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Northwest Nazarene College out of Debt in 1923

By REV. J. T. LITTLE

The slogan for the Northwest Nazarene College is "Out of Debt in 1923." This to some may seem to be out of the question, while others will consider it a joke, and yet there are others who expect to see it done.

We have been greatly encouraged of late and are assured that God is for us, hence the victory is in sight. When we made the drive over the Northwest and North Pacific Districts last fall in company with Dr. Chapman and the College Quartet doing our level best and yet meeting with so little success, we were inclined to feel that nothing much could be done until the financial situation in these parts could have a great change for the better. We discussed the situation with Dr. Chapman and we could see no way out. Our only hope seemed to be that if our creditors would be extremely lenient with us and forego even collecting their interest for a year or so, we might hold together and pull through. This of course was looking the situation squarely in the face from the natural man's point of view. But away down deeper in our being there was a still small voice saying "Be not afraid."

One thing that has kept us holding so steady while looking at the financial condition of the College as it is, was a conviction that God had planted the institution and was able to see us through. We could plainly see the hand of God in everything connected with the college, except perhaps the financial situation. This seemed to be a hard problem to solve, and we have not solved it yet. We are work at it and realize some light is dawning upon us. In the first place no one has attended strictly to this phase of the work. I was sure when I first came over here one year ago last May that it was a man's job and need his entire time and attention. I took the job and started out well considering the financial situation of the country. From June to December (the date I took the active pastorate here at Nampa) we raised something like \$40,000.00; I do not have the exact figures with me. I then left the field and the money stopped coming in. Since that time I have been in the field but once—the drive last fall in the Northwest and North Pacific Districts. I told the College Board all the time that they should have a man on the field continually until

the indebtedness was raised. They agreed with me; but it was difficult to get the man. I could not give my time wholly to the college and act as pastor of the church and I will admit to you that I preferred being pastor of the good church here than act as agent for the college. The ministry was more to my calling and also to my liking, hence when I returned from the drive in the Northwest, I resigned from the college work to give my time exclusively to the pastorate here. I wanted and longed to see what could be done in this excellent field of labor. It was not long however until we realized that something



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had to be done for the College, and at once; hence the good brethren prevailed upon me to accept the financial agency again. I will admit to you that it was a test of my consecration and reminded me of a vow I had made to God in years gone by, to the effect that if He had a job to be done that no one else would do, and that He could trust me with, I would be pleased to undertake it for Him. I have now resigned the pastorate here and will give myself wholly to the job of raising the indebtedness on the college.

We have launched a campaign on the city of Nampa. I have met with the different clubs of the city, have had them visit our college and take luncheon with us; and the Commercial Club has taken it into

its hands to raise \$10,000.00 for us this year, \$2,000 to be in cash at once, and the balance in three payments; the first payment will be made in February at the time of the canvass, the second in June and the third in November. They have already raised about \$1,200 towards their first \$2,000, and I feel sure that the city will give us the \$10,000. I also have another party who will give \$5,000 thus leaving about \$40,000 to be raised on our Educational District. I have as yet only visited one church, as I do not close my pastorate here until February 5th. The church I visited gave me nearly \$1,000 in cash and pledges. If all of the churches do as well as this, we will more than meet our obligations. Now you can see why I am encouraged. The thing really looks good from the natural man's standpoint; add to this all the spiritual man can see and no wonder we all feel like shouting. Oh yes, we are going over the top! "Out of debt in 1923!"

Our plan is to canvass the Idaho-Oregon District at once, holding three or four day conventions in connection with the drive. We tried this out at the church we visited and God honored the preached word and gave us a number of souls seeking salvation. After making a canvass of this District we would like to go to the Dakotas if it can be so arranged, and then this summer and fall make a thorough canvass of our whole Educational District. I feel sure of success. If God be for us who can be against us!

We need money right now, to tide us over in paying interest and other necessary expenses until we can have money come in from the drive. Will not some of God's dear children who read these lines sit down and write me at once telling how much you can help us at this time? Could you not make us a loan until fall? We have several pressing obligations to meet at once. Will you not unite with me to help keep a good name by paying these obligations at once? There are several business firms that should have part payments at least, hence if any of God's children will carry these obligations for us a few months it will be a real blessing to them, I am sure, and a source of great relief to us who must face the creditors. Come on,

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DIVINE HEALING

By Rev. Aaron Wells

"For this purpose was the Son of God manifested to destroy the works of the devil." We take the position that sickness is as much the works of the devil as sin is, for we believe that when God made man He made him a perfect being in body as well as soul. That being true then we can make the claim that sickness is a result of the fall or the work of the devil. Then if that be true and the Son of God was manifested to destroy the works of the devil He was manifested to destroy disease in the individual as He does sin.

In taking up this subject we do not expect to put anything new into it, for it is as old as the Bible and as new as the time in which we live. I am afraid that we as a Holiness Church have become too slack in teaching this great doctrine until we have become the losers. I want to take the position that had the Church been true to the teaching of the Bible on this there would not have been any of the cults that have sprung up in these days to teach what the Church has failed to do to a great extent, and as a result we have all kinds of healers and many are being lead astray because of it. Since wife and I have been in the work we have seen many kinds of cults and isms started in the name of the Lord and some one would take a bottle of oil and go from house to house healing the sick, and many other kinds which we cannot mention. Some of the rankest kinds of fanaticism and some that have had some good mixed with the other stuff they have peddled. I am not trying to make war on any of these but I have a higher motive than to try to prove that any of them are wrong. The burden of my soul is that we as a Church step up a little higher so that we, can have power with God that the sick can be healed in our own ranks and show to the people we believe what we preach. We say we have faith and believe that God can heal now as well as any time but do we take advantage of our belief and improve our privilege? I am afraid there are too many Nazarenes in the hospitals and being cut to pieces by the surgeons when they might avoid a great deal of it if they would only apply to the Great Physician.

I am not accusing or excusing any one, but I am trying to get it on the minds of the people that they are missing a great privilege which I consider it really is. Not a command but a privilege to be healed. I do not desire to put the healing of the body ahead of the healing of the soul yet I do want us to know that the day of healing is not passed and that it is possible to be

healed now as then. I heard an evangelist in the largest church in this city say that those people who are claiming to be healed by the power of God who have not exhausted every means such as the doctor and medicine before going to the Lord, are fit subjects for the asylum. My heart went out in pity for him but much more for his people whom he was filling with such teaching as that. He asked "What are doctors and the drug stores for if not for the people to patronize?" I turn to Exodus 15:26 and read the last clause of the verse, "I am the Lord Who healeth you."

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Our Visit to the Northwest

By Dr. H. Orton Wiley

We recently made a trip through the North Pacific District visiting as many of our churches as time would permit. The trip proved a great blessing to our own souls. Some of these churches we had never before had the opportunity of visiting and some of them we had not visited for four years. We first visited Tillamook and enjoyed a Sunday with Brother and Sister Clink and the good people there. They have recently completed their church and now have a beautiful home for worship. We were glad to meet Brother King and his son Lorraine who was a former student of the college, but our hearts were saddened at the absence of Sister Edith King, whom we have known since we all attended assemblies at Los Angeles before any districts were organized in the church. She served the Lord faithfully and has reached her reward. We were hospitably entertained in the home of Brother and Sister Honey who did everything possible for our comfort. Mrs. Honey is a sister of Miss Marie Hathaway whom many will remember as a former student of the college. She is married and lives in Tillamook also.

We next visited Alsea, stopping off at McMinnville for a brief visit with Sister DeLance Wallace who was holding special services in the church there. Miss Avah Adams, the pastor, was a former student of ours at the Nazarene University and is now doing acceptable work in the church in that beautiful little city.

We had some difficulty in reaching Alsea but the hospitality of Brother and Sister Smith, and the cordial reception of the church well repaid us for our trouble in getting over the mountains in the snow. Brother and Sister Smith have won the hearts of their people and the work is

building up steadily. The ladies of the church sent Mrs. Wiley a beautiful comforter which was greatly appreciated.

From Alsea we visited Newberg and had a friendly chat with Brother and Sister Lord, Dr. and Mrs. Dixon and others. We were sorry that we were not able to be in a service there but our time was so arranged that it was impossible. We next visited Canby, where Brother Fred St. Clair was in a meeting with Brother and Sister Wicker. We were very desirous of hearing Bro. St. Clair preach again, for we had labored with him in other days, but he was sick and unable to preach that evening and we tried to fill in the best we could. Some precious souls knelt at the altar. The work at Canby has built up remarkably under Bro. Wicker's pastorate. They now have a beautiful little church and parsonage and a good congregation of earnest people. We were glad to meet Brother and Sister Knapp, formerly of Enterprise, Ore. They are now living at Hubbard, Ore., and are still on fire for God.

On Saturday we reached Salem and spent the Sunday with Brother and Sister Wells, preaching at Salem in the morning and Albany at night. We enjoyed meeting the people at both churches and God blessed us in our souls as we preached to them. Brother Wells is now on his seventh year as pastor at Salem and the work has grown remarkably since we first met with the church there. At Albany, Rev. Price had just completed a series of union meetings and the people were considerably stirred over the healing services especially. At Salem also, there was a man holding meetings who stressed Divine Healing considerably and seemed to be having some results. We believe there is a large place for Divine Healing in the ministry, but insist that the main line is to preach full salvation and press men to seek the blessing of entire sanctification. Bro. Wells began a series of sermons on Divine Healing which will be published in this paper. See the first installment in this issue and read it carefully. In a personal letter to the writer Bro. Wells states that some prayed through to victory in the first service. It was a pleasure to the writer to have even a short visit with Brother and Sister Baker and to be entertained in the home of Bro. and Sister Southworth, the parents of Miss Pauline Southworth, another former student of the college.

We next visited Ridgefield and met Bro.

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Editorial

The smaller edition of the Nazarene Messenger this month is due to the pressure of time on other matters which prevents our publishing the regular eight page paper.

The college is in the midst of a gracious revival. The meetings at the church are well attended and filled with interest and power. Rev. Little is conducting the meeting with the local help in the college and the church. The revival has been especially helpful in bringing many of the young people to a knowledge of salvation. Many have been sanctified wholly, and there has been a general deepening of experience among the church people.

On Thursday and Friday nights, while the Aeolian Quartet was with us, the church was filled to its utmost capacity. The great platform and choir loft which seats three hundred people was filled, and the auditorium crowded to its utmost until standing room was at a premium. The altar rail was filled, the steps, the back part of the church and the aisles, while many were not able to get into the church. The quartet brought tinctuous messages in song which were a source of great blessing. One of the young ladies in the midst of a solo broke down and told the great audience that her heart was too full to sing. She then told how she had been in Nampa before in lyceum work and how heavy hearted and miserable she was at that time. She told how she had drifted into Christian Science until she could not even get her childish prayers through to God, and how out of it all, she had been saved and sanctified wholly. She then continued the solo with great unction until the vast audience was thrilled and stirred by the beauty of the song. The preaching on these evenings was blest of God, Brothers Little and Hess bringing the messages. They were enabled to reach many people who are not Nazarenes and doubtless much seed was sown from which we may expect a rich harvest.

Without faith it is impossible to please God

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and Sister Henry and Miss Ruth who was such a blessing at the college and who is anxious to get back again. Bro. Henry has just completed a beautiful church and the people are greatly encouraged. We met Brother and Sister Cowley and Lloyd, a student also of the college, but the storm along the coast had made the roads so bad that some of the folks were not able to get to the evening service.

At Kalama, Brother and Sister Norris are doing well. Brothers Henry and Norris were giving the basement a coat of plaster and were considerably upset for the time being but enthusiastic in their work. We had a pleasant day with Brother and Sister Westerlund who certainly know how to entertain preachers and evangelists. In the evening there was an excellent attendance and a blessed time of victory. After the service the church folks gave Brother and Sister Norris a surprise, brought them in quite a few donations and had a pleasant time as a light lunch was served. Brother and Sister Norris always have things humming where they are and God is wonderfully blessing their work.

We spent Sunday morning at First Church where we had the privilege of preaching to a large and appreciative audience. The choir rendered a beautiful Christmas anthem and folks were enjoying the true Christmas spirit in true Christian style. Bro. and Sister Pierce are certainly efficient in their work. Their missionary offering on the special day set apart by the General Board was over \$500.00. In the afternoon we visited the Vancouver Church, and worshipped with Brother and Sister Parkins and their good people. We had never before had the privilege of meeting with this church and greatly appreciated the opportunity of doing so at this time. They have a very commodious and comfortable building and a spiritual people. In the evening we worshipped with Brother and Sister Bringdale and their people at Sellwood. We found there quite a delegation of Nampa people—Brother and Sister Rousch, and Silas Doane. Also were glad to meet Brother Ben. Franklin and enjoy a chat over old times. The Sellwood people have a new church and parsonage. The congregation was large and the people were all alive. We appreciated our day in Portland and at the close felt that God had wonderfully blessed us in the opportunity of meeting with them.

We were entertained while in Portland at the home of Brother and Sister Whitesides and they certainly made our stay pleasant. We had an opportunity to talk over "Sanitarium matters" at leisure. It was at Sister Whitesides' home about four

years ago that we discussed this matter only to find out a little later that God had laid this burden on the hearts of Dr. and Mrs. Mangum, who shortly after came to Nampa to begin their work. It was two years before we could get any building to make a start and then began in a very small way. But this was God's plan. On Thursday evening, Jan. 11, we took dinner at the Sanitarium—the Third Anniversary of the institution, and we were made to marvel at what God has wrought. The institution now has a fine building, comfortable in every way. It now carries perhaps the greater part of the work of the city of Nampa and draws for a long distance around the country, especially among our own people. Dr. Mangum was recently elected County Physician, and doubtless a large portion of the county cases will be cared for in the Sanitarium. Few people realize what patience and great sacrifice has been necessary to bring the institution thus far on its way, but the smile of God has been upon the work from the very first. Sister Whitesides is still in the field for this work. We were given one of the finest "Christmas Dinners" we ever ate while with Brother and Sister Whitesides, and were carried to our appointments in their car. May the Lord bless them for their kindness!

We were privileged also to meet Sister Hargrove who is staying at the Whiteside home. She seems to be recovering slowly but we trust will soon be strong and well again. We were also a guest in the home of Brother Ludlow, who for several years was a resident of Nampa and a member of our Board. He is pastor at the Brentwood church and doing well. We also met Brother and Sister Adams, Brother John Rodman, Kenneth Eichenberger, Miss Olive Mortimore, Miss Evelyn Mortimore, and Brother and Sister Metcalf. Several of these were former students of the college. Sister Metcalf is the sister of the Lowry young people, four of them being students in Nampa this year. Francis and Marion Ludlow are both pursuing courses of study in technical school at Portland. Miss Mortimore is teaching and Brother Rodman will finish his course this year. We arrived home to find things going well—glad to be back in Nampa where the sun shines most all the time, and where the glory rests in abundance upon NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE.

DRAWING DAILY

A man can no more take in a supply of grace for the future than he can eat enough to-day to last him for the next six months; or take sufficient air into his lungs at once to sustain life for a week to come. We must draw upon God's boundless stores of grace from day to day, as we need it.

—MOODY.

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Beloved, do not turn this off lightly! You will receive your full reward.

Those who do not have any, cash or are not able to get it for us, will you not unite with us to the end that God will undertake for us and that all of those to whom He speaks will mind His voice?

In conclusion, I wish to say that I am taking up the work feeling that it is God's will concerning me, that I go at it cheerfully and with a good conscience, trusting wholly upon the Lord our God. He will do exceeding abundantly above all we can ask or think.

UNDECEIVED.

Arthur F. Ingler.

I.

Once I thought I had the blessing,
Others thought I had it too,
But, when Jesus turned the light on
Hidden things were brought to view.

II.

Then I sought the cleansing fountain,
Flowing from my Savior's side;
There I saw Him suffering, dying,
That I might be sanctified.

III.

Then the Holy Spirit whispered:
"Agonize in prayer to God;"
I obeyed and found the blessing
Underneath the precious blood.

IV.

O, the joy the Savior gives,
Since He sanctified my soul,
And I've vict'ry all the time
Since I gave Him full control.

The demand of the field is for well-trained, studious and seasoned young men and women, filled with the Holy Ghost to go to these centers of missionary activity. There are hundreds of young men and women who are willing and anxious to dedicate their lives to God for the advancement of His kingdom. They must have the proper training, and it is the work of the college to furnish the training needed in harmony with the ideals of our church. Who can estimate what it will mean to the church and to the world to send out a body of young men and women such as we now have in Northwest Nazarene College? Are we fully awake to the possibilities that lie wrapped up in these young peo-

ple, and are we rallying to the needs of this department of the work? Those who invest in these young lives shall, when the thousands of souls are won to Christ from the heathen darkness, share with them the reward of their service, and shall rejoice with them over the golden sheaves which together they shall lay at the feet of the Master.

Missionary work is peculiar in that from every station there radiates a stream of influence which demands increased facilities and more workers. When a new station is opened in China, India or Africa, it not only means that some of our missionaries must be sent there, but others must be sent to rally around them. The heathen world must look for its leaders and for its means with which to carry on the work, not for one or two years, but until the work is finished.

THE WARRIOR'S HYMN.

A. F. Ingler.

I.

My soul, watch thou and pray,
Lean hard upon thy God;
In confidence press on thy way,
Nor doubt His holy Word.

II.

Fight on, my soul, fight on,
The warfare ne'er give o'er,
The martyred saints are cheering loud
Above the battle's roar.

III.

They, too, were warriors bold,
They fought victoriously,
They all were faithful to the end,
And died triumphantly.

IV.

Soon thou shalt join their ranks
Beyond the bloody sea,
And there receive the crown of life,
And reign eternally.

AN INTERESTING SERVICE

The Women's Auxillary of Nampa gave their first public program last Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21. In the absence of the president, Miss Mangum, Rev. Fritzlan presided. Several speakers told of different phases of missionary work. Mrs. Holmes recounted some of her experiences as a missionary to Alaska; Miss Chism read a very interesting letter from our missionary in Africa, Louise Robinson; Mrs. Tracy read from Bishop Taylor a vivid instance of what the Gospel meant to a native family. The blessing of God was on the meeting. This was especially evident when the offering was taken; without any special appeal whatever, \$70 were dropped into the baskets, this coming after a big missionary offering had been raised only two weeks previous. We praise God for all He hath done.

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