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# The Superintendent's Corner

By Dean Gregory  
General Superintendent  
Oregon Yearly Meeting

## National Trends in Church Membership and Attendance

TWO NEWSPAPER headlines are on my desk this morning. They both are clamoring for attention and both seem to say, "And what are you doing about it?"

One article, clipped from the December 20, 1965 issue of the Oregon Journal is headed "Oregon's second million." It goes on to say, "It took almost 130 years of settlement for Oregon to accumulate her first million in population, around 1938. The second million has come in only about 27 years, if Secretary of State Tom McCall is right in the supposition he announced the other day."

These figures are estimates, but it gives us considerable concern that our great "west" in America is experiencing an unprecedented boom in people, industry, economic development and all areas of secular life, while the church lags far behind, content to "let the world go by." Last year we had a net gain of 57 members in all of Oregon Yearly Meeting. Half of our quarterly meetings suffered more losses than gains. Some of our meetings are consistent in their annual tally of losses while others valiantly counterbalance this trend by showing consistent gains.

One pastor writes, "We just must cross that 6000 mark in church membership. . . I thought sure we would do it last year as we here in this little meeting took in 15 members on profession of faith. . ." He further comments that if all the churches had enjoyed the same rate of increase experienced by two of our churches with the greatest increases, we would have shown a net gain of 1000 members last year!

Ten years ago our membership passed the 5000 mark. In the intervening time our Sunday Schools have increased in almost exactly the same proportion—slightly more than 2 percent per year on the average.

Last year all our churches spent over three-fourths of a million dollars, representing an increase of more than \$380,000.00 over the 1956 expenditures, which approaches a 100 percent increase of expenditures over the past 10 years, or an average of 10 percent per year!

Would to God we could be as successful in soul winning and adding to the spiritual and numerical strength of the church as we are in our material increase. Thank God for a faithful Stewardship Board of stewardship-minded laymen and pastors—we need and must have a continuing and escalated emphasis on our program of financing the church's ministry. Let there be no decrease here, but how we need a fresh vision for winning men to Jesus Christ and the church!

The second clipping on my desk, taken from the January 2, 1966 Oregonian, is headlined, "The Gallup Poll Church Attendance Sags to Lowest in Ten Years." It goes on to report, "Results of the 1965 audit of church attendance show that 44 percent of the nation's adults attended church in a typical week during 1965. The comparable figure for 1964 was

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# Objective and Relevance

IN CHURCH LIFE, most of us seem to have hurried into 1966. As this is written the year-end church activities are keeping church people very busy, so busy in fact that some non-church people are impressed with how busy church people are. But that is all over now and before laying this paper aside to hurry away again to the next meeting, let's look at our new church life calendar.

Objective and relevance—these are the crucial issues of our work. And the measure by which they are made compatible will largely determine the significance of all our activity. Merely because we are busy, or even skilled, doing something does not necessarily mean that we are getting anything accomplished. The question must always be asked: Is it worth doing? And does it get the job done?

These are questions that should be posed continually in relation to the activity of the church and what better time than in January? Are our efforts to keep things going fulfilling the great commission of Christ? Is God pleased with us? Is there a widening circle of faith so that it includes more and more people who have transformingly trusted Christ as Saviour? Are we involved in a disciple-winning effort that works through small groups and builds toward a denominational Christian witness? Is there a demonstrated connection between the Gospel to which we bear testimony and the life which that Gospel enables us to live? That we are busy as Friends trying to work one program after another cannot be denied. But are we accomplishing our objective?

Concern at this point immediately focuses the need for a well-thought-through strategy of movement day by day in terms of the long range goal. We must know how a course of action fits into the over-all plan God has for our lives if it is to thrill our souls with a sense of destiny. Just as a building is constructed according to the plan for its use, so everything we do must have a purpose. Otherwise our activity can be lost in aimlessness and confusion.

This whole process of re-evaluation may not be as negative as you might suppose. This is no call for sweeping changes any more than it is a plea to go back to old ways, trite terms and old-fashioned-ness. It is just that when we get right down to it, and try to see our objective and how we are going about to achieve it in 1966, what we discover may not be very satisfying. An honest appraisal should cause us all to be more concerned for our church, or calling as Christians and the rules by which every action should be tested. What are these rules? Whatever the results may be in outward activities, the purpose behind them can surely be condensed to fit the objective of a single verse in Romans: "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Romans 8:14) Or if you prefer another more familiar, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command

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Each year a different Friend is asked to prepare an article for the January issue of the NORTHWEST FRIEND on "What the Church Faces in the New Year." This year pastor Charlotte Macy, of the Silverton, Oregon, Friends Church, a member of the Yearly Meeting Board of Evangelism and chairman of the Twin Rocks Summer Conference Board, brings a stirring, provocative concern every Friend must read. Her realistic appraisal of both the Scriptures and the world today are at the same time pessimistic and optimistic as she declares. . .

## The Church Will Have More in 1966

By Charlotte Macy

**I** TRUST THAT SUCH A positive title will catch the eyes of many eager readers who are anxious for the church to have more—even though we haven't yet stated what she will have more of. Our "Great Society" is rapidly being orientated into expecting and demanding more of everything!

Having just closed one of the most satiating Christmas Seasons ever commemorated, perhaps it is a good time for Northwestern Quakers as part of that great Body, the Church, to take inventory of just what we have and what we can expect in the new year ahead.

Growth, or increase, is both promised and prophesied in God's Word. In the parable regarding the Kingdom in Matthew 13:30 Christ says, in reference to both the wheat and the tares: "Let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them; but gather the wheat into my barn."

This indicates a definite increase simultaneously of both good and evil, flourishing together, even nurtured by the same elements. This prophetic teaching is certainly being fulfilled as we see such a disturbing paradox in evidence all about us today. The great increase of both Light and Darkness is almost unbelievable as we see their contrast in nearly all areas of life.

Never has there been in all of history so much Christian illumination throughout the world via radio, records, printed page and all media of communication. Through Billy Graham, the voice of one man alone, God has sounded the Gospel of salvation to millions of our generation, besides the thousands of other faithful ministers who continually proclaim the Truth. Recordings of the Gospel are now available in over 3,300 languages—free, postpaid anywhere in the world. But at the same time there has never been a darker

day in men's hearts. "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men love darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." John 3:19-20. Darkness and light—they do not mix and yet they flourish side by side, both intensifying in 1966. "And the light is shining in darkness, and the darkness has not overwhelmed it." John 1:5 (Centenary Tr.)

Our youth have greater encouragement and opportunity for education than any previous generation. There are broader opportunities for Christian service at home and abroad, and yet our missionary staff remains pitifully small in the face of great open doors and pastoral leadership is not keeping pace with new-church development. These incongruous situations seem to be a part of the unbelievable paradox that characterizes our times.

We have never had so much with which to serve the Lord and yet our attendance records teeter precariously between gain and loss. We rejoice to see our own local Meetings enjoying modern buildings, excellent equipment, automatic heat, carpets, organs—and yet we realize that these lovely accouterments, legitimate and dedicated to God's service, do not draw capacity crowds to our worship services nor often find our altars full of penitent seekers. The new year will no doubt bring many more blessings as God is faithful to His own. It will also bring even greater indifference in many hearts who by-pass our worship services regularly. They will "both grow together", the tares and the wheat.

I am not saying that the Church should sit by with folded hands quoting the Scriptures to prove that evil is inevitable and therefore to accept the status quo. I am trying to say that we are living in paradoxical times—prophecy fulfilling times—and that the Church had better be about Her Lord's business. Perhaps the greatest enigma of all is how we as born-again new creatures in Christ can so easily forget our first love and take on the indifference of our world. How long has it been since you wept over the spiritual plight of another?

Although the cost of living has risen at least 2% in the last six months and the basic economy of the nation, including Christian believers, is at its all-time peak, the total thrust of our whole Yearly Meeting was curtailed this year by an under-pledged United Budget which seemed to say: "We need cars, houses, boats and campers more than we need

missionaries, new churches or Christian education."

Our homes are almost cluttered with labor-saving devices. We dart from place to place in our fine mobile means on most-direct-route-freeways, and yet we cannot squeeze an hour out of the week to make a call in behalf of eternity. Is this not a weird world for the Children of Light?

For those of us who live in the favored climes of America, at least, it would seem that there has never been so many opportunities in Grace—to know and grow in the things of God. A flick of the transistorized-radiodial will bring a Gospel song or witness to us almost any hour of the day. And yet, our civilization is so confused that we have to ask legal courts to tell us, "How nude is lewd?", which was the case in a recent Portland court.

Even with Congressional Committees appointed and paid to expose the effects of tobacco to a nation crying for "physical fitness" the sale of tobacco in its various forms continues to rise. Our nation's youth is still duped into thinking that its use is a status symbol for maturity. More knowledge we have with too little will or judgment to use it.

While medical science has done such a magnificent job of producing longevity for thousands of American Senior Citizens, the death rate climbs steadily on our highways and deaths by violence fill every newspaper.

As astronauts greet one another through the windows of capsules rotating over 17,000 miles an hour in outer space, man's vast "inner space" is ignored. Every man's one certain "rendevouz" is forced into the furthest recesses of the mind. "It is appointed unto man once to die, and after that the judgment."

Christian book stores stock literal shelves full of books on Bible study and prayer. There are wonderful reprints of the lives of George Mueller, Madam Guyon, Hudson Taylor etc. available in paper-back editions priced at less than a dollar. We have every opportunity to read and learn from the great lives and examples of saints who are now with God. At the same time even church officers and Sunday School teachers excuse themselves from midweek prayer meeting without any apparent twinge of conscience or evident realization of what place prayer plays in God's great redemptive reach for man. Wheat and tares—how is your crop? They seem to be flourishing together.

The world has never before had so many means of producing understanding and rap-

port. Language barriers are readily crossed. There is a far greater spread of education and trained diplomatic personnel among the nations of the world than ever before. Yet, in the midst of all this potential peace and understanding the world is explosive. Authorities have recently estimated that over 400,000 American troops will eventually become involved in the war in Viet Nam. Meanwhile other areas are erupting. More wars and more Peace Conferences continue to co-exist each without affecting the other.

Much of the religious world is very excited about the great ecumenical trend of our times. (An effort to unite all churches in one, including Roman Catholicism). The tenth week of the second Vatican Council's closing session ended in "high spirits" a few weeks ago and many among Protestant groups share their elation. One would almost feel that we are on the verge of a millenium to read some "spiritual leaders" of our world. These same leaders seem to be quite ignorant of or oblivious to a Biblical millenium as well as a Biblical Second Coming of our Lord and a Biblical Judgment. They find it easy to quote the precious prayer of Christ when He asked the Father "that they may be one," but fail to complete the sentence "as We are one." In the midst of all this seeming "oneness" the true Body of Christ may find Herself like Gideon's army, thinned out to the truly-trusting ones "whose heart is perfect toward Him." Even now we are living in a generation of martyrs. With all this talk of "love and tolerance" missionaries at this very moment are trusting God for another hour or day or month of life to serve Him on their appointed fields. But we will have more talk on ecumenicity in the new year. As far as every true believer is concerned the Church is one and has been ever since Pentecost.

Literally thousands of beautiful Gospel songs and hymns are recorded for our Hi-Fi equipment and "sound-piped homes." Such a wealth of beautiful and inspirational music is offered us. Marvellous dedicated talent is all about us while the world chooses some primitive savage beat accompanied by blating saxophones and the jerky convulsive motions of a million American youth. Religious jazz and interpretive dancing are actually being used in some present-day churches as a means of "communicating truth to modern man in a medium he understands!" Sometimes the proportion of tares to the wheat seems far over-balanced and we wonder if the Lord won't surely have a crop-failure in

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## MISSIONARY BIOGRAPHIES

### Evert Tuning

By Carolann Palmer

**I**N RECENT YEARS THE work at the Sprague River Mission has been under the Board of Missions. Evert and Virena Tuning have served as pastors of this work since 1942, with the exception of five years.

Evert was born in Wessington Springs, South Dakota, and spent his early years in the communities of Allen and Norden, Nebraska. At the age of fifteen, he moved to Greenleaf, Idaho, where he met Virena Rinard. He attended and graduated from Greenleaf Academy and later, Portland Bible Institute, now Cascade College. The Tunings are the parents of Charles, Donald, Jo Anne Tuning Magee and Doris Tuning Pearson.

It was during a revival meeting in a Methodist church in Norden, Nebraska, under the influence of his father, that he was converted. Although he did not have a special call to be a missionary, he was called to the ministry and in the course of the leading of the Lord, found himself working among the Indians. The Tunings are in Sprague River, Oregon, giving the pastoral leadership to a church with a mixed congregation of whites and Indians.

A Sunday school was started in 1923 at Sprague River, with Ivey and Isabelle Clark as pastors. A church was built by the Indians and dedicated in 1926. The Clarks, who were Quakers, persuaded the Indians to ask Oregon Yearly Meeting to help. After the Clarks were forced to resign, due to ill health, the Yearly

Meeting sent others to help in the work, but the difficulties seemed too great and the work was turned over to the Methodist Church and the property sold to them. This did not seem satisfactory to the local people and a group composed of Indians and white people formed an association and bought the property from the Methodist Church. This group decided in 1940 that it was not serving the community as the need demanded, so began to find a church that would take them under its wing again. In the meantime the Clarks returned to the community and it was through Ivey Clark that contact was made again with Oregon Yearly Meeting in 1942. Since 1942, when the population was 1,000 it has dropped to about 200, of which 60% are Indians.

Evert says his favorite Scripture verse is Romans 8:28 because it puts meaning into the circumstances that surround his life. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

The knowledge that he has helped someone else, gives him deep satisfaction and it is in this spirit that the people are contacted.

The Tunings request prayer that they may be an effective witness for the Lord as they meet and deal with people. Remember to pray that many will be saved because of the Lord working through them.

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## EVANGELISM-IN-DEPTH

By Clare Willcuts, President  
Board of Missions

**S**OULS ARE BEING saved in Bolivia. Our missionaries are as busy as ever. Do not think for a moment that the doors for Gospel preaching are closed in Bolivia. It is true that the national believers are more active in the organization of the Friends church there, but there is also a definite place for missionaries, and God is blessing their efforts.

Of great encouragement to our national brethren and missionaries has been the wonderful climax to a year-long campaign in the country known as "Evangelism-in-Depth." This coordinated effort was started in the small country of Nicaragua in 1961. It was so blessed of the Lord in reaching thousands for Christ that the founders of this movement, the Latin America Mission, have moved from one Latin American country to another, spending the greater part of a year in each nation. The year 1965 was the time for all evangelical believers and missions to join forces in Bolivia. The climax was on November 21 with a huge parade and mass rally in the city of LaPaz.

Christianity Today reports, "LaPaz, Bolivia saw an unprecedented display of Protestant solidarity last month as 15,000 believers paraded peacefully through streets more accustomed to hostile mobs." Fourteen denominations cooperated in the two-hour parade which climaxed the year long effort.

The Missionary News Service, a publication of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association gave the following account:

The leading Roman Catholic daily, *Presencia*, in an open letter to the Protestants of Bolivia, said: "You have completed a series of activities which were crowned yesterday with a great manifestation that moved through the city before the astonished eyes of many spectators. It was a manifestation that has pleased us greatly. . ."

The commentator who signed his name "Xavier," was impressed by the fact that "the people paraded with serenity, in good order, and with conviction reflected on their faces."

The open letter further took note of the

clean, nicely dressed marchers, who to the writer were evidence of "a social action and of a philosophy of preaching which produces positive results for these people and for the nation."

The commentary was occasioned by final events of Evangelism-in-Depth's year-long program in Bolivia. Climaxing the year's activities throughout Bolivia and a two-week evangelistic crusade in LaPaz, an estimated 15,000 Bolivian Christians marched in a colorful parade through the streets of the capital on November 21.

The parade included 26 decorated floats and numerous bands, with many of the marchers dressed in the colorful Indian garb of Bolivia.

Our own missionaries were active in this campaign. Paul Puckett served as treasurer for the LaPaz Crusade. Betty Comfort excitingly gives her impression of that Sunday in November.

"The culmination of the National Evangelism-in-Depth Campaign was very successful. The Friends benefited with quite a number of new converts as reported on the consultation cards. On Sunday, the 21st, we witnessed a thrilling parade of Evangelicals from all regions of Bolivia. The parade was orderly and synchronized by folks in the parade carrying their portable radios and the hymns and descriptions of floats were broadcast over the radio. That way the whole number of over 25,000 who were marching were singing the same hymns at the same time. It was a beautiful day and the parade lasted more than 3 hours! There are some of us "pale-faces" who are still peeling as a result! Incidentally, one of Bolivia's co-presidents told Rev. Boshong (a Director from WGM) that this was the first time he had ever seen a concentration of Aymara so orderly. Usually when they come to march in the streets it is for a manifestation and they are armed and drunk. So in itself it was a witness to the changing power of the Gospel."

While we are thrilled with this wonderful visitation of God among our brethren in Bolivia we must face the reality of our obligation in this field. The Board of Missions has been operating in the red for several months because receipts thru the United Budget are slow and there have been expenses for a new vehicle for the Bolivian missionaries and the moving of the Pucketts to Peru. Will you please make this a matter of prayer concern and do your best to keep the United Budget coming in along with personal gifts?

## Literature that Becomes a Christian

By Winona Selby

LITERATURE IS A LARGE subject if we were to cover all of its phases. Perhaps for this session we should consider some phases of modern literature. We pick up so many magazines and newspapers these days dealing with gang activities and their devastating effects upon our youth. Should we stand idly by as this problem mounts in intensity or can we as individuals do something about it?

If we say, "Oh, let's not get involved" we will be actually sanctioning what is being done. One way we can help to keep our children from these influences is to provide good reading in our own homes. As parents we should choose the type of magazines our children read to give them higher ideals. Worthwhile magazines available to youth in the home will be an aid toward this goal.

They may see on the newsstand Play Boy and Mad Magazine for example, but they will have values instilled within them with which to compare this type of reading.

It is well, too, to acquaint our youth with early Quaker history. If we don't—who will? We will have a generation growing up in ignorance of our church background and what our ancestors have given to us. We as Friends have much to be proud of and if we don't pass on this knowledge, it will soon become lost—pushed back into the dark corners of disinterest. Copies of the "The Rich Heritage of Quakerism" and other interesting books on Friends history and practices can be secured from our own Barclay Press.

Fruit of the Vine is another good inspirational book for daily devotions which can be purchased from Barclay Press. We should stress daily inspirational reading for our youth as well as ourselves.

We can encourage good reading in a number of ways: Book reviews at luncheons, missionary meetings, or part of the prayer meeting hour or even at P. T. A. meetings. All of these will help us to be better informed and learn of wider fields in good reading.

Mothers, do you read to your children? If so what do you read? If you don't, don't you think you should start? As we start let us be careful what we read to them and have around for them to read. We might be surprised how much children pick up from pic-

tures and advertisements and cartoons, even if they don't read the magazine itself.

Reading is one way to relax. Lots of people use it as a means of getting to sleep at night. How do you relax? Would you like a change? Try reading!

The following poem is a bit of philosophy that we as parents may find useful in the rearing of our children.

"Oh give me patience when wee hands,  
Tug at me with their small demands  
And give me gentle and smiling eyes  
Keep my lips from hasty replies,  
And let not weariness, confusion or noise  
Obscure my vision of life's fleeting joys.  
So when, in years to come,  
My house is still—  
No bitter memories it's room may fill."

Let us not just think of our own literature needs but be mindful of our brothers across the water who are in need of good literature also. As more and more of them learn to read there will be a greater need for literature for which we can bear a responsibility to provide.

Ralph Chapman is giving of his time and energy now to help promote and develop Christian literature for mission fields. We can help in this project by giving generously to our literature offering, not just once a year when there is a special drive but several times a year. We can pray also that these tracts will fall on fertile soil and that the light of God's word will shine forth clearly to those who read them and who hear them read. ●

## Robison Records LP Album

Many Friends in Oregon Yearly Meeting remember and greatly appreciate the tenor voice of Klane E. Robison, a graduate of George Fox College, now associate minister of First Friends Church in Whittier, California. Announcement has just been made that Klane has produced a new L. P. record entitled "A Song For You," an album whose songs represent a distinctive selection of sacred and secular music. Although we have not heard this album, we do know Klane and his musicianship. Be assured that this will be a most listenable addition to your record collection. The record is available by mail at a cost of \$3.50 plus 35¢ for mailing. It may be ordered from First Friends Church, 310 East Philadelphia Street, Whittier, California. Checks should be made payable to Klane E. Robison.

—H. T. A.

*The Northwest Friend*

## BOARD OF MORAL ACTION

# Contests for 1966

ESSAYS, POSTERS and temperance camps have become not only popular but a significant testimony of Oregon Friends Youth. This program is sponsored by the Yearly Meeting Moral Action Board. Explanations for this year's program are given:

### TEMPERANCE CAMP CONTEST:

Eligibility—Any teenager or twenty-plus young person in Oregon Yearly Meeting.

Specifications—Write a letter telling "Why I Would Like to Attend a Youth Temperance Camp."

Judging and awards—Scholarships will be awarded to two best letter-writers in Oregon, Washington and Idaho (Two to each State's camp). Open to youth who want to know more about how Christian youth can face the alcohol, tobacco and general narcotic problems and be of service to other young people.

Contest closing—Letters should be in the hands of the Public Morals Superintendent by Easter. Virginia Helm, 205 N. E. 67th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97213.

### POSTER CONTEST RULES:

Eligibility—Any person who attends churches in Oregon Yearly Meeting from grade 4 in elementary school through adults.

Specifications—Posters must be 14 x 22 inches in size, original work, on the general theme of alcohol, tobacco, narcotics or any other Moral Action concern, including the importance of the Bible and good literature. The entrant's name, address, age or classification, and church should be printed (in ink) on a separate sheet of paper, placed in an envelope and taped to the back of the poster.

Judging—Posters will be judged on five points:

Accuracy of information	30%
Design and color	20%
Effective communication	20%
Instant appeal	10%
Unique approach	20%

Awards—Local and Quarterly Meeting Moral Action Committees will decide on their own prizes.

Yearly Meeting awards will be \$5 for first place and \$3 for second place in each of the five divisions: Elementary (grades 4, 5, 6),

Junior High (grades 7, 8, 9), High School (grades 10, 11, 12), College, and Adult.

Contest Closing—Local contest shall close in time to be judged before the spring Quarterly Meeting. Quarterly Meeting winners should be in the hands of the Moral Action Board by Yearly Meeting time. Yearly Meeting awards will be announced there and posters displayed.

### ESSAY CONTEST RULES:

Eligibility and specifications: Same as for Poster contest above, except that information sheet about entrant shall be placed in an envelope and clipped to the essay. Elementary and Junior High essays shall not exceed 450 words. Others shall be 600 - 900 words, typewritten, double-spaced, on 8 1/2 x 11 paper with references listed in a bibliography at the end.

### Judging:

Accuracy of information	20%
Originality and style	15%
Grammatical construction	20%
Evaluation of subject matter	25%
Evidence of sincerity, ability to convince	20%

Awards and contest closing—Same as for Poster contest. ●

## FMLS Comments

"Lit Missionaries Penetrate With Print" is the title of an article appearing in a recent issue of The Sunday School Times. The following is quoted from this article:

"In some form, literature distribution is an old method of Christian outreach. But in this modern era of rampaging literacy, it has become a major element in breaking down barricades to Christian witness that have withstood assault for centuries."

Evangelical Literature Overseas, a literature coordinating agency established in 1953 serves 36 inter-mission literature councils to provide technical training and information in production and distribution. It is stated that "perhaps ELO's most important service is prodding evangelical literature agencies to reach the masses with printed matter geared to their hearts and minds".

In line with this concept of the imperative-ness of our literature ministry, OYM, through its Friends Missionary Literature Service and cooperating literature program with California Yearly Meeting, is feeling a similar "prodding". Our answer is a prayerful dedication to our task, in order that "the Gospel . . . be published. . .". ●





## WHAT GREATER GIFT

By Harlow Ankeny

**A**CROSS OUR GREAT land, buildings, parks, churches, colleges, playgrounds, libraries—perhaps even cities—bear the name of some benefactor whose monetary wealth helped create such monuments to his memory. To be sure, the faithful stewardship of such people has been of untold blessing to mankind. But can stewardship always be

measured by its dollar value? Or should acclaim go only to those whose financial success has made it relatively easy for such gifts to be made? What about the stewardship of time—the gift of volunteer hours?

To help focus our attention on this type of dedication, and upon all those whose gift of time has been of immeasurable value, *The Northwest Friend* wishes to single out one man in Oregon Yearly Meeting for special recognition: Warren Moor of Newberg. Perhaps his story will inspire others to like service.

Since his retirement in 1963, following 44 years as a machinist, Warren Moor has given much of his time in helping construct Oregon Yearly Meeting's newest church buildings. But his concern for such service goes back to a Quaker Men's meeting in Newberg when Dorwin Smith as speaker put forth this challenge, in essence: "If we could get about a dozen or two dozen men of all trades to give their time for two weeks every year, a church could be begun and completed—in less time and at a greatly reduced cost." This challenge stirred the heart and imagination of Warren.

Warren Moor began as a machinist at the Willamette Iron Works in 1919 when he was 22 years of age. He was married September 1, 1921, and in 1928 began his own machine shop in Newberg which he maintained until 1949. He retired in January of 1963. He is a member of Chehalem Center Friends just outside of Newberg.

Although Warren has been a machinist most of his life, his talents and experience go beyond that into the building skills. When working on churches he does the initial construction framing, carpentry work, heating and steel work and a variety of other related tasks.

Among his first volunteer jobs was helping in construction for two weeks at Spokane Friends and for six weeks on the basement of Hayden Lake, Idaho, Friends church where he lived with his son and daughter-in-law, Glen and Lesta Moor. He also assisted in work in Eugene's first building while Wayne Piersall was pastor.

Work at Twin Rocks Conference grounds—five weeks on the Cammack Cabins and assisting Clayton Brown and others on the outdoor recreational building—has also been included on his volunteer agenda.

Warren has made special preparation for this kind of service. Being a machinist, he built his own special heavy duty camper for his pickup. This enables Warren and his wife,

Edith, to live at the church building site and be completely self-sufficient for months at a time. He receives no room, no board and no income for his service. But this is how he wants it—for this is his calling now, his special ministry to the church. "I can see when a church starts building, there is new interest and new life. My concern is for smaller churches who really need help—who would be financially unable to complete a major building project without this type of help," Warren said.

The longest period spent on one job was in the building of Meridian Friends church during the winter of 1964-65—October 10 into February. This may have held special significance for him for the pastor of this new church was Dorwin Smith who years before had issued the heart-stirring challenge. For two months in the summer of 1965 Warren assisted in the building of Clackamas Park and it was also in 1965 that he helped on the Twin Rocks recreational building.

A special test of Warren's dedication to this task came last summer when former missionary Paul Cammack came to him with the query, "Do you want to go to South America?" Warren assured him that the thought had never entered his mind! Paul explained that Forrest Zander of Wycliffe Translators had come up to get someone to go to Colombia to build homes for missionaries and hangers for planes at Wycliffe's station one hundred miles southeast of Bogata—at the headwaters of the Amazon. After talking with Forrest and praying over the possibility, Warren accepted the challenge and left for his latest assignment for the King on September 15.

Latest word from Warren is that homes are being built for the Zanders and other missionaries (they are living in little more than shacks at present); that Ralph Hofstetter of Silverton is joining him in mid-January; and that he himself will return to the States in mid-March.

In his modest, unassuming manner, Warren was hesitant to discuss his unique role as a volunteer church builder. But he was quick to credit those who have given similar service—James Raymond, Larry Newton, Clayton Brown and others.

He gives glory to God for giving him health, ability and means to carry on such a volunteer service for the church. He feels a great need for others to join in this type of work and during the most interesting interview kept expressing, "I wish we could get a bunch of men to do the same."

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the end. But He has promised, "I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." There will be no crop failure with God.

The Church will surely see the increase in the new year. There will be more Light and greater Darkness, more opportunities and greater indifference. "Let both grow together until the harvest—" God is still sovereign. The world is not beyond His control although there is much contrary to His will. Man is not going to blow this world to bits nor is he going to lead us into some Elysium where all is peace and love. Good and evil will both increase until the harvest. Let us be reminded that there will be a day of harvest and "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." And since there is promised an increase in all, let us nurture well His Word within our hearts. Let us claim freely the Grace so freely given. Let us take our place as the children of God in this great time of paradox. Let us fulfill our mission with poise and power in the midst of a wicked and perverse generation.

May the Lord give Oregon Yearly Meeting and His Church everywhere a greater sense of stewardship, of urgency and faith. And if Christ should tarry another full year may we be able to sing with the delivered Israelites from Psalm 126:

"When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing; then said they among the heathen, the Lord hath done great things for them. The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad. Turn again our captivity, O Lord, as the streams in the south. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

Even so, come—Lord of the Harvest. ●

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## SUPERINTENDENT *continued*

45 percent, and for 1955, 49 percent. . ."

The poll points out that the actual number of people attending church during 1965 showed a slight increase due to increase in population. It stated that, among Protestants, the best records were made by Lutherans, Baptists and Presbyterians; that people over 30 years of age tend to frequent church services more often than those in their twenties; that more women than men are found in church services; that those with higher education are more likely to attend church services than those without that advantage, and that church attendance is highest in the East and lowest in the West.

Now, there comes to us both a challenge and a rebuke in these articles from the secular press: First, there are more and more people who need the message of the Gospel—our field is burgeoning. Second, there is a strong secular impact on our society which is

## Two Former Pastors Taken by Death

Herald Mickelson, former pastor of Piedmont and Rose Valley Friends churches in Oregon Yearly Meeting passed away in November, 1965 in Huntington Beach, California. He, with his wife Arvilla, and family, had served in pastoral work in other yearly meetings, but had retired from pastoral work several years ago, due to ill health. Memorial services were held on November 17, with Roy Knight, his father-in-law, participating. He left a clear witness to his relationship with the Lord.

Everett Puckett, Friends minister and former pastor of the Hayden Lake Friends church, passed on to his reward on January 6, 1966 at the Deaconess hospital in Spokane, Washington following a heart attack. The memorial service was held January 10 at the Spokane Friends Church. Everett, with his wife Anne, visited their son, Paul Puckett and family on the Bolivian mission field during the summer of 1965. Besides his wife and missionary son, Paul, now serving in Peru under Oregon Friends Mission, he leaves two sons, Lee and Roy Puckett.

Oregon Yearly Meeting extends heart felt sympathy to the families of these two ministers whose lives were a blessing to many people.

adversely influencing the life and growth of the church. This problem of decline in church interest on the part of our communities does have an answer, and the trend must be corrected.

First of all, we must look to our own spiritual house of faith. Does my own personal influence cause my associates to want my "brand of religion?" Can you evaluate your own local Christian Education program and worship service, and feel they are the

### LATE NOTE:

The National Council of Churches has just released the following figures on national church membership growth:

Nineteen-sixty-four membership in the 250 religious denominations reporting showed an all-time high total of 123,307,000 an increase of two percent over the preceding year. Since World War II church membership has risen from 50 percent to 64.4 percent of the total national population.

The new Yearbook of American Churches places the total Protestant membership (221 U. S. bodies reporting) at 68,229,000 which is a two percent increase over the previous year. The Roman Catholic church reported 45,641,000 members which represented a 1.7 percent gain. Buddhism was reported as making phenomenal gains with 110,000 adherents in our 50 states.

kind you would want if you were a new resident in the community? Is there the unmistakable evidence of God's presence in the midst as the church assembles together for prayer, worship and the proclamation of God's Word?

Northwest Quakers have a dynamic faith to proclaim as well as a wonderful heritage to defend. The year 1966 can mean revitalized concern for every area of our church life. It can bring revival to meetings where the spiritual tide is running low. It can mean personal renewal within all our hearts, as we turn our attention most specifically to the main purposes and functions of the church.

MISSIONARY PICTURES: The small set of missionary pictures prepared by J. Emel Swanson is now available for just \$1.00 according to an announcement from the Oregon Yearly Meeting Board of Missions. Write to the Board of Missions, P.O. Box 190, Newberg, Oregon 97132 for information.



By Ruth Corbin

PLANS ARE TAKING shape for what we hope will be a great choir conference and festival for the Friends Church Choirs of the coast quarterly meetings (Puget Sound, S. W. Washington, Portland, Newberg and Salem), and any others who would like to join us.

THE TIME: Saturday, March 5, 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

THE PLACE: Cascade College, 705 N. Killingsworth St., Portland, Oregon 97217. Lunch \$1.50.

MASS CHOIR ANTHEMS: "He Watching Over Israel" from Elijah, G. Schirmer. No. 2498 New York, N. Y. "Thanks Be to God" by Stanley Dickson, Boosey & Hawkes. No 1756 Oceanside, N. Y. "He Can Open Doors" by Harry Robert Wilson, Harold Flammer, Inc. No. 81289 New York, N. Y.

Order your copies of the mass choir numbers immediately and start work on them. Also prepare at least two numbers for the choir clinic and two numbers for the festival program. There will be a registration fee of 50¢ per person to cover the cost of the conference. More detailed information will be sent to each choir director. Begin now to plan, if you have not already started.

## AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY

Christian couple wanted, retired or semi-retired, to manage a small brick apartment house near First Friends Church in Portland, Oregon. These are low income families and there is an open door for worthwhile missionary endeavor. Interested parties please write: Lloyd R. Fitzsimmons, 2754 N. E. Alameda Portland, Oregon 97212 Telephone 282-4612.

## Rosemere Observes 25th Year



The newly remodeled sanctuary of the Rosemere Friends church.



Mrs. Louise Fick, a charter member at Rosemere cuts the cake.

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you" (John 15:14),

It might well be that some cherished plans of our own making may have to be redirected, or perhaps abandoned altogether. Our whole concept of what is success must be re-examined. There is a saying which goes, "We move in either of two directions: from words to things, or from things to words." That is to say, if we do not make the journey from theories, ideals and goals to concrete situations, then the concrete situations will be lost under the smog of words, programs and activities.

Our church, I believe, still has a place in God's plan. I believe as well in our objectives, our ideals, our goals. Some of these goals are being reached in great strides, others partially, a few not at all. Right now, after laying your own life on this scale of spiritual priorities, let us look with new eyes at the relevancy of our activities to the objectives of worship, evangelism, Christian education, missions and the preparation of our youth. This year may be another busy one, but let it be a "led by the Spirit" thing instead of social pressure, a marching toward the goal rather than mere moving in circles.

J. L. W.

## LISTEN! LITTLE QUAKERS

By Marie Haines

### New Year Again!

**C**RASH!" THE DISH FELL to the floor and broke in little pieces.

"What happened? What's all that noise?" Teddy came running.

"Oh dear," Judy wailed. "I broke another dish. What will mother say?"

"She'll probably say you better make a resolution to be more careful," big sister laughed as she swept up the broken pieces.

"Resolutions aren't going to help me," Judy said tearfully. "She knows I don't break dishes on purpose."

"What is that terrible noise upstairs?" big sister went on. "It sounds as if the house is falling down."

"Oh! I forgot. I put Bozo in a box on my bed and he probably fell to the floor." Teddy went racing upstairs.

"Somebody else better make a resolution," big sister called after him. "You know daddy told you not to take Bozo into your bedroom any more."

Just then, mother came in with her arms full of groceries. "What is all the excitement?" she asked. "I could hear you clear out in the garage."

"We were just talking about New Year's resolutions," big sister explained. "Seems as if some folks around here need to make some."

"I have a new idea this year," mother said. "Just as soon as I put these groceries away, I'll tell you."

Teddy and his dog came racing downstairs just in time to hear mother say, "The other day when I was going through some papers, I found a copy of these 'Queries For Young Quakers' written by Virginia Helm."

"What's a query?" Judy wanted to know.

"They are what they read in monthly meeting once in awhile," big sister explained. "I remember those mother. We had them in Bible School when I was Judy's age."

"Yes," Mother nodded, "I remember we used them in family worship once when you were a little girl. A Query is a question, Judy, that you ask yourself once in awhile to see how you are getting along."

"I think they are drippy," Teddy said emphatically. "I never know what they are talking about."

"Now wait Teddy," mother held up her hand. "These are written for boys and girls. You can understand these. Listen:

'Are you willing to show your love for Jesus by always going to Sunday School, to Friend's Youth, and to church as often as you can? Do you read your Bible and pray every day?

'Are you careful to say only kind things to others? Do you settle problems quickly and kindly by not quarrelling?

'Do you who have brothers and sisters, try to be a good example of how Christians should work and play so that they will want to live as Jesus would want them to?

'Are you careful that your words and games show love for others? Do you always do what you say you will do? Are you careful not to use God's name except when you are praying or talking to Him?

'Are you careful to spend your money thoughtfully—giving some to the Lord?"

All the children were quiet for a moment, then mother went on, "I have made a copy for each of you to hang in your room. I want you to read these over every week and think as you read."

"I want one too mother," big sister said. "Weren't there some more queries?"

"Yes," mother answered, "But I thought these were the most important now for Judy and Teddy. What do you say children? Will you try this for awhile?"

"They don't say anything about breaking dishes," Judy dimpled.

"I don't think you mean to do that," mother laughed. "Do the best you can and that will take care of itself."

"What about Bozo? Can't I ever have him in my room any more?"

"What do you think, Teddy? Didn't you promise daddy to keep him outside?"

"All right. All right. I'm game if the others are. Come on Bozo. Out you go." ●

## AMONG THE CHURCHES



### PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

CLACKAMAS PARK, Howard E. Harmon, pastor

The highlight of November was the dedication of our church. Approximately 250 chairs were filled and at least 50 people stood. Others came but found no parking space so left. ¶ The average attendance for this month has been between 60-70. We are very pleased with the attendance. ¶ The Jr. High FY has been cleaning the church in December. Gary and Ellie Fendall are the sponsors and are doing a fine job. During Christmas season, the Jr. High FY made a mail box and then delivered Christmas cards to members in the church. The postage money saved was given to them to work on their project.

FIRST FRIENDS, Gerald Dillon, pastor

Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner was held the night before Thanksgiving with the young people in charge of the program. ¶ Our church was host for the churches of the Sunnyside Community on Thanksgiving Day. The choir sang. ¶ Many of our people attended the Clackamas Park dedication service on November 21. ¶ We were privileged to have Dr. Winfield C. Arn and a YFC male quartet in our evening service recently. ¶ Everett Heacock was confined to Portland Sanitarium Hospital for quite sometime. ¶ An Adult program called FORUM has been started at 5:30 Sun-

day evenings for the parents of our children and young people who come for meetings and choir practice.

SECOND FRIENDS, Lyle Love, pastor

We were happy to have different speakers with us recently. Charlie Lamm, of Hillsboro, Quarterly Meeting Stewardship Chairman, brought a very challenging message in a Sunday evening service on stewardship. Calvin Alsleben, one of our own attenders, spoke in a prayer meeting service on each of us carrying our responsibilities in the church. We had a Thanksgiving pot-luck supper in the basement of the church on the Wednesday evening preceding Thanksgiving and were privileged to have Owen Glassburn, public relations director of World Gospel Mission with us. He showed pictures of some of the recent tours which WGM are sponsoring. Dr. Milo Ross presented a challenging message during a recent Sunday morning worship hour and shared some of his concerns and burdens for GFC. We also were happy to have the Terrell Repp Family—our own members—present a Sunday evening service of music and inspirational meditations. ¶ The peace and service committee sponsored a Thanksgiving food shower for the Zenos Perishos, our Timber pastors. ¶ The WMU was happy to have Alice Maurer present a devotional message at its meeting.

### SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

HIGHLAND AVENUE, L. Merle Green, pastor

Our church is joining with the other churches of the Yearly Meeting in the Foreign Relief Program. A film strip was shown to the SS, presenting the world need. ¶ The WMU did a wonderful job in planning and conducting our annual Thanksgiving Family Night dinner. Ralph and Marie Chapman and Wayne were with us to speak, sing and show pictures. Our Thanksgiving service on Wednesday night was a real blessing. ¶ Our church and SS has entered the church basketball league again this year. ¶ We observed GFC Day. Prof. Mackey Hill from GFC was with us and brought a wonderful message. ¶ The Stewardship Committee was very active during Stewardship month. ¶ Edna Springer, Chairman of the Salem Quarterly Meeting Stewardship Committee brought the message November 28. ¶ November 7, our pastor preached at the State Penitentiary and November 28 brought the Sunday morning message at the Rosemere Friends

Homecoming. ¶ Highland enjoyed a seven day, December 8-15, revival with Owen Glassburn. Owen Glassburn belongs to Ohio Yearly Meeting and is now serving as Director of Public Relations for World Gospel Missions. ¶ Mr. Glassburn's ministry was fourfold. He conducted a Soul Clinic at 10:00 a.m. each day and presented a missionary challenge each evening with his pictures 20 minutes before the evening service. He brought a message each evening geared for youth through Gospel Magic and a searching message. Approximately 60 or more came forward for prayer and receiving definite help. Our church has had its faith and vision revived.

MARION, Edward F. Harmon, pastor

So far we have about a 20% gain in attendance over October of last year. We have group meetings every Sunday Evening of every age class of our church. ¶ We have moved into part of our new Annex

and SS rooms and work is nearing completion. ¶ November 21 for GFC Day, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gilmore, sang and brought the message. We also enjoyed the Salem Vesper Band. The young people who have been regular in their attendance were taken out for Supper and to the YFC in Corvallis in November.

—G. E. Wilkinson, reporting

MEDFORD, Jack L. Willcuts, pastor

Combined choirs of Medford and Ashland directed by Joyce Lewis and accompanied by Helene Gorden and Marilyn Antrim presented John W. Peterson's Cantata, "A Song Unending" at each of the Southern Oregon Friends churches. ¶ Edith Hardin, Medford WMU president, reports generous support of the Christmas Fair held December 3 at the parsonage, which raised over \$100. ¶ Nick and Alice Maurer, missionary appointees, were guests at the Southern Oregon WMU Christmas party December 8. Donations were received at the party for the Sprague River parsonage project. ¶ On December 19 Christmas programs were given by the Pre-School and Primary departments during the SS hour and by the Junior and Junior High departments in the evening. ¶ There is much interest in a newly organized Boys Club for junior and junior high boys. One popular feature is

## GREENLEAF QUARTERLY MEETING

CALDWELL, Nathan Pierson, pastor

Our Junior Choir, the "Melody Makers", gave a Christmas musical program Sunday evening, December 12 at the church. "The Story of Silent Night" is a Christmas Choral Program for treble voices, with descants. The story tells how the world-famous Christmas carol "Silent Night" came to be written. The choir consists of 19 grade school children with the youngest member being six years old. Co-directors are Marjorie Howard and Hazel Pierson. These young folks have sung at other Friends Churches as well as giving special numbers at the home church. ¶ Thanksgiving was observed at the mid-week prayer services November 25. ¶ Denver Headrick was with us November 28 when he brought the message at the evening services after which he brought a presentation of GFC. ¶ A large number of our people attended the Seminar on the New Morality at the Nampa Friends Sunday afternoon, November 14. ¶ Several also attended the meeting and workshops at the Nampa Church of the Christian Education Leadership Conference November 19-20. ¶ The Stewardship Committee observed Stewardship Month by passing out tracts, taking offerings of clothing and money and bringing presentations. It concluded with a skit "Thanksgiving Anne" which was given by the Youth group November 28. ¶ A Workers Conference was held in Fellowship Hall December 9. Ideas gleaned from the recent Leadership Conference held at Nampa, were presented.

—Rosella Moon, reporting

GREENLEAF, Kenneth Pitts, pastor

Myron Goldsmith spoke in our morning worship hour November 14. GFC was emphasized. ¶ Mr.

an archery class taught by Bill Danforth. ¶ Twenty-four of our young people plan to attend Mid-Winter Convention at Cannon Beach, and have sold Almond Roca as a project to help defray expenses. ¶ Nick Gier, USO student, has been awarded a Rotarian Fellowship for one year's study in Copenhagen, Denmark. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Gier of Medford, are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary with a reception at their home January 1.

—Joan Logan, reporting

ROSEDALE, Frank Haskins, pastor

Mrs. McLean, a worker for Child Evangelism presented a Thanksgiving flannelgraph story during the SS hour November 21. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jackson were with us for the evening service November 28. We were favored by several numbers in song by Mr. Jackson a well known gospel singer. ¶ The Board of Missions has asked Forrest and Orpha Cammack to make another trip to Bolivia and Peru, to help promote the missionary work. They were to have left in mid December as the Lord leads. ¶ We were happy to have Edwin and Marie Cammack and children with us for the morning worship service December 5. Edwin brought the message.

—Reba Russell, reporting

Pherol Dodson of Ontario, Oregon spoke in the evening service November 14 telling of his work in the hospital there. ¶ On November 21, our congregation enjoyed the presence of the children and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Delamarter who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in the evening at Friendship Hall. ¶ In our Thanksgiving service at the church Ramiro Reyes, pastor of the Mexican church in Wilder and Richard Wenger, Mennonite worker in the Caldwell Labor Camp brought timely messages. The adult choir under the direction of John Carr brought special music. The offering of \$32.30 was sent to the Allen Coles of Emmett. ¶ Roy and Crittie Knight spent sometime in California during the illness and death of Herald Michelson. ¶ Elsie Hockett, Frances Carr and Lois Binford planned the SS Christmas program. The "White Gift Offering" was for the Allen Cole twins. ¶ Kenneth and Rosalie Pitts entertained the pastors of Greenleaf and Boise Valley Quarterly Meetings, December 14.

ONTARIO, Calvin Wilkins, pastor

For the second year in a row Denver Headrick was evangelist for revival meetings at Ontario. His messages October 31 to November 14 were a blessing and challenge. Denver was also Quarterly Meeting speaker at Greenleaf November 6. ¶ Three from Ontario were able to attend sessions of the Christian Education Leadership Conference at Nampa November 19 and 20. ¶ Special speakers in SS and morning worship November 28 were Nick and Alice Maurer. ¶ Activities of the junior highers have included a hay ride followed by games, refreshments, and devotions at the Cammack home October 30; attendance at the Quarterly Meeting FY rally at Greenleaf November 7; lunch at the church prior to attending the "new

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morality" seminar at Nampa November 14; and a progressive dinner December 3. ¶ Fifteen dollars were raised for the Allen Coles of Emmett at a silent auction at WMU December 16. ¶ Work is continuing

## INLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

SPOKANE, Clare Willcuts, pastor

November 16, the WMU held a rummage sale. Part of the proceeds was used to pay for the improvements that were made at Twin Lakes Camp grounds last summer. ¶ On November 21 we held a unified SS and church service to which special invitations were sent to the SS children's parents. The Gospel Team of Whitworth College presented several numbers in song. Pumpkin pie was served following the close of the service. We felt it was a big success. ¶ Our pastor attended the Quaker Men's Retreat held at Pendleton. ¶ Mr. Willcuts announced a "Prayer Partners" plan for our Spiritual Life Crusade to be held for the first six weeks after the first of the year. The plan was based on the scripture Matthew 18:19 "if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done by my Father which is in heaven." ¶ Sunday, December 12, we had two guest speakers. In the morning service Ron Stansell, Friends Youth Field Secretary was speaker. In the evening Clynton Crisman, Acting Superintendent was speaker. ¶ In the Sunday evening Adult Fellowship class we had our former pastor Floyd Dunlap

## NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

NEWBERG, Charles Ball, pastor

Russell Myers of California Yearly Meeting was speaker at our Church Fellowship Banquet at Friendsview Manor on November 29. More than \$63,000 in cash and pledges over a three year period has been received for our building improvement fund. ¶ Enid Briggs and Barbara Morse told about the church at Svensen to our SS on December 5. ¶ Our choir, under the direction of Sheldon Louthan, presented two Christmas cantatas on Sunday evening, December 5: "The Christmas Crib," and "The Song of Christmas," by Roy Kingwald. ¶ Esther Astleford, missionary from Guatemala, talked to our prayer meeting on December 8. ¶ The Junior High Club meets at the church on Thursdays after school. ¶ Handel's "Messiah" was presented at Renne Junior High Auditorium on Sunday afternoon, December 12, by GFC Oratorio Choir, Community Chorus, and College and Community Orchestra, and directed by Sheldon Louthan. ¶ The SS Christmas program, "Unto Us a King," was presented on Sunday evening, December 19.

—Margaret Weesner, reporting

SPRINGBROOK, I. Marion Clarkson, pastor

Our SS Superintendent has held a helpful series of SS Council meetings this fall. Clynton Crisman, Elizabeth Edwards and Howard Harmon were speakers at the first three meetings. The superintendent had charge of an evaluation program at the fourth meeting. Each meeting was preceded by a fellowship dinner for all the congregation. ¶ The highlight of our fall program was an eight day revival held by Roy

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on the remodelling of the sanctuary, and a recent special offering brought in enough money to complete the project.

—Elma McCracken, reporting

who spoke on "The Origin of Christmas." He is now Superintendent of Northwest Christian Schools.

—Irene Crosby, reporting

EAST WENATCHEE, Robert and Lela Morrill, pastors.

Philip and Barbara Morrill, Konita Wilkins and Leslie Pontious, students of GFC and John Couzens a student of the University of Idaho helped us observe GFC Sunday, November 28. Philip gave a very good message. Robert and Lela Morrill were happy to have them visit over Thanksgiving. ¶ Ralph Carter, a professor from the Wenatchee Valley Junior College, gave a short message December 12 on "The Place of the Layman". This was especially concerning visitation. ¶ The SS Christmas program was given December 19. It was composed of colored slides of the Primary children in costumes depicting the Christmas Story. The recorded voices of the Juniors gave the scriptures. A speaking choir of Junior and Senior High school people presented two numbers with the entire audience singing carols.

—Irene Smith, reporting.

Clark with David Clark as song leader. The meetings were well attended and all who were present received a special blessing. Some received definite spiritual help. ¶ Special speakers recently have been Nick and Alice Maurer, telling of their call to the mission field; David Pruitt, speaking on behalf of the Men's Brotherhood and Rev. Woody, representing the Oregon Temperance Union. ¶ Denver and Ruth Headrick have recently returned from a month's absence. Two weeks were spent at Ontario, Oregon where Denver spent in Idaho where he worked for the college. ¶ Herman Macy has completed a six weeks class on prophecy. It was presented in a very interesting way. ¶ Denver and Ruth Headrick entertained his SS class of young married people at their home the evening of December 14.

TIGARD, Orville Winters, pastor

The Friends Youth had a bowling party Saturday night November 20, followed by a pizza party at the home of their sponsors, Bob and Barbara Armstrong. ¶ "Christmas Pictures" was the theme for our annual Christmas program, Sunday evening, December 19. ¶ The church received a lovely Christmas present this season of a Hammond organ. This was made possible by the dedication and concern of the Potter family.

NEHALEM, Larry Houston, pastor

In September Larry Houston took the pastorate of the Nehalem church. Janet his wife teaches third grade in the Nehalem Elementary School. ¶ The



church plans to purchase the former Methodist church in nearby Wheeler. Work will have to be done before we are able to hold services there. ¶In early December we were privileged to have Clynton Cris-

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING

FOREST HOME, Roy V. Dunagan, pastor

November 21 the people of the church gathered after the service for a Thanksgiving dinner in the fellowship room downstairs. ¶Friday and Saturday evening, December 3 and 4, and all day Sunday, December 5, the church enjoyed a Missionary Conference. Speakers for the meetings were Edwin Cammack, Ralph and Marie Chapman, Clayton Brown, and for the SS assembly David and Mrs. Liu. These messages, which were in some cases accompanied by slides of the mission fields, were greatly appreciated. Sunday evening the children's choir from the Korean church in Portland sang in Korean costume. This was greatly enjoyed. ¶The WMU gave an offering to the Allen Cole family, outpost workers at Emmitt, Idaho, instead of exchanging gifts among themselves this year. The offering was to help with the heavy medical expenses incident to the birth of the twin babies. ¶The SS area in the basement will have a new folding door at the end as soon as it can be installed. This will help in the departmentalization program now in progress. ¶The church had special Christmas services morning and evening on December 19. A play and a musical presentation was offered at the evening service and refreshments followed. —Mr. W. G. Powell, reporting

ROSEMERE, Edwin Cammack, pastor

Elizabeth Edwards was guest speaker at the teachers potluck dinner meeting the evening of November 19. ¶The Southwest Washington district WGM prayer band meeting was held at Rosemere at 7:00 p. m. November 23, with Dale and Bonnie Sloat, appointees to Brazil, as guest speakers. Pictures were shown of their prospective field. ¶We were appreciative of the interest shown in the commemoration services of the 25th anniversary of Rosemere. Many compliments were given because of the new look about the church and grounds. Schedule in part was: Friday evening, 7:00 p. m. —Fred Baker—"Past". Saturday evening, 7:00 p. m. —Ed Cammack—"Present". Sunday morning, 11:00 a. m. —Merle Green—"Future", meat loaf dinner at noon, furnished by the church. At 3:00 p. m. several took part, having something they were responsible for. These speakers: Don

PUGET SOUND QUARTERLY MEETING

NORTHEAST TACOMA, Frederick Baker, pastor

Quarterly Meeting sessions November 13 were held at Seattle Memorial Friends Church at which a number from our church were in attendance. The young people left the sessions 2:30 p. m. Saturday to go to the Seattle Center to view the premier showing of the Dr. Billy Graham film, "The Restless Ones." ¶November 14, Ralph and Marie Chapman and Wayne were with us for the morning and evening services during which time they sang, showed pictures and

man attend our Monthly Meeting. And we were thrilled to be visited by Nick and Alice Maurer, only three days before they left for the field.

Lindgren, Architect; Roger Smith, S. W. Wash. Quarterly Meeting Superintendent; and Clynton Crisman who took charge of a recognition service for the recording of Edwin Cammack, our pastor, as a minister. About 4:30 p. m., an anniversary cake, made by Harry Braithwaite, was served by the only charter member still attending—Louisa Fich. ¶The recognition service honoring Ed Cammack was held at 7:00 p. m. And then the closing service was held by Clynton Crisman at 7:30 p. m. with "Future" as the topic.

—Eunice Coats, reporting

ROSE VALLEY, George Bales, pastor

A Share Service was held November 23. Everyone brought canned goods which were given to the Salvation Army to be distributed to the needy for Thanksgiving. ¶November 28 was GFC Day at Rose Valley. Dr. George Moore, Dean of Faculty, was the guest speaker. Dorlan Bales, who is now attending GFC, presented the special music. ¶The annual "Bread for Overseas" offering was taken and enough money for 35 tons of food was collected. ¶Paul Mills was in Rose Valley, December 10, 11, and 12 for special meetings. He showed colored slides of the Holy Land illustrating prophecy and events connected with Christ and Christmas. ¶The Primary and Junior Department held its annual "Trim the Tree" party Saturday afternoon, December 11. The party included games, refreshments, and a practice for the Christmas program.

VANCOUVER, Fred Newkirk, pastor

Our Service Committee packed and mailed 69 kits for Viet Nam. We appreciate all the work they did. ¶We enjoyed having Dr. Arthur Roberts and a girls trio from GFC in our morning service recently. ¶The Jr. High FY held their annual Birthday Party in the fireside room of the church on November 21. This was to celebrate everyone's birthday, with a cake for each month of the year. Everyone made a contribution to the FY for each piece of cake they ate, and there was a birthday present for the oldest and the youngest person there. —Beverly Richey, reporting

spoke to us. After the morning services a fellowship dinner was held. ¶Fifteen young people and sponsors attended a singspiration on Sunday evening, November 28 at the home of Robert and Debra Pen-dergrast. ¶November 28, McKinley Avenue Friends Church united with our church for the evening services during the time the film, "No Time to Wait" was shown. ¶Mr. and Mrs. Nick Maurer sang and spoke to us during the morning and evening services on December 5.

—Donna Knutson, reporting

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McKINLEY AVENUE, Robert Fiscus, pastor

Our FY did a good job in taking charge at a recent Sunday evening service. A skit, Is Our Witness Needed? was presented. Many young people took part in the service, also. ¶A "Sermon in Song" was presented by our pastor at a Sunday evening service. This is a wonderful way to present the gospel story and was

BOISE VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

BOISE, Dale Field, pastor

A number of people from our group attended the Christian Education Leadership Conference held at the Nampa Friends Church November 19 and 20. ¶Our pastor exchanged pulpits with Willard Kennon from the Star Friends church Sunday morning of November 21. An interesting talk on "Stewardship" was presented to us. ¶Mr. Field has been bringing a series of messages on the book of Revelation. These have been well documented, interesting and inspiring studies. Following the evening service on November 21 the congregation had a "pounding" for the Fields in the church basement. ¶On GFC Day, November 28, Denver Headrick, a representative from the college, spoke in our church. Our evening service on that date were conducted by the delegates who attended the Leadership Conference in Colorado Springs. Both services were a challenge to us. ¶Mr. Frank Chalfant, an attorney, spoke at the SS Worker's Conference Tuesday evening December 7.

—Margaret Peterson, reporting

STAR, Willard Kennon, pastor

Our November Round-up was not as effective as hoped for, but many new contacts were made. The

enjoyed by all. We are building a Christmas tree with branches worth \$5.00 a piece to help pay off our building loan. The money has come in so far to put the tree up and now we are beginning to decorate it. We are thankful for the wonderful response to this. ¶Our FY joined several other church groups December 12 after church for a Singspiration."

—Dorothy E. Janson, reporting

contest led into an effective week of meetings with Walter Lee, General Superintendent of Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting. ¶The annual Christmas program was held under the direction of Marilea Lee, Nettie Craven, and Irene McFadden. ¶Elizabeth Berry, director of our Junior Choir and Kountry Kindergarten, has been confined to the hospital because of illness. Her illness has meant the closure of kindergarten until after the first of the year. ¶Our hearts rejoiced at the good attendance at our Union Thanksgiving service. The pastor of the local Christian Church brought the message with music from both churches.

—Mary Couzens, reporting

WOODLAND, Marvin Hall, pastor

WMU met December 16 at the home of Dorothy Knight. This was an all day meeting with gifts for the nursing home at Greer being packed and wrapped in the morning and the business meeting and program being held in the afternoon. ¶Our Christmas program was presented on December 19 in the evening. Verla Simler and Betty Hall were responsible for working up the program. ¶We have decided to study the book of Ephesians on prayer meeting nights beginning on December 23. We just completed the study of the books of First, Second, and Third John.

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGE

HULL-BARNES—Melvin Hull and Janet Barnes were united in marriage November 26 at the Caldwell Friends Church with the groom's uncle, Calvin Hull, pastor of the Everett Friends church, officiating. WHITEHURST-WEBSTER—Dale Russell Whitehurst and Lauren Sue Webster were married in Highland Avenue Friends Church by Pastor L. Merle Green. GILLILAND-GILLEN—Jack Gilliland and Nancy Gillen were married November 26 at First Friends church in Portland.

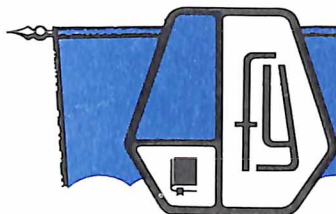
BIRTHS

HAEHLEN—Charles and Ramona Haehlen adopted a baby boy November 18 which was born October 19. They have named him John George. LOGAN—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Logan of Medford adopted a baby daughter, Nancy Kathleen, born August 22, 1965. RUDKIN—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rudkin, a son, Robert Charles, born November 21, Boise, Idaho.

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DEATHS

MARDOCK—Audrey Shepherd Mardock, (Mrs. Hubert Mardock) 68, went to be with her Lord November 24 after an illness of about a month. Funeral services were held at Westfield, Indiana. Burial services were at Haviland, Kansas. ALTIG—Homer Altig, 71, passed away December 12 at Caldwell Hospital following serious illness. Funeral services were held December 14 at the Caldwell First Christian Church and interment at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. ANDERSON—Alfreda Martin Anderson, 47, of Wenatchee, Washington, passed away November 21. McPHEE—John McPhee, 74, of Newberg, passed away December 11, 1965. BAILEY—Lewis Bailey passed away with a stroke on December 14. Funeral services were held on December 16 with Fred Newkirk officiating. Mr. Bailey was a faithful member of the Vancouver First Church. MICKELSON—Herald Mickelson, former OYM pastor passed away in Huntington Beach, California in November following a prolonged illness. Memorial services were held November 17.



# "More Than Conquerors"

NEWS OF OYM FRIENDS YOUTH

## Workshops in February

Here's challenging news for sponsors across our Yearly Meeting! And if all who have a love and concern for working with youth (from juniors to teens) accept this challenge, the impact of Friends Youth on young lives can be visibly strengthened and implemented.

The Youth Committee of the OYM Board of Christian Education has designed and prepared materials for area "Sponsor Workshops" in each quarterly meeting. These workshops will be scheduled as much as possible in the month of February, and will be staffed completely by local personnel, who will research and develop the guides provided by the Youth Committee.

A packet compiled by the Youth Committee includes a set of book guides for various ages, a skit entitled "The Other Side of the Wall" by a Church Mouse, testimonials of youth workers throughout OYM's history, an explanation of the relationship between the Friends Youth and the church, and a bibliography of useful helps.

Sponsors of all ages are urged to participate in their Q. M. workshop next month, and concerned persons who might be recruited as sponsors are also encouraged to attend.

## Mid-Winter Lost and Found

### FOUND

Two dresses, small size.

One red velvet,

One green print.

One black shoe bag with tennis shoes.

Two pairs lady's black gloves.

One pair girl's shoes, tan.

One pair girl's tennis shoes, white.

One pair boy's shoes, tan.

One Beginning German text book.

If you lost any of the above items at Mid-Winter, inquire of Friends Youth, Box 190, Newberg, Oregon, 97132.

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THERE'S NO DOUBT about it! In fact, everyone from preachers to FY sponsors says it: the Christian life is dangerous. And the most tragic thing you can do is ignore this fact.

### Devotional Corner

By Barbara Baker

Well, but how does a teenager go about detecting and facing the subtle dangers everybody says abound around him? Granted, these dangers are everpresent in perhaps greater intensity than any previous generation has confronted. But

just what is the alert teen's strategy toward danger? Perhaps the wise example of Nehemiah in the Old Testament will provide answers to this dilemma.

In the first place, Nehemiah willingly deserted the security of his position as cupbearer to the most powerful monarch of his day to face the obvious dangers of opposition and discouragement with those who were attempting to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. In other words, he did not dodge danger if it happened to be involved in his call to do the will of God.

Secondly, Nehemiah was not deceived by his enemies who tried to urge him to momentarily discontinue his work and have a friendly little conference about the whole situation. He replied tersely, "I am doing a great work and cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave to come down to you?" (Neh. 6:3) Likewise, teenagers must never allow themselves to stop building and submit to the insidious danger of useless arguments.

Finally, Nehemiah refused to be intimidated when his very life was threatened, recognizing that it was only an attempt to cause him to fear and sin against God. And he retorts firmly, "Should such a man as I flee? . . . I will not go in." And as the sixth chapter ends, the words as recorded, "So the wall was finished. . ."

The challenge of this man's disciplined faith reaches to you today, teenager. Danger is a part of the most sheltered Christian's life, and you must face it in the strength of the Lord if you would erect your section of the wall.

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