

Nazarene Messenger

Official Bulletin of Northwest Nazarene College

VOLUME IV

NAMPA, IDAHO, DECEMBER, 1917

NO. 4

∴ Notes of Praise from Students ∴

A COLLEGE WHERE THE FIRE FALLS

These are wonderful days in the Holy Ghost. I thank the Lord for a place where the fire falls. This is my second year in Nampa College and I have never before seen such manifestations of God's power and glory as I have seen here.

On Thanksgiving Day, after eating a good turkey dinner, a few were asked to speak. The Holy Ghost came in melting power and the glory began to fall. This continued through the evening chapel service until ten o'clock. These are the most wonderful days of my life. By His help we mean to keep the fire and push the battle for God.

MABEL STAKE, Surrey, North Dakota.

A WONDERFUL MEETING

Thank God for schools where the Holy Ghost can have His way. Almost three years ago the Lord saved, sanctified and spoiled me for this world. It pays to dig deep, lay a good foundation, die out to self and all about you and God will take you through.

On Friday evening after Thanksgiving, during the worship in the dining hall, the Holy Ghost came in wonderful melting power. It was quite different from his visitation on Thanksgiving evening and yet just as wonderful. We were in the dining hall with the holy hush upon us for over two hours. Heaven was so near. These are great days.

ETHEL HOWELL, Pasadena, California.

OUR CHAPEL SERVICES

Glory to God for a college where the students are free to take their liberty in Christ Jesus, and where our souls are not neglected but fed on heavenly manna,—soul food such as is found in Northwest Nazarene College.

Our chapel services are times of refreshing; times when the Holy Ghost fire falls and souls get blest in such a measure that they cannot keep still. Yet this is but a drop in the bucket to what it will be when we all get to heaven.

GENEVA HUNT, Parma, Idaho.

BLOOD CLEANSED AND SPIRIT FILLED

I am glad for the precious blood which cleanses me just now. I am glad too, for boys who lived close to God and obeyed the Holy Ghost. Such were those whom God used to convict me of a sinful heart. After the Lord saved me I gave up the world, sin and foolishness, and let the Holy Ghost come in and what a time He and I do have. Amen. I like this free uncompromising route, and I am going to go through, keep hot, preach the second blessing, give God the glory and go to heaven in the end. 1 Tim. 4:12.

CYRIL COLLINS, Las Vegas, Nevada.

GOOD OLD-FASHIONED SALVATION

I shall never cease to praise the Lord that I paid the whole price to get this good old-fashioned salvation. Just now I know of two definite works of grace wrought in my heart. Jesus fully saves and sanctifies me. Praise His name forever.

The Lord has called me to preach since he saved me. I expect by His grace and help to proclaim wherever He may lead me, this wonderful gospel of full salvation.

ALLEN GOOZEE, Granum, Alta., Canada.

SATISFIED FULLY

I want to praise God for His dealings with my soul. There was always a longing in my heart for something that would satisfy and finally I began to think that we could never be satisfied in this life; but Jesus showed me sin in my heart and that He died that I might be free from sin. I then left sin and the things of time and He saved me and later sanctified me and now He is my satisfying portion. There is but one purpose in my heart and that is to be led of the Holy Spirit in seeking the lost and dying in this world to tell them about Jesus.

MARTHA HAHN, Sioux City, Iowa.

SANCTIFIED IN COLLEGE

Hallelujah! Almost all of my life was spent on a farm until last year when I came to Eureka. Until that time I did not know much about the ways of the world. But naturally having a desire for a good time I sought companions from the worldly crowd although I was a member in good standing in the church,—smoking, drinking and attending the theatre, this being the type of young people in that church.

One night after choir practice several of us decided to go and see what that crowd of noisy Nazarenes were doing, for the Smith Band was conducting a revival. I was led to go back again and after spending two or three of the most miserable weeks of my life, I decided to quit the old crowd. The Lord wonderfully saved me and delivered me from my bad habits and worldly companions.

Realizing that God had called me to the ministry, through the advice of the evangelist, I came to N. N. C. During the time of the mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon the students the latter part of October God sanctified me. Thank God for real old-time salvation. Amen.

J. OLIVER FLOYD, Eureka, California.

A QUIET QUAKER

I am glad for the opportunity of making known to the readers of the Nazarene Messenger, that I am rejoicing in the fact that our God is abundantly able to keep a quiet Quaker right in the very midst of a nest of noisy Nazarenes.

NATHAN SWABB, Salem, Oregon.

A COLLEGE WHERE THE HOLY GHOST ABIDES

I am glad that the Lord has permitted me to attend a college where the Holy Ghost can and does have right of way and where the chief aim is the salvation of souls. But most of all I want to praise Him for the real joy and for the springs of living water which are springing up in my soul continually. I know beyond the shadow of a doubt that the Lord completely saves and sanctifies me just now and that the Holy Ghost abides. Praise His name, I am determined to be true to Him and push the battle for souls.

MINNIE HESS, Phoenix, Arizona.

A SPIRITUAL COLLEGE ATMOSPHERE

I do praise the Lord for the real peace and joy which I have in my heart. How wonderful it is to know that the Lord really saves from sin and sanctifies wholly. It is a privilege to be in a college where the salvation of souls is put before everything else. The spiritual atmosphere is truly uplifting. One is better fitted to fight the battle against sin after being here.

BARBARA ANDERSON, Selah, Wash.

ANSWERED PRAYER

The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. Praise the Lord He is answering prayer. The Holy Ghost is manifesting himself in a marvelous way and souls are really getting through to God. If we continue to honor the Holy Ghost, He will continue to manifest Himself. I praise the Lord for personal, full salvation.

MRS. ALFRED FRISCHKNECHT,
Connell, Wn.

GLAD FOR NAMPA COLLEGE

I am praising God for a deep settled peace in my soul since I said an eternal yes to His will. I am so glad that He led me to Nampa College this year. The blessings and smiles of God are surely resting upon us. It is a blessing to be among such Spirit filled students and members of the faculty as we have here. There is a deep determination and go-through in my soul. The precious blood cleanseth just now.

LYDIA BRINDLE, Vona, Colorado.

COLLEGE DAYS ARE DAYS OF VICTORY

How thankful I am for the privilege of being in college and especially in a place where the Holy Ghost has control. These are days of real victory and blessing to my soul. The Lord is making ways where there seem to be none and is leading out to larger fields and increasing our faith and courage. I expect to keep true and press on up the way.

RUTH DOANE, Pasadena, California.

A PROPER PREPARATION FOR THE MINISTRY

The remarkable success of James Caughey, the humble Methodist preacher, who in one trip through England saw 100,000 people converted and 20,000 sanctified, is an illustration of what God can do with those who yield themselves unreservedly to Him. There were two things which Mr. Caughey regarded as fundamental to success in the ministry,—(1) the necessity for the immediate influence of the Holy Ghost, (2) the necessity for a style of preaching and a class of truth adapted to awaken sinners and bring them to God.

Of the first Mr. Caughey says, "On the evening of that never-to-be-forgotten day I took my pen and wrote: 1st. I see, I feel now as I have never felt before, the absolute necessity of the immediate influence of the Holy Ghost to impart point, efficacy and success to a preached gospel. 2nd. The absolute necessity of praying more frequently, more perseveringly and more believingly for the aid of the Holy Spirit in my ministry. 3rd. That my labors without that aid will be comfortless and valueless; a cloud without water, a tree without fruit, a sound uncertain, unctious and meaningless—such will be the character of my ministry. It is the Spirit of God alone which imparts significance and power to the word preached without which, as one has expressed it, 'all the threatenings of the Bible will be no more than thunder to the deaf or lightning to the blind'. The entire glory of all my success shall henceforth be given to the Holy Spirit. By this I shall as conscientiously abide as by any other principle of our holy religion. It is written, 'Them that honor me I will honor.' To this may be added that righteous and unchangeable determination of Jehovah, 'My glory will I not give to another.'"

Mr. Caughey also saw the great importance of a proper preparation for the ministry. He saw that if the Holy Ghost was to act upon the hearts of men it must be through the medium of the truth, and that he must give himself to diligently searching for that class of truth which the Spirit could use in awakening and bringing men to God. His oft-repeated words were, "God will never do for his most favored instruments, what they can do for themselves." The manner in which he prepared himself for his work is told in his words to a brother minister and will prove helpful to young preachers.

"I now saw the necessity of turning my attention to that style of preaching which would be likely to awaken sinners and bring penitents to God. Revival artillery I resolved to have. I fasted and prayed and searched the Scriptures. My reading, thinking, conversation and all my observations were laid under one contribution to one end—preparation for soul-saving which I now perceived to be the great end of the gospel ministry. When a text presented itself as suitable for a revival, my cry was, 'Lord God, open the eyes of my understanding. Give me a clear perception of the meaning in this passage.'

"A forenoon was generally spent on my knees in pleading for divisions and subdivisions. Having completed my skeleton I returned to my knees and pleaded for an introduction and that flesh and blood might come on these dry bones; and the pleading was not in vain. Thoughts of a moving character would come into my mind in troops. Having finished the rough outline it was folded up till the next day. On the morning I returned to my knees and read the subject over. The Holy Scriptures were then called in to prove or illustrate the sen-

timents. Commentaries were referred to and lastly my private journal and common place book and then it was consecrated to God and labeled, 'Revival Sermon for Future Use.' It was in this way that the Lord prepared Mr. Caughey, and he will prepare everyone for a fruitful ministry who seeks this preparation with the same diligence.

CHRISTMAS CONVENTION AT ONTARIO

There will be a Christmas Convention at Ontario, Oregon, during the holidays, Dec. 21, 1917 to Jan. 6, 1918. The pastor of the church, Rev. E. L. Perry has secured the Opera Hall, which will seat a great company and has invited the pastors of the district and about twenty of the members of the faculty and students from the college to spend two weeks in a revival and missionary campaign. The preaching will be done by District Superintendent Herrell and the pastors of the district.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM

The following is a tentative program of the Missionary Convention. At the close of each session there will be informal discussions of the subjects presented and helpful suggestions for those who desire to investigate the subjects further.

- Wed., Jan. 2, 2:30 p. m. AFRICA.
Miss Amy Chambers.
INDIA.
Miss Minnie Hess.
Miss Littlejohn.
- Thur., Jan. 3, 2:30 p. m. LATIN AMERICA.
Professor Alex Krag.
THE ORIENT
Miss Marion Benton, Japanese Work in America.
- Fri., Jan. 4, 2:30 p. m. ARMENIA.
Mr. Moses Hagopian, Armenia.
THE CHALLENGE OF MISSIONS TO THE COLLEGE STUDENT.
Miss Myrtle Belle Walter.

PLANS TO DOUBLE MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

The General Board of Foreign Missions has discovered that 25 per cent of the members of the church do not contribute to missions. The District Board of the Idaho-Oregon District has decided to put this district on record for the full 100 per cent of its membership as contributors to missions and has elected Mrs. Libbie M. Walter as District Missionary Evangelist. She will visit all the churches and present the subject personally to every member of each church. She is now at Caldwell, assisting in a meeting and the people are becoming intensely interested in this important subject. We hope if possible to double the offerings for missions this year.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION AND SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

One of the interesting and helpful features of the Christmas Convention and School of Missions conducted by the faculty and students of the college under the supervision of Miss Olive M. Winchester. There will be interesting and helpful missionary addresses, maps, charts and other missionary information, a round table and a presentation of the missionary opportunities of the district.

JERUSALEM

N. B. Herrell.

Jerusalem, the city of the great King, has held a prominent place in sacred history since the days of Melchisedec, King of Salem,

(or Jerusalem). There Abraham worshipped the true and living God, paying tithes of all, and there too, was the scene of the offering of Isaac a type of Jesus.

Since those ancient days, Jerusalem has been proclaimed by the prophets; sung by the poets; besieged by enemies; protected by Jehovah; laid waste by famine; rebuilt with power and glory. Good and bad kings have lived within her walls; Solomon's temple was built there; David lived there; Jesus wept over it; the Jews rejected and crucified their King there; the Holy Ghost fell on the church there; the first great revival the world saw was there. Jerusalem was the birthplace of the Christian church and was the headquarters of the church for many years. The Turks have held the sacred city for nearly 1200 years. December 10, 1917, it fell into the hands of the English. Just what this means in the way of prophecy will develop. The question which confronts us is, "Will we go up at once and possess the land?" Should we not have a strong Pentecostal Nazarene Mission well located in this, the birthplace of our beloved Zion? A few thousand dollars in the hands of our Foreign Missionary Board will make it possible. The Jerusalem Missionary fund of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene should grow fast. So that by the time the war is over we may be able to enter the field with a strong band of workers.

Jerusalem would be the appropriate place for our Eastern headquarters, for all the European countries will be open for full salvation evangelization. No doubt this city will become a great world center again, as Palestine will soon be alive with Jews returning to their native country.

There is a work to be done among this people, as well as all other nations. We, as a church, are sent to all nations. We are to have faith to do all that we are commissioned to do; we are to plan as large as our commission is; we are to undertake and God is to furnish all power in Heaven and earth to carry on the enterprise.

Shall we go up and possess the land? Shall the redeemed of the Lord go up to Zion with joy and singing? Let the redeemed of the Lord say so Amen!

CALLED TO CENTRAL AMERICA

In 1 Thess. 5:9-10 it says, "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him."

Glad was the day when I realized that this appointment reached even me, for if it had not I would be on my way to hell today. One Sabbath evening, the thirteenth of April, after listening to a stirring message that gripped my heart as never before, I decided to go to the altar. When I tried to pray, a dark pall seemed to rest over everything. It seemed that I could not give up some things, neither could I say "yes" to some others and so told my pastor that I could not get it that night but would keep seeking.

On my way home I was afraid that even the street car would break through the bridges that I had to cross. A fear came over me that cannot be described. I arrived home safely, but had no sooner reached my room than I began seeking again. At last I decided that it was best to let go of everything and when I did glory fell. Glory be to God! Since then, I have been climbing up the shining way of salvation. Also since coming to Northwest Nazarene College the Lord has called me to Central America and I expect to go. Praise the Lord! I am so glad that we can live with Jesus on this earth, whether awake or asleep.

ROY BLISS, Spokane, Washington.

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Matt. 5, 6, 7.

The sermon on the mount follows closely the works of mercy which would open men's hearts to receive the Saviour's words. The preacher was the Lord Jesus,—the greatest of all preachers. The place was a mountain in Galilee. His audience were his disciples. But although the discourse was directed mainly to the disciples, it was in the hearing of the multitude. (Ch. 7-28). The fame of his miracles brought a great crowd of people together and he took advantage of the opportunity to instruct them.

The sermon was about the kingdom of God,—its subjects and its righteousness. It is a discourse about the changed life,—showing its conditions and about the kingdom,—showing its nature, legislation and privileges. In regard to heathenism it is a contrast; in regard to the Jewish law, it is a fulfillment. Instead of curses there are blessings, instead of penalties, reward.

I. Christ begins his sermon with a description of the subjects of the kingdom. (5:3-16). First, he gives the qualities of character essential to happiness and influence. He begins with a promise of happiness, with a blessing rather than a curse. He thus connects his program directly with the hopes of his hearers, for the central features in the current Messianic conception were deliverance and happiness. The conditions of happiness were in contrast with those in popular thought. Happiness does not consist in what one possesses, etc., but in the wealth of the inner life, in moral thought, self-control, spiritual insight, and in the character one is able to form within himself, and in the service he is able to render to his fellow-men.

The word "blessed" means happy or joyful. The conditions of happiness as given by Christ are:—

1. Poor in spirit.
2. They that mourn.
3. The meek.
4. They which hunger and thirst after righteousness.
5. The merciful.
6. The pure in heart.
7. The peace-makers.
8. They which are persecuted for righteousness sake.

We must not forget the promises accompanying these conditions. They that mourn are happy because they shall be comforted; the meek are happy because they shall inherit the earth; they which hunger and thirst because they shall be filled.

Christ next uses two beautiful figures to show the responsibility of influence of the subjects of the kingdom. Their mission is the hope of the kingdom. The salt is a figure of our silent influence. A large part of our influence is unconscious and intangible. Salt (1) preserves from corruption; (2) gives taste to all that is insipid; (3) is essential to all organized life. So the disciples alone can save the world from corruption, the Gospel alone can give zest and meaning to society, it is essential to the life of the world.

But our silent influence is not enough. We are to let our lights so shine before men, that they may see our good work and glorify our Father in heaven. Our influence for God must be as far reaching and useful to men as the beautiful light.

II. The relation of the new righteousness to the Mosaic Law. (5:17-18).

1. The relation defined as that of continuance in a higher fulfillment. (17-20).

It must not aim at a lower standard than the law, because instead of abrogating that law, Christ came to fulfill it. Also it must surpass the righteousness of the Scribes

and Pharisees, and their righteousness was most scrupulous and exacting—above everything else, the righteousness of the kingdom must spring from the heart and control the secret motives of the soul.

2. The higher fulfillment of the new righteousness illustrated by a comparison of its principles with the Mosaic law as currently taught and practiced. (Vs. 21-48).

(1) The higher law of brotherhood judges ill-will as murder. (21-26).

(2) The higher law of purity condemns lust as adultery.

(3) The higher law of truth forbids oaths as unnecessary and evil.

(4) The higher law of rights substitutes self-restraint and generosity for retaliations and resistance.

(5) The higher law of love demands universal good will of a supernatural quality like that of the Father's.

Jesus does not abrogate any law but interprets its precepts in terms that call for a deeper and more perfect fulfillment.

The last verse of the fifth chapter is a summary of the entire chapter. "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

III. The new righteousness. Its motives as applied to religious, practical and social duties, or the principles of conduct. (6:1-7:12).

1. Reverence toward the Father essential in all acts of worship.

- (1) In almsgiving.
- (2) In prayer.
- (3) In fasting.

Christ warns his disciples against the sin of hypocrisy which the Scribes and Pharisees were guilty of. We must not seek after vain glory, but must do our alms, etc., with a humble spirit.

In regard to prayer Christ teaches that private devotions are more profitable than public devotions. The Pharisees were accustomed to pray in the market places, in order to receive the praise of men. This was the only reward they had. But we have a greater reward, from our heavenly Father, to whom all prayer is to be made,—as Christ taught his disciples. What a beautiful picture it is,—Christ teaching his lately called disciples the ways of Salvation,—warning them of the evils of the day, and giving them practical talks for their daily life. After Christ had told the disciples how not to pray he teaches them how to pray, giving them a model, because we know not what to pray for as we ought, but he helps our infirmities by putting words into our mouths. Matthew Henry says, "The Lords prayer is a letter sent from earth to heaven." "Our Father" is the inscription, "in heaven" is the place; the contents, are the several requests; "this day" is the date. There are three parts of the prayer. (1) the preface—"Our Father which art in heaven." (2) The petitions—There are six of these; the first three relate more immediately to God and his honor. In brief these petitions are:—

1. Hallowed be thy name.
2. Thy kingdom come.
3. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
4. Give us this day our daily bread.
5. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
6. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Conclusion—"For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

"Ascribing glory to God forever intimates an acknowledgement that it is eternally due, and an earnest desire to be eternally doing it with angels and saints above."—Henry.

To all this we are taught to affix our Amen, so it be. God's Amen is a grant,—it shall be so; our Amen is only a summary desire,—let it be so, it is in token of our desire and assurance to be heard that we say Amen.

We now go to the next sub-division.
2. Loyalty toward the Father fundamental in all activities. (6:19-34).

(1) In treasure seeking.
(2) In trustful devotion to the kingdom and the Father's righteousness. (1) Christ does not design to deprive us of our treasure, but to direct us in the choice of it. We should not place our happiness in temporal things, but in spiritual things. We must not confide in earthly things in time to come, but we must lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven. (2) God wants us to trust Him. Anxious care about the things in this life show that we have our treasures laid up on earth. True faith trusts the Father for the present life as well as for the life to come. If we are not trusting him now for the things that are present and real, what evidence have we that we are really trusting Him for the things that are unseen? God gives us the tests and trials of the present life to prove that He is real to us, and that our faith does take Him for help in time of need. Righteousness is not merely doing our duty to our fellowmen, or having an eye single to the glory of God, but the very root and principle of it is a confidence so simple and complete that like the sparrows of the fields, we can leave all our interests in His hand and trust Him for the life that now is, as well as for the life that is to come.

The next subdivision is:—
3. Love toward the Father dynamic in all social relations. (7:1-12).

- (1) Critical estimate of self instead of censorious judgment of others. (1:5).
- (2) Discrimination is the communication of spiritual values. (Ver. 6).
- (3) Kindness towards others in all things like the Father's kindness toward all His children. (7-12).

Judge not has no reference to conclusions or opinions based on fair investigation or clear evidence; but this has reference entirely to harsh criticism of others based on surmises or ill-will. It is a common condition for persons without ridding themselves of their sin to be swift in condemning others who are guilty of the same sin. Jesus warns us and rebukes us for such hypocrisy.

IV. Hortatory conclusion. (7:13-27).
2 The two gates and the two ways. (13-14).
2. The tests of character. (15-27).

(1) In the conclusion Jesus tells his disciples that the way into the kingdom is a narrow way. The way to all worthy achievement is the narrow way of self-control, self-sacrifice and infinite pains. Such is the way to the righteousness of the kingdom, the supreme object of human endeavor.

(2) By their fruits alone the subjects of the kingdom are known. In the presence of the Father there is no room for those who bring nothing but the leaves of empty professions.

The test of righteousness is illustrated in conclusion; by the parable of the two buildings. Since both the wise man and the foolish man built, it is evident that they both had heard the Word. The difference was that one built on the rock,—Jesus Christ himself, and the other on external profession, which was shifting sand. In the sermon Jesus showed himself to be the Son of God as clearly as when working miracles, for he spoke with the authority as only the Son of God could speak.

BARBARA ANDERSON.



Armenia, the Land of Persecutions

Armenia is the land of a suffering people. The Persians, Romans, Greeks, Arabs, Tartars and Ottoman Turks have all passed over this land with their armies bringing indescribable misery and woe upon the Armenian nation.

Think only of the six hundred long years of Turkish oppression! Who can describe the awful scenes of blood or picture the horrible atrocities which are the daily lot of this persecuted but steadfast people.

Mr. Mose Hagopian, whose picture is shown on this page, escaped the cruel sword of the Turks and came to this country, where he is preparing himself for missionary work among his own people. He tells the readers of the Nazarene Messenger something of himself and his land.

SAVED FROM THE CRUEL SWORD

In the beginning of the year, 1890, in those terrible cold days, the Turks massacred about 100,000 Armenians. I remember how God saved me from that cruel sword of the Turks, when I was a baby three years old. My father came upon his knees at the family altar, all the children around him, and prayed God that if it was His will to spare our lives, but if we were to be slain that he would keep up true and firm in the faith and give us grace at the hour of bloodshed and suffering to be martyrs for Him, rather than to deny the precious name of Jesus.

After prayer my father planned to go to the American Missionaries for protection. He took me in his arms and went through the snow. We saw people slain and their blood coming down the streets. Then came two terrible Turks with the sword in their hands and we were next to be slain. They raised their sword to strike my father and slay him and myself. My father at once raised up his hand against the sword to protect me, and cried with a loud voice: "For God's sake stop a moment!" They stopped to listen while my father was praying to God and telling them to spare our lives, especially he pleaded for my life. I remember I also raised my hand just like my father did and told them to save my father. God touched the hearts of those Turks and one said to the other: "What shall we gain by killing these people like animals, let us pass them by." So they passed on and we went to missionaries building safely. On our way God wonderfully saved our lives from fire and sword and the bullets of the Turkish soldiers. God heard my fathers' prayer and not one of us from the entire family was even hurt, except the Turks burned down our home into ashes.

The Sufferings of the Armenians

No one can tell the horrors of Turkish atrocity, and no language can describe the 1915 massacre, one of the greatest in the world's history, in which we lost over one million people. During this last bloodshedding the missionary work in general has suffered terribly in Turkey. Many missionaries and native workers and pastors, and many thousands of native Christians have laid down their lives, churches, schools, hospitals and whole stations have been closed and the work stopped. Property taken from Armenia by military or destroyed in deportations, totals millions of dollars. In Tiflis alone, are 2000 Armenian refugee children, whose parents have been victims of massacre and starvation. Among them is a little girl whose story is as follows: In June 1916, she and her father and mother were driving from their home and sought refuge in their neighboring forest. They were pursued, caught by the Turkish

soldiers, who shot the father and after treating the mother with horrible brutality, wounded her mortally and left her to die. The dying mother was able to give her child a message for all Armenians throughout the world. "Tell them," she said, "That I am dying for the sake of Christ, my honor and my nation, and my blood and the blood of those who have fallen in these massacres will purify Armenia, shake off her bondage and make her a free nation."

An Armenian Testimony

Now I close this brief account with my testimony. I thank God for His grace. It was over three years that I have never heard from my parents in Armenia. Perhaps they have been massacred. Many times I wept and cried for them, but God's grace has been sufficient for me in this great trial. I am glad that I will meet my loved ones in heaven singing songs of Redeeming Love and waving palms of victory. I am glad for salvation. Glory to God! Jesus saved me from my sins 10 years ago in Armenia, then 5 years after he sanctified me wholly in the Nazarene church at Berkeley, California, and he has kept me ever since. Through many sorrows, toils and snares, I have already come. It is grace that brought me safe this far and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has also given me a missionary call to my own people. I am looking for the time when God will send me to Armenia to preach Jesus and Him crucified. God has put in my heart such an intense love for lost souls, that I will preach the Gospel to all people, even to the cruel Turks who have massacred my nation and my loved ones; and by the grace of God I will see some of them saved and sanctified. Thank God! He has given me the vision, and I am obedient to the heavenly vision.

The Armenians trace their descent from Haig, the grandson of Japhet. His descendant Aram, is the hero of the nation and by his name the country was called Armenia by the Persians, and Haik or Haiaston by the Armenians. The Armenians first appear in history about the middle of the sixth century B. C., when Dikeau of the Haig dynasty, freed his nation from its subjection to the Assyrians and Medes. Armenia was subdued by Alexander the Great and was ruled by representative kings until 190 B. C. Then the satraps Aetaxias and Zariades revolted against Antiochus the Great and divided the province. The former took the country east of the Euphrates, or Armenia Major, and the latter the western portion or Armenia Minor. The Armenians maintained the kingdom for about 1800 years.

Armenia comes into view in connection with Biblical history in the time of the cap-

tivity of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar and the deportation of the Judean people. The Armenian king, Huradian, was one of the allies in the siege and on return to Armenia carried with him a Hebrew prince named Shampad. He was a very intelligent man and made himself greatly loved and esteemed by the Armenians, a sort of Daniel or Joseph. He married an Armenian noblewoman and his descendants became the very foremost of the noble families and ecclesiastical functionaries of the country. Hence we see that there is noble Hebrew blood in the Armenian nation.

THE ARMENIANS AND CHRISTIANITY

About the year 285 A. D. Christianity was introduced into Armenia by Gregory the Illuminator, who succeeded in converting the king Tiridates III. The old religion, Zoroastrinism, collapsed; the people followed the example of their monarch and became the earliest national Christian Church in the world.

The rulers of Persia persecuted the Armenians and endeavored vainly to extirpate Christianity, plunging the country into anarchy. The first 250 years of Arab rule (63-885) were marked by bitter conflicts between Mohammedans and Byzantines. After this there came ruin by the Mongol invasions. The Seljuk Turks and after them Timur devastated the land and occupied a portion of it, while the Byzantines seized the rest. Armenia was subjugated by the Persians in 1472, but part of it was wrested from them by the Ottoman Turks fifty years later and permanently incorporated in the empire.

THE COLLEGE FARM

The college farm consists of sixty acres just south of the college. Forty acres of this is in alfalfa and twenty acres still unimproved. In this country farms often yield as high as ten tons to the acre in one season and the price has been as high as \$15.00 per ton. It can be readily seen that this farm will provide a valuable endowment for the college as well as provide work for a number of students who otherwise could not attend. The farm will not be a source of income this year but we hope to make it aid us quite materially next year.

Subscribe for the Nazarene Messenger. This little paper is thoroughly alive and will furnish you with soul food as well as serve to keep you in touch with the work which is being done by Northwest Nazarene College. Subscription price, 50 cents per year.

NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE

Location—Northwest Nazarene College is located at Nampa, Idaho, on the Oregon Short Line Railroad.

Aim—To prepare young men and women for efficient leadership in the various forms of Christian activity, both at home and abroad.

Plan—We urge our students whenever practicable, to complete a full college course with major study in the Bible and allied subjects. Briefer courses on the institute plan for those not able to complete full college courses.

Departments—Full college and academy courses, Grammar School Commercial Department, Departments of Music and Art.

Faculty—A university trained faculty in college and academy.

Student Body—Student body of 212 members from 11 states and 3 foreign countries. There are ten religious denominations represented.

Student Club—The students maintain a boarding club on the co-operative plan. Meals are served at a cost of about seven cents per meal or from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per month.

Dormitories—Dormitories are provided for both young men and women. Room rent, \$1.00 per week.

Expenses—Tuition and fees, college and academy, \$25.00 per semester. Matriculation Fee, payable but once, \$2.00. Tuition and fees in Grammar School, \$12.50 per semester. Lessons in Music and Art, 50 cents per lesson.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Church Affiliation—Northwest Nazarene College is one of the educational institutions of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene and has an educational mission to the entire Northwest.

Control—The college is controlled by a Board of Directors incorporated under the laws of the State of Idaho.

Board of Directors—There are twelve members of the Board of Directors, all of whom must be members of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene and in the experience of holiness.

By-Laws—The By-Laws of the Board of Directors are determined by the Idaho-Oregon District of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene and cannot be altered or amended without a two-thirds majority vote.

Property—The property is deeded to the corporation and is valued at \$52,935.00.

Classification—The college meets the requirements which the General Board of Education specifies for a standard college.

Territory—The educational district of the Northwest Nazarene College comprises the Northwest, Idaho-Oregon and Dakotas-Montana Districts, including the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Emphasis—(1) Real Christian experience; (2) Thorough scholarship; (3) Development in initiative, co-operation, thoroughness, sympathy and faithfulness.

TEMPORARY ENDOWMENT FUND

A permanent endowment of \$50,000.00 would yield at 6 per cent, an income of \$3,000.00 per year. Fifty churches or individuals subscribing \$5.00 each per month for twelve months would yield the same amount of aid to the college. Each subscriber therefore, would in effect be endowing the college to the extent of \$1,000.00 on the temporary endowment plan.

The money received is applied on the deficit in operation expenses and faculty salaries. This annual deficit is due to the low rate of tuition charged in order to make it possible for young people to take advantage of the opportunities afforded by the college.

We are asking fifty churches and individuals to each take \$1000.00 of this temporary endowment by subscribing the amount of \$5.00 per month for one year.

HOW TO HELP THE COLLEGE

A donation to the Building and Improvement fund will help us with the new buildings so necessary to the greatest success of our work. Our immediate needs are as follows: \$3,500 to complete Student's Club Building and Music; \$3,000.00 for furniture and equipment; \$1,500.00 for heating plants in dormitories.

A subscription to the Temporary Endowment Fund will help us pay our faculty and other operation expenses. We have a plan by which you can aid the college as much as would be received from \$1,000.00 permanent endowment. Read about our plan for temporary endowment. We want every church in our educational district to have a part in this.

The college bonds furnish a safe investment to loan. These bonds range in de-

nominations from \$25.00 to \$1,000.00 and pay 6 per cent interest to the holders. Write us in regard to this matter.

THE CHURCHES HELP THE TEMPORARY ENDOWMENT FUND

District Superintendent Herrell has been presenting the needs of the current fund of the college in the churches where he has been holding revival meetings recently and the response has been commendable. The Burns Church subscribed \$100.00 and the Caldwell Church subscribed \$101.50. Brother Herrell has been having great success in revival work and the fire is falling, people are getting under old-time conviction and praying through in the old-fashioned way. When churches get the Holy Ghost they always become interested in education of the young people and in missions.

INTERESTING STATISTICS

Seventy-one families have moved to Nampa in order to be near this live holiness college.

Thirty-eight of these families have purchased property to the amount of \$153,250.00 This adds permanence to our undertaking.

There are ninety-eight boarding students, fifty-three young men and forty-five young women. We are crowded above measure and need more room at once.

The total number of people in Nampa as a result of Northwest Nazarene College is three hundred and seventy six.

There are eighty-two students in the boarding club. Our dining hall will seat but eighty. We are asking our friends to help us with the new building.

The auditor's statement shows the following: Total assets, \$61,625.97; Total liabilities, \$26,313.09; Surplus, \$35,312.88.

OVER ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS SUBSCRIBED

Since the last issue of the Nazarene Messenger the college and its work has been presented to the business men of Nampa and over \$1000.00 has been received in cash, subscriptions and labor. Our immediate needs are such that we must have help in order to care for those whom God is sending to us. Our dining room is crowded, we have too few classrooms for our professors and the music department is housed in the homes of the nearby residents. We are praying that God will talk to some of his servants or handmaidens who have some of the Lord's money for educational purposes.

A LETTER FROM BRO. LYMAN BROUGH

Just a few lines to the Nazarene Messenger. I am very much delighted with this little sheet, coming from our Northwest Nazarene College at Nampa, Idaho. It so reminds me of the old Nazarene Messenger once published at Los Angeles, California several years ago,—so packed full of Holy Ghost reports and red hot messages. How it would inspire, thrill and stir one's heart; all because its editor and contributors were filled with liquid glory.

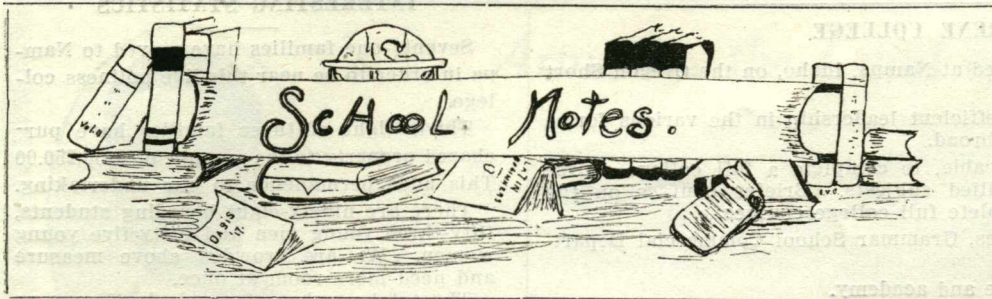
We pray God that our Nazarene Messenger, edited by Dr. Wiley will continue to be red hot and packed full of Holy Ghost articles and reports. We believe that it will if our president and faculty and school keeps the fire of liquid glory upon their souls.

As we visited the school while at the camp meeting, being invited to eat dinner with Bro. and Sister Hodgin and the students, we could feel the glory of God filling the dining room; and as we walked around the campus we could feel the presence of the mighty God. It seems the buildings were saturated with the glory.

We can heartily say Amen to this God given Holiness College at Nampa, Idaho. We can recommend it to any student in this great country. Come to this college, where the president and teachers have the Holy Ghost.

I am yours for true holiness,
 LYMAN BROUGH,
 Burns, Oregon.

For catalogue and information address, H. Orton Wiley, Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Idaho.



With the coming of vacation, the school family decreased considerably. A number of students went to their homes for the holidays.

On Tuesday evening of the last week of school Mrs. McHose gave a recital in which her students in piano and voice took part. The vocal numbers were especially enjoyable.

On Christmas day those who remained at the school enjoyed a Christmas dinner together and in the evening had a program consisting of songs, recitations, a praise service and a general time of rejoicing.

After encountering many delays and obstacles, due more or less to wartimes, the management has been able to install the furnace in Hadley Hall, and the young ladies are enjoying the privilege of having heat in their rooms.

An important event of recent date is the arrival in the home of Professor Shields of a little stranger, called Grace Naomi. We understand that the father wanted to take the small daughter on for a walk about the third or fourth day.

The college is well represented at the Ontario convention. President Wiley is spending the most of the vacation there. Miss Myrtle Belle Walter is also there, and from the student body the following have gone: Messrs. Hahn and Gault, Misses Hess, Brindle, Hilma, Shern, Ethel Shern and Littlejohn.

On the Saturday evening before the close of school, the furnace in the administration building had a slight explosion which required the time of a number of workmen on Monday and Tuesday to repair. Some classes had to be dismissed on this account; but by Wednesday morning it was in running order again.

Many students who could not go home have gone to various places to help in services. Messrs Ralph Hertehstein, Russel Mitchell and Laurance Walker, also Misses Eaton and Martha Hahn have gone to Richard, Oregon. Messrs Miller and Kennedy are helping Brother Reynolds at Nyssa. Messrs Shanks and Collins are with Brother Allan Goozee at Melba.

THE FIRE STILL BURNS

Thank God that the fire of His heavenly love is burning brighter than ever before. My whole intention is to stay on this glorious way to heaven. I would rather have the people say that I was dead than truthfully to say that I was cooling down or had lost the fire. Bless God, I know the fire burns.
RALPH HERENSTEIN, Azusa, California.

"The life of the written Word is the living Personal Word."

Have you subscribed for the Nazarene Magazine?
The monthly visits of this little paper will mean a spiritual feast of good things.
It will also keep you constantly in touch with the great work which is being done by Northwest Nazarene College.
The Nazarene Messenger coming to your home is a reminder that you should subscribe. In doing so you will greatly help the college and the paper will prove a blessing to you.
We shall greatly appreciate your subscription. Subscription price fifty cents per year.

OLD TIME POWER RETURNED

A letter from Bro. Flowers addressed to Dean Hodgin tells of a very successful meeting which is being held at Moscow, Idaho on the Northwest District. He writes:—

"The Lord is with us in great power. Twenty-six at the altar yesterday. The devil has overstepped himself in his opposition. We had a streamer painted and put it across Main Street and somebody stole it and we have seen nothing of it since. We put cards in all the store windows and the merchants have taken them all out. I hired one of the printers to print some bills and some boys to scatter them over town, but when I searched and inquired over town I found one bill only.

"Last night after a few of us got in the building and began service some one locked us in and put a sign on the outside of the door which read, 'No Services Tonight on Account of Rain. Well, we found it out and opened up and about four hundred came, the power of God came upon us and we had a blessed time. One young lady was laid out under the power at the altar during the entire service and came out shouting. She was seeking sanctification.

"We have had some of the brightest cases I have seen in a long time. It looks as if the old time power of the early holiness movement is coming back. Let us keep at it and stay by the real fire until it burns its way through. Amen. We have had about fifty at the altar this week. Farmer Burns, the ex-champion wrestler was saved and then sanctified at Echo where Sister Pennell was before coming here, and he wants to come to college. She says he is a power. Have the chapel and church folks pray hard for us this week for it is the last week of the meeting and there is much to be done. I am quite sure there will be several good students for the college from here.

Yours and His,
S. L. FLOWERS.

"The lightnings of great thoughts shows the way to heroic deeds."

NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE

I desire to say through the Herald of Holiness that I have visited the Northwest Nazarene College, and am simply delighted with what I saw and heard. This bids fair to be the greatest college in our whole connection. Its growth has simply been phenomenal. They have at the present time an enrollment of 211. They are going on with their buildings as the money comes in to build with, hence they are keeping clear of any large indebtedness. They certainly have a splendid faculty. Dr. Wiley, the president, is a man of God, highly esteemed for his deep spirituality, and humble lovable spirit. To know him is to love him. He has the respect and esteem of the scholars and all who are concerned. There is a beautiful unity in the school, and they are making good progress along all lines.

They are perfectly loyal to the church, and are pushing salvation along the lines we have always taught. I have had different parents in this District ask me concerning the college, and others write me for information; hence I take this means of telling you all that I believe in the college with all my heart. I have utmost confidence in its president and faculty, and I greatly desire that we, as a District, remember the action taken at our last Assembly regarding this college, and now rise up to a man and let the good people at Nampa know that we are not only makers of resolutions but doers of the same. I wish we could send them \$1,000 at once to help make some greatly needed improvements, before the cold weather sets in. I also desire that the pastors and parents would urge our young people to attend the school. They are in safe keeping over there and will surely be taught the deep things of God.

At this Thanksgiving time we are indeed thankful to our God for the Northwest Nazarene College.

J. T. LITTLE,
District Superintendent.

We appreciate these kindly words from District Superintendent Little of the Northwest District. Bro. Little is a member of the Board of Directors of the college and can speak authoritatively on this subject. He has also visited the college and knows our position in reference to the work. There have been many rumors and false reports abroad, evidently calculated to injure us, but to these we have given but little attention, knowing that God would raise up some one to defend us in His own good time.

Meanwhile we have been giving ourselves unreservedly to the work of preaching holiness and teaching the Word of God. As a result God has graciously blessed us both spiritually and temporally. We have had revivals of old-time power and glorious visitations of the Holy Ghost. Since the opening of the college year we have received between \$3,000.00 and \$4,000.00 in cash and subscriptions. This means much in these days when colleges are finding all but impossible to maintain their existence. We have registered 212 students and we know of nearly twenty-five more who want to come this year. Our dormitories are full, our dining hall is more than crowded and we are making a heroic effort to care for those who are planning to come for the second semester.

This work is so evidently of God, planted by His hand and nourished by His tender care, that he who lays his hand upon it or lifts his voice against it must reckon not with us but with Him "whose we are and whom we serve."

H. ORTON WILEY,
President.

Telephone 109-J.

The Roberts Dry Goods Co.

JUST RECEIVED

New Suits, Coats, Dresses, Waists
and Skirts

Season 1917-18

Our Shoe Department is Complete with the
New Styles

Kurtz Addition Cheap Buys

Block 9—12 lots; cement sidewalk on East side\$1200.00

Block 40—Well located and worth the money\$ 700.00

Also single lots from \$150.00 up.

SEE ME ABOUT YOUR FIRE INSURANCE NOTARY PUBLIC

C. R. HICKEY

First National Bank Building

Phone 445

Sellers Cabinets

Come and see us

In our New Location, 1st and 11th Ave.

Canyon Furniture Co.

Coles Hot Blast Heaters and Ranges

See our linoleum for every room

San-o-Tuf Mattresses.

Nampa, Idaho

Golden Rule Store

Furniture and Household Furnishings

The House of Low Prices

Walk a Block and Save a Dollar

We Solicit Your Patronage

Corner Front St. and Eleventh Ave

Phone 157-J

ROBT. F. TAYLOR, Proprietor and Manager

See **FORCH** for
Drug Store
Satisfaction

FARM LANDS

Improved and Unimproved

Cushman & Zeigler

Dewey Palace Blk.

Nampa, Idaho

Style Quality Price

When you trade at this store you will find
the latest styles in seasonable merchan-
dise, best and standard qualities,
and our prices are always right
and lowest

Nampa Dept. Store, Ltd.

Dry Goods Ready-to-Wear Clothing Groceries

What We Say It Is--It Is

A. T. BULLOCK

Jeweler and Optometrist

Any Lense Duplicated in 30 Minutes

Leave your trunk checks with us

Young Transfer & Storage Co.

Piano and Furniture Moving

a specialty

Phones 99-W, 99-J

Everything to Build With

Nampa Lumber Co.

Phone 449

A. L. Nickels & Company

OFFICE-SCHOOL-**PHOTO**-SUPPLIES

PHONE 20

1224 FIRST STREET SOUTH

We want to thank all our friends and patrons for their hearty co-operation during the past year and wish every one of them a Joyous and Prosperous New Year.

BAKER DRUG STORE

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Nyal Family Remedies

ANSCO CAMERAS AND SUPPLIES

Tom Poole, Druggist

AGENTS FOR

Eastman Kodaks

Edison Phonographs

Rexall Remedies

We conduct a clean, legitimate drug business and solicit your trade

PHONE 118

THIS SPACE FOR SALE

The Nazarene Messenger is published from the Nampa Leader-Herald office, and the quality of work speaks for itself. All printing done at the Leader-Herald office is guaranteed and all you have to do is to state your wants. They do the rest.

WANDERIN HOTEL

EMERSON & GOODNIGHT, Props.

Hot and Cold Running Water and Steam Heat

A Quiet Place for the Traveler

1416 First St. South

Nampa, Idaho