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By Dean Gregory
General Superintendent
Oregon Yearly Meeting

Our Part in Western Evangelical Seminary

SEPTEMBER, 1947, marked a historic event here in the Pacific Northwest, the opening of a new graduate school, the Western School of Evangelical Religion, now known as Western Evangelical Seminary, located at Jennings Lodge, Oregon, a suburb of Portland.

That first year there were several Friends students enrolled and one of them, Mahlon Macy, became the first graduate of the institution. Gerald Dillon now pastor of Portland First Friends Church was a member of the teaching staff in those early days of the Seminary.

Major credit goes to members of the Evangelical United Brethren Church for their vision and faith in initiating this venture. Though the school was founded and continues to operate on an interdenominational basis, this year there are fourteen E. U. B. students, thirteen Friends, and nine Free Methodists besides lesser numbers of other denominational representatives. The seminary officials have held open the door for Friends participation in the operation of the school, and there are now four Oregon Yearly Meeting Friends who serve on the Board of Trustees. They are Gerald Dillon, Charles Beals, Dr. Claude Lewis, and Paul Mills.

The increasing interest and cooperation of other holiness denominations is giving the school a wholesome interdenominational fla-

THE COVER

Our cover picture this month shows the interior of the new Meridian Friends Church building in Meridian, Idaho. Dedication ceremonies for the new structure were held October 24. See story on page 9.

vor and Friends are becoming increasingly aware of the great value and even the sheer necessity for such an educational facility here in the Pacific Northwest, where we may with confidence send our graduate students for intensive preparation for Christian service.

Friends students who are enrolled in the seminary this year are Glenn Armstrong, Herbert Sargent, Bruce Hicks, Damon and Sally Heinrich, Daniel and Linnea Stahlnecker, Ronald Stansell, Donald Brown, David Sonntag, Charles Neifert, Harold Clark, and Alvin Wilkins.

Friends also have five people working on the staff and faculty at the seminary this year. They are Kenneth and Geneva Eichenberger, Leta Hockett, Myron Goldsmith, and Charles Ball. The latter two are serving on a part time basis for only a part of the year.

In the past we Friends have not assumed a great amount of the financial load of this fine school. We need to re-assess the value of the contribution being made by the seminary to the great cause of the Church of Jesus Christ in the world and to our own family of Friends.

In addition to our burden and concern for our Quaker educational institutions of learning here in the northwest, we have also the privilege and need for undergirding our seminary with our fervent prayers and our generous support.

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A Letter to Missionaries

DEAR MISSIONARIES,

Well, since we are always being told to write to our missionaries I guess I should. But to save time (and since you are all together down there anyway), this letter goes to all of you. With postage costs it seems foolish to write, 'How are you?' eight times when you can pass this around.

On second thought, it isn't so easy to talk to eight people at once no matter how far away you are. They say it isn't hard to write a letter once you get at it, but here I am at it and I still don't know how to start.

Maybe you would like to know how things are going up here. I know you are working with the heathen, but nowadays the heathen are crowding in on us here too. There are more of them in Oregon than in Bolivia. And some of these are savage—a vagabond type of roaming, nervous tribes with whom it is almost impossible to communicate the Gospel. Just when you think they are becoming interested, they retreat to their boats or isolated cabins until the week-end of opportunity is past. And these Oregon natives use a most unusual type of hut. Oh, they are colorful and they drag them around on wheels and you wouldn't believe how hard it is to gain an audience with them as they escape to the remote mountain wilderness. We are making a serious study to find a more effective method to reach these hurried, noisy natives but to my knowledge no really successful means has been found to penetrate this mobile barrier. Yes, one hears occasionally of a convert here and there, usually the result of careful person to person cultivation but this approach cannot possibly keep up with the population increase.

Did I say noisy? I could envy you missionaries who work with a quiet, casual community. We work with a go-go loud bunch who have sound piped into every known habitat. Wild, weird music pounds the air waves; it comes from hidden outlets in corners of their houses (they aren't satisfied unless it hits them simultaneously from at least two sides even though this 'stereo' effect costs them extra). Children carry sound in their pockets along the road. (You are troubled with fleas, we struggle with the Beatles.) And, frankly, Oregon Friends haven't come up with any effective way to penetrate this barrier with the Gospel either. Instead, I strongly suspect noise and sound-tracks are reducing the number of strong Christians faster than all our evangelistic efforts are increasing them . . . this is especially true with the little Oregonians.

I hear your big problem is with language and communication. I know how you feel for I have on my desk no less than six different translations of the Scriptures each attempting to communicate better with these local brainy heathen. It really is baffling. These people read and read everything they get their hands on—except the Bible. You would suppose that having grown up in this land I could speak their language and I do get by fairly well in the markets and in general conversation but just let me try to describe the Gospel and they get a blank, embarrassed expression.

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A CONCEPT OF The CHURCH

By Eugene McDonald

THERE ARE some helpful insights for us in the following story: The Peoples Church in downtown St. Paul had a fire and burned to the ground. The eight foot marble statue, "The Appealing Christ" had been housed in the church along with other art treasures. It had fallen through the floor to the basement but by a miracle had been unharmed. The Statue was brought out and stood in the street with flares around it to protect it from the motorists. There hundreds of people saw it for the first time. They had not even been aware of its presence in the city before the fire. Christ was in the church but the crowd that passed by knew nothing of His presence.

The church should not be digging in or on the defensive but should be on the attack: "I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." We are on the offensive and our task might be likened to that of an aircraft carrier where with many hands aboard and the assignments numerous and varied, the one purpose for it all is to launch those planes at specific targets. So does the concern of God for his creatures compel us to go out; our targets are the hearts of men and our weapons are truth and love.

A visitation effort is not the whole answer but it is a beginning. What is needed is teaching and training in witnessing; where we understand teaching as learning about, the training as learning to do. People do not witness because they do not know how. They are afraid because they do not know how to begin or how to follow through once the subject is opened up. A weekly visitation thrust provides the element in which we grow into effective witnesses.

A few are found who have some experience and their present tasks are assigned to others in order that they can be free for this ministry. The inexperienced are paired with these persons and they are sent out two by two after a few initial training sessions. The witness must not be for the church or some system of beliefs, but must be around the question: "What think ye of Christ?"

It is important to see that the three different aspects of the task are: witnessing, soul-winning, follow-up. We are simply to witness to the fact that we have found that Christ is

the answer. This may lead to a time in which we can help another find Him. Then will begin the adventure of follow-up, a person to person, one to one relationship which will require time on our part. We follow-up to the point of bringing the new believer to the place where he is going out with us and finally until he is training another.

When we have come this far, we will find that we are witnessing all the time wherever we are. This is the goal for which we sought.

MAKING MEMBERSHIP MEANINGFUL

In our going out to "compel them to come in" it must be seen that "in" means Christ, commitment and discipleship. In visitation our loop is wide, and the task of witnessing is to bring as many as possible to an encounter with Him, but the funnel narrows quickly at the point of church membership. Today, most churches are loaded with nominal members—genial, friendly folk who are ignorant of the Bible and innocent of disciplined Christian commitment. Perhaps some recovery can be realized among those on our rolls, and certainly an effort characterized by patience and concern should be made. This should be followed by "honesty" where we face the fact that some are in no sense fulfilling the barest meaning of membership and who seem to have no interest in doing so.

There is need for a deep and an intense training program in preparation for membership. The customary procedure of adding new members without the slightest bit of real challenge to commitment to New Testament truths is at the core of the problems and failures we have observed.

Membership should involve a challenge, a warning and an exhortation on the opportunities involved. It must be presented as the undertaking of a task and the acceptance of a discipline. Some discipline is absolutely necessary for a vital Christian fellowship. We must demand something of ourselves and of those who would be on mission with us. There must be agreement upon specifics and a re-dedication of ourselves to these disciplines yearly. We must realize the importance of the influence of each one and that "a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." Even one who is not committed can disrupt the

whole if he does not think or act out of a Christian conscience.

One meeting has made a good start in approving the following plan of study for prospective new members. Each week the individuals in the class are asked to study some of the assignments listed below and to give a brief report in the class session. The hour and a half sessions are centered around a chapter by chapter study of the Family of Friends booklet. Twelve weeks should be allowed to cover the following material in a discussion situation:

- (1) Read the New Testament through. Living Letters (The paraphrased Epistles suggested)
- (2) Hailey's Bible Handbook
 - a. General information pp 18-25
 - b. How we got the Bible pp 854-855
 - c. Church History pp 856-901
- (3) Peace With God by Billy Graham. Excellent for:
 - a. Doctrines of the Christian Faith
 - b. Instruction in Christian living
- (4) Christian Committ Yourself by Paul S. Rees
- (5) Family of Friends
- (6) Friends Constitution and Discipline

Special attention is given to the following subjects:

 - a. Historical
 - b. The Church
 - c. Essential Truth
 - d. Baptism
 - e. The Supper of the Lord
 - f. Public Worship
 - g. Queries
- (7) Remembering Our Heritage - Studies in Friends Beliefs
- (8) Other suggested reading for future study:
 - a. The Secret of a Happy Christian Life
 - b. Through Gates of Splendor
 - c. Through Flaming Sword

The only way to make membership meaningful is to restrict it to the committed. We would not ask anything which was unnecessary but we would unflinchingly hold up the essentials which are seen to be:

- a. the witness of the indwelling Holy Spirit
- b. agreement upon doctrines
- c. acceptance of a discipline
- d. willingness to serve in Christ's mission

We might assume that (a) has always been a requirement, but if so we would be mistaken. In (b) we come to a requirement which

has sometimes been circumvented. When there is laxity in clearly presenting the doctrines of Friends a root of bitterness often goes uncovered only to spring up at a later date into a disruption which unsettles the entire group.

THE IMPORTANCE OF DOCTRINES

Doctrines are important! The "simple gospel" is that, but there is a well of truth which God is but waiting to reveal to the seeking heart. The doctrines which come from the Bible are meant to guide us in a life of faith and cannot be ignored. They are important, because they are revelation, and we must make some decision about these truths as soon as they are impressed upon us by God.

The word "doctrine" means teaching. We cannot intelligently avoid deciding what it is the New Testament is saying. This is basic in our discipleship for we will ultimately be only what we believe; it is paramount in our witness and in our follow up; if we are to teach others we must decide what we are going to teach. As for the working together in the church fellowship we would apply the truth: "how can two walk together except they be agreed?"

This is not to crush individual conscience for we would say with Paul, "not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy." This matter of commitment to Christ and the church should be tempered with the instruction of Paul: "him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputation."

If there is serious disagreement, then it would be best to wait until there is a clear leading on the matter. We should be prepared to realize that not all believers will want to be Quakers, and that membership is meant to involve more than "acceptance" of Christ.

RECOVERY OF DISCIPLINE

We say we must allow freedom, but we denounce the truth of the yoke of Christ which is the only path to true freedom. Milton wrote: "There is not that thing in the world of more importance throughout the whole life of man than discipline." Arthur Roberts has said, "discipline is necessary even if some is worthless." The kindly way of well-bred people who welcome all into their company, who have a sense of humor and don't raise

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NAE World Relief Commission Plans Viet Nam Training Center

Friends of our Yearly Meeting are interested in a momentous step in the field of Christian relief which has just been taken by the Viet Nam Director of the N. A. E. World Relief Commission, Inc., Robert L. Davis, in signing a contract with Tran Ngoc Lieng, Social Welfare Minister of Viet Nam.

The pact signified the initial go-ahead on a World Relief Commission long-range plan to establish a basic educational institution, an agricultural training school and a vocational education program to be known collectively as the Christian Lay Leadership Training Center.

The Center will provide basis facilities for young Vietnamese to learn trades and crafts by which they can help their fellow countrymen to help themselves. Specific objectives of the Center are:

1. Practical on-the-job training of youth in modern methods of agriculture and industry.
2. Assistance for war-orphan and underprivileged youth.
3. Understanding of the Christian Faith and Life as the basis for building character and setting life-goals.
4. Development of community leadership and self-help extension projects.

The Center will be located in the ancient imperial city of Hue in the economically-deficient provinces of Thua Thien and Quang Tri. In this area are approximately one million Vietnamese, including eight or ten thousand Bru and Pakoh mountain tribespeople.

Davis, a Christian and Missionary Alliance missionary with six years of experience in Viet Nam, surveyed the needs of this critical

area and set forth the following goals in the development of the Christian Lay Leadership Training Center:

1. Phase A - 1966 to 1967 - Training of a nucleus group of Vietnamese to become teachers with specific emphasis on the development of the farm, the school, indigenous industries, dormitories and a grade school
2. Phase B - 1967 to 1969 - Extension of activities to include a larger enrollment, continuing development of the farm, industries, dormitories and school, and to start a vocational/academic high school and Christian leadership school.
3. Phase C - 1969 to 1971 - Total enrollment projected to at least 500 students. Development of all aspects of program initiated in previous phases. A large percentage of self-support attained at this point from farm produce and manufactured merchandise, and all programs under Vietnamese leadership.

Unhesitating recognition was given this undertaking of the N. A. E. World Relief Commission by the U. S. Aid for International Development Mission, the Viet Nam Food for Peace Director, Raymond Gordon, and the Vietnamese government.

Davis, fluent in the Vietnamese language, will be assisted by James Green, an American who, along with Vietnamese language ability, has spent five years in the country and is a University of Hue graduate. ●

PEACE BOARD URGES PRAYER

At this time of crisis when the eyes of the world are focused on Viet Nam, the Board of Peace and Service is calling on the Friends of Oregon Yearly Meeting to put their confidence in our Almighty God.

We urge every church of our Yearly Meeting to call its members to daily prayer. Let us pray for the ceasing of this war in Viet Nam. We call your attention to this thought from Prayer Capsules by Margaret E. Bishop: "Prayer based on God's Word is the only weapon man can use today to touch the invisible foe."

And we have this promise of II Chronicles 7:14, that God will hear from heaven and heal the land if His people which are called by His name will humble themselves and pray and seek His face.

—L. Merle Green, President
Board of Peace and Service

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MISSIONARY BIOGRAPHIES Nicholas Maurer

By Carolann Palmer

WE ARE HAPPY to present to Northwest Friend readers, one of Oregon Yearly Meeting's newest missionaries—Nick Maurer.

Coming from California, where Nick attended high school and Oakland City College, he entered George Fox College in 1962, graduating in 1965. It was while attending the Youth Ambassador Training Workshop that he met Alice Hampton, and three years later they were married.

Let Nick tell in his own words of his conversion and call to the mission field:

"As the result of half-hearted church attendance at Berkeley Friends for five years, during which time Jesus was revealed more and more, together with my own need of salvation, in August, 1955, I realized my hopeless condition and asked Jesus to save me. I was really born again. All became new, from the way things looked, to my own attitudes, values, and purposes. God's Word faithfully preached, as well as my own reading of it; prayers of Christians for me, and the example of Godly lives, were the main factors as I look back. From my conversion, I felt called into full-time Christian service, and for this reason came to George Fox College. During Youth Ambassador work at Meadows Valley in 1964, Mark Roberts visited and shared the Peruvian Aymaras' plea to hear the Gospel. God seemed to say, 'I can use you to help answer their heart cry.' When Alice wrote that she too felt the call and would be happy as a missionary, I was doubly assured of the call to missionary

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service in Peru. Of course we prayed much about this and the Lord gave us such peace and confidence in Himself there was left no doubt. While I had not felt a definite call to mission service before this, since sensing God's call into general Christian service I never had put aside the possibility in this area."

The Lord brought many influences into Nick's life to be a missionary. Among these was the direct Word of God, a desire to share the Gospel with others; plus the testimony of other missionaries. These all gradually brought into focus God's perfect plan.

II Corinthians 5:19 is Nick's favorite verse because it contains Christ's deity, atoning and forgiving purpose and our responsibility. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation."

Nick's answer to the question, "What do you like best?" was "Christian fellowship." "Least?" - "oatmeal mush"!

Nick and Alice will leave in December for two terms of language school in San Jose, Costa Rica, then to Peru next September.

As they leave, they request prayer: 1. That the Lord will give us a greater capacity to love the unlovely; 2. to be able to adjust to and understand new people and culture; 3. for physical health and stamina; 4. for a closer walk with the Lord.

Next month, meet Alice. ●

The following is taken from the sessions of the joint Minister's Conference held in California last spring. This will give an opportunity for the reader to view the minister and his wife as...



Partners in the Parsonage

IDEAS AND opinions were freely expressed by the seldom-heard-from feminine members of the parsonage teams at their meetings during Pastors Conference held in Northern California last spring. These expressions were quite revealing and, perhaps, worthy of further airing.

In the session for pastors' wives directed by Mildred Rinard, the women agreed that next to salvation and dedication to the Lord's service, the parsonage woman must possess a sense of humor. Who but a preacher's wife would know how to react when the coo-coo clock struck eight right in the midst of a solemn home wedding ceremony?

In the second session for the parsonage women led by Maxine Ball, the following question was discussed: "What do you most appreciate about your preacher husband?" It was not surprising that the majority of answers showed the wife's gratitude for her husband's willingness to consider his family, as well as his church, and to ungrudgingly devote some of his time to those of his own household. Others spoke gratefully of their husband's willingness to help in tasks about the parsonage, thus releasing the wife to help in work of the church.

One wife explained her feelings this way: "I appreciate my husband because he allows me to be myself without fitting into a cast formed by some people who say 'This is what a pastor's wife should be'."

Other qualities calling forth the wives' appreciation included: spiritual insight, unselfishness, moral integrity, kindness, patience, ability to "keep confidential matters", good business management, and thoughtfulness—to the extent that "he consults me before inviting guests to dinner at the parsonage".

Several wives appreciated the fact that their husbands never told them what the ser-

mons were going to be about on Sunday; therefore, they "could listen to the sermon as one of the congregation."

One wife summarized her attitude thus: "I appreciate my husband's taking the leadership in spiritual matters; but at the same time he makes me feel that we are partners in the parsonage. Through the years we have learned the strengths and weaknesses of each other until we instinctively defer or take the lead without a feeling of competition or jealousy."

The husband who would have won the blue ribbon award—had one been given—was the preacher who "pitches in and helps clean house when I'm in a bind and getting ready for company. He has assumed as his daily task getting breakfast for the family every morning. Why shouldn't I appreciate him?"

Some humorous as well as practical answers resulted from the question: "What are some things you wish preachers wouldn't do?" While the preachers' wives made it perfectly clear they were not referring to their own husbands, they emphatically declared a dissatisfaction for any husband who would bring company home to dinner without first making arrangements to do so.

Regarding the content of sermons, the wives were not slow to reveal their dislikes. Some of their reactions were as follows: "I don't like ministers over-using 'I' and 'MY'. They shouldn't use their wives or children as the butt of their jokes or stories." "Some preachers are too dogmatic in their ideas. They shouldn't sulk or get hurt if folks don't go along with them 100% in everything." "Trivia, worn-out jokes, and unnecessary details make it hard for me to listen to some ministers." "I wish preachers wouldn't re-preach their sermons in their benediction and I don't like preachers always saying, 'Now

you would know this person if I told you his name'."

A very pertinent thought was expressed by the wife who declared, "I dislike preachers using big words or words in another language until no one knows what he is talking about!" Another asked: "Why don't preachers plan their services before they get on the platform? I wish they wouldn't whisper to the song leader or other people in the opening of the services. They think it's awful for us in the congregation to do that."

As to length of sermons, one wife declared, "I wish preachers wouldn't be so tedious, but would say what they have to say and then sit down, even if it isn't 12 o'clock yet!" "I wish preachers could see themselves at worship services," another said. "I do wish they wouldn't look at their sermon notes or study the Bible during song service. They should take part right along with the congregation in singing."

A number of the women agreed that mannerisms detract from sermon delivery. But one wife felt she could tolerate mannerisms as long as the preacher "didn't comb his hair on his way to, or after he gets to the platform." As to ministerial attire, one of the women declared: "I don't think the minister should always wear a white shirt and tie, never appearing as just a common ordinary person."

Nonetheless, the preachers' wives from Oregon and California unanimously concluded that they all had wonderful preacher husbands. Each and every one was grateful that the Lord had permitted them to be partners in the parsonages.

—By One of the Preachers' Wives

Around George Fox College

DO YOU KNOW THAT. . .

the Quarterly Meeting Scholarships are being featured for the offerings on George Fox College Day? It is hoped that support will come, not only for the eight scholarships for this year, but that a number of meetings will help to underwrite those for our pastors' and missionaries' children.

the Associated Christian Colleges of Oregon (of which George Fox is a charter member) now has offices at Tigard and is holding night classes there at the Fowler Junior High School three nights a week? Dr. Lansing Bulgin, provost, is in charge.

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New Meridian Friends Church Dedicated

By Clynton Crisman

ON OCTOBER 24 at 2:30 p.m. approximately 250 people gathered at the new Friends Church at Meridian, Idaho for the dedication service.

Just a year ago the site of this fine building was a pasture where the pastor's horses grazed quietly. But an abrupt change came about with the appearance of a bulldozer to level the ground, and the ensuing year has seen an abundance of activity. Hugh McNichols from Star gave direction to the construction work and Warren and Edith Moor came with their trailer house, staying some four months to help with the building. The people from the congregation gave of their time, making it possible that a lovely church could be built with a minimum of hired help. All this added up to the fact that this beautiful building with 5,000 square feet of floor space was built for approximately \$25,000.

The dedication service began with a congregational song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," led by Randall Emry, pastor of Whitney church in Boise, the mother church. A welcome was extended to the assembled group by Dorwin Smith, pastor. Helen Sheirbon related the history of the church. She was chosen for this task as she was one of the first to express a concern for a Friends Church in Meridian.

Robert Beeson, Clerk, gave acknowledgments of the many who had made the building a reality. Mayor Don M. Storey extended greetings, welcoming Friends to the city.

After a number by a male quartet from Greenleaf, Acting Superintendent Clynton Crisman brought a message based on the dedication of Solomon's temple. He challenged the congregation to keep the fire on the altar even as it fell on the temple. He reminded that the building is only a means to an end, that of winning men and women to the Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the highlights of the service was the surprise presentation of a new automatic coffee maker along with a check for \$26 to Dorwin and Marita Smith in appreciation of their leadership, without which Meridian Friends Church would probably not have become a reality.

New People Join Headquarters Staff

SIGNIFICANT personnel changes have been made recently among officers and headquarters staff of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church.

Joining the headquarters staff as secretary to the superintendent is Miss Leta Hickman, recently of Long Beach, California, who with her mother, Mrs. Florence Hickman, will take up residence in Newberg. Miss Hickman, sister of Mrs. Hubert Thornburg of Dundee, comes to the Friends Church headquarters with a background of 21 years of secretarial work for the State of California. Of this time 14 years were spent with the Department of Education as secretary to the District Superintendent of the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. From 1958 until September, 1965, Miss Hickman held the position of Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Fairview State Hospital, an institution for the retarded located in Costa Mesa, California.

Announcement has also been made of the appointment of Mr. Ralph Arensmeier, Newberg, Oregon, as treasurer of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church. Mr. Arensmeier, replacing Mr. Roger Minthorne of Portland, is currently on the staff of George Fox College as Student Financial Advisor. He and Mrs. Arensmeier are head residents at Edwards Hall on the George Fox campus. A background of financial and business experience in southern Oregon qualifies Mr. Arensmeier for this new appointment. In association with the office of the treasurer, comes also the appointment of Mrs. Arlene Moore as assistant treasurer. Mrs. Moore, the wife of Dr. George Moore, Dean of Faculty of George Fox College, serves part-time as nurse at Friendsview Manor, Newberg.

Other additions to the headquarters staff are Mr. Ron Stansell, Field Secretary for the Friends Youth of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends and Mr. Ralph Chapman, coordinator for Friends Missionary Literature Service, the newly organized literature arm of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends in its ministry in Spanish and the Aymara Indian dialect of Bolivia and Peru, South America. Mr. Stansell, in addition to his Friends Youth responsibilities, is a student at Western Evangelical Seminary, Jennings Lodge, Oregon. ●



Leta Hickman, new secretary at OYM Headquarters.

Overseas Food Relief

By Rolland Hartley

IT IS GETTING so that in order to show the bent of one's philosophy—whether the topic is Viet Nam, the race issue or simply opposition to the opposition—the popular thing is to stand, sit, run, walk or sleep "in." Who quietly goes about helping others? He may not make the headlines, picture captions or draw much attention to himself, but there is little doubt that his one man action program does more good.

Again the Peace and Service Board is urging the support of the overseas food relief program. The drive will be initiated on December 5, this year and will extend through March of 1966. The Christmas season is felt to be an appropriate launching time, since giving at this season is the custom, and Christians love to give.

Why not tithe your Christmas spending this year to help buy car loads of food for the hungry people abroad? If we were to ponder a moment, it would be easily seen that the bulk of Christmas spending is for those within the walls of our own homes. Does it sound a little selfish when translated into the tens of thousands of dollars which we Friends spend on ourselves?

Two hundred and seventy-five dollars will pay for the transportation of a railroad carload of government surplus food to destitute people overseas. Oregon Yearly Meeting Friends raised over \$2,600.00 last year. Let's see what we can do with the challenge again this year. ●

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their voices when they speak seems an inadequate way of maintaining membership in a movement which claims to be revolutionary in impact. Some discipline is absolutely necessary for a vital Christian Fellowship.

Under the section entitled "Rules for Membership" in the California Yearly Meeting "Faith and Practice" (Discipline), appear the following instructions concerning preparation: "—to instruct and guide applicants for membership in their search for truth, to ascertain whether the applicant makes a sincere profession of faith in Christ and accepts the principles of Christianity as held by Friends, and whether he will share in the financial obligations of the Meeting. It (Ministry and Counsel) shall advise the applicant that regularity in attendance and faithfulness in service are also obligations of membership."

Discipline is necessary for our own sakes, for the sake of the Father, and for the sake of others. Remembering the necessity of (a) and (b) above as has already been discussed we would suggest the following as minimum disciplines:

- (1) Daily private or family devotions
- (2) Total abstinence from alcohol and tobacco
- (3) Agreement to tithe or to begin arranging affairs in order to reach this goal as soon as possible
- (4) Attendance at morning worship and monthly meeting unless there is a valid reason that one can give his Lord for not being present. Each should desire to do more in this matter of attendance but would accept the above as a minimum.
- (5) Agreement to refrain from gossip and tale bearing. John Wesley's "Six points of Methodism" were:
 - a. That we will not listen to or inquire after any ill concerning each other.
 - b. That, if we hear any ill concerning each other, we will not be forward (not in a hurry) to believe it.
 - c. That as soon as possible we will communicate what we hear, by speaking to or writing to the person concerned.
 - d. That until we have done this we will not write or speak a syllable of it to any other person whatsoever.
 - e. That neither will we mention it,

after we have done this, to any other person whatsoever.
f. That we will make no exceptions to these rules, unless we think ourselves absolutely obliged in conscience to do so.

James gives us the promise that if we can rout the enemy in this matter of our tongue we can have victory over the whole man.

It is interesting to hear of the solution found by William Carey (the "father of modern missions") shortly after going to the Harvey Lane Baptist Church in Leicester. Eugene Harrison tells the following: "He found the church in a state of disunion, dishonor and spiritual impotence, due largely to worldliness and resultant evils among the members. He prayed and preached most fervently, but conversions were impossible in such an atmosphere and the pastor was heartbroken. Eventually, he determined upon a bold course—one that many churches in the twentieth century could doubtless follow to great advantage. He proposed that the church membership be dissolved, that a solemn covenant embodying New Testament faith, life and discipline be prepared, and that only those accepting this covenant be accepted as members of the newly-constituted church. This was done; the church was revived; worldly nettles gave place to the fruitage of the Spirit; and, in response to the preaching from the pulpit and witnessing in the homes, there were many conversions."

EVALUATING OUR STRUCTURES

We are aware of heretical doctrines (except for the more subtle ones perhaps) but we must also be aware of "heretical structure." Structures are simply the earthen vessels for the Holy Spirit: the vehicles to convey truth, love, and the power of God to wherever and whatever the needs of men may be. We will always need some structures to express and embody our life and work as the Church of Jesus Christ.

A great error is that our objectives are assumed. Once we define our purpose, then it is only natural that the next step is to evaluate the things we are doing in the light of that purpose. If we accept our purpose as that of evangelism which includes winning, conserving, and reproducing, then needs are to be met and issues decided in reference to the contribution made toward fulfilling our purpose. Points of analysis would be as follows:

- (1) What is good in our program?

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- (2) What are we doing that we could do more effectively?
- (3) What are we doing that is not contributing?
- (4) What are we not doing that we ought to be doing?

The core is our purpose, and growing out of that are the essential elements which are seen as vehicles, agencies, or tools through which the purpose is put to work and made active. This means that a Sunday School Class or Friends Youth meeting, etc., must have as its aim (1) winning others (2) building up the believer in Christ (3) or training in witnessing or service. Thus, anything which is not aimed directly at one of these goals should be laid aside, so that time will be available to work out new approaches to the needs which God would impress upon us. That which is good is kept, but all must submit itself to continual evaluation that we might be as effective as possible in the holy task entrusted to us.

This means that we must not defend questionable activities which are our "pets" or that we dare not be so rigid and unimaginative as to gage everything in the light of the way it was done "back East" or else where.

AGENTS OF RECONCILIATION

We now broach a much neglected area where there is much need for a dedicated imagination. When courting a girl, cultivating a business prospect, or planning an addition to our dwelling we have ideas on what to do. Why not imagination for an effective Christian witness developing in a natural way from a ministry of reconciliation. Our concept of "souls" must be enlarged to include the whole man.

Many of us are unaware or are pre-occupied with our own little world, so there is great need for us to cultivate sensitivity and awareness. The love of God that is shed abroad in our hearts will enable us to see the worth of the individual. We must see that it is not enough to be reconciled ourselves but that to us is committed "the ministry of reconciliation." It is as true with the church as with the individual that "whosoever keepeth his life shall lose it and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospels shall find it."

Human love may be described as reaction-in-kind for we by nature love those who love us. Jesus drew the distinction between human love and the love of God shed abroad in our hearts when he said: "for if ye love them

which love you, what reward have ye? Do not even the publicans the same?"

Thus, God's love is a fruit of the Spirit for we are helpless to muster this kind of love on our own. Divine love is creative for it knows the worth of the individual. Surely this is what Paul meant when he wrote: "—he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh." With the mind of Christ we see each individual as an immortal soul. Christ wept over Jerusalem and his heart was continually broken as he saw the hold that sin had upon people's lives. We love, we serve, we give ourselves to those in need for this is the nature of God—"but God commended his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." What we are willing to do for men depends ultimately on our conception of what they actually can be in Christ.

FELLOWSHIP OF REDEMPTION

That which separates the church from all other groups is redemption. Redemption defines our purpose, fellowship means we do it together. Thus fellowship is seen to be a by-product by mission.

The Constitution guarantees the pursuit of happiness, but you never find happiness when you pursue it directly. The reason is that you are turned in upon yourself, desiring to please self, which is the root cause of the absence of peace, joy, and happiness. Happiness comes as you give yourself to a meaningful cause which benefits others, but it comes as a by-product. The same is true of freedom. Freedom only comes as we submit ourselves to Christ and become a "love slave" to Him. We were never really free, only free to choose. We are forever a servant of our choices, whether sin or Christ. So freedom comes not directly but as a result of submission, "—take my yoke upon you and learn of me."

The fellowship we seek and need must come out of our meeting together in the service of the gospel. This is the real and meaningful fellowship in Christ and comes on a deep level. Fellowship for its own sake leaves only a sour taste in the mouth. Witness the fellowship experienced by two who are out calling on others in the name of Christ, or the togetherness and good will of a group planning or preparing a meal where the gospel is to be presented.

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HONORING CORPORATE WORSHIP

I have come to believe that the Lord honors the corporate worship of His people in a way that is altogether unique. In this day of seeking pleasure and material things, the temptation is for believers to use Sunday along with Saturday as a two day escape from the hustle and bustle of a busy life. One has said that when a man buys a boat or a camper you might as well write him off as being an effective servant of Christ. The Corporate meeting of the Church on First Day morning must be the first order of discipline if we expect to know the power of God in our meetings. If we were to covenant with God as a Church to seek Him in worship every Sunday and know that whatever comes we have made our decision for that day. I believe God would honor that with a manifestation of Himself that would change our lives, our church, and then the lives of many.

It is our duty and privilege to render that reverence, honor, and adoration to God that he requires (which is worship). Robert Barclay has written these fine words: "When assembled, the great work of all ought to be to wait upon God; and returning out of our own thoughts and imaginations, to feel the Lord's presence, and know a gathering into his name indeed, where he is in the midst, according to his promise."

UNDERSTANDING UNITY

There are two ways of welding people together: (1) a negative way, where a common bond is realized in being against some outward threat. This is a temporary unity as a response to a common danger such as a tornado or flood. We have a limited unity if we are anti-communists or anti something else. But we know that as soon as the source of danger passes the old life returns with its divisions and animosities. The only enduring way to have spiritual solidarity is (2) by common devotion to a great cause. It is ultimately the only true way by which men can be united and inspired. Our cause is the cause of Christ and the Gospel.

We will have unity to the degree we are given as individuals and as a body to this cause to which we are called. (Unity is not uniformity. It is not everyone thinking alike; not the absence of differences, but the spirit of love which makes our differences contributions for we are enriched and taught by one another.) "At low tide there may be multitudes of separated pools along the shore. At

high tide they are brought together and the little distinctions are lost in the splendid union of a powerful flood. It is that way when the love of God and man takes precedence in the hearts of Christian people; as the tide of love rises, distinctions disappear, and while people will not see or think exactly alike, they will rise together in a higher concern. If we are concerned only with our own selves or our own group we might well expect to 'bite and devour one another' and if we are caught up in the eternal purpose of the gospel we will know unity and love which 'covereth a multitude of sins.'"

It is said that William Booth, the founder of the "Salvation Army" was on his death bed while the leaders of that fine movement were laying plans for their organization and ministry, and that he requested that a dispatch be sent to the group. It contained only one word: "OTHERS."

We cannot improve on that, and in a word it sums up what we have been trying to bring to our minds and hearts as a working concept of the church.



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Retreat at Pendleton

By Gertrude Ankeny

SOME 110 LADIES of Oregon Yearly Meeting gathered at Pendleton, Oregon, September 28 - October 1, for the 11th annual Women's Missionary Union Retreat. The theme of this year's conference was "Precious Jewels."

The three evening services were highlighted by the messages of guest speaker, Grace Petticord, wife of the president of Western Evangelical Seminary in Portland. Inspiring messages on the theme were given by her on the topics: We Are Jewels of God's Creation; We Are Jewels of His Choosing; and We Are Jewels of His Shaping, on the three successive evenings. Mrs. Petticord compared each person's life to a precious jewel which must be cut and polished by a Master Craftsman in order that the beauty and luster of the jewel can shine forth. The heart must be like a prism through which God's light can shine, and one's talents should be facets which reflect God's love.

May Nordyke, president of the yearly meeting W. M. U. spoke during the morning devotional periods, and showed colored slides of her trip to Bolivia and Peru last spring. The women were shown pictures and were challenged to pray for the officers of the Bolivian women's organization, which was organized on a Quarterly Meeting level while May was there.

During other sessions of the two days, the various chairmen of committees reported on their plans for the current year. Dorothy Morse, foreign projects chairman, presented the items needed by Nick and Alice Maurer for their outfitting for missionary service. A "kitchen products" shower was also given Marie Chapman and Florene Nordyke, by the women present.

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Other areas of special WMU interest which were presented were the home projects, prayer unit, devotionals, program books, membership and the reading program. As revealed in the treasurer's report, the women of Oregon Yearly Meeting are giving \$180 per month for the support of the Comfort family on the mission field, and here at home are contributing \$100 per month to Meridian and \$75 per month to Clackamas Park.

Sixty of the eighty active unions in the yearly meeting had at least one representative present at Retreat. Hayden Lake union led the list with six women present.

Retreat closed on Thursday evening with the traditional "testimony time" when many of the women present witnessed to the blessings received during the two-day sessions.



BEGIN NOW TO make plans for the second annual church choir conference and festival to be held Saturday, March 5, 1966. The place will be announced in the December Northwest Friend. Here are two of the numbers which will be used as mass choir numbers.

No. 2498. HE WATCHING OVER ISRAEL, from Elijah-Mendelssohn, G. Schirmer, New York, N. Y.

No. 1756. THANKS BE TO GOD - Stanley Dickson, Boosy and Hawks. P.O. Box 418, Lynbrook, N. Y.

The third number will be announced later. Get your copies early and start practicing!

This conference is open to any Friends Church Choirs that wish to participate, especially for the churches of the coast quarterly meetings, Puget Sound, S. W. Washington, Portland, Newberg and Salem. A more complete announcement of plans will be in the next issue. Begin to pray and work for the success of this venture. Any suggestions for improvement over last year will be greatly welcomed and appreciated.

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Harold Thomas To Serve in Guatemala

THROUGH COOPERATIVE efforts of Oregon and California Yearly Meetings, a young Friend, Harold Thomas, has initiated a two year program of alternative service which is designed to take him to Guatemala, Central America.

Appointment of Harold Thomas to a term of service in Guatemala has been made possible under the Board of Peace and Service of Oregon Yearly Meeting, which is a qualified sponsoring agency under the Selective Service program. Since the work in which Harold is to be engaged is in direct relationship with the California Friends mission field in Guatemala, he will be under the employment of California Yearly Meeting and will receive his support from this source. Harold will also have an additional official tie with Oregon Yearly Meeting representing Friends Youth as a Youth Ambassador.

Following a period of training in California, Harold will pilot a weaving project among the Chorti Indians in Jocotan, a neighboring village to Chiquimula, Guatemala. He will be under the supervision of Homer Sharpless as he develops this project. This will be followed by approximately one year to be engaged in maintenance work for the Friends mission there.

Harold Thomas, the son of William and Esther May Thomas of Spokane, Washington, is also a nephew of missionaries David Thomas in Bolivia and George Thomas in Burundi. He has completed one year of studies at George Fox College in Newberg.

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EDITORIAL *continued*

They say Christians have a strange jargon. And some of my friends have worked hard in mastering 'their' jargon determined to give them the Gospel in terms they can't possibly misunderstand. So far I haven't noticed much change in attitude generally toward the Bible, but then maybe I am prejudiced since I have no flair for linguistics.

The Aymara people, I have heard, are very poor. The problem of poverty is prominent here too just now. It's making headlines. More seriously, it is striking close to the work of Oregon Friends and I am most sorry to have to tell you that our Yearly Meeting this year had to cut the budget of every board (including of course, our missionary program), because our church giving was down last year. This is really disturbing for while the heathen rage with racy mobility and colored entertainment the generous spirit of Christians seems also to be influenced. I only hope our anti-poverty programs will result in more missionary giving. But to date, prosperity doesn't seem to bring many dividends for extending the kingdom of God. So I would advise your working as hard as possible while the people are poor for that is when the church grows.

As you can see, we aren't accomplishing a great deal but we are terribly busy. Do write when you can.

Sincerely,
J. L. W.

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LISTEN, LITTLE QUAKERS!
By Marie Haines

"DON'T CRY Sunia," Sooknay put her arm around the smaller girl, "Come with me. I know mother will fix you up."

"But I am so dirty and hungry and cold," Sunia wailed. "No one wants me anywhere."

"Mother will want you. I was dirtier than you when she took me in." Sooknay looked critically at the little girl. "Here, rub on some more dirt so mother will feel sorrier. You aren't quite dirty enough."

More dirt was rubbed on and a few more holes torn in the worn padded garment. "Now, you just cry and let me do the talking," Sooknay warned as she led Sunia up the steps of the big orphanage on Cheung Chau Island in Korea.

Mother tried to look disapproving. "You know we have no more room Sooknay."

"But mother, she is so little and hungry. She has no one, no one. I found her sleeping in a box," Sooknay pleaded. "We will crowd our mats together and make room for her to sleep."

Mother sighed. "Very well," she said. "Help her wash and find clean clothes. You will all have to eat less," she said trying to sound severe.

Sunia smacked her lips happily as she cleaned the last grain of rice from her bowl. She was warm and washed and now fed. "This is the so-so beautiful place," she said.

Outside, the wind was blowing stronger and stronger. "Children," mother said calmly, "The talk box says a typhoon is coming. We must pray the dear Jesus to protect us."

Sunia was very frightened. She knew all about typhoons. They were the great winds that had destroyed her home and killed her father and mother. Now, was she to be left homeless again? No one noticed as she slipped away.

As they knelt to pray, Sooknay missed Sunia. Quietly, she stole from the room and started to search. "Sunia, Sunia," she called softly. Finally, she found her hiding under the bed in mother's room.

"I could not crawl under our mats," Sunia said shaking with fright as a great gust of wind shook the house.

"We are not allowed in mother's room," Sooknay reproached her. "Come on downstairs. The dear Jesus will keep us safe."

"But I do not know the Jesus," Sunia wailed as the building trembled again. "He will not save me."

"Come on, we will talk to mother," Sooknay coaxed. "She will help you find Him."

They were all still on their knees praying as Sooknay led Sunia to mother. "She wants to belong to Jesus," Sooknay whispered as mother drew the trembling little girl close. Soon, a happier Sunia wiped her eyes and smiled. "Now He knows me."

They all played games, sang, and listened to Bible stories. Then, they went to bed trusting Jesus while the typhoon raged.

"Let us give special thanks this morning," mother said as they gathered around the breakfast table. "Many boats were broken to pieces last night. Many homes were destroyed and many people are hungry this morning."

Sunia listened wide eyed. Then she looked at her breakfast bowl of rice. "Mother," she said timidly, "Could I share my rice with someone who is hungry?"

"I have a little money," another said, "I will give that." "I was saving to buy a new sash, you can have that." So it went.

"We will all eat less and take little packages of food to the refugee camp," Mother said with tears in her eyes.

"Let us put a gospel tract in the packages," one of the teachers suggested.

What a happy Thanksgiving Day! The children sang and told the refugees how Jesus had protected them. Many of the refugees accepted the Lord as their Savior that day.

"Thank you, Sunia," Mother whispered holding her close.

AMONG THE CHURCHES



INLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

EAST WENATCHEE, Robert Morrill, pastor

Stanley Perisho, Admissions Officer for George Fox College was guest speaker in the October 17 Sunday Morning Services. ¶ Our pastor, Robert Morrill attended the Pastor's Short-Course at George Fox College. ¶ Our SS will now have a nursery for children under two years of age and a nursery class from 2-4 years. ¶ We are having Junior church each Sunday for the Primary children.

—Irene Smith, reporting

SPOKANE, Clare Willcuts, pastor

We praise the Lord for the safe return of Everett and Ann Puckett after a two-month visit with their son Paul and family in Bolivia. They also visited the mission field in Peru and several other countries on their return trip home. We have learned much from them both of the mission field and know better the needs of the missionaries for which we can pray. Ann Puckett gave a travelogue of their trip at the September meeting of the W. M. U.

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

CHEHALEM CENTER,

Eugene B. Hibbs, pastor

Warren Moor is in Columbia, South America, working with the Wycliff people, helping with the building of several buildings. He will be there around six months. ¶ Our first meeting of boys and girls clubs was held September 29. ¶ October 6 a fellowship dinner was held before Prayer Meeting and a pounding for our pastors was held afterwards. ¶ A college age class has been started with Evangeline Raymond as teacher. ¶ Mr. Otto Barnell of Monmouth was our guest speaker for the Sunday Evening service on October 10.

¶ The Inland Empire SS Convention was held in Spokane September 13-14. Every member of our SS staff was able to attend at least one of the meetings. ¶ September 28 through October 1 we had our SS Training Session with Dorothy Barratt of Silverton, Oregon as teacher. ¶ The Adult Study Group sponsored a Fellowship Hour after the evening service September 26. We were pleased with the attendance and Christian fellowship we all had. ¶ Miss Dorothy Moos, a missionary of Viet Nam, was guest speaker at the SS opening session on October 3. She and her associate Miss Pamela Brady of Kidderminster, England, sang "Jesus Loves Me" in the native tongue. ¶ The week of October 4 our pastor, Clare Willcuts, went to the Evangelical Foreign Mission Association Annual Retreat at Winona Lake, Indiana. He was representative for our Board of Missions. ¶ The annual Fish Fry was held October 6 with Monthly Business meeting following. ¶ Recently we had a guest speaker for a Sunday evening service Rev. Blythe McLean, of the American Sunday School Union. He showed a film and talked about their work in the Northwest.

NEWBERG, Charles Ball, pastor

J. Edwin Orr was speaker for Christian Emphasis week, October 10-17, at the college and church. He is widely known for his evangelistic ministry in every part of the world, especially among university students. ¶ The Adult Department SS Workers met for dinner in the church dining room October 17 after church. Much helpful discussion of SS problems was presented by members of the group. ¶ Teachers for three College-Age SS Classes are Sheldon Louthan, Kenneth Williams, and Charles Beals. Paul Mills is teaching an elective class for adults on "World Missions."

¶ College students were welcomed at prayer meeting and a reception on September 29. ¶ Lonny and Raelene Fendall were welcomed with a food and gift shower at the close of prayer meeting on September 22. ¶ Fred and Mabel Frost celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on October 10.

TIGARD, Orville, Winters, pastor

Tigard Friends Church has done "nuttin'" again this fall! Different ones went to the filbert orchard to pick during the week, and more than 20 turned out to pick all day Saturday. The pickers brought sack lunches and chili was served at noon. This project netted

PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

LYNWOOD, Charles Morgan, pastor

The senior FY group had a pizza feed followed by a skating party in Gresham. ¶ A farewell gathering was held on September 26, for Paul and Trudy Lund and Henry and Delores Dickhouse. They will be sorely missed. ¶ A food shower was held for our new assistant pastor, Charles and Carla Niefert, on October 10, following a pot-luck dinner. ¶ A pictorial directory is being made for Lynwood. Sixty-three families turned out to have their pictures taken. ¶ A special service was held October 15, by the World Evangelization Crusade. Former Congo captives, Mr. Brown and Mrs. Dunningham gave their testimonies. It was one of the best missionary services ever held at Lynwood. ¶ Our surprise contest mentioned last month has turned out to be a "Friendship Space Race" with Rose Valley. The idea being not to get into space but to fill up the space.

SECOND FRIENDS, Lyle Love, pastor

The tile has been laid in our basement and also the baseboard laid and some of the walls painted which give the basement a very pleasant and clean look, as well as making it more usable. We appreciate the work of Ralph Lewis, Chairman of our trustees, who supervised the work and saw that it was done. Some of the young married couples have been decorating the Mother's room and giving it a very pleasant look. ¶ We are happy to have 40 in attendance at our Committee Planning Supper and much work was accomplished during the evening in making plans for the year's work. ¶ A farewell pot-luck dinner was held

\$178.32 for the building fund. ¶ The pastor is now holding home Bible studies Monday and Tuesday mornings in the homes of Arlene Watson and Betty Dundas. These groups are made up of non-church women only; have been well attended, and much enthusiasm is evidenced. ¶ The Friends Youth group and several adults drove together to the GFC-OCE football game in Newberg October 9. ¶ Sunday evening October 10 we started a Junior age Friends Youth. Elizabeth Bishop is sponsoring, with Will Howell and Jan Newmeyer assisting. Twenty youngsters were present for this first meeting. ¶ Our pastor was at the Medford Friends Church October 13 through 17 and conducted a seminar on "Christian Growth".

for those families who have left us to help in the Clackamas Park Friends Church and a program and time of fellowship followed the dinner. ¶ We were happy to have Clynton Crisman with us and share some of his concerns for our Church and the Yearly Meeting. ¶ It was a privilege to have Nick and Alice Maurer present a Sunday evening service in which they sang and told of their call and preparations for their term of Missionary Service.

FIRST FRIENDS, Gerald Dillon, pastor

Representatives from the new Korean Church were with us recently along with a Korean Children's Choir dressed in their own Korean dress. ¶ September was Stewardship Month with an appreciation Dinner September 24 and Commitment Sunday September 26. A wonderful time was had by all who attended the dinner and a real blessing was received from God by those who took part in Commitment Sunday. ¶ September 26 was Promotion Sunday. Teachers and Department Superintendents were introduced along with the giving of attendance awards. ¶ A SS goal of 440 has been set by Christmas. The high school department and young married peoples class have been doing quite well. ¶ We were all pleased to have the father of Kathy Liu as our guest speaker one Sunday evening. He and his wife were here under the sponsorship of the Friends work in Taiwan. ¶ Visitation is underway every Monday night at 7:00. ¶ The Fall Christian Education Leadership Conference of the Friends Churches in Oregon and Washington was held at our church October 8 and 9. Leaders included Roger

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Smith, Jack Willcuts, Milo Ross and others. ¶ First Friends Church is proud to be the home church of our loving friends and willing workers Everett and Bertha Heacock for whom George Fox has named their new commons. We all wish them many more years

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING

ROSEMERE, Edwin Cammack, pastor

Rosemere was indeed fortunate to have such a well-qualified Youth Ambassador as Miss Barbara Baker, along with our pastors, to direct the youth, as well as fitting in many ways in the church. On September 17, a combination going-away-party and Jr. FY fun time, was given for Barbara. Her sacrificial work and spirit has been greatly appreciated. ¶ The morning service on October 10 was ably taken care of by Kenneth Eichenberger, and wife, Geneva. Kenneth was here in the interest of Western Evang. Sem. ¶ We are certainly enjoying our new pews, which were installed the 1st week of October. Several of the ladies took one evening out to wax and polish the pews and also our new organ, piano, and pulpit.

—M. Eunice Coats, reporting

ROSE VALLEY, George Bales, pastor

October 3 was the first day of our SS contest with Lynwood. Everyone is being urged to come to SS, but a special emphasis is being made on Bible reading and study. Every department is featuring programs of special interest to their age level. ¶ A potluck dinner was held before Business Meeting, October 6, with 51 people attending. A special treat followed Business Meeting when candid shots of the congregation were shown. A prize was given for the best slide, snapshot, and moving picture. ¶ The kitchen of the church is nearly completed and work on the library will begin soon. This will include a kitchenette for small meetings. ¶ A Bible

of Christian love and service. ¶ We were proud to honor Fostine Burg and Bertha Heacock at the Appreciation Dinner for their more than 30 faithful years of teaching in our church.

—Renee Kargel, reporting

VANCOUVER, Fred Newkirk, pastor

We had a very good Promotion Sunday program on October 3 with 196 in attendance. The program included the Conquerors Trumpet Trio from Cascade College, and Reuben Cogswell with some interesting magic tricks. ¶ The month of October was set aside as mission emphasis month. We had as guest speakers, Ron Stansell, Lloyd Kilgore, Aubrey Brown, John Gunningham, Evert Tuning and Verl Lindley. ¶ September 17 at Brad's Restaurant was the time and place for the SS teachers' and workers' "kick-off" banquet. General Superintendent, Milton Richey, showed a filmstrip on teaching methods, and Pastor Newkirk gave a short talk. Each teacher was given a notebook for complete records on students, follow-up, visitors and prospects, and plans were outlined for the coming year. We have a very good SS staff and, with the Lord's help, we're expecting great things to be accomplished this year. ¶ We were happy to have a former pastor, Roy Clark, and his family worship with us in the morning service recently. ¶ The Membership committee of the W. M. U., consisting of Rayma Cogswell, Margaret Lamm, and Isabelle Shanks, sponsored a lovely tea held in the Fireside Room of the church on October 10.

—Beverly Richey, reporting

PUGET SOUND QUARTERLY MEETING

NORTHEAST TACOMA, Fred Baker, pastor

McKinley Avenue Friends Church joined our church for the viewing of the hour long film "The Big Blast" on September 26. Their youth met with our youth for the FY meeting. ¶ October 3 the four young people from this Quarterly Meeting who attended the National Youth Conference at Quaker Ridge in Colora-

do last July had charge of both evening services. The team consisted of Dennis Martin, Tacoma; Ken Beck, Dave Palmer and Marcia Hadlock from Seattle. Ernie Ostrin, Friends Quarterly meeting youth leader for Puget Sound area accompanied the group and gave the closing message. ¶ Fred Baker, Tex Barea, Bill and Shirley Smith attended the Leadership Conference held at First Friends

Church, Portland on October 9. October 10, Pastor and Mrs. Kim were with us for the Sunday morning services. They showed slides and gave messages in song and in sermon. ¶ We are happy to announce we are now holding a junior FY with Robert and Debra Pendergrast as sponsors.

—Donna Knutson, reporting

AGNEW, May Wallace, pastor

Several from our church attended the Puget Sound Quarterly Meeting SS Workshop on September 17 and 18 and later at our Christian Worker's Conference presented what they had learned in a panel type discussion. This was very informative and interesting. ¶ Our SS attendance has been climbing the last few weeks for which we are praising the Lord. We plan to begin our visitation program this month and will go out visiting one Wednesday night a month into the community. ¶ The pastor has been bringing a series of messages in the evening service on the "History of Christian Missions." ¶ Six ladies from our church attended the Leadership Conference at First Friends Church in Portland on October 9 which was a blessing to all those who were able to attend. ¶ The Friends Youth have organized and elected their officers for this year. ¶ Seven members of the Jr. High SS class enjoyed a lawn party recently at the parsonage.

—Mary Lynch, reporting

HOLLY PARK, Leroy Neifert, pastor

Sixteen of our people attended Yearly Meeting. Leroy Neifert and son Charles brought Sunday messages in the absence of our pastor. ¶ Twenty-one of our people attended Family Camps at Quaker Cove. ¶ A "Farewell" for the Morgan Family was held in the church basement. They were showered with cards expressing appreciation for their

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

MARION, Edward F. Harmon, pastor

On August 15 Marion Friends Church celebrated their 75th anniversary. (See article in October Northwest Friend.) It was a great day of fellowship but the Marion Friends Church looks ahead to the completion of their new Christian Education unit now about completed which will be able to serve the community better. ¶ Harley Adams was a guest speaker on August 22. Marion SS was awarded the Blue Crown award for work done last

ministry to each one. The church presented them with a serving table and the youth groups gave four T. V. serving trays. ¶ Leroy Neifert has accepted a call to serve as interim pastor until a permanent pastor is secured. ¶ Four new members were received into our church membership August 29. At the same time Bruce, baby son of Les and Karine Richey was dedicated. ¶ Twelve officers and teachers of our SS attended the SS 'Retreat' held at Camp Gilead September 17 - 18. ¶ A Bible Study class for adults was started September 12 which meets one hour before evening services. It began in the Book of Ephesians. A good interest is taken in this class. Maurice Magee is teacher. ¶ A SS Teacher's Training class was started October 6. Lois Jones is teacher. Subject is Book of Romans. ¶ Our youth had charge of the evening service October 10. The Team from our quarterly Meeting who attended the Leadership Conference in Colorado were speakers.

—M. Ethel Cowgill, reporting

McKINLEY AVE., Robert Fiscus, pastor

The Voice of Christian Youth presented the film "Misfit" as a special treat to us in a Wednesday evening service. ¶ Sunday, October 2 was our "Big Round-Up Day" in SS. The morning service was followed by a Chuck Wagon Potluck Dinner. Our pastors were surprised with a pounding and welcomed at that time. We also welcomed back Howard and Mary Harmon, who have been at Northeast Tacoma the past three years as pastors and workers. Howard is doing fine after his serious illness. ¶ Pastor and Mrs. Kim were with us for an evening service showing slides and telling of their work among the orientals in Portland. ¶ Our young people and those of Northeast Tacoma enjoyed a four hour cruise on beautiful Puget Sound aboard the "Gallant Lady."

—Dorothy E. Janson, reporting

year. ¶ Special meetings with Herschel Thornburg began October 14.

—G. E. Wilkinson, reporting

PRINGLE, Paul Baker, pastor

Our SS rally was started in September. The theme is "Families for Christ." The campaign this year is to have families come to SS. ¶ Mrs. Josephine Sanders gave an organ concert one Sunday afternoon. Old favorite hymns were played the first half of the

program, and requests the last half. We thank the many that came from the other churches for their donations. ¶ Again we had our Planning Conference at Camp Smith Creek. Charles Beals was our inspirational speaker. "The In Coming of the Holy Spirit" was his message. Several people stayed over night. Tentative plans and changes were made for the coming year. ¶ Women's Bible study on Wednesday mornings at the different homes, is very well attended. We pray for the Lord's blessing on this work. ¶ Many of our young people saw Billy Graham's latest film, "The Restless Ones." ¶ Our guest speaker, Sun. October 12 was Ralph Arensmeier. Ralph and Carol, his wife, furnished special music for our Sun. morning service, too. They are Deans at Edwards Hall at G. F. C.

—Bea Adams, reporting

SILVERTON, Charlotte Macy, pastor

November has been designated as "Evangelism Month" with special prayer emphasis, a Missionary Conference, and a Youth Accent week-end. ¶ We are working very hard on our building, hoping for completion by Christmas. It will be nice to have all SS classes under one roof again. ¶ We are continuing with our choir that was started this summer by Harold Clark, our Youth Ambassador. Gene Mulkey is our capable director, and the special music adds much to our morning worship services. ¶ The junior high SS and FY had a lot of fun at a Halloween party, with their sponsors and teachers. ¶ The Senior FY group had charge of our evening service the fifth Sun. of October. It is always a joy to see and hear our young people take their part in our church. Randy Lowery led the music. Steven Ball and Dorothy Ball spoke, bringing us messages from God's word.

SOUTH SALEM, John Fankhauser, pastor

While our pastor was speaker at College Camp at Twin Rocks, Dr. Arthur W. Ratz, retired Presbyterian minister, brought the message at the morning worship hour, and Mrs. Loren Lottis spoke in the evening. ¶ Elizabeth Edwards spoke at the September SS Workers' Conference. ¶ Following the September 19 evening service, there was a time of fellowship honoring our students from 1st grade through college. ¶ The High School FY have enjoyed "Fifth Quarter" parties following football games. ¶ Eleven from our church attended the Christian Education Conference at First Friends in Portland. ¶ Oct-

ober 3 was recognized as Family Sunday. Gifts were given to each complete family present, and couples who were married in our church were also honored. ¶ October 10, Missionary Sunday, Chuck Tuning spoke and showed slides of the mission work at Sprague River where his parents serve. ¶ After a short devotional on Wednesday evening, October 12, during the prayer meeting hour, all committees of the church met for planning and prayer. ¶ Realizing the importance of hiding God's Word in our hearts, the Youth and Adult Department of SS are memorizing a verse a month. The October verse was 1 Corinthians 3:11. Also attendance goals have been set for each class, and as a class reaches the goal, it receives a blue ribbon on the wall chart in foyer for that Sunday, and if it attains the goal as an average for the month, another ribbon is posted for the month. ¶ Prior to SS on October 17, at 8:45 a.m. till 9:25 a.m., there was a time of Fellowship and getting acquainted for the Youth and Adult Department and their families. Over 100 were present, wearing name tags. Kenneth Eichenberger spoke in both SS and Church. The theme of the evening service was "Light". The darkened sanctuary was lit only by candles on the organ and piano. After each musical number about light, more candles were lit until each one in the congregation held a lighted candle. The pastor then brought a message on "Ye are the light of the world". The message of the evening will not be forgotten.

—Joyce Nordyke, reporting

SPRAGUE RIVER, Evert J. Tuning, pastor

The reroofing of the church is completed. A new type of steel roofing was used which is ideal for this area. ¶ Our pastors attended Yearly Meeting. ¶ Three of our young people are away attending school. Doug and Helen McIntyre at Greenleaf Academy and Joyce McIntyre at George Fox College. ¶ We are studying the book of Revelation on Sunday evenings. ¶ We are again spending the second Sunday of the month in prayer and fasting with visitation the following Sunday.

—Polly Childs, reporting

TALENT, A. Clark Smith, pastor

Our youth group, directed by Sandra Dickinson elected officers as follows: Karen Cox, president; Rudy Conner, vice president; Trenton Eiler, secretary-treasurer; Kathy Kruger, missionary chairman; Lavern Roy and Sue Ehler, program chairmen; Don Kruger and

Debbie Jennings, social chairmen. ¶ A birthday cake was decorated with change from our pockets Sunday morning. The money went toward missionary literature. ¶ Funds are rapidly coming in toward our new pews, with much enthusiasm and help from our children. ¶ Three churches of Talent gathered together for the first monthly Singspiration. ¶ John Coleman with the assistance of Mr. Ehler took the scouts on an overnight camp out.

ROSEDALE, Frank Hoskins, pastor

A SS conference of inspiration and discussion for workers and SS teachers was held. ¶ The SS enjoyed a picnic and ball game at Bush Park in Salem. ¶ Marita Cammack, Ilene Hoskins and Allen Beck are attending George Fox College. Attending Seattle Pacific are Sharon and Mary Ann Doran. ¶ The film

BOISE VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

BOISE, Dale Field, pastor

On Friday night September 17 the Junior and Senior FY had a Scavenger Hunt followed by a social time. Clinton and Nancy Repp are the sponsors. ¶ The regular monthly Men's Breakfast was resumed after the summer months, on Friday September 17. ¶ The FY attended the YFC meeting on Saturday September 18. A premier of the film "Misfit" was shown. ¶ A film, "No Time to Wait", was shown in the Sunday evening service on September 26. In conjunction with the film, the service was termed, "Idea Night." People were urged to bring positive ideas and suggestions for ways to improve our church meeting, as well as increase the attendance. ¶ The Builders SS Class had a party Saturday evening October 2 in the home of Richard and Karen Kliwer. A time was spent in discussing goals to challenge the SS class. ¶ The W. M. U. is doing some home missionary work for World Vision. The project is to make up kits to send to Vietnam.

—Margaret Peterson, reporting

NAMPA, William Mehan, pastor

A missionary conference was held at Nampa Friends September 10-12. Featured speakers were Oscar and Ruth Brown. Special events included an Aymara supper, men's breakfast, women's tea, and a 'Sip and Chat' youth hour. ¶ Nampa's Youth Ambassador, Marita Cammack, has returned to George Fox College. ¶ A Mother-Daughter banquet

"In His Steps," was shown at the family night pot-luck supper October 1. ¶ We are happy to have the Eskimo young people in our morning services again.

—Reba Russell, reporting

SCOTTS MILLS, Dillon W. Mills, pastor

A pot-luck dinner was served September 19, when Paul Mills was our guest speaker for the morning service and showed slides of the Holy Land in the afternoon. Another dinner is planned for the Thanksgiving season. Ruth E. Mills from Seattle, niece of the pastor, is living in the parsonage, which has been vacant except on weekends. Warren Magee, SS Superintendent, found the Christian Education Conference at First Friends, Portland, stimulating and profitable.

—Ruth E. Mills, reporting

was held recently. The theme was "Back-to-School". Iverna Lair was toastmistress, and special speaker was Mrs. John Riley, Idaho's "Mother of the Year." ¶ Nampa Friends and Melba Friends are having a contest, challenging each other on the basis of SS attendance. The contest will run through November. ¶ November is "Stewardship Month" at Nampa. Special films will be shown during the FY hour. ¶ New president of Senior High FY is Don Cronrath. Jean Noel is president of Junior High FY.

STAR, Willard Kennon, Pastor

New interest seems to be sparked in our SS. With the increased attendance now, the prospects are exciting for our SS contest with it's kickoff banquet Nov. 4. ¶ A new class for adults, "Marriage and the Family," is being conducted by our pastor with the aim of helping new families and preparing adults to be of help to families with problems. ¶ Again this year we are blessed with fine Junior and Teen Choirs. Both choirs sang in our October 17 services. ¶ Special guest in our SS October 10 was Bill Smith, Director of Child Evangelism in Idaho. ¶ A new chart on the front wall of the church now shows the amount in the building fund and amount of pledges paid. A good report was given at our October business meeting by our Building Committee. Steps are slowly going ahead with prayerful consideration. ¶ The Senior FY enjoyed a pizza party at the Walt Wilhite home after attending the YFC Rally at which Tony Fon-

taine was featured. ¶ Our pastors and several other members attended the NAE Seminar held recently in Boise and Nampa.

—Mary Couzens, reporting

GREENLEAF QUARTERLY MEETING

CALDWELL, Nathan Pierson, pastor

Our pastors were hosts to the Friends pastors of the valley, Thursday, October 12, with the meeting being held in the Fellowship Hall at the church. The August Kochs' shared their travel pictures with the group. ¶ Shortly after getting home from vacation, Nathan had to spend a few days under the doctor's care in the Caldwell hospital, but is feeling quite well again. ¶ The pulpit was filled for him Sunday morning October 12 by Ernest Unruh, a member of the Gideons, from Coeur d'Alene.

GREENLEAF, Kenneth Pitts, pastor

Two of our young people, Pat Martin and Eugene Tish attended the Youth Leadership Training Conference in Colorado Springs and the Evangelical Friends' Conference in Haviland. ¶ The student-teacher reception with Charlton Smitherman as speaker, was held September 13 in Friendship Hall. ¶ Marvin Root, a student minister at Western Evangelical Seminary was evangelist for the youth revival held September 19-26. ¶ W. C. T. U. met at 6:30 p.m. October 7 in Friendship Hall for a pot-luck dinner. This was "family night." At 8 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farris, father and mother-in-law of Nate Saint, martyred missionary, from Caldwell, came and spoke and showed pictures from Ecuador.

ONTARIO, Calvin Wilkins, pastor

A church picnic in late August honored Albert and Ruth Cammack who are retiring from farming and leaving the area. The testimony of their lives and their faithful service in the church have been much appreciated over the years. ¶ October 1 was SS class party night, as the third and fourth grade girls met with their teacher Virginia Wilkins, and the junior high went on a treasure hunt at the Ralph Cammack farm. ¶ A representative of the Gideons brought a fine message in our morning service October 17. ¶ Work was begun October 18 on a project to remodel the front of the sanctuary. The plans call for a large platform and more efficient use of the space behind it, dividing it into two

rooms, one of which will serve as an office study. ¶ College students this fall include Jan Wilkins at Friends Bible College, Joe and Steve LeBaron at George Fox, and Dan McCracken at Treasure Valley. Phyllis McCracken is working at the Salem Public Library.

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES

PECK-FRANKLIN—Dave Peck and Cheryl Franklin were married at South Salem Friends Church on September 3 with John Fankhauser officiating.

HERRING-SCOTT—Willard Herring and Lynn Scott were united in marriage at the Pringle Friends Church, October 8.

NEWTON-BOYER—Doug Newton and Donna Boyer, were united in marriage October 3 at Scotts Mills Friends Church.

BIRTHS

LEMMONS—To Duane and Sharon Lemmons, a daughter by adoption, Sarena Michelle, born July 14.

STAPLES—To Ronald and Carolyn Staples, Newberg, a daughter, Karen Jean, born October 7.

HAMPTON—To Joseph and Helen Hampton, of Portland, a son, Daniel Lewis, born September 22.

DEATHS

DOWNS—Ira F. Downs passed away July 29 after an extended illness. For many years, he was a missionary in Alaska. Since then, he has served as pastor of the Entiat Church, and more recently has lived in Salem where he was a member of South Salem Friends.

PEMBERTON—J. Ray Pemberton, M.D., passed away September 3. He was a faithful member of South Salem Friends.

SPRINGER—William E. Springer died suddenly from a heart attack on September 14. Since coming from Ohio six years ago, he's been member of South Salem Friends Church.

AEBISCHER—Emma Aebischer, 89, passed away October 1 at Friendsview Manor. Funeral Services were held at Newberg Friends Church with Charles Ball and John Fankhauser officiating.

EISLE—Floy Eisle passed away on September 20 at Boise, Idaho. Funeral services were held September 23 with Dale Field officiating.



"More Than Conquerors"

NEWS OF OYM FRIENDS YOUTH

It's That Time Again!

Well, here it is again.

What's here again?

The big push to urge everyone to go to Mid-Winter this year.

Oh. What for?

Well, each year there are just so many good things in store at Mid-Winter that we just hate to see anyone miss it, so we really encourage OYM teens to come out full force.

Hmmm, sounds good. What's your emphasis this year?

Well, there just happen to be three big points:

1. Guest speaker DAVID C. LESHANA has under God's direction been selected to serve as the 1965 evangelist. Mr. LeShana, who presently pastors the First Friends church of Long Beach, Calif., is an outstanding leader and speaker in California Yearly Meeting. Born in India of missionary parents, he came to the U. S. in 1949. He has served as a college staff evangelist, a speaker for five years on a weekly radio broadcast, and for three seasons produced and moderated the weekly TV program "FOCUS."

2. Have you always wanted to participate in Bible quizzing, but thought that you would never have a chance against "pro" YFC quizzers? This is your chance! A "HOW TO QUIZ" class will be offered at Mid-Winter, whereby everyone will have an equal opportunity to prepare for the inter-Quarterly Meeting competition during Mid-Winter. Plan now to learn this unique method of Bible study!

3. Registration costs are actually LOWER than last year's expenses! Total cost for the conference, scheduled for December 27-30 at Cannon Beach, Oregon, is only \$12 if your postmarked pre-registration is dated by December 20, 1965. Otherwise, dig up another dollar.

Well, this all sounds pretty good. Is that all there is to it?

No, I should say not!! The fact is, the whole shebang all adds up to a big ZERO if the vital ingredient of intercessory prayer for the outpouring of the HOLY SPIRIT is missing. I read I Samuel 12:23 the other day, and I echo those words with all my heart: "God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray. . ."

I guess that goes for me, too. I don't want to

miss any of the blessing God wants for us at Mid-Winter 1965!

WHAT'S THE PURPOSE of a devotional thought, anyway? Perhaps a great number of purposes could be set down, including of course modern

Devotional Corner

By Barbara Baker

application of Bible truths, specific challenges to teenage living, and scores of other nice ideals. Be that as it may, this devotional has only one purpose this month—to present the word of God. The following passage from Ephesians 2 is taken from the paraphrased Living Letters by Ken Taylor. Read, ponder, and

take action!

"Once you were under God's course, doomed forever for your sins. You went along with the crowd and were just like all the others, full of sin, obeying Satan the mighty prince of the power of the air who is at work right now in the hearts of those who are against the Lord.

"All of us used to be just like they are, our lives expressing the evil within us, doing every wicked thing we longed to do or thought about; we started out bad with evil natures born within us, and were under God's anger just like everyone else.

"But God is so rich in mercy; He loved us so much that even though we were spiritually dead and doomed by our sins, He gave us back our lives again when He raised Christ from the dead—only by His undeserved favor have we ever been saved—and lifted us up from the grave into glory along with Christ, where we sit with Him in the heavenly realms—all because of what Christ Jesus did; and now God can always point to us as examples of how very, very rich His kindness is, as shown in all He has done for us through Jesus Christ.

"Because of His kindness you have been saved through trusting Christ. And even trusting is not of yourselves; it too is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good we have done, so none of us can take any credit for it. It is God Himself Who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus—lives which He planned out for us long ages ago to spend in helping others."