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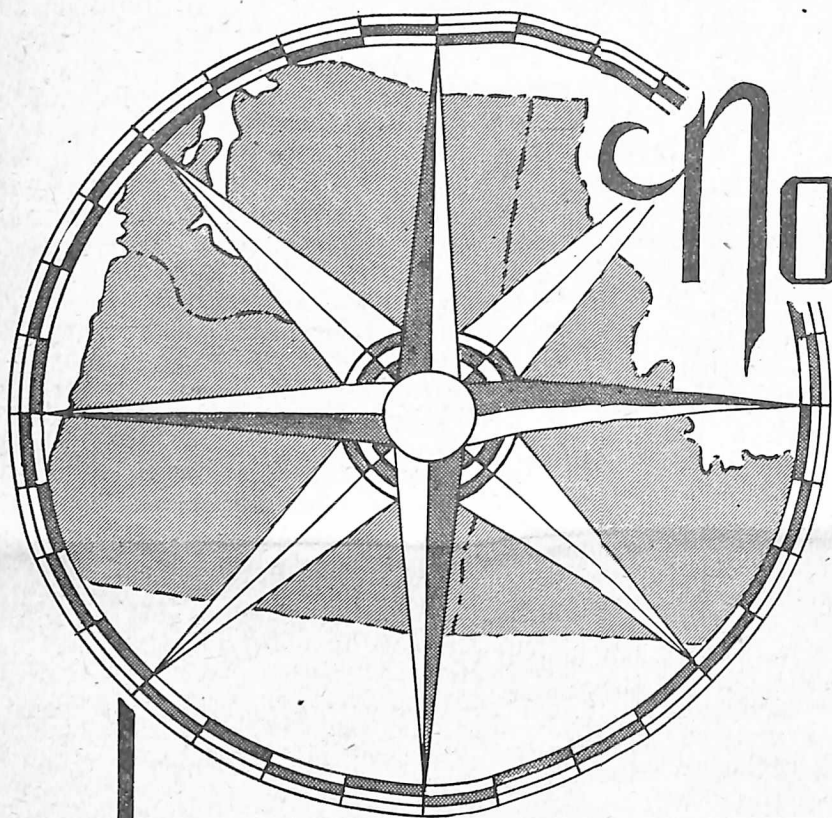
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Pertinent Observations

By EDWARD MOTT

"THE PROBLEM OF UNITY"

In his book, "The History of Quakerism," Elbert Russell presents the matter of the uniting of all groups of Friends. The title of the last chapter is as given above. The idea of its being a problem is supported by the facts in the case. He urges that it should be done and states that "the problem is well under way." He states further that the issues which resulted in the Hicksite separation are dead. The treatment of this subject requires more space than can be used in this periodical, but there are some phases of it which I wish to present at this time; this is due to the fact that the movement is on and in some cases has been consummated. A little later I purpose to consider the subject in detail in a book I am now preparing for press, the subject of which is "Sixty Years in Gospel Ministry." In this I shall present the details of this effort for the uniting of Friends, especially of the Hicksites and the Orthodox, which reaches back for several years. The date of publication will be given later.

The facts of this matter should receive careful consideration. It would be a calamity indeed if evangelical Friends were to be off guard and the unification accomplished while we were unaware of what is going on.

Lines of Division

There are three historic lines of division among Friends; the Orthodox, the Hicksite, and the Conservative. The Hicksite division occurred in 1827-28; the Conservative in 1845-46. The Hicksites and the Modernists are in accord, and they mingle in various ways with entire freedom. These use the term, "The Society of Friends," in common; the Orthodox more usually employ the term, "The Friends Church"; it would be a great advantage if we of this faith were to employ it exclusively. The misunderstandings on the part of the public generally are a means of a deplorable hindrance to the progress of our work. The term church is a beautiful designation, Scriptural and clearly understood as defining our unification in the one body of which Christ our Lord and Savior is the head. The Church is built upon the one foundation, that laid by Christ and His Apostles; and of it Christ is the corner stone. Under these conditions it were well to let the divergent groups have the outmoded term, The Society of Friends, for their exclusive use. The terms thus used would serve to differentiate between the Orthodox evangelical and other branches to great advantage in the promotion of the cause of truth.

Various Groups

In the consideration of the subject of the "Problem of Unity," there are some facts which should be fully understood. There are some groups which are designated as Independents; these are under the control of no superior meeting; they recognize no discipline or code of action; they do that which is right in their own eyes, each for himself. In respect to doctrine they are negatory; they reject the authority of the Holy Scriptures; they drift on a dead sea with no means of purification of mental or moral being. If one attempts to point out to them the evident truths of Christianity, they fall back upon their theory of inner light which amounts to what they conceive to be a sufficient means of guidance, without chart or compass. The American Friends Service Committee has attempted to provide some means of direction and government by authorizing the setting up of monthly meetings; but in this they themselves are in the dark, for they have no authorization from a disciplinary body; so the blind lead the blind with no unification or direction in respect to righteous standards.

Another line of procedure has obtained sway in some instances by the formation of what are termed United Meetings. These are composed of Hicksites and modernists for the most part. In each meeting those thus associated hold mem-

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Editorial

CONFIDENCE

There are certain sacred trusts in life. To betray such trusts by divulging them to others who should not know is to break confidence with perhaps a friend, a loved one, a church committee, or some other confidant. Christian workers and leaders in the church must soon learn the judicious exercise of silence on many confidential matters.

Great damage to the cause of Christ and the Church can be done by the betrayal of committee trusts. We like to think that a committee meeting is a sacred place where frank discussion can take place—even dealing with personalities in a sincere, confidential manner. This may be necessary in the business of the committee or board, but should never be carried outside the meeting lest Satan use unthinking and unscrupulous people to distort reports and bring reproach to the cause of Christ. "Just because a thing is true gives no license to tell it. One has the right to think a lot of things he has no right to say. Always tell the truth but don't always be telling it."

This is not a plea for closed or secret meetings, neither is it an encouragement to unlicensed freedom in roughshod discussions and arguments within committees. The Holy Spirit and Christian ethics and culture should characterize every body meeting to do business in the name of Christ.

There are at least three standards by which one can judge whether or not a thing is confidential:

1. The Holy Spirit: One of the missions of the Holy Spirit is to give wisdom (Luke 12:12; John 16:8-13). The Holy Spirit will check the Christian if he is tempted to share a confidence. We must not grieve the Spirit of God in this aspect of our conduct.

2. Committee Policy: Every committee and board should come to some understanding as to the phases of its business that require trust. This lends dignity, strength, and usefulness to God to such a constituency.

Boards should also have an orderly method of giving information of their actions and program to the church. In this the best methods of ad-

vertising should be used. It seems wise as a usual procedure that boards and committees be careful to inform their members of developments or actions, if initiated by executive groups within the committee, before other people are given the reports.

3. Consequences: Many confidences would never have been violated had the consequences been considered. "Will this hurt a righteous reputation? Is this information authentic? Is it premature? Is it necessary and beneficial that I spread this news? Am I authorized to tell it? Will the cause of Christ and the church be helped now and ultimately if I tell it?" Along with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and a knowledge of the policy of the committee the test of consequences is helpful.

Kingdom work is cooperative in nature. We can augment the usefulness of our church machinery by the constant use of the oil of "faithfulness to confidences."

PSC

SERVICE BOARD CALLS FOR 1946-47

The work of the Board of Service this year is divided into three sections. The following is a summary of the projected work for each section for the church year of 1946-47. This year is already one-third gone, so if nothing has been started in your church see to it that it starts now.

The work of the community department is to care for the needs in the local community. There may not be many opportunities for this kind of work, but be sure that each need is met in a Christian way. Above all keep some account of the work done.

The work of the National department has to do with aid to Conscientious Objectors and others who need help in times of national emergency. The project for this year is to aid those men who have been in C. P. S. and who are desirous of finishing their schooling at Pacific College. \$180 is needed to pay half tuition for the two men who have asked for our help. Send the money to the Yearly Meeting treasurer.

The field of international service is the largest one at present. The need for aid is almost world wide this year. Each church should be putting on a continuous clothing drive so that our garments may be in the hands of the wearers

by the time winter sets in. The cheapest way to furnish the needed food for our neighbors across the oceans is to send money. The A. F. S. C. and the N.A. E. are both able to furnish food to those in need if the money is available. Get a project started to raise money in the Sunday school, C. E., or in the church itself.

A letter has been sent to each pastor and to the chairman of each service committee giving these plans more in detail. If some special project is desired, get in touch with these and they can help you. Any member of the Yearly Meeting Board of Service also stands ready to help. Marjorie Votaw is chairman of the community work and Milo Ross is in charge of the international work.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY WRITES

At Yearly Meeting in June it became apparent that we should need to fully underwrite the proposed new United Budget. Of the \$18,682.00 asked by the several Boards, only \$15,171.29 had been pledged by Yearly Meeting time. This left a balance of \$3610.71 to be pledged before actual salaries, etc., began to be paid out in September.

On July 10 a letter came out from our Yearly Meeting office to all of the meetings and pastors, urging immediate response to the increase in the United Budget. Also, a letter from the former Financial Secretary, Paul S. Cammack, appeared in the July issue of the Northwest Friend. It may be too early for all of the meetings to have responded at this writing (August 13) due to different times of holding the monthly meeting sessions, but we shall here give the list of churches which have increased their pledging. These are listed by quarterly meetings:

Newberg:
Chehalem Center.
Sherwood
Salem:
Marion
Portland:
Cherry Grove
Boise Valley:
Boise
Star
Tacoma:
Entiat
Greenleaf

These meetings are to be commended. There are several actions which can be made yet. If your meeting has already responded, and the word has been sent to Milo C. Ross, Financial Secretary, 2525 Merriman Rd., Medford, Oregon, you may disregard this letter. If not: 1. Bring this to the attention of your meeting immediately. All the work of the Boards must be

curtailed to the percentage of the lack if pledgings. Do all you can to make it possible for your meeting to increase its pledge by 20%. 2. If your meeting unites in feeling that it cannot raise its pledge, at least notify the secretary. 3. There are a number of meetings and individuals which send in gifts often to the Yearly Meeting treasurer, Richard C. Kneeland. This is especially true of new and preparative meetings and Friends who live at a distance from Friends centers. This is greatly appreciated. However, the Boards of the Yearly Meetings are compelled to make their budgets conform to the PLEDGES. We cannot go beyond them! Even if your meeting is small and new, and it is hard to make a pledge, perhaps your group can pledge to the amount of what you sent in last year. Or again, if you read this and wish to pledge, send in your pledge to the secretary. This can be a personal pledge, or can be added to the meeting you designate. 4. If your meeting has pledged and raises its amount through the year, and if you still have a surplus in the treasury, go beyond your pledging and send the added amount in to the treasurer. This will not help our immediate situation, but will in the future.

At the present time, the responding meetings have pledged additionally to the amount of \$412.50, which raises the total pledging to the United Budget to \$15,483.79, which leaves to be raised a balance of \$3,198.21.

OBITUARY

Mrs. A. L. Brougher departed this life July 28, 1946, after an illness of several weeks at the age of 78 years. Her husband, Alvin L. Brougher, preceded her to the heavenly home on February 21, 1946, being 86 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Brougher with their family came to Scotts Mills 39 years ago, and always took an active part in Sunday School, Christian Endeavor, and church work until their declining years and poor health forced them to give up all this. They operated a general merchandise store in Scotts Mills for 37 years.

They raised a family of eight children, all of whom survive. There are twelve grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Home At Last

After the storm that sweeps the sea,
After the drifting to the lee,
After the rocks and sands are passed,
Cometh the joy of home at last.

After the long and toilsome day,
After the sun's fierce burning ray,
After the toiler homeward goes,
Cometh the night and sweet repose.

C E Corner

Camas Friends church in Oak Park reports an election of officers for the coming year, as follows: Christian Endeavor Advisers: Bernard and Bernice Dorman; President: Dorothy Priebe; Vice-President: Gladys Knowles; Secretary: Edna Knowles; Treasurer: Dale Darling; Missionary Chairman: Dorothy Williams; Prayer Meeting Chairmen: Louise Price and John Rankin; Look-out: Chet Kimball and Clifford Good; Social Committee: Dorothy Barratt, Chet Kimball, and Mahlon Schwanz; Song Leader: Dick Cadd; Pianist: Lorna Fertillo; Music and Flowers: John Rankin.

A committee has been appointed composed of Dorothy Barratt, Lavelle Priebe, Dick Cadd, and Bob Cadd to choose a project to be worked out by the C. E. for the coming year. Last year's project was the raising of approximately \$100.00 for a new church library.

The C. E.'ers have been very faithful in attending the Camp Meetings held at Lackamas Lake and at Orchards. The meetings have proved a source of help to the young people.

A number of Camas C. E.'ers attended Twin Rocks Conference, and Dick and Bob Cadd drove to Idaho for the last half of Quaker Hill Conference.

Clifford Good and Mahlon Schwanz are leaving the C. E. group.

Homedale Senior C. E. has been sponsoring "Play Night" on the church lawn each Friday night during the summer. This is an informal project that involves little planning, but a lot of fun. The evening is spent playing volley ball, badminton, croquet, and ping pong. On August 9th the pastor and his wife put on a watermelon feed in addition to the games. Eighteen were present that evening.

The C. E.'ers have chosen a 3-act play, "Christian Family Brown" to be presented this fall. As soon as the characters have been chosen rehearsals will begin.

QUAKER HILL CONFERENCE, 1946

Over 200 young people gathered this year on the shores of beautiful Payette Lakes for a week of fun, fellowship, and inspiration which we of Idaho know as Quaker Hill Conference. A fine spirit of cooperation with deans John and Grace Roberts was evident. Splendid food, inspiring messages from Evangelist Clare Willcuts, peppy singing led by Fred Knight, to-the-point classes under the capable leadership of Frank Davies, Clynton Crisman, Paul Mills, J. A. Dunbar, Roy Knight, and Fred Knight, and afternoon hours of softball, volley ball, and swimming were the highlights of the week.

At the Saturday night business meeting Greenleaf Quarterly Meeting was awarded the beautiful gold-plated plaque for winning the chart contest of the past year. A cheer went up as Richard Beebe, Quarterly Meeting C. E. superintendent, took the plaque from Glenn Armstrong. The plaque will be passed around to the societies of Greenleaf Quarterly Meeting to be displayed.

Many young people found spiritual victory around the altars of Quaker Hill this summer.

EVANS CREEK CONFERENCE

By ELENITA BALES

Oregon Friends of the southern part of the state had a summer conference for the first time this year. Other years a few have been able to attend our Twin Rocks Conference, but the distance and greater expense have kept many from the "conference experience" that we feel is so important in young and even older lives.

The pastors of the Southern Oregon Friends Churches have been especially anxious for some time that we get a conference started here for our people. Several "scouting trips" were taken to various recommended spots in search of the right place. Finally, in answer to our inquiries, we received word from the State Forest Service that we would be able to use the grounds and the remaining buildings of a CCC spike camp. Arrangements for a long term lease will be sought before next year if possible. We did not have to pay anything in rent for its use this year. It is located about 35 miles from Medford, nine miles up the west fork of Evans creek, and situated at 4,000 feet, high among the pines. The creek itself, in the summer time, has only spots in it deep enough for much swimming, but it has a nice sandy bottom, quite wide near the camp, and a good place for the children and young people to play and cool off.

Elenita Bales, as superintendent of the Camp Committee, was the camp director. Milo Ross handled the arduous and tiring task of dining hall manager very efficiently and well. He and his father, Clifton Ross, spent many hours before and after the camp building necessary partitions and tables. George Bales was grounds manager, and made almost daily trips with the truck up to camp the week previous with supplies and materials. Lillian Frazier was registrar and treasurer. Mrs. Carolyn Adams, a professional cook who attends the Medford Church, offered her services as head cook. She and her assistants, Agnes Hackler, of Talent, and Effie Irwin, of Medford, certainly cooked and served above the average of delicious and attractive meals.

The final count of the attendance revealed 50 attending during the week and 68 on Sunday. We deeply regretted the fact that none of the Sprague River group could be with us this year on account of illness in the community. We hope that next year they can be a part of the group.

The leaders and workers who came down from up state to help us certainly meant a lot to our camp. Edward F. Harmon was the evangelist. His messages were a means of souls finding Christ and of spiritual growth of believers. Joseph Reece taught a Bible class on essentials in Christian experience. Howard and Julia Pearson sacrificed home duties to come and conduct a class in missions. As our people have not had much background in our field of work in South America, it proved of special interest and inspiration. Kathryn Beougher, who taught religious education in the Medford schools last year, had the inspirational hour for the third through sixth graders. The Clarion Quartet of Pacific College furnished us with beautiful numbers in song at the services and Joyce Perisho had the music class and directed the Sunday afternoon concert held outside in the cool shade. Patty Perisho and Mary McClintick had the morning classes of the D. V. B. S. Helen Antrim and Mary McClintick were in charge of the afternoon recreation. George Bales and Lillian Frazier were the deans.

As we look back over our conference this year we definitely feel God's leading and presence with us. We felt the prayers of those who could not attend and thank our Heavenly Father for making the way for such an understanding. We look forward to another year and hope that it will grow in numbers so that more will receive of the blessings.

GIRLS' CAMP

"An exciting, thrilling, wonderful adventure"—these words may well be used to describe the Camp for Girls which was held at Twin Rocks, July 15-22. Girls from the ages of nine to fourteen attended the camp, which was sponsored by Portland, Newberg, and Salem Quarterly Meetings.

From the time the buses began to arrive bringing the 70 enthusiastic and energetic girls until the last person checked out a week later, there was not one boring moment. In fact, the twenty senior leaders and the seven junior leaders found each day crowded to the limit with the enjoyable responsibility of providing a week of inspiration and fun.

A typical "Camp Day" included: flag salute, breakfast, devotions, room inspection, classes in Christian character and handcraft, recess, and

the morning evangelistic service. After lunch, organized recreation provided swimming, hiking, group games, and miscellaneous pastimes for the girls, followed by the evening meal. The final activity in each day's schedule was the Campfire service, which was from 8-9 P.M. in the tabernacle, featuring stories, songs, pantomimes, a puppet show, a shadow play, skits and stunts of all descriptions designed to make the audience laugh.

The evangelist, Esther White, was faithful in bringing clear, forceful messages from God's Word, to which 40 girls responded in accepting Christ at the altar of prayer. It was indeed encouraging to witness the genuine spirit of repentance that gripped these young hearts.

Much credit is due Ruth Brown for her splendid job as Camp Supervisor. She was assisted by: Lesta Bates and Melva Baker, teachers; May Nordyke, Lela Street, and Mildred Raymond, handcraft supervisors; Iverna Hibbs, dining hall manager; Irene Haisch, dormitory dean; Florence Thomas, registrar; Florence Taylor, nurse; Lucy Clark, song leader and campfire service director; Donna Heacock and Lois White, recreational leaders; Lola Hull and Evangeline Cook, cooks (with some valuable assistance given by Alden White and Lloyd Taylor). Junior Leaders were: Eleanore Armstrong, Eudora Barker, Carol Raymond, Betty Street, Louise Price, Lael Shook, and Wilma Taylor.

Yes, it was a wonderful camp! So wonderful, in fact, that all of us can hardly wait until next year.

OBITUARY

Harry I. Pearson, prominent member of Rosedale Church, passed on to his reward August 5th at the age of 51 years.

Although he did not reach his three score years and ten, yet his life was full in service to his God, his church, and his community.

He was noted throughout the country as a consistent Christian, being a grocer in downtown Salem who refused to carry tobacco.

His going leaves several responsible positions in the church to be filled, and the responsibility on those remaining is greater. But we realize that in his briefer span of life he accomplished much. Surely he will hear his Master say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

AMONG THE CHURCHES

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Salem Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight convened Friday afternoon, October 16, at 2:30 at Scotts Mills. A time of worship in which prayer was offered and testimonies given opened the meeting. We were encouraged by the Clerk to appoint some one from each meeting to give a report on the state of the church each Quarter, as a matter of interest and encouragement to each other. The text for our foreign service for the year was given: "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" (I John 3:17).

The C. E. Rally Friday night was well attended. It was opened with a spirited song service led by Thelma Rose. She also gave an instructive flannel-graph about the six called ones who did not come and follow Christ. The Mulkey family, from Silver Cliff, sang a song, as did also a sextette of young women from Rosedale. These were both enjoyed by all. Milo Ross gave the address of the evening on Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost under three headings: This is that; this is He; and this is how. He brought to us a lesson of obedience, the thought of the inspiration of the prophets, and the simple gospel message of salvation.

The seventh day sessions were well attended and were under the definite leadership of the Holy Spirit. There was no planned program and different ones were faithful to express their joys and burdens in the Lord. One minister pointed out an encouraging trend in our Yearly Meeting of the calling of laymen, older and young, into the services of the Lord. Many opportunities are open for work and Christians who perhaps had not trained especially for the ministry are being faithful in responding. This is a healthy indication, and will tend to do away with "professionalism," division between clergy and laity.

Another young minister in a small meeting spoke of the blessing he had received since promising to give five per cent of his income above his tithe and offering to missions. Another spoke of hearing the expression made, "We just don't have the praying leadership that we used to have." It is up to each of us to be the "praying leadership," not looking to some one else of a past generation.

In the business session of the afternoon several visiting Friends spoke. Even in this session we were led to think of others. Stress was

given to the work of our service committee and plans were made of what we can do. News from the Bolivia work was given and we were challenged to pray and trust God as He opens and closes doors. Instruction was also given concerning the petition that is out in Marion County to put a prohibition bill on the November ballot. The financial program of the Yearly Meeting was discussed and ways in which each meeting should arise to the situation.

The whole tone of the Quarterly Meeting seemed to place emphasis upon the individual responsibility of each Christian to be faithful to the Holy Spirit. It was a time of rich blessing to all.

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

By MARGARET WEESNER

Newberg Quarterly Meeting met August 9 and 10 at West Chehalem.

At the Friday night Christian Endeavor meeting, Mary Schwarzin led the singing, with Charlotte Fendall as pianist. After the devotional services, singing, testimonies, and business, Leland Hibbs brought the message, using the text, "Whose I am and whom I serve."

Saturday morning service was one of testimony, prayer, meditation, with many taking part and no particular person bringing the message. God's presence was felt.

Dinner was served in the basement of the church. Some ate there and others ate in the shade of the trees in the yard.

Leland Hibbs led the devotions in the afternoon service. Dorwin Smith, chairman of the Evangelistic Committee, presented a plan of coordinating revival efforts among the meetings. Edward Harmon, chairman of the Christian Education Committee, presented plans for training teachers of our Bible Schools so that we may be able to be more effective in winning boys and girls for Christ.

The Quarterly Meeting appreciated the hospitality of West Chehalem Friends. We were glad for visiting Friends from Salem Quarterly Meeting. Our next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Chehalem Center.

Our meetings have been having competition in softball again this summer. Games take place at three different places each Tuesday evening.

SCOTTS MILLS

Perhaps the headline news item from us this time was the recent marriage of two of our faithful members—Josie Shilts and Alfred Dodge. The wedding took place June 12 at 5 P.M. at the home of our pastors, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cook. Marion Cook performed the cere-

mony in the nicely decorated parsonage room. The only other witnesses were Sophie Newton and Docia Trescott. One evening later in the week, several friends and neighbors gave them a noisy reception.

Our pastor, Marion Cook, just recently returned to us from a week's vacation spent with the Raynor Heacocks in Seattle. While there he enjoyed a trip up into Victoria, B. C.

Work is being done on the basement now which we hope will stop old Oregon rain from seeping through the walls.

Ethel Cox is selling her property here in town, and is desirous of having a Christian family added to our community.

ONTARIO HEIGHTS

The Kenneth and Hubert Hull families report a good trip to Portland, where they were present for the graduation of their brother, Calvin, from Cascade College. They spent a few days at the beach before returning home.

During Yearly Meeting week while the parsonage was empty we did some redecorating. The walls shine with fresh Kem-Tone and white paint on all the woodwork. The job was completed just in time for the new pastors when they moved in. Robert and Lela Morse arrived to take up the work as pastors here. They have planted garden and are getting nicely settled.

Ellis Cook experienced a little difficulty starting with his last load of furniture and belongings on his way to Sprague River where he and his wife, Fern, will minister this winter. The trailer with its heavy load broke down near Ontario. After a delay of two days he started again.

The evening of June 28 a good number gathered on the church lawn for pot luck supper about nine o'clock to welcome our new pastor and his wife.

ROSE VALLEY

The Rose Valley church had a Daily Vacation Bible School July 16-28, with Elsie Gehrke and Bernice Mardock in charge. The results were very good, with numbers at the altar for salvation. The first week night classes were held for adults, with Elsie Gehrke giving lessons on prayer and personal work. The second week revival services were held at night with Elsie Gehrke and Bernice Mardock in charge of the music and with the pastor bringing the messages. Miss Gehrke gave chalk lessons each evening, which were very impressive. The climax came on the last Sunday morning, when the power of God came on the meeting and a number were at the altar and some prayed through to sanctification of heart. The next Sunday the power of revival was still on the meeting and a number were at the altar and hearts were melted to voluntary praise and testimony.

Betty Byrd and Patsy Murphy, of Tacoma, visited the community over the week end of August 4 and brought messages in song at both morning and evening services.

We believe Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. And we believe real prayer and real faith, and the real gospel presented in the power of the Holy Ghost will bring the same results today as in the past.

MARION

Several of our members were privileged to attend Yearly Meeting on Sunday, June 16. For several it was the first time and they report that they enjoyed greatly the services of the day.

Wednesday, June 19, we were honored by the presence of Esthel and LeRoy White and small daughter, Lois. LeRoy brought the lesson at prayer meeting from John 17:9-26. He also told about the work to which they are going in the Mexican border evangelism.

Jean and Earl Trudgeon are back with us again. They

have bought a home near Jefferson so that they will be regular attenders with us.

We are glad to welcome a new member to our church. Frank Sherwood was accepted into membership in our July monthly meeting.

We are also welcoming another very new member. Frank and Lois Haskins, our pastors, are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Ilene Phyllis, born July 25.

Our prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings are well attended in spite of the busy season. At present different members are leading the different services and it proves to be of great help and strengthening for all.

On Sunday evenings we have been having a study class. We are now studying the book of Ecclesiastes.

SOUTH SALEM

Three years ago Laura Trachsel took up the work as pastor of this meeting. When her husband, John Trachsel, was brought home from the concentration camp in China, he joined her in the work as co-pastor. Their work among us has been richly blessed of the Lord and South Salem Meeting has deeply appreciated them, both for what they are and for the work they have done. There has been the finest of fellowship between them and the church. During this time John brought his letter of membership from the Methodist to the Friends Church, and they both have been recorded as ministers. Early last spring John Trachsel was asked to return to China by the National Holiness Missionary Society to help explore the field and prepare for the going of other missionaries. As Laura was expecting to rejoin him this fall, she asked the meeting to release her from the work after Yearly Meeting. Her board also wished her to do deputation work for them during the summer in the Central States, and some time would be needed to make preparation for her return to the field with their three little girls. Charles C. Haworth was asked to take the work for the summer, and he has done so. The meeting is now glad to announce that J. Francis Lowe, of Roseville, California, has accepted their call to serve as pastor the coming year, and is expected to arrive and take up the work about the first of September.

ROSEDALE

Our church and community suffered a great loss when Harry Pearson passed away August 5 following a sudden heart attack. For the last three years, since his moving to this community, he has been a steady, consecrated worker in the church, and lately in the starting of our new parsonage project he has carried major responsibilities. His growing spiritual life, his radiant testimony, and his consistent life will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

July 4 we had our Sunday school picnic at the church grounds. The recreation was directed by Oscar Brown, as everyone helped in some process of the final stages of tearing down the old parsonage in preparation to the building of the new one. All agreed, after a big picnic dinner and after a day of hard labor, that it was a profitable picnic. At present the foundations for the new building are poured and work will be starting on the new structure.

Lawrence Lehman has been appointed assistant pastor for the summer months, to serve until the starting of class sessions at Pacific College this fall. He is proving a great asset and blessing to the meeting. He has charge of the young people's prayer meetings, their gospel band work and music in the services; also he is assisting in the busy carpenter work.

A gospel band consisting of several of the Christian young people of the church has been formed and they are planning several services this summer. The evening of August 11 they had charge of the evening service

at Marion. Plans are being made for a trip to Sprague River and other points.

New hymn books have been purchased and are proving a source of great interest and blessing in the services. We are using "Glorious Gospel Hymns."

NEWBERG

On June 11, Lida Jackson passed away at the age of 92. She has done a good work! As long as she was able she attended the services, showing in her face the Spirit of Him whom she had loved and served so long. At her funeral many spoke of the blessing she had been to them in her home and in the public services. Our pastor, William F. Pribbenow, and her former pastor, Carl Miller, had charge of the services.

Harlan and Gertrude Jones and their daughter, Marilyn, returned to Newberg the last of June after a month's visit among friends and relatives in Colorado, Nebraska, and Missouri. They attended some of the sessions of Nebraska Yearly Meeting.

We are thankful that the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Christian Endeavor societies are continuing their good work through the summer. The young people of the Intermediate Christian Endeavor are adding interest and inspiration to the Sunday evening services by having charge of the music.

Once more we enjoyed having Yearly Meeting Friends in our midst. We are truly thankful for the fine spirit of Christian fellowship and feel that we shall all accomplish greater things for His Kingdom because of the blessing of the Yearly Meeting.

WHITNEY

About two hundred guests attended the wedding ceremony of Miss Ina Rosella Moon and Floyd A. Bagley, in the First Friends Church in Boise, Saturday, August 3. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royal J. Moon, of Boise, and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bagley, of Sciota, Illinois.

The bride's three attendants were her cousin, Miss Freida Moon, of Caldwell, Idaho, Mrs. Reola Houston, and Miss Marie Heinzig. Little Miss Phyllis Yearsley was the flower girl. The bride's brother, Elvin Moon, was best man. Ivor Moon and Robert Hadley were the ushers.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Dillon W. Mills, assisted by Robert Morrill, was the officiating minister. Mrs. Preston Mills played the wedding music, and Mrs. Ivor Moon was soloist. A reception was given on the lawn at the church immediately following the ceremony.

The couple left for a two weeks' honeymoon to visit his parents in Sciota, Illinois. When they return they will be at home on Shaw Street, near Whitney. The groom is employed by the Nordling Parts company, in Boise, and the bride is a stenographer at the Veterans Administration office.

A large number of Whitney folks attended the conference at Quaker Hill. Francis Davis, who teaches the Junior boys' Sunday school class, took the class for a few days' camping trip to the mountains, where they all reported a fine trip. He taught them swimming, first aid, and handicraft work, and each evening they had worship service.

Our Sunday school held the annual picnic at the Julia Davis Park, in Boise, on August 10. We are glad to report that our Sunday school attendance is gradually increasing, with an average of around one hundred each Sunday. There is a marked increase in interest in Sunday school work since we organized a Sunday school council some time ago. Many benefits are obtained in these monthly gatherings, when teachers and officers meet together to discuss the work of the Lord in this community. Visiting in homes and the cottage prayer meet-

ings also have been factors in increasing interest in the Sunday school and church.

The new parsonage at Whitney is practically completed and our pastor, Dillon Mills, and family have moved into the new home.

We like the new plan our pastor is using for the evening services, of combining the Endeavor and the church services so that practically all of the young people can now stay for meeting.

TALENT

Our spring revival meetings were conducted by William J. Murphy, evangelist, and Bernice Mardock and Elsie Gehrke, workers. The searching and inspirational sermons and beautiful messages in song by the evangelist were a blessing to all. Bernice and Elsie had charge of the childrens' meetings, morning prayer meetings, special music, chalk drawings, and object lessons.

Howard and Julia Pearson's visit to Talent in the spring was of great interest and help to all who attended the service. It was the first time that we have had our missionaries visit us, and it helps us to know how to pray better for their needs.

The Talent High School Baccalaureate Services were held in the Talent Friends Church this year with 180 in attendance. Milo Ross gave the address and George Maddox, of Medford, was the soloist.

Two carloads of representatives from Talent enjoyed the Evans Creek Conference Rally at the Howard school gymnasium, in Medford, June 7. The program consisted of skits and stunts by both the Medford and Talent C. E.'ers. Songs, novelty numbers and an amusing "Truth or Consequences" completed the program. Several utensils, service ware, and dishes were donated to start our conference equipment.

Agnes Hackler, Lillian Frazier, and George and Elenita Bales attended Yearly Meeting from Talent. We all came back with a desire for complete consecration and to work harder for the Lord in our places of service.

Women of the church cleaned and painted in the interior of the building recently. New hymn book racks were installed and our new books, "Christian Service Songs," are being used with much enjoyment.

The second coat of paint is being applied to the outside of the church. The building is quite old and is in much need of paint, so the improvement is immediate and very noticeable. Barbara Terrill, home from Pacific College for the summer, and Ila Slonecker, visiting over the fourth of July were added to the crew of the pastor and his wife. After the end of the day it was doubtful, however, who had received the more paint—the church or the painters!

Talent Friends went to Medford to attend the National Holiness Missionary Rally a couple of weeks ago. Laura and Helen Marie Trachsel and Esther Gulley were the main speakers, and we enjoyed meeting them and seeing the vision of more fields white unto harvest.

July was a busy month for most of us here. One week was taken up with the Evans Creek Conference, and a lot of time before in preparation and afterwards in straightening up. (See elsewhere in the paper a complete report of the Conference.)

Our pastors, George and Elenita Bales, attended Twin Rocks Conference Tuesday through Friday of the camp. They reported great spiritual help and blessings, and enjoyed the fellowship of seldom-seen friends. They spent one evening at Florence on the way to Conference, visiting Elenita's parents, Clio and Estelle Mardock.

The evening church services have increased in attendance this month. We all come to appreciate more and more the "Quaker meeting" and way of worship. The adult Bible study group before the evening service has been studying The Acts.

Eight Senior C.E.'ers enjoyed a candle party and wiener roast on a small island in Bear Creek near Talent Thursday, August 8. Games, refreshments, and a chorus "sing" around the camp fire were the main events of the evening.

The Women's Missionary Union met in the home of Lily Welburn this month, with Lillian Frazier as assistant hostess. Eleven ladies were present. The devotional period centered around the life and influence of Mr. Borden in missions. The work period was spent working on the second missionary quilt for Bolivia.

Lillian Frazier and Lily Welburn sponsored a primary and beginners Sunday school class picnic in Lithia Park, Ashland, Friday, Aug. 9. George Bales took the group in his truck. There were 23 children and seven adults present.

Talent was favored with a musical treat July 22. The Clarion Quartet, from Pacific College, gave us an evening of beautiful sacred music. Joseph Reece and Edward Harmon were with the group. Edward spoke a few words about the College and Joseph Reece assisted with some musical numbers.

The pear season has begun in the Rogue River Valley. Most of the people will be either picking or working in the packing houses.

Leola Lindstrom and her brother, Louis, visited Friends and relatives in southern California recently.

VANCOUVER FIRST

The Lord has been with us at Vancouver First Church, most especially in recent services. We are thankful for many things: a widening field of influence in the presence of new and interested friends, a growing concern for the spiritual life of the members both on the part of the pastor and members, and a deepening burden for the souls with whom we labor. There is a great willingness among the members to visit, pray, and plan with our goal always the salvation of lost souls and our eyes and our hearts upon the coming fall revival. But more than all these are we thankful for the presence of our God Himself. There is evidence of the convicting work of the Holy Spirit and of His blessing.

We are grateful, too, for the ministry of our pastor among us. He is a pastor in the truest sense, taking time to visit among us when we are ill, or when we have a special need, or when we just need to sit down and talk things over. In these very busy times, when the friendly, leisurely visit is almost gone, we really appreciate a pastor who takes time to get to know us, each one individually. While he is in attendance at Twin Rocks and Wauna Mer Conferences we will have a special service by the Gideons and one by the American Sunday School Union.

There are many forward strides we have already begun or are anticipating. We are cooperating one hundred per cent with the athletic program launched by the Friends churches, having had a gym night during the winter months with often as many as 24 in attendance, and now are sending forth our softball team to bring home the laurels in competition with the other churches this side of the river. Our Sunday school treasury is providing a treat after each game, which is usually served in the church basement, after which a gospel chorus and a word of prayer send the boys home with some spiritual refreshment, too.

Our men are planning to organize their men's brotherhood. We'll let you know more of the details about that later, but this one thing we know already: we purpose to back this forward move with prayer that it may be a source of rich fellowship and blessing to our own men, and to all Friends meetings.

We are also among the many churches planning expansion of our physical facilities. We are laying our

plans and raising our funds toward enlarging and remodeling our church when possible. We need more space for worship, for classes, for an adequate Junior department, for youth fellowship—for everything which centers around a church. Our desire is to keep pace with God's pace in all our endeavor.

MEDFORD

Medford preparative meeting is enjoying a fine summer, with an increase in attendance at Sunday morning and prayer meeting, together with a fine response in "open meeting." Our first Evans Creek Conference proved to be a great help to our meeting, as did our very successful DVBS earlier in the summer.

For the last two Monthly Meetings, time has been given for the several committees to explain their aims for the year, and for the meeting to adopt them. A digest of these goals follows: The pastor, Milo C. Ross, led in setting up the spiritual aims of an increase of 25% in attendance, a gracious revival under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and a 50% increase in membership. The finance committee is to lead in raising the budget of \$126.00 a month. The trustees presented their concern to put in the cement sidewalks as soon as possible. The Christian Education Committee had a number of aims: to carry out a successful DVBS, maintain our very worthwhile Children's Church, use the George Fox quarterlies in the Adult department, stimulate the Junior age through the use of Bible Quizzes, have a teacher training class in the winter, maintain the Youth Nights through the school year, revitalize and strengthen the High School C. E., and secure an adviser for the Junior C. E. The Service Committee promised to lead the meeting in sending 11 lbs. of food each week to the Roislands, Quaker family in Norway. We are also sending a large box of clothing to them, and will take on home and relief projects as the need arises.

The missionary committee doubles as the Women's Society; they offered to work on the clothing drive, and to adopt future projects of study and activity as they meet through the fall and winter season.

The social committee is to sponsor a church dinner on Labor Day Sunday, and again for our fourth anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 20th. There was a concern expressed to encourage more fellowship with the Talent meeting. We voted to sponsor a welcoming party for the Howard school teachers early in the fall, and to carry out a number of all-church nights through the winter.

The public relations committee and the music folks have not as yet met and chosen their aims.

On Sunday, August 4, a service of dedication was held for a number of small children of the congregation. Those presented before the Lord were Beatrice, daughter of Carl and Winifred Sandoz; Craig and Kenneth, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jacobsen; Sharon Ann, James, and Steven, children of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Sedell; and Luwayne, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stine.

Also, as a part of that morning meeting, Carl and Winifred Sandoz were presented with a family Bible, as they are removing to Portland. These young Friends have been a part of our meeting for 2½ years—during nearly all of his service in CPS and since, and have meant a great deal to the new church.

Our church is cooperating through the summer with the others of the city in carrying on the Summer Park Services.

Much appreciated has been the gift of laundry trays and their installation at low cost to the church by members of the congregation.

McKINLEY AVENUE, TACOMA

In June the Pacific College male quartet, "The King's

Four," brought us a week end of inspirational messages in song, instrumental music, testimony, and chalk drawing. Members of the quartet are Paul and Herschel Thornburg, Wesley Murphy, and Stanley Williams.

Our pastor, A. Clark Smith, preached at Rose Valley on June 30. In his absence Abraham Heidal, missionary from China, told how his 33 years' experience there proved Isaiah 55:11: "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the things whereto I sent it." Through the distribution of Bibles and portions of the Scriptures, many people from beggars to Buddhist priests were converted.

Dorwin Smith, of Chehalem Center, our boys' camp evangelist, brought the evening message.

Leona Harmon is taking charge of the younger children of the junior church. On July 14, all those who brought someone received a prize, and the whole group had its picture taken. Everyone who brings his Bible gets a bookmark to keep in it.

Due to adverse weather conditions, our annual Sunday school picnic had to be held at two different times. The group went to Pt. Defiance on June 21, but had to return right after lunch because of rain. Two weeks later the races and sports were held in the grove near the church.

The junior Sunday school has taken a collection to be used to paint their benches and redecorate their meeting place.

HOMEDALE

The Sunday school held its annual picnic June 28. There was plenty of good food with lots of ice cream. A very enjoyable time was had by all, with a ball game being played after dinner.

Professor Wilson, of the Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Fred Knight, and Arthur Pruitt, were our supply pastors during the absence of our pastor while he was attending Yearly Meeting.

Friday night, July 6, the Pacific College quartet was here and gave us a sacred concert. There was a social time in the basement of the church after the concert.

Eight of our boys are attending our Boys' Camp at Quaker Hill.

SHERWOOD

Yearly Meeting Sunday we were privileged to have Milo Ross as our speaker for the morning service. He brought a very challenging message to us on the place of Sherwood Monthly Meeting in the Yearly Meeting as a whole.

Since our last writing, one of our members, Mrs. Maria Anderson, has moved to Portland and we greatly miss her presence. Another member, Rudy Olsen, underwent a major operation at the Portland Sanitarium, and is now convalescing at his home here. God has answered prayer in a wonderful way on his behalf. Still another member, Mr. Watkins, who has been ill for some time, is greatly improved and we are very thankful.

Our young people have been participating in the Newberg Quarterly Meeting softball league this summer.

On Sunday, July 7, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Russell, former pastors of the Middleton meeting, were our guests and Mr. Russell brought the morning message. On Sunday, July 21, Laura Trachsel spoke for the morning service.

A junior choir has been started and there seems to be good interest. They meet for practice while the young people play ball.

Mrs. Clyde Thomas spent two weeks during July at the home of her daughter, Mary Edith Thornsberry, near Vancouver, helping care for the new grandson of the Thomases.

Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson have moved to Newberg and live near the College.

Three of our young people attended the Twin Rocks

C. E. Conference and three attended the Girls' Camp. There was great spiritual progress made by those in attendance especially at the C. E. Conference.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was held the week of August 12-17. Winifred Pemberton, of Salem, was our evangelist.

Our Monthly Meeting voted at the July business meeting to raise their former pledge to the United Budget twenty-five per cent.

GREENLEAF

About 325 people gathered in the Greenleaf church July 28 at the hour of morning worship. It was the last day our pastor, Frank L. Davies, and family would be with us. He comforted us from the Scripture, "I will not leave you orphans." During the one year and eight months he had been with us he had earnestly endeavored to attach as many people as possible, not to himself, but to Jesus Christ, and to inspire in us a sense of responsibility to be fishers of men. And so well did he succeed that many members find this objective an increasing passion. After meeting, a community dinner was served on the shady lawn. On July 30 he, with his family, left us for larger fields as superintendent of Kansas Yearly Meeting.

We were privileged to have with us also Ralph and Esther Choate and their two children, Larry and Ann, enroute from Africa to Ralph's parents at Portland, Oregon. August 1 at a joint meeting of our W. C. T. U. and W. F. M. S. (the men of the community being invited also) Ralph and Esther gave us in a very graphic manner something of their work at Kivimba and Mutaho in the Belgian Congo.

BOISE

Those attending Yearly Meeting from our meeting were Robert Morrill and Media Kimball. The following Sunday evening Media Kimball gave a report of the Yearly Meeting sessions.

The Christian Endeavorers of Boise and Whitney enjoyed a swimming party and watermelon feed at State Park July 12. They also attended a skating party at Nampa July 20. The party was sponsored by the Greenleaf C. E. August 4 the Christian Endeavor group attended services at Riverside. On August 7 they had charge of the prayer meeting. At the Christian Endeavor meetings they are now starting a study on the Queries and Discipline.

Alan Ilsen was the only representative from our meeting at Boys' Camp. There were thirteen at Quaker Hill Conference and five at Girls' Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gulley, from Fowler, Kansas, were in our service July 21. We are glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gulley with us again after a business trip to Grand Coulee Dam.

Daisy Stewart, our pianist, has been ill for some weeks.

The attendance at prayer meeting has been increasing the last few weeks. We feel this is a definite answer to prayer.

The Service Committee has handed out coin boxes to the Sunday school for offering for overseas relief. We collect each Sunday. The first Sunday the amount was \$10.

MELBA

Ruth Smith arrived home June 9 from Cleveland Bible College for her summer vacation. She led the Wednesday evening prayer meeting and gave a helpful message on Sunday morning, June 16.

Denver B. Headrick and wife and Marie McClintick left early June 10 for a visit to Portland and to attend Yearly Meeting at Newberg.

Dr. Henry Wesche, of Nampa, who was a Nazarene medical missionary to China, showed his pictures of their trip and work in that land Sunday evening, June 16.

Mrs. Jess Hunsperger is appointed as our new Junior Endeavor superintendent.

Mrs. Alpha Hartzell, our new superintendent of Sunday school, accompanied her mother by plane to Amarillo, Texas, June 10, to visit her two sisters. She returned June 30.

Jack Otto, from Cleveland Bible College, is helping at the John Farner ranch during his summer vacation.

Arthur and Will Selby are visiting in California and Nebraska during the months of June and July.

We were glad to have the "King's Four" quartet from Pacific College with us Sunday evening, July 7. Their messages in song, word, and chalk were an inspiration to us all.

Raymond Smith, Lando Currier, and Roger Johnston accompanied their pastor, Denver Headrick, to Quaker Hill to attend the Boys' Camp, July 8-14.

WEST CHEHALEM

August 12-26 has been designated as the time for D. V. B. S. at West Chehalem. Edward Harmon will again serve as superintendent of the school. Iverna Hibbs, pastor's wife at Springbrook Friends church, will be our D. V. B. S. evangelist. The following were selected to teach the classes: Viola Thumberg, beginners; Rose Fendall, primary; Mae Waide, juniors; Edward Harmon, intermediates.

Edward and Lois Harmon have accepted the call of West Chehalem to serve as pastors for the coming year. Every effort is being made to enable them to be residents of West Chehalem and occupants of the new parsonage soon. Some material shortages have prevailed for a long time now and have effectually blocked all progress on the parsonage during recent months. We are praying that this situation will be different at an early date.

A safe, sane, and enjoyable July 4 was spent by the Sunday school at Bald Peak State Park, highest prominence of Chehalem mountain. The weather was ideal for an outing. While the ladies were preparing the picnic table, various lively games were enjoyed by young and old. Later, after the dinner, all moved to the Mountain Top school grounds for a rousing game of soft-ball. To finish off a perfect day generous servings of ice cream were offered to everyone (and accepted).

In accordance with the new plan of Christian education as set forth in the new discipline, superintendents were appointed to serve for the coming church year as follows: Junior—Verna Baker; Intermediate—Edward Harmon; Adults—Rose Fendall.

No boys or girls from West Chehalem attended boys' or girls' camps at Twin Rocks this year, but several are planning to attend the C. E. conference July 29-August 4.

Our pastor served as camp manager for boys' camp at Twin Rocks this year. Roy Clark, of Newberg, served as supply pastor Sunday, July 7. Chester Padgett, son of one of our members, Mrs. Irma Stone, supplied the pulpit July 14. Mr. Padgett is to be an instructor in the Bible Institute of Los Angeles this coming school year.

God often digs wells of joy with the spade of sorrow.

In a world where death is, we have no time to hate.

Missionary

THE TESTIMONY OF MANUEL ALVARADO

This is that which I submit to you as a part of the history of my life. Today I can tell it with pride because there live in my mind these memories. I WAS poor of spirit but today I AM happy!

According to my certificate of baptism I was born in the month of June, 1840, in the town called "Tiquina," province Omasuyos, of the department of La Paz, Bolivia. It is here that I am today peacefully settled. From my birth until adolescence my life was natural and without harmful influences. My parents taught me to believe in God and the saints as is the custom of the majority of the people outside our religion. They also taught me to be industrious in agricultural as well as other work. However, in my heart I was more concerned about my belief in God and the saints, as my parents had taught me about them. I went frequently on Sunday and feast days to the church to kneel before a few saints made by human hand. I had a heartfelt belief that these saints would listen to my pleas and that their blessings would clean and purify my soul.

In my youth I made possible a feast in homage to the saints as my own will dictated. For this congregated a multitude of dancers with allegorical and many-colored disguises. I, myself, with many capers seemed to win for myself the grace of the Lord Almighty. To the rest of the dancers I gave food and alcoholic drinks until they were drunk. All this I did at the advice of the priests, that with it I should gain the divine grace of the Lord. In the course of time these fiestas became obligatory, and I was unable to avoid the paying of all the expenses. But inasmuch as I cheerfully offered to pay I was sure of obtaining recompense with the blessing of the Holy One. All the small savings accumulated during a long period of time were used. Those days were very pleasant and delightful to my imagination. In my ignorance I understood that all of my limited money that I used or squandered in drink would be agreeable for my health.

A few years passed, and through the persistence of my parents I married a big-hearted woman named Candelaria. Because of brutality resulting from drunkenness, I did not treat her as she deserved to be treated, but rather tormented her. Above all I obliged her to work to provide for my children and my pleasures. In all this I did not realize that the shadows in my life would deepen until I found myself in darkness. The years passed slowly and my life became more needy. The immense crops received

from the harvesting of the fields that I had inherited from my parents at their death supplied that which stayed our hunger for nine months of the year. Concerning this I could not understand nor make sure why the remaining three months all the provisions were exhausted. My wife had to put forth much effort to supply food for my children and also to accommodate herself to my corrupt and unreasonable habits. All this I cannot forget. No longer did I drink to give praise to the saints as the priests had advised me, but for pleasure, because I was now dominated by the infernal vice that makes its victims useless. I lacked but little of being one completely degenerate or lost.

As the days, months, and years rolled by, it appeared as though the destructive disease germs constantly provided a snare within my body, until I was left conquered. In all this it was notable that the final days of my life were rudely approaching. Within a short time I was stooped and my shoulders crippled. My back was bent and my sight was toward the floor. I used a cane to help myself as I walked. This suffering increased more and more until it put within me a desire to die. However, I could do nothing but continue drinking liquor and other drinks. They seemed to invigorate my body but did not give warning of the wasting away of the internal organism.

It was in the year 1927. My wife and I pursued our agricultural and other labors in order to maintain a scanty living for ourselves and our children. During the middle of the month of July, my wife said to me, as is the custom, "A man is looking for you and I believe that he needs lodging." "Have him come in immediately," I answered. He was a man of medium stature. I immediately gave him lodging and, after having rested a few moments, he asked me, "Sir, do you have a religious book?" Upon meditating a little, I answered, "Yes." Then he told me, "You do not protect nor keep that book as you ought to. Show it to me!" I hurried to find the book which I had purchased at a sale of used books. I took a fancy to it because it was so pretty and had so many pages. However, after its purchase I did not place any importance upon it. In a few minutes I showed him this same book. Then he replied, "Look, brother, you are not obeying this Holy Scripture. This book is not written by some scholar nor by a writer, nor even by a novelist. It is written point by point, verse by verse by the apostles and prophets of God of ancient time. It is called 'The Old Testament' as found in the Holy Bible. My brother, my name is Juan Ayllon, and I have come to talk to you of spiritual things that you might believe in this Holy Book. In it our Divine Saviour talks to us. He came

to this world to save us from the weight of the sin that we carry upon our shoulders. Believe in the One and Only God that is in heaven, that He may cleanse your soul and make you to be without the stains of sin. Kneel, close your eyes, and pray with all your heart, 'I believe in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.' As you enter into this salvation, your terrible habits that now dominate your life shall gradually leave you and you will enter into a normal, Christian state of living."

Listening to the wonderful words of Brother Juan Ayllon my heart was filled with joy. It seemed that in that instant the heavenly light illumined my soul and gave aid to the words of my brother that he might teach me to believe more. From then on I began to believe in the true God. My dominating habits actually began to waste away until I forgot them all.

A few months after that happy experience, my home was assaulted by a group of people who seized me under the pretext that I was a fraud, a wretch, and a PROTESTANT. They immediately handcuffed me and led me to a sectional office of the police where the judges tried to oblige me to renounce the Protestant religion. My protests were so strong that they took me to the city prison of the capital, La Paz. Here by means of much supplications they endeavored to oblige me to make a renunciation, but it was all in vain. The people of Tiquina and the Indians loudly cried, "Hang Manuel Alvarado!"; others said, "Cast him into the fire!" or "Let him die!" "Do you hear that, Alvarado?" the officials asked me. "Yes! Let them do what they wish, but it is not worth while for me to leave or renounce the religion I profess." Within my heart I was asking God to give me more strength so that I would not renounce Him, and that He would calm the people who were crying for my death. In a few days they were all quieted down and gradually began to leave. I occupied myself by teaching the way of happiness—the way of God—to many of my fellow-inmates of the prison. At the end of two weeks more I was given entire freedom. The same people that had made this trouble for me were humiliated to see me free. Many of these I taught the way to God; the love of Christ; and I admonished them to not tarry in agreeing with and following after me. Little by little I went about teaching the people. Many believed my words but there were also many who didn't. It was then that I asked for and was granted by the mission of La Paz a pastor and a church that these people might definitely become acquainted with the Gift of God.

There have since passed eighteen happy years of my life without my being preoccupied with earthly necessities and yet I have had sufficient

to give to the poor. Without warning my beloved wife took sick unto death. Before she died she left a small sum of money that she privately had saved to contribute to the construction of a school and a church. This sum I gave to the missionary as it was left to me by my deceased wife.

I also, before going to join our Lord, leave a small piece of land upon which is to be built a church that is to be my only remembrance. In spite of my years I am strong, erect, and capable of any type of work. This is because God helps me, protects me, and leads me. I am proud of my kind fellow-men and more so of all the men and women who through my teaching believe in God.

Let us receive in our souls the blessing of Jesus our Lord!

Yours Truly

—MANUEL ALVARADO
La Paz, July 24, 1946

SELF VERSUS WILL

An Allegory

By GRACE JAMES

"Are you willing to accept defeat?" Man's will, as he eyes Self, demands firmly.

Self, wearily, nods an affirmative.

"Are you through with the determination to be the sole ruler of man?" Will insists.

"I acknowledge defeat," Self concedes. "However, in the past we worked in harmony, and you acquiesced to my desires. When did our paths separate and our struggle in man begin?"

"Do you remember the Youth Mass Meeting in the Civic Center, where we were told of Jesus, the Son of God? I was introduced to Him by a friends that night, and He impressed me deeply as a Man worth knowing. Since then I have spent much time with Him."

"Yes, it made me angry, for the more time you spent with Him, the less you cared for me."

"You know we were most unhappy when I allowed you to rule over me continually," Will persists. "And your appetites were wrecking Man. You represent the desires of the flesh and have given them full reign, and what has been the result?"

"Yes, I made a mess of things," sighs Self. "But aren't the desires of Man given to be gratified?"

"I seemed to be confused and wandering in a vacuum until I met Jesus," answers Will. "But He has clarified the present and the future life to me. He has given me an incentive to live, and His love has filled me so that it flows out to all that are in need. I had to choose between you and Jesus and I chose the Son of God. Our fight has been long and bitter, but the magnetic love of Jesus has energized me, and I demand

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With Our College

By GEORGE H. MOORE

Faculty Changes

Professor Harmon will teach courses in religious Education and Professor Knight will assist with the Bible.

Charlotte Macy will return to Pacific to teach girls' Physical Education and Freshman English.

Professor Hinshaw will handle boys' athletics and will assist in the History Department.

Mrs. Doble has resigned to take a position in the public schools, and will be replaced by Della Osborn.

Building Situation At This Writing

Work is being speeded on the new gymnasium. It is planned to use two rooms for a dormitory for men.

Hoover Hall is undergoing rebuilding, remodeling, and painting. It is planned to have it completed by the beginning of school.

The new girls' dormitory also is being remodeled with the addition of five rooms and a sleeping porch.

The Board has approved plans to install oil heat in the Administration Building.

In order to take advantage of the new Authorization of Congress for the moving of suitable school buildings to college campuses, the College Board has approved the recommendation of President Gulley to apply for such buildings. They are to be moved at the Government expense at no cost to the institution. If these are secured, they will help to ease the crowded condition of our present accommodations.

Summer Work of Faculty

Professors Skene and Hinshaw are working on the new gymnasium; Lewis, in the Springbrook Processing Plant; Macy, at home on the farm; Knight, at summer Conferences and assisting with the pastoral work at Greenleaf; Harmon, boys' camps and summer conferences; Willcuts, visiting with friends and relatives; Weesner, surveying; Sutton, visiting relations in Montana; Thornburg, traveling with College Quartet; Clark, building house; Riley, selling real estate.

College Loses Valuable Student

Pacific College suffered great loss in the tragic death of Imogene Degner—a senior in the class of '47. Her death came as the result of an automobile accident one block from the campus.

Last year she was editor of the College paper, the Crescent, and last year was elected to be editor of the year book, the L'ami. Her Christian life was a testimony to the Lord she loved. She was active in the Student Christian Union and the Associated Student Body, and in the work of her own class.

Her scholastic achievement was attested by the winning of the Junior class award. The editorials, articles, and poems which she wrote indicated the literary talent which she so richly possessed.

We shall miss her greatly, but shall continue to be blessed by the life which she lived.

Expansion Program

There are two material imperatives for Pacific College.

First, we must pay our teachers an adequate, liveable salary. In order that they may give the very best in teaching performance it is necessary that they receive remuneration sufficient to eliminate the necessity of outside work. The Yearly Meeting College owes to its youth nothing less.

We want the finest school possible and the finest instruction possible. This can be done only as the salaries are sufficient. With a paid enrollment of 130 it will be necessary to raise in the neighborhood of \$11,000 above the income which we receive from tuition and endowments.

The more students we have (we're expecting more than this) the less will be needed to balance the budget.

The second objective is the building of a new dormitory. To balance our budget we must increase our enrollment. It takes very little more to operate a college with a student-body of 200 than one with 130. The increased enrollment will greatly increase our income and will make it unnecessary to raise so much for current operating expenses; and after all why limit our influence to a smaller number if we can be a blessing to a larger number? But with this increase of student-body there must be added dormitory space; that is why it is imperative to raise the money for this project so that construction can begin as soon as material is available. We must have it by 1947.

The promise is ours: "The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." Jesus said, "Ask and ye shall receive." We recognize that all promises are conditioned. Along with these which I have mentioned are the words of Jesus, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." It is our earnest desire to meet the requirement of this promise, and we ask that you will help us work to that end. We need your prayers. We need your money. It is to provide the youth of Oregon Yearly Meeting with the very best in an education of high scholastic standing and deep spiritual life.

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bership in yearly meetings that come the nearest to their self determined conceptions of beliefs; delegates are appointed, some to one yearly

meeting, some to another. In an outstanding instance an entire yearly meeting is composed of various elements with no unity of thought except, perchance, that of world peace. Such is the new united New England Yearly Meeting. In the January issue of this paper there is an account of the formation of this Yearly Meeting; the reader may turn to it for more complete details.

Similar movements are in progress in other yearly meetings. In the "History of Quakerism" the author states: "As far as official relations are concerned the policy of recognition and cooperation is now accepted 'in principle' by the three yearly meetings—New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore—in which the first separations occurred and the only ones in which there are considerable numbers of both branches. In recent years the branches of each of these yearly meetings have regularly held some of their annual meetings jointly." In several particular meetings the worship services are held jointly throughout the year. Thus we see how far this effort in promoting unity has gone. It may be said truthfully—and I may say thankfully—that there are no united lines of the character mentioned between evangelical Friends churches and the Hicksite and modernistic groups.

However, it should be stated that all of these divergent groups except the Philadelphia meetings are associated in the Five Years Meeting. Thus some evangelical Friends are brought into connections that are exceedingly detrimental to the spiritual interests of Friends. There are also cooperating workings in the American Friends Service Committee which are involving evangelical Friends in complications of a very detrimental character. All such interminglings should be cancelled in the interest of truth and vital influence for Christ and His Church.

The General Conference of Hicksites

In the Friends Intelligencer, the organ of the Hicksite bodies, I have read carefully the annual report of the meeting of their General Conference recently held. From this report I am presenting some items which give some idea of the nature of that body. I may say that they make no least claim to be Evangelical in faith or action. This is seen in the following excerpt. It is taken from an address delivered by Bliss Forbush. "The fourth portion of the rod by which we walk can be called religious humanism. In the Society of Friends religious humanism was chiefly a revolt against the views of John Wesley and the evangelical leaders of the Anglican Church who influenced a portion of the Society (of Friends). Wesley's appeal was to a written and infallible book and not to the spirit in the heart. Elias Hicks is the best exponent of religious humanism in Quakerism of the nine-

teenth century. . . His sermons were saturated with Biblical references and quotations but he also struggled to keep Friends clear of the Biblical idolatry that was steadily making headway among them. He reminded Friends that a literal interpretation of the Bible had led men to separate from each other and to persecute those who did not agree with their own interpretations.

"The final portion of our staff goes by a very modern term, humanitarianism or the social Gospel. . . The interest of Friends is rooted in their belief that since 'there is that God in every man,' God gives the light of His truth and presence to men of all classes and races."

Further utterances by various speakers: "A liberal holds convictions firmly but is unwilling to force them on others for he is never sure that he is right." "An intuitive person is aware of all the events of his time. Such a person has a new conception of values. Elias Hicks and John Woolman were such men." "Life is a struggle at best. Socrates knew it and Buddha and Christ." "We must carry back to our meetings our emphasis on the non-pastoral system." "An industrial system casts a great shadow and a great nation casts one too. We must depend on the Inner Light to neutralize the shadow." "Our belief in the Inner Light is the foundation of our faith in the presence of the living God in all persons."

Our readers may gather from these utterances some idea as to the beliefs held by the Hicksites. As we read these we should keep in mind the utter absence of any references to the essential truth of the gospel Christ gave to His friends in His intimate association with them; no atoning sacrifice; no shed blood; no atonement; no forgiveness of sins; no regeneration by the Holy Spirit; no sanctifying grace; no comfort of the Holy Ghost; and so many other blanks. Do we wish to unify with those who have no gospel of salvation, no basis for faith, no Christ the Redeemer? May God preserve us unto His Heavenly Kingdom and fit us for the association of the saints in the Light of Christ.

"He that overcometh, the same shall be

clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before His angels." Rev. 3:5.

SELF VERSUS WILL

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your utter and complete surrender to the Son of God."

"But won't Man's human desires still clamor for fulfillment?" cries Self. "I am weary of their futile grasp for happiness, and of the miasma that follows their gratification; but why are appetites in man's nature, if they must continually be held in check?"

"Our human appetites and desires were intended to ennoble, not to destroy. When one really becomes acquainted with Jesus, His love is all pervasive and unworthy loves dissolve, warring in Man ceases, and with the desires of the flesh cleansed by His love, there is great freedom and joy, and Man is no longer a 'split personality'. He has a rich inner harmony that cannot be destroyed. You have sought to be all important in Man, but Jesus says, 'He that saveth his life will lose it'. You seek pleasure and happiness, but gratifying self never satisfies. Jesus has the true formula for Man's happiness. He says, 'He that loseth his Self for My sake shall find it'. Your happiness lies in accepting the loving leadership of Jesus, the Son of God. With Him as your friends life becomes a wonderful adventure, for He shares His limitless knowledge and resources with you as you walk with Him."

"I see I have never known the meaning of true happiness," cries Self, joyfully. "I will no longer seek my own way, for I see a new, abundant life, stretching out through the ages to come. I give up self exaltation and definitely accept the new way to peace and joy."

"Now that you and I have reached this new agreement," exclaims Will, "Man is free to follow his new friend wherever He may lead, and we all will experience life's supreme joy, as we become one in love and thought and desire with Jesus Christ, the Son of God."

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