Meeting sessions at the regular time and place. No word has been received as yet, but there is a general feeling of confidence that the permit will be granted. The fact that these sessions have been held regularly over a long period of years, that budgets are formulated, that officers are elected, and that plans for procedure during the intervening year are formulated—all of these constitute conditions on which such permits are being given. To our advantage also is the fact that very little railway transportation will be used, and practically no hotel accommodations. All of this information was forwarded with our application.

(Note: As this paper goes to press, word has just been received from Washington granting our request and authorizing the Yearly Meeting sessions.)

# AMONG THE CHURCHES

## NEWBERG

John Trachsel, co-pastor of the South Salem meeting, brought evangelistic messages each evening at the church and each morning at the College Chapel from March 18 to 25. It was a blessed time together and many were led to a closer walk because of the heart searching messages. We feel assured that the revival started then will go on, for we felt the leadership of the Holy Spirit in the services. On Saturday evening the Quarterly Meeting Youth Rally was held at the church with our evangelist as the speaker.

We are happy to have in our midst Howard and Mary Moore, parents of George Moore, from Adrian, Michigan. Such saints of God who have been long in His service are a blessing to a meeting.

In response to many requests, the choir and the male quartette from the College presented a varied program of Easter music at the four o'clock vesper service. Once more we rejoiced in the Triumph of the risen Christ!

The Intermediate Christian Endeavorers have given a contribution of \$10.00 to aid in the purchase of a motor launch for our mission station in Bolivia.

On March 29 Evelyn Moore, wife of George Moore, was stricken with a severe heart attack. After a few days treatment at the local hospital she was removed to her home, where she is gradually regaining strength. We feel that her recovery is another example of answered prayer.

## HOMEDALE

The Sunday school attendance for the past three months has been increasing and we are happy to announce that Easter Sunday we reached an all time high of 206.

A goodly number attended the Easter Sunrise service at Lizard Butte.

The Primary Dept., including about 60 children, gave a beautiful story entitled "Easter Tidings." The Ladies' Chorus furnished special Easter music.

The evening service was well attended. Arthur Yensen gave three chalk drawings entitled

"The Old Rugged Cross"

"'Tis Midnight"

"Holy City."

It was very inspiring. The Ladies' Choir gave three anthems.

Seven were received into church membership on Palm Sunday.

## MEDFORD

On February 18 the Medford church moved into the spacious rooms of the Howard school, in the northwest part of the city. This gave them a wider area in which to work, and better facilities during the construction of their new brick church. Within the first three Sundays 46 new people in the district started attending, until on March 18 the school board allowed for the use by the Sunday School of a large basement room with tables, chairs, and other equipment. Of course a number of children were lost to the work because of the distance of the move, but it is interesting to note that by actual count 38 people of the former location are now attending the new. Morning attendance averaged 83 for March, and 152 were present on Easter Sunday when a program was given.

Through arrangements with the Yearly Meeting trustees, a fine corner property has been bought in the Howard district on the Old Pacific Highway and DeBarr Ave., at the junction of Midway Road. This includes a good

parsonage, with lawn, garage, trees, etc., on an acre and a quarter of land under irrigation, with city water and other services; the corner is ideally situated for the new church. The Rosses are now well located in the new house. Address R. 2, Box 117. Home telephone number, 2926.

The congregation loyally rose to the situation and raised a fund of some \$160 to pay for the moving of the Rosses, turning on the public services, and paying for the cost of built-ins in the new parsonage, together with the legal and insurance costs on the new property. A number sacrificially gave of time and energy to paint and clean, and otherwise help in the transfer. The old property at 15 Keene Way Drive was immediately sold for \$5,000 cash.

Joseph and Pearl Reece were in Medford and Talent during this activity, and their advice and counsel during the twelve days of their stay here were of great help to our new churches in southern Oregon.

Actual construction of the new church began Feb. 13, and by the time the readers see this, much of the brick work will have been completed. Said Mr. Don Thompson, local carpenter on the job, "This is the best designed and constructed building which I have worked on in two years."

The Medford church sends in this bit of news and challenge. Not one Sunday school teacher was absent from his class, for sickness or any other reason, from Sept. 17, 1944 until March 18th. We are wondering if any other school in the Yearly Meeting can make the same boast.

## MARION

Some of our members have given of their time and energies to paint the church pews. This has greatly improved the appearance of the church interior.

Good Friday services were held in the evening of March 30; they proved to be a great blessing.

Easter morning a group of our people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McDowell, on the hill west of Marion, for a sunrise service and breakfast. The setting was lovely and just as the sun came up we sang songs. Frank Haskins, our pastor, read a short devotional reading and we had prayer. This is the first time such a service was ever held here; it was such an inspiration that the people hope to continue it each year.

On Sunday evening we had our Easter program with the Presbyterian Sunday school joining in with us. We had a splendid crowd and a nice program.

## GREENLEAF

We have not yet received our new pews for the church auditorium, but we have received encouraging word and expect them soon.

A beautiful Easter program was given at the church on Sunday evening. We have an abundance of musical talent in our church and all the numbers were given in the true Easter spirit. The original poems by our pastor, Frank Davies, and the Scripture readings and music lifted the audience above the commonplace things of life to a higher plane of spiritual thought and greater appreciation of the message of the gospel given in music and song.

We were glad to have Mrs. Vercia Cox, a missionary to Yunnan province, China, with us on Sunday evening, March 18. She told of the Lord's leading her to Yunnan and how the work there was so wonderfully blessed. She hopes to return to China to conduct a Bible school



as soon as the way is opened. A free will offering was taken at the close of the service to aid in this work.

Work on repairing the gym is progressing nicely. The end walls and roof have been brought together again and many new braces added. The old stage has been torn out and the sub floor has been laid to the west wall. New windows are now being put in. All in all we feel that the remodeled building will be more satisfactory and more nearly regulation size than the original one.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Craven celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary March 29 with a party at their home.

Mary Jeffries, who has been suffering from a heart ailment, is somewhat improved. She has been moved to her own home.

Claude Hirst is in the hospital again for further treatment of his arm which he injured some time ago while working on a truck tire.

We are rejoicing in the manifest presence of the Lord, and a spirit of revival in our services. Recently souls have found forgiveness and victory at the altar and the inquiry room. There is a searching of heart manifest among the people.

We are planning a Daily Vacation Bible School the last of May. All of the workers will be from our own church. We are using a set of films with emphasis on the heroes and heroines of the Bible. Special instruction to the children on their prayer life will be given.

### TALENT

The Talent Preparative Meeting has been held the first Sunday night of each month after the evening service. It was decided at the last meeting to have a church night once a month, including a pot luck dinner and devotional and business meeting, on the last Thursday of each month. This will be held in the local City Hall, which is just across the street from the church.

The officers and teachers of the Sunday school have been meeting each month for a Council Meeting. These have been very helpful to those attending and to the Sunday school as a whole. The last meeting was at the home of the Superintendent, Elizabeth Lindstrom.

Easter was a big day for Talent Friends. We had a record attendance of 167. The Sunday school gave a very inspirational and interesting program. Small attractive corsages were made by the women of the church and pinned on all young and adult women. The men were presented with boutonnieres and the children had pretty ribbon bows pinned on them. Besides the numbers in song and reading by the children and the young people, instrumental music was presented by Barbara Terrill on the violin and George Bales with his clarinet. Barbara was home for a brief visit from Pacific College. Mrs. Lorena Robertson sang "The Holy City." George Bales brought the message.

We are rejoicing over recent improvements on our church building. The walls and ceiling have all been refinished with celotex, and trimmed with cream colored strips of batting. The ceiling was given a curved contour which greatly improves the appearance. The acoustics and heating problem both have been helped immeasurably. Little envelopes had been given out to the Sunday school classes for offerings to help cover the cost of the remodeling. Sunday, April 15, these were brought in and found to contain about \$150. The next projects will be finishing up the vestibule; painting and trimming the window casements; sanding and refinishing the floor space and pews.

Ten new members were taken in on the Sunday evening of Easter.

Wagner Creek Sunday school has maintained an average attendance of a little more than twenty for the

winter. It is increasing, now that the weather is better.

Herman Macy, of Highland meeting in Salem, held a week-end of evangelistic meetings for us April 13-15. These meetings were well attended and were a blessing and inspiration to all. Three souls found the Lord at the altar on the closing night.

The Sunday school attendance has increased (92 on April 15) so that more room is badly needed. The city has kindly granted us the use of their hall, which is being used by the two adult classes. This greatly relieves the congestion in the church building.

### FIRST FRIENDS, PORTLAND

From Michigan, Ohio, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, New York, Alabama—from every state in the Union come the boys who become our guests at the United Christian Servicemen's Center each month. What a privilege it is to talk to them and give them testaments and tracts along with the good home cooked food which attracts them here. Lately we've been having the boys sign our menus with their names and home towns, and we're hoping to make a prayer list which will really count for eternity.

Each monthly meeting night we meet at 6:30 for a Fellowship dinner, usually bringing our own food, but during March folks really got a break, for the Service men's committee had charge and provided the same menu they cook for the boys each month. A free will offering was taken and this more than paid expenses. From 85 to 100 of our membership attended and enjoyed the dinner and the program to follow. The secretary from the Center gave a short speech about the work, and introduced some 6 or 8 boys to us. The boys gave their personal testimonies and told how much they appreciated the work of the churches in providing a Christian service center.

To promote better attendance at Sunday night services, a new plan has been inaugurated. We have divided our resident membership into three large committees, each of which is being asked to sponsor the Sunday night services for one month. The first membership committee consists of the ones whose last names begin with A to F—then G through K and so on. It is hoped the members will feel responsible both in attending and in praying for the success of the meetings.

During March we had another of our short Spiritual Life Meetings, this one being Wednesday night the seventh and continuing through Sunday. Frederick B. Baker was evangelist and his vigorous messages were a living challenge to all of us.

Our youth night activities continue to expand and we have no room for the expansion. Something will have to be done soon, either get a building or have them come in two shifts—we can't stop such an important work!

March is our annual "Ten Per Cent" Club month. All of us bring our tithes, all of our tithes, into the church this one special month. It's a month of blessing, for God does pour out his blessing when we honor him in tithes and offerings.

A girl's quartet from Pacific College brought several special musical numbers at one of our morning services this month. We certainly enjoy the consecration of these fine young people who are attending our Northwest Quaker college. We're looking forward to a musical evening from the Student body sometime in the near future.

### NORTHEAST TACOMA

The Christian Endeavor held a very impressive installation service March 18. Jack Willcuts presented the first pin to the president, Joan Ates, who in turn presented pins to the following: El Freda, Rachel and Abner

Jacobsen, Alta and Margaret Wilson, Lorraine Martinson, and Donna Ryan.

The revival services conducted by A. Clark Smith were very well received, and fifteen young people found victory at the altar.

Our pastor was called to Kansas by the death of an aunt. During his absence the Easter services were in charge of William Thomas, of Newberg, and the following Sunday Dick Hendricks gave the message.

On Easter morning the McKinley Avenue Friends joined us in a sunrise service. Owing to cold weather, it was held in the church, with thirty-nine attending. Sunrise breakfast was served in the parsonage.

At the Easter morning services our new song books were used and greatly appreciated.

Rachel Jacobsen is our new librarian. Several new books have been bought and we hope to have quite a library soon.

### CAMAS

What is new at Camas? That is a fair question, for it is the goal of the church always to have something new going on. It keeps both the pastor and the congregation filled with enthusiasm.

For instance: The church held a new type of gospel service from March 18 to April 1. Instead of a regular revival series, a two weeks series of Bible evangelism studies were conducted by Edward Mott, expositor, of Portland, Ore. "The WORD" and "The Kingdom of God" were the subjects under consideration during the series.

"Bring your Bible" was the slogan for the meetings. The church responded well to the truth. The rustle of pages could be heard each night as the congregation turned to the Bible references referred to by the speaker. Attendance for the series averaged sixty.

The climax of the series of pre-Easter meetings was reached on Sunday, with Edward Mott speaking on the resurrection of Christ in the morning and on the second coming of Christ in the evening.

Goldie Coonrod, of Camas, a song leader and soloist from the Camas Nazarene church, thrilled the congregation for the fifth time, having been song leader for four other revival series at the church.

A new Sunday school attendance record was established on Easter Sunday with 232 present, this being a 16 per cent increase over that of a year ago. The Sunday school attendance must average 162 for April if the goal of 125 in Sunday school for the year is reached.

New pews have been talked about for more than a year, but realization is much closer, with 16 out of 18 pews underwritten at the present time. Each pew will cost \$50.00 delivered to Camas. It will take six months for delivery, and the congregation hopes to have the pews in time for the fall revival series.

The church has purchased a piano for the auditorium, having used one belonging to a member of the congregation for several years.

Thirteen members have been received during the year, but, inasmuch as the church has adopted a six months probationary period, eleven of them will not be counted in this year's total. Two new families, on profession of faith, were welcomed into the church on Easter Sunday.

Three continuous months of youth recreation activities were completed just prior to the revival. During that time an average of 25 young people came out each Monday night for church sponsored recreation in the high school gymnasium. The weekly event was under the direction of Alvin and Helen Cadd.

The Warner Sallman mural, "Christ Knocking at the door," was unveiled on Sunday night, March 4, as a memorial to Mary H. Allen, former parish worker of the church.

The latest new thing at the church is a garden. The yard behind the parsonage has been levelled, and the pastor and his wife are planting a garden. This looks much better than the large pile of basement dirt that occupied this place last year.

### ROSEDALE

An object of great interest and enthusiasm has been the new men's organization which has been formed in the past month. The constitution has been drafted and plans made. With Harry Pearson as president, the first official meeting will be held Monday night, April 16. The name of the organization has not yet been chosen. It is designed that all men in the community interested in the betterment of the community and of themselves, and believers of the Bible, may join if they so desire. There will be more news in the immediate future of this new development, as great things are expected from such an enthusiastically-formed group.

The attendance on Easter Sunday was a challenge to us. We saw what could and should be done. Of the 400 people in our community church, 180 were present and that group filled the benches and chairs. We are still emphasizing visitation in making an effort to reach the whole of our community.

### THE GLORIOUS GOSPEL

Not long ago in a small western town, an interesting scene was enacted. The afternoon freight train came dashing into town, hurtled past the depot and went screaming on down the tracks. An excited youngster was standing on the street corner, fully a block and a half away. As the train was going by, he was waving his arms in the air, jumping up and down and shouting, "Yippee! Yippee!"

My feelings about the gospel are similar to that little fellow's reaction to the train. Do you realize that we are witnesses to the most marvelous power in the world? The Power of God! The gospel is the Power that causes the pagan Chinese to throw down his idols of wood and stone. It is the Power that unites broken homes. It is the Power that sends a drunken father home to live an upright life. It is the Power that causes the darkened heathen in the heart of the Bolivian jungle to live again!

Why should we keep still about the fact that God is able to work wonders in human lives—change and transform them? I would like to shout it from the housetops! God did not send His Son to the world to die and redeem us for life everlasting and expect this wonderful message to be secreted among a chosen few. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." Romans 1:16. Let me exclaim with another soul, "Oh that I could fly from pole to pole, preaching the everlasting gospel!"

—EVELYN MARDOCK,  
Portland, Oregon.



## CE News

We hope you societies have been so busy doing things that you haven't had time to write about them—and not that you haven't been doing anything to write about. This month no news was sent in. An editor has quite a time making an interesting column out of nothing, so write, write, write! Let's have a newsy, up-to-the-minute Christian Endeavor corner.

Homedale High School C.E.'ers have decided to put their patriotism into practice, and are meeting every Tuesday evening to make scrapbooks for the service men in hospitals. These will be given to the Junior Red Cross for distribution. We hope the boys have as much fun reading them as the young people are having making them. The Junior C. E. is organizing a soft-ball team to play some of the near-by church teams. We anticipate that this will boost Sunday evening C. E. attendance.

### IS THERE TO BE AN OLD-FASHIONED REVIVAL IN 1945?

Thousands of people under the pressure of this war-torn, sinful world have a fear of the future. They are realizing their need of something steadfast, something real, and are beginning to call upon the Lord and to confess their sins.

Out on the battlefields where life is so uncertain, men who never before have given much thought to God are looking to Him for strength and guidance.

Does it take grim reality to bring man to God? There is no recognition of Him until all other hope is gone; then in desperation they lift their voices in prayer. During a raging storm at sea the old captain turned to the restless passengers and in a reverent voice said, "Our only refuge now is in God." "Has it come to that?" they exclaimed. How like the actions of the people of today is this illustration!

In spite of the carelessness of many, there is a hunger in the hearts of the people just now for God. The nations of the world are hungry for His love. May there be a more wide-spread awakening in 1945 for the gospel! What a great challenge it should be to the Christian to be a better gospel messenger in this needy world! Are we doing all we can to win souls for the Lord?

—MYRTLE M. TISH,  
Cascade College  
Portland, Oregon

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

By EDWARD MOTT

"Does the Country Minister Get a Square Deal?" This is the heading of an appeal seen in the church paper of another denomination. I am quoting it because it fits into our conditions in Oregon Yearly Meeting in many instances.

"No, and I will tell you why. Not only are ministers who serve at the crossroads underpaid, but in addition they have to pay out of their own pockets far too much for personal overhead.

"Take, for instance, the upkeep of an automobile. There is \_\_\_\_\_, who has a three point charge and who last year actually paid twenty-five per cent of his cash salary for the maintenance of his car, registration, insurance, gas and oil, and tires. It isn't right, it isn't fair, and something should be done about it. . . . The thing we need to do is to get local churches to share with their pastors the upkeep of their cars. . . . If this has not been done before, the ministers are to blame. They have kept too quiet, lest the impression be given that they are finding fault. I have faith to believe that once the facts are known the average congregation can be depended upon to do the right thing." (From the Christian Advocate.)

I am acquainted with many pastors over the country who are suffering from the difficulty set forth in the above presentation. They use their cars, to a considerable extent, for the accommodation of their people. They are called upon, oftentimes, to transport members of the congregation. Many use their cars to pick up Sunday school children and attenders of the church services.

The car wears out, and there is no money to purchase another. The pastor's family suffers because money that should be used for necessities is used for car upkeep. The plea that the church should aid the minister is a good one. I have another suggestion. I may be criticized for making it, but I believe it is right. The money that is paid out in this way for the work of the church is given to the service of the Lord as truly as though it were placed in the church treasury. It is therefore **tithe money**. The minister should use the tithe as far as it is needed for this purpose. Oftentimes the pastor gives, in this and other ways, more than is paid by the average giver in the congregation. He should be encouraged to take this course instead. I am writing this in order to give my bit of aid in stimulating him to do so. It may be no business of mine, but nevertheless I feel so led.

## With Our College

By GEORGE H. MOORE

### John Trachsel Conducts Revival Services

During the week beginning March 19th, John Trachsel, minister of South Salem Friends Church, conducted evangelistic services each morning in the College chapel, and each evening in the local church.

In the morning services, the tragedies of unbelief and the victories of faith were stressed. Of great interest and inspiration, especially to the college students, was the continued story of the life of the evangelist in which he portrayed the Lord's guidance.

Many found Christ as their personal Savior, and others received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit.

### Oratorio, "The Messiah" Presented

On the afternoon of Palm Sunday, the Pacific College Community Chorus presented the Oratorio, "The Messiah," to a very appreciative audience.

The chorus of 65 voices was under the direction of Roy Clark, head of the department of music, and was accompanied by Herschel Thornburg, instructor in piano.

Soloists for the Oratorio were: Joyce Perisho, soprano; Betty Anne Craven, alto; Roy Clark, tenor; Burton Frost, bass.

### Oratory Contest Held at Pacific

Pacific College was host to the State Old Line Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Intercollegiate Forensics Association of Oregon.

Thelma Winter and Harold Fowler represented Pacific. Pacific College Forensics coach, Professor Lewis Hoskins, was director of the event.

### Missionary from China, Chapel Speaker

Mrs. Vercia Cox, missionary to the interior province of Yunnan, China, brought a stirring message on the needs of China. The challenge of "Go Ye" was again brought forcibly to the students when she told of the places which have not been reached with the message of Christ.

### A Cappella Choir Begins Concerts

On April 8th the Pacific College a cappella choir made its first tour, singing at Camas, Washington, in the morning, Vancouver, in the afternoon, and Second Friends, Portland, in the evening. The program included numbers from the various College Quartets.

### Plans for New Gym Progress

Final plans are being made for the construction of the new Thomas Hester Memorial Gym. The old structure will be torn down and as much of the material salvaged as possible.

In the past, the present gym has been used for different Quarterly Meeting and Yearly

Meeting functions. During the past year, young peoples' groups from the churches of Newberg have used the gym alternate Monday nights for volley ball and basket ball. The new gym also will be available for Quarterly Meeting and Yearly Meeting functions, and the facilities will be greatly improved.

### KEEP GOING ON

To keep on going when the path is dark, to keep on going when one cannot understand, to keep on going when one thinks God has forsaken him, that is faith—the simplest and plainest thing in the world.

When a person steps into a plane which is preparing for flight, he must trust fully the ability of the pilot and have faith that he will find safety. We have a heavenly pilot to whom we can entrust our whole lives. How wonderful it is to lean on the everlasting arms and have faith that He will see us through!

Life will not always be a flower-strewn pathway, but during the days of despair and temptation remember that it is only like going through a tunnel. The sun has not ceased to shine because the traveler in the tunnel has ceased to see it. The Sun of Righteousness is still shining, although we in our dark tunnel do not see Him. Do not stop in the tunnel of despair and wait for the light, but as a speaker once said, "Just keep going on in the direction where you last saw God."

—By BETTY LEE KOEPKE,  
Cascade College,  
Portland, Oregon.

"Some people throw away a bushel of truth because it contains a grain of error, while others swallow a bushel of error because it contains a grain of truth."

## Boys' Camp

JUNE 18-25 — AGES 9-10-11

JUNE 25 - JULY 3 — AGES 12-13-14

## Girls' Camp

JULY 3-10 — AGES 9 TO 14



## Moments with the Word

By EARL P. BARKER

"According to the power that worketh in us." Ephesians 3:20.

These words are just a fragment of the passage under consideration. The reader should turn to his New Testament and review this chapter, beginning with the fourteenth verse and completing the twenty-first. The interpretation is often given that God could do great things for us, far beyond what "we can ask or think," but that the "power that worketh in us" is so crippled by our lack of faith and obedience, and by our small conceptions of the fullness of God's grace, that He cannot do much. The "power that worketh in us" is so small that God's doings do not even reach within sight of the limits of our asking, not to mention the "exceeding abundantly" realm of which the text speaks.

It should not be inferred that this interpretation is out of line with truth. It is all too apparent that many of us are living miles below our privileges in Christ, simply because we "limit the Holy One" by the smallness of our own souls. But there is reason to doubt that this was the apostle's thought in this passage, and it seems apparent that it turns our minds to human littleness from God's greatness. It is well to know our faults and limitations, but we shall rise above them only as we become more and more deeply impressed with the infinite possibilities of grace.

Turn now to the first chapter of this epistle, and begin to read with the fifteenth verse. When you reach the nineteenth, take special notice. It is very likely that the "power that worketh in us" is "the exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead." It is well to belittle ourselves, when we see the puny character of our own zeal and faith, but let us no longer belittle the power of God, His resurrection power, which makes Him "able to do exceeding abundantly." Rather, it would be better to let

our minds be filled with an overwhelmingly glorious conception of the mighty possibilities which divine power offers, and to determine that our lives shall cease to advertise defeat. Why not read these two verses together now? He is "able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think," "according to the mighty power which He wrought in Christ when He raised Him from the dead." With such promises as these to stand on, what shall be impossible if He wills it?

### PERTINENT OBSERVATIONS

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preach peace? By no means; but it must be the "Peace of God that passeth all understanding." Although men's hearts and understanding are so blinded by sin that in many instances they will not respond, nevertheless preach it we must, if we would be clear in the sight of God and men.

#### Will Universal Peace Ever Prevail?

Is universal peace a chimera, an incongruous fancy? By no means; it is in God's mind and in His plan for man, and it shall most assuredly be established. But when? The answer is plain and authoritative: when Christ is manifested from heaven as the "Lord of lords and King of kings," then we shall have enduring peace. He shall reign in righteousness over all the universe of God. The Word of the Lord has declared it: He is the Prince of Peace. "Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and justice even forever. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this." Isa. 9:7.

Shall we not cry in response to the truth the Lord uttered, "Surely I come quickly," with "Even so, come, Lord Jesus"? Rev. 22:20. Jesus said on one occasion, in reference to His return to earth, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." It is thus that we shall have universal peace.

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