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Extending Our Range of Usefulness

Hundreds of young men and women have passed through Northwest Nazarene College and left a glowing testimony of the benefits which have been received in bringing them to a place of vision, of affording them a knowledge of the word of God, and of guiding them during the critical years while becoming established in the grace of entire sanctifica-Not all of these have graduated from the college, or even the preparatory department, but they have notwithstanding been given an incentive for greater attainments in the divine life, and prepared for wider usefulness among men.

There are also hundreds of young men and women

in this Northwest country who would appreciate the advantages of our college were they but informed. of the advantages which await them there. Many of these young people would soon reach a wide sphere of usefulness in the kingdom of God, were they but awakened to their own possibilities. It is a part of the program as planned by the General board of Education, for Educational Day to present the work of the colleges and urge young people everywhere to avail themselves of the opportunities afforded by these institutions.

The Faculty of the College has taken definite

steps to present the work of the college to the young people of the Northwest during the summer vacation. Our student body has always been enthusiastic in presenting the work of their alma mater, and through the combined influence of faculty, students and friends, we anticipate a large increase in attendance during the year 1924-1925.

We know of a certain denomination which boasts of having 90 percent of all its young people in its own church colleges. Why would this not be a good goal for us as Nazarenes? Why not adopt some such slogan as "A NAZARENE COLLEGE FOR NAZ-ARENE YOUNG PEOPLE" and let all of our pastors and people labor to direct the young people of the church toward our own educational institutions. Many of our evangelists are calling the attention of the young people converted and sanctified in their meetings to our Nazarene Colleges, why cannot more of them present this great work? Young people who are saved, sanctified and thoroughly prepared for their work, ill prove a great factor in the work of world-wide evangelization.

Educational Day

To our Pastors and People:

If the budget is brought up in full on Educational Day, we shall be able to close this year as we did last, without a deficit.

If the churches will give us an offering somewhat in excess of the educational portion of the budget, we shall be able to clear up entirely our total current indebtedness of \$1600.00 due to the small accumulation of past years.

Will you not make this a matter of prayer and do your best on Educational Day to put us over the top?

> Yours in His service, H. Orton Wiley, President.

Northwest Nazarene College

"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Luke 10:2

The scores and hundreds of young people receiving calls to the mission fields at home and abroad is a direct answer to this petition which our Lord has commanded us to include in our prayers. Shall we discontinue our. prayers because there seems to be no money in our treasury at present to send these young people to the field?

Have you thought of it in this way, -perhaps the

reason that we have no money to send them out is because God wants to teach us by His providences that they must be more thoroughly prepared by courses of training in our colleges before He can send them out. God has always thoroughly prepared his workers. He dealt with Moses for eighty years. Communion with God through the Word and by the Spirit is still His method of preparing his people to carry out his commission. Our colleges are the tarrying places. Let us recognize then the plan of God and turn our attention to our training sehools.

What Our Officers Say of Educational Day

General Superintendent Reynolds

Rev. H. F. Reynolds, D. D., senior General Superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene writes in the Herald of Holiness March 26, 1924, as follows:-

"The writer is in most hearty sympathy with the proposed plan of having an educational day and would take this earliest opportunity to urge our District Superintendents, pastors and Sunday School officials, young People and Woman's Missionary Societies to begin at once to pray and plan to make this first General Educational Rally Day of this quadrennium an educational, inspirational and financial success."

"Every department of the local church will be amply justified in allowing their individual department interests to give way in order that we may go over the top in every respect, and not only to make the day a great success, but by so doing place in the treasury of the different educational institutions within their zone, an amout of money that will make it possible for them not only to carry out their present program but to undertake greater things for God and the evangelism of the world."

"If we are to carry out our objective we must no longer, like the people in Samuel's day, have to go down to the Philistines to have our plowshares and mattocks sharpened. Thank God it is no longer necessary, for we have located within easy reach of our young people, splendid educational institutions."

"Let us give one of the fifty-two Sundays of this year to our educational interests. Anything ordinary must not be allowed to take the place of May 4. Let us make our educators, supporters and student body feel that we heartily appreciate our educational institutions, their work and their students. To this end let us pray and plan and give."

"Yes, we must go over the top May 4th. Not only the young people of the Church of the Nazarene, but the young people of our great country need the thorough Christian education that our institutions are able to give them; and in turn we need the young people to qualify and equip,.....to sustain and strengthen our work in home and foreign fields."

Dr. J. B. Chapman

Rev. J. B. Chapman, D. D. Editor of the Herald of Holiness and President of the General Board of Education, writes in the Herald of Holiness, Mar. 26, 1924, as follows:-

"There are approximately two thousand students in our schools of whom about eight hundred are preparing for definite Christian work. Over ninety per cent of our foreign missionaries were trained in our own schools and an increasing proportion of the preachers in the home land are men and women whom our schools have trained. One may thoughtfully and truthfully say that no branch of our own work has more fully justified the interest shown and the money spent than our educational work."

"It is acknowledged on all sides that it is impossible to meet the current expenses of a college on the tuition and fees, so that the custom is to raise large sums of money for endownentWe have not yet gone far enough with our program to have raised any endowment, so we provide for the deficit in current expneses by means of an "Educational Budget" of so much per member which all of our churches are expected to raise. And if we will raise this, there will be no deficit in the running expenses of any of our schools."

"All considered, the teachers in our schools (I served an eight year apprenticeship myself and I know) are the poorest paid workers that we have and it is a crime indeed if we let the school year close with their salaries in arrears, which will be the result of our failure to bring up the budget."

"Our pastors and people will certainly welcome the opportunity to lay special emphasis upon the broader scope and fuller meaning of Christian Education. Our task is not done when our people are brought into Christian experience through the evangelistic message, but the task of Christian education is the promotion of the Christian character which is a thing beyond initial experience."

General Secretary Fleming

Rev. R. J. Fleming, General Secretary of the Church of the Nazarene, writes in the Herald of Holiness April 2, 1924 as follows:-

"Every local church ought to plan for a sermon or address on Christian education. Do something to stir up the interest in your school and make this occasion one of the greatest in our history."

"While the business managers and field men are pushing the warfare against debt, there is another battle line being held by the president and faculties. How can the capital management ever expect to win against capital debt, if the current operation managers fail to keep the current operating expenses within the current income? It can scarcely be done. Hence, the current managers the keepers by the stuff-have valiantly undertaken the almost impossible task of operating the schools without expense deficits. This comprehends an undertaking of such sacrificial character as to pale the cheek of any but a real warrior. These presidents and teachers are made of real warrior stuff. But will they win out and over the top at the end of the school year? Much depends."

"In order to bridge the gap each school has asked its constituency to place in their several District Assembly budgets the largest amounts per capita they could afford..... This is known as the educational or school apportionment, and the same is to be applied to the operating expenses of the school and not to the capital debt."

A Time for Prayer

Educational Day is of such tremendous importance, both to the financial success of the college and to the preparation of young people for the work of the Kingdom, that we are asking our people everywhere to set apart some time for prayer and waiting upon God. Where it is possible, let the churches gather in an all-day or all-night of prryer. Where this is not possible, let individuals pray earnestly that God will pour out His Spirit and make May 4th one of the greatest days the church has ever seen. Who can tell what the consequences will be, in scattering the holy fire, if we pray as we should pray for that department of our work which so concerns the young people of the church.

Miscellaneous Information

Record of Attendance

The record of attendance shows a steady growth. The following are the statistics of attendance in all departments without the duplication of names.

1915-1916	70	students
1916-1917		
1917-1918	232	
1918-1919		
1919-1920	320	
1920-1921	385	
1921-1922	305	
1922-1923	327	
1923-1924		

The peculiarly acute financial stringency has prevented many of our best studenrs from attending college during the past two years.

Annual Increase in R ceipts

The steady growth of the income from students should be noticed. The accounts for the past five years:-

1918-1919					7										. !	\$15,033.90
1919-1920																20,193.05
1920-1921		ĺ		Ī												21,039.79
1921-1922		•	•			į	0.071	Ĩ			ĺ					29,390.17
1922-1923																

Annual Gain or Loss

The amount of gain or loss in the current running expenses of the college is as follows:-

1918-1919	\$6224.62 Deficit
1919-1920	3144.25 Gain
1920-1921	1537.36 Deficit
1921-1922	2378.06 Deficit
1922-1923	

Annual Donations

A study of the amounts received from donations and district budget funds for the corresponding years, will show the reason for the loss or gain of each year. The donations and budget funds were as follows:-

1918-1919											,							. \$	3852.50
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It will be seen that when the districts comprising the educational territory of the Northwest pay their district budget of \$1.00 per member per year to the college we are able to run without any deficit. When this is not done the college has a corresponding deficit. The large amount of donations received in 1919-1921 was a result of a campaign for the liquidation of back indebtedness in the current fund.

Plans for Educational Day

The faculty and students of the college have arranged to visit all the churches on the Idaho-Oregon District on May 4th. The pastors have all given us a hearty

welcome and are planning to do their best for the college and the cause of Christian Education on that day. District Superintendent Sanner has written all the pastors on his district also and has given us great encouragement. Read his article on the last page of this issue of the Messenger.

Mr. Janosky has written to all the pastors on the Educational District giving information concerning the college, especially financial statistics. The information given in the Herald of Holiness together with the statistics given in this number of the Messenger, will furnish every pastor with needed material for this Educational Day. As you read this, will you not pray earnestly that God will make this a grest day; and as a result of these services, turn the attention of many young people to the college, and give us an offering that will entirely clear up any indebtedness in the current fund.

A Remarkable Record

The Bursar has been able this year to meet every, monthly bill regularly and in addition to this, to clear up over \$4,400.00 of old indebtedness. This is a remarkable record. There now remains only a little over \$1600.00 indebtedness in the current fund. If the churches pay up their budget funds in full this year, we shall be able to finish this year without a deficit. If the churches will each make us an offering on May 4th, slightly in excess of the educational portion of the budget, we shall be able to clear up the old indebtedness entirely. When it is understood ihat the annual current expenses average about We praise God for this victory, and are praying that He will help us clear off the debt this year.

\$1500.00 per week, it will be readily seen, that in eight years, we have fallen behind only about one week in meeting all of our expenses, and this was due to the fact that in the earlier years we did not have budget funds appropriated by the dist-

Let us all do our very best on Educational Day.

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How We Spend Our Money

The following chart was published in the April 9th number of the HERALD OF HOLINESS, under the title, "A Study in Church Finances." The chart is self-explanatory,

100 percent

Total amount spent for all purposes during the year 1923, \$2,293,641.00

31.56 percent

For Pastors, \$723,914,00

20.3 percent For Buildings and Improvements, \$465,690

11.02 percent

For Church Expenses, \$252,816.00

8.28 percent

For Evangelists, \$190,096.00

7.32 percent

For Foreign Missions (Church), \$168, 106.00

4.15 percent

For Sunday School Expenses, \$95,173.00

4.14 percent

For Other Benevolences, \$94,974.00

2.43 percent For District Superintendents, \$55,754.00

2.31 percent

For Home Missions, \$52,934.00

2.06 percent For Rent, \$47,211.00

12.-1.99 percent

For Education, \$45,703.00

13. 1.20 percent

For Foreign Missions (W. M. S.) \$27,670,00

Help us Lengthen the Line

You will notice in the adjoining chart, that, with the exception of the Women's Missionary Society which should be classified with Foreign Missions, our people gave less last year to Christian Education than to any other department of Church work. Do you not think it deserves better support?

Read what is said of the importance of the educational work on page two by Dr. Reynolds, Dr. Chapman and General Secretary Fleming.

Let us all do our best to lengthen the line, by making a generous offering to this worthy cause on Educational Day, May 4th.

It Can Be Done

A. E. Sanner, Dist. Supt.

More than a dozen years ago a poem by an unknown author, entitled as above, came into my hand, which has furnished a lot of grit during the years, and with grace has helped in many a battle and hard job to "stick." I wish to pass it on with this request, that in this instance, at least, you will think of the fellow "with the trace of a grin on his face," as our little and much beloved Generosity J. E. Janosky, Bursar of Northwest Nazarene College; think of the "somebody" as most any of the rest of us; and the job that "couldn't be done-well, to be frank with you, the job of running the current finances of Northwest Nazarene College this year without a deficit, and at the same time making a big reduction in the current indebtedness. All set! Here we go!

Somebody said that it couldn't be done, But he, with a chuckle, replied That "Maybe it couldn't," but he would be one Who wouldn't say so till he tried. So he buckled right in, with the trace of a grin On his face. If he worried he hid it. He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed; "Oh, you'll never do that; At least no one ever has done it," But he took off his coat and he took off his hat, And the first thing he knew he'd begun it: With the lift of his chin and a bit of a grin, Without any doubting or quiddit; He started to sing as he tackled the thing, That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done, There are thousands to prophesy failure: There are thousands to point out to you one by one, The dangers that wait to assail you; But just buckle in with a bit of a grin, Then take off your coat and go to it; Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing That 'can not be done' and you'll do it.

So now here's where I take off my coat and hat and congratulate the President, Dr. Wiley, and the Bursar, Mr. Janosky. And we will not forget to thank the Lord. It is a wonderful thing, that the year immediately suceeding the hard year past in current finances, should be one of great victory. By a careful handling of certain assets the Bursar has been able to reduce a current indebtedness of \$6,310.3I to \$1,619.44 as of April 1st. Also on the current receipts of the present year to pay all of the current obligations of the present year, save only \$85 as of April 1, and this is now provided for. I say, Hallelujah!

Between now and the close of educational day our school brethren hope to clean up the entire amount. And will every Nazarene in the northwest educational zone who reads this, PLEASE read the following paragraph twice? PLEASE?

IF EACH DISTRICT IN THE NORTHWEST EDUCATIONAL ZONE WILL PAY ITS EDUCA-TIONAL APPORTIONMENT IN FULL, NORTH-WEST NAZARENE COLLEGE WILL GO OVER THE TOP IN FULL, WITH ALL CURRENT IN-DEBTEDNESS PAID AND ALL CURRENT RUN-NING EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS MET IN FULL. If we'll all tackle the thing, we'll do it.