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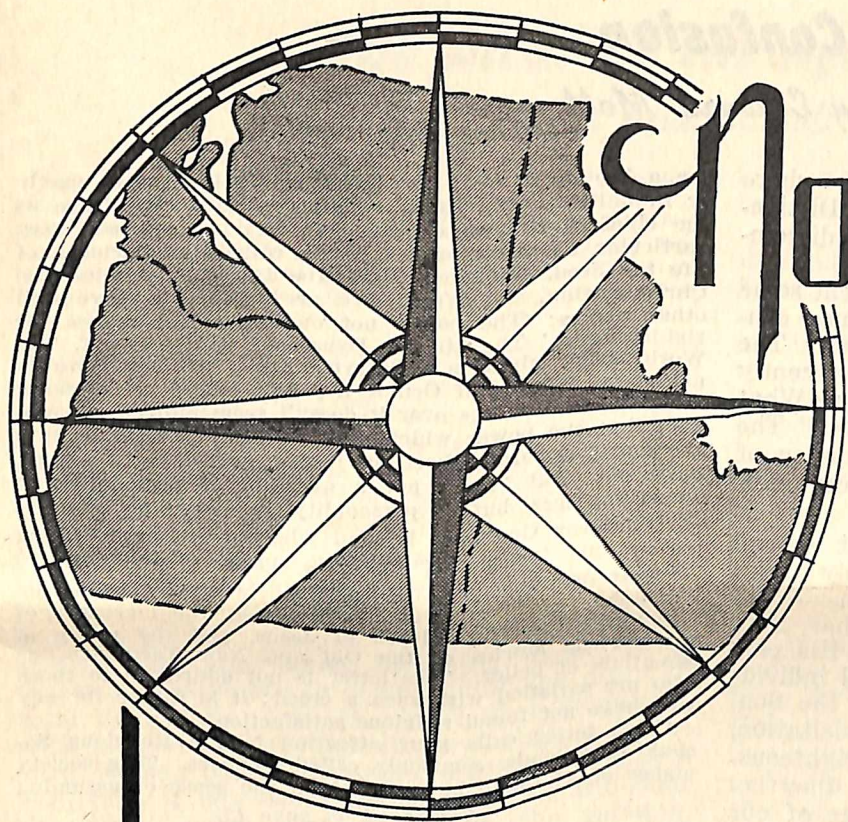
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NORTHWEST & FRIEND

June, 1947

Attend Yearly Meeting

Write at once to Ida Van Blaricom, 215 N. River Street, Newberg, Oregon, for reservations. Please do not wait until the last minute, as it works a hardship on the local people to try to find a place on a moment's notice. Let's do our best to cooperate by making our reservations early.

Bring your new Yearly Meeting Discipline and Minutes of last year. These will keep you posted on what took place last year and help you in consideration of the business this year.

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Confusion

By Edward Mott

It is indeed a most regrettable state where confusion exists. In the International Dictionary it is defined as "overthrow; defeat; discomfiture; ruin."

It is my purpose in this article to present some conditions among Friends which evidence confusion of an extremely serious character. The first is taken from a pamphlet issued recently by a Friends Central Bureau as follows: "What do Friends consider as our central truth?" The answer given is, "We believe that a portion of the Divine Spirit is the heritage of every individual."

In our consideration of this statement we call attention to the fact revealed in the Holy Scriptures that the Holy Spirit is a person — the third person in the Trinity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is not divided in His personality. He is not portioned out to all individuals, but as the gift of the Father by the Son, He reveals Himself to all in times of visitation, reproving the "world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment; of sin because they believe not on Me". This is the language of our Lord as found in John 16:7-9.

The revelation to the believers is far different, as we note in the 14th chapter of John, verses 16-17: "And I will pray the Father and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him; but ye know him, for He dwelleth with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you."

The reader will do well to consider carefully the two lines of appearance and revelation; to the world He comes as the reprover for sin; to the believer He comes as the Spirit of truth with justifying and sanctifying grace, and He abides forever. But until the world departs from its sins it cannot see or know the Holy Spirit as the Comforter. At this point confusion is inevitable if the needy souls do not think carefully, and approach the Holy Spirit as the Word of God directs.

I have before me another pamphlet which exhibits in a striking way the confusion which obtains on another line in the ranks of unorthodox Friends. This is in relation to the meaning and use of the term God. The interpretation of this is on the part of several leaders of scholastic standing in various educational institutions, and is as follows:

"We have deferred until this point the use of the word GOD—a word of diverse and uncertain meaning. To us GOD means a unifying influence which makes men long

for a brotherly world; which tends to bind men together in unity. Our religion is built on such experience as the chief imperative of life. We have never been very particular about names; we have called this element of life the Seed, the Inner Light, the In-speaking voice, the Christ within, the Word. We are willing to have still other names: 'The power not ourselves that makes for righteousness,' The Hidden Dynamo, The Super-self, The World-father, all seem to be symbolisms. Of course we do not claim to know if God is a person as we are persons. As we look ourselves over it doesn't seem altogether probable that the power which draws humanity together into the spirit of brotherhood is just a greater person than ourselves. But 'It is not a question of personality or something less, but of personality or something greater.'

"Whatever God may be and whatever life may mean, we are not insured against loss, suffering, and death.

"Most of the churches through their official bodies insist upon the Apostles' or Nicene creed, the inerrancy of the Bible, the virgin birth of Jesus, and the verity of the miracle stories of the Old and New Testament, as essentials of belief. This letter is not addressed to those who are satisfied with such a creed; it is rather for any who have not found religious satisfaction.

"This letter calls your attention to the Religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers. This society makes no claim to be a church in the sense of assuming

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The Altar of the Aymara Soul

By Doris and Carroll Jamplin

The authors of this stirring article were formerly missionaries under Oregon Yearly Meeting. They are now under the National Holiness Missionary Society, in their Jungle Indian project, but at present are giving full time to the Aymara Revision of the New Testament, and are being supported by Oregon Yearly Meeting while doing this work. — Ed.

On the high arid lands of Bolivia and Peru, clustered about or near the world's highest steam-navigated Lake Titicaca, are to be found 800,000 to 1,000,000 Aymara Indians. The physical emancipation, the mental reformation, and the spiritual regeneration of this worthy but degraded people are on the march. At the vanguard of the march is the gospel.

Until about fifty years ago, when the gospel first arrived in Bolivia, the march of the Aymara was the march of death. The line of march is strewn with the naked, bleaching memories of frustrated attempts to come out of the night of total degradation. At the head of that march, with no glorious triumph in view, stalked Ignorance, Superstition, Debauched Peonage, Heathen Festivals. If one listens for it, he may still hear the drum, drum, drumming, and the rattling, prattling clang of the death rattle, as the souls of thousands of Aymarases tread on calloused feet into the hopeless darkness. Not all have fled the ghostly file. No! But the lines of the new march are visibly thickening.

Along the line of the Aymara march are both the plains and the towering, icy, Andean crags. On the plain the lightning bolts strike out at their pleasure. And where they strike the little "altars" are soon erected. Their number is legion. Little stone structures they are, with a niche at the top where candles, sheep-fat and incense may be burned. These are sacred places and the grass and brush are allowed to grow untouched as successive generations of barefooted Indians bring their offerings of guinea pigs and animal embryos.

And there are the ice-created crags, where there is no life except the mysterious nests where the Royal Condor — sacred in Aymara legend — rears its voracious young. We cannot mount the crag, but we may pass the narrow file beneath them. Gather that fur-lined leather coat closely about you, pull the cap down low, and fluff that woolen scarf about neck and ears. The winds are cruel in the Andes, and they bring rain, hail, and snow. Bleak snow peaks with white, wind-tossed plumes cluster about the pass — a photographer's paradise, a traveler's sorrow. Contrary impulses torture the desires: one, to linger and feast the senses on the awesome majesty so lavishly spent in such solitude; the other, to draw oneself snugly within whatever

of comfort he can collect, and flee from this biting cold.

But hold! See that peculiar formation on that impossible crag? It looks just like an Indian kneeling! I guess we're seeing things. And it was an Indian, too! It's gone now. He got up and went away, behind the snag. High on one of the most exposed protuberances, in the wind, the snow, the ice, an Aymara Indian has been at prayers. This was his altar. We shall always look for him there. But we shall never see him again. Every high hill, every towering peak is an Aymara shrine. Every pass is marked with a heap of stones, an altar to the "Huirajocha" (God) who has gone to sleep and forgotten the Aymara.

There is no lack of shrines. Of altars there are thousands. But the Aymara brings not his soul to them. He drives his body unmercifully from shrine to shrine, from altar to altar, from plain to peak, from peak to tropical forest. He thinks these are his altars, but they are not.

Within the heart of the Aymara there is an altar at which he worships more truly than at any solitary sacred place. This sacred place within him is the altar of his soul. His body and his tongue may worship at the lightning's altar, at the heap of stones at every summit, on the chilling crags near the condor's nest, on the brink of a yawning chasm where his journey takes him with his burden-bearing llamas. But under that homespun woolen poncho, within that bronzed chest, there is a heart of flesh, and in that heart there is an altar where his soul will bow. That is where an Aymara, in Indian solitude, converses with his soul. There is a language of the soul, and at the altar of the soul every man communes frankly in this tongue. It is the language mother whispered as he suckled at her breast, the tongue in which she sang the Indian lullaby as he dreamed upon her back, while she herded the sheep, spun the woolen thread, tramped the frozen potatoes with her bare feet, or stirred the steaming savory pot over the smokey fire. Strange to think of that bronze statue as a puffy-cheeked, black-eyed babe upon a mother's back? No? But we must go back there if we would find the altar of his soul and catch the meaning of his soul's prayer.

Upon this altar, the altar of the soul of the Aymara, is being written the living Word of God. Heart by heart the line of march is growing. More and more Aymarases, when they turn their thoughts to commune with their soul at the private sacred altar, are finding the Word of God written there in the language of the soul.

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Yearly Meeting Program

PRE-YEARLY MEETING EVENTS

Tuesday - June 10

10:00 a. m. Pacific College Commencement
1:30 p. m. Board of Evangelism
1:30 p. m. Board of Public Relations

Wednesday - June 11

9:30 a. m. Board of Missions
9:30 a. m. Board of Service
1:30 p. m. Board of Finance
1:30 p. m. Board of Christian Education
1:30 p. m. Board of Publication
8:00 p. m. Executive Committee of the Yearly Meeting

YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

Thursday - June 12

9:30 a. m. Ministry and Oversight
2:00 p. m. Opening Session of the Yearly Meeting
4:00 p. m. Representatives have their first meeting.
4:00 p. m. Caretakers meet to organize.
5:30 p. m. - 7:45 p. m. Missionary Union Banquet.
8:00 p. m. Evening service. Message by Hubert Mardock.

Friday - June 13

8:00 a. m. Morning Devotions
9:30 a. m. Business
10:00 a. m. Board of Christian Education
11:20 a. m. Announcements
11:30 a. m. Edward Mott - Inspirational Hour.
2:00 p. m. Business
Board of Service
3:50 p. m. Announcements
8:00 p. m. Message by Hubert Mardock.
8:00 p. m. Pacific College Corporation

Saturday - June 14

8:00 a. m. Morning Devotions
9:30 a. m. Business
Board of Public Relations
Report of Pacific College
11:20 a. m. Announcements

Saturday - June 14 (Cont.)

11:30 a. m. Edward Mott - Inspirational Hour
2:00 p. m. Business
2:30 p. m. Memorial Hour
3:00 p. m. Business
3:50 p. m. Announcements
4:00 p. m. Ministerial Association
7:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor Business Meeting.
8:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor Rally.

Sunday - June 15

8:00 a. m. Morning Devotions

9:30 a. m. - 10:20 a. m. Short Bible School session.
10:30 a. m. Meeting for Worship
2:30 p. m. Meeting for Worship
6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor
8:00 p. m. Meeting for Worship

Monday - June 16

8:00 a. m. Morning Worship
9:30 a. m. Business
Board of Finance
Women's Missionary Union
Announcements
11:20 a. m. Edward Mott - Inspirational Hour.
11:30 a. m. Business
Board of Evangelism
Report of General Superintendent.
3:50 p. m. Announcements
8:00 p. m. Message by Hubert Mardock

Tuesday - June 17

8:00 a. m. Morning Worship
9:30 a. m. Business
Board of Publication
Announcements
11:20 a. m. Edward Mott - Inspirational Hour.
11:30 a. m. Business
Board of Missions
4:00 p. m. Closing minute

QUAKER HILL BOY'S CAMP

Plans for the second annual boys' camp to be held at Quaker Hill, on the shore of beautiful Payette Lakes, near McCall, Idaho, are completed.

The dates for camp are July 14th to 21st. Any boy between the ages of nine and fourteen is welcome. The entire cost, besides transportation, is only \$8.50, plus 60 cents for insurance if you wish it.

Harley Adams, of Portland, is to be camp counselor, with several other teachers, handcraft instructors, recreation leaders, and junior leaders.

Parents, give your boy a week of fun, fellowship, and fundamental Christian instruction at Quaker Hill Boys' Camp.

For registration blanks and other particulars, contact: Roscoe B. Townsend, Rt. 4, Caldwell, Ida.

TWIN ROCKS CONFERENCE

July 28 - August 4

Evangelist - Oscar Brown.
Total cost - \$10.50. (Ages 3-10, \$4.50.)
Room Reservations - Must be in by July 21st.
Write to Leland Hibbs, Springbrook, Oregon.
Application of Dining-hall Workers - Must be in by July 21st. Write to James Raymond, 6024 N. E. Garfield, Portland 11, Oregon.

THE NORTHWEST FRIEND

Let the Lord Possess

His Property

By HARLEY ADAMS

"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." Romans 8:26.

How few real intercessors there are! Moses prayed for a wicked and sinful people until Omnipotence, fettered and bound by this one man's prayer, cried out, "Let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them." (Ex. 32:10.) Nehemiah prayed, and a heathen king's heart was softened. Paul and Silas prayed, and a prison was shaken by an earthquake, prisoners were freed, and a whole family converted.

Two out of the three persons in the Godhead are intercessors. The Head of the body is an intercessor; and the Spirit of the body is an intercessor.

What of the body itself - the church of Christ on earth? Christ is our intercessor in heaven; the Holy Spirit is our intercessor on earth, and the only earthly temple of the Holy Spirit is the human heart. Think of how many dirty closets of prayer He is compelled to occupy - full of unbelief, easily offended, suspicious, unloving, unclean. The channel of intercession is choked until prayer is utterly ineffectual! What wonder that the world goes its weary way, age upon age, in sin, in bloodshed, and ceaseless turmoil! Think what would happen if the Holy Spirit could have His unhindered way in every temple that already belongs to Him. How long would it take to pray forth thousands of laborers into the world's harvest fields that are "ripe already unto the harvest"?

Many Christians complain that they have no special calling, and have failed to see the great calling of intercessory prayer, which is a God-given privilege and duty for every child of God. Only eternity will reveal what has been accomplished by prayer, for there are many great evangelists and pastors who have been in the lime light, and have been successful, because someone was unselfish in the prayer closet. Dear Christian, let us never, never, be guilty of prayerlessness.

WHO CAN HELP?

I have a request from the librarian of the Historical Library of Swarthmore College for the following books: "The Friends Church in the Light of its Recent History." "The Christ of the Eternities." "God's Plan for the Restoration of Man."

I shall be glad to pay the regular price for these books and send them to the College, as I think some of the readers there might appreciate them and be benefitted by the reading of them.

Edward Mott
5527 N. Kirby Avenue
Portland 11, Oregon

June, 1947

AN OCCASION

Climaxing a program given by the Women's Missionary Union of First Friends Church, Portland, Ray and Margaret Carter were ushered to the front of the room by Max and Faustine Burg to the tune of Lohengrin's Wedding March. Here they were met by Dr. Earl Barker and renewed their marriage vows. After this, they were presented with a coffee service and tray and many cards of congratulation. A short program was given in their honor.

Preceding this surprise in honor of the Carter's fortieth wedding anniversary, an excellent program was given by the Women's Missionary Union in charge of Ella Hadley, program chairman. Melva Baker, president of the Oregon Yearly Meeting Women's Missionary Union, installed the new officers for the coming year with an impressive candle-light ceremony. A clarinet solo, a reading, and special music by a ladies' quartette and a mens' quartette all added to the enjoyment of the occasion. Mr. Ross Anderson gave a short talk on "Heifers for Relief," and an offering was taken to help buy a heifer.

The church basement was beautifully decorated with iris, hawthorne, and peonies with a three-tiered wedding cake as the focal point of the tea table.

About one hundred people extended congratulations to Ray and Margaret Carter, wishing them in the words of Dr. Earl Barker, "another forty years as happy as the last."

THE BASIS OF OUR PEACE

A reprint of the pamphlet with the above title has been made, due to further requests for copies. A quarterly meeting in Indiana Yearly Meeting has ordered 100 copies for a study-class. This is a fine movement, inasmuch as a careful consideration of the subject is needed in these times of "wars and rumors of wars" in many parts of the world. No remedy for these ills has been discovered from worldly viewpoints. Therefore this is a time when the matter should be carefully and practically considered from the standpoint of Christian truth.

Copies will be mailed for 15 cents each; quantities for a lesser rate. Address the author, Edward Mott, 5527 N. Kerby Ave., Portland 11, Ore.

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Threat to Liberty

A recent ruling of the U. S. Supreme Court constitutes such a serious threat to religious liberty in this country that we feel constrained to reprint an editorial entitled "Threat to Liberty," by James De Forest Murch, appearing in the March issue of "United Evangelical Action." Protestants should be informed as to what is going on, and should take adequate steps to safeguard their liberties. Read this editorial, and act on the suggestion made at the close.

"February 10, 1947, will go down in the annals of the U. S. Supreme Court as one of the darkest days for religious liberty on record. By a five to four decision, the Court ruled constitutional the New Jersey law permitting payment from tax funds for the transportation of pupils to Roman Catholic schools.

"On the surface the case seems trivial, but only the unconcerned or ignorant could fail to discern the seriousness of the underlying principles involved. The decision may well precipitate serious religious strife and eventually destroy all our cherished freedoms. It is said that observers in the court room noted a deathly pallor on the face of Mr. Justice Black as the opinion of the dissenting Justices was read.

"For many years the Roman Catholic hierarchy has been waging an unrelenting political battle in almost every state in the Union about this 'inconsequential matter.' (The more inconsequential the better for the purposes of the Church.) State after state by legislative action or popular vote has upheld the American principle of 'the separation of church and state' by refusing to appropriate public tax monies for transportation of pupils to Roman Catholic schools and thus tacitly for the support of sectarian education.

"Finally (1921) in New Jersey the hierarchy succeeded in getting a 'bus law' on the statute books to further their ends. It remained for one Arch R. Everson, of Ewing Township that state, to make legal protest against the use of his tax money for this purpose. The case finally landed in the U. S. Supreme Court.

"After many delays and much behind-the-scenes argument the Court split on the issue—five to four. Justices Vinson, Douglas, Murphy, Reed and Black upheld the New Jersey law. Justices Rutledge, Jackson, Frankfurter, and Burton dissented and called for a reversal of the decision.

"The majority held that the issue of the separation of church and state was not involved; that they would never consent to such a union. They stated that such state aid for transportation of pupils to Roman Catholic schools was not 'support' of religious education in the strict meaning of the law and, furthermore, that such aid was for a public purpose and the promotion of the general welfare. Mr. Justice Jackson in his presentation of the minority opinion slyly remarked that the decision reminded him of Julia, who according to Byron's reports, 'whispering 'I will ne'er consent'—consented."

"The minority held that the New Jersey law was unconstitutional. Their opinion, written by Mr. Justice Rutledge, reveals a remarkable understanding of the fundamental law preserving American liberties and of the significance of the Court's decision. It pointed out that Article I of the Bill of Rights of the U. S. Constitution specifically forbids the making of any 'law respecting an establishment of religion.' It calls attention to the fact that this article was drafted by Madison who with Mason had also drafted the 'Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom' enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia. The latter document together with the famous Virginia 'Remonstrance Against Religious Assess-

ments' clearly interprets what Madison meant in regard to support of 'an establishment of religion.' The minority opinion delineated the long fight in the Virginia Assembly which Jefferson and Madison finally won severing the last and least vestiges of church-state relations.

"The dissenters showed that transportation of pupils to schools was, in the Jersey case, essential to Roman Catholic parochial education, that Roman Catholic parochial education was an integral part of the Roman Catholic Church and was essential to its maintenance and perpetuity. They concluded therefore that tax aid for such transportation constituted state support of the Roman Catholic religion.

"The minority neatly exploded the idea that such aid was for public purpose. Mr. Justice Jackson, admitting that the Court has always permitted wide latitude to the states in deciding for themselves what shall be public purposes, succinctly pointed out that they 'may socialize utilities and economic enterprises and make taxpayers' business out of what conventionally had been private business. (They) may make public business of individual welfare, health, education, entertainment or security. But (they) cannot make public business of religious worship or instruction or of attendance at religious institutions of any character."

"Mr. Justice Rutledge's trenchant document ended with the insistence that this seeming 'inconsequential matter' was in reality a grave matter of principle—to keep separate the spheres (of church and state) as the First Amendment drew them; to prevent the first experiment upon our liberties; and to keep the question from becoming entangled in corrosive precedents."

"Anyone who knows the long history of the Roman Catholic system must be aware that when the hierarchy 'gets its nose in the tent' it finally takes absolute control. If the Court's decision on the New Jersey 'bus law' stands, Catholicism will soon want the state to provide its school busses, its textbooks, its libraries, its school buildings, its teachers salaries—and even that will not be the end. Pernicious church lobbies will move for an ultimate union of church and state; then will come civil war and the loss of our cherished religious and civil liberties. The time to halt this inevitable chain of evil is NOW while there is still time to preserve intact the American way of life.

"Already there are two moves taking form to save the nation from the consequences of the Supreme Court's decision. One is to appeal for a reversal of the decision. The other is to secure the passage of a bill to amend the first article of the Bill of Rights to include a clear provision against any use of any federal or state money for churches or church-owned institutions. The proponents of the latter course believe it would be easy to get the requisite number of state ratifications.

"We strongly urge you to write your U. S. Representatives and Senators, requesting proper legislation; and dissenting Justices of the Supreme Court congratulating them on their courage and loyalty to American principles. It might help to clip this editorial to your letter."

God never works only for today. His plans run on and on. The web He weaves is from everlasting to everlasting, and if I can fill a part of that web, be it ever so insignificant, it will abide forever. And this is one of the most comforting thoughts to us—while on earth we may do something for eternity.—Matthew Simpson.

GREENLEAF QUAKER HOME for elderly men If interested address, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seaman Caldwell, R. 2 Idaho

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Chats With Children

--By Aunt Bess

THE QUARREL

By MARIE HAINES

"I don't like you, Jimmy Dale. I'm never going to play with you again. You're the very meanest boy I know," Patsy sobbed, stamping her feet.

"Aw, I didn't mean to hurt your old cats," Jimmy defended himself. "I just made a nice little harness and hitched them to this box. How was I to know Rip was going to chase them over the fence and they'd get caught?"

"They almost choked, and they're as scared as can be. You go right home, and don't you come back to my house again ever, ever," Patsy cried.

"Please, Patsy, I'm sorry," Jimmy pleaded. "No," Patsy shook her head. "You laughed and laughed. Just as if it was funny for my poor kitties to choke."

Jimmy almost laughed again. It had looked funny seeing the kittens hanging one on each side of the fence. Then he sobered. If Patsy was going to act snooty, let her. "All right for you, Patsy Ann Turner," he said. "If that's the way you're going to act, I won't ever come over here again. Good-bye."

Patsy watched Jimmy walk down the path and disappear through the hedge. She wanted to call him back, but she was still too angry. She looked at the kittens still trembling in her arms. Jimmy had made a harness and hitched the kittens to a little wagon. All had gone well until his puppy had come running into the yard. He had started after the kittens. In their fright they had tried to climb the fence. The harness caught and there they hung, one on either side of the fence. The kittens howled and scratched. Patsy was frantic, but Jimmy had laughed. He had rolled on the grass and laughed and laughed. Patsy felt she could never forgive him. Slowly she went into the house.

Long, lonesome days followed. Jimmy kept his word and stayed on his side of the fence. Once Patsy started to call him. Then pride held her back. "I wish he would say he is sorry again," she thought.

One night kitten Midge was gone. Patsy hunted and called, but no little ball of fluff came running. She went out of the gate and looked up and down. Jimmy's mother was looking, too.

"Have you seen Jimmy, Patsy?" she asked anxiously. "He hasn't come home for supper, and it is getting dark."

"No, I haven't," Patsy answered. "Maybe he got lost in the woods."

"I am afraid he might," Jimmy's mother said.

"I must get some help and see if we can find him."

Patsy's eyes grew big and round. To be lost in the woods at night would be terrible. How frightened he would be! If he had been playing with her, he wouldn't have gone into the woods and been lost.

"Mother, mother," she cried running into the house. "Jimmy's lost, and it is all my fault."

Mother took Patsy on her lap. Patsy told her the whole story.

"Let's ask Jesus to help them find Jimmy," mother said. Together they knelt and prayed. "Make me a better girl, too, please, Jesus," Patsy finished her prayer.

The minutes dragged past. It was very dark before they heard a shout, and knew that Jimmy was found.

The next day Jimmy told Patsy all about what had happened to him.

"I was awfully lonesome," he said, "so I decided to take a walk in the woods and hunt hop toads. As I was going past that old vacant house on Pine Street I heard a kitten mewing. I looked in the window and there was Midge on a rafter. I climbed in the window and tried to coax her down. She was too scared."

"Naughty Midge," Patsy said, stroking the kitten's fur.

"I crawled up and got her," Jimmy went on. "But when I jumped down, I fell through a hole into the basement."

"Oh Jimmy," Patsy breathed. "You might have been killed."

"Lucky for me, there was a pile of old rags and newspapers someone had thrown through the hole," Jimmy said. "We weren't even hurt much. I only sprained my ankle and couldn't get out of there. After a long time daddy came and found us. That's all."

"No, it is not all," Patsy said stoutly. "I thank you ever and ever so much, Jimmy Dale. I have been sorry-for quite awhile for the way I talked to you. I hope you will forgive me."

Jimmy looked embarrassed. "Pshaw" he exclaimed. "Let's shake hands. We're friends again now."

HOLINESS CAMP MEETING

The Idaho State Holiness Association will conduct its thirteenth annual camp meeting at Greenleaf, Idaho, from June 19th to 29th.

The evangelists will be C. P. Pridgen and Frank R. Dawson. The song-leader and young people's evangelist will be Roy Clark.

There will be a missionary representative from the N.H.M.S.

Christian Endeavor Doings

WHY BE SANCTIFIED?

By PAUL THORNBURG

Here are some thoughts taken from an old classic on entire sanctification, by J. A. Wood. They are worth thinking about today as well as when they were written. Young people often ask why they should press on to entire sanctification. Following are some reasons:

1. We must have entire sanctification because without it we cannot keep God's command to love Him with all our heart, soul, and mind. The reason being that in the heart lurks inbred sin.
2. To destroy the "carnal mind," which is enmity against God.
3. So our growth will be unobstructed and steady. "Lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us."
4. Because "perfect love (alone) casteth out fear." "He that feareth is not made perfect in love." Being made free from slavish, tormenting fear.
5. Because without entire sanctification we cannot reach the maximum of our spiritual power, or attain our greatest usefulness. "Other circumstances being equal, God always graduates the Christian's influence by his purity."
6. Because, God is holy — essentially, absolutely, unchangeably, and transcendently HOLY. He infinitely loves holiness, and infinitely hates sin. "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord."

Young People, the greatest insurance for our Christian Endeavor societies for the present and the future is that we, as individuals, press on to entire sanctification, and follow it with a minute-by-minute and day-by-day walk in the presence of Christ.

Are you seeking His will and guidance before you begin each day? Are you remembering that we grow spiritually in proportion to the time we spend with God, finding, then doing, His will? — just the same as your body is healthy in proportion to the good food and exercise you give it?

Entire sanctification is something for youth to seek, possess and use to the glory of God. "Let no man despise thy youth but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in PURITY." 1 Timothy 4:12.

NOTICE C.E.rs

1. Be sure to send a representative to Yearly Meeting for C. E. business meeting.
2. Be prompt in getting the last report of your complete number of points in to Robert Armstrong, Hoover Hall, Newberg, Oregon. The contest is over June 1st, so the points will be

needed shortly after that.

3. Send or bring your posters advertising some summer conference to Yearly Meeting, where they will be judged. Deadline, June 12th.

4. Pray and plan for your summer conference this year. Don't drag your share of the prayer-load for our missionaries in Bolivia and those on appointment to go soon.

HOWDY FROM HOMEDALE

We did it! Made good on our project of renovating our C. E. room. Now it fairly glistens with pastel green walls, platinum gray benches, and bright, rose-colored curtains. Eight of our group met one Monday evening this month to do the work, which turned out to be almost as much fun as a party. Cookies and ice cream helped to make up for aching muscles.

And we have a new set of officers to lead us through a busy summer. They were installed at an impressive candle-light ceremony during the evening church service last month.

J. D. Baker, president; Dean Robertson, vice-president; Joan Stimmel, secretary; Ames Lake, treasurer; Marilyn Barnes, prayer meeting chairman; Charlotte Lake, social chairman; Mardee Henderson, missionary chairman; Dean Robertson, lookout chairman; and J. D. Baker, project chairman.

Which shall it be — beans or steak? Competition is running high between the boys and girls to see who can bring in the most new members before the first Sunday in June. The winning side will be guests at a dinner where they will feast on juicy steaks, while the losers will have to be satisfied with beans as an entree. See this column next month to find out who were THE WINNAHS!

PIEDMONT

"Listen my friends, and you shall hear" — what has been going on at Piedmont recently.

Our week of revival services is passed. But it is just the preaching services that are finished, because we feel that the revival has just started. Piedmont is indeed thankful for the victories that were won and the new consecrations that were made. The Lord was present in such a wonderful way that it seemed as if the large picture on the front wall was really Christ himself looking down upon us, instead of only a painting.

We are sure that the Lord met with us and blessed us only because we had prayed. Certainly the things that were accomplished could not have been done in our own strength.

Every Friday night for four weeks, the Endeavorers held a cottage prayer-meeting at var-

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ious homes. A few verses of Scripture were read, and then requests for prayer were made. In addition to this, the C. E. sponsored an "around-the-clock" prayer campaign. Truly the motto of Piedmont during these services has been, "We will give ourselves continually to prayer. (Acts 6:4)"

Early, on the morning of May 17th, someone probably will be heard to say, "Git on bo'rd little chillun —" we're off!! The senior Endeavor is planning an excursion to Silver Creek Falls. But the details will be in next month's issue.

VANCOUVER

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!

Believe it or not, but it's true. The lights turned on the Christian Endeavor of First Friends in Vancouver when they over-exerted themselves and got up a big program for the church night dinner awhile back. This program consisted of musical numbers and a short comical skit.

The camera clicked twice when one bright Sunday morning after church service we got our pictures taken and ready to send in. It also clicked several times on our last trip to Mount Hood. We didn't go skiing but had a wonderful time tobogganing.

Action comes last but certainly not least, for you see our C. E. has plenty of action, parties, trips and feeds. After one all-day trip we returned to the parsonage and had a hamburger feed with everything to go with it. Following this we went to the "Youth for Christ" rally.

In the last few months we have had a couple of parties out in the country. Everyone brought something to eat and after that we played games. The favorite game seems to be Run Sheep Run. To top all of this off we had lots of home-made chocolate ice cream.

Besides all our parties we hold our business meetings the first Tuesday night of each month at the home of our sponsor, Mrs. Anna White. The newly elected officers are: President, Jerry Rausch; vice-president, Donna Hancuff; secretary-treasurer, Margaret Hancuff; social chairman, Wanda Pierson; prayer meeting chairman, Carl Radcliff; sergeant of arms, Clifford Rausch; and reporter, Wanda Pierson.

McKINLEY AVENUE (TACOMA)

No more fingers! The senior C. E. has undertaken as a project the acquisition of silverware for Wauna Mer conference.

Watch this space for outstanding baseball scores. Endeavorers have been gathering on vacant lots for practice and will soon challenge other teams.

The young people decorated the church for the May quarterly meeting.

The Senior Endeavor lost one of its active members when Shirley Hendricks moved with her parents to West Virginia.

WHY NOT A CREED?

By JEFFERSON W. FORD

Broderick Falls, Kenya Colony, B. E. Africa

Some years ago I attended a large gathering of Friends. One prominent Friend, in speaking of our beliefs, used the phrase, "This must not be interpreted as a 'creed'."

Why his fear of a creed? Creed is just the English form of "credo," i. e., "to believe." Do not Friends believe anything any more? Do we no longer hold the "faith of the fathers"? Do we no longer have any convictions for which we stand and hold to be more precious than physical life itself? Or if we have faith left, are we ashamed to confess it? It was the faith which the Confessional churches of Germany held which enabled them to stand against Hitler in face of fire and sword and concentration camps. The hope of Germany today is these same Confessional churches.

Do we not believe as Friends in the Father God Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth? Do we not believe in Christ, His **only begotten** Son, who died for our sin according to the Scriptures; that He arose from the dead—(and Paul says, if we do not believe this we are of all men most miserable)? Do we not believe in the final judgment and life everlasting? Do we not believe in the Holy Spirit, who came on the church at Pentecost and still abides with and in the church to guide and empower her? If we do believe these things we have faith—a creed. Are we ashamed of it, and of those who confess it?

George Fox certainly had a creed and stated it openly in his letter to the Governor of Barbados. He was not ashamed of it, but had the courage of his convictions even unto sufferings and imprisonments. Why are we so fearful that the world shall know what we believe, and that we do believe it?

If we do not believe, what right have we to call ourselves Christians? Christians are followers and believers in Christ, the only begotten Son—begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin. There are those that stumble at that "Word, being disobedient"; but if He be not thus begotten and born, how is He the Son of God, and our only Saviour? If He be not the Son of God, he might be a teacher, but could not be our Saviour; and we are left helpless, hopeless, and godless. The world has had many teachers, but only one Saviour, and needs no other. He is abundantly adequate.

If we reject the virgin birth, we accept the doctrine of Islam. Mohamet believed and Moslems still hold that Jesus was a prophet, even a great one, but they hold us blasphemous because we believe and teach that Christ is the Son of God.

What has the creed of Islam brought to the world? Fierce fanaticism and death, destruction, moral filth, and intense suffering without alleviation. Absalom, the son of David, was one of

the people of God after the flesh. He committed a crime against the law and should have been judged according to the law. After three years of voluntary banishment he was brought back to Jerusalem without confession. He was accepted again with no repentance. He was a goodly person to look upon; an intelligent attractive gentleman when he wanted to be, one who ingratiated himself among the tribes of Israel. Behind it all was rebellion against God and the king, his father.

The horrid details but give us a picture of those who refuse to believe in God and of the results of their faith (or lack of it) and teaching.

Absalom's rebellion was a miniature of Mohamet's rebellion, and of the still larger sin of rebellion that is cursing the world today, to be followed by the same results.

Only a living faith in the living Christ, born of the Virgin and raised from the dead, can save us from it all.

HIS LAMP

His lamp am I
To shine where He shall say.
And lamps are not
For sunny rooms of day
But for dark places of the earth
Where want and sin and crime have birth,
Or for the murky twilight gray
Where wandering stars have gone astray,
Or where the light of faith grows dim
And souls are grouping after Him.
And as sometimes a light you find
Clear shining through the night
So bright you cannot see the lamp
But only see the light,
So may I shine, His love the flame
That men may glorify His name.

—Annie Johnson Flin!

PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Saturday afternoon session of Portland Quarterly Meeting, May 25., opened with hymns of worship and praise, followed by testimonies and prayer.

The speaker of the afternoon was our own Edward Mott, who brought an inspiring message on Rev. 19: 6—7. "Alleluia, the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!" Be glad and rejoice in spite of world conditions. "And His Wife hath made herself ready." Are we as a church ready? Have I made myself ready? God provides all things necessary for salvation, but we have our part in keeping saved and getting ready for heaven. God doesn't live our lives for us. Life should blossom out in holiness after one enters the experience. Holiness preaching through the years should bear fruit in spiritual churches prepared for the Lord so that passers-by will know it.

At 4:00 p. m., R. Ethol George gave a brief report of the beginnings of the Bible School in Bolivia.

Under the Board of Evangelism, Adelaide Barker brought information about the Colorado Springs Conference to be held June 25th to 29th for the purpose of renewing definite convictions

of Evangelical Friends. Edward Mott also spoke of the urgency of all Friends attending who can do so.

At 4:45 p. m., speaking for the Service Committee, Eldon Helm told of the needs all around that call for our attention, - broken homes, housing situations, race problems, discrimination against classes, underprivileged children, and also the European conditions. There is little effort in any churches to touch these needs. And yet, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me," said the Lord.

Then he introduced Mr. Ross Anderson, who spoke on "Heifers for Relief." He said that many people of Germany believed that other nations are systematically starving them to death. They will someday seek revenge, unless we show a Christian attitude to Europe, rather than a show of armaments.

Finally at 5:45 p. m. Kenneth Eichenberger spoke of the N. A. E. Convention which he attended in Omaha, for preserving the evangelical testimony of the churches. Thirty-one denominations are now officially supporting this movement.

A NEW MISSIONARY

Margaret Elois Chapman was born to Ralph and Marie Chapman on May 1st. The latter are two of our fine workers on the field of Bolivia. Oregon Yearly Meeting welcomes Margaret Elois to our family of missionaries, and extends congratulations to the parents.

THE WILLCUTS

Jack and Geraldine Willcuts, our new missionaries under appointment, have made application for reservations to leave Los Angeles for La Paz, Bolivia, by plane June 8th. By the time Yearly Meeting starts they may be on the field. The twenty-eight boxes, trunks and crates which they are taking, left Portland by boat June 1st. Not all this freight they are taking, however, belongs to them. Much of it goes to the mission and other missionaries.

MISSIONARY POSTER

The Missionary Board has printed a new missionary poster containing the pictures of our five missionary families. These will be given to the pastors at Yearly Meeting time, and they in turn will distribute them to the families in their local churches when they return home. When you receive yours, hang it up on the wall in your home, and remember these missionaries daily in prayer.

DO YOU HAVE AGNEW ON YOUR HEART?

Let us continue to pray and give to this new work at Agnew, Washington. Several of our churches have not been able as yet to arrange a special day in which to remember this new field. We know that there are many demands, but in all of our giving we should not forget that Oregon Yearly Meeting will have to grow if we are to rightly serve God in this great northwest, and in Bolivia.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

Newberg Quarterly Meeting met Friday and Saturday, May 9th and 10th, at Newberg.

The Christian Endeavor rally Friday evening opened with songs and choruses under the leadership of Kenneth Williams and Iverna Hibbs. Special numbers in song were furnished by Newberg and Springbrook. The report of the nominating committee was accepted. Progress on the chart work was reported.

Leta Hockett brought the message to the young people. She read I Kings 17:7 — "And it came to pass after a while that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land." The Bible does not give two sets of rules, one for Sunday and one for the other six days of the week. If we want Christ's presence during the day we must seek him in the morning. Then we will be ready to ask him for help any time during the day. It is when we are doing the little things the Lord will know He can trust us with something big.

Cora Gregory brought the message at the Saturday morning service. She read Isaiah 43:10 — "Ye are my witnesses." Are we faithful in giving our witness and our testimony?

Lunch followed in the basement. The representatives met before the afternoon service.

Kenneth Williams led the afternoon song service. Joseph McCracken read Psalm 34. The annual reports of the committees and the monthly meetings were read. Appointment of representatives and caretakers for Yearly Meeting, and report of nominations for officers and committees for the coming year, were made. Memorials for Rosa Jane Elliott and for Seth A. Mills were read.

Committees met for organization.

TACOMA QUARTERLY MEETING

Tacoma Quarterly meeting Conference banquet was held at the Tacoma church Friday evening, May 2. Our superintendent of Christian Endeavor, Douglas Brown, presided at the program following the meal. Stunts were given by Tacoma and Agnew young people. The Northeast Tacoma young people conducted a Bible quiz, in which they dramatized characters for the audience to identify. Wilmer Miller, of Quilcene, brought a message in song, and there was a trio number by Joan Perry, Mary Ellen Murphy, and Betty Byrd, of Tacoma. Paul Thornburg was the speaker of the evening. His message centered around our conference motto, "Counted Worthy," and was based on the 22nd chapter of Matthew. Douglas Brown announced that there would be no boys' and girls' camps this year. Special effort will be made to get whole families

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to come to the regular conference. Plans are being made for the camp with this in mind. We want a family conference this year. Following the program the group went to the main auditorium to see Wauna Mer Conference pictures.

On Saturday morning of the Quarterly Meeting there was an open service with a short message at the close by our Quarterly Meeting superintendent, Clark Smith. Joseph Reece brought a message in song.

Arthur Roberts led the devotions in the afternoon, and William Murphy sang for us. Business for the afternoon consisted mainly of yearly reports and appointment of officers.

Joseph Reece talked about our mission field on Saturday evening, and we saw slide pictures of our missionaries and the work in Bolivia.

Mrs. Parolee Downs, of Entiat, talked about Alaska in the Sunday morning service.

WEST CHEHALEM

Two weeks of splendid revival services were completed Sunday, April 27th. Oscar Brown, of Rosedale, was our evangelist. He proved himself eminently qualified for the task. His ministry was, we believe, blessed by the Lord and incalculable spiritual good to the church resulted. There were several very fine definite conversions among our boys and girls, some testimonies to restoration in salvation or sanctification, and one testimony of a young man to full time service. While there was not any great outreach into the community and its needs, the constituency of the church was so manifestly helped and stirred that the outreach so badly needed should be a natural result of the revival. The two Thursday evening meetings were made more interesting by the presence of a fine group of young people from Rosedale.

The parsonage plastering job was fully completed Wednesday, April 30th. Oscar Lochras, a member of the Newberg Free Methodist church did the work. A very fine job he did, too. Monday, May 5th, the building was subjected to a thorough cleaning, and the following day our carpenters, Harlas Smith and Dillon Brown, moved back onto the job to begin the final finishing. West Chehalis greatly appreciates the dogged determination and faithfulness of these two men. They have clung to the task through nearly two years now—off and on, through many disappointments due to material scarcities and other troubles. Daily now, the finished parsonage comes nearer to being a dream made real. We humbly thank God for having helped us—thus far.

Victor Thurberg and Philip Tendall have been chosen to take charge of getting our Sunday school softball team ready. It is our hope to again have a series of games with our neighbor Friends Sunday Schools — Sherwood, Chehalis Center, Springbrook and Newberg.

In the Bible reading contest sponsored by Oregon Yearly Meeting a total of 13,333 chapters were read. Edward Harmon's class of intermediate girls won the banner for having the highest score among the classes. David Fendall was awarded a special prize of \$2.00 for being the first member of the adult class to read the whole Bible. Highest number of chapters read was reported by our pastor, Edward Harmon—a total of more than 1500.

Edward Harmon will have completed seven years of service as pastor at West Chehalis Sept. 1st. He has

been asked to return for another year, and if he accepts this call, will be starting his eighth pastoral year. He will also have the distinction of being the first pastor to occupy the new parsonage.

A miscellaneous shower for Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Denning at the school gymnasium Tuesday, May 13th, was sponsored by the service committee of the church. The Denning's lost all their personal belongings in a fire which completely destroyed their home, Wednesday, May 7th. People of the church and community responded generously to the need of the Denning's in their misfortune.

Paul Thornburg, who needs no introduction in Quaker circles, has been hired to teach the upper grades in the West Chehalem school next year. He plans to marry Miss Leona Harris this summer and they will reside in West Chehalem. Paul and Leona expect to place their membership in our West Chehalem church. We are very glad that our West Chehalem boys and girls are to be given the benefit of leadership by a Christian gentleman such as Paul.

MCKINLEY AVENUE (TACOMA)

The choir from Pacific College conducted our morning service on May 11th.

We are very sorry to report that ill health has forced our assistant pastor, Paul Lundy, to return to his home in Portland. He is especially missed by the young people in his Sunday school class, Senior C. E. and Hobby Shop.

As a culmination of the year's work the whole Sunday School presented a demonstration. It included songs, memory verses, and favorite Bible stories presented by the scholars.

Members of the Junior church recently had a taffy pull at the home of their leader, Betty Byrd.

In April, members of the congregation had a farewell party for Dick, Gertrude, Shirley, Carol and Dickie Hendricks, who have left for the east, where Dick has been appointed head of the office of a women's penitentiary.

A. Clark Smith gave an inspiring talk to the adult Bible study group on being "Fishers of Men", and concentrating on one fish.

Betty Byrd is giving a review of the life of J. Irvin Overholtzer, the founder of the Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Silver bells and blue ribbons were the motif for a bridal shower for Clara Berg. More than sixty guests gathered in the church basement, to "Oh" and "Ah" as Clara opened those mysterious packages; and to demand the answers to such questions as, "What did you use for bait?" and "How did he propose?"

FIRST FRIENDS (PORTLAND)

First Friends, Portland, has been teeming with activity recently, though one would never know by reading The Northwest Friend.

The Women's Missionary Union sponsored a social evening of entertainment Friday, May 2nd, and the entire church was invited to join in the festivities of the evening. The main speaker was Mr. Ross Anderson, who told of his experiences as an attendant on a cattle boat to Europe. The surprise of the evening was the celebration of Ray and Margaret Carter's 40th wedding anniversary.

Our choir director, Glenna Kneeland, has been hospitalized for a short time, but is now recovering nicely.

Sunday morning, May 4th, Reverend Thomas Rees, director of the Youth for Christ in London, brought the message.

Through the efforts of our Social Service Committee, enough money has been raised to purchase a heifer for European relief.

On Saturday evening, May 10th, Dr. Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, spoke in our church. He discussed the Truman Doctrine and the alternative if we are to have a lasting peace. His topic was, "The Future and How to prevent it."

Lewis and Ella Hadley recently celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary.

Sunday, May 11th (Mother's Day), Laura Traschel brought the message of the morning. It was an inspiring sermon having to do with the greatest women in the world--our mothers.

MELBA

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Thompson, from Nampa, were with us in the morning service, April 13th. In the closing exercises of the Sunday school Ernest drew with crayon a picture illustrating Life and Death. They were dinner guests at the George Smith home.

The Women's Missionary Union met with Elsie Clarkson, April 17th. Inez Beail gave the devotional. Marie McClintock talked on India.

May 1st the W. M. U. met with Inez Beail. Mattie Smith led the devotional and Dorothy Grandle talked on "Women and Their Influence for Good." The new officers for theyear are: Treva Farner, president; Katherine Burton, vice-president; Edna Grovom, secretary-treasurer; Leona Engle, program chairman. It was voted to change the time of missionary meeting from the third Thursday of the month to the first Thursday.

Denver B. Headrick visited in Portland and Newberg and officiated at the Potter-Liebnow wedding. Ruth stayed in Boise with Robert and Lela Morrill and took X-ray treatments.

We were privileged to have in our Sunday morning service April 20th, Miss Lillie Almquist, who has spent several years in missionary work in Guatemala, Central America. She told us something of her call and God's leading to that field, as well as of interesting incidents from her work there, proving the power of God in answer to believing prayer. Miss Almquist is now preparing to leave for Colombia, South America, where she will labor in the Lord's work.

GREENLEAF

Clayton and Louella Brown, who for several years have been engaged in missionary work in Belgian Congo, Africa, recently returned from the field for a furlough. They visited friends and relatives in our community and attended church services on April 13th. We were glad to hear their testimonies and something about their work on the mission field. Louella spoke to our Women's Missionary Society, which met on Thursday, April 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on April 13th. Their lives of devotion have been a blessing to every home in the community.

The Greenleaf Academy music department presented the girls double sextette in a formal music recital on Friday evening, April 18th. The program of music which was directed by Miss Lucy Clark was enjoyed by an appreciative audience.

Three successful members of our Academy faculty are leaving us for wider fields of service.—Fred Knight, to be principal of Haviland Academy, Kansas; Lucy Clark, to teach in Pacific College; and Harold Thompson to pastor the church at Ridge View, Oregon.

The dramatic class of Greenleaf Academy presented the play "Mother of Mine" on May 2nd at the gymnasium. The play was directed by Marjorie Craven.

Our beloved and efficient pastor, Paul Todd, has accepted a call to remain for the coming year.

We miss Uncle Henry Fellows from our regular services, who is not able to come because of his declining health.

We welcome the new arrivals in our church. A son, Bruce, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ankeny on April 22nd. John and Grace Roberts are the happy parents of twin daughters, born Sunday, May 4th.

SALEM

This is a rather new venture for the present writer, but, having been appointed to the task by the meeting, I will endeavor to do my best.

In recent months there has been much sickness of a serious nature among us. Calvin Thomas, Deva Armstrong, and Susie Feller have had serious operations, and are in various stages of convalescence. Others have been hospitalized also. At the present, Clifton Ross is again in the hospital, having fallen from a roof. We are praying that he will soon be fully recovered, along with the other sick.

We would like to mention that Lou and Gladys Hughes, and their daughter, Lenora, with her husband, Charleton Smitherman, and family are recent additions to our mem-

bership. We find them to be a real addition, and their services among us, a blessing.

Cora Gregory has been working with a quarterly meeting committee to investigate the advisability of setting up a Monthly Meeting at Medford. She, with others, visited Medford, Sunday, May 4th, in the interests of this matter.

A large group of our Endeavorers visited Sprague River this same week-end. Lou Hughes filled the pulpit in the morning, and Edgar Sims in the evening.

Friday, May 9th, a pot luck dinner was held in the church basement. It was followed by a bridal shower for Lawrence De Lapp and Monette Moling.

The new committees are doing better than usual in promptly starting their new work. May it be a forerunner of a profitable year's service.

Ernest and Anna Foster have returned home after a prolonged visit in the east.

Sam and Dora Ogle are again worshipping with us, having purchased a home on North Fourth street.

The Missionary Union is ready for the new year, with the following officers: Gladys Hughes, president; Esther White, vice-president; Mabel W. Smith, secretary-treas.

Salem Quarterly Meeting will meet at Rosedale this quarter, as a result of an exchange of February and May quarterly meetings. This was due to the building program being carried on at Rosedale, and is not a permanent arrangement.

CALDWELL

The lot for the new church is bought and paid for.

Sunday evening services, and prayer meeting on Thursday evening, are held in the home of one of the members, with an average Sunday evening attendance of twenty-five. Prayer meeting average attendance is twelve.

Mrs. Paul Todd, of Greenleaf, gave us an inspiring Easter message. Our pastor, Reverend Everett Puckett, had taken a group of young people to Meadows for a special service at that place.

The missionary group packed and sent to friends in Germany, six boxes of food and clothing.

MEDFORD

The annual meeting at Medford was held on May 1st, at which time the annual reports of the committees were heard and the new officers elected for the next year. Milo Hardin was named as new clerk, Esther Hays was appointed as Sunday School superintendent, and Bonita Oetjen was asked to head the music. The Reverend Delbert Daniels, of the First Christian Church, delivered a challenging address. There were 56 present.

Sunday, May 4th, was a special day with us. The Salem Quarterly meeting investigating committee, composed of Frank Haskins, Francis Lowe, Lawrence McCracken, and Lloyd and Cora Gregory, was with us and took part throughout the day. Francis Lowe preached in the morning, and Cora Gregory talked to the children's church. Frank Haskins delivered an excellent message in the evening, and talked to the Christian Endeavorers. The new officers and committee heads of the meeting were dedicated to the Lord in a prayer by Cora Gregory. Also, as part of the day's interest, was the dedication of a piano light and memorial plaque, which had been left to the meeting in the legacy of the late Ethel Young. Her children and grandchildren were guests of the meeting.

Our meeting began the new church year with attendance at all meetings double or better than a year ago.

The lawn and flowers about the church are very attractive, and many passers-by and tourists stop to view the church and the grounds.

Constance Allen and her two minor children, Billy and

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Jimmie, were given the right hand of fellowship on Mother's Day.

The excavation for the new Sunday School unit was completed this last month while the ground was damp and soft enough to be worked.

Parsonage guests recently included: Sherman and Barbara Hadley, of Klamath Falls; Carrie Ross, mother of our pastor, of Salem; Lloyd and Cora Gregory; the Reverend Herman L. G. Smith, of Central Nazarene, in Portland.

Evans Creek Summer Conference will be held this year again, with plans progressing at this writing for a fine staff of leaders, and a larger camp. Dates are July 14-20. Friends from a distance who plan to attend are encouraged to write in care of Milo C. Ross, 2525 Merriman Rd., Medford, so that facilities can be increased to care for them. We should be most happy to have Christian youth from other Friends centers, and those with a concern to help in this new venture.

VANCOUVER

The Lord has promised great things for Vancouver First Friends for the coming year: A larger field and a greater challenge.

When the statistics were brought to our attention on the 1st of May, we found that we had gained an average of 14 at our Sunday morning services, and 32 members in the Sunday School classes. Also, our March Sunday school average reached an all high of 103 members.

With such an increase of interest in the Lord's work every member should feel a new responsibility.

On April 14th our church night supper was climaxed by the showing of a series of beautiful Oregon sound pictures, shown by Mr. Charles Edwards, of Salem.

Our young people have taken quite an interest in the local "Youth for Christ" rallies that are being held every Saturday night at the Shumway Jr. High School. Our group has enjoyed the competition of the young people of the Evangelical Free Church, in a Bible quiz, on the book of Jonah.

We have one new member of our Sunday School who hails from the far north. He is Master Herbert Jones, age 7 years, an Eskimo lad from Alaska. He is attending the State School for the blind here in Vancouver, and although he is a bit indefinite about his home and parentage, he says his people are Friends, and he feels "at home" in our meeting.

On April 27th the Finance Committee took a few minutes of the morning service to present the 1947-48 budget. It is generally conceded that a praying congregation is a paying congregation, and with this thought in mind we welcome the invitation to bring our gifts to the Lord.

PIEDMONT

Piedmont Friends were privileged to have Edward Mott as guest speaker on Sunday morning, April 13th. He had a concern to bring a message on some of the points regarding the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ, which are oftentimes overlooked or neglected, and yet are of vital importance. It stirred our thinking and was much appreciated,—a timely message following Easter Sunday.

An adult Bible study class has recently been organized, meeting at 6:30 Sunday evening. Edgar Haworth, chairman of our committee on Christian Education, has been largely responsible for getting this group organized. We are starting a "Through the Bible" study beginning with Genesis. We are indeed fortunate in having Sophia Townsend to direct our study.

The Women's Missionary Union met at the home of Lois Huff on April 32nd. Ruth Rasmussen led the devotions. Officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: Ruth Corbin, president; Arvilla Mickelson, vice president; Flor-

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ence Snow, secretary-treasurer; Alice Haworth, program chairman; Margaret Durrell, work chairman; Dorothy Craven, devotional chairman; and Bethel Unruh, sunshine chairman.

Letters have been sent to our mission in Bolivia, and to our outposts here at home, to acquaint us with their needs that we may guide our work program to meet those needs.

We have just concluded revival meetings sponsored and conducted by our young people. They began Sunday, April 30th, and ended the following Sunday, May 4th. Laura Trachel was our evangelist. The results were gratifying and we are praying the spirit of revival will not cease, but will carry on through our regular services.

Pacific College choir presented a sacred concert on Sunday evening, May 4th, just preceding the closing service of our revival meetings. The church was packed to capacity and the music was enjoyed by everyone.

FOREST HOME

Three classes in Child Evangelism have been started and are reported to be progressing nicely, with attendance good and interest keen. Mrs. Luella Crisman holds a class in her home in the country; Mrs. Annabel Barnes has begun a class in her home in the Mill Plain district, and Mrs. Lela Hull is holding classes in the parsonage. We believe that the best and truest warriors for our Lord Jesus Christ receive the seeds of the gospel when young. We pray that many warriors may emerge from these classes.

Word has been received that our former pastor and wife, Calvin and Virginia Wilkins, are the proud parents of a nine-pound baby girl, born April 16th. Congratulations!

Several of our members visited the Women's Missionary Rally held in the Camas Friends Church on Sunday afternoon, April 13, and heard a stirring message from Mrs. Laura Trachel, former missionary from China, and Marcus Chi, Chinese student from Cascade College.

We are pleased to announce that our Sunday School attendance is increasing under the leadership of Mr. Ed Knobel.

NEWBERG

On March 30th, the Pacific College chorus presented the oratorio "The Holy City" for our evening service.

The church choir presented "The Cross Triumphant", under the direction of Herschel Thornburg, at the vesper service on Easter Sunday.

Our Christian Endeavorers met with other young people of the city for an Easter sunrise service in the Christian Church.

The Kelsey Hinshaw family suffered the loss of their house by fire the latter part of March. Most of their household goods were saved. They have purchased the house formerly owned by Laura Degner. His Sunday School class and others gave them a surprise shower of bedding May 1st. A social time was enjoyed by all who were able to attend.

The "Kingdom Builders" class sponsored a father-son banquet at the church Thursday, May 8th. About 90 fathers and sons had a happy time. Of course some sons were borrowed for the occasion.

Anna Blair, one of our charter members, who has been detained at home because of her physical condition, celebrated her 88th birthday, May 4th. Her interest and concern for the church continues even though she is absent from the services.

ONTARIO HEIGHTS

Our pastor, Robert Morse, has been busy this spring setting out several new flowers and trees on the church grounds. It is already a great improvement and in time will show up much more.

We were blessed April 30th by the visit of a gospel team from Greenleaf Academy. Fred and Marjorie Knight and

Marjorie Craven accompanied the students. Several songs were sung by the male quartet and a mixed quartet. Some fine instrumental numbers were given also. Fred Knight brought the morning message. All the young people took part in a platform meeting at night.

May 7th was the time for our pastor to have the radio time that is given to the ministerial association of this district. The present arrangement is for each pastor to have a half-hour broadcast in turn.

SILVER CLIFF

Laura Trachel, missionary from China, was our special speaker, May 18th. Using her flannelboard, Laura presented the "Two Ways" very clearly, and two boys knelt at the altar. Silver Cliff served a no-host dinner in honor of Mrs. Trachel.

Silver Cliff supports a native preacher in the Bolivian field.

Four new children started to Sunday school this month, imitation work on the part of our pastor.

Members of the Sunday school present a program the last Sunday of each month.

Thelma Mulkey leads a boy's prayer-meeting in our district each Thursday night.

MARION

The three lower Sunday school classes now have their opening exercises and classes in the parsonage. It also gives the upper classes more time for their lessons.

The young people's choir has been introducing new songs to the congregation in the Sunday evening services. This gives us a chance to learn songs to be used in our regular Sunday morning preaching services.

Our pastor, Frank Haskins, gave a breakfast recently for the men of the church. Those who attended reported a very enjoyable time.

The Women's Missionary Society gave a social Thursday evening May 15, at the parsonage.

NAMPA

Nampa has been off the map, as far as news in the Northwest Friend is concerned, for a year -- but we are still here and God is with us.

At the present time we are in a revival with Esther and Alden White as evangelists. We will report more of this later, although we already have some victories, and are expecting more and greater victories for the Lord.

Earl and Mary Geil have accepted a three-year call as our pastors.

A mother and daughter banquet was held on April 25th, with Mrs. Harris, of Greenleaf, as the guest speaker. She spoke on the "Ideal Mother and Daughter".

The young adult group have organized a Bible study class that meets every Sunday evening at 6:45, with Mildred Farmer as teacher. The Senior C. E., at the request of the adult class have joined with them for a series of meetings on the problems of young people.

Mary Geil was honored with a surprise birthday party and "personal gift" shower April 4th at the parsonage. She was really surprised.

The Women's Missionary Union is active. It sponsored a box of needed things for the Bolivian field, to be sent with the Wilcutts, who were with us for a Sunday service recently. To raise money for the Bolivian farm it sponsored a program one evening with the main feature being a play given by the dramatic class of the high school under Dilla Tucker. Coffee and pie with pumpkin ice cream was served at the close of the program.

Our Sunday School is growing with an attendance of 94 the last two Sundays. Delpha Cline is our new superintendent beginning May 1st.

The choir meets Wednesday evening to practice for specials and choir numbers. Ernest Thompson is the choir director.

You will be hearing from us again soon, so be watching for NAMPA, for we're back to stay.

THE NORTHWEST FRIEND

HOMEDALE

The Lucy Wright Guild has sent \$15.00 for the support of a native worker in Bolivia. Mrs. Don Bolt is the president of the Guild.

Marjorie Crisman, our pastor's wife, was guest speaker at the Girl Reserve mother-daughter banquet held the first part of April, and at the junior-senior banquet held May 3rd. Both banquets were held in the gymnasium of the high school, with over 100 in attendance.

The Cub Scout Pack, sponsored by our church, meets once a month in the church basement. There are 35 cubs. The boys have been very active in completing their work. Clynton Crisman, our pastor, is Cubmaster; Arch Wells, chairman of the Pack Committee; and Harold Wells and Ora Friel, and Mrs. Howard Graham, are Den mothers.

The "Homebuilders" Sunday School class has been painting and cleaning the church basement. This makes a much brighter junior Sunday School department.

The first six books of the Bible have been completed in our "Bird's Eye View of the Bible." The attendance at prayer meeting has increased as a result of these very interesting studies.

The new officers of the Women's Missionary Union, elected at our last meeting, are: Bessie Barnes, president; Lois Beeson, vice president; Ruth Beeson, secretary-treasurer; Nellie Murphy, devotional chairman; Norene Arnold, program chairman; Mildred Kellom, work chairman; and Gladys Robertson, membership chairman.

Work on the addition to the parsonage is progressing nicely. The roof has been shingled. The Ladies' Aid donated \$600.00 for the building of the two rooms.

PRINGLE

Yes, Pringle is still here, even if it has been some time since you heard from us.

In spite of illness and other difficulties we had a very fine Easter program.

We welcome to our group a new member, Stanley Brown born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Brown.

Two mothers who were present on Mother's Day were honored with bouquets.

At a recent service when the work in Bolivia was presented the Sunday School voted to assist in the support of native pastors and teachers.

GREENLEAF ACADEMY

On April 20th a group of young people from Greenleaf Academy, and part of the faculty, went to Antario Heights, Oregon. Those in the group were Fred Knight, Miriam Knight, Miss Craven, Margaret Webber, Eva May Hodson, Carol Gossard, Paul Puckett, Gene Hockett, Randall Emry, Emory Harris. This group conducted the services both morning and evening. A lovely basket dinner was served on the church lawn.

The junior-senior banquet was held May 8th. The plan was based on a Holland scene, and decorations with a model windmill in the center. Everyone had a lovely time.

The Academy had its school picnic May 9th enjoying a drizzling rain all they could!

The Commencement was held May 13th. Twenty-two were in the graduating class. Nathan Pierson preached the baccalaureate sermon, and Jack Wilcutts gave the commencement address.

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THE ALTAR OF THE AYMARA SOUL

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Stony shrines, sacred places, mysterious solitudes, meaningless forms and ceremonies, hold but little power over the man when he can draw aside to soul's altar and find God there, and God talks to him in the tongue, the tones and sounds that he associates with memories of mother, the snuggy woolen blankets and mother's bosom, the fields and sheep and lullabies, the cozy fire and savory broth. Whatever the Aymara has known or joy, comfort, love and home, must perforce revert to infancy. The voice that speaks in the stillness, and speaks in the voice of sacred memory, that voice has found a worshipper. God is at the altar of the Aymara soul.

It puts a holy hush upon the heart to realize that one is privileged to have a part in putting God's Word into the language of a people, in writing it not alone upon the pages of The Book, but upon the volume of the heart.

But so it is, in the Providence of God, that we are permitted to participate in the work of the committee that, under the auspices of the United Bible Societies, is working for the publication of the whole New Testament in Aymara. In 1940-1942 the Gospels and Acts were completed. In 1947-1948 it is hoped to revise and prepare for publication the translation of the epistles and Revelation.

As in the revision work of the Gospels and Acts, so also now the new committee is holding its sessions at the Canadian Baptist Farm (Peniel Hall) on the beautiful shores of the more beautiful Lake Titicaca.

We covet your prayers for this work which will undoubtedly last until sometime between July and October of the present year. May God's Word soon -- very soon -- be written by His own Spirit in every Aymara mind and heart, that this great people may turn from the march of death and become a mighty witness to the power of the gospel to save everyone that believeth on Him, and with Christ at the head of the new march may they become a power in God's hand for the redemption of other tribes as well as of the other social classes.

CONFUSION!

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authority to settle questions of doctrines or of historic fact. We are a society of friends whose members owe each other friendliness, and claim no authority over one another."

In these assertions we find a statement of heterodox opinions made public by men on their authority. To them God is not a person, but rather a word of diverse and uncertain meaning. It is indeed confusion worse confounded.

Note further, they do not claim to be a church; they are a society. Their statements are there-

fore of human origin rather than of Divine revelation.

Another prominent writer and speaker among the heterodox has given the following statement, which clearly reveals the thought of the group called the Society of Friends:

"George Fox did not abolish theology, rather he removed the seat of authority in theology from the shifting notions of human reason and from the closed revelation of a Book to the ever new and awakening light of the Inward Spirit."

In this expression we have a forthright declaration of the position of this Society regarding Divine revelation. It is exactly as stated by us a number of times, and needs no further elucidation. But George Fox was outstanding in his acceptance of the Holy Scriptures as of Divine revelation.

Christ declared of His Church that upon the revelation of His Father, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," He would "build the Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." This statement should end all confusion in the minds of any regarding the Holy Scriptures which contain this assertion of truth.

The Richmond Declaration of Faith gives a concise, clear, and scriptural statement regarding the term God as follows:

"We believe in one holy (Isa. 6:3, 57:15), almighty (Gen. 17:1), all wise (Rom. 11:33, 16:27), and everlasting (Ps. 90:1,2) God, the Father, (Matt. 11:25-27), the Creator (Gen. 1:1) and preserver (Job 7:20) of all things; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, by whom all things were made (John 1:3), and by whom all things consist (Col. 1:17) and in one Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son (John 15:26, 16:7), the Reprover (John 16:8) of the world, the witness for Christ (John 15:26), and the Teacher (John 14:26), Guide (John 16:13), and Sanctifier (II Thes. 2:13) of the people of God; and these three are one in the eternal Godhead (Matt. 28:19, John 10:30, 17:21), to whom be honor, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever, Amen."

When Charles H. Spurgeon withdrew from the Baptist Union because of the departure from the Faith of some of its members, especially as these were retained in the connection, he wrote as follows:

"Christian love has its claims, and divisions are to be shunned as grievous evils, but how far are we justified in being in confederacy with those who are departing

from the truth? It is a difficult question to answer so as to keep the balance of the duties.

"A chasm is opening between the men who believe their Bibles and the men who are prepared for an advance upon Scripture. Inspiration and speculation cannot long abide in peace. Compromise there can be none. We cannot hold the inspiration of the Word, and yet reject it; we cannot believe in the Atonement and deny it; we cannot hold the doctrine of the fall, and yet talk of the evolution of the spiritual life from human nature; we cannot recognize the punishment of the impenitent, and yet indulge the 'larger hope'. One way or the other must go. Decision is the virtue of the hour.

"Neither when we have chosen our way can we keep company with those who go the other way. There must come with decision for truth a corresponding protest against error. Let those who will keep the narrow way, keep it, and suffer for their choice; but to hope to follow the broad road at the same time is an absurdity. What communion hath Christ with Belial?"

This is a strong presentation of reasons for withdrawal from association with those who are denying the Faith. Like situations exist among Friends in many quarters. We therefore commend the careful consideration of these vital matters to all such. When I spoke to Friends at the Oskaloosa All Friends Conference, in 1929, I spoke as follows on the above lines. I have never regretted the stand I then took.

"Well may we unite with the Apostle in exclaiming, 'I am determined to know nothing among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified.' We can in the very nature of the case have no sympathy with any effort to substitute for the Gospel a so-called gospel which is no gospel, and co-operation in spiritual service with those who advocate such a substitution is impossible. The love of the believer for Christ must ever be an all controlling force, shaping and determining the lines of Christian love and fellowship; and while we love all men and seek the highest good of all, we must find the center and the circumference in love for Him. We shall find this only as we keep the lines of demarcation between those who love Him and those who love Him not, between faith and unbelief, between those who accept and those who reject, clear and unmistakable in the realm of Christian recognition; if we fellowship on a Christian basis those who deny Christ as presented in the Gospel we do violence to those very principles which lie at the heart of spiritual advancement. To our Lord we must be true; if we deny Him He must deny us, and in this denial we lose all in this life and in that which is to come.

"Therefore 'the Cross of Christ we will cherish, its crucifixion bear,' and gladly go forth in the holy ministry of our Lord and Savior, bearing His reproach and giving to the lost ones of earth the balm of His healing, the victory of His grace and the eternal hope of His calling."

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