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The Value Of A College Education

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Our young men and women should be encouraged to rest in nothing short of a college education. They should understand that God requires of them, not only all that they are, but all that they may become through growth and development as stewards of the grace of God.

Under the old dispensation Malachi, the last of the prophets in an arraignment of the Jews of his time said, "If ye offer the blind for a sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and the sick, is it not evil? offer it now to thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the Lord of hosts." Mal. 1:8. This is the test,—offer it now to thy governor, will he be pleased with thee? The young people of the world in order to fill positions of responsibility and trust spend years in study and research, and shall young people who have devoted their lives to God do less? If earthly interests demand such extended preparation, should not the interests of the kingdom of God demand still greater? Will the Lord be pleased if He is offered that which an earthly ruler would not accept?

We seek therefore to impress upon young men and women, not only the personal benefits to be derived from a college education, great as they may be, but also the obligation resting upon them to make the best possible preparation for the great work to which God has called them. If a physician must spend much time in preparation before being considered competent to minister to the bodies of men, how much more those who are preparing to minister to immortal souls destined to spend an eternity in heavenly bliss or outer darkness? We desire to offer the following for the serious consideration of those who feel called to the various lines of Christian activity.

Personal Benefits

The college period is one of self-discovery and is full of significance to every young man or young woman. It is the time when the horizons lift and the vision is enlarged,—when new fields of usefulness come into view,

when the widened horizon gives proper perspective and distance sets things in their proper relations. It is during this period that the student forms a proper standard of judgment, both as to the relative value of the many interests which clamor for recognition and of his own peculiar fitness or lack of fitness for certain undertakings. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with thy might" may better be rendered "Whatsoever thy hand findeth



"Learn of Me"

to do with thy might,—do that." Much of the dissatisfaction of life is due to the fact that people have not found their work,—that which calls out into activity, their whole being.

The Christian college provides for the symmetrical development of the whole person, spiritual, moral mental and physical. A well-balanced college curriculum awakens new powers and discovers new fields of thought to the earnest student. Every subject is valuable,—literature, the classics, science, mathematics, history and philosophy,—all these to him who knows God, are but sources of com-

munion with Him and from communion comes strength. "The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits." As knowledge increases and the horizons widen, the truly Christian student sinks into greater humility as he perceives himself but a speck in the infinitudes about him, and with this realization of his own insufficiency comes the sufficiency of God.

The college not only awakens a student to a knowledge of his powers, but its discipline puts him in possession of himself. With powers awakened and disciplined, with a proper symmetry of character and a just estimate of the values of life, there is more of the person to think, to feel and to will. In the supreme tests of life when moments are of infinite worth, the man who has so disciplined himself that he can bring to the situation his clearest thinking, his deepest feeling and his highest volition, is the man of the hour,—one who is able to lead the people to new conquests or voice public sentiment in great sorrows or exigencies. Should we not better appreciate the demands which are upon us when those who are best educated continually affirm that their preparation is altogether inadequate?

The college course, earnestly pursued, gives the student an appreciation of the hard work necessary to success. He soon comes to realize that it is not by "sudden flight," but by nights of patient, plodding toil that the great heights are to be reached and kept. It begins to dawn upon him that he should not look for an "affatus" or a short and easy method,—rather that he should adopt the method of the great Dr. Johnson, who when asked how he could best receive the inspiration for producing a great work replied, "Sit down doggedly, sir; sit down doggedly." With this insight into the history which lies back of the truly great, he gives up the vain hope of easy success and settles down to "develop his genius by hard work."

The college not only gives a love for knowledge, but also a love for

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Building the College

A Golden Opportunity for Those Who Wish to Invest Money in Christian Young People

Importance of Religious Education

Mr. Babson, of the Babson Statistical Agency in his book, *Enduring Investments*, strongly emphasizes the need of Religious Education. He says, "Religion like everything else of value, must be taught. It is possible to get more religion in industry and business only through the development of religious education. With the forces of evil backed by men and money, systematically organized to destroy, we should back with men and money, campaigns for religious education."

"We are willing to give our property and even our lives when our country calls us in time of war. Yet the call of religious education is today of greater importance than was ever the call of the army or navy. This is true because we may never live to see America attacked from without, but we may at any time see our best institutions attacked from within."

"I am not offering religious education as a protector of property because nearly all of the great progressive and liberal movements of history have been born in the heart of religious educators. It, however, is a fact that the safety of our sons and daughters, as they go out on the streets this very night, is due to the influence of the priests, rabbis, and preachers rather than to the influence of the policemen, officials, and lawmakers. Yes, the safety of our nation, including all groups, depends on religious education." (p 123-124).

Mr. Babson speaks with authority from the business world. He urges business men to rally to the support of religious education. He further says, "As the great life insurance companies are spending huge sums on doctors, scientific investigations, and district nurses to improve the health of the nation, so we business men should spend huge sums to develop those fundamental religious qualities of integrity, industry, faith, and service which make for true prosperity. Surely the need of the hour is not more factories or materials, not more railroads or steamships, not more armies or navies, —but rather more religious education!"

Have We Not a Right to Expect it

We have prayed earnestly and desired sincerely that God would lay it upon the

hearts of some of his servants or handmaidens who have wealth, to stand sponsor for the hundreds of young people God is sending us, and to give largely of their means to the building and equipping of a college plant that would give the conveniences necessary to care properly for the young people that God is sending us. We do not know, whether or not this is God's plan, but we do know that it is his to save by the many or the few, and that a golden opportunity awaits those who would further this great work of Christian education for the benefit of the church, the State and the untold millions of souls who might be saved through the preaching of the gospel by these young

Victory Campaign Party

The Victory Campaign party under the leadership of Dr. Chapman and Bro. Little is visiting every church in the entire Northwest Educational District. While finances are close everywhere, the party is having success and God's blessing is upon their work. Dr. Chapman is president of the General Board of Education and has as his aim, the liquidation of all indebtedness on our schools and colleges before the next General Assembly. Bro. Little is treasurer of the College and has carried the heavy burden of the finances for the past year and God has helped him to reduce the indebtedness to a very great extent. Another lift or two will bring us over the top with flying colors. Let every one stand by with prayers and support and make the college in the Northwest one of the first to reach this goal.

The College and It's Offer

Northwest Nazarene College offers many advantages to the young people whom God calls into His work. Many students have felt a direct call to come to this institution and as a result they are very appreciative of the advantages offered and have been a great blessing to the college.

The supreme emphasis of the college is upon the spiritual life of the faculty and students. Our motto is, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." The blessing of God which sweeps over the services in holy gales of glory must of necessity leave an indelible impress upon the minds of students. Those who have been touched by holy fire from the altar of God, can

never be content with anything short of the manifestation of divine power in their services. That so many pastors and people can rest in mere perfunctory performance of duty and lifeless worship is the result of a failure to catch the true vision. Their eyes have never been touched and they grope in darkness. To live where the fire falls and the glory rolls is a privilege.

The college furnishes an atmosphere conducive to study and an incentive which comes from a desire for service in one or more of the many and varied fields open to the Christian young man or woman. Systematic courses of study are offered in High School, and College with special courses for Christian Workers. There is also a Grammar School, Departments of Music and Expression, a Commercial Department and a Medical Training Department for Nurses.

The social life of the college is of a high order. The association of young men and women in the classes, in the literary societies, the missionary bands, the class entertainments, the chapel and the evening worship is one of the most helpful things that can come into the life of any young man or woman. To be associated with those who in later years will be pastors, evangelists and foreign missionaries is a blessing inconceivably great.

Northwest Nazarene College now has certification in the State of Idaho. For students who are preparing to teach, this is a great advantage. Graduates of the College may make application for a State High School Teachers' Certificate; and those who complete two years of college work may make application for a State Elementary Certificate. The college is giving great attention to the preparation of teachers and has a strong educational department.

Students preparing for foreign missionary service will appreciate the presence of nine foreign missionaries in the college this year, representing the fields of Eastern and Western India, Japan and Latin America. There is a large and enthusiastic Home Mission Band which carries on work in the surrounding territory throughout the entire year.

"As the sun shining upon a man's face discovers all the wens, warts and blotches, that may be upon it, so the light of truth shining into the sinner's heart, reveals to him all the evil desires, thoughts, feelings and everything else, which may lie concealed therein."

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News Items

The old students of N. N. C. extend a hearty welcome to the new students who have come to cast their lot among us. With hearty co-operation, we expect to make this year the best of our lives, as well as the greatest for the institution.

Brother and Sister Hess, former pastors of the Nazarene Church at Spokane, have come to us as Deans of Men. We feel that the boys are very fortunate.

We are glad for the added department of Oratory and Expression with Professor W. W. Myers of Oklahoma in charge. A large number of students are availing themselves of this wonderful opportunity by registering for the work in Expression in order to better fit themselves for practical work as ministers and missionaries.

Professor Paul Goodwin and wife arrived last Thursday direct from Japan where they have been in mission work for the past two years. Professor Goodwin will have charge of the Department of History and Education. We welcome them to our college.

Professor Paylor, wife and family, drove through from Texas in their car. Professor Paylor comes to take charge of the Piano Department. He with his four daughters, Elizabeth, Rachel, Cora May and Dora Alice, gave a recital at the church Tuesday evening which was well attended and greatly appreciated.

We are exceedingly fortunate this year in having a large foreign missionary representation in our college. Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Tracy and family have come from Western India and are pursuing further educational work as well as placing their daughters, Olive and Martha, in the Academy. Rev. Tracy has been elected as Principal of the Academy and Mrs. Tracy assists in the English Department.

Miss Myrtle Mangum from Eastern India, sister of our Dr. Thos. E. Mangum, is at home on furlough and is improving the time by taking post-graduate work in the college. We feel that this competent young woman is a great asset to our college.

Rev. and Mrs. Fritzlan and family from Western India are completing their col-

lege course with us and have placed their children in our Grammar School. The India Band as well as the entire student body are glad to welcome them.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Thatcher from Japan joined the Idaho-Oregon Assembly and have charge of the church at Meridian. They are also taking a light course in the college in connection with their pastoral work. We extend a glad welcome to our returned missionaries for we know that the college is a blessing to them, but in turn they add much to class discussion, literary work and missionary programs as well as proving an inspiration to the separate missionary bands.

A great missionary rally was held on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 13th. A platform meeting was held in which all of the returned missionaries gave short talks, and concluded by a stirring address by Miss Myrtle Mangum. While the Philippino Band were singing, one young woman was convicted of her need of salvation and while Miss Mangum was preaching came to the altar. She soon prayed through to victory and there was a shout in camp. Others also knelt at the altar and found the desire of their hearts.

Miss Edwards, of Everett, Wn., is with us again as stenographer in Dr. Wiley's office. She has studied with Miss David, a noted harpist of New York City for the past year and brought with her a beautiful golden harp. She accompanied Mrs. McHose of our Voice Department last Sunday evening and also rendered several other selections to the delight of the audience.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Scott and children, John and Isabel and Miss Stanton, drove through from Minnesota in order to place their young people in the college. Rev. and Mrs. Scott have taken charge of the church at Halfway, Oregon.

Our noted college quartet, Misses Dean and Meggers and Messrs. Carver and Bartram, are still on the firing line. They are assisting Dr. Chapman and Bro. Little in the college campaign over the Northwest and North Pacific Districts. They expect to return about October 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen have charge of the kitchen this year and the students are delighted with the fare they are receiving. Mr. Ed. Klindworth is manager of the dining department as last year. He has secured large donations of fruit and vegetables this year which will be of great assistance to us in providing good

meals at a lower rate than would be possible otherwise.

Mrs. J. W. Goodwin, wife of General Superintendent Goodwin, arrived in Nampa, last Wednesday in order to meet her son and wife, and also to place her grand-daughter in our school. Dr. Goodwin will arrive Sept. 22, and spend a few days with us in Convention work. We are looking forward to a great meeting.

We are delighted to have our Canadian students return to us with new recruits at the beginning of the year. The Canadian students have a prayer band for the blessing of God upon the work in that needy field.

Our Japanese missionary band is enlarging. Mr. Sakai and Mr. Fujimoto have just registered from California. Mr. Nishimura, who has been here for four years, graduates this year. Miss Shinoda, his sister, is in her second year in college.

Our three young evangelists, Messrs. Glen Wallace, Wesley Stipe and Elmer Otterbein, rolled in at high noon last Friday in their speed car, from Eastern Washington where they have been in "labors abundant" during their summer vacation. They were delayed somewhat in traveling by a broken crank shaft, rough roads and a few minor difficulties, but they came home well labeled with flying colors and none the worse for the wear.

The Rev. Diaz of Manila, P. I., arrived last week after twenty-six days of travel, twenty-four of which was spent on the Pacific, bringing with him three Philippino boys in order to place them in our college. Rev. Diaz gave a short talk in chapel, presenting his work among the boys in the Philippines, which he has left in charge of Mr. Doubledee, formerly a student in N. N. C. He will leave in a short time for the East in the interest of his work.

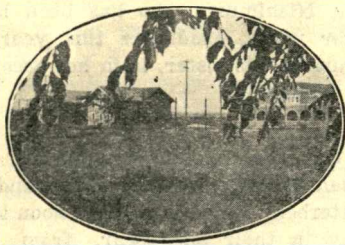
A Great Revival Meeting

The camp-meeting usually held at the opening of the school year, was this year more of the nature of a Home Camp-meeting and was held in the church on account of the cold evenings. Sister Delance Wallace, one of the pioneers of the Northwest had charge, and preached with great unction. Sister Wallace's messages were a great blessing to the people and a large number prayed through to victory. She also spoke to the students in the chapel and gave great encouragement to the students to continue their work. Her words of appreciation of the college were certainly a great blessing to all.

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good books. Like the saintly Fletcher, the student views his books as his truest friends and most constant companions, and this love for them he carries into his work, using them like the bee does the flower, extracting the sweetness with which to build up his own life and satisfy the needs of others. Many fail, especially in the ministry because they lack freshness and sweetness. Many might succeed, would they but learn to study,—the habit of prolonged and close attention to a subject until it is understood



BOY'S DORMITORY

both in itself and in its relation to other subjects.

Objections Considered

We desire also to encourage those who have hesitated before what they consider a great undertaking. Perhaps the most serious obstacles in the way of securing a college education are the following,—at least these are the objections which are most often put forward.

First, the limited amount of time. The student often feels that the 'limited amount of time' which he has at his disposal demands a briefer course than that outlined in the regular work of the college. In many instances this is a valid objection. For young people of proper school age it is never valid, but grows rather out of a failure to properly appreciate the preparation necessary to meet the demands of life. Perhaps no single utterance of the sainted Er. Bresce was more often repeated to the student body than this,—“Were I a young man, called to the ministry and knew that I had but ten years in which to live and preach, I would take five years for preparation and with the added skill, would be enabled to accomplish more in the remaining five, than in the entire period without that preparation.”

Secondly, the desire to earn money. The “money-earning power” or the

“bread and butter” test of an education is one which every young person must face. The glitter of gold has lured many young people away from college to a circumscribed life and a hard lot for the remainder of their days. No severer test of true worth was ever made than this, “Take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? For after these things do the Gentiles seek.” It is the fruit of the materialistic education of the day and the essence of worldliness. True worth will seek the spiritual things of the kingdom of God.

Lastly, the lack of financial support. The most commonly urged objection is the lack of financial support. This is no excuse at all. God who calls to the work, calls also to its preparation and will provide for every need. The lessons of faith and obedience must be learned somewhere, and if not learned during the college period, will likely never be learned. An educator of note, and of wide experience in dealing with young people, not long ago, said there is not a young person who cannot make his way through practically any college or university in this country if he but make the attempt. The hesitancy comes in making the attempt,—after this there is greater assurance. And if there should prove to be many difficulties, and such there will be, the tact and perseverance necessary to succeed in college, will form one of the most important elements of success in after life.

Opening of The Year

The year is opening well. The attendance is better than was anticipated. At this writing the registration has reached the three hundred mark, and a number of the older students have not yet returned on account of work in the orchards and harvest fields. The registration last year reached a total of 208 during the entire year, and will doubtless reach 250 or even more this year.

The first chapel service was a time of gracious victory. The presence of God was felt in a remarkable manner and the saints sang and shouted for joy. The first few days were spent in listening to reports from the summer's work and testimonies of the new students. There was a note of victory

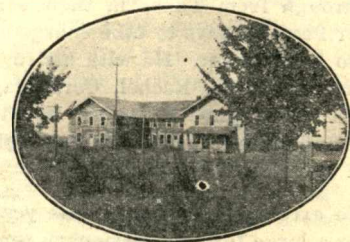
which was indeed encouraging and a resolution on the part of all to make this the best year of their lives.

A Loyal Constituency

A recent letter from one of the campaign party tells of the gracious services which are being held in many places and of the quick and whole-hearted response to the work which they are presenting. One lady prays and fasts once each week for the success of the campaign. Many are awakening to the possibilities for Christian work in supporting an institution like Northwest Nazarene College and many young people are offering themselves for better preparation in their chosen field. Let us continue to pray that God will send in the money and enable us to liquidate all indebtedness before the coming General Assembly.

Is your name on the mailing list of the Nazarene Messenger? If not, write to us for this newsy little paper.

“Truth is not defended by physical weapons. Peter in defending Christ was defending Truth, and yet Christ forbade the use of the sword. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of the stronghold of Satan. Truth shudders in her palace of light as she beholds men attempting to promote her interests by the employment of material forces; truth



GIRL'S DORMITORY

sits not on a throne that is bristling with bayonets—hers is a throne established on the immovable basis of Eternal Right and Infinite Love.”

“When He was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him. Only a few select souls can follow the Truth up in its mountain height. But Truth is meek and lowly, and comes down to the multitudes.”

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