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BROTHER ROSS IS HOME FROM NIGERIA

Brother Ross arrived home from Nigeria on Nov. 7th. He looks to be in the best of health and is in good spirits and much elated over the success in preaching the gospel in that part of the vineyard. He has visited with me since his arrival back home, and asked me to write a few lines for the paper for him, that you all might learn of him. He is especially concerned about the Missionary Work of the church, and he urges all of you to be energetic in efforts of spreading the gospel. He says that there is nothing for you to fear in going to Nigeria. They have a 5 or 6 room house rented with sufficient equipment therein to make living comfortable for any that will go. Aside from the heat, he has practically no complaints, though he is minus about ten pounds of his avoirdupois. He looks fine and fit, and I asked him how long he was home for—he did not answer me. But he urges all who have ambitions for missionary service to go to Nigeria and help carry on the wonderful work of The Church of Jesus Christ.

Brother Nolfi is now there with brother Swanson, and we will need someone to relieve the latter in six months from now. In the days of Jesus they were short of labourers, so it is likewise today. He taught His disciples to pray that the Lord send more labourers into the vineyard.

Editor

MUNCEY NEWS

Our Mission at the Muncey Indian Reservation is enjoying some wonderful meetings.

On Sunday, Nov. 20, we gathered at the Thames River and watched Bro. Moraco baptize Phylis Pinder. Sister Phylis is the daughter of our late Bro. John Hendrix who was a very faithful member of the church.

We returned to the church building and our new sister was confirmed a member of the church by Bro. Frank Vitto.

Our Sunday School is flourishing with a weekly attendance of from 30 to 40 children and approximately

20 adults.

We sincerely request the prayers of our Brothers and Sisters throughout the church that God may bless us in our efforts to spread the gospel among the seed of Joseph in this area.

P.S. Brothers are laboring in the vineyard at Muncey, Ont. I want you to know that I am much interested in the news just received. May the Lord bless sister Phylis—your attendance at the S. School is very encouraging I am sure. May the Lord continue to bless you is my prayer. Brother Cadman.

FROM NIGERIA

Brother Editor:

It is my earnest desire to write and quote a paragraph of a letter written to me by Elders Ross and Alvin Swanson who are still in the Eastern Region of Nigeria to carry on the command of our Lord Jesus Christ in Mark 16-15, 16, Reads: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

The letter continues to read: "Brother Umoh, we are very busy at present baptizing the people formerly known as the Nazerenes. To date we baptized 716 one day. Sept. 16, 1960, and 484 on Sept. 21, 1960. Now, we are getting ready to baptize again this coming Wednesday and we will probably baptize another 4 or 5 hundred individuals, its a matter of hundreds at the time. Well, God bless their souls, that is what we are here for. So we are having a busy season of bringing souls to Christ.

Brother Umoh, wish you were here to help out, but then we are trusting that you will keep the work alive there."

To the Editor—brothers and sisters, all over in The Church of Jesus Christ, the above letter is very much encouraging and I want to thank God Who has made it possible for my people to accept the truth in these last days. I am very happy that the Lord has revealed this true Church in which the Restored Gospel of Our Lord Jesus is preached.

Praise His Name; Pray for us brothers and sisters I appeal. Yours brotherly Jeremiah Umoh. Nov. 7, 1960.

P.S. Brother Umoh lives near Lagos the capital of Nigeria, W. Africa.

TAKE NOTICE

To the readers of The Gospel News, and especially to all members of the Church of Jesus Christ.

I have been approached about the attitude of some towards the Revised-Standard Version of the scriptures, which was published in A. D. 1946.

I do not mean to interfere with the rights of any person or persons as to what books they may have, or have appreciation for—that is your own concern. (But of course, persons having immoral books in their possession, may be justly questioned or criticized.)

Be it understood that The Church of Jesus Christ has always used and still uses, King James Translation of the scripture and it, along with the Book of Mormon, which our faith is based upon. One may use or refer to any other translation in a discourse, but bear in mind that our faith is based on King James Version, and no other one has any place on our pulpits.

The Book of Mormon is often a subject that is raised too. The Church of Jesus Christ has its own publication—published under its own Church title. This was done principally, to avoid being classed with Mormon Church in Salt Lake City, because of the question of Polygamy. I do not say this as a reflection on said church, but to help clear The Church of Jesus Christ of affiliation in said doctrine. Be it understood, that our own publication of the Book of Mormon must be on our pulpits. The fact that the Utah Book of Mormon is being used in some of our classes is taken note of. We are firm believers in the book, and our own publication is much appreciated by me.

President Cadman, W.H.

BRO. ELMER SANTILLI VISITS THE SAINTS IN ITALY

Pfc. Elmer Santilli, stationed with the United States Army in Bamberg, Germany, had the opportunity to spend a two week furlough visiting in Italy. Brother Elmer drove over 2,750 miles and visited a number of his relatives, along with many brothers and sisters in that part of the vineyard. Brother Elmer enjoyed meeting and visiting with Brother and Sister Milano in Venice. He says their home was the first home of a brother and sister he had been in for over a year. He saw many beautiful scenes including Rome, the Alps and Austria.

In a letter to Brother A. A. Corrado in Youngstown, he writes: "I'm fine, thank God and trust you all are the same. Last Sunday I spent the day with the Saints at S. Demetrio Corone—they had feet washing: all in all it was a day well spent. I arrived at Brother Buneofiglio's place Saturday afternoon and left Sunday after the service. I was really surprised to see the number of Saints gathered on the Sunday morning — around 25. Brother Buenofiglio is a very good brother — he'd be a credit to any branch. Thank God for the nice group they have at S. Demetrio. That was the furthest south I went. Brother Buenfoglio told me that Brother Ross is going to Italy; I was glad to hear that because they really need someone to stay with them and instruct them all the time."

Brother Elmer entered the service in July, 1959 and has until June, 1961 before he will receive his discharge. He is missed very much by all in Youngstown. We thank God for His mercy and goodness in watching over His children so far from their home. We pray that the Lord will continue to be his company all along life's way and will bring him safely back to his loved ones and his brothers and sisters in-Christ.

PEACE

The peace of God, is a peace of love, is the most perfect peace, because in it the spirit is related to all of life, thus making us, what we truly are.

May we plant the seeds of life's

surpassing wonder, peace, justice, and love for all mankind. May the spirit of the Prince of peace, abide in the hearts of men. The spirit of God, in our hearts, will bring good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people on earth. "My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth, give I unto you." John 14-27. The peace of God, which alone, is able to keep our hearts, and minds, overflowing with joy. While in the valley of decision, hold fast to your God, your faith, in Jesus Christ, knowing that peace can only be built, on a foundation of moral order, righteousness, with stones of justice, and the cement of love. God is life, wisdom, peace, joy, strength, and power. Christ is the light of the world, Christ, is within us. This light is ever fed, from the great fountain, of all light, the Father above. Peace first came to the world, when wise men, discovered a family, and the dawn of peace will come again, when other wise men return to homes, where in New Vision God, they see the human family, of father, mother, and children, as one in Christ. True love, is sacrificial. No power on earth, can give us peace, only God can give that inner peace. Just to feel thankful, lifts my heart to Jesus Christ, for peace within, in spite of strifes without. For the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which gives us, a chance each day, to so live, that peacefulness, may flow from us to others. We are to become, an Island of peace, in a world of turmoil. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips, that they speak no guile; Let him eschew evil, and do good; Let him seek peace, and ensue it. 1st Peter 3-10-11. Have your heart filled with good-will, not hate, or resentment, or ill, but love. This is one of the greatest qualities of all, a heart filled with compassion, understanding, and desire to help people to behold, the great joys of life, that are found in the recesses of a contrite broken heart. Thus humility is the pathway to truth, and inner peace is grounded, on the recognition, of these values, within the human heart. To desire or yearn for peace, those qualities which make for peace, must come from God.

What we believe, will determine,

the results, or efforts of building our spiritual resources, and through our personal companionship, with God, we open the channels, through which spiritual powers will flow, to energize, and recreate our strength. The Master's gift of love to all mankind, is wrapped and sealed in this one glorious word "peace".

Help us dear Lord to keep, Thy gift sacred, forever in our hearts. To be loved, we must be lovable, to be lovable, we must be at peace, with everybody in the world. Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. Matt. 5-9. And the fruit of righteousness, is sown in peace, of them that make peace. James 3-18. The fact remains, that faithfulness, honor, control of errant impulses, will keep the world at peace. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusted in Thee. Isaiah 26-3. Sister Muriel Miller

DEPARTURE FROM FAITH

The apostle Paul in I Timothy 4th Chapter, verses 1, 2, and 3, describes the departure, "in latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils: Speaking lies in hypocrisy having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry and commanding to abstain from meats which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth." We also see in 1st Chapter of Romans, verses 21, 22, and 23, "when they knew God they glorified Him not as God neither were thankful but became vain in their imaginations and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise they became fools, and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man and to birds, four footed beasts and creeping things." Thus we see a departure from the truth, because of giving heed to seducing spirits and becoming vain in their imaginations. It is supposed by them that command to abstain from meat on certain days, to be of service to God. But they who become unthankful and professing themselves to be wise become foolish.

I will endeavor to show the fool-

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

'LOST TRIBE' FOUND STARVING

I am in receipt of a paper sent to me from California—"Los Angeles Examiner" sent to me by brother and sister Hemp. The account of this 'Lost Tribe' takes up a whole page in the paper. A few excerpts from the account should interest you.

Fight for Survival by James Peck: The last of the Kom-i-ai people are separated from you by about 150 miles and 700 years. They are dying of malnutrition, of starvation and of the white man's diseases in a lost valley of the San Diego Mountains just south of the Mexican border. This week the twig lodges of the Kom-i-ai were visited by a group of Diegueno and Cupeno Indians from Pala Reservation near Fallbrook, who took a truckload of food and equipment (which only their hearts could afford) to help their brothers.

The valley is called Nehi (Nay-Hee) and it is peopled by between 70 and 100 (the Komi-i-ai are not good with numbers) survivors of the tribes which once ranged the entire area from the Imperial Valley to the sea.

They are a food-gathering people and rudimentary farmers. They still eat acorns, which they grind on

stone metates. Until the Pala friends brought two ancient cast iron models this week the Kom-i-ai had never owned a stove, had warmed themselves by their cooking fires when the snow-laden winds of winter came.

The group was located by Mrs. Rosale Robertson, a Diegueno Indian of El Cajon, who heard of their existence a few months ago when visiting relatives in Tecate. She went into the mountains to the Nehi camp and was able to speak to them in the Yuman tongue (those of Nehi speak little Spanish and no English). Since that time Mrs. Robertson has been taking them what food and clothing she can afford and it was she who made their existence known to the Pala tribe and to anthropologist Florence Shippek of San Diego. Thus far I have quoted from the Los Angeles Examiner as is written—it takes up a whole page in their paper. There are a number of pictures shown as well and they are pathetic. One a picture of a nice looking young lady, it says her name is "Maria—and she's hungry." It gives or shows pictures of others, and I suppose they are hungry too. You will notice the name "Nehi" is used among these people which is very much similar to the name Nephi so common in the Book of Mormon where it is written therein that they prayed that the Gentiles would have love for their people, (commonly known as Indians today) and I wonder sometimes just how Gentiles will stand before God—who are carrying the Book of Mormon under their arms, and going to the extreme with finery in so many ways—as to genuine love, actions sometimes speak louder than words. We have comfortable quarters at Wakpala, S. Dakota for Missionary workers to live in, but not to much avail are they being used. By request I flew to Bismark, N. Dakota on Nov. 8 and then traveled a hundred miles to Wakpala where brothers Bittinger and Moore spent about a month, along with their wives. I enjoyed myself in our pulpit for seven consecutive meetings speaking to the Indian people, and then in what might be called a round-table talk one evening, about the great things that await the Indian race of today—It is made very plain in the Book of Mormon that the Gentiles, and especially those who claim to be the true people of God, must carry the Gospel to the Seed of Joseph—the Indian people.

Brother Cadman.

ishness of this. In 15th Chapter verse 39 of I Corinthians, the apostle Paul shows that all flesh is not the same, but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fish, and of birds. We know that the meat of fowl and beast is forbidden to be eaten on certain days by some, but that of the fish is allowed. This to me seems to be quite foolish. Some may find the occasion when Jesus ate fish after He arose and appeared to His disciples by the sea shore, as a support for this foolish commandment, but I find no such commandment by our Lord. It is evident then that some have departed from the

faith once delivered to the Saints and that as it is written in II Thessalonians, 2nd Chapter, verses 11, 12, and 13. "He will give strong delusion that they should believe a lie that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you brethren beloved of the Lord because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth." How wonderful, that the truth has sprung forth from the earth that we of this latter day, might have the light of the glorious gospel to guide us

in all truth and righteousness.

Bro. Samuel Costarella

"RESPONSIBILITY"

From the time we are born til the day we die we take on responsibilities. They start out small and make a gradual growth as we grow. We might say our responsibilities grow with us. When we are babies in our mothers' arms we don't shoulder much responsibility. Our mothers feed us, clothe us, bathe us and supply our every want. Finally the day came when we went to school. That is when we take upon us our first great amount of responsibilities. We leave our mothers

care and go to mingle with other children. We have to learn to get along with others. We alone must learn our daily lessons. We must study and strive to learn as we alone can do it. We cannot push this responsibility on our mothers because it belongs to us. As we progress through our youth we are continually receiving more responsibility. We must learn to groom ourselves and take care of our clothes. Perhaps our fathers or mothers give us certain jobs to do and it becomes our duty to carry out these orders.

Finally we come to manhood and womanhood. In the course of time we get married and have children of our own. Then our responsibility reaches its fullness as to our natural life. The father is responsible for supporting his family, supplying their wants and needs. The mother is responsible for the care of the children. Many people try to shake this responsibility.

Many men turn into criminals, stealing something which doesn't belong to them rather than going out and working for their families. Mothers become bored at home. They neglect their family's needs and are found in undesirable places. This is simply because they refuse to shoulder their responsibilities. If we shoulder our responsibilities, what a joy we find in it! We come home from work our children greet us, crawl upon our laps and say "Daddy, I love you." Those few words make it worth our laboring all day. We see our children grow and we are somewhat proud of them. We see their talents come alive. We see them grow into men and women and at last comes the last phase of our duties, grandparents.

May I add at this juncture, with each new responsibility we receive a greater joy in fulfilling it. In the beginning of our lives we had joy in small ways, maybe over receiving a new toy, but that joy only lasted for a day or so and then we forgot about it. As we grow older our responsibility increases and so does our joy. I, being a parent, can speak of this from experience. I have never been a grandparent yet but I've seen others grow into this position. Sometimes I think they enjoy their grandchildren more than they did their own children.

I have pointed out the change in our natural lives so that I could point out our spiritual responsibilities. When we meet up with the church responsibility is lowered down upon us. Our first year in the church is like our first year of life. Our wants and needs are all supplied, all is well, nothing darkens our skies. Then the Lord sees we are starting to mature in our spiritual lives so He adds another pound of responsibility. Ever being careful He doesn't tip the balance; only responsibility according to our strength. He gives us little jobs to do, oh, maybe not much, maybe a small office in Sunday School or M.B.A. but He is trying us to see what we will do with it. If we say, "I'm just the Sunday School secretary, that's not an important job — I'll just do it any old way" the Lord is displeased with this attitude and we will not be entrusted with anything greater. Jesus said he that is faithful in that which is least shall be faithful in the greatest things. Every job we receive in the church should be done as though our lives depended on it. Paul says in his writings; be not slothful in business. I might apply that to the church.

Our church should be run in order and business given the utmost care. If we are a treasurer or secretary or such our records should be accurate, neat, and then the Lord will be pleased. We that are members have a responsibility to beam forth a light, as a lighthouse does to a ship which is lost upon the sea; not turning off our light because of some little trial or because someone said something we didn't like. That's running away from our duties, not carrying them. A captain must be able to guide his ship in a storm as well as on a clear sea.

We must be industrious in the Gospel; filled with desires to do good; careful of offensive habits of which there is no law against. I think again of Apostle Paul's writing: If I by eating meat offend my brother, I'll eat meat no more as long as the world shall stand. We should be alert, not coming in the meetings late, not coming in and falling asleep, not gazing around like our heads were on sockets, not playing with the children, chewing gum, and etc. All of this which there is no law against but may I point out, what does the outsider

think when he walks in our midst? His thought might be that he has more light than we! We are not carrying our responsibility if we fall into this category.

If we shoulder our duties, what a joy we find in this! As we grow older our duties are increased and so is our joy. At last we become grandparents spiritually. We look back and we see the young people, the outsiders, and others that we have been a light to; here they are sitting in the meetings enjoying the blessings of God. If we had been careless they might not have been in the church today.

In conclusion may I say, we can never be happy running away from our responsibilities no matter how great or how small. We may not be an Elder, Teacher, Deacon, or Deaconess but we all have our work to do. Who told you about the Church? In most cases it was a member of the church. There is someone that is relying upon our light. Is it bright enough to be seen? Remember Jonah, he tried to run away. He hid in the bottom of the ship but the Lord knew where he was! The Lord corrected him and sent him on his way. Let it be so with us, let us not run away from our "responsibilities". We sing #86 in our hymn books "we want no cowards in our bands".

William Kunkel
Imperial, Pa. Branch

FORTY ONE YEARS IN THE GOSPEL

To my Brothers and Sisters in the Gospel it is an honor and a privilege to say that the Lord called me forty-one years ago on December 14, 1919, at my young age of 13. I have never regretted the day I obeyed. My father and I were baptized on the same day. We received this Gospel through Brother Frank Nastasia, who at that time was a member of the Youngstown Branch. There were eight or nine members meeting in homes in 1919 and Bro. Nastasia lived at Sister Anna Dammore's home. My father had a dream about Brother Frank and saw him the next day. He told the dream to Brother Frank who said, "I am a changed man, you come to the meetings with me and see for yourself." So my Dad did. I went with him because I was his favorite. He always took me with him.

We went to Sister Anna Damore's home where the meetings were being held. She and her husband, Brother Carl, were the first to obey the Gospel in Youngstown. Brother Joseph Corrado and Brother Pete Garfalo were preaching. We went to about three meetings. My Dad got baptized and I did too. I didn't know much because I was young, but as I grew older I started to understand what the Gospel was. I remember much persecution the brothers and sisters received in that day. Even in one of our meetings when I was 13 years old, four men came into the meeting, trying to break up the meeting by threats and even firing a gun. But God protected us and we never gave up or became discouraged as the evil one wants us to do.

I am so grateful that the Lord has kept me till now. We have had disappointments, but still I look up to Jesus. I lost my parents very young. Dad was two years in the Gospel when he went to his reward. His age was 34. Then Mother passed on at the age of 38, leaving eight of us children. I want to thank the Lord for the strength and help He gave me in raising my brothers and sisters, as I was the oldest. He has brought me through many trials. I am still holding on to that Rod of Iron that Lehi speaks of in the Book of Mormon. My Mother got baptized the day after we did. She asked to be baptized in a morning meeting at Sister Damore's home. She had a few of the brothers living there. None of them went to work. No one was worried about work. We had had a glorious meeting that day. It was the coldest day of the year. Then in January, 1920, I attended my first conference. There I saw Brother Cherry for the first time. He impressed me so much. Later on I met and grew to love the wisdom and words of Brother Ashton, Brother Furnier, and Brother Orrie Thomas. Then Brother Cadman became our President. His dear wife was so sweet always and his daughters, too. I can remember them as they used to play for us at conference.

We were just a handful of people then and when I see the Church now, I am happy that the Lord kept me till now. He has done so much for me. We have had much healing in our family and the Lord answered my

dream to have a new church building in Youngstown. The Lord showed me the property that our church stands on and I told my brother, Dom Bucci, the dream. He said he was going to look into that piece of land and he did. The Lord makes it possible for all things. I can truly say the Lord was on our side. What was done here was His will. I could write a book about what took place since I obeyed the Gospel. I am very happy that the Lord has blessed me with a wonderful husband, faithful in the church for 42 years. I hope that some day my family of two children and two grandsons will drink of that water that never runs dry. I hope and trust in Him always. There are only four of the old timers left here in Youngstown that were baptized in the year 1919. Brother Michael Damore, Brother Rocco Berardino, Brother Carl Marks and myself. The others have gone on to their reward.

May the Lord bless Brother Cadman and Brother Furnier in their work in the Gospel. We have many good Brothers and sisters. My desire is to always work with the young and support all I can. I want to give a helping hand wherever I can and try to do my little part. May God bless you all as He has blessed and kept me over the past forty one years is my prayer.

Amen.

Sister Minnie DePiero,
Youngstown, Ohio

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

We brothers and sisters of West Palm Beach wish to use these means — "The Gospel News" to express our gratitude and heartfelt thanks to all the Brothers and Sisters for their wonderful help towards our Church Building Fund. Especially may we thank the anonymous donors whom we do not know, for their kind deed. One was postmarked "Pittsburgh, Pa." the others "Lawrence Harbor and Iselin, N. J." — Our thanks to Dr. Lynch (brother Earl Lynch) of New Mexico. May God bless you and reward you abundantly. All of you are helping us to make it possible for us to have a house of worship.

It does our hearts good to know there are loved ones through this great country of ours, who care and take an interest in the welfare of our church and the work of the

Lord.

From Brother Mazzeo

SYNTHETIC OR REAL?

There are several kinds of stones with which the general public is familiar referring to jewels: the glass which is practically worthless, and is immediately recognized as such; the synthetic, which has the appearance of great value, but, in reality, just a fake or imitation of the real thing, and this kind can usually be recognized by experts, alone; and the genuinely precious and semi-precious, which are very valuable and sought after, tho not available to everyone because of their great worth. These last are not always immediately recognized by the public, but, must be appraised and scrutinized closely in order to be distinguished from the "fakes".

A "buyer" enters a storehouse of jewels. He is in the market for the precious and semi-precious stones—he knows he will not be offered the cheap, worthless glass for this is not the place to find "glass", but he is on the alert to detect the fakes. Sometimes, these are so fabulously "real looking", even the experts have been fooled—for a time. So, he peers into their innermost depths, puts them thru various tests, and is at last satisfied that they are genuine, and precious, or at least semi-precious, therefore he takes them home with him. If he, at any time, had detected that any one of them had been a fake, he would have immediately put it to one side, classified as unfit for his owner's acceptance.

As people, and especially, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, individually, under what classification do we come? Certainly, not the glass, for we would readily be recognized as such, and could not exist in the church but for a very short period. Then, either by our own decision, because we could not appear to "shine" alongside any of the others, or, because we were screened out we would have to leave the sanctity and honor and spiritual prestige which the church affords. But the other grades, the fake, the semi-precious and the genuinely precious, what of them? Under what category do we usually fit? I would dare say that at times we come under all three—tho we, being the followers of Christ, should always

be genuinely precious, priceless, since He, Himself, is always Genuine and Precious.

Are we always truthful, genuinely loving, "above board", sincere, with one another? If we are, we can consider ourselves to be the genuinely precious, the priceless, the rare, and of extreme value to our Head. If we are STRIVING to be, then we would probably fit under the classification of "Semi-precious" and must throw ourselves at the mercy of the Buyer, our Saviour, who purchased us with His blood, and since His blood is precious above all things, He is seeking in exchange some thing of like worth.

But, there are times when we come under the classification of "fake"—tho we do not like to admit it. These are not the times when we are struggling with ourselves to be perfect, when our souls are in turmoil with our flesh—when the good and evil in us is at variance with each other and we are tossed to and fro by our own actions—for this is when we are still striving, therefore are "semi-precious." The dangerous times of our "fake" classification, is when we "give in" to the promptings of evil, and hurt ourselves and others, all the while appearing to be genuine Christians. The time of danger is when we are careless with our speech and actions and flagrantly, or subtly, wound others by well (?) placed words or actions—all the time presenting before the world the appearance of virtue. At this time we are truly fakes, and if the Buyer should pass by then, if He should come our way with the intention of taking us for what we are at that time, and home, surely, He would recognize us and expose us.

Would we expect Him to take us home with Him, together with the "precious" and semi-precious"? Let us think! Beginning with myself!

Catherine Poma

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Brother Demetrio of San Diego, California Branch passed away on October 11, 1960. Our Brother was born in Italy on April 4, 1879 and embraced the Gospel in the New Brunswick, New Jersey Branch on September 11, 1927. He was a Deacon in the Church and a faithful Brother until the end, having reached the age of 81. Brother Tur-

ano is survived by his wife, Sister Rose, two sons, Frank and Nick, a brother, a sister, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held in the Church at San Diego with Brother Felix Buccellato officiating.

Sister Virginia Castelli sang, "When I Get To The End Of The Road" and After", accompanied by Sister JoAnn Smith.

Appropriate portions of Scripture were read at the graveside by Brother Ben Ciccati and Brother Frank Vultaggio, and "Beyond The Sunset" was sung. Brother Turano will be missed very much.

Though in his latter years he was much afflicted, he never failed to set a good example, attending each meeting faithfully, even till the very Sunday before he was taken to the hospital. We pray that God's comfort and peace will abide with Sister Rose and her family and that we might all prove faithful in the hope that we shall someday meet our Brother in the Paradise of God.

Sister Ann Smith

Branch Editor

FREDONIA NEWS

On October 26th, we of the Fredonia Branch were invited to Erie that we might enjoy the fellowship of the Saints there and also partake of the ordinance of feet washing together. Once each year the Erie Mission visits Fredonia. This gathering of the Saints turned out to be a very special one in which we were honored with the presence of brothers and sisters from Monongahela, McKees Rocks, Youngstown, Ohio and Rochester, N. Y.

To begin this day of praising our Maker special hymns were sung by the Erie Mission. A song, "Have You Answered The Call" was sung by Robert Dyer and Sister Dolly Kovasic. This song has been composed by Sister Esther Deyer of the Erie Mission. Archetta Sechez sang, "Why Should He Love Me So," and a piano solo, "Sweet Hour Of Prayer" was given by Carol Mancini. This song Brother Mancini said was our late Sister Behanna's favorite hymn.

Brother Teman Cherry opened our morning service with prayer.

Brother George Neal spoke to us on the 4th. chapter of St. Matthew, the first eleven verses. The struggle our Savior had with Satan in which

he was tempted for 40 days in the wilderness, of the suffering he went through for our sake.

Brother Frank Rosatti spoke further on this subject, saying that freedom from sin brings much joy into our lives. That we should strive to be more like the Master, for he died that we may live. Brother Frank spoke to people in Italian at this time also.

Brother Samuel Costerelli opened the afternoon meeting expressing a surprise in meeting the Brothers and Sisters from the different Branches and he spoke on the ordinance of feet washing and how we should study the word of God.

Brother Teman Cherry spoke on how we should love one another and on the subject "Where shall we spend Eternity"?

Brother Russel Cadman spoke concerning the joy and sorrow our Savior had over his people on this land and that we should be holy even as our Savior.

Due to illness Brother John Mancini was not able to spend the afternoon with us. We hope he is improved by now.

Many wonderful testimonies were given by the Brothers and Sisters, and we feel this was a wonderful day blessed with the Lord's spirit.

Sister Norma Walker
Branch Editor

IN LOVING MEMORY OF SISTER LULA JOHNSTON

Who died May 7, 1960

In her 74th year of age. Sister Johnson was born in Trench, Kentucky, Jan. 6, 1896. She was Baptized Sept. 1, 1935 in the Church of Jesus Christ by Bro. Wm. Bailey in the Little Redstone Branch. She leaves to mourn her husband Norman Johnson and one daughter Mrs. Bessie Flick of Brownsville, Pa. Burial was in the Lafayette Memorial Park. Bro. J. M. Shazer was in charge of the services.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Mrs. May Belle May, born December 25 at Woodville, Allegheny County, Pa. She passed away May 28, 1960 at her home in Pennsylvania, Pa. She is survived by her husband Bro. Michael B. May, and one son of Brentwood. Two grandchildren Leslie and Pamela May. Services were conducted in the C. B. Dearth Funeral Home at New

Salem, Pa. by Rev. Daniel W. Little and Bro. Joseph M. Shazer. Buried in the Cross Creek Cemetery, Washington County, Pa.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Bro. Thomas R. Sanders of Grindstone, Pa. Born October 3, 1894 in Connelville, Pa., passed away October 23, 1960 in the Brownsville General Hospital after a lingering illness. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Vanderbilt, Pa. He is survived by one sister Mrs. May Smalley of Keisterville, Pa. and one brother James F. Sanders of Uniontown, Pa. and several nieces and nephews. Services were held in the Kisinger Funeral Home with Brothers Joseph M. Shazer and Therman S. Furnier officiating. Interment in the Lafayette Memorial Park.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Bro. Samuel Ringer, passed away in his 85th year. Bro. Ringer was born Jan. 5th 1875 in Clifton Mills, W. Va. Died Aug. 21, 1960 in the Connellsville State Hospital following a brief illness. He was the son of the late Daniel and Susan Ringer. A resident of Vanderbilt, R. D. for thirty-two years and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ for thirty years, also a minister of the gospel. He was predeceased by his wife, Ida Mosako Ringer, in May 1959. He is survived by four step-daughters and four step sons; twenty-seven grandchildren; eighty-one great-grandchildren and nineteen great-great grandchildren. Friends were received after 2 p.m. in his late residence at Vanderbilt, where prayer service was held Wednesday 1:30 p.m., followed by additional rites in the Church of Jesus Christ at 2 p.m. Bro. Anthony Di Battista and Bro. James Curry officiating. Interment in the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

Bro. Ringer will be sadly missed by the Bros. and sisters.

A MASTERLY WRITE-UP

By Sidney Rigdon

(From Messenger & Advocates)

Continued from last issue.

This servant, according to the Savior, was to be one who should make his appearance in the last days, and was one of the all whom He warned to take care lest an

awful fate awaited him; and if he did not receive the admonition, he should be cut off. He was warned minutely, not to eat and drink with the drunken, or smite his fellow servants; for if he did he should be cut off. To whom then, in the last days can this apply? Whoever it is, or was, it was one the Lord acknowledged to be His servant, and He cut him off, because he refused to obey Him. Persons acquainted with the affairs at Nauvoo, will need no comment on the above words of the Savior.

What was to take place when this disobedient servant was to be cut off? We are told in the 25th chapter, "Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom, and five of whom were wise, and five of them were foolish," etc.

Mark this, at the time when this cutting off of the servant took place, or was to take place. The going forth to meet the bridegroom, and a division in the kingdom of heaven, or the true church of Christ. No doubt can remain, but that the servant here spoken of, had been sent of the Lord — was actually, the Lord's servant, but a disobedient one. And what follows in the 25th chapter, shows that this cutting off was to have an immediate effect on the church. Immediately after this mournful event—for surely it must be so to every thinking man — preparations were made for going forth to meet the bridegroom; it was then found that there were many without oil in their lamps; the consequence was, that a division took or was to take place at that time. Let us ask, a division in what?

The answer is given, in the kingdom of heaven, or the true church of God.

Dear Brother, I ask you, through this letter to you, all the saints, acquainted with the facts as they exist, to lay this case alongside the affairs of Nauvoo; and then reflect and consider.

But as the scriptures abound with evidence on this subject, I will invite your attention to some of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah, which only confirms what we have before written. In the 3rd chapter of his prophecy, commencing at the 16th verse we have a description of Zion. "Moreover, the Lord saith, because

the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched-forth necks, and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet, therefore, the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the Lord will discover their secret parts. In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon.

The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers, the bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings, the rings, and the nose jewels, the changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins, the glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the veils. And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell, there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle, a rent; and instead of well set hair, baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girdling of sackcloth; and burning instead of beauty. Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy mighty in the war. And her gates shall lament and mourn; and she, being desolate, shall sit upon the ground. And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, we will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel; only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach."

A few remarks on the foregoing quotation, will place the subject in a point of light, so clear, that "he who runs may read."

What the prophet here said, he said about the daughters of Zion: "Moreover," the Lord said, "because the daughters of Zion are haughty," etc. All then that he says afterwards, he says about the daughters of Zion, and none others. He says, "they walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go." The representation given of them, is that of pride, haughtiness, and shameful wantonness. In the preceding part of the 3rd chapter they got means to enable them to gratify their corrupt desires. In the 14th verse we have the following remarkable sayings: "The Lord will enter into judgment with the ancients, (or elders) of His people, and the princes thereof; for ye have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor is in your houses.

What mean ye, that you beat my people, and grind the faces of the poor? saith the Lord of hosts.

The prophet here charges the ancients or elders of the people, with spoiling the poor, eating up the vineyard, and having the spoil of the poor in their houses. The awful use made of this spoil of the poor, is but too clearly set forth. It was wasted on their lust. In consequence thereof, the daughters of Zion were to walk with stretchedforth necks, and wanton eyes; they were to have the spoil of the poor in their houses, and riot on the labors of others; and to finish their corruption and abomination, seven of them were to lay hold of one man, and say, we will eat our own food, and wear our own apparel; only let us be called by thy name to take away our reproach. This is the order of things, which I think has never existed but once, since the spread of Christianity in the world. That a collection of females could be got together, capable of such extraordinary conduct must be a matter of astonishment to all; but the prophet said such a thing would take place, and that too, in the Zion of God; and God would enter into judgment with them for it.

Let me here remark, that wherever this thing did take place, that society was one the prophet called Zion, or the people of God. No people on earth could go so far into corruption as apostate saints. Paul said of the Corinthian church in his day, that they had abominations among them which were not so much as named among the Gentiles, that a man should have his father's wife.

Comment on the foregoing would be unnecessary, if all the saints were acquainted with facts as we are. Let all who are acquainted with Nauvoo, for years past, just read and think. Let me ask, did not their eyes see the streets paraded by females, haughty and insolent, riding, parading and gallanting, not even to military trainings excepted, until one of the principal officers of the military gave them an open rebuke. Has it not been, and is it not now considered a reproach by many, not to be united to some man as a wife, though he should have half a dozen at a time? If it is not so, then they do not believe the doctrine they teach themselves.

When these things are closely examined there is so near a resemblance between the description given of the daughters of Zion by Isaiah, and what has taken place in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, that the conclusion is forced on the mind, that he, the prophet, had his eye on that church, and actually called that church Zion. But what gives this still greater force, is, that if the things spoken by Isaiah do not transpire in the Church of Latter Day Saints, then it is not the Zion of the last days; and their preaching vain, and their faith vain; for these things will take place in the Zion of God, in the last days. But now for the other side of this picture, for Isaiah does not stop here.

In the 4th chapter, 2nd verse to the close of the chapter, we have the following: "In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass that he that is left in Zion; and he that remaineth in Jerusalem shall be called holy, and every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem: When the Lord shall have washed the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof, by the spirit of judgment, and the spirit of burning. And the Lord will create upon every dwelling-place of Mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defense. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

In the 2nd verse, the prophet says, "In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel."

We ask, in what day? Not the day when the daughters of Zion were rioting on the spoils of the poor, walking with stretched-forth necks and wanton eyes, mincing as they went; when seven of them were laying hold on one man to take away their reproach: that was a day of transgression, when the women ruled over the people of

Zion; when the poor were spoiled, the people beaten, and their faces ground. No beauty or comeliness in that day; but there is a day, notwithstanding all this corruptions, and the spoils of the poor, shall be beautiful and glorious. No, gentle reader, no, but the BRANCH of the Lord—that which is escaped of the Israel of God—those that fled these corruptions, and left them who were practicing them, this branch shall be beautiful and glorious. When will it become beautiful and glorious? When the Lord shall washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion. See verse 4th. What filth will the Lord wash away? Their prudery, seven of them clinging to one man, their pride, and their wantonness, their rioting on the spoils of the poor. When the Lord is doing this with the spirit of judgment, the branch of the Lord that has escaped, will be becoming beautiful and glorious. To be continued.

P.S. We must all remember, when reading this article, that the writer, Sidney Rigdon, was on the ground and could see and hear for himself, as to what was going on in Nauvoo and in the church at that time. Rigdon does not give any comfort to those who try to interpret the words of Isaiah that the seven women are seven churches which are to arise. The Church of Jesus Christ which was organized at Greenoch in 1862, has always applied that scripture as does Rigdon. There is nothing in the words of Isaiah whatever, that would imply that the seven women are seven churches. The more than one wife doctrine has certainly brought reproach on the work of the Restored Gospel in these last days. Beware of man or men who teach that these seven women are seven churches.

W. H. Cadman

A PLEASANT VISIT

The Lord has been so good to my family and me. Last summer we had the opportunity to visit among the seed of Joseph at Grand River, Muncey and Sarnia, Ontario. For me this was like a dream fulfilled, for I have always even as a young girl desired to know the Indian people better. This Fall I believe we received the greatest blessing of all, when Helen Garlow and her little daughter came to visit with us. I am so thankful to the Lord for

bringing her to us and her safe return to her home on the Grand River Reserve.

I met this young mother at the dedication of our Church building at Ohsweken, Ont. and over the past three years we have corresponded and became very dear friends. She has attended meetings on the Reserve for many years.

We tried to make good use of the time she was here although it was the shortest week I ever spent. We attended meetings at Monongahela, Glassport, and Roscoe branches. On Saturday we took her to view our Penna. mountains and on the way stopped for her to see Bitner and Vanderbilt church buildings. A number of the sisters along with some of my neighbors dropped in for a visit and one evening about twenty of the young women from my Sunday School class came, and we had an enjoyable evening singing hymns and praising the Lord.

I do hope and pray that Helen's visit with us helped in some way to lift her up in spirit, that she may someday have that desire to be one of us.

Please remember her and the rest of the folks at Grand River and offer a special prayer for the Brothers who carry the Gospel to these people.

I along with the song writer can say, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Sister Anne Ahlborn,

DEDICATION OF CHURCH AT ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA

Dear Editor:

The saints of the district of California send their love and blessing to all the saints throughout the world. Sunday 16th, 1960 was a wonderful day for us out here in the Anaheim Mission. This was the day we dedicated our Church to God.

After such a long time of converting an Old Warehouse, now stands God's House. Many obstacles was put in our way. The City of Anaheim was one of the biggest obstacles. The neighbors rebelled as the neighborhood is very well kept with large beautiful homes. They did not want us to have a church there. They preferred the building of a Warehouse. They said it would depreciate their property.

I could go on and on with the battle the saints had, and still be humble. Through it all we pushed

each obstacle out of the way with Prayers. God heard our prayers and through His mercy, we were victorious. On the 16th of October, the building was dedicated to God.

We had a wonderful representation from the Bell Branch and San Fernando Valley Branch, also from San Diego. Brother George Heaps started the meeting by singing hymns and giving us a few opening words of how we struggled to complete the church. Then the Mission Choir sang their song, titled "Victory Through Grace." The words fitted the occasion perfectly, as it was only through the Grace of God that we were victorious in dedicating one more house of worship to Him, 'God.' Then the Bell Branch Choir sang — All That Thrills My Soul, their voices rang out the praises of Jesus. Again the Anaheim Choir sang, Praise The Lord.

Bro. Robert Watson Jr. opened the meeting with prayer, then Wally Simpson and Sister Nicosia sang a duet "I'll Sing of Thee." Brother James Scalise spoke about dedicating churches to God. The theme of his sermon was the Souls to be saved for God, and some day see the church filled. Bro. Watson Jr. continued in the same thought — how our lives should be every day in service to God.

The meeting continued with a song by Bro. V. James Lovelvo, "It May Be Today." Then he took the rostrum and preached the climax of this wonderful Sabbath day. We fasted and prayed during the week for souls to come unto God. The Spirit was calling but no one answered. Many were touched. We were then dismissed by prayer by brother George Heaps. Lunch was prepared by the sisters in the Church Patio.

The afternoon service was started by singing hymn after hymn. The San Diego Choir was called upon to sing "My God Thou Seeest Me." It was well done. Then our newest converts baptized within the year were asked to sing, I Love Him. The Congregation joined in the chorus. It did our hearts good to hear our young people sing they Love Jesus, There were six of them. They then gave their testimony. The meeting was then turned over for testimony for all.

Brother James Heaps bore his testimony as to when he was work-

ing in the mines in Pennsylvania and a wonderful blessing was enjoyed relative to the hymn: "What are these arrayed in white." Many brothers and sisters got up and praised God. It was wonderful — the spirit of God was among us.

Time stopped us as it was late and no one cared. But they formed a large circle in the church and sang brother Curry's hymn "Till Earth is Good Again" and music arranged by Sister Sadie Cadman, and Till We Meet Again. Closed with prayer by Bro. G. Heaps. Remember us in your prayers.

Sister Sadie Nicosia.

ALQUIPPA BRANCH WELCOME BROTHER JOHN R. ROSS

We had a season of rejoicing on Tuesday, November 8, 1960. Brother John Ross returned from preaching the Gospel in Nigeria and visiting the Saints in Italy. Brother John arrived home Tuesday evening and most of the Brothers and Sisters visited him at his home.

On Wednesday in our weekly service Brother John bore his testimony of his experiences and work in Africa with Brother Alvin Swanson.

Friday evening November 11, the Aliquippa Branch held a welcome home dinner for Brother John in the basement of the Church. About one-hundred Brothers, Sisters and friends were on hand.

Brother Thomas Ross gave a few remarks on how we missed our Brother and glad we are to see him looking so well.

Brother Domenick D'Antonio led us in prayer. We all enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by our Sisters. After the dinner we met in the Auditorium and Brother John answered questions asked by the Congregation, about the conditions and the success the Brothers had while preaching among the people of Nigeria.

We were all very much enlightened and impressed with the work and experiences of our Brothers.

In closing Brother John thanked all for their prayers and financial aid making this mission and the mission of others to follow possible.

May the Lord continue to Bless Brothers: Alvin Swanson and Alma Nolfi in their labors and our Brothers and Sisters in Africa.

Editor Charles W. Jumper Jr.

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"My help cometh from the Lord,"
Psalms 121:2

Dear Boys and Girls,

Could you guess who the character in this month's story would be? You are right. It was Abinadi. It is in the Book of Mormon.

There was a wicked king named Noah. He did not serve God as his father Zeniff had done. Because of this, his people did not keep the commandments of God. He laid a heavy tax upon the people. They gave the king one-fifth of everything they had—their gold, silver, other precious metals, flocks and grain. With all these riches King Noah and his priests were able to live very well. His heart was set on his riches. He built many beautiful and large buildings.

When war came between the Lamanites and his people, they boasted of how strong they were. They said fifty of their men could stand against thousands of Lamanites. While the wicked king and his people were boasting of their strength and victories, God sent a prophet among them named, Abinadi. He began to speak to the people these words, "Woe, be unto this people, for I the Lord have seen their wickedness. If they do not repent and turn to me, I will visit them in anger, bring them into bondage and their enemies will afflict them." When the king and his people heard this, they became very angry. The king asked, "Who is this Abinadi, that I and my people should be judged by him? Who is the Lord that shall do these things to my people?" They tried to kill Abinadi. But the Lord was with him and he fled. King Noah would not repent of his evil ways.

Two years passed away and Abinadi came again to King Noah and his people. He disguised himself so they would not know him. He began to warn them. He said if they did not repent, the Lord would send hail, an east wind to smite them, insects to destroy their grain and they would be swept off the earth. Many things Abinadi prophesied against them. The people became very angry and bound Abinadi and took

him before the king. They said, "Behold, Oh King, we have brought a man to you who has prophesied evil against thy people. He says God will destroy us. He said your life shall be as a garment in a furnace of fire. We haven't done any evil, so why should we be judged of this man? We are strong and shall not come into bondage. Here is the man, do with him as seemeth good."

King Noah put Abinadi in prison. He called his priests together to decide how to punish him. The priests said, "Bring him here that we may question him." Abinadi was brought before them. They tried to cross Abinadi that they might accuse him. He answered them boldly and withstood their questions. They asked him to explain certain passages of Isaiah to them. But Abinadi questioned them, "Are you priests and pretend to teach the people? You have not taught them the right ways of the Lord." They said they had taught the law of Moses. Abinadi recited the ten commandments and told them they had not kept them. When the king heard this he said to the priests, "Away with this fellow! Slay him for he is mad." But when they tried to take Abinadi he spoke with greater power. "Touch me not, for God shall smite you if you lay your hands on me. I have not delivered the Lord's message yet. He will not suffer that I shall be destroyed at this time." The king and his people were afraid to touch Abinadi. The spirit of God was upon him and his face shone just as Moses' had while on Mount Sinai. Abinadi continued to tell the people of Moses and Isaiah's prophecies. He told them Christ would come to redeem His people and be resurrected from the dead.

When Abinadi finished these sayings, King Noah commanded the priests to put him to death. There was one priest named Alma, who believed Abinadi's words. He plead with the king not to be angry with Abinadi, but let him go in peace. But the king became angry with Alma and cast him out. Alma fled and hid. He wrote all the words Abinadi had spoken. The king's

guards bound Abinadi and put him in prison. For three days the king counseled with his priests and finally sentenced Abinadi to death.

The king asked Abinadi to take back all the words he had spoken against him and his people. Abinadi replied, "I will suffer death rather than recall my words against you at the last day." King Noah was afraid but the priests spoke against him. They took Abinadi and burned him to death. As the flames came up around him, he cried, "Behold you shall be smitten on every hand and taken by your enemies, then you shall suffer the pains of death by fire. You shall be driven and scattered to and fro, even as a wild flock driven by wild beasts." As he spoke these words he fell and was heard to say, "Oh God, receive my soul." He was a very, very brave servant, willing to suffer death by fire rather than deny His God.

Search the Scripture

The answers are found in your Book of Mormon-Mosiah chapter 11-verses 8 to 12.

1. What six precious things did King Noah use for his spacious buildings?
2. Where was his throne and of what was it made?
3. What were the seats of the high priests like?
4. What was built near the temple so King Noah could look out over the land?

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

ATLANTIC COAST DISTRICT CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 3, 1960

The business session of District Conference convened at 10 A. M. with a good representation of Elders and Evangelists present. There were various reports made and several matters discussed. The Sunday morning meeting was opened by singing Hymn 187. Prayer was offered by Bro. Gabriel Mazzeo. Continued with Hymn 307. Bro. Mazzeo read a portion of scripture found in Luke 19:1 and Mosiah 18:1; his theme was humility and submissiveness to our Lord. A wonderful spirit was felt in his talk. Bro. Eugene Perri, Sr. followed in the Italian tongue. Several brothers spoke and a wonderful time was had by all. The Doxology was sung and prayer offered by Bro. Nick Per-

sico.

Secretary: Nick Persico

I MET A VERY PLEASANT MAN, DOCTOR BANIK

Early in November, I received a call by letter and by telephone from Bros. Bittinger and Moore who were in Wakpala, S. Dakota labouring among the Sioux Indian people, wanting me to come out there. I left by plane on November 8th from the Pittsburgh Airport in the morning, and I arrived at Bismark, N. Dakota about mid-afternoon the same day. My brethren and their wives met me there at the Airport. There was a high wind and it was real cold on arrival.

Our church property in Wakpala was formerly a store building, it was remodeled some, and provided with two sleeping rooms and a kitchen, leaving about half of the store room for a church room. All told it makes very nice and comfortable quarters for our brothers and sisters to live in and hold services in for the Indian people.

We had purchased this property from an old lady (Mrs. Banik) who was still living in a small house just next to our church. I had never met her until on this occasion. She is 82 years old, but still very active and she attended our services while I was there. But while I was there she became sick and her son (who lives in Mobridge about 30 miles away) was notified and she was taken to the hospital in the latter place and went through a very serious operation. We called to see her before we left for our homes. In conversation with her before going to the hospital, I learned from her that her son (a doctor) had made a trip to Hunza Land in the Himalaya Mountains of Pakistan (West). It caused me to feel an interest and I thought I would like to meet her Doctor son, who of course was a long way from her home—living in Kearney, Nebraska. But on account of her sudden illness, it caused her children who were scattered around over this broad country, to come to S. Dakota to see their mother. So I had an opportunity to meet her son, Dr. Banik, whom had made a trip to Hunza Land.

I felt honored at the opportunity to meet the Doctor. He is a very pleasant man and very friendly. He had published a book on his travels

to Hunza and his visit there, which had fulfilled the dream of his life. He gave me one of his books, which I appreciated very much. I told him that I was editing a small church paper, and I asked him for the privilege of quoting from his writings in The Gospel News, which he freely granted to me. I have read the book through, and it makes a person wonder about God's creatures — the isolated places of their abodes, the strange customs of living, how they ever came to locate in such strange places — faraway from everywhere and everybody. And, the simplicity of their living habits, their diet especially I will say, that is, from the account given by Doctor Banik — are about the most healthiest people in all this big world. Their men live to be 120 years old, their women at 80 are as active as ours are at 40 years old. They know little or nothing about disease, and hardly know what it is to quarrel with one another. Their health is due to their diet — and it is my firm conviction that our physical defects of today, and terrible they are, are due to our habits and our diet of today.

I will add that these conditions, the terrible plight that humanity has degenerated to, in most every conceivable form, is due to the departure from a simple way of life physically and spiritually, not abiding in His (God's) will, and in which man has made his own choice of life — The great God of the universe has simply allowed nature to take its course. And the great man Paul tells us that the carnal nature of man is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can it be.

Doctor Banik, it has been a pleasure for me to meet you and to read of your trip and findings in Hunza Land. I hope your mother has recovered from the serious operation she was obliged to undergo. Sincerely, W.H. Cadman, Editor of this little paper, The Gospel News.

The following is some of the Doctor's writings.

Men who live for 120 years and father children at the age of ninety . . . Women of eighty who look no older than our women of forty . . . These are the fabulous Hunzukuts, the people of the little-known kingdom of Hunza, which lies high in the Himalaya Mountains of Pakistan (West).

Dr. Allen E. Banik, optometrist, traveler and writer, brings into sharp perspective the mountain people who — in 2,000 years of almost complete isolation — seem to have evolved a way of living, eating thinking and exercising that has substantially lengthened their life span and dramatically reduced susceptibility to most of the illnesses to which "civilized" people are prone.

The exciting narrative of the author's perilous journey over dizzying mountain trails to reach Hunza and his graphic portrayal of the people and their country make **Hunza Land** a unique reading adventure. Profuse photographs throughout the book enhance the reader's understanding of this "uncatalogued" race, which is becoming a nationwide subject of interest.

Dr. Banik's visit to the "Fountain of Youth" kingdom—culmination of a twenty-year dream kept alive by study of Hunza and by correspondence with its ruler, the Mir—was made possible by Art Linkletter, famed MC of the People Are Funny television program. "I shall be forever grateful to Mr. Linkletter and his wonderful organization for their wholehearted support and co-operation," says the author.

In addition to exciting entertainment **Hunza Land** offers easy-to-follow suggestions on diet, mental outlook and exercise that can have a salutary effect on our own health, happiness, and long life.

TREE-PLANTING IN NEGEV WILDERNESS

Thirty eucalyptus trees were planted on a bleak hillside in the heart of the Negev by the staff of the second relay station of the Beer-sheba-Eilat radio-telephone line. The ceremony celebrating the 12th Tubi 'Shvat since the establishment of the State also marked the final testing of the radio-television connection with Ein Yahav, which will soon be linked to the national network.

In Eilat, 313 parents each planted a tree in the "Eilat Childrens's Forest" in honour of their youngsters who were born since Tubi 'Shvat, 1958.

From Jewish Hope

A VISIT TO THE INDIAN MISSION WAKPALA, S. DAKOTA

On October 21, 1960 in company with Brother and Sister James Moore of the Imperial, Pa. Branch and my wife, we started for Wakpala, S. Dakota and arrived there Sunday about 3 p.m. and found Brother and Sister DeMarrias and a few others gathered in the Church holding their afternoon fellowship service, but we took no part with them as they were about ready to dismiss the service. But we did have a meeting in the evening, and every evening while we were there with the exception of Saturdays. We held all our services in the Church Building at Wakpala, during our stay there, and the attendance was very encouraging all things considered. We all enjoyed good liberty in speaking to the people and feel much good seed has been sown there.

Part of our mission this time was to make some needed improvements to our building there, this we did by insulating the ceiling with Zonolite, also put 4 ft. Plywood around the inside walls to keep out the cold air. Sister Moore varnished it all and it makes quite an improvement in looks, as well as make the building much easier to heat. These were much needed improvements. We also purchased a new bed with mattress, and a Studio Couch, these were long needed necessities for the apartment where the Elders live while stationed there. The weather was very nice while we were there. It got cold at nights, but the sun shone every day. There was no rain or snow and the roads were in very good condition (many are dirt or gravel).

It had been seven years since Brother Wm. Cadman had been to the Indian Reservation here in S. Dakota, many of the Indian people were asking about him and wishing to see and hear him speak once again. Brother Moore and myself thought it would be good to ask Bro. Cadman to come out for a visit while we were there. We did, and he came by plane to Bismark, N. D. where we met him. This is ap-

proximately 100 miles North of Wakpala. All the people appeared very happy to see him, and listen to him speak, he spoke in most of the meetings after his arrival. And I am certain he enjoyed himself very much in preaching the Glorious Gospel of Christ to the seed of Joseph (the American Indian). To whom great latter-day blessings were promised by their father Jacob (Israel), those days of blessings must now be budding and near at hand.

We were sorry that we were not able to visit our Sisters at Cherry Creek, and hold some meetings with them, also those in the area of Eagle Butte. Sister Bittinger became sick soon after the arrival of Bro. Cadman and was confined to bed for a few days. That necessitated Sister Moore waiting on her rather than putting her in the hospital, or bringing her home by plane as I had thought to do. Her illness prevented us from visiting the Brothers and Sisters at Eagle Butte as we had intended to do and have a meeting with them. The last Sunday we were there Mrs. Katy Banik (the lady from whom we bought the Church property) became very sick and came to our apartment and asked for prayer and to be anointed, in the evening. But later her son came and took her to the Hospital where they performed an operation on her during the night. Bro. Cadman and I went to visit her in the Hospital before we departed for home. Her condition was as good as could be expected at that time. We were all sorry for her. She had attended to our meetings very regularly until she became ill. We all pray for her a speedy recovery to good health again.

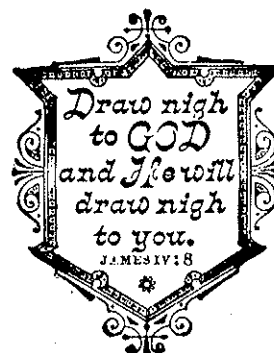
At the close of the last meeting Monday evening, Sister Moore and Sister Bittinger had prepared a little treat for the children and adults present. This was enjoyed by all. The Sunday School of the Imperial Branch sent Sister Moore a donation to provide the treat. Tuesday evening quite a number gathered in our apartment to bid us adieu, and express their regrets that we could not stay longer with them, and

to ask when someone would be coming back again to carry on the work among them. I thank God that we have been permitted to spend approximately three months endeavoring to spread the Gospel among the Indian people of S. Dakota this past season and we enjoyed it very much. I feel much good seed has been sown there. On our way home Bro. Cadman developed a physical condition that troubled him greatly, and deprived him of an other-wise pleasant trip home, tho he was improved as we arrived home after having spent the night with Bro. and Sister Moore. We appreciate that Bro. Jim and Sister Eva made the trip with us, they were a great help to us and I believe an inspiration to the Indian people to whom we spoke and met with. To all our Indian Brothers and Sisters and friends our prayer is may God richly bless you all.

Brother Joseph Bittinger

ISRAEL'S BIGGEST SPINNING MILL

The cornerstone for what will eventually be Israel's largest spinning and weaving mill was laid in the Negev immigrant town of Dimona recently. The plant will cover several acres. When completed it will have 24,000 modern spindles and 200 looms. The building schedule sets January 1, 1961 as the day when production will start.



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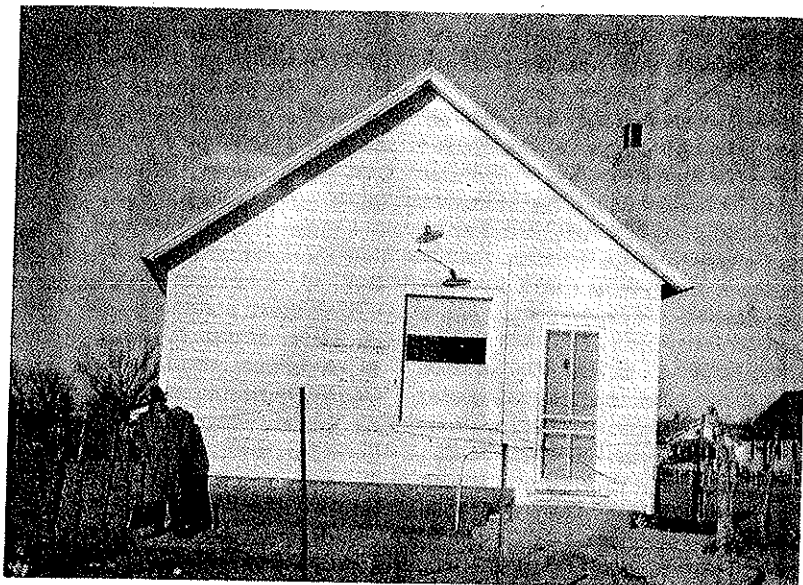
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FORGET IT

If you see a tall fellow ahead of
the crowd,
A leader of men, marching fearless
and proud,
And you know of a tale whose mere
telling aloud
Would cause his proud head to in
anguish be bowed—
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.
If you know of a skeleton hidden
away
In a closet, and guarded and kept
from the day
In the dark; whose showing, whose
sudden display
Would cause grief and sorrow and
lifelong dismay—
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.
If you know of a spot in the life of
a friend
(We all have such spots concealed,
world without end)
Whose touching his heartstrings
would sadden or rend,
Till the shame of its showing no
grievance could mend—
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.
If you know of a thing that will
darken the joy
Of a man or a woman, a girl or a
boy,
That will wipe out a smile or the
least way annoy
A fellow, or cause any gladness to
cloy—
It's a pretty good plan to forget it!
—Author Unknown

POEM BY ANNA NASTASIA

Jesus Is My Friend,
That's why I love Him so.
From heaven He was sent
To bless my humble soul.
He shed His blood for me
While on this earth below;
He hung upon the tree
To share my every woe.
I love Thee dear Jesus,
Because thou first loved me.
You came from above to save us
And our Master for to be.
As I walk day by day,
I feel Thee by my side;
Thou will help me always
And with me always abide.
May I always be faithful,
For thou art faithful to me;
Let me always be cheerful
And kind and humble be.



The above is a photo of our Church Building in Wakpala, S. Dakota. A small white man's town as I understand, but I believe it is settled mostly by Sioux Indian people. The building was a store room which we bought. We remodeled it and now have two sleeping rooms, and there was a room on the back of it which we use for a kitchen. It is heated with oil burners and it makes it very comfortable for our Missionary Workers to stay while there. Wakpala is a small place about thirty miles from McBridge which is a very nice town.

There is a very good school just across the street from the church. It is a fine building, well equipped for schooling the young—a High School is included in it. And though it is a public school, I was told that about 90 per cent of the scholars are Indian. There are about sixty High School students in attendance. A very good opportunity for the Indian boys and girls to get a good education therein. Several buses bring scholars from outlying districts. The janitor took us through the building, and it is a good school.
Editor

REJOICING IN THE BRONX BRANCH

Remembering the Joyful and Blessful meetings of the Atlantic Coast District of September third and fourth; we of the Bronx Branch and Brooklyn Established Mission, with an added lift in our hearts petitioned the Lord again to give us the joy of seeing new souls surrendering unto Him.

Brother Gabriel Mazzeo, at the District Meeting, related their experience in Florida. They made a special prayer to the Lord to give them the opportunity to see someone baptized in the Lord's name soon, in their midst. Praise God their prayers were answered in a few short days.

With this wonderful event to set the heart afire; we of the Branch and Mission also invoked our Heavenly Father during our prayer meet-

ing, to give us the same privilege as the brothers and sisters in Florida. Thank God our prayers were answered also just a week and a half later. On September 18, 1960 two sisters were baptized unto the Lord. Sister Denise Linkowski, granddaughter of brother and sister Vincent Lupo, presiding elder of the Bronx Branch and Sister Elizabeth Catalano, daughter of brother and sister Joseph Capone, also of the Bronx, are the two new members of The Church of Jesus Christ.

May God bless them every day on earth and keep them to His bosom is our prayer.

Sister Belle Rose

PRAYER ANSWERED

Nov. 28, 1960

Dear Brother Cadman,

We have just concluded a series of Evangelistic meetings with

Brother Joe Lovalvo and Brother Thurman Furnier in charge. Their sermons were wonderful, full of inspiration and food for our souls. Along with this news, I want to relate an experience of how God hears and answers our prayers. Sister Mary Lovalvo has been very ill with ulcers for several months and so after tests and x-rays, it was decided she needed an operation. Her doctor told the family that there was great possibility of malignant cancer in her stomach. A week before the operation, she was anointed by Bro. Bob Watson, Sr. and there was a wonderful spirit felt in the prayer offered in her behalf. On Monday, she had to undergo the operation and the brothers and sisters went into fast and prayer. When the doctors operated, they were amazed to find her stomach completely clean and not even a trace of the ulcer. Truly, we can say that God is the same and that the day of Miracles is not past. We have felt a great blessing in this and I am sure this will help to strengthen us spiritually.

We trust that you are well and pray that God will continue to bless you and keep you in His care.

Sister Ann Damore

BIBLICAL PREDICTIONS

One of the most famous Biblical prophecies is going to fall flat on its face if we can get through the next three weeks without war.

For hundreds of years Biblical scholars have been saying that the year 1960 would be a perilous one for the United States.

One old pundit predicted that in 1960 "iron birds" would fly over New York City and drop their "eggs."

This, according to some, was to launch Armageddon, the last great conflict.

Well, this is the 8th of December with 23 days left before we bid 1960 adieu.

We can only hope that the prophecies were wrong.

Dear Readers:

At this date December 15th, 1960, there are still 16 days to go and what might yet take place I don't know. However, the Saviour and His apostles all warned us against false prophets and teachers. In my time I have observed very much of this kind of prophecy, and thus far it has proven in vain. One bad feature of the whole matter is its tendency to cause infidelity among

people, because of men who are known as Biblical scholars and professed Christians, continually failing in their predictions. The Saviour declares that false prophets will arise—and He says we shall know their fruits. Jesus did not prophesy in vain, but **puny men** are exposing themselves as not having the true spirit of God in their souls. I read that the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy. Rev. 19, 10. But please beware of this fact—that the failures of the prophets of our day, does not invalidate the scriptures—It simple proves that the words of Jesus Christ as recorded in the scripture are trustworthy. False Prophets are arising. He said they would. Therefore our faith should more abound in the teachings of the Saviour of the world. Editor.

FRANCIONE - D'AMICO WEDDING

Saturday, September 24, 1960
Sister Harriet D'Amico and Mr. Nicholas Francione were united in marriage at the Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 3, Detroit, Michigan. The bride is the daughter of sister Josphine D'Amico and the late brother Alfred D'Amico. The groom is the son of sister Grace Francione and the late brother Mario Francione.

Brother Patsy Marinette, assisted by brother Paul D'Amico officiated in the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, brother Sam D'Amico. Best man was Mr. Dick Brown of Rochester, New York and maid of honor was sister Virginia Morley. The bride's sister, Miss Joyce D'Amico was bridesmaid and Mr. Lyle Criscuolo was usher. Prior to the ceremony, sister Rosalinda Dix played numerous songs on the organ. She accompanied sister Delores Thomas while she sang "Love Divine" and "Because". Upon returning from their honeymoon the couple will reside at 18509 Pelkey, Detroit, Michigan.

DELUCA - TODD NUPTIALS

Charlotte Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Todd, R.D. 1 Hooktown, and Matthew DeLuca, son of Brother and Sister (Louis) DeLuca, Division Street, Aliquippa, were united in marriage in the First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland, Maryland, on October 7, 1960 at 2:30 P.M.

Mrs. DeLuca is a graduate of Aliquippa High School, and Chat-ham College, Pittsburgh. She is employed in the Wilkinsburg School system.

Her husband is a graduate of Hopewell High School, and attended Geneva College. He is employed at Jones & Laughlin Steel Co.

We wish the newly weds a happy new journey in life.

By Charles W. Jumper, Jr.

SCUOTTO - FANTAZIER NUPTIALS

On September 3, 1960 at 3:30 p.m., marriage nuptials were exchanged between Sister Margaret (Peggy) Fantazier and Mr. Albert Scuotto. Margaret is the daughter of Brother John and Sister Mary Fantazier of Warden Avenue, Hopelawn, N. J. The double ring ceremony was performed in the Church of Jesus Christ, Hopelawn Branch, with Brother Joseph Benyola officiating.

Matron of Honor was Lucille Zempella, sister of the bride, and other attendants were Joan Benyola and Rose Mercurio.

Best Man was Larry Zampella and ushers were Ralph Zinzi and Joseph Pinto of the Bronx, New York.

Soloist, Mr. Herbert Richardson, sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "I Love Thee" accompanied by Richard Benyola at the organ.

Following the church ceremony a reception was held for all friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

After spending their honeymoon in Canada and Niagara Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Scuotto will reside at the Hopelawn address.

May God's richest blessings abide with them always.

Sister Mary Persico

COMMENTS ON FIRST NEPHI Chapter 22 Beginning at Verse 7

"And it meaneth that the time cometh that after all the house of Israel have been scattered and confounded, that the Lord God will raise up a mighty nation among the Gentiles, yea, even upon the face of this land; and by them shall our seed be scattered." (Gentiles upon this land of America have become a mighty nation, and have scattered the seed of Joseph, the Indian people). A literal fulfillment of Nephi's utterances has taken place—a prophetic utterance in the Book

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

Attention Please:

Secretary Griffith and myself have conversed with one another considerably about the greatness of our Missionary efforts in very recent times. We are now carrying on work in Mexico, Italy and Nigeria, besides our work which is being carried on, on several Indian Reservations in Canada and in the United States. In late years it has grown very much and it has increased the demand for more labourers in the vineyard of the Lord.

As it was in the days of the Saviour, the harvest has become great but labourers are few. He recognized the need of more helpers, and He commanded His disciples to pray that the Lord of the vineyard send more help. We, The Church of Jesus Christ, have encountered the same problem today. Hence, this appeal, especially to my brother Elders who have been ordained into the Ministry of Christ, for the very purpose of preaching the Gospel unto all the world—for Jesus died that all men might be saved. We must all remember, that as our field grows larger, our responsibilities grow with it. Our greatest urge at present is in Africa. In Nigeria in both east and west regions our labourers have baptized several thousand converts into The Church of Jesus Christ. It will, or should be readily understood that this creates an emergency for more of our Ministers to make preparations to answer the call of the Church and be prepared to go out into the field to help carry on.

Brother Swanson whom is now in the last half of his allotted time of one year and will be coming home, I believe, in May. Brother Nolfi went for one year but he now expects to return in six months. Hence we should have two Workers to take their places at once—How many of you are ready to go? Answer to Secre-

tary Griffith as soon as possible. We are not pushed so hard relative to the work in Italy—for we now have two brothers making ready to go. And may the Lord be with them, they both have loved ones to leave behind.

Brother Ross who just returned from Nigeria (and at this juncture I want to give all due praise to him and Erother Swanson) they have done a wonderful work in Eastern Nigeria—several thousand souls have been added to the church of which Brother Ross has given much testimony, and there is no doubt that when our two brothers return this summer, the testimony of God's goodness towards them in Nigeria will have increased—might I say a hundred fold? Brother Ross tells me that our brothers will have nothing to fear in going to Nigeria now—from what he tells me, they have a very comfortable house to live in, they lived pretty much as we do here. He even says that they had soft beds to sleep in—I might add, that is just the opposite of what Brother Bittinger and I had in 1954—Our beds were hard and what I would call real hard. As the work increases in Italy we will need more help, likewise in Mexico and on the Indian Reservations. We have very comfortable quarters in South Dakota, for a couple to spend six months, or even a year would soon fly around for that matter. (This makes me think of an experience our late President Cherry told in a conference a good many years ago as follows. He saw W. H. Cadman take off his coat, roll up his sleeves, also roll up his trousers, then took a bucket of water and a mop and he waded into things). Let us all get busy in starting out the new year '61 - you that can and are willing to go away from your loved ones for a year, let us hear from you. You that can't go and yet want to see our workers out in the field—go down into your pockets and help us along. May I say to you all—Roll up your sleeves, and don't forget to roll up your trousers and have plenty of water in your buckets—and let us wade into the deep and strong holds of satan, with a good mop in our hands.

"When Jesus comes the tempter's power is broken, When Jesus comes the tears are wiped away, He takes the gloom and fills the Life with glory; For all is changed when Jesus comes to stay." Editor.

PAINESVILLE, OHIO NEWS

I am in receipt of a short letter this day (Dec. 23) from brother and sister Albert Miller of Painesville, Ohio informing me of a wonderful meeting in their Branch of the Church last Sunday (Dec. 18th). A William Thorpe and his wife were baptized, and their two children were blessed. May the Lord continue to bless the efforts of our brothers and sisters in that part of the Church. I, along with Brother Bittinger attended a meeting there on Dec. 11th had a nice meeting, with about eight non-members present. I felt encouragement at Painesville on Sunday while I was there.

Editor

of Mormon that cannot be gainsaid. (The American Indians are a part of the House of Israel, descendants of Joseph who was sold into Egypt by his brethren.) They have been cruelly treated by this nation of people. The ill treatment afforded

them is referred to in the press daily, and this great nation of Gentiles will pay the penalty for their treatment of the Red man, unless they make amends for their misdeeds. The Book of Mormon has come forth in fulfillment of pro-

phesy to enlighten us as nation of people concerning God's will, but it has been cast aside as a thing of naught—and generally you will hear the cry, POLYGAMY, POLYGAMY to justify their willfulness, while the truth of the matter is—there is

no comfort in the Book of Mormon for polygamists or any other form of adulterists.

Verse 8, "And after our seed is scattered the Lord God will proceed to do a marvelous work among the Gentiles, which shall be of great worth unto our seed; (commonly called Indians today) wherefore, it is likened unto their being nourished by the Gentiles and being carried in their arms and upon their shoulders." This marvelous work began with Joseph Smith seeking the Lord, that he might learn which of the many churches to join—for like many others, he wanted to save his soul in the Kingdom of Heaven.

He goes into privacy for prayer, which was Christ-like on his part. The Lord answers his prayer and the results are, he was directed to a lonely spot on a hill not far from his home, where an angel of God met him and eventually delivered to him a record of a people, kept on plates of gold, by a people on this land we call America,—fulfilling the words of the prophet Isaiah in chapter 29, verse 4 wherein he says: "And thou shalt be brought down, and shall speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be as one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.—Might I say: What wonderful language was used by the prophet Isaiah to convey unto us the wonders of God's marvelous ways. Well may he be referred to as the Silvertongued Prophet. And then, read the 11th verse in this same chapter (29), wherein he says: And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot for it is sealed." And which was literally fulfilled by Professor Anthon of N. Y., a linguist of languages. He could not read it. In the following verse (12) the book is delivered to the unlearned man (Joseph Smith) and he says I am not learned, but the Lord God—Him that doeth wonders, blesses Joseph (the unlearned) with the gift of translating the record that was on the plates of gold—the results are, we have one of God's Wonders—The Book of Mormon.—May I say are one of the WONDERS OF THE DAY.

Verse 9 "And it shall also be of worth unto the Gentiles; and not

only unto the Gentiles but unto all the House of Israel, unto the making known of the covenants of the Father of heaven unto Abraham, saying: In thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed." Verse 10 "And I would, my brethren, that ye should know that all the kindreds of the earth cannot be blessed unless He (God) shall make bare His arm in the eyes of the nations."

Wherefore, it is plain to be seen, the necessity of Book of Mormon along with the restoration of the gospel, that we might have the simplicity of God's teachings to understand His will in this turbulent world today. Dr. Bianca comes out of his mountain shelter in Italy—and the only explanation is "Anybody", he said, "can make a mistake." Earth tremors in northern Italy and southern Mexico sent alarmed residents fleeing to the country to escape doomsday. In Israel, many in immigrant camps met for prayer to divert disaster. A group of men and women fearfully waited out the momentous hour in a London bar aptly named "World's End." The dead line prompted thousands in Bologna to confess their sins. One church became so crowded it was forced to close. School children in the Philippines used the scare for an alibi to play hooky from school. At the Vatican, officials had to assure a frantic telephone caller from Greece that Pope John could not deny or confirm "an event that concerns only the will of God." (All on July 14th). May I warn you all to Wake up, for the time is coming, not that the earth will be flooded with water—but the word of God warns us, that the "earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly. The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, the transgression is heavy upon it. It shall fall and not rise again, the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed. The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof: because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Read Isaiah 24.

Editor

LORAIN, OHIO NEWS

Dear Brother Editor:

The saints of Lorain, joyfully salute you in Christ. I am overjoyed in sending you the glad tidings of the wonderful blessings of our

Lord, in this part of His vineyard. Through His mercy and grace, four souls have surrendered themselves to Jesus Christ, in the past four months. The first of these to be washed in the blood of the Lamb, was my own companion, Henry R. King on Sunday, September 18, 1960. Words fail to express the joy I feel within, for the Lord has been so good to me. My husband, now is my brother in Christ. Blessed be the name of the Lord, forever!

Our brother Eugene Prasutto, came back into the fold on November 13, 1960. He has been out of the church for many years. Eight years ago he became afflicted with eye disease. The Doctors told him there was no cure for it. Being a family man, one could imagine his thoughts, but most of all his dire need for the Lord. The Doctors did what they could, and as his vision became progressively worse he turned to the Lord. When he called for the Elders, of the church, everything was blurred and in a dull grey haze. They anointed his eyes, and as the Elders prayed in his behalf, he also pleaded—"O God help me". Our merciful God restored brother Eugene's vision. He came to church from then on.

He no longer found pleasure or happiness in the world. He longed for repentance—To come back, to know the joy and blessings of serving Jesus Christ once again. He suffered eight long years in this miserable state. Recently he had a bad fall at work. His foot and back were injured, but he could see God preserved his life. While home, mending from this fall, his wife became ill. All the children came down with the chicken pox. As if that wasn't enough, his furnace blew up. That was enough for brother Eugene, he knew the time had come when he could no longer live without keeping the promise he made eight years before. We thank God for bringing our brother back. May the Lord, bless and keep him firm in the gospel to the end of his days.

Lucy Gonzalez, the companion of our brother Juan Gonzalez, asked to be baptized after our Wednesday night service, December 7, 1960. She has suffered much. Spent over three months in the hospital and still is not well. Sister Lucy went to the waters of baptism December 11, 1960. This sister has seen our Saviour in more than one dream before she asked to be baptized. While

in the hospital she promised God, she would come to church and be baptized, if He would spare her life. She waited after coming out of the hospital, had several dreams. Our prayer is that this young Puerto Rican couple would show the light of the Gospel to others around them. May the Lord bless them, keep them faithful all of their days.

On December 11, 1960 sister Lucy did not go to the water alone. Brother William Ellison, asked to be baptized at the end of the morning service. He was brought amongst the saints in Lorain, by sister Mary Louise Fidler of Elyria.

Two infants have been blessed in the church recently. A son born to Brother and Sister William Molnar. Also a son born to Brother and Sister Charles Naro. Both beautiful children. May God bless them, keep them in His ways and use them to do His Holy Will in the future is our prayer.

Margaret E. King

VANDERBILT, PA.

This happened sometime in the month of April, 1960.

The Saints of the Vanderbilt Branch have witnessed a wonderful blessing. Sister Newana King and Brother Charles King, Jr. were blessed with a baby boy in October, 1959. For the first few months the baby was in fine health. However, when the baby was six months old he developed a lung infection and Sister King took him to the family Doctor. Upon examination the Doctor told her that he suspected something was wrong with the baby's head because it wasn't developing properly. His soft spot was not growing together and he had a large bump on the top of his head. The back of his head was also enlarged. The Doctor advised her to take the baby to the Charleroi-Monessen Hospital for Ex-rays. On the Friday following Easter she took him to the Hospital and a series of Ex-rays were taken. The results were given on Saturday and the tests showed that the baby had "Water on the Brain". Sister King was beside herself in grief when the Doctor told her to take the baby to a Specialist in Pittsburgh on the following Monday. On Sunday morning she took the baby to the church and had him anointed. Everyone present felt the spirit of God in this.

After the anointing, Sister Mary

Fleming, the baby's grandmother bore a wonderful testimony stating that she felt that this was done to draw the family closer to God. The meeting was then closed. When we went home for lunch the baby laid in his crib and played for the first time in two weeks.

Prior to this he required constant attention, because he was always fussing except when sleeping. Upon returning for the afternoon meeting we could see a great change in the baby. During the meeting we heard many wonderful testimonies. At the close of the meeting Brother Shaze, asked the saints to fast and pray for this baby on Monday morning before it was to go to the Specialist in Pittsburgh. When Sister King walked into the Doctor's office in Pittsburgh, he said "There is nothing wrong with that baby". He didn't have to examine it. On the way home they stopped at the Doctor's office that had the Ex-rays which actually showed water on the brain. He said "It's just one of those things we can't explain. Later he gave the baby a examination and found him to be in perfect condition. The bump is gone from his head. It is no longer enlarged and has a different shape altogether. The Doctor said he couldn't explain it but we can. We have witnessed a miracle! We thank GOD for his Goodness and tender mercies.

OUR AGED SISTER PASSES ON

On September 24, 1960 our dearly beloved Sister, Mary Benyola, passed on to her reward. She was 89 years old. She has been a member of the Church of Jesus Christ for the past thirty years and a fervent and faithful servant. Her whole life revolved around the Gospel and our branch will miss her greatly as I am sure all who have known her will also feel the great loss of our sister.

Sister Mary was buried on Tuesday, September 27th, at 1 p.m. Brother Gabriel Mazzeo, of West Palm Beach, Florida, conducted the service in The Church of Jesus Christ, Hopelawn, N. J. Interment took place at the Church cemetery.

Sister Mary is survived by 5 sons and 2 daughters, 35 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. An interesting note is that more than half of these descendants are baptized and faithful servants of The Church of Jesus Christ today. Through her zeal and earnest desire to serve God,

Sister Mary has brought much peace and happiness to her entire family through the many years that she was with us.

We Are Sorry

At this date, December 26, 1960 Brother Jacob Christman is in the South Side Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. He was seriously injured at his place of work a few days ago. Jake has been a strong looking man, but now is on the broad of his back, a very much injured man. Remember him in your prayers. He worships at the Imperial Branch of the Church. Editor.

YOUNGSTOWN WELCOMES

G. M. B. A.

The Youngstown local of the M.B.A. were hosts on November 12, 1960 to the General M.B.A. Conference. The business meeting, held in the church building, was very well attended with brothers and sisters present from various locals throughout the church.

In the evening a program entitled, "Love Ye One Another" was presented by the Youngstown local. A highlight of the evening was the singing of a most beautiful and touching song written by our own Brother T. D. Bucci. Brother Bucci along with his two daughters made us all feel indeed that, "It's Wonderful," in paradise.

On the following Sunday over 300 brothers, sisters and friends met in the Wilson High School auditorium across the street from the church, to enjoy the words of several of our most beloved brothers in the ministry.

Before the services Brother Mancini's daughter from Erie played a very lovely selection, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," dedicated to her grandmother, Sister Behana, who passed on to her reward recently.

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Morroco then gave us examples that showed clearly how much we have to be thankful for to have Jesus as our Saviour. A brother called hymn #337, "I Surrender All," which the whole congregation rose and sang. Brother Joe Milantoni then offered a most humble prayer on behalf of those we so dearly love and want to see make the decision that will give them eternal life.

After a few remarks on forgiveness from Brother Patsy Marinetti, the meeting was closed in prayer by Brother Danny Piccuito who was soon to leave for Arizona to work among the seed of Joseph. Many prayers and hopes go with Brother Danny and his family.

A day well spent was surely enjoyed by all with a wonderful spirit present throughout the services. Who, but the all-knowing Lord, can tell on what ground the seeds of salvation were sown that day.

Youngstown was honored to have the G.M.B.A. conference here and hope that all who came will come back again soon.

"THE TILLER"

The word plowing indicates activity or work. Jesus said "he that putteth his hand to the plow and looketh back is not worthy of me". When I was a boy at home I can remember my father using the old hand plow pulled by a horse or horses. It was quite a strenuous job. He would place the reins to guide his horse around his neck because it took both hands to hold on to the plow. Sometimes the dirt would be soft and smooth, other times it would be rough and stony. The horse could always pull the plow but my father could not always hold the plow in place. He would plow along, all at once hit a stone, upset the plow and himself. He would get up, straighten up his plow, get back into the furrow and start to plow again. He knew if he didn't get his plowing done there would be no harvest. As the farmer plows so it is with we in the church. When we come up out of the water the Lord places the reins around our neck and the plow in our hands. The reins is our conscience or as the prophets declared in the last days, "there wouldn't be a commandment written upon stones but they would be written upon our hearts". When we keep His commandments we are using the reins to guide our plow in the right di-

rection. As we progress along in the church, everything going smooth, all at once we hit one of those stones, which upsets our plow and ourselves. We, like the farmer, know if we lie there on our backs with our plow overturned, we will never get our plowing done, consequently, no harvest. When we are on our backs the only way to look is up. The Lord can always pull us through the rocks as the horse can pull the plow through. I heard Brother Heaps say "the Lord will pull us through if we can stand the pull". I would like to point out one more aspect of this word plowing. The farmer knows the time to plow is in the springtime not when winter is set in. So it is with the people of God, we should do our plowing in the springtime of youth. I don't mean by this after you are forty or fifty years old you stop plowing. Perhaps we didn't hear of the church until we were sixty years of age. When we are baptized I firmly believe we enter into a springtime of youth we never knew before. Our age isn't decreased but we receive a newness of strength, our vitality is increased. I've seen some of our older brothers and sisters baptized and what a joy they receive; to them it is their springtime of youth, their time for plowing. We young people that grow up in the church, knowing the church from the days on our mothers' knees, more is required of us. The Lord wants our youth, our vitality, and ambition. He doesn't want us to say when we are old we will do His will. Today is the day of salvation! Solomon says in the sixth chapter of Proverbs, "Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep; so shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man".

We baptized a couple by the name of Mary and Samuel Harbaugh here in Imperial on October 10th. They are a fine couple, the kind of people it is a joy to be associated with. We trust as they have put their hands to the plow the Lord will bless them and give them strength for the day when they shall meet up with those stumbling blocks of which I have mentioned. We, of the Imperial Branch, send our regards to all throughout the church and extend a welcome to all to visit our branch.

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A MASTERLY ARTICLE

by Sidney Rigdon

(Continued from last issue)

Here we might indulge ourselves inquiring into the situation of this Branch of the Lord that is to become glorious. Mark, they were those who had escaped—who had fled from the corruptions of the polluted daughters of Zion. This is the branch that is to become glorious. The very fact of their having escaped, supposes that at one time they were in the midst of those who had corrupted their way before the Lord; and under such circumstances, must have much experience, having been acquainted, not only with the things which were according to the will of God, but also the corruptions, which caused the Lord to enter into the judgment with those who had corrupted their way before Him. They had an opportunity of knowing what was, and what was not displeasing to the Lord. They had seen the Zion of God before it was corrupted, the peace, the joy, the union which prevailed, the good will which reigned, and they had seen it after it was corrupted; and could see and feel the change, the great change, which took place after the corruptions complained of by the prophet had crept in, and men and women began to riot on the spoils of the poor, and have stretched-forth necks, and wanton eyes. In all these matters, they were the best judges, and the only competent judges on earth. They had seen prophets lead the people astray, and enter into houses and seduce silly women, laden with sins.

Man may read of these things, and say in their hearts, they are evil, but a man who has seen them with his eyes, and heard them with his ears, knows something about them, that no other could know. He is better prepared to guard himself and others against these, and other abominations, than those who have never had the same experience could be.

The people who have been made to feel the effect of these corruptions, are prepared to withstand prophet or apostle, who may make such attempt again. The spirit of those who are thus corrupted, he is able to detect at first sight; having once seen it manifested, he always knows it afterwards. Thus qualified, and thus prepared, the branch of the Lord which had escaped was in every way qualified to become

beautiful and glorious; and, if we can credit Isaiah, none others were, for it was the branch which had escaped the corruptions he had there described, that should become beautiful and glorious, and after that branch had become beautiful and glorious, the fruit of the earth was to become excellent and comely for them.

Let the saints and all others reflect on this. The whole glory of the world, if we are authorized to credit Isaiah, which is to come to pass in the last days, is to begin with a branch of the Lord, which is escaped from the corruptions of those with whom, at one time, they were connected, a people who had so far departed from all the principles of truth and decency, as for seven women to take hold on one man and be called by his name; a people that could riot on the spoils of the poor, and grind their faces; and all this under the garb of religion. If you can find any such branch as that, know that it shall be glorious, for the Lord, by the mouth of Isaiah, hath spoken it. And all those who wish to be sharers in the glory, let them be partakers with this branch, and they cannot fail, or the scriptures fail.

That the things here spoken of by Isaiah, were to take place in the last days, is manifest from what he says in the last part of this 4th chapter. It is there said, after the Lord has purged away the filth of the daughters of Zion, he will create upon every dwelling-place of Mount Zion and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for upon all the glory shall be a defense. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the day-time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

All who are at all acquainted with matters and things as they now exist, or have existed, since the days of Isaiah, know that no such things as the above have existed since his day, but if the testimony is true, they are to exist after the Lord has purged away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and purged away the blood of Jerusalem, by the spirit of burning and the spirit of judgment. And this purging, and this burning, is not to take place until after the branch of the Lord has escaped; for it is through this branch that all the glory is to come.

Then indeed, in the true Zion of God, in the last days, there were to be systems of corruption, wanton women, and dissolute men, that were to corrupt themselves and cause the judgments of God to be revealed against them, and to cause a separation, and a branch to go forth from them, which in the end is to become beautiful and glorious. This the prophet says was to take place in the Zion of God; and it is only in the last days it can take place.

Now if the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is the Zion of God, then fellow saint and sinner, the whole story of the spiritual wife system is told; and that it is the true Church of Christ, let the corruptions of that body speak for themselves. He that hath eyes may see, and he that hath ears may hear, and he that hath a heart may understand, for the very corruptions which Isaiah said should take place among the daughters of Zion, have taken place in that church, not only the corruption, but the separation also, and all the rest will doubtless follow.

Now let me call the attention of all the saints to the facts already disclosed. We have seen by the writings of Paul that in the last days, in the Church of Christ, an apostasy was to take place, that men were so far to depart from the true faith, and to be so completely led by seducing spirits, as to go into houses and lead astray silly women, laden with sins, and that too, under the sanctity of religion. This thing has actually taken place in the Church of Latter Day Saints.

Isaiah says that in the Zion of God the men would become oppressors, and live on the spoils of the poor, and the women would become wanton, and seven of them would take hold on one man, to be called by his name, the same as to become his wife. This also has taken place in Nauvoo. The Saviour said that before His second advent he should have an evil servant whom he had appointed to give meet to his house in due season, who, instead of so doing, would go to eating and drinking with the drunken, and to smiting his fellow servants, and that He would cut off that servant, in an hour when he did not look for it. This has also actually taken place, not only the eating and drinking with the drunken—smiting the fellow servants—but the cutting off

also and that at an unexpected hour; for that servant did say, not long before his death, that he would live five years from the time he delivered the prophecy, but behold in an hour unexpected, he was cut off. The Lord said that at the time, or the days preparatory to His coming, that the mighty men of Zion should fall in the war. This has also taken place.

Let the reader ponder these things in his heart, for one thing is certain, and that is, that what the prophets, apostles, and the Saviour himself said, should take place in the last days in the Zion of God, has taken place in the Church of the Latter Day Saints, be they, or be they not the true church of Christ; and to finish the whole, it was said that among the things which were to take place, was that of a division in the church. This is now taken place before the eyes of all living, and a branch that separated was to become beautiful and glorious. Time will determine this.

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FETISHISM AND ISLAMISM IN AFRICA

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The fetish is usually a figure modeled or carved from clay, stone, wood, or other material in imitation of some deified animal or other object; frequently it consists of fur, feathers, hair, bone or tooth of some tutelary animal, it may be the animal itself, or a tree, river, rock, or anthill. Effigies of human beings or animals are common sight, we saw many processions and gatherings along the roads worshipping a man, quite a pageantry.

Africa and its people pose many mysterious questions, for it is truly a land of mystery, as well as enchantment. Southern Rhodesia is by some called the land of Ophir, and here is supposed to have been the site of Solomon's mines from which he got his gold. Nobody knows for certain who built the stone monuments at Zimbabwe, they are one of the principal sights in Rhodesia, or do they know exactly when they were built. "The ruins at Zimbabwe are among the most formidable and mysterious in the world."

Brother Nolfi and myself stayed over night in the city of Benin. This has been one of the noted cities, for two reasons, one is for being a city of blood where scores of humans were sacrificed in the ceremonies known as, "the customs" held annually, it is said that Benin ran with blood, and the courtyards were paved with human skulls. "The British took Benin in 1897 and cleaned it up." It said that the atrocities were more horrible than anything in Africa. But in contrast Benin must have known civilization at sometime in the past centuries, of little surviving records.

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which, is beyond question, among the most magnificent works of art in all the world. No one knows the origin of the delicately modeled bronzes, most notably a large number of bronze busts and decorative plaques executed in the former kingdom of Benin, Nigeria. These busts, were produced by the lost-wax process, and are magnificent examples of African Negro naturalism. "Most of the bronzes were carried off as loot after the British expedition in 1897, and have been scattered all over the world." The Nigerian government, has now established a national museum in Lagos, and is endeavoring to find and recover as many as possible of the bronzes.

"Two bronze leopards were located in New York recently but at a fancy price—\$25,000. Nevertheless the Lagos museum bought them." Can anyone deny that a civilization did not exist in certain areas, in the past centuries.

Benin, its culture was marked by great skill in ivory carving. The city of Ife, for its fine artistic terracottas. It is apparent the people of these areas, as well as others that could be mentioned retrograded to a very low estate. As undeniable facts of history prove that similar retrogression has taken place in every country, and with every people during the past centuries of time. It appears to be a vicious cycle that has pulled practically all nations down, both spiritually and temporally, resulting in their decline, fall and destruction. Satan must surely feel proud of his success as he surveys the vast ruins of nations, cities, and peoples throughout the world, all because they chose to do evil and to live unrighteously, the judgments of God eventually destroyed them.

But who knows what may yet be revealed concerning the hundreds of different tribes living in Africa, from whom they descended and from where. Perhaps there are startling revelations soon to come forth as the Lord begins the establishment of Zion. And sends his hunters and fishers out to gather Israel from all the lands whither He had driven them: And they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill and out of the holes of the rocks.

Christians and Missionaries are struck with consternation on learning the fact that with all the efforts being put forth by the various churches and missionaries in the

whole of Africa, Islamism is converting thousands of the pagans to their faith yearly which only complicates the task of the Christian missionaries more. For as I have previously stated in one of my articles, that it is much harder to convert one of these Mohammedans than it is a pagan, they resent Christians so much that they do not want to live in certain Moslem cities. Here we do not hear so much about these contentions. We saw many editorials in Nigeria, expressing fears that the Christians of the northern half of the country would be forced to leave there after the country became independent. There has been much conflict and persecution of Christians in the region. They gave Billy Graham some trouble in his recent campaign, so I heard him say as I listened to him speak from Kaduna, Nigeria over the radio.

It is said that Islam has no racial bias; color or nationality makes no difference whatever. Northern Nigeria is Moslem, women have not been emancipated. Hardly any girls are permitted to attend school, consequently Moslem women are illiterate and unskilled and have far less liberty and freedom than the pagans have in many areas. The missionaries of Islam has no frontiers of opposition within their organization, matterless of what country, or region they may be laboring in. There is a complete adhesion. It has been said Islam gains because of the rivalry between various Christian sects. Pagans see rivalry, missionaries competing in the same area, "and do not understand how this harmonizes with the principal of a universal Christian God". While it is true, even many Christians are confused because of the multiplicity of sects. Satan has two great mediums, one is counterfeit or false religions. Another is confusion, by these he has over-run the whole world and brought millions down in slavery and sorrow and destruction. Jesus said, "because straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it". How true these words are.

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However, there should be a distinction between what is justly asserted to be an "exclusive clique", and the other kind of social gathering, such as the Jones and their group actually indulge in. These are people who enjoy being together because they are congenial, and Webster's definition of congenial, is: kindred, pleasant, sympathetic, suitable to one another". They enjoy one another's company because they think alike—in most cases, they ACT alike; they are congenial in that they are relaxed in each other's company, they need not worry about offenses one to the other, since they are sympathetic one to the other they LOVE one another. This is not cliquish or clannish, this is pleasant association, and, in all honesty, we must admit, that there definitely are people we can get along with much better than with others, tho' these "others" may be our own flesh and blood!

This does not infer that we should love one group to the exclusion of another. If anyone needs our help, whether in or out of the "clique" (I do not like the word because of the broader interpretation usually given it,) then, we should make NO distinction whatsoever, and should proffer our aid, whether spiritual or natural. When someone is sick, here, again, it is imperative to visit, regardless of congeniality. When an outing is planned, of some general importance, the invitation ought to be extended unto all that might consider accepting.

But, if, on the other hand, at other times we desire to split up into smaller groups, for various occasions, it should not be frowned upon, nor should we be accused of being "cliquish", or, clannish, or "exclusive", lest the accused be more guilty by reason his passing judgment, than the accused.

One thing that must be recognized, however, is that Satan is sly, cunning, evil, and mere man is at times, weak, open to temptation, given to failings, therefore, the responsibility rests on us to remain guiltless, in such gatherings. We should see that the discussions entered into are kept above reproach, that our speech and actions are not only compatible and acceptable to each other in the group, but, also, and especially so, to those not pres-

ent. In other words, this separating into small groups is not to be considered an excuse to, "let our hair down", so to speak, assuming that, because I am not seen by others, I can speak as I please, confident of not being betrayed by the others present, for then I, myself, would be the betrayer, of that which had been entrusted to me by Christ. If our gathering together on such occasions is pleasant, spiritual and congenial, then, truly, we are guiltless of wrong and if we be accused, it will be without due cause or justification. And, our attending, when possible, all functions that are extended to us by our brethren, regardless of who extends the invitation, as long as they are acceptable to our religious standards, will prove that we belong to no "clique", but that we truly love all our brethren, as Christ commanded us to.

Catherine Poma

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Bro. Editor:

After a slight expanse of time, thank God, I am able to send in another few lines, towards the Gospel News. Since I heard from you last, I sincerely hope, you and all yours, are faring well, and that God is blessing you abundantly. We have been coming along very nicely, and shall report, some of the things, we have come in touch with, which we have enjoyed immensely. On Sept. 5th bro. Nolphi, of McKees Rocks, Pa., opened up our service on a Wednesday night, in Branch #1, portraying a very humble spirit, and testifying of his entrance into the Church. He was welcomed by all, bros. Concetto Alessandro, and Pietrangelo, also giving interesting talks. On Sunday, September 18th, we were in Windsor, and feasted upon the love of God. Principal speakers were bros. Domonic Cotellesse and Otto Henderson, their theme, the love of God, found in Alma 24th Chapter. We can see that when the Lamanites, embrace the Gospel, they are faithful to their trust, even as everyone of us should be, in these the Latter days. On Sunday, Oct. 9, bro. Domonic Cotellesse, and myself, were chief speakers, on the Grand River Reservation, we had gone there with bro. and sister Burgess, and others, and enjoyed ourselves wonderfully. Main topic was from 1st Nephi 22nd Chapter, how God will preserve the righteous, even unto the destruction of their enemies

ly fire. We found that sister Hill, is in process of rebuilding her home, which burned down, and we were overjoyed to find bro. Beaver, who had been in the hospital for nine months, not fully recovered, but at home recuperating. Let us continue to pray for all the sick in the Church, the Lord is helping them wonderfully. We were in Cape Croker, and Meaford, over the weekend of Oct. 15th and 16th, we had a good talk to several on the Reservation, and held two meetings, in Meaford, one on Saturday night, and the other Sunday morning. We felt God's blessings, among the people of God, and hope to return, when the Lord sees fit. Bro. Dan Piccuito and his companion, of Painesville, Ohio Branch, were in Branch #1, Oct. 26th and 27th and also in Branch #4, on Sunday, Oct. 30th, he informed us that he and bro. W. H. Cadman, had gone to see the people in Georgia, who had been calling, to have the Church represented there. He is quite impressed with the call, and sincerely hope the Lord will provide labourers for His vineyard there, even as He is doing, in other parts of the world, Nigeria, British West Africa, and other places, where the work is springing up. Our bro. gave us, quite an interesting report on how the Lord has revealed to him to leave these parts, and go to preach the Gospel to His Ancient Covenant people, between Phoenix, Arizona, and Las Cruces, New Mexico. All were wonderfully blessed, with our bro. and sister's appearance, where-ever they went, and are in unison, praying for their success, and shall be very happy indeed to see many more bros. of like mind, enter into the Vineyard of the Lord, for I firmly believe, it is only when we are fully devoted to the work of the Lord, that we will bring forth abundant fruit. Our bro. in his preparation for Missionary work, stresses fasting, and prayer, as an indispensable weapon, in reaching the Lord, and finding out what He will have us to do. Hoping that all bros. and sisters throughout the Church, are doing well, spiritually, and otherwise. I am your bro. in Christ.

Matthew E. Miller

Back in 1659, 3 centuries ago, the colony of Massachusetts passed a law that read, "Whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas, or the like, either by forbearing of labor, feasting, or in any

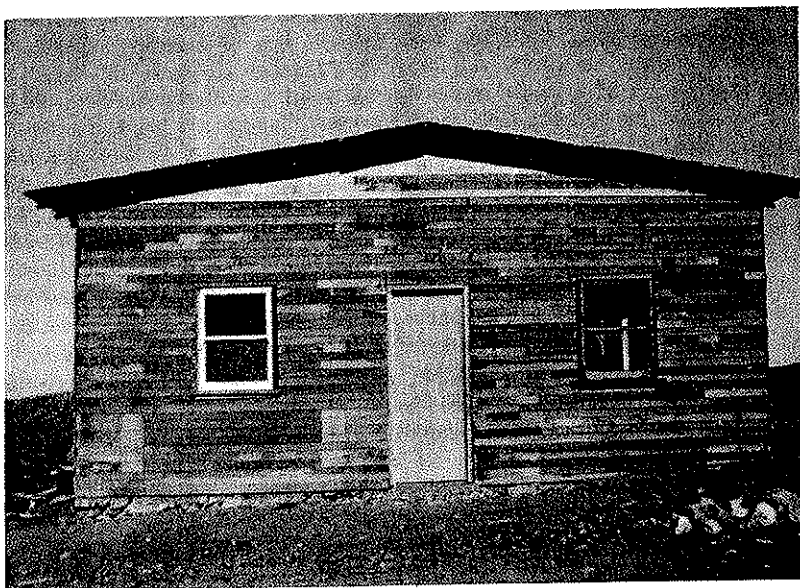
other way, shall be fined 5 shillings." Many people who ignored the law were sent to jail or paid fines. It wasn't until the 1st half of the 19th century that Christmas was established as a legal holiday throughout the country.

—Sunshine Magazine.

P.S.—It looks very strange to me that people would immigrate from foreign lands to the newly discovered land of America, to escape tyranny and oppression and then enact such laws as were enacted in Massachusetts 300 years ago; that put men and women in prison for commemorating the birth of the Son of God—who was sent into the world because of God's love for the world, "that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

But what strange things men are guilty of; It is a matter of history, that in the colonial days of Virginia, they were fined so many pounds of tobacco if they neglected baptizing their children within a limited time after they were born. May I say—What a wonderful privilege to abide in a land of liberty, for Paul says that "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." He also warns us as to the liberty we take.

There is no doubt but what we of today are going to the extreme in our ways of celebrating the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ—but for my part, I like to see the bright lights on the occasion, rather than to be sitting around in the mists of darkness and gloom—and might I say in despair. Brother Ashton in a sermon one time used the following phrase—"God loves light and hates darkness." To me: one of the big faults of our day—is going to the extreme with the LIBERTY that the Good Lord has blessed us with. I like the words of James in 3-10: "Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing." My brethren, (or my fellow man WHC) these things ought not to be." What I say to one, I say to all—Be careful as to the liberties you take—and especially you of the House-Hold of Faith. (Editor).



NEWS FROM MEXICO

(Dec. 20, 1960)

In the wee hours of the morning by kerosene lamps, we are writing this letter. We spend much time awake, reading and praying. Since writing to you last, we have had six more baptisms. The Lord has been very good to us. These people are having wonderful experiences and healings—although this place is another Sodom and Gomorrah, we thank God He has placed us here.

We have been meeting in the new church building for about a month. Right now it is only a shell, but even at that, it is a blessing. Last Saturday many of our brothers and sisters from California came out here and gave presents to our people here for Christmas. Almost every week we have brothers and sisters visiting us here. Although there is a language barrier, the spirit of God is the same.

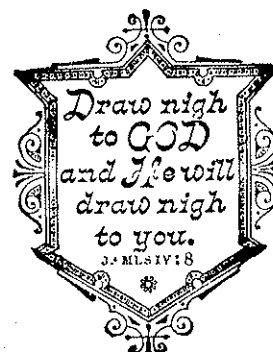
We are enclosing some pictures of the church building, which was built by our brothers out here. It is attached to our little cabin using one side as a wall. We tried to conserve as much as possible. The floor is cement. Brother Harry Marshall came out here to give us a hand in the cement work. We will send you other pictures after completion. We had to gather many stones for the

cement floor. They were all hand-picked—even the children helped to load up our car with stones out of a canyon. Every one worked hard, but we were all happy. They knelt down and thanked God that He had granted them a building out here.

With these few lines we shall close our letter. We trust that the Lord will bless you and grant you good health. Say hello to our brothers and sisters. A pencil is mighty good when there is no Pen around. Sincerely Brother and Sister Perdue. In Mexico.

Above is a picture of the little humble church they have erected—May the Lord God bless them in it. Its dimensions are 24x30.

Editor



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FROM MEXICO

Brother Cadman, I am writing this letter to you, that you may be enlightened as to the work in Mexico. We are fully aware of the laws of this country. These laws were made many years ago to protect the people from religionists coming here from overseas depleting the people of their monies, properties, etc.

The people in this country did not have a chance to be in high office in their churches.

There are many protestant groups here, with headquarters in the United States. In fact all protestant groups out here came from the States. There is freedom of religion here. No one has bothered us. The Lord has been blessing us and now we have a very nice group of humble people, who desire to serve the Lord and who declare that at last they have found their place and this is the Church they have been looking for. We have a brother who has been converted to our faith, who was a Minister in another protestant church. We know that the Lord sent this man. The protestant church he was in let him go because he would not be bribed into preaching what they wanted him to. He wanted to preach the truth. He saw their way was not right. He accepted our church and the Book of Mormon. He was baptized a few weeks after visiting our church. The first time he read the Book of Mormon Chapt. 15 of Mosiah, he heard the voice of the Lord speak to him saying: "Why do you detain, Arise and wash away your sins, calling upon the Name of the Lord."

He was willing to accept his place as a member in all humility. This brother knows what to do and how to help us in getting the proper papers to get the Church established.

Thus far the building is not completed but we are holding services in it, which has been a blessing to all. We hope in the immediate future we will be able to register this building in the Church's name. It cannot be registered until it is fully completed, at which time it becomes government property. It can be used as long as we want it, with full government protection against damage to the building. We have three men out here who are good

Minister Material, and one of them is outstanding. Brother Lovalvo suggested that I work with them.

Brother Felix Euccialato visits here quite often from San Diego, California and he is in a better position than any to know what is going on. He has declared more than once that he knew this was of God. Bro. Furnier was out here and he enjoyed himself. Wish you could come out here to visit us and you could see and hear for yourself. If you can come, we would be willing to pay half of the fare (by Plane).

May the Lord bless you. I trust your health is good. I am very anxious to hear from you, so please write as soon as possible. Sincerely, Brother Edward Perdue.

SOVIET ANTI-SEMITISM

New York (JTA)—"Further deterioration in the position of the Jews in the Soviet Union" was reported by Benjamin R. Epstein, national director of the Anti-Defamation League.

"The present Soviet regime has not relaxed its harsh policies toward Jews, and still seeks to isolate them, encouraging their displacement from all major sectors of public life throughout the USSR," Mr. Epstein said. "This official policy is being implemented by a virulent and widespread anti-Semitic campaign in the press, which is inciting the public against Soviet Jews.

(Jewish Hope)

LABOR FOR ALL

Missionary work should be the concern of every member of The Church of Jesus Christ. For by this medium is the message of the gospel carried forth to the world.

Every member can share in the church's endeavor to spread the gospel. The question may be asked "How can I do my share in Missionary Work?"

There are many ways—these are just a few: Pray for the missionaries who take to the roads filled with dangers and perils. Pray that God may make them successful. These missionaries do not always tell us what they encounter in the way of unpleasant experiences. Often they share only with their pillows their true inner feelings

when they have tried and failed.

Volunteer your services, especially the young, as Sunday School Teachers, drivers, etc. Make yourself available for the hard work—the rewards are great in the form of God's richest blessings far greater than you ever dreamed of. It is in these missions where you can put forth your best individual creative efforts and strive together toward the common goal of moving the gospel forward. Be a generous giver, money is always needed and appreciated.

There are perhaps many other ways which you can render your services in keeping with the needs of your own immediate area.

We sing a hymn which says: "There is work for all in the vineyard of the Lord". If your branch of the church does not have a current missionary program, in which you can help, why not find a little task which you can do for the church. One need not look very far—people all around us are starving for love. Share the Love of Christ with them. Visit the sick in the hospital and offer a word of cheer. Fast and Pray for the Priesthood, for the sick, for the weak—do something good for someone—but for the gospel sake, DO SOMETHING! Only the devil finds delight in people who spend their time in doing nothing productive or creative.

May the Lord help us one and all to find something to do and do it well.

Bro. D. Moraco

NEWS OF ERIE MISSION

We spent a very nice Holiday Season in Erie, the weather was ideal. This locality was blanketed with snow which made it easy to get in a mood to enjoy the fellowship and giving gifts and greetings which is so typical for the time of year. We spent the week between Christmas and New Year's Day gathering at each home. It did so much good for us all. Through these get-togethers our little group had a chance to draw closer because we felt like one big family with a real love to share.

On Jan. 28, Bro. John Mancini performed the first wedding to be in the Erie Church building. Despite the small quarters, the ceremony was very beautiful. It was a great

opportunity to extend our hospitality and friendship to a strange crowd which was made up of other religious sects. They were impressed by our simplicity and the sacred feeling that prevailed.

The bride was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, whose family has been attending our Mission since they came in contact with the Sechez family (the former Elaine Evans of Monongahela).

The daughter Nellie was married to Paul Slupski of Erie, by Bro. Mancini. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Martha Hogan, the best man was William Brunner, best friend of the groom. Music was presented by Sister Mary Mancini, pianist, a duet by Sisters Esther Dyer and Florence LaRosa, "The Sweetest Story Ever Told" and "I Love You Truly" by Sister LaRosa. Our best wishes and prayers go out to this young couple.

Our Ladies Circle meets on Tuesday evenings and is very active in visiting the sick or however a good deed can be done.

The men also have a weekly meeting on Thursday from house to house. They study the Bible and Book of Mormon. Especially the Latter Day references. The class is planning a visit to a Jewish Synagogue very soon to enlighten them on the Jewish understanding of the gathering of Israel and other points of interest. In our next report we may have some interesting views.

We have been praying for the non-baptized attendants in our mission. There are at least three families that attend faithfully and contribute financially and otherwise for any need. We also are concerned with the husbands of many of the baptized women. We'd like to appeal to all of the Gospel News readers to remember our group in prayer. We have a very capable Spiritual leader who has and is working very hard. Our Prayers are that his works will not go unheeded, so that we may grow, and our labours are not in vain. God be with you.

Ed. Florence (DiBattista) LaRosa

MRS. SADIE PALUMBO PASSES ON

Funeral services for Mrs. Sadie Doratio Palumbo was held at the Lorenzo Funeral Home, Glassport. Brothers Donald Curry and An-

thony DiBattista officiating and interment made in the Jefferson Memorial Park.

Mrs. Palumbo, 88, died Saturday in her home. She was born Sept. 23, 1872 in Italy. She lived in this area 55 years and was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ in Glassport. Widow of Anthony Palumbo, she leaves a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Nero of Glassport; a son James Palumbo of Pleasant Hills; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren, a brother Frank Doratio of Glassport; and a sister, Mrs. Theresa Battista of West Virginia.

MEXICO

by Sister June Jones

Sister Jones says she is not a very good writer, so I will help her out where needed, that you all might learn of the trip she along with her husband and children had to Old Mexico. She writes as follows:

Dear Brother Cadman,

It has been years since I sat down to write you. Sorry I have been so neglectful. We just received our Gospel News and I am so glad to see the Gospel is preached far and wide. My love goes out to all those who are working so hard in God's vineyard. I am thankful that God has blessed you at your age to go to the Indian people. It just goes to prove, that you are never too old to go out and do something for God. I have wanted to write to you about our trip to Mexico.

Ever since Bro. and Sister Perdue have been working over there, I have wanted to go. On Dec. 9, 1960 we left San Fernando Valley for Mexico. It is about 4 hours drive from here. It is a very beautiful drive, especially if you love God and His creation. Everywhere you can see His love for mankind. He made such beautiful things to look upon. We arrived at the border about dark. When you go over the dividing line, you get a strange feeling that is hard to explain, perhaps it was because it was my first trip out of the United States. As you enter Tijuana, you see a very old, old town. It seems like you are living a hundred years ago. My husband had been there before, but we got lost in the mountains and we were afraid that we would not see our friends. (Our brothers and sisters). It was really funny because we have a

Cadillac, and there we were lost in these mountains. There were no roads, they are just wagon trails. But we began to pray in our hearts and finally we saw Ero. Perdue's truck and we thanked God. It of course was quite dark by this time.

We knocked on the door and the Perdue's were so happy to see us. They have a little place to live in and have kerosene lamps. It took me back to the time when as a child, we had the same kind of lamps. One of our Indian Sisters named Maria came over and fixed us some tortillas, they were so good. (Websters defines "tortila" a large round unleavened cake made from maize.) WHC.

Maria lives just a stone's throw from the little church where they meet. Her house has no floor, just dirt. It is swept hard and she is nice and clean. We slept at sister Perdue's home. Perhaps you will wonder how we managed it. She has three small beds and three of us slept in each. It was very cold. We got up on Sunday morning and, as it was dark when we arrived there, we did not get to see anything much of the surrounding place we were in. Oh, Brother Cadman—you have seen the conditions of the Indian people many times, but my heart was broken. I looked about me and there were so many little shacks. My heart felt heavy, but one of our hymns came to my mind: "Oh My People Faint and Few, Fair Abodes I'll Build For You". I know that some day God will lift them out of their poverty—and like the dream your father had: The face of Jacob will not be sad anymore.

We had a meeting from 10:30 A.M. until one o'clock P.M. I could not understand anything, but just to be with such humble people is sufficient for my soul. We left for home about 2:30 P.M. and waved to them good-bye on the mountain tops. My heart cried out to God, never to leave them alone.

As we drove thru the town (Tijuana) everything was open. They sell many things. As we came back to the United States, I felt as though we came out of darkness into the light. I am so thankful that a brother and sister would go there to help those friendly and humble people. I pray that God will bless the Perdues that they will be able to keep up the light of the Gospel

Restored in that dark and poverty stricken land. It was a good experience for Jimmy and me and our children. We hope to go again. I will close now. Please give my love to sister Mabel. God bless you brother Cadman.

Sister June Jones

P. S. Brother and Sister Jones, I am very glad that you made this trip, and may this humble letter of yours awaken us all to the responsibilities that rest upon the true people of God. Your letter makes me think of Mormon of old, when he saw a vision centuries ago, the plight of his people. If we as Gentiles have no love for these people and make it manifest in our lives by action and less talking—there is something seriously wrong with our profession. May God bless you both is my prayer. Bro. Cadman

IS IT THE LAST DATE?

John 16-13 "How be it when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth; he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come." Such are the words of Him, Whom all power was given into His hands. But with all the failures of men—Yet, they will still use figures to determine spiritual matters.

I received a paper "Voice of Peace" this day or two, published in Independence, Mo., with an article in it entitled "The Last Date," by a Mr. Morse. He of course, quotes from others and says that Usher's systems of **chronology** is used to prove his ideas and, says there are several systems of chronology in use, and some disagreement as to which is right, or nearest right. But, to be as brief as possible it says that Christ was born in 4004 and of course the year of 1996 will make 6000 years—And then adds, "To me, it sounds like the time of the resurrection of the righteous dead, and the beginning of Christ's reign over all the earth." To those who may have confidence in these figures, the year 1996 will be a very important date.

P. S. Let us all of The Church of Jesus Christ remember, that the Gospel was restored to be preached unto all the world, and we understand its great purpose is not only to save your soul and mine, but to prepare a way for the restoration of

the whole House of Israel and the second advent of the Saviour. He gives us a wonderful parable where in the kingdom is likened to ten virgins who went out to meet the bridegroom. Apparently all their lamps were burning, but five of them became foolish and let their lights go out. Is it impossible for professing people of the restored gospel to become foolish?—Neglecting to preach the gospel to all the world? Jesus says, "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the days of the coming of the Son of Man." And surely they are all very busy today with the material affairs of life. Editor

2,000 YEAR OLD GRAVE

(Peterborough Examiner) Ont.

An archaeologist of the Royal Ontario Museum, Walter Kenyon, describes the Indian grave accidentally uncovered on the Brock Street parking lot recently as the "best single burial site of a Point Peninsula Indian in Ontario." His estimation of the burial is that it is 2,000 years old and that it was this kind of burial discovery that the excavators at Serpent Mounds were hoping to make. There is little doubt of the significance of this find. What is Peterborough going to do about it?

The grave, certainly, should be marked with something more than the plaque usually given to historical sites. It is on city property and the sacrifice of one parking lot to a handsome stone marker suitably engraved and carved to explain the discovery would not be extravagant. It is in our willingness to associate ourselves with the past that our stature will be measured. This unknown Indian was probably a contemporary of Christ and gives us links with the ancient world which we would be churlish to ignore.

The skeleton and artifacts which have been removed to the Royal Ontario Museum for study, says Mr. Kenyon, return to Peterborough at some later date. These will present another problem; where can they be placed so that they are on view. The Peterborough Historical Society has assembled an enviable museum and it is now looking for quarters. What if the Little Lake cemetery property were purchased and a museum built with civic funds there?

If Peterborough intends to be a tourist centre for the Kawartha

Lakes it must begin looking to its appearance and attractions. We have resources in the city which are eminently suitable for development.

P.S. Yes, this Indian man may have lived contemporary with Christ. The Book of Mormon makes it plain, that the "Other Sheep" spoken of in John 10-16 are the forefathers of what are now called "American Indians." They heard His voice, for He visited them after His Resurrection. It would be well for the wise men of today to read the Book of Mormon—it will help to solve some of the mysterious things, which are coming to light in these days. Editor.

EXCERPTS OF A LETTER "WAY UP IN CANADA"

Sister Bertha Ford from up in Meaford, Ontario writes me a short letter, a few excerpts from it may interest you. I believe it is about 175 miles to their nearest place of meeting — hence it is seldom they have the privilege of getting to church which is at the Grand River Reservation.

She says: "Douglas (my husband) was able to get to Grand River Mission for their Christmas Program and he certainly did enjoy himself, even if it was a bad trip home through a blizzard. He told me the children with Helen Garlow's teaching had a good program this year. . It was the first meeting he had been at since Sept. We have three small grandchildren under our care while their mother is in the hospital." Later on in her letter she says: "We are grateful for the Gospel News, as I said in my letter to Sister Leata Ford of Windsor — I feel like some one eating, yet never getting my hunger satisfied. The Gospel News does help, when we read it, we receive many blessings. I sent one to my mother who lives in Nova Scotia." Sister Bertha Ford, Meaford, Ontario.

(Brother and sister Ford lives on the shores of Georgian Bay, quite a ways north in Canada, a beautiful spot in summer, but it must get very cold in winter. Not much chance to get to church with the distance they have to travel. However there is a good ring in her letter. Editor.)

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

In the meantime, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, He began to say unto His disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear; Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered, Fear not therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows.

Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God.

But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how

or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:

For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

And He said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

And He said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

And He spake a parable unto them saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?

And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.

But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

And He said unto His disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment.

Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?

And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

If then ye be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

If then God so clothe the grass, which is to-day in the field, and to-morrow is cast into the oven; how much more will He clothe you, O ye of little faith?

And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind.

For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. (Remember, God is still the same)

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"I am thy servant; give me understanding." Psalms 119:125.

Dear Girls and Boys,

I have told you several stories about kings so I thought you would like to hear one about a beautiful girl who became a very brave queen. This story was from the land of Persia where many Jews lived. Ahasuerus was the king. There was an orphan girl named Esther who lived with her cousin Mordecai. He was very good to her and cared for her as his own daughter. He was an officer in the king's palace. Once he saved the king's life and it was recorded in the book of the chronicles.

The king was going to choose a queen. All the beautiful maidens of the kingdom came before him. Esther was among them. The king did not know she was a Jewess. Mordecai told her not to tell the king who her people were. From among these beautiful maidens the king chose Esther to be his queen. He loved Esther and she loved him. He set the royal crown on her head. Then he made a great feast for all the princes and servants.

Now there was another man who worked for the king. His name was Haman. He did not like the Jews and was jealous of Mordecai. He was a very important man and wanted all the people to bow down to him. The king ordered his servants to reverence Haman and bow to him. This pleased Haman but Mordecai would not bow to him. Haman persuaded the king to destroy all who would not obey. Mordecai heard of the plot and asked Queen Esther to help their people. Esther loved her people, but to go before the king uninvited was to risk her life. She realized Mordecai and all the Jews would be killed by this wicked Haman unless something was done. She sent this message to Mordecai, "Gather all the Jews together and fast and pray for me for three days and nights. I and my maidens will fast also. Then I will go before the king, which is not according to the law. If I perish, I perish." Mordecai gathered the Jews together and they fasted and prayed as Esther requested.

The third day Esther put on her royal robes and went to the inner court of the king's house. The king saw her standing there and held out the golden sceptre to her. Esther touched the tip of the sceptre and drew near the king. He asked, "What is your request Queen Esther? It shall be given thee, even to the half of the kingdom." Esther answered, "If it seems good to the king, let the king and Haman come to a banquet that I have prepared for him." The king was pleased and accepted. Haman too was pleased and felt honored to be invited to a banquet with Esther and the king. But he felt this honor availed him nothing as long as Mordecai refused to bow to him. He told his wife and she suggested he should make a high gallows and merrily suggest that Mordecai be hung there.

That night the king could not sleep and he requested that the book of chronicles be read to him. He heard of the good deeds of Mordecai and that he had not been rewarded for saving the king's life. Then Haman entered the court and saw the king. He thought this could be his opportunity to suggest the hanging of Mordecai. But before he could speak the king said to him, "What shall be done of the man whom the king delighteth to honor?" Immediately Haman thought the king referred to him. He answered, "Let the man whom the king wishes to honor wear the king's royal robe, wear his crown and ride the king's horse through the streets of the city." This idea pleased the king and he said, "Make haste and do as you have suggested. Get Mordecai, the Jew who sits at the king's gate and bestow upon him this honor." Haman did as the king commanded. Then he hurried to his house, mourning because he had to humble himself to his enemy.

The time for the banquet arrived. The king was very happy and asked the queen what she desired. Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor in your sight, Oh King, and if it please the king, spare my life and that of my people." The king said, "Where is he and who is he that

would presume in his heart to do such a thing?" Esther then told of Haman's plot to destroy her people, the Jews. On hearing this the king became very angry. Haman was afraid. The king ordered Haman hung on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai.

The king called for Mordecai. He took off his ring which he had given to Haman and gave it to Mordecai. He was dressed in royal robes of blue and white and a great golden crown placed on his head. His garment was of linen and purple. Mordecai was advanced to a high position. The whole city of Shushan rejoiced. The Jews had light, gladness, joy and honor. Mordecai sent letters to all the provinces for the people to celebrate this day with feasting and send gifts to the poor and also to one another. They were to always remember this event as a time in their history when sorrow was turned to joy and their lives spared. Esther gave these days the name of Purim. The Jews still remember this event and keep the feast.

Search the Scriptures

Who am I?

I am a rich man. I know my Redeemer lives. Once I was covered with boils. My wife told me to curse God and die. I told her she talked like a foolish woman. My name is like one of the books in the Old Testament.

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

GOSPEL NEWS READERS

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The Gospel News Readers:

It may interest you to know that the Gospel News is being read in S. India. I received the following letter this day, Feb. 8, 1961.

My dear brother Cadman in Christ,
Greetings in His name.

Immense thanks for your air mail reply and the Gospel News papers monthly. I am using your papers very carefully and prayerfully.

I shall be very much thankful if you will kindly send me 50 copies of your papers each month. I will use it very carefully for my C.L.D. Service. Right now I am giving magazines and other literature to about 400 people each month. This way

my work is progressing. Kindly tell your friends to send me gospel literature of any kind. I regret to say that you did not print my letter in your papers in order to get more literature from the readers. You have promised to do that, so kindly print a short note telling that I have started a C.L.D. Service and I need literature urgently. This way I am sure that I will get some literature from the readers.

I am anxiously waiting to hear from you. Kindly send me a reply by air mail. It saves time. Please send me some calendars.

P.S. If any of you send any literature, address it to the address as given at the head of this letter. He encloses a picture in his letter on which he says: "This is my dear father, we covet your prayers." His father is a Minister, Rev. S. Alfred, B.A.B.D., M. M. Church.

Brother Cadman

G.M.B.A. IN YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

The Missionary Benevolent Association held its general conference at Youngstown, Ohio on Saturday, November 12, 1960. There were representatives present from Ohio, Michigan, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Canada.

The morning session was taken up with unfinished business and reports of the various locals.

The conference elected officers in the afternoon. The newly elected officers are: vice president - Bro. William Kunkel, chaplain - Bro. Joseph Milantoni, treasurer - Bro. Isaac Smith, librarian - Bro. Paul Francione, auditors - Bro. Charles Jumper, and Bro. John Ross, Jr., organizer in Pennsylvania - Bro. John Ahlborn.

In the evening the Youngstown Local presented a program of topics and song entitled, "Love Ye One Another".

The next conference will be held at Detroit, Michigan branch No. 3 on the third Saturday of May, 1961. The location of the November meeting will be scheduled at that conference.

Corresponding Secretary,
Sister Ruth E. Akerman

EVIDENCE of a primitive people without pottery and probably without agriculture, living in the midst of other tribes with far more advanced cultures, has been discovered

in Arizona.

DR. ALLEN E. BANIK
Optometrist
Kearney, Nebraska

Jan. 11, 1931

Dear Editor Cadman:

I am so pleased to report that my mother Mrs. Banik, is again feeling very fine. She did very well through her major surgery, and is now staying with her daughter, in California.

In many of her letters to me through the years, she always mentioned how wonderful the dedicated servants of your church, were to her.

I also had the privilege of meeting Bros. Bettinger and Moore, and their lovely wives, I shall always remember their graciousness, and warm hospitality.

It was my special privilege to meet you personally. I found it difficult to comprehend, you would come all the way from Pennsylvania to visit one of your smallest churches. It takes a heart of love to do that. I shall remember it always.

I sincerely appreciate the kind words, and excellent review of my book: HUNZA LAND, The fabulous Health and Youth Wonderland of The World. Should any of your readers wish a copy, I would be pleased to autograph it.

With my deepest gratitude, to the wonderful work you are doing.

Most sincerely,

Allen E. Banik, O. D.

PIETRANGELO - MANGIAPANE

On December 3rd, at 4 o'clock, 1960, Sister Barbara Pietrangelo, of Detroit, became the bride of bro. Nick Mangiapane. The ceremony was performed by bro. Anthony Scolaro, brother-in-law of the groom, at Branch No. 1, Detroit, Mich. The bride, daughter of bro. and sister Rose Pontillo, as maid of honor, and sister Carol Ciaravino. Best-man was Mr. Jack Durrwachter, and usher was bro. William Stewart, brother-in-law of the groom. A reception was held after the ceremony, where a buffet supper was enjoyed by all. The couple is spending two weeks in Florida, after which they will reside on Philip Ave., in Detroit. We extend best wishes to our sister and her husband, and may the Lord bless them, and give them, many happy years together.

By sister Angeline Scolaro, As-

sistant Editor of the Branch.

"DID THE MESSIAH PRE-EXIST HIS BIRTH?"

(Sacred Name Herald,
Wildier, Idaho)

Dear Readers:

The above named periodical was addressed to me and was received a few days ago. The article is lengthy and is written by a Lady. I will answer the question by that which is written, even as the Saviour answered the enemy of all souls during His seige of temptation in the Wilderness. He overcame the devil by answering him — "It Is Written." As to His pre-existent state, The Savior says: In John 17:5, "And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the World WAS." May I ask, was Jesus trying to deceive His Father?

Again I read in John 1:30, "This is He (Jesus Christ) of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me." John was born into this world about six months before the Saviour, yet John says Jesus was before him. If Jesus was not pre-existent, how can this language be explained? For John was the oldest of the two.

Again in John 8:42 Jesus says: "For I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he (God sent me)." May I ask; where did God send Him from? From somewhere surely.

Again in John 1:10: "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, (Jesus Christ). When was the world made by him, after He was born in the world or was it before His birth by the Virgin?"

Again I read in II Cor. 8:9: "That Jesus Christ was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor." May I ask where was He when He was rich. According to His own words He had not to lay His head while here in this world. He must have been rich somewhere. According to John 17:5, He had been disrobed of His glory somewhere, and according to Paul he became poor — must have been rich somewhere. And the word of God says that He created this world and also the worlds. Was it when He was in the flesh? God forbid.

As for the question at the head of this article — Did the Messiah

Pre-Exist His birth? If the English language means what it says — I answer that He certainly did. If it is still Greek I may be reading it wrong. In what state or condition he was in, I do not know, and from what I read from others I fail to see where they know any more than I do on the subject. And more than that, I or we, are, not required to know of His status before His birth into this world. It is sufficient for me to read, that the Messiah was with His Father before the world was. We read that there are some who will wrest the scriptures to their own destruction. But if there were no false teachers and false prophets in the world, the Saviour surely would have been wrong in His teachings, for He warned us to beware of them.

What wonderful verses Solomon left on record for us to read and meditate upon in Proverbs 8; beginning at verse 22." The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there was no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth, etc.

Well did the Nazarene answer the arch enemy of all souls — It Is Written.

Editor

LETTER FROM BRO. SWANSON Nigeria, Jan. 23, 1961

Excerpts From His Letter:

I hope you and everyone there still has faith that some brothers have courage enough to come here. There are still about four months Everything is going along quite yet, before things become alarming. well, even though it is slow. I try to visit at least one Branch a day, and on Sundays there have been times when we visited six stations, and served communion to five of them.

The people are very humble and eager to learn, so it is easy to work among them. Besides that, there is a steady stream of people being baptized into the Church. Last week Idol worshippers came to one of our Elders and asked him to go to their village — there they showed him their idols and asked him to witness the destruction of them. They were

in a state of repentance and asked to be baptized. They had heard of our beliefs and it made them want to change.

One time while baptizing about 200 people in a village, and we had returned to the church building to confirm the new converts; there arose a disturbance and when I inquired into the trouble the Elders said that a man from another village had stolen into the line and was baptized unnoticed, and now he was trying to have hands laid on him by the Elders to be confirmed a member in our church. I asked him to wait until we were all finished and we would consider his case, which he did. After we finished every one gathered and was berating him fiercely. He was a very tiny man, but he held his ground fearlessly. I finally got at the bottom of the matter and found out that the man had also been confirmed. When I asked him why he had done this, he said that he had an experience from the Lord, that everyone should repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins. He was told in the experience to come to us for baptism. I then implored the people to accept him, which they did willingly and instantly. Every day is crowded with events like this over and over.

It keeps me so busy, the days glide by on Golden Wings and leave us with tender memories of our brothers and sisters here. I hope this finds all of you well, and enjoying the good blessings God has in store for all His saints. Give my love to everyone there and remember me in your prayers. I will write often and tell you how everything is going. We plan to have a conference here in the first part of March so as to get our report in for the April Conference. May God bless you. Brother Alvin Swanson.

P.S. May God bless brother Alvin. He is doing a wonderful work and no doubt it will be the experience of his life. It is plain that he expects some of you brothers to take his place — May I ask, how do you all feel? To you that cannot possibly go—do not forget our treasury for it is being drained — we want your service for at least one year. May the Lord stir us all up.

And too: I want you all to know that The Gospel News fund has gotten very low, and we need fi-

nancial help to keep going. Will you all try and muster up more subscribers for the paper? Our subscription list is entirely too low.

May I ask every Branch of the Church to get busy — in every way.

Brother Cadman

AN ACCOUNT OF A VISIT TO AN INDIAN BENEFIT

by Ether M. Furnier

I would like to take advantage of this opportunity to say 'hello' to all my brothers and sisters in Christ. The prompting force to write this account has been a recent visit of my family and myself to an Indian Benefit on the Pala Indian Reservation, near Escondito, California, November 5th, 1960. In the Los Angeles newspaper, about three weeks ago, was a full page spread on the discovery of a lost tribe of Indians in Baja, California. Their numbers have dwindled to between seventy and one hundred, and they were found starving to death in a wasted barren land, named "NEHI VALLEY", in Baja, California, a part of old Mexico. They spoke no English nor Spanish, so the head of the tribal council of the Pala Indians of Escondito, Calif. was called upon to speak to them in the Indian tongue. Loretta 100-plus year old Matriarch of the tribe, and her son, Mata, spokesman for the tribe were brought to the Pala Indian Reservation to attend said Indian Benefit. Among those present was a Mrs. Starkey, she in turn had a friend who is a reporter for the Los Angeles Examiner newspaper. He wrote an article telling of their discovery, and the precarious condition they were found in, living in huts made of Palm limbs, and the earth for their floors. Upon the reporter's request for aid for these poor people, a National Moving Co. furnished a van to be used for people to fill with clothes, food and farm tools. In a weeks time two vans were filled, and several private trucks also. Last week the reporter printed a request that all who could attend, be present at the Pala Indian Reservation to attend a beef barbecue, from which the profits would go to the "NEHI VALLEY" Indians. In spite of a very severe rain storm, there were approximately two thousand people attended the affair. Several tribes were represented by their Chief's, and families,

in Indian dances, and songs rendered for the entertainment of those attending. There were Apache, Navajo, Blackfeet, Palas and many others present.

I spoke to as many of the Indians that could speak English, but as I sought to ask questions about the new found tribe, unfortunately I found they could not speak, nor understand English. I resorted to speaking to a white woman named Mrs. Starky, who is married to an Indian man, and is the head of a group that is trying to get the American Indian fair representation in the State of California. She had complete details on the Indians in question, so we found much enjoyment in speaking to her. My first question was:

Where did they get the name of their Valley? (NEHI) She answered "NEHI" is a name strictly used by this tribe. It is not a name given by the Mexican Government, but it is an ancient name that has been used by their forefathers." Next I asked if they have ever heard of The Book of Mormon? She answered, not to my knowledge, and neither have I, nor the Pala's." I also asked other Indians this question, and their answer was "no."

Mrs. Starky said the "Nehi" Indians could not possibly have heard of The Book of Mormon, nor read it because of the language barrier. She said her interest in the Indian people was not religious, but rather an attempt to see them treated fairly by the State and National Governments." We also encouraged Mrs. Starkey by telling her that God was preparing a man to get the Indians fair representation, also to bring them out of their present condition. She then told us "that this people had some very interesting legends for those who were religiously minded." One legend was that Great White Father must have loved the Indian, because at one time there was a great destruction, in which the whole land was changed in form, and despite all this upheaval, He spared a few Indians, so they would not cease to exist. After this great destruction, there was a great famine, and those who were spared were starving. They then saw a white man in a white robe walking on the water in the bay near where they stood. He was a God, because He caused the

waters to be struck by lightning, and the bay filled up with fish, which they gathered to eat, and break the famine. This white God tarried with them for a time, and taught them they must be baptized. She said they had many legends, but of course she couldn't stand and talk to us all day." She seemed very happy, and sincere, as we bid her farewell.

It was getting to be late afternoon, and we had a one hundred and fifty mile drive ahead of us, so we called it a day. The next day the paper said they had collected two thousand dollars, and many tons of food, clothing, and farm tools for these people. Those in charge will not reveal to church groups the exact location of "NEHI VALLEY," only that it is in Baja, California, which of course is a part of old Mexico. They are afraid that too many church groups will tend to confuse, and frighten these people, and besides, they first will have to learn to speak English, or Spanish.

Another of the features was an old "NEHI" woman, one hundred and twelve years old that danced with the group. This was a Saturday well spent, and I thank God for the experience. My constant prayer is for the enlightenment and restoration of Israel.

May God bless all.

Brother Ether M. Furnier
San Fernando Valley Branch

ANALYSIS

What does the Church of Jesus Christ mean to you? That, of course, is a question that only you can answer, for only you are able to search your heart and analyze your feelings in respect to the above question.

What does the Church of Jesus Christ mean to me? It means a myriad of things, beginning with a sense of profound gratitude, that, with all the billions and billions upon people in the world to choose from, Christ included me, mere me, among the very few He did choose to belong to His Church.

It means Security. Just as a child needs to feel the security of its mother's presence nearby, before it will peacefully go to sleep, so do I look upon Death as sleep while Christ is my Security that I will awaken.

It means greater understanding.

I look at my brethren and I see, not perfection, but carbon copies of my own imperfect self. Yet I know that each and every one is obsessed with the same desire; the desire for improvement, the desire to win favor in His eyes, though sometimes we hardly know where to begin nor how to continue. I see my brethren's failings, but I still love them, not because of any great amount of charity that I have been endowed with, but, because I sense that they also love me, failings and all, and, love is contagious.

The Church of Jesus Christ means a new pair of eyes, new ears; where once I found mirth and a seasonal joy, I now see merely a cheap imitation. What once caused me to laugh, now gives me pain, because I hear through the ears of Christ and I see through the eyes of Christ.

It means hours of peace, of blessings, days filled with hope. . . I am not alone.

But, it also means hours of wakefulness when I have been disobedient; when I know that I have erred, when I know that I have not done as well as I had promised: 'to the best of my ability.' It means hours of untold fear, lest He should call me when I am in such a state, and I am forced to answer, "I am not ready, Lord." It means hours when, because of my erring, I am unable to pray, for, whatever I may be, I am not a hypocrite.

It means cold sweat and panic at the thought of dying, when I feel my conscience condemn me. It means vowing never to come short again; no more anger, no more mistakes; no more loss of patience. It means determination to overcome my own particular hidden weakness; it means repentance anew, and scalding tears that cleanse, and liberty to pray, once more, and the knowledge, that suddenly my prayers are going out and away from my mind and into the heart of God. And it means blessed release, blessed forgiveness, renewed love for all and security in the arms of Christ, once more.

What does the Church of Jesus Christ mean to me? My Life. . . my soul's Salvation . . . my All.

Catherine Poma

CRIPT OF CIVILIZATION AT OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY

In 1935, while engaged in research on ancient history material in connection with one of his books, Dr. Thornwell Jacobs, president of Oglethorpe University near Atlanta, Georgia, was impressed by the lack of accurate information regarding ancient civilizations and determined to make an effort to preserve, in a scientific manner, a very salient feature of our present day civilization for the people of the future. Looking back to the first recorded date in history about 6000 years ago, he decided to set the opening of the vault on a day, May 28, about 6000 years hence, in the year 8113 A.D. He is the first man in history to do this.

He called in to assist him in this tremendous task Thomas K. Peters, a scientist of versatile experience, and work was commenced in August 1937 and continued until June, 1940. During this period of 33 months there was condensed the accumulated knowledge acquired during the 72000 months of the last 6000 years. The organized plan being carried out called for the microfilming of authoritative books on every subject of importance known to mankind. This list of reference and text books covered some 800 works, including 200 books of fiction; drawings of all our inventions made to scale, such as our means of transportation, communications, etc.; a record of sports, amusements, pastimes and games in vogue during the last century; motion pictures of historical events since 1898; still photographs giving the history of the United States since 1840; sound motion pictures of the great men and women of the world; sound records of important radio speeches; motion pictures of industrial processes; medical and surgical subjects; sports, pastimes, newsreels and dramatic subjects; educational pictures in all subjects; an apparatus for teaching the English language in case it is no longer spoken; actual examples of objects of our daily life such as radios, cameras, pocketbooks, purses, combs, brushes, silverware, dishes etc.; objects made of each kind of plastics; tools and implements; arms; scientific, navigation and aviation instruments; projection apparatus for the motion pictures,

reading devices for the microfilms; artificial aids to sight, artificial arms, dentures, wigs, etc.; weights and measures current in the world today; measuring instruments; seeds of flowers, plants, vegetables, fruits and trees; drawings and paintings; papier mache models of fruits and vegetables; artificial flowers; clothing of all sorts; models of jewelry. No gold, silver or jewels are included to tempt vandals.

The Cript itself is located under the Administration Building which is 180 feet long and 55 feet wide. The Cript is a room 20 feet long by 10 feet high and 10 feet wide (60 palms long, 30 palms wide and 30 palms high) resting on a bed rock, and with two feet of stone above it. It is lined with porcelain enamel plates imbedded in pitch and closed with a great stainless steel door, welded in. It was sealed on the 28th day of May, 1940, with instructions that it is not to be opened until May 28, 8113 A.D. The geographical location of the Cript as given by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey is as follows: 33 degrees, 44 minutes and 58 seconds North; 84 degrees, 23 minutes and 18 seconds West. The distance from the Terminal Railroad Station, Atlanta, or from its former site, is 10.8 miles.

P.S. On December 29, 1960 while in Atlanta, Ga., Brothers Joseph Calabrese, Louis Ciccati, of Lorain, Ohio; Isaac Smith of Elizabeth, Pa., Rev. Norman LeGallienne of Atlanta and myself (W. H. Cadman) all visited the Oglethorpe University, an Institution founded in the year 1837. It proved to be a very pleasant and satisfactory visit for us.

In conversation with one of the office girls, I informed her as to our particular interest in visiting the Institution. Some years ago I received a letter from them asking for one of our Books of Mormon to be placed in the Cript of Civilization—which of course was freely granted. I asked her if it were possible for us to see the Stainless Steel Doors that seal the Vault. She very graciously showed us the doors of the Vault with the inscription thereon "Not To Be Opened until May 28, 8113" which is yet better than 6,000 years future to us of today. Of course it goes without saying or asking—Shall the world yet be at that distant date? Such were our thoughts. And too: shall one of our

publications (the Book of Mormons) be still here in better than 6,000 years from now?

Of course it must be understood that the book itself is not in the vault, except in Microfilmed form—on material as I understand as near indestructible as is possible.

Before leaving the University, we had the privilege of meeting Dr. Stewart, Vice President of the Institution. He is a very friendly man. He answered questions for us and gave us information of the founding of the Oglethorpe University in 1837. I offered to send him some of our Church literature, history, etc; of which he will be glad to accept for their Library. I will add, that we all enjoyed the visit to this famous school. Brother Cadman

JUDAISTIC INDIANS

In 1935 a missionary discovered a community of Arauca Indians, high in the Andes, that were amazingly similar to Jews in various customs. They could neither read nor write, but they knew and observed much of Moses' teaching, including the dietary laws. They were divided into groups like the tribes of Israel, observed the fast days, and divided men and women for worship. They are descendants of Indian farm hands who were taught by a group of Peruvian Jews who fled the inquisition in the 16th century.

(Jewish Hope)

OUR TRAVELS

Since our last Conference in October of 1960 at Hopelawn, New Jersey, I have made two missionary trips to Atlanta, Georgia. Soon after the Conference, Brother Dan Picciuto and I went by car and spent our first night at the home of Bro. and Sister Jonathan Molinatto near Cherokee, N. C. We arrived at their home rather late at night. Found them all very well, and contented living in the mountains of North Carolina. The next day about noon we left for Atlanta, arriving there in the evening.

The first night we spent in a church with a mixed congregation—colored and white. There is a great deal of confusion with them in their way of worshipping God. We were given an opportunity to address them before adjourning the meeting. We both enjoyed the privilege extended to us, and we observed that

very close attention was given us. We met at several homes during the rest of the week and on Saturday Brothers Mazzeo and Rogolino from Florida were present and spent Sunday with us in a Church about 25 miles out of Atlanta. Our audience was not large. We held morning and night meetings, but our brothers from Florida left for home after the morning service.

Under the conditions that were evident, brother Picciutto did not think it was wise at the present to continue longer—though we felt satisfied that if a couple of Elders could spend some time there, some good could be done. So we left for home the next day (Monday) and called at Brother Molinatto's home for a short visit. Dan was obliged to be home, I believe, on Wednesday. Our trip was worthwhile in our judgment to see and learn of the conditions that are existing among professing people. It was evident there was a discord among them, and especially with the confusion that there is in their places of worship. Some of them almost exhausting themselves in their activities, which did not take well with all present.

I have still been communicating with some of them, and along in December I was approached by Bro. Joseph Calabrese who wanted to make a trip down to Georgia. So late in December, Brothers Isaac Smith, Louis Ciccati and Bro. Calabrese and myself started south. Weather was bad, but the time we crossed into Kentucky, we got out of the snow and while there was no more snow as we headed south. Still it was cold in Georgia. We did not have much time for this trip which we knew before leaving home. However, we arrived in Georgia in good time on the second day of our trip. We had three good drivers and we didn't lose any time on the way, though we did find good beds for the nights.

We held one meeting while there and done some visiting, because of the attitude manifested by some we did not stay but a few days, and before returning north, we visited the Oglethorpe University. And we had a nice visit with Dr. Stewart the Vice President of the Institution.

On returning north we came via Cherokee and had a visit with the Molinnato family, ate a meal with

them before continuing on home. Sorry though we did not see Sister Virginia as she was working, but her mother was there from Warren, Ohio, and she had us sit down to a good dinner. I will say that Jonathan is building a big house right in the mountain side. He will have a fine home when finished.

We arrived in Lorrain in time for the meeting to see the old year passing out, and I spent New Year's Day at the Lorain Church, a nice crowd present though the weather was bad. They had no meeting on Sunday night, so a large crowd gathered in the home of brother and sister Ciccati and we talked until after one o'clock in the morning. Brother Smith and his wife brought me on home on Monday and it was stormy. I arrived home with a bad cold, and today (about ten days later) was my first trip out of the house. I think my brothers learned that even though our trip was not very successful in one way, they learned that there are people everywhere who will open their doors to us. In driving up north we encountered much snow in Kentucky and in Ohio. Editor.

A MASTERLY ARTICLE by Sidney Rigdon

Messenger and Advocate,
Nov. 1, 1844
(Continued)

This parable, as explained by the Saviour, shows the fact, that the last kingdom or church that the Christ was to set up in the world, and if so, it must be the kingdom spoken of by Daniel, was to be corrupted, and in consequence the Lord's messengers were to make a separation in it. There were tares, and there was wheat in it which had to be separated from the other. After this separation the kingdom of heaven was to be like a grain of mustard seed, which man took and planted in his garden, which is indeed, the least of all seeds, but when it is grown is the greatest of herbs so that the fowls of heaven come and lodge in the branches thereof. This was to take place after the tares were separated—after the division had taken place.

He spake another parable, The kingdom of heaven is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, until the whole was leavened. This also was

to be after the tares were separated. If any should doubt this, let me ask could a society, that was like tares and wheat, produce this effect, leaven the whole lump, change the nature of the whole world and bring it into subjection to the will of God, when in itself there was corruption, and material only fit to be burned? All will answer it could not. No society or order of things could change the nature of the world as leaven changes meal and cleanse it so as to render it fit for the society of heaven, while it had a mass of corruption in itself, such as the kingdom of heaven was to have, when it had tares as well as wheat in it. The separations must take place—and then the kingdom might tower as the mustard stalk until the fowls of heaven might lodge in the branches thereof, and then, and not till then, could it leaven the whole lump.

What more need we say then, to let all the saints see the precise situation of the church at present, and what awaits the whole church in futurity. The branch which has escaped after the separation is complete, become beautiful and glorious, and the tares be prepared for the burning.

The corruptions which have spread and are spreading in that apostate and corrupt branch of the church at Nauvoo, are one of the strong evidences which go to prove the church of latter day saints to be the true church of Christ; for in it are fulfilling the words of the prophets, of the apostles, and of the Saviour of the world. All are fulfilling to the letter.

The church has now reached an interesting and important point in prophecy—the period where the holy writers begin to date its prosperity. It had, according to all the sacred writers, to pass a severe scene of trial and affliction, where its prosperity could come, corruptions must infect the head itself, before it could be prepared to go forth and meet the bridegroom. And the Lord had to show His disapprobation of the corruptions introduced, by cutting off His evil servant. After that it had to pass the severe trial of separating the wheat and tares—which is now especially going on—before it could tower and spread so that the fowls of heaven could come and lodge in the branches thereof; and like leaven, the whole lump.

After all this work of trial, affliction and purification, then comes the time when the separated branch, which has been enabled to pass the ordeal, and neither faint by the way nor get corrupted, to become beautiful and glorious, through the triumph of which, the fruit of the earth was to become excellent and comely. Well then may the saints lift up their heads and rejoice, seeing the prophecies of both the old and New Testament are fulfilling before their faces, and they, the honored among men, whom the Lord has chosen, that the words of the prophets might not fail, and the testimony of Jesus be fulfilled in the eyes of all living, that all might be without excuse at His coming. Well may they gird up their loins and prepare for the coming of the bridegroom; for behold He cometh according to His word. The way is prepared and the day approaching. The things long spoken of by all the holy men of old are now passing before our eyes; the mustard seed is planting—the leaven is about being put into the meal—the branch is separating, and all things are now making ready.

All opinions about the Saviour's coming are in vain, unless they are founded on the fulfillment of the ancient prophecies.

Everything there said, preparatory to His coming must be fulfilled, before He comes. It is equally so with regard to the church of Christ in the last days, all things spoken of by the prophets must be fulfilled, the corruptions which they said should be introduced into it must defile it. When Christ said that in the days preparatory to His coming, He would have an evil servant—for so He called him—and that he would cut him off at an unexpected hour, this must take place, or the words of the Saviour fail.

So certain then, as ever Christ was to raise up a man in the last days to lay the foundation of a great work, just so certain it was, that that servant would be cut off; for he that said one, said the other. As sure then as ever there was to be any true church in the last days, so sure it was that it would be corrupted, for the same spirit of prophecy indicted one that did the others and so certain as the church of Christ in the last days was corrupted—and that was as sure as it

existed—so sure it was, that part of that corruption was the leading of silly women astray and so sure as the true church of Christ was to exist in the last days, so sure, by reason of the corruptions in it, it was to divide, and sure as it divided the branch was to become beautiful and glorious.

Why then, if we claim to be the church of Christ in the last days, should the things which have transpired be matters of surprise or fear? The various systems in the world which lay claim to be the latter day work of God, to prepare the way of the son of man, are all founded on principles at war with the prophecies and in opposition to them; the work of God in the last days was to be a work through which all the prophecies which had preceded the time its commencement in the world, that had not been fulfilled, should be fulfilled. We then have this claim to be the true church of Christ, that the prophecies are now fulfilling in our midst, that the very things of the Saviour, prophets and apostles, said should take place in the last days are taking place with us, and nowhere else. What higher evidence then, that we are indeed the church in truth? If this is not giving the world the testimony that we are the true church, I know not what could do it.

The saints then have but one thing to do in relation to these abusers of themselves with mankind, that is, turn away from them and be separate, and touch not the unclean thing, but let those be clean who bear the vessels of the Lord. Separate, ye saints of the most high from the sink of corruption, that the branch of the Lord may be glorious; for it is the separated branch that shall become beautiful and glorious, and through whom the Lord will bring peace to the earth, and though the separated branch should at first be among the societies of the world as a grain of mustard among seeds, yet, it shall grow and tower until the fowls of heaven come and lodge in the branches thereof; or though it should be in comparison as the leaven which is put into the meal with the meal itself, yet, it will not cease until it has leavened the whole lump.

Thus hath the Lord spoken, "and he that hath ears to hear, let him

hear." Sidney Rigdon. (The end)

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An Excerpt From

"The Messenger & Advocate"
October 15, 1844, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"I was at Nauvoo, Ill., during all the time that Elder Sidney Rigdon was here on his last visit to that place and am well acquainted with the cause of all the difficulties that existed, and now exist between him and the twelve and their adherents. It was said to me by many that he, had no objections to Eld. Rigdon but his opposition to the Spiritual Wife system." (signed by Joseph h. Newton.

It is also said of Mr. Newton that "his character stands too high for truth and veracity to be impeached by any man."

P.S. I wish to add here that I have heard praise of Elder Rigdon's writings on the subject which I have printed in this paper, by brethren and sisters in the church. I wish also to say that I have sat under the voices of our old brethren now deceased, treat on this scripture relative to seven women taking hold of one man, and they apply it even as does Mr. Rigdon who was on the ground floor at the time.

I further wish to add, that it has been reported to me at various times of Utah Elders apparently trying to undermine the faith of some of our members by claiming that Elder Rigdon was separated from the church.

That probably is true, separated from the Church by men whose eyes were full of adultery. Even their very head, Brigham Young by name in the year of 1852 publicly avowed and defended the doctrine of spiritual-wifeism, and it is generally understood that his children were born of 12 women. Mr. Rigdon simply refused to be led by that kind of men. This is not meant to reproach the Church of Utah, but all that read may understand our position.

President W. H. Cadman

ISRAEL

By J. H. Anderson

Twenty-five centuries have passed over the world since Jewry ceased to be a self-governing Kingdom, until May 15th, 1948, when the State of Israel came into being overnight. In 588 B.C. Zedekiah fled from the panic-stricken city of Jerusalem, across the plains to Jericho,

where he was caught by the armies of Babylon, brought before its king, then taken to Babylon.

But Babylon has gone. Even its wonder city of the world has perished. Medo-Persian, Grecian and broad walls cannot be found. The Roman empires, all in their turn have descended into dusty oblivion. BUT ISRAEL HAS RETURNED. The miracle of the Ages has occurred. ISRAEL HAS COME BACK. She is now a nation — has a parliament, has her own coinage, postage stamps, and so on. All this places Jewry in HIGHER STATE than in the time of Jesus, when she was a Roman colony.

(Jewish Hope)

ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

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Lagos-Nigeria
January 20, 1961

The Editor

Gospel News

Dear Bro. Cadman,

It is my earnest desire to write to the Brothers and Sisters in The Church of Jesus Christ and hope you will allow me a space in your Little Book of Great Weight Viz:- The Gospel News.

On reading a Brief Account of Joseph Smith experiences from the Book of Mormon and the Rise of the Church of Jesus Christ, I observe that there were Series of trouble and confusion within the fold as from the beginning in so much that many were killed by a mob of men. The account reveals that Brother Bickerton was left alone during the turbulent Condition of those days, etc.

Now, I feel that Our Lord Jesus had known before, hence He warned His Apostles that:- Behold. I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore, wise as serpent and harmless as doves," He pointed out plainly that, "beware of men." The encouraging words Our Lord gave to the Apostles was:- "Fear not them which kill the body and are not able to kill the Soul." Matthew Chapter 10, 16-17 and 28th verses.

Peter and John were the Apostles



of our Lord Jesus. They trusted the Lord and when they were Commanded by the high priest that they should not teach in the Name of Jesus Christ, they, with boldness continued preaching and without Fear. It is my pleasure to give Praises to the most High God in that there are example of The Apostles Peter and John.

May the Lord give us more of these men is my prayer.

Fight On Christian Soldiers, and let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap; if we faint NOT. Read the 6th chapter Galatians verse 9.

"The Restored Gospel Brought To Nigeria"

In 1954, the spirit of the Most High God, moved Brother W. H. Cadman (84 years now). This faithful Servant of God and as the president of the Church of Jesus Christ came to Nigeria with Brother Joseph Bittinger to preach the Restored Gospel of Our Lord Jesus

Christ. Before they returned for U.S.A. The door of The Church of Jesus Christ was opened and some members were Baptized.

INVITATION ISSUED TO:

A couple of years after the arrival of Bros. W. H. Cadman and Bittinger at U.S.A., The Headquarter of the Church of Jesus Christ issued an invitation to a Nigerian to the Land of America in 1956.

The young man was an Elder of The Church of Jesus Christ in Nigeria. I am sorry that, he was not called from Heaven and in view of this fact, he was carried away, and he failed to seek first the Kingdom of Heaven.

CONFUSION IN 1958

On January 16, 1958, Elders Joseph Bittinger and Alma Nolfi were sent to Nigeria to visit the Brothers and Sisters for a period of 6 months as I was told. They hoped of seeing some members and to spend at least some weeks with them at Lagos before they passed to the Easter Region of Nigeria, but I am sorry again to say they did not see any during the few days of their staying at Lagos. I revealed some of the Conditions to them. They left to the Eastern Region in a car. There was a lot of confusion and the condition was too—bad that the Brothers had to return by plane on March 7, 1958 to Lagos.

Before they left Nigeria finally on March 9, 1958, they wrote a letter to me. The letter reads:

Dear Brother Umoh,

I'm very sorry we must take the action of leaving Nigeria so unexpectedly, but do to the Condition we've found here and else where we feel very unwise to further expanding the work of the Church here. If you were in our position, you would thoroughly understand what I mean. We feel that we should not reveal this Condition to any others except to Our General Conference in America. Excuse the short notice, but this was very unexpected.

Brothers Bittinger & Alma

Signed, N. J. Umoh
(to be continued)

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IN MEMORY OF

BONNIE SIMPSON BURCH

A flower bloomed in our garden,
She was lovely to behold;
The softness of her petals
The color: of tenderest tones.
The fragrance of this flower went
forth,
Pleasing to all that came nigh;
But God desired this flower
To be planted in his garden on high.
So he reached down one day and
took her,
For she really, was his, you see
He had loaned her to us, for a
season,
And for this we give thanks,
humbly.
For we know she is waiting for us
Just over on Jordans Banks;
When we see her again, on that
morning
We will glorify God, and give
thanks.

Written by her grandmother
Sister Margaret Heaps

EASTER SEASON

The time of the year has come
that the world has set aside, to
commemorate the death of Christ.

The world today celebrates this
event in pomp and fashion. We
know this is not what Christ died
for, but for the redemption of all
mankind.

When we consider the pain our
Saviour went through, carrying the
cross, and how His own people spat
upon Him and finally nailed Him to
the cross and pierced His side, we
grow very sad. Oh what joy comes
to our hearts when we realize His
resurrection gave us our opportunity
to gain our souls' salvation.

We also wonder how His people
felt after the crucifixion; when the
earth trembled, and darkness over-
came them. They must have cried
out in fear and shame as they re-
alized that they had crucified the
Son of God.

Then we think upon Christ's fol-
lowers, and how their hearts did
ache for their loss. As the third
day passed and they found the tomb
empty, the joy they must have felt,
for His promise, to resurrect, had
surely come to pass.

We can certainly be thankful that

a plan was set up through His death
and resurrection so we may work
out our own salvation that someday
we may rest in the Paradise of God.

Ruth Ackerman

LO, THE POOR INDIANS

Americans are in the habit of
weeping copious tears about the
plight of poor people in far away
lands such as India, and refusing to
be moved about their own poor.

Chief Silent Dawn of Garden
Grove, 85-year-old Apache medi-
cine man, laid it on the line for
members of the Exchange Club
here.

He recited a case last year when
Washington was petitioned for sur-
plus food to stave off starvation
for the American Navajo Indians.
Approximately one million bushels
of surplus corn was requested.
This request, he said, was refused
by Congress, but that body went
right along with an authorization
for the shipment of nine million
bushels of corn to India.

We applaud this generosity for
millions of poor and afflicted people
in India.

But we think that even if charity
doesn't begin at home, it still should
have its place, especially when
warehouses, ships holds and other
storage places are bursting with our
agricultural surpluses being over-
stocked at taxpayers' expense.

There are depressed areas and poor
people, in addition to the Navajos,
which deserve assistance when they
call for it.

HOW WE READ THE BIBLE IN THE JUNGLE

by Dr. Albert Schweitzer

Dr. Schweitzer celebrates his
86th birthday on January 14.

I preach every Sunday morning
at my mission in Lambarene, French
Equatorial Africa. To a Christian
in a civilized community the sermon
might seem a bit strange.

Many of my congregation know
absolutely nothing about Christ-
ianity. They are transient workers
from far inland. Soon they will re-
turn home to buy a woman and get
married. If they carry some of the
Gospel of Christ with them, I have
planted a seed.

Slowly my patients and their com-
panions appear, sitting between bar-
racks and mountain slope under the
shady roofs. I play on a portable
harmonium. The congregation can-
not sing, since it consists almost ex-
clusively of tribesmen speaking six
dialects.

Two interpreters repeat my sen-
tences. I do not require that my
listeners sit quietly. They build
fires and cook their meals, wash and
comb their children, mend their
fishing nets. A réprimand at this
time would break the solemnity of
the occasion. The Word of God is
being passed on to people hearing
it mostly for the first time.

I must be simple in my sermons.
My audience knows nothing of
Adam and Eve, the Patriarchs, the
Prophets, the Messiah or the Apos-
tles. I allow the Word to speak to
them timelessly. When I use the
word "Messiah," I explain it as
"King of hearts, whom God has
sent," Above all I try to avoid
the temptation common to those
who preach to tribal hearers — to
"preach the Law." It is difficult not
to cite the Ten Commandments and
thus prepare people for the Gospel
to whom lying, stealing and immor-
ality are second nature.

I strive to awaken a longing for
peace with God. When I speak of
the difference between the restless
and the peaceful heart, the wildest
of my hearers knows what is meant.
And when I portray Jesus as He
who brings peace with God, they
comprehend.

To be understood I must speak
concretely. Thus, for example,
Peter's question to Jesus whether it
is sufficient to forgive seven-fold
cannot be left so general. I must
make it clear through illustrations
from their lives. Recently I told
them:

"You have just got up, when
someone comes who is known to be
bad. He insults you. Because Jesus
says that one shall forgive, you are
silent.

"Later, the neighbor's goat eats
your lunch of bananas. Instead of
starting a fight, you simply say that
it was his goat, and that it would
be right for him to replace the
bananas. But if he objects, you leave

quietly, thinking how God causes so many bananas to grow on your farm that you have no need to start trouble because of these few.

"Later, a man who took your ten bushels of bananas to market to sell along with his own gives you money for only nine of them. He says you gave him only nine bushels. You are ready to shout in his face that he is a liar. You must think, however, how many lies that you alone know about of which God must forgive, and you go quietly into your hut.

"As you make a fire, you notice that someone has taken some of the wood you brought from the forest yesterday. Again you force your heart to forgiveness and refrain from finding the thief and turning him in to the chief.

"In the afternoon you are about to leave for work on the farm, when you discover that someone has taken your good bush knife and left in its place an old jagged knife you recognize. Then you think, you've forgiven four times and can do it a fifth. Although it was a day in which many unpleasant things happened, you feel as happy as if it were one of the smooth ones. Why? because your heart is joyous for having obeyed the will of Jesus.

"In the evening you want to go fishing. You find your torch gone. Anger overcomes you, and you think you've forgiven enough today. But once again the Lord Jesus becomes Master of your heart. With a torch that you borrow you go down to the river bank.

"There you discover that your boat is missing. Someone has gone fishing in it. Angry, you hide behind a tree and plan to take away all the intruder's fish when he comes back and turn him in to the district captain. But as you wait, your heart begins to speak. Over and over is repeated the word of Jesus that God cannot forgive us our sins if we do not forgive our fellow man. Jesus again becomes Master over you. When at dusk the man finally returns, you step from behind the tree; you say to him that the Lord Jesus forces you to let him go in peace. You don't even demand the fish, but I believe he will give them to you in sheer amazement that you did not start a fight.

"Now you go home, happy and proud that you have managed to forgive seven times. But if on that very day the Lord Jesus came to

your village and you stepped before Him, thinking He would praise you, then He would say to you, as He did to Peter, that sevenfold is not enough; you must forgive sevenfold again and again and again, and many times more, until God can forgive you your many sins."

I see in the faces of my congregation how moved they are. Often I stop to ask them whether their hearts are in agreement with what is said. They are prone to answer in a loud chorus that it is right as I have said it.

At the end of the sermon I have them fold their hands, then I recite very slowly a short, unprepared prayer. For a long time after the "Amen" heads are bowed over hands. As the soft music begins again, they straighten up. All remain motionless until the last tone has died away. As I take my leave, my people begin to arise. They leave with the living Word of God. . .

From the "Record"
(American Bible Society)

PERRI - BENYOLA NUPTIALS

Florence Benyola and Eugene Perri, Jr. were united in holy matrimony at 3:30 p.m., November 19, 1960 in the Church of Jesus Christ, Hopelawn, New Jersey. Nick Persico officiated in the double ring ceremony. Florence is the daughter of Bro. Joseph and Sister Margaret Benyola of Hopelawn and Eugene is the son of Bro. Eugene and Sister Betty Perri of New Brunswick.

Serving the bride as maid of honor, was Carol Benyola. Bridesmaids were Dorothy Scheffler and Rose Mercurio. The best man was Gerald Benyola and ushers were Paul Benyola and Richard Benyola.

Sister Mary Feher, who was the soloist, sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly" accompanied by Sister Mary Perri, organist.

After a wedding trip to the Pocono Mountains, the couple will reside in Fords, New Jersey.

We wish to extend our best wishes and God's speed for a long and happily married life together.

CARRATO — WESTPHAL WEDDING

Saturday, November 5, 1960, Miss Shirley Westphal and Mr. Salvatore Carrato were united in marriage at the Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 3, Detroit,

Michigan. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Westphal and the groom is the son of brother and sister Egnazio Carrato.

Brother Silver Coppa, assisted by brother Reno Belonga officiated in the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Joe Messina, brother-in-law of the groom. Best man was Mr. Stephen Whyte and maid of honor was sister Violet Padovini. The bridesmaid was Mrs. Lyn Hotia and Mr. Cedo Padovini, Jr. was usher. Miss Katherine Buccellato sang "The Lords Prayer." She was accompanied by sister Rosalinda Dix at the piano.

Following the ceremony a buffet dinner was served in Club Cheyanne Hall for all the brothers, sisters and friends. The couple will reside at 14507 Coram, Detroit upon returning from a honeymoon trip to Washington, D. C.

RED CHINA DEAD PUT AT 30 MILLION

TAIPEI, Formosa, Dec. 5 (AP) — The official Chinese Nationalist central daily news of Taipei said today the Chinese Communist had killed more than 30 million people on the China mainland since the beginning of 1950.

In addition, the newspaper asserted, the Communists had consigned 90 million people to labor camps. There was no way of confirming these charges.

If this News Clipping be true, Red China has put to death 30 million people in this last ten years. Is it possible that so many souls has had to pass on, because they would not yield to the Communist way of governing them? To me, it does not seem credible. However it is published in the press of today.

I one time sat under the voice of Wm. Jennings Bryan and heard him declare that we (of the United States) have the best form of government in the world — but he warned his audience, that our government is just what we make it to be.

Prophets in the Book of Mormon prophesied that we would have a government of liberty on this land now known as America. Let all Americans be aware, lest the liberty you exercise, infringes on the rights of others.

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

WAS THE DEVIL EVER IN HEAVEN? LET THE WORD OF GOD ANSWER!

Dear Readers:

I have received a letter asking the question — "Was Satan ever in Heaven? And, the questioner quotes various scriptures and asks me "to give my way of thinking on these things." No, brother No: I will not give you my way of thinking — but I will give you what the scriptures say, just as the Saviour gave answers to the devil himself, in His temptation on the Mount, as recorded in the fourth chapter of Luke — "It is written,"

Rev. 1-1 "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:"

In Rev. 12-7, 8, 9 there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels fought with the dragon and his angels. That is a positive statement. The dragon with his angels prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven.

According to that statement, the dragon and his angels, had had a place in heaven, but Satan was cast out into the earth, and his angels with him. (They were cast out of heaven. WHC) There is nothing recorded here to convey a thought that John was speaking in the way of illustration, or in a prophetic voice, neither is there anything written there that would convey a thought that John was using the instance as a symbol. He simply makes a statement of facts as he saw them in heaven. And, wherein he saw things which must shortly come to pass.

Then in verse 12 he pronounces a "Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you." May I ask: The devil came down from where?

In Hebrews 12-22 the writer speaks of an innumerable company of angels. In Psalms 68-17 I read that the chariots of God are twenty thousand (20,000) even thousands of angels and if you will turn to Rev. 5-11 you will observe that along with the four beasts and the 24 Elders and the many angels, they numbered ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands. I read in Jude 6th verse of the angels which kept not their first estate, but have left their own habitation, he, (God WHC) hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

Therefore, if the word of God is to be depended upon, there was many angels which fell (one third of them WHC) from their lofty estate — further, I read in John 9-44 that he (Satan) abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. (he must have at one time been abiding in the truth). Then in Luke 10-18 The Saviour says "I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Surely the Saviour was not speaking idly was He? And, according to Second Nephi 9-8, An angel fell from the presence of God and became the devil. Lehi in Second Nephi 2-17 speaks in the same light — that an angel had fallen from heaven, for he sought that which was evil before God.

Yes my brother, according to the Bible and the Book of Mormon — the devil was once an angel in heaven and he fell from the presence of God. May I request: Let us all hold fast to the Iron Rod which Lehi saw in his vision. Let us be careful, lest we slip our hold and find ourselves wandering in strange roads.

May you all bear in mind that in the garden of Eden, our parents would have lived forever, had they not eaten of the forbidden fruit — They had their free choice. I read in Isaiah 45-7 that God created evil as well as other things. It seems evident that the angels of heaven were also given their free choice and many of them partook of evil in some way and lost their first estate. How God created evil, I do not know, neither do I know how He created the sun, the moon or the stars, but I believe He created them. I am not required to know how — it is sufficient for me, as stated by Lehi; there must be an opposition in all things. Second Nephi 2-11. I read that God is not partial. For it appears that the angels of heaven had an opportunity to prove themselves, and like our first parents, some of them yielded to disobedience.

It is evident that the Lord of Life and Glory had His free choice, and He was faithful unto His Father— He abided by what was written.

My brother "questioner" — I have quoted the Word of God and I fear not mortals. — Editor

Jerusalem the Olden
Jerusalem the olden,
Our people's ancient home,
From scattering and exile
To thy loved walls we come.
Gone is thy ancient glory,
Razed are thy temple walls,
And from thy Moslem towers

The proud Muezzin calls.
But light the clouds is piercing,
A new day comes to birth,
Thy children are arising
Out of the dust of earth.
A greater than a Moses,
Messiah-Prince has come
To lead us out of thralldom

Of sin—to God our Home!
Then will the nations wonder
To see what God hath done:
When Christ, so long rejected,
And Israel are one.

Max I. Reich.
(from "Hear, O Israel")
Jerusalem.

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"He is not here: for he is risen,"
Matthew 28:6

Dear Boys and Girls,

This story I am going to tell you is a very sad one but has a happy ending. Jesus had died on the cross. His body had been placed in a new tomb in a garden owned by Joseph of Arimathaea. A great stone had been rolled to the door. Soldiers were there to guard the tomb. It was now the first day of the week, very early in the morning. Faithful women, who had seen the crucifixion and the death of Jesus, were coming to the tomb with spices for Jesus' body. They were wondering who would roll away the stone from the door. But to their surprise the stone had been rolled away. There had been a great earthquake and an angel from heaven had come and rolled back the stone and was sitting upon it. His countenance was like lightning and his clothes white as snow. The keepers of the tomb were so frightened they became as dead men. The angel spoke to the women, "Fear not, I know ye seek Jesus which was crucified. He is not here: he is risen as he said. Come see the place where the Lord lay. Go quickly and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead. He goeth before you into Galilee; there ye shall find him." The frightened women, but with joy in their hearts, went immediately to tell the disciples the news.

Mary Magdalene stood by the tomb weeping. As she wept she stooped down and looked in. She saw two angels dressed in white. One at the head and the other at the feet where the body of Jesus had lain. The angels asked, "Why are you weeping?" Mary answered "Because they have taken my Lord away and I do not know where they have laid him." She turned and saw Jesus but did not know him. He asked, "Woman, why are you crying? Whom are you looking for?" Mary supposing he was the gardener replied, "Sir, if you have taken him, tell me and I will take him away." Then she recognized the voice as it said, "Mary." How happy Mary was! "Master", she said.. Jesus told her to go tell his

discern the disciples, that he was risen.

But as the disciples heard the news it was so hard to believe. It seemed to them as idle tales. For forty days on different occasions Jesus showed himself to them.

One day two of them were going to the village of Emmaus, which was near Jerusalem. As they walked they were talking of these things that had just taken place. Jesus drew near and walked with them. But they did not know him. He asked, "Why are you sad and what are these things you are talking about?" One of them, whose name was Cleopas, asked, "Are you a stranger here? Have you not heard of the things that have happened here the past few days?" Jesus said, "What things?" Then they told him about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a mighty prophet. How he had been condemned to death and crucified. They had hoped he would have been the one to redeem Israel. Jesus said, "Oh fools and slow of heart to believe all the prophets have spoken." Then he told them of Moses and the prophets. He explained all the scriptures that told about Jesus. As they neared the village the two invited Jesus to stay with them as it was evening.

As they sat at meat Jesus took bread and blessed it. He gave it to them. Then they knew the stranger was Jesus. As they recognized him, he vanished and they were left alone. "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us by the way and while He opened to us the scriptures?", they exclaimed. Immediately they rose up and hurried to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples. While the others were listening to this strange story, suddenly Jesus stood in their midst.

They were terrified thinking they had seen a spirit. "Why are you troubled?", he asked. "Why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet. Handle me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as ye see Me have."

They were filled with joy but it all seemed unbelievable. Jesus asked, "Have ye any meat?" They

gave him a piece of broiled fish and a honeycomb. As He ate the food the disciples watched him. He said, "These are the words which I spoke unto you while I was with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses and the prophets also the psalms concerning me."

Now it seemed as though they were beginning to understand. Jesus continued speaking, "Thus it is written and thus it behoveth Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. Behold I send the promise of my Father upon you, but tarry in Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high."

Then Jesus led the disciples from the room and together they walked as far as Bethany. There He blessed them and He was parted from them. Jesus was carried up into heaven and they saw Him no more. They returned to Jerusalem with their hearts filled with joy. Christ was risen! Christ was risen! They had never known such joy. They had seen and spoken with Christ who was triumphant over death.

Search the Scriptures

Look in these verses and find who made the statements about stones.

1. Luke 19:40
2. Matthew 4:3
3. I Peter 2: 5
4. Matthew 3: 9
5. John 1: 42

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The year 1960 was the fortieth anniversary of the Ladies Uplift Circle. Many good experiences and blessings are recalled during these years. In 1920, a few sisters felt the need of uniting their efforts and time to help the church with missionary work. They had a great desire to learn more of the scriptures and in organizing a circle these needs were fulfilled. At this time two circles were organized, one in Monongahela and the other in Dunlevy, Pa.

The name Ladies Uplift Circle was given by Sister Violet Sarver. The first officers were; president, Sister Sadie Cadman; vice-president,

Sister Minnie Kennedy; secretary, Sister Mary Wilson; treasurer, Sister Violet Sarver; and Indian Miss. treasurer, Sister Margaret Behanna. Sister Sarver and Sister Wilson are still with us. Sister Wilson still is secretary of the General Circle.

Five anniversary meetings have been held in the Monongahela church. Every three months the various circles meet together for a general meeting. God has bestowed upon us many blessings as we have worked together. Our offerings have been multiplied. We have been able to help the church in many ways. In our day we are seeing fulfilled the great desire our sisters had to help with missionary work. In the past five years we have donated to the Indian Mission \$5,325.00. From 1920 to the present \$16,972.65.

In 1955 we started to provide Sunday School literature for the Indian children at Wapala, S. D. Hymn books were sent to North Carolina for use among the Indians. Books of Mormon were sent to the young people at our Indian church in Grand River Reservation, Canada.

The Circle has paid for the printing of many articles for the church. Our first one was in 1921, "The First Principles of the Gospel". Since then we have helped the church with the Printing or Book Fund. During the past five years we have donated to the church \$920. We paid to have 2000 cards printed with the picture of the church and our articles of faith. In 1956 we paid \$525 for the printing of 2500 Sunday School Lesson Books.

The Circle has a General Fund from which we help the church with other missionary work such as Italy, Africa and Mexico. Our donations to the church for this during the past five years has been \$1245. The total receipts in this fund have been \$3,540.90. We sent 100 New Testaments to the children in Africa, hymn books, Bibles and Books of Mormon have been sent also. Dress material was sent to the women in Nigeria to be used in their sewing classes. In 1955 they had 23 Circles with a membership of 594. We hope to see this work revived there soon. In 1956 Sister De Piero of the Glassport Circle took care of donations for a bicycle to be purchased for Circle work in Africa. We were able to purchase two instead of one. Also from this

General Fund we make donations to conference. Since 1955 we have given \$670 and with our former offerings a total of \$2,417.50. This financial report is just from the General Circle. Each home circle has its own fund and helps in other ways. In being able to help our church financially we have been richly blessed.

Bro. W. H. Cadman has given to the General Circle for the Indian Mission Fund, the profit he has received from selling Bibles. Since June 1955 he has given \$415, and since 1939 to the present date a total of \$1,033.42.

At our general meeting in June, a Memorial Fund was started. When our president, Sister Sadie Cadman passed away several Circles sent contributions to be used in her memory instead of purchasing flowers. Any Circle wishing to contribute to this in memory of their circle sisters may now do so. It will be used to aid the church, if or when, it has a home for the aged or a similar project. A note will be sent to the bereaved family telling of the Circles' contributions as a tribute to their loved one.

During the past five years circles have been organized in the following places; Kinsman, Ohio; Monterey, Los Angeles, San Fernando Valley, California; and Hopelawn, Metuchen, New Jersey. Circles re-organized were Windsor, Canada and San Diego, California. We hope to see Circles organized in every branch of the church.

At our meeting in June 1957 our president, Sister Sadie Cadman asked to be relieved of her office due to ill health. She had been president since the organization in 1920. Her desires were to help a new president learn the duties while she was still with us. Sister Gertrude Little of the Coal Valley Circle related a dream she had of seeing a chest of Sister Cadman's clothes. The only one the clothes fit was her daughter Sister Mabel Bickerton. A dream was recalled, had by Sister Shultz in 1936 (page 398, Church History) of seeing Sister Cadman making a beautiful flower. Mabel was there with her mother watching her. She was the only one who understood the depth or the meaning of making these flowers.

Sister Mabel Bickerton was elected president of the General

Circle in her mother's place. Sisters Elizabeth Davidson, vice-president and Hannah Skillen, financial secretary, also resigned at this meeting. The others elected that day were vice-president, Sister Ruth Ackerman; financial secretary, Sister Ilene Smith and her assistant, Sister Sylvia Curry. Our three older sisters were elected honorary officers of the General Circle with a total of 101 years service.

At the September meeting in Detroit following their resignation, Sister Dolores Thomas with the help of the Detroit Circles honored our retiring sisters. Sister Dolores was inspired to write a poem about their untiring efforts in Circle work. They were each presented with pins in the form of a circle. Many wonderful Circle meetings have been enjoyed during the past five years but it is impossible to record here all our blessings.

The charter members who attended the first Circle meeting and were in attendance at the fortieth anniversary meeting were Sisters Elizabeth Toye, Mary Wilson and Violet Sarver. The following words to the Anniversary Song honoring our charter members was written by Sister Amy Martin, and sung by the Kinsman Circle.

Ladies Uplift Circle

Have you yearned for a way
For a way to repay
Have you felt it your heart's
greatest need;
The labors to share
And the burdens to bear
If you have, you have found it
indeed.

Chorus

For a Circle of Sisters have opened
the way
When they met forty long years
ago;
To study and pray, to work and
obey,
As we walk with the Lord here
below.
We have worked with a will
And His law to fulfill
From one link to a strong chain
we've grown;

His blessings we knew
When united we stood for the Lord.
And sweet fellowship grew
When united we stood for the Lord.
A review of the work of the home Circles was given by delegates. Many beautiful hymns were sung and testimonies were enjoyed during the services. Bro. Dominic

Thomas of Detroit was the speaker for the evening service. His subject was, "A Woman's Place in the Church". It was enjoyed by all.

The memorial part of the evening service was in charge of the Aliquippa and Detroit Circles with Sister Betty D'Antonio as leader. Two of the charter members, Sisters Sadie Cadman and Margaret Behanna have gone to join that heavenly Circle. The sisters who had passed away during the past five years were remembered. Their names were inscribed on a scroll. Many interesting things were told about them. Some of their favorite hymns were sung, bringing back loving memories to all.

We, as Circle sisters have experienced joy and sadness since our last anniversary meeting but the work must go on. Our departed sisters would not want us to look back. So let us value their experiences and as they have sowed good seed may we work to see it grow. May those who follow us, reach higher goals than we.

BENYOLA - ARCURI NUPTIALS

On Saturday, December 3, 1960, at 3 p.m. in the Hopelawn Branch Stella Arcuri and George Benyola were united in marriage. George is the son of Mr. Anthony and Sister Josephine Benyola and Stella is the daughter of our late Bro. Leo Arcuri and Sister Stella Arcuri. The double ring ceremony was performed by Bro. James Benyola.

The bride was given away in marriage by her brother, Mr. Anthony Arcuri. Attending the bride as maid of honor was Miss Cynthia Handle and bridesmaid was Mrs. Jeanette Arcuri. Junior bridesmaid was Miss Debbie Persico. Best man was John D'Orazio and usher was Leo Arcuri. Junior usher was Philip Benyola, brother of the groom.

Brother Joseph Arcuri was soloist, accompanied by Richard Benyola, organist.

After a wedding trip to the Poconos, the couple will live in Edison, N. J.

We are very happy to wish them a great deal of happiness and God's blessings always.

SAYS INDIAN POPULATION GROWING LEAPS, BOUNDS
PETERSBOROUGH (CP)—Citizenship Minister Fairclough said Tuesday Canada's Indian population

is growing "so fast that in about another 10 years there will be more Indians in Canada than were here when Jacques Cartier stepped ashore at Gaspé in 1535."

Mrs. Fairclough told a service club 40,000 of Canada's 180,000 Indians were born in the last 10 years. But the economic and social position of the Indian, she said, has failed to keep pace with the population growth.

"The Indian has found himself to be unwanted, segregated and discriminated against in many different ways," she said.

"Education, or the lack of it, is the real nub of our Indian problem. Up until now, the Indians as a people have not had equal educational opportunities. Until quite recently there was no concentrated, over-all educational program for all Indians."

Mrs. Fairclough said 90 per cent of the school-age Indians now attend school.

BRO. ALVIN SWANSON NIGERIA, W. AFRICA

Brother Cadman:

I just felt to write and say, every thing is all right and I will mention two other incidents. One of our Elders has spent a few months going among some Idol Worshipers. Finally they answered the Gospel call, and yesterday some of the Elders and myself baptized 57 of them in the Cross river, so they live close to its banks. I spent some time in the two villages in which they live. They were very nice people and took me into their homes and gave me food to refresh myself. Also they have invited me to come back and spend some days with them and go fishing — they heard that I like to fish. They have hurriedly built two church buildings in which to meet. I took movies of the people.

They told me that it took two days to burn their idols. Our Elder that I mentioned, supervised the destruction of them. Some more are going to destroy their idols and I requested them to let me know so I could take movies of them. The other incident was told me by one of our new Elders here. He said they are from Scotland. They taught them to have only one wife, and about Christ and built some schools. But when they were baptized for some time, they began to

prophecy and speak in tongues. He said the white man would say they were mad. They whipped them and put them in jail.

They were very much surprised in some areas, that we should talk about spiritual things. — Most of the conversions among the people here is caused by confused people from America. There is the Church of God close by, The Church of Christ, Salvation Army, Catholics, Iquo Iboes, Methodists, Lutherans and I don't know how many others. When I was in Enugu (Government seat of East Nigeria) an official told me he would like to see one Missionary come here and swallow up the rest of the Missionaries. I could have told him that in due time it would be so.

Love,

Brother Alvin Swanson

CANDIDATES

BRAVE COLD WEATHER

The saints everywhere are looking forward to the day when we will have to enlarge the place of our tents and stretch forth the curtains of our habitations. The West Elizabeth Branch was given a taste of this longed for blessing at our testimonial meeting on the last Sunday in January when our building was almost filled to capacity with saints and friends. The breakdown of plumbing facilities at the Monongahela Branch helped set the stage for our blessing by compelling a number of brothers and sisters from that Branch to seek fellowship in our part of the vineyard. The meeting opened at two o'clock and at about two fifteen a folding chair was placed in the aisle to accommodate anyone else entering the building.

The meeting opened in routine fashion, with Bro. Sam Kirschner giving the opening prayer which was followed by testimonies and hymns. At ten to four, having finished the sacrament, Bro. Kirschner suggested that the meeting continue beyond the usual four o'clock closing time. Within a matter of minutes this decision proved to have been inspired.

Messages were delivered in love and power by Brothers William Cadman and Harry Robinson. Philip Sigmund rose to his feet and asked for baptism. An elated spirit of gladness engulfed the congregation like a cloud. The mounting joy

of the moment was accelerated by a declaration from Joan Vansickle that she too desired to be baptised. People began arising to their feet in every section of the Church giving testimonies, having to do with the most part with revelations pointing to baptism.

While waiting for the baptismal preparations to be completed, the saints and their friends rejoiced in song. The high spot of this session was a beautiful solo by Sister Mabel Bickerton, accompanied by Sister Sarah Vancik on the piano. Those present were privileged to hear the initial presentation of the latest song given by the gift of God to Sister Mabel. It is entitled "Under the Willow Tree" and was inspired by the testimony of Bro. Rocco Tassone. Tears were seen to flow as the touching words and gentle melody captivated souls which were already abounding with abundant happiness.

At about five fifteen the congregation filed to the river and assembled at the bank. There, amidst a picturesque scene of radiant white snow, out of the flowing waters of the Monongahela were begotten two children into the Kingdom of God. Co-witness with the congregation to this miracle and to the solemn covenant made with God by our new born brother and sister, were several stark trees planted by the river of waters. Although divested of the glory of their leaves for a season, their majestic appearance conveyed unwavering assurance that they will live again.

Everyone returned to the church and the new converts received the laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Spirit. At about half past six Bro. Kirschner gave the closing prayer and the little old building in West Elizabeth reluctantly gave up its host of occupants. Fully clothed in the whole armour of God and taking their reinforced shields of faith, they returned to the healing of a sin sick world by God's grace through Jesus Christ, our beloved Lord and Redeemer.

Bro. C. Wendell Holmes

PART 3

The brothers left Nigeria unexpectedly with feelings best known to them.

On Monday April 7, 1958, I went to the Eastern Region to find out what might have caused an Unexpected Return of the Bros. and

here, everything was Revealed to me.

After few days, I returned to Lagos and mailed a Registered Letter to the President of the Church of Jesus Christ at America however, I was applying Medicine after Death, on the hand my Aim was to prove to him (the President) that I had no hand in the dis-appointment which the Brothers met in Nigeria.

From 1958, I continued writing series of letters to the President of the Church of Jesus Christ at America asking, him to send Missionaries back to Nigeria of which he wrote to me and promised to send Missionaries after the General Conference in January 1959.

On the 22nd July 1959, Brothers John Ross, of Aliquippa, Pa., and Alvin Swanson R. D. No. 1 New Alexandria, Pa., U.S.A. Wrote to the Nigerian Immigration for VISAS to come to Nigeria.

To issue VISAS to these ministers of God should not have taken more than a couple of months, but the Nigerian Immigration (tortured and tortured) these Ministers of God and kept silence.

During this period of Silence, I received a letter from a Brother in the Eastern Region of Nigeria trying to reveal some Condition of things to me and within the same week. I received another letter from Bro. W. H. Cadman. He pointed out in his letter that there was an opportunity in Nigeria.

On the 16th October, 1959, I went to the Nigerian Immigration Office, Mr. Hayward was so kind enough to tell me everything by producing a petition against the Missionaries, written by the opposition.

I explained the situation of things with documents to prove and appealed to Mr. Hayward. It was a pity that, those whom I wrote to in the Eastern Region failed to take the steps I instructed them, and on November 6, 1959, The Eastern Regional Government wrote to the Immigration and denied Elder John Ross and Alvin Swanson Visas into their Region and without reason.

On November 9, 1959, the Nigerian Immigration authorities wrote and informed the British Consulate in America about the decision of the Eastern Regional Government.

N. Jeremiah Umoh

(To Be Continued)

CALIFORNIA

Jan. 17, 1961

Dear Bro. Cadman;

I thought I had better get this article in to you so it would be in time for the April issue. It will be one year on the 17 of April that we lost Bonnie. No one can ever know the grief of such loss unless they themselves have been thru it. We miss her more than we care to show and at times I feel that she is very near. It seems I feel her presence around me. We know that God does all things well and He alone knows the reason for her passing and we have to accept it by faith for we are not able within ourselves to answer the question WHY?

It seems every time we pick up the papers all we see is tragedy of one sort or another. We are losing more of our young people on our highways than we lost in our wars. It is appalling to say the least. And they seem to be content to go on as they are giving no thought to God or the hereafter. We had an Indian man and his wife and son attending our church regular and they were becoming more and more interested. They had made the statement that when they decided to change their lives they would join our church. Well, a week ago last Sunday the mother was sick and the father came to pick up the boy after Sunday school and before our morning service was over we were called to their home. The boy and his father were out in the back yard and all at once the father fell forward and was dead of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was only 45 and had never been sick a day and only an hour before he had told Rusty he never felt better. WHY? We don't know, the wife is a cripple with muscular dystrophy. Her friends and family were so impressed with the way we cared for her and took care of the service that we believe we will see much fruit for our labour. The wife is not Indian. She went to Nevada for a few weeks and thru this the news of the gospel has gone into Nevada. For her cousin there said that what she saw was an inspiration to her.

It is her husband's job to locate water in desert places and I guess if there is any water there he will find it. She said any time we are ready and give them the directions to our Mexican mission they will go

there and find the water for our mission if there is any there and it will not cost us anything for their services. In Mexico they have to buy all the water they use and it is not always good. So as I said before we must stand by faith knowing that He does all things well, however hard it is for us to understand the reason for our trials and testings here.

We hope this letter finds you in good health and hope to see you in California in the near future. Our weather is in the 70 and 80's, beautiful skys and lots of sunshine, it would do you and Bro. Al good. Please see that my poem is in the April issue.

Your Sister in Christ
Margaret Heaps

GENERAL CIRCLE

West Elizabeth, Penna.

The General Ladies Uplift Circle met in West Elizabeth Church. It is one of the first and smallest Branches and it holds many wonderful memories that we cherish.

As we entered the building we felt the spirit of God which was later displayed in testimony and song. This was like a memorial to the past sisters and brothers who had taken an active part in these Circle meetings. Now others are carrying on the good work.

We could not help but think of Sister Cadman, who had begun this work and her desire of it continuing. There seemed to be a sorrow of their not being here but yet a joy was expressed because we are in the gospel.

Sister Bickerton gave us a thought, if you be a president or just a member, if it only be a door keeper, let it be the best.

So let us all know our place in the church and fulfill it.

We were privileged to have Brother John Ross in our afternoon meeting. He enlightened us to many things that they had experienced in Africa. He told us of the great need there.

Several bore their testimony and then I felt inspired to recite a poem that had been given to me many years ago.

POEM

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
In my dreams each night

I see upon a hill
A beautiful church which God
brought forth

He made so firm like steel
The ways of this little church,
Are spreading far and wide
But someday it will be more known
All over the country side
For God gave Joseph Smith
The records of his plan
And Joseph Smith interpreted them
Throughout and many a land
Though Joseph Smith was killed
By men who knew no good
God made the church rise up again
To stand as once it stood
And now it stands alone
Far out from the others
It is the Church of Jesus Christ
Where one becomes sister and
brother.

But though this Church be scorned
By people of the world
We the sisters and the brothers
Look upon it as a pearl
For God thought us good enough
To bring into his loving place
And here is where we'll worship
Him
In prayer that someday we may
see his face.

The General Circle donated \$150 to General Missionary and \$50 to Conference, \$500 to Indian Missionary.

All in all we felt our day had been well spent in the service of the Lord.

We were happy to hear of St. John, Kansas and San Diego starting circles.

It was the desire of Sister Sadie Cadman to have a Ladies Circle in every branch of the Church.

In closing we hope that you who read this and have not a circle in your branch or mission will join the greater part of the Church in having a Circle so that we may be completely united.

Sylvia Curry

NEWS FROM FREDONIA

Dear Brothers and Sisters;

Our Branch Editor asked me to write a letter to the Gospel News. Since this is the season we celebrate the birth of the Christ and also near the end of the year, our minds reflect on many things of the past. The hosts of heaven said on that grand occasion, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." I thank God we can find this peace within the Church, and our lives are sheltered from the sins and evils of the world.

We only need to read the papers

to know there are uprisings, bloodshed and other crimes everywhere. So we should thank God that His Son was born, He set up His Church and taught people how to live pleasing to God. Then He died that through Him our sins can be forgiven and after baptism find a new and better way of life. The promise is that if we endure until the end of this life, we shall then live eternally with Him in the heavens.

I believe at Fredonia a few faithful people have accomplished a great deal. This year we have enlarged our Church building. It is comfortable and now we have a place to teach and care for the small children. And we have many of them growing up in the Church.

Our fine group of young people who are just as sincere and faithful as any older member here, I never cease thanking God for them. They also gave us a very wonderful Christmas program, in which the birth of Jesus was told both from the Bible and Book of Mormon, with all the beautiful songs that go with it. After reading of the signs of His birth, beginning at the fourth verse in the first chapter of Third Nephi, they sang "The New Star" written by our dear Sister Sadie Cadman. And I never realized before how beautiful it is and how well it fits that part of the Scripture.

When I hear the testimonies of our people here I know God has blessed our work and with His help something very good has been accomplished.

We just look to the New Year and all the future years with hope and faith that even better things are in store for all those that love and serve God.

Sister Martha Kelly

CHINS UP

The Raymond Wright family was happy yesterday. Raymond had been reinstated as a teacher in the Dearborn Riverside High School in Michigan. He was fired in June because he wore a beard. The State Teacher Tenure Commission ruled the beard was not a good enough reason to fire a teacher and ordered him rehired with back pay. School officials had cited the beard as well as calling Wright "too individualistic."

The above article "Chins Up,"

attracted my attention in the public press a few days ago. To me, these things are very strange. We hear so much about the freedom and liberty we enjoy here in the United States of America, and School Boards should have some wisdom in order to occupy the position governing a school for the purpose of teaching our children that they might become more wise. Yet they expose their ignorance and dismiss a man from service, because he exercises his God-given right, and also exercises a right that is given him under the constitution of the United States.

The state Commission has ruled the act illegal and ordered the teacher restored to his position with pay for time lost. The taxpayer must now pay for the lack of wisdom — the lack of love for liberty, and might I say — ignorance of the rights of one of their fellow citizens. Liberty, Liberty art thou only a MOCKERY in this great land of the Free and the Home of the Brave?

The great teacher of all taught us To love our neighbor as ourselves — and do unto others as we would be done by.

Editor.

DETROIT MICH.

Dear Bro. Editor:

Coming close to the end of 1960, and I have not heard from you for a long, long time, I use this medium of saying Merry, Merry, Christmas, and a Happy New Year, to you and family, and all bros. and sisters, throughout the Church. I heard that when you were here last, in speaking to some of the bros. and sisters, regarding the future, you said that if certain things transpired, it may be later than we think, well, these things have taken place, and as we look into futurity, we do so, with optimism, hoping that all of our bros. and sisters, throughout the Church, will recognize this estate also, and will live closer to Jesus, so that the things, that will be coming to the world, will not touch us. But that whatever may transpire, we will be safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, there by His love o'ershaded, sweetly our souls shall rest. I shall now mention, some of the things that have taken place in our midst recently. On Sunday, Nov. 6th. we were at Branch No. 3, The

topic was what true fast consists of? Found in Isaiah 58th. Chapter, 6th. and 7th. verses. A good spirit was felt in our morning service, and in the afternoon, bro. Silver Criscuolo, gave us an inspiring talk on the 1st and 2nd Commandments, found in Matt. 22nd Chapter, 38th, 39th and 40th verses. There were also some good testimonies, in which abounded the sweet peace, and love of God. On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24th., at Branch No. 1, our speakers were, bros. Nick Pietrangelo, and Paul Vito. They brought a wonderful blessing to the Branch. On Nov. 27th., bro. Dominic Cotellesse, his companion, my wife and I, also sister Maude Stalls-worth, went to Port Huron, and Sarnia, and had a very enjoyable time in both places.

Sisters Maness, and Jackson, are recuperating from their recent illness. May all bros. and sisters be praying for them. On Dec. 11th the Mich. District, held a gathering in the Lincoln Park, High School, with a number of bros. and sisters from Windsor, and the surrounding branches. Main speaker was bro. Peter Capone, from Branch No. 4, who spoke from Luke 5th Chapter, 36th verse to the end. Bro. Capone gave us a stirring address, and was accompanied by several other speakers. We enjoyed a wonderful time indeed.

On Sunday, Dec. 18th, at Branch No. 1, bro. Nick Pietrangelo opened the service. He read a portion of scripture found in numbers 21st Chapter, 1st verse through the 9th verse. There were others that spoke also and we received a great blessing. On Sunday night, Dec. 18th we held our Annual Christmas Program at Branch No. 1, for the Sunday School. The main teachers, who coached the classes for this grand event, were bro. Anthony Scolaro, sisters Mary Dichiera, and Jenny Pietrangelo. We surely had a happy time at this program. A number of awards for outstanding achievement, in Sunday School were given.

Dec. 25th was mostly taken up, with the Choirs singing melodious anthems dedicated to the Birth of Christ. Bro. Leonard Loyalvo, of Modesto, California, was in our midst, and spoke from John 1st Chapter, and 14th verse, also Luke 2nd Chapter, 7th verse. He gave us a good talk well suited to the oc-

casion.

Bro. and Sister Maness and sister Jackson of Sarnia, were in our midst, and enjoyed themselves. In the afternoon, we went to Inkster, and Branch No. 3, where they also had a very good program which we enjoyed immensely.

May God bless us, one and all, throughout the coming year.

Your bro. in Christ
Matthew T. Miller

GOD'S PEOPLE

"Where can I find God's people?"
Cried my lonely heart, one day.
I'm tired of worldly friendships
With their vain and wilful way.
Where can I find His people,
Wearing the crown of Love,
Whose souls are loving and whose
hearts

Are dear to God, above?"

"Where can I find God's people?"
At each open temple door
I bowed my head and entered,
And I looked around once more
But, these were not His people,
Their proud look told me so;
I deeply sighed and turned away,
My heart was touched with woe.
I searched the whole world over,
And I turned it upside down;
Hoping to find the people,
Who possessed that shining crown;
And then, I met God's people,
Each one a precious gem,
And, miracles of miracles,
He made me one of them!

Catherine Poma

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Brooklyn 5, N. Y.

Dear Brother Editor,

I am very happy to have this opportunity to write to you this day. I hope you are feeling well, as praise the Lord, we of this part of the vineyard are feeling fine.

I am sending a few poems to be printed in the Gospel News. A friend of mine composed them.

Receive regards from the Brothers and Sisters of the Bronx Branch and Brooklyn Established Mission.

God Bless you in all your endeavors is our prayer.

Sister Belle Rose
Branch Editor

The following poem by Carrie Suter.

He speaks to the waves and they
obey Him
His voice echoes through the earth
The winds come and go, He talks

to them
 To the flowers He gives rebirth.
 If the waves obey Him, why can't
 we,
 Like the calm of a mighty raging
 sea?
 If we obey, like nature, the call of
 God
 How sweet our world would be.
 If we look to the hills majestic
 Under azure skies, so blue
 And see birds spread their wings
 at His command
 If they obey Him, Why can't we?
 Look at man and the God who made
 him
 Could he make a world so great
 As the master of all, our only God
 Only He alone can create.

RETIRED HISTORIAN TURNS OVER RECORDS

Brother William H. Cadman, Historian of the Church of Jesus Christ for years, has retired from that position and has turned his work over to the newly-elected Historian. His work as Historian has only been one of his many contributions to the Church in his long, dedicated career of service. Even with his other official duties as President of the Church and Editor of the Gospel News, to mention only two, he has found time to become the author of the Church's only history book, **A History of the Church of Jesus Christ**. He worked on this for years and published it in 1945. It covers the history of the Church up to 1940. Copies of this history have been placed in many libraries throughout the country.

Since then Brother Cadman has begun a second volume of history in an effort to write the history of the Church to the present. It is this incomplete volume that he has turned over to the new Historian, Brother Donald J. Curry from Glassport, Pennsylvania.

Actually Brother Cadman retired from this office three and a half years ago at the 1957 General Church Conference. At that time, Brother Patsy Marinetti from Rochester, New York was elected Historian. At the 1960 Conference Brother Marinetti chose to resign this post recommending Brother Curry, who was then elected by the Conference.

Brother Cadman retains the office of Assistant Historian through which he will be able to lend the new Historian the benefits of his

knowledge and experience.

Though his labors in the Church have been many and have not yet ceased, his work as Church Historian, along with the rest, will stand for succeeding generations as a memorial to his name.

Donald J. Curry

General Church Historian

COURAGE

Courage is the quality of mind, that enables one to face danger without fear. The undefeated human spirit, remains the great hope of mankind. True greatness lies deep within the heart. Be of good courage, what-ever may be your task. Anyone who would be a true follower of Jesus Christ, must face discouragement at times. Giving up is an easy matter when your will is being tried, but if you continue still to struggle, despite all obstacles, you will prove your sincerity, and the Lord will bless your efforts with success.

Courage is the cliffs, which braves all storms, courage is of the stars, it defies the night. Courage is of the twilight, it makes no noise, but as rugged as the cliffs, and as valiant as the stars, yet as silent as the twilight.

Does courage work in the hearts of men, and women, inspiring them to attempt the seemingly impossible, making life livable, history possible, and heaven attainable. We recognize courage in the brave men who have sacrificed their lives on the altar of patriotism. Luke 9-23, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. Christ has already won the victory. We as His followers and co-workers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, must use every talent to take part in His triumphs, by working unremittently to spread His Gospel, all over the world. Courage is to grieve, to have the blows, and make the world believe, you are not caring, because God's presence, inspires you to give of your best to the Master. Courage is to feel the daily problems, and keep on living. Jesus Christ lived the joy, and courage. He demonstrated, among His disciples.

Jesus is the mighty fortress, where troubled hearts, can go, to gain faith and persuasion, to defeat the tools, of worldly woe. He is the friend to trust that walks in, when the rest of the world walks out.

Ps. 31-24. Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord.

Prayer is the priceless treasure needed, by everyone, for comfort, and consolation, from which new hope springs, and a lively aspiration to strive, once we have been privileged to feel His help, and strength, knowing, He is always there, to guide in paths of righteousness, if we but have the courage and eagerness, to make Him our partner every step of the way. Courage can become a beacon light, in the midst of darkness and uncertainty. It is the inspiration behind our every effort for good. Phil. 4-13, I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Believe that you can, and you will not fail, though great be the task begun. Believe that you can, though hard the trail, and rugged the road, you run. Have faith in yourself. Just know you can, and you are simply bound to win. And never a barrier, bar, or ban, can keep you from succeeding. Have courage, my brother and sister, go on.

Sister Muriel Miller.

FROM THE NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. BRANCH

Brother Louis V. Mazzeo husband of Sister Angelina Mazzeo passed away on Dec. 7th, 1960. He was born Oct. 19, 1893 at Salerno, Italy. Bro. Louis was married June 27, 1920 and was baptized into the Church July 26, 1925.

Besides his wife he leaves to mourn one son Bro. Anthony, and four grandchildren, one brother, Gabriel Mazzeo and two sisters.

Services were conducted at the Church of Jesus Christ in New Brunswick. Internment was at Franklin Memorial Park. Bro. Joseph Benyola officiated and was assisted by Eros. Rocco Ensana and Eugene Perri, Sr.

Bro. Louis was afflicted after he suffered a stroke for four and a half years but was able to attend meetings and give his testimony to the goodness of God. He will be remembered for his untiring efforts in preaching the gospel.

MIGHT THIS INTEREST YOU?

Rev. 12-7, 8 as Translated
 by Various Schollars!

King James Version:—And there was war in heaven: Michael and his

angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. Verse 9 says the devil and his angels were cast out into the earth, and his angels with him.

Douay Version: — And there was a great battle in heaven; Michael and his angels fought with the dragon, and the dragon fought, and his angels. And they prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. Verse 9 says the devil and his angels were cast into the earth.

George M. Lamsa Version:—And there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels fought against the dragon and his angels fought. But did not prevail, neither was their place found any longer in heaven. Verse 9 says that the devil and his angels were cast out into the earth.

Original Greek Version by Drs. Church of Scotland: — And there was war in heaven; Michael and his messengers made war against the Dragon; and the Dragon made war and his messengers; nevertheless they did not prevail, neither was place found for them any more in heaven. Verse 9 says that the devil and his messengers were cast out into the earth.

New World Bible Translation: — And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels battled with the dragon, and the dragon and its angels battled but it did not prevail, neither was a place found for them any longer in heaven. Verse 9 shows that the devil and his angels were hurled down to the earth.

Revised Standard Version:—Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they were defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. Verse 9 says that the devil and his angels were thrown down to the earth.

Translation by John Moffatt: — And war broke out in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting with the dragon; the dragon and his angels also fought, but they failed and there was no place for them in heaven any longer. Verse 9 says that the devil and his angels were thrown down to the earth.

Book of Mormon translated by the Gift and Power of God by

Joseph Smith Jr.: — Second Nephi, 2-17 'And I, Lehi, according to the things which I have read, (on the plates of Brass undoubtedly) must needs suppose that an angel of God had fallen from heaven; wherefore he became a devil, having sought that which was evil before God. And because he had fallen from heaven, and had become miserable forever, he sought also the misery of all mankind. Wherefore, he said unto Eve, yea, even that old serpent, who is the devil, who is the father of all lies, wherefore he said: Partake of the forbidden fruit, and ye shall not die, but ye shall be as God, knowing good and evil.' (Lehi certainly makes it plain here, that Mother Eve's tempter was a fallen angel.)

Turn to Second Nephi 2-9, 8 Nephi speaking "O the wisdom of God, his mercy and grace! For behold, if the flesh rise no more our spirits must become subject to that angel who fell from before God, and became the devil to rise no more." the following verse shows that our spirits must have become like unto him, (the devil) and we (Yea, we would become like unto become devils, angels to a devil. the devil — the angel that fell from the grace of God.)

You will notice that I have quoted from seven different versions or translations of the Bible in this writtup. It is remarkable the harmony there is with them all, relative to the subject of which I am questioned. It will be understood of course, that The Church of Jesus Christ uses the King James Version of the Bible and also the Book of Mormon—these two books, our faith is based upon. It will be well to note too, that we accept these two books. (Bible and Book of Mormon in fulfillment of the two sticks spoken of in Ezekiel 37-16 and 20 inclusive — that is, we believe the Bible is the stick of Judah, and the Book of Mormon is the stick of Joseph in the hands of Ephraim, and they are to be one in the hands of God.

It is marvelous to note the oneness of these two records—Bible and Book of Mormon as to the former status the devil having been an angel who fell from the grace of God, and became such a wicked being — known to us under the ap-

pelation of the devil, satan, serpent, father of lies and the old dragon.

Editor

AN OUTLINE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF NAZARENE IN ABAK DIVISION OF EASTERN NIGERIA

by G. U. Umoh

The Church of Nazarene is quite a young organization in Eastern Nigeria. It was established in 1946 as a branch of the parent Church in the United States and as a sister church to that of South Africa.

The Early Nazarene Members:

The early members of the Church in Abak Division came from the Qua Iboe Church. The Qua Iboe Church was until 1946 the strongest Protestant influence in the whole of Calabar Province. This Church was founded by a Mr. S. A. Bill, a native of Belfast in Northern Ireland, took its name from the Qua Iboe river. Mr. Bill entered Nigeria through the Qua Iboe river at the Gulf of Guinea in the Atlantic Ocean. Mr. Bill settled in Ibeno where he established his first church in about 1887.

The Spread of the Qua Iboe Church:

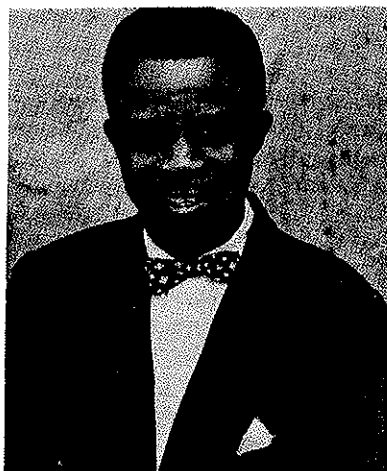
The Qua Iboe Church soon spread along the banks of the Qua Iboe river embracing almost completely what was then the Calabar province, for by the 40's this Church had spread to a good many parts of Eastern Nigeria.

The Rise and Fall of the Qua Iboe Church:

With the growth and spread of Christianity by the Qua Iboe Church arose a great need for more missionaries. Mr. S. A. Bill alone could not cope with the work that lay ahead. He needed some help. It was only possible to get this help from among the people of Nigeria since the Qua Iboe Church had by this time no headquarters overseas. In order to meet this pressing demand on the church, it was necessary to establish small mission schools where children of adherents were taught to write and to read the Bible. Successful pupils had to leave school to go and serve as teachers, preachers, etc. at other church centers. It was quite an achievement in those days for one to be able to read and write. This innovation in the Church's policy attracted more members than ever before. These were the glorious and peaceful days

in the history of Qua Iboe Church.

By 1940 other religious bodies had broken down the exclusive monopoly hitherto held by the Qua Iboe Church along the banks of the Qua Iboe river. Outstanding among these religious groups were the Catholic Church, the Methodist Church and the Lutheran Church. From then on the role played by each religious group in regard to Education was to determine to a great extent its success as a church. The Catholic Church and the Methodist Church seemed to have given the lead in this direction. The Qua Iboe Church with no home mission to which she could turn to for financial aid experienced educational stagnation. Her progress as a church was accordingly retarded. To keep her adherents from being drawn to the



other Churches that had better educational facilities, the Qua Iboe Church had to adopt cruel disciplinary measures against advocates of higher education among her members. Pastor G. U. Umoh, then an Elder in the Qua Iboe Church, was one of the outstanding few victims of the church's new policy, for when he sent his son to a Catholic Secondary School he was severely castigated - his appointment as a touring evangelist was terminated.

This was the turning point in the history of the Qua Iboe Church for her adherents who had by then become education conscious could not but look on the punishment imposed on Pastor Umoh as a direct attempt on the part of the Qua Iboe Missionaries to retard the educational, social and economic advancement of

the Annang people. Feelings rose high and the people had to act. The Qua Iboe authorities were called upon to reconsider their decision but they would not.

(to be continued)

BIAGIO SCARSELLA PASSES ON

Brother Scarsella passed away in his 73rd year. He was born on June 23, 1887 in Italy. Died on Feb. 2, 1961 in the Mt. Carmell Hospital in Detroit following a brief illness. He was baptized into The Church of Jesus Christ in June of 1930.

He is survived by two adopted children, Filomena, and Gabriel Scarsella.

Services were held on Feb. 6th in the Church of Jesus Christ. Brothers Joseph and Reno Bologna officiating. Internment was in the Woodmere Cemetery.

Arrangements by Charles H. Nixon, Lincoln Park, Mic. May the Lord comfort the bereaved.

Anna Carlini

BRO. RAPISARDI PASSES ON

Bro. John Rapisardi husband of the late Rosa Testa passed away on Dec. 24th 1960. He was born in Italy on April 8, 1877 and was married there in 1901 and later came to this country in 1905. He was baptized into the church in the year 1926.

He leaves to mourn three daughters namely; Elizabeth Silvano, and sisters Sally Hettler and Santa Scala, also six grand children and four great grandchildren.

Services were conducted at the Crabiel funeral home in Milltown, N. J. in the Church building at New Brunswick.

Bro. Frank Mazzeo officiated and was assisted by Bro. Sam Risola. Internment was at Van Liew cemetery.

Bro. John was very much afflicted for the space of twelve years until he was called home to rest by our Lord.

GLASSPORT, PA.

Bro. Joseph Geracitano, age 78, passed away on November 30, 1960, in the McKeesport Hospital. He came to America 37 years ago,

where he obeyed the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

He leaves his wife Mary, three sons, Vincent Geracitano of Clairton, Pa., Ernest Geracitano of Elizabeth, Pa. and Matthew Geracitano at home; four daughters, Mrs. Catherine Carneval of California, Mrs. Sylvia Curry of Elizabeth, Pa., Mrs. Lydia Picciuto of Plainsville, Ohio, and Mrs. Jean Sanutelli of Glassport, Pa.; thirteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Bro. Geracitano was very active and happy in serving God.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lorenzo Funeral Home in Glassport, in charge of Elders Anthony DiBattista and Don Curry. Hymns were sung by Miss Ruth Ackerman and Mrs. Elizabeth Staley, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Bonnie Smith.

IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL B. MAY

Aged 75, of Penn Craft, Pa. he died suddenly on Saturday, January 28, 1961 at 11:40. A former resident of Carnegie, he had resided in Penn Craft for the past eleven years. He was a member of the CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST at Vanderbilt. He was predeceased by his wife, May 28, 1960. He is survived by one son, Byron, Brentwood; two granddaughters, Leslie and Pamela May; one brother Philip; two sisters, Elizabeth Cochran and Gertrude Doran, all of Carnegie. Friends were received in the C. B. Dearth Sons Funeral Home, New Salem, where funeral services were held. Brother Joseph M. Shazer officiated. Interment was in the Cross Creek Cemetery, Washington County. The Hopewell Grange 1114 conducted the ritualistic services in the funeral home.

Roman's 2-21, 22

Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?

Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorst idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?

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WHOM DO YOU BELIEVE?

III Nephi 26, 8, 9, 10.

"And these things have I written, which are a lesser part of the things which he taught the people; and I have written them to the intent that they may be brought again unto this people, (Lamanites) from the Gentiles, according to the words which Jesus has spoken.

And when they (Lamanites) shall have received this, which is expedient (necessary) that they should have first, to try their faith, and if it shall so be that they shall believe these things then shall the greater things be made manifest unto them.

And if it so be that they (Lamanites) will not believe these things, then shall the greater things be with-held from them, unto their condemnation." To me - - this is as plain as English can be - - Unless we have reached the day when English doesn't mean English any more. The gospel must be preached.

Editor.

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March 15, 1961

The Ladies Uplift Circle,
Church of Jesus Christ,
Monongahela, Penn. U.S.A.
My dear Sisters,

I who write this letter am a teacher at the institution of the above address. On the 1st of January, 1961 I was baptized into the Community of The Church of Jesus Christ and I am very happy, indeed, to have the opportunity of addressing people like you as Sisters. Before my meeting with the good Elders John Ross, Alvin Swanson and Alma Nolfi, I had only one sister in the whole world and she is my mother's youngest child: the only daughter of the family.

It is very kind of you to sacrifice the pleasure of magnificent family enjoyment with these husbands and relatives, such as above mentioned, on the altar of the Black-man's salvation. You brave brothers whom I am now proud to address as my

own brothers are very exemplary and by the difference they make they are to me the first devoted Missionaries I have seen in Nigeria.

It is my fervent wish to let you know that I am in the receipt of your invaluable present to us: the Book of Mormon. It was presented to me and to many happy others in the Name of the Ladies Up-Lift Circle. The Divine contents of the book are most resplendent and cannot be subject to suspicion. Indeed, the Book of Mormon has greatly increased my stock of the scriptures and widened, considerably, my horizon of out-look toward God. I can now use it side-by-side with the Holy Bible with which I earlier became acquainted. Both are great fortunes to a willing lost.

On behalf of many, I wish to thank the Ladies Up-lift Circle abundantly for their kindness and sacrifices on us who are practically unknown people to them. May the Father Almighty protect and foster the "Circle".

Alvin is quite fit. I am, my dear Sisters.

Your sincerely,
Josiah N. Osuagwu

NEWS FROM ERIE, PA.

The men's weekly Bible Study Class in Erie has been making a study of the gathering of the House of Israel as well as other areas of Hebrew tradition and history. In order to add more significance to the study Bro. John Mancini made arrangements for the group to visit and meet with Cons. and Reform Branches of Judaism. These are two of the three existing branches of Judaism. The third is the very strict or Orthodox group.

The first visit was made to the Conservative Synagogue. The branch of Judaism is between the two extremes of Orthodoxy and Liberalism. The conservative Jew holds very adamantly to essentially all aspects of the Old Testament, but has also made enough modifications as to eliminate them from the Orthodox group. Our visit to the Conservative Synagogue consisted of a tour of the building, an interesting slide film on Judaism as

well as an interesting lecture and discussion on various aspect of Jewish custom, tradition and beliefs.

The following week, a visit was made to the Temple of the Reform Jews. This group, is extremely liberal and has abolished all the dietary laws and many of the basic Jewish traditions. The Reform Jews take more of an interest in contemporary social problems and place less emphasis on the Old Testament. This group is actively involved in such projects as prison reform, equality for Negroes, combating juvenile delinquency, etc.

On both visits we were very warmly welcomed and had the opportunity to discuss personally with the Rabbi of both groups, the particular beliefs of his branch. Neither of the two groups showed much interest in the gathering of their people. The Conservative Jews accept the literal translation of the Old Testament while the Reform Group does not. Another interesting fact is that the Hebrews find nothing morally wrong with the practice of polygamy, the only reason they abstain from it is to conform with the standards of Western Civilization. Essentially, the Jews are extremely indifferent and apathetic toward soul salvation and life after death. Their main objectives are to achieve happiness in this life through promoting brotherhood, social reform as well as to alleviate suffering and to work to destroy prejudice, intolerance and bigotry toward all people. Both offered a very sincere desire to meet with us again, a desire that was mutual and will be satisfied in the near-future.

Bro. John Charles Mancini

HAPPINESS

Happiness results, when we are conscious of the spirit within, and realize that God is the source, of all our joy, and happiness. To discover what happiness is, or at least what it means to us, one must so discipline and direct his life, under God's guidance, through prayer, service, and love, that his heart will overflow with kindness. Happiness is great love and much ser-

vice. Happiness is not an end, it is life's overflow. No one can long be happy all by himself. Our rights must be earned by our responsibilities. If you would be happy, lose yourself in service. Service of love, performed in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior, will not go unrewarded. There are many people in this world, who need the love, and assistance of others. If we hear some call of duty, and do nothing about it, we shall weaken the foundation of our character. There is always satisfaction, which comes to us, if we hear the call of God, and devote ourselves, to some worthy purpose, or dedicate our efforts to the noble service of others. Happiness is primarily an inner state of achievement. John 13-17. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them. Leaders of government on every level, are striving to help those in need. Farmers work long hours, to provide for the hungry. Men daily devise new means, to make life more enjoyable. But it is only as individuals, accept the salvation, provided at Calvary, that they discover happiness, and the true meaning of life. My happiness is in God, and it is manifested through me, when my thoughts, words, and deeds, conform to His glorious spirit. If you will look about carefully among the people you know, and see daily, you will discover that not one of them is happy that does not love. What is true of love, is equally true of service, because to love is to serve. 1st. John 4-1. We love Him, because He first loved us. It is this love, created by God's holy spirit, that caused the disciples to live for Him, who died for them. We do not secure happiness by looking first to our own interest, but by looking out in love, for the welfare of others. Only when we enjoy doing good deeds, that the deed is effective. Luke 10-27. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind, and thy neighbor, as thyself.

Chorus of Hymn No. 34. Help somebody today, Somebody along life's way. Let sorrow be ended, The friendless, befriended, Oh, help somebody today.

Sister Muriel Miller.

MY EXPERIENCE

Dear brother Cadman:

I am submitting the testimony you requested of me, that I have often testified of a certain incident which took place in Italy when I was in the Church of darkness, in which the people are deceived by man! It is as follows:

"When I was a young woman of twenty years, in the year of 1900 an announcement went out from the pope to all Catholics in the world to come to Rome during that year, which was to be known as the Holy Year and whomsoever would come would receive a remission of sin from the Pope.

Being that I was interested in religious worship, I went to Rome with a sister of mine and her husband. Our community was scheduled to go to Rome in the first week of May. Each day of this week we were supposed to visit different cathedrals throughout the city.

One day we landed into a large overcrowded room of which we did not know what was going on, and I can remember people and my sister, with me following her, pushing and elbowing their way to an office window when we got to this window, a clerk handed me a paper that resembled a marriage license certificate, with the Pope's name on it, Pope Leon XIII and a picture of the most famous Cathedral in Rome on each corner and also my name. The charge was one lira (20 cents in American money) what a big sum that was to me! It left me broke and I had to walk many miles through the city of Rome and also do on very little food for paying this sum for the paper which was a receipt for the remission of my sin. I treasured this paper so much that I brought it to America with me, and kept it all the years until I found the true Light of God.

Oh! how quickly I destroyed that insignificant scrap of paper, when my eyes were truly opened for which I can't thank God enough for the great enlightenment—The Gospel of Jesus Christ, and I bless the day when He sent the glad tidings to my home and prepared my heart to receive Him as that beautiful hymn says: "What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought, Since Jesus came into my heart". May God bless you all. Sincerely,

Sister Concetta Dintino.

P. S. Sister Dintino is now well up in years, but is still going. I heard her tell this experience many years ago and it did impress me. I wanted to publish it in The Gospel News, where no doubt it will live on after she is gone to her reward. I remember when she told it, that she said she carried the little piece of paper in her bosom next to her heart. It was so precious to her, and after she was baptized into The Church of Jesus Christ and her eyes were opened and she saw the foolishness of a piece of paper signed by mere man—the pope of Rome as a receipt for remission of her sins. Yea, well may sister Dintino bless the day, when she was moved upon in the spirit of repentance and went down into the Monongahela river at Glassport, Pa. and was immersed therein for the remission of her sins, as taught by the Saviour Himself and His apostles. May God bless you sister Dintino. Brother Cadman.

MCKEES ROCKS

On Sunday, February 19, Brother Wm. Kunkel and his family came to visit us here in the McKees Rocks branch. When he opened the meeting, he gave this thought which we should always remember; "The Lord gives each of us a little job to do. He wants us to carry it out no matter how small it might be." He referred this to the little jobs that we hold in the church. If we do not do our little jobs, they will be carried over onto someone else's shoulder, giving that person a greater burden. Let each of us do our little part in this wonderful church that we may together accomplish something great.

He then continued by reading the twenty-first chapter of the Book of Kings. There was a Jesreelite named Naboth, who had a vineyard around the palace of Ahab, king of Samaria. Aab wanted that land but Naboth did not give it to him saying, "The Lord forbid it me that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee." Jesebel, desiring to have that land, wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal. In the letters she called an assembly of the people where two men were to bear witness against Naboth saying that he blasphemed God and the king.

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

IGNORANCE VERSUS KNOWLEDGE

In the "Words of Mormon" verse 17, I read that King Benjamin was a holy man, and he did reign over his people in righteousness. There were many holy men at that day. I will add that it is evident in the word of God, that holy men were concerned about their children, and other children as well, they did not want them to be in ignorance.

In the Book of Mosiah first chapter and in verse two, I read that Benjamin had three sons and he caused that they should be taught in all the language of his fathers, that there-by they might become men of understanding; and that they might know concerning the prophecies which had been spoken by the mouth of their fathers, which were delivered them by the hand of the Lord.

It is evident then that King Benjamin did not want his sons to be men of ignorance concerning the language of their day, which was the language of his fathers, which would include the understanding of it properly, how to express themselves to the understanding of others—the opposite shows ones ignorance in the subject that may be involved. (I remember when I was quite young at home I was reading a book of some kind, and my father stopped me and said to me—(Willie, when you are reading and you come to a word that you do not understand, stop and get the dictionary and learn what the word means, for if you don't know the meaning of the word, you will not understand what you are reading) I never forgot his advice.

I have a Websters Collegiate laying along side of me now. Therefore, my father did not want his son to be ignorant. The Bible, Book of Mormon and a good Dictionary has always been good books for me. I have about eight different versions of the Bible and New testaments. It is broadening to my mind to read and compare these various translations of ancient languages. Of course there are many other good books that has the same effects on ones mind—it broadens the intellect and I notice that my Websters Collegiate gives a very broad definition to the word intellect. I also have Winstons Encyclopedic Edition—a very good dictionary.

There are many branches of business that I am very much in ignorance of—for instance if I was to prescribe you some medicine I might kill you. In legal matters I might give you advice that would get you in jail if you obeyed me. This reasoning is applicable in most any profession. Even as to a professed minister of Christ—he might, if ignorant of the teachings of the Saviour, give a poor soul advice that would put him on the wide road that leads to destruction, instead of the narrow road that leads to eternal life. In civil law "ignorance is no excuse", but Paul in his transgression against Jesus Christ and His followers, obtained mercy, for he says I did in ignorance in unbelief. First Tim. 1-13.

The word of God has been handed down to us that we might not be ignorant of the great designs and plans of the Creator, If we abide in His laws, His spirit will enlighten our minds as to what purpose He has created us for. Therefore we should become wise as serpents and harmless as doves—not left in ignorance as to why we are here.

The laws of God then, have been preserved in what we call books. It is one of His ways, that we might not be left in ignorance. I read in Mosiah 1-3, 4, that had it not been for these plates the people of that day would of suffered in ignorance, not knowing the mysteries of God. For it were not possible that our father, Lehi, could have remembered all these things to have taught them to his children, except it were for the help of these plates, therefore Lehi did teach his children in the language of his day teaching his children and learning them, and so fulfill the commandments of God, even down to this present time—and further, they are handed down to us of today that we might not be in ignorance, but to fulfill the commandments of God in our day. Therefore, learning is good when properly used, but ignorance leaves us in the dark.

Editor

Then he was to be stoned to death. When Jesebel had received word that Naboth was stoned and dead, she told Ahab to take possession of the vineyard.

Meanwhile, the Lord had told Elijah the Tishbite to go to Naboth's vineyard where he would find Ahab, and say to him, "In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood,

even thine . . . I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity . . . the dogs shall eat Jesebel by the wall of Jezreel . . ." Hearing this Ahab "put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted." Because Ahab had humbled himself before the Lord, "I (speaking of the Lord) will not bring the evil in his days: but in his sons days will I bring the evil upon his house."

Keeping the subject of being tricked, he brought forward the time when King Darius had been tricked into signing a decree that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man would be cast into the lions' den. The princes and presidents of the kingdom found Daniel praying and asking for God's help, and brought him to the king. Although King Darius loved Daniel,

he could not change the degree. As they cast him into the den, Darius said, "Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee." That night the king fasted; the next morning he went to the den. Daniel said, "My God hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me . . . and the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives . . ." Then King Darius made a decree that in every dominion of his kingdom, men should tremble and fear before the God of Daniel, for He is the living God, steadfast for ever; His kingdom shall not be destroyed and his dominion shall be even unto the end.

Brother Kunkel related a few experiences, one of which was: "When we lived in Beaver Falls, we had three children and were destitute. The Lord spoke to me in a dream and told me to go to a certain man and that he would have a job for me. He knows our wants and our needs. He will supply our wants provided that we serve Him."

Brother Joe Manes of Cleveland, Ohio, also spent the day with us. We thank God for the brothers and sisters who come to visit us. This love that we have for one another is truly a wonderful gift.

On Thursday evening, March 2, Helen Mezzetti was baptised. Brother Dan Casasanta performed the baptism. Immediately afterwards, we went to church and Brother John Manes prayed for the confirmation. The rest of the evening was spent in singing and testifying the goodness of God.

Sister Mina DiCenzo

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"Moses Charges the Judges"

And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear the causes between your brethren, and judge righteously between every man and his brother, and the stranger that is with him.

Ye shall not respect persons in judgment, but ye shall hear small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring it unto me, and I will hear it."

P. S. Moses instructed his brethren even as Jesus taught His dis-

ciples—"Do unto others even as ye would have them to do unto you."

WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST??

WHO SAY YE THAT I AM??

We are living in a strange world today. There are so many different opinions and ideas of Christ. It makes one wonder sometimes of Christian nations saying, 'Lo, here is Christ, and there is Christ'. As Chas. Wesley says, "Your stronger proofs divinely give and show me where the Christian lives". It seems we are having a difficult time today to prove that Christians are not Christians. Hatred in people who profess Christianity seems to be growing stronger in these last days.

Ho, Ye slumbering nations who have slept a long night without revelation or heavenly light.

The latter day glory begins to dawn, awake from your dreaming and welcome the morn.

It is time we saints of latter days woke up, to welcome the morn. Instead of talking so much about what is wrong, let us talk about what is right.

The call is from heaven, and hear it ye must.

Go forth to the nations and then to the Jews,

Who soon will obey it.

When Gentiles refuse

What think ye of Christ? I think Christ should be exalted in every meeting. Cursed is man that trusted in man and maketh flesh his arm. We have had good men from the beginning of time, Enoch walked with God and was not for God took him. Moses was the meekest man, Solomon the wisest, David a man after God's own heart, of all men that were born of women, none were greater than John, but Jesus said, "The least in the kingdom of Heaven is greater than he." These men all pointed us to Christ. The apostle Paul says, "Who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despised the shame, who is the author and finisher of our faith." We build our hopes and expectations around Him. In Him is life, and the life become the light of men. So we have our breath, our hopes, our life, our joy, our salvation.

One who attends church must sometimes wonder what the congregation is thinking about when

it comes time for the sermon. Do they expect anything real, practical and vital? Does the preacher touch their problems, enter into their thoughts, meet their difficulties, or is the sermon merely the conventional expression of correct sentiments, idealistically beautiful, but never coming to grips with real life. What think ye of Christ? He touched the need of the people. "Ho, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me". He needed help. Jesus said, "What wilt thou that I do unto thee?" "That I might receive my sight." Jesus said, "I will, be thou whole." What do you think he thought of Christ? Someone touched his need. The world has been slumbering for many hundreds of years. It is time to let them see the glorious light. Has His life been an example to us? Has our life been an example to others? It is not so much in what we say, as what we do. 'No man ever spake like this man spake, "no man has never done the things that this man has done. He lived a simple life in a simple age. He was a traveling teacher, going on pilgrimages from place to place. No place to lay His head. As He said, "the foxes have their holes, the birds have their nest, but the son of Man hath no place to lay His head." He built no home, He never wrote a book, and He never traveled away from Palestine.

His teaching was on the simple things of life. The shepherd and the sheep, the wheat and the tares, the old and the new wine, and the prodigal son. Nicodemus acknowledged Him as a good master, for he said, "No man can do these things that thou doest except God be with him."

We live in a complex age with all types of problems arising out of our complicated social, industrial and economical order, Business and government. I sometimes listen to the television program 'The Pulpit and the Press' The minister's oratory is such that I with a common education cannot understand him. When he is finished the common people are more confused than ever. What think ye of Christ? He never used language that the common people could not understand. In fact, I understand His every word. His teaching was so plain that even

a wayfaring man need not err therein. No wonder the Apostle said, "The world by wisdom knew not God." Paul goes on to say, "A natural man cannot understand because he does not understand the things of the spirit. The things of God are spiritual and God is a spirit, they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

I was given an invitation to visit a meeting of The Christian National Crusade, conducted by Gerald K. Smith. When I was coming home, with the man who invited me, I told him if he listened to that very long he would hate everyone. They teach hatred of the Jew and the Negro. Jesus said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye love one another." I wonder how they read Christ? Christ came to break down the middle wall of partition. He went out of His way to talk to the Samaritan woman. She said, "But Jesus said, 'If thou knewest who I am thou wouldst have asked of me a drink of water.' No wonder the Jew thinks the whole Christian world is against him, whom these people hate under the name of Christianity."

What think ye of Christ? Whose Son is He? "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God," answered Peter. Jesus said unto him, "Flesh and blood has not revealed this unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven, and upon this rock I will build my Church." This being the rock of revelation. So ye slumbering, Christian nations—What can you think of Christ without revelation. God has revealed Him unto us by His Spirit. When men seek revelation it will be given them. Daniel received because he prayed three times a day with his face toward Jerusalem. John received a great revelation because he was in the spirit on the Lord's Day. Nephi was in the Spirit when he received a revelation. Joseph Smith was in the act of prayer when his room was made brighter than the noonday sun, and a voice spoke to him saying, "This is my Beloved Son, Hear ye Him." So if these slumbering nations would seek God to know the truth, the truth would make them free.

Oh Israel; Oh Israel; in all your abiding,

Prepare for the Lord, when you

hear these glad tidings.

Let us preach a gospel that will help the needy soul. Forget about the past and the future. This is the day of Salvation, this is the day of probation, NOW is the accepted time. Paul says, "I saw a man over in Macedonia saying, come over and help us". He went immediately and when he got there he found a woman whose name was Lydia. She said, "If you have found me worthy, come into my house and stay," and from this house the gospel spread all over Greece and Macedonia. He obeyed the revelation. Here is a man that could say, I was not called of man, neither was I taught it of man, but when it pleased God, who separated me, and called me by His Grace, to reveal His Son in me, he obeyed and received it by revelation. "Who art thou Lord", he asked. The answer came, "I am Jesus whom thou persecuted."

So in these few simple words I have tried to prove that God is the same yesterday, today and forever. Without revelation the people perish, as they did in the days of Eli. The Bible says there was no open vision, and the light had gone out in the Temple. The Ark of the Covenant was taken into the hands of the enemy, and so came the word Ichabod, The Glory of God has Departed. What a sad condition for a church. And so my Brothers and Sisters, let us watch that that name should not be placed upon us—ICHABOD.

Bro. James Heaps

DETROIT, MICH.

Dear bro. Editor:-

The New Year is progressing so swiftly, I hope you and all dear ones are well, and are keeping up with it. Thank God, so far, we are retaining our identity, and struggling hard to go forward, in the beautiful light of God. I shall now endeavour to tell a few of the incidents that have taken place, from Watch Service at Branch No. 3, which we enjoyed immensely, to the present writing. On the 1st. Sunday of the year, we had bro. John Romano, and Dominic Thomas, visiting at Branch No. 3. They were quite interesting, and inspirational, and enjoyed by everyone. Bro. Dominic Thomas, told us many experiences, he also told one from

Muncey, wherein a sister was given the 12th. Chapter of Isaiah from the Lord, and explained it perfectly, among the people in Muncey.

On Sunday Jan. 8th. in Branch No. 1, a subject was delivered on Colossians, 1st. Chap. 21st. verse to the end, dealing with the status of saints, that wherein we were once enemies to God, by wicked works, now we are reconciled to God, that we may be presented in the end, holy, unblameable, and unrepensible in His sight. Topic was delivered by bro. M. Miller, and John Buffa.

On Wed. night Jan. 11th. we had a visit by bro. Rocco Ensano, of Edison, New Jersey. This was a very pleasant visit, and enjoyed by all. On Sunday the 15th. we were in Port Huron, and joined by Sarnia bro. and sisters, we enjoyed a grand time. On Sunday the 22nd. we were in Windsor, and enjoyed the fellowship of the saints.

In Branch No. 1, on Jan. 29th. we had bro. Dominic Thomas and John Romano in our midst. They spoke from the following topics, 2nd. Nephi, 2nd. Chap., 22nd. verse to the end, and also Romans 1st. Chap. 16th. verse, and brought a great blessing in our midst. Bro. Nick Pietrangelo, made concluding remarks. On Sunday Morning Feb. 12th. our speaker in Branch No. 1, was bro. Peter Capone, of Branch No. 4, he spoke from Matt. 5th. Chap. 13th. verse to the end of the 16th. verse, his topic being mostly on light. We enjoyed our bro. talk, immensely, and felt blessed to have him, and his companion in our midst.

On Sunday Feb. 19th. in Windsor, bro. Pat. Calahan, and sister Dorothy Henderson, sang a beautiful selection, "He'll understand, and say well done" for bro. Chas. Westley, of Branch No. 1, (who is convalescing in the Barlow General Hospital) which brought us a great blessing. Bros. A. Pietrangelo, and D. Cotellesse, spoke from a topic, and found in Isaiah 66th. Chapter, and 1st. verse. These bro. had great liberty in speaking, and we received a great blessing.

On Feb. 24th. an overflowing crowd attended the Area Gathering, of the G. M. B. A., in Windsor. A number of hymns were melodiously sung, (after which sister Lambert, just coming out of the Hospital)

was anointed, by br. Domenic Cotellesse. The title of the Program, was Zion, and it was beautifully illustrated, and masterly rendered, with scripture reading, recitations and songs. This was a very grand occasion, and all who went, were overjoyed being there. On Feb. 26th. in Branch No. 1, we had bro. Joe Calabrace of Loraine, Ohio in our midst, he read a portion of scripture found in Ether 12th. Chapter, 1st. verse through the 18th. verse Speaking mostly on faith. We were quite pleased to have our bro. in our midst, and were greatly benefitted by the spirit he permeated. Bro. Anthony Lovalvo, was in our midst, and also gave us a very nice talk. We later went to Inkster, and received a very nice blessing, bro. Ralph Leet was our speaker there, he spoke on the topic "God is the same, yesterday, today and forever." Bro. Frederic Straccia, of Br. No. 2, was in charge of the meeting.

On Sunday March 5th., the Mich. Windsor District, met in the Lincoln Park High School, for our District conference. We sang a number of hymns, also a beautiful selection was sung by the Windsor Choir, "Zion the City of God." Bro. Concetto Alessandro read a portion of scripture, found in John 5th. Chapter, 24th., 25th., 26th. and 28th. verses, and gave us a very nice talk. There were others that spoke also. We had to go to Edison Lake Beach, to baptize a bro. from Branch No. 1. In the afternoon, bro. Clifford Burgess, introduced our meeting, the bro. baptized (Bennie Dipronio) was confirmed, a member of the Church, two sisters were anointed, and we closed, singing praise, glory, and adoration, to our Heavenly King. We have several here who are afflicted. Kindly pray along with us, for them. Wishing every-one God's richest blessings. I am your bro. in Christ.

Matthew T. Miller

KATHERINE LLOYD MAXWELL Passes On.

Katherine Lloyd Maxwell, 78 died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Schroeder of Coal Valley Rd. Jefferson on February 20, 1961, where she had made her home. She was born in April of 1882 and was the daughter of the late Denny and Elizabeth Ferree Lloyd. She leaves

to mourn her passing Mrs. Ruth Schroeder (her daughter) and three sons, Howard of Clairton, Floyd and Clarence of McKeesport; also two brothers Henry Lloyd of McKeesport, and Oliver of Cleveland. One sister, Mrs. Hazel Smith of Dunbar. W. Va. seven grand children, five great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Sister Maxwell was baptized into The Church of Jesus Christ in July of 1908 by the late Brother Alexander Cherry Red Stone. She was a member of the Glassport Branch of the Church, also a member of the Coal Valley Ladies Uplift Circle. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family. Funeral services attended by Bro. W. H. Cadman, assisted by A. DiBattista.

MR. ANGELO RULLO

Brother Angelo Rullo, age 78, passed away Feb. 14, 1961 at the Memorial Hospital Monongahela, Pa.

The funeral service was held Feb. 17, 1961 in the Church at Monongahela with Brothers W. H. Cadman and Walter Anderson officiating. The Young Men's Quartet of Monongahela sang, accompanied by sister Sara Vancik at Organ. Interment in the Monongahela Cemetery.

Brother Rullo was born in Italy on Jan. 23, 1883. His wife Philomena and daughter, Rose came to America in the year 1924. He obeyed this Gospel, April 29, 1923 and was a faithful and true Saint, what we would like to call the "Salt" of the Earth. He worked with Brother Walter Anderson and always told him it was the happiest day of his life when he found the Church of Jesus Christ. His testimony was, "If you can't say anything else, you can say thank you God". He and Sister Rullo celebrated their 51st. Wedding Anniversary on Jan. 10, 1961.

He is survived by his wife, Philomena, one daughter, Sister Rose Scaglione, three sons, James, Anthony and Joseph and ten grandchildren.

Bro. Rullo will be very much missed by the Saints here in Monongahela. We extend our sympathies to all that are near and dear by the ties of nature. May the Lord comfort and bless you.

Ethel N. Crosier,
Branch Editor

THOMAS MARCHANDO

On Jan. 4, 1961 Brother Thomas Marchando passed on to his reward. He was born in Italy on Nov. 1, 1876, and lived to be 84 years of age. He was an Elder in The Church of Jesus Christ for 30 years, being baptized in March 1920. For many years he was a member of Aransburg Mission, the meetings being held in his home. Brother Marchando was very faithful in the Church, speaking of it to everyone he met. He will be missed greatly by his family, friends, and the Redstone Branch, which he attended.

Funeral services were held in Brownville, Pa., on Jan. 7, 1961. Brother A. A. Corrado and Brother William Gennaro officiated. He is survived by his wife, Sister Garnet Marchando, 4 sons, 4 daughters, 22 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. May the Lord bless and comfort his wife and family.

"The Three Nephite Brethren"

III Nephi 28-8, 9, 10

'And ye shall never endure the pains of death; but when I shall come in my glory ye shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye from mortality to immortality; and then shall ye be blessed in the kingdom of my Father.

And again, ye shall not have pain while ye shall dwell in the flesh, neither sorrow save it be for the sins of the world; and all this will I do because of the thing which ye have desired of me, for ye have desired that ye might bring the souls of men unto me, while the world shall stand.

And for this cause ye shall have fulness of joy; and ye shall sit down in the kingdom of my Father; yea, your joy shall be full, even as the Father hath given me fulness of joy; and ye shall be even as I am, and I am even as the Father; and the Father and I are one."

P. S. I have often sat down and read chapter—III Nephi 28. It would be well for all to read it carefully. The Saviour is talking to His twelve disciples, asking them as to what they desired of Him. In verse two, nine of them make known unto Him what their desires were. In verse three He bless-

ed them because of their desires.

The other three disciples durst not make known unto Him their desires, but the Saviour discerned their thoughts — Therefore more blessed are ye, (more blessed than the nine) for ye shall never taste of death; but ye shall live to behold all the doings of the Father unto the children of men even until all things shall be fulfilled according to the will of the Father, when I shall come in my glory with the powers of heaven. Verse 7.

In our recent District Conference in Greensburg in the Sunday Morning meeting, the principal theme seemed to be the Greatness of God. We as mortals judge His greatness by that which the eyes behold, and surely judging by what our eyes do see—God the Creator is surely great—the works of His hands cannot possible be enlarged upon by mortal beings.

Would it be wrong for impotent me to say, that the potency of God is more made manifest in the creating of the Eternal Soul?, and in His great wisdom and condescension in preparing a way for the soul to live eternally in His presence? —Whether it be right or wrong for puny me to express myself this way or not, I won't say. However, to me such is the manifestation of His greatness—the salvation of the soul.

You will observe in this scripture that the nine disciples desired to be taken home, after they had lived to the age of man and their ministry was ended. (ministry of preaching the gospel for the saving of the soul) which conveys the thought or rather the fact that they were going to spend their lives in preaching the gospel. The other three just went a little bit farther than that, or might I say much farther—apparently they were willing to suffer a long existence in the fleshly body, because of their love for the souls of men and women. Therefore Jesus says: more blessed are ye, and He grants unto them their desires, but mitigates the sufferings of the flesh, with the exception of, they would have sorrow for the sins of the world, and they are to abide here until Jesus comes again. Did my readers ever stop to think of this wonderful blessing Jesus bestowed upon these three disciples—because of their love for

the soul?

To me, I will again say: the greatness of God is supremely exposed in Him sacrificing His only Begotten to save the soul, which shall abide forever, either on the one hand or the other. Of all His Creation, there is nothing greater than the soul. It outshines the hills and the fields adorned with grass, the mountains and vales with their splendor, and in the end the soul will outshine the moon, the stars and the brightness of the sun. May I ask: Where is our greatest desires today? Is it to see the big things fulfilled that are spoken of by the prophets? or is it for the souls of the poor and oppressed in the four corners of the earth for which Jesus died for on Calvary's Cross, when He asks His Father in heaven to for give them for they know not what they do.

Jesus said unto these same twelve disciples on one occasion: what kind of men ought ye to be He answers: Verily I say unto you, even as I am.

May I ask: Should not the servants of God be like unto Him today?

A letter From Smith's Creek, Mich.

A short letter from Sister Jennie Hanna which I always appreciate receiving. She has not been too well, and being well advanced in years it has been a pretty hard winter for her. She says: The February Gospel News is wonderful. I sure enjoyed it all. I hope you are keeping well and that brothers Randy and Furnier are lots better. May God bless and keep you for many years to come is my earnest prayer.

Sister Hanna encloses a contribution to help keep our missionary work going. May the Lord bless you sister Hannah.

Editor

PART II

I GO TO SCHOOL WITH EVERY-ONE I MEET

FEAR — In this section of life's classroom, we see pathetic a sight. Here is a man whose life has been chained by the shackles of fear. Because of the dark shadows cast by fear, this man's problems are exaggerated to unbelievable proportions. When fear takes possession of an individual, it freezes the capacity of a man, to such a degree,

that he becomes extremely hesitant in thought and in actions. Sometimes he can become timid and afraid to the point of being cowardly.

Fear paralyzes a man's body and soul. It makes a man's legs feel like jelly, his heart faints, and his mind becomes confused.

As a result, when a person is enveloped in the atmosphere of this dark force, his imagination transforms the smallest shadows into exaggerated realities. Fear is more generally prevalent, where ignorance, superstition, the lack of knowledge and facts; as well as a departure from faith are evident. Therefore these specific distracting forces, reduce the stabilizing power of hope, when people yield to the sway of these dark forces.

The best weapons to combat the paralyzing efforts of fear, ignorance, and superstition, are proper acquaintance with facts through the medium of illuminating knowledge; both thru the religious and natural sources of education. Reducing illiteracy and illuminating the minds of people will cause many shadows of fear to gradually disappear.

Jesus counter-acted and overcame many of the objections and barriers raised by the skeptics and critics in His day, by making specific references to written records. Many defensive statements that Jesus made commenced with "It is written."

Jesus knew better than anyone else how vital it was for men to have written knowledge.

I detected from this man's desperate condition the reason why God put such vital emphasis on the written records that He inspired men to keep. He instructed many of His prophets and servants to preserve in writing, man's dealings with God; so that multitudes of people yet unborn, could be directed and taught or in brief-educated.

Therefore, thru this medium, knowledge as light can illuminate the path which man should follow in life. This knowledge would also allow man to see more clearly the shadows of fear in true focus, and not in their twisted exaggerations; because of better understanding made possible thru knowledge.

**MISSIONARY HELP WANTED
BY METHODISTS**
Board Issues Call For 400 Workers
At Home ,Abroad

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Even a child is known by his doings," Proverbs 20:11

Dear Boys and Girls,

Since Mother's Day is in the month of May, I thought you would like to hear a story of a good mother. This story is in the book of Samuel in the Old Testament.

Long, long ago in Israel there lived a woman named Hannah. Her husband was named Elkanah. They had no children. This made Hannah very sad. She wanted a child more than anything else. Every year, she and husband went to the temple in Shiloh to worship. Once, while there, she stayed in the temple after the others had gone away. She prayed God would give her a child. In her prayer she made a vow, or promise that if God would give her a son, she would give him to the Lord. As she prayed, Eli, the priest of the temple, came in. He told her to go in peace, the God of Israel would grant her request. Hannah rose up from prayer very happy.

The next year when the time came to go the temple to worship, Hannah did not go with Elkanah. She had a baby boy! She named him Samuel, which meant "Because I have asked him of the Lord."

When Samuel was old enough to leave his mother, she remembered the promise she had made in her prayer that day in the temple. So that year when Elkanah went to Shiloh to the temple, Samuel and Hannah went too. She said to Eli the priest, "I am the woman that stood by you here and prayed for a child. God heard my prayer and now I want to lend my son to the Lord." Hannah was happy because Samuel could help Eli take care of the house of God, and learn the ways of the Lord. She sang a song of thanksgiving. Eli blessed Elkanah and Hannah and they returned home.

Eli's own sons did not serve the Lord. Even the people were forgetting about God. I think Samuel was a comfort to Eli. The child grew in favor with God and men. Each year when his mother came to the temple she brought Samuel

a new coat she had made. I know she was very proud of him. Don't you think so?

Eli was now a very old man and he could not see very well. Samuel helped care for the lamp of God that burned before the ark of God in the temple. It was a command that this lamp be kept burning always. Samuel wore a linen ephod like the priests wore. The word of the Lord was precious in those days.

One night as Samuel lay sleeping he thought he heard Eli call. He ran to him and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli replied, "I did not call you, lie down again." Samuel heard the voice the second time. He came to Eli again, thinking he had called. Eli said as before, "I did not call my son, lie down." Samuel did not know it was the Lord who was calling him. The voice spoke the third time. He went to Eli again and said, "Here am I, for you did call me." Then Eli knew it was the Lord speaking to the boy. Eli said, "Go lie down and the next time answer, 'Speak Lord for your servant hears'." Samuel did as Eli said. When God spoke again Samuel understood. The Lord told him of the wickedness in the house of the priest and they would be destroyed if they did not repent.

Samuel lay until morning thinking of these things. Then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Eli called him and asked what the Lord had showed him. He said, "Do not hide from me the things God has spoken to you." Samuel told Eli everything. After hearing all Eli said, "It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth good." Samuel grew and the Lord was with him. Poor Eli, he was now ninety eight years old. His eyes were dim. He worried about the battle between Israel and the Philistines. He sat upon a seat by the wayside. One day some bad news was brought to him and he fell over backwards off the seat and died. He had judged Israel for forty years. At his death Samuel became judge. He was a very wise man. One of his sayings to the people was, "Only fear the Lord and serve him in truth with

all your heart: for consider how great things he hath done for you."

Boys and girls, we read in God's word that He is still the same today as He was yesterday so God may speak to us in the night as He did Samuel. He may visit us with dreams and direct us in doing His will. Let us try to keep His commandments and do all we can in the service of the Lord.

Search the Scriptures

Who are these two? Their names are found in I Samuel chapter 17.

"There was a man both strong and tall

Who thought that he could slay them all

But a boy so strong but small

Gave to Israel's God his all,

Slew this man so strong and tall

And with his———made him fall."

Sincerely,

Sister Mabel

PAINESVILLE ON THE ALERT

Dear Brother Cadman,

The Saints of Painesville, Ohio wish to write to you and tell our brothers and sisters in Christ of happy news and blessings we have shared here in our branch. Leaving the old and starting the new year of 1961, the Lord has seen fit to bless our little branch greatly, and we with thankful hearts pray He will continue to do so.

The Saints in Painesville have been working diligently with our new administration to further the work of our Lord and have been rewarded by having many visitors and friends visit with us steadily. We would like to mention one of our brother's especially, not for personal glory, but because of his desire to further the work of the Lord and his willingness to do something about that desire. This brother is Raymond Brumagin, a member of almost two years, and who has, with his wife, Sister Jean, taken this Gospel to his heart and is numbered among our home branch missionaries. Brother Ray since December has seen four his friends enter partnership with our Lord Jesus Christ. He has worked feverently to come in contact with new visitors and friends and then bring them in contact with our elder Brothers. God bless Brother Ray and may he continue desire of working for our Lord. Also I would like to

make mention here of the wonderful work our elders are doing. God bless them. Brothers Eugene Kline and Anthony Picciuto work hard in the construction business all day. They go out almost every night to sow the seeds of faith in our visitors and friends, and we see both have been blessed by God greatly seeing the seeds of faith fall on good ground.

On December 18, 1960, two of our visitors, Mr. and Mrs. William Thorpe of Geneva, Ohio, stood on their feet greatly moved upon by the Lord and asked for their baptisms. How richly God did bless us that day. The ice was broken (it was very cold) and our new brother and sister Thorpe started their life anew with Jesus. Brother and sister Thorpe two children, Terry and Sherry, were also blessed. We thank God for seeing fit to bring this wonderful family to us. Brother and sister Thorpe have had some wonderful experiences before and since becoming members in the church, so we know their faith will withstand the darts of Satan and his army and run the race to eternal happiness.

The next three Sundays were wonderful, for we knew the Lord was working in our midst, but barriers had to be removed. We also had brothers and sisters visit us from Youngstown and Cleveland and we did enjoy their presence. On January 22, 1961, truly a day for Jesus, we had many friends and visitors throughout Sunday School, Church, and Our feetwashing services. Two of our friends, Mr. & Mrs. Borner decided to dedicate their lives to Jesus one night while visiting brother and sister Picciuto's home and since Mr. Borner has to work every other Sunday they picked January 22, as the day they both would render themselves obedient to God. Brother Roy and Sister Francis have had many wonderful experiences also. The night before Sister Francis was baptized, she developed a very bad earache. She thought she should not attempt to be baptized for her earache might get worse. Then and there she decided that Satan was not going to win so she said "I'm going to be baptized no matter what". Her ear ached all that night and right up to the time she was baptized. God bless her. It was 4 degrees above

zero. our brothers had to break through 4 inches of ice.

After the baptisms, we had the confirmation and testimony meeting in which Sister Borner praised God for when she arose from the waters, her earache was gone. How good God is and tho we suffer a little, he will reward our faith. Their son, Donald was also blessed. After the blessing of their son the elders turned the meeting over to feet-washing service. How humbly our new members did participate. Then after feet-washing service, three of our members asked to be anointed for illnesses. So this day, January 22, we had Sunday School, Church, 2 baptisms, confirmations, blessings, testimonies, 3 anointed, and feet-washings. Our day was filled.

We saw that time was fleeting by, for it was after 4 pm. Our brothers were about to close our meeting for the day, our hearts were full and our soul satisfied, but God was not, for Mr. Ben Ditwilder, a friend and visitor for some time, stood and asked to be anointed for strength for he knew the Lord was calling him but there were too many barriers in the way for him to accept Christ's invitation. So we all prayed for him and God heard our prayers, for brother Ben asked for his baptism. So once again we went to the waters edge that very cold day. We found in the little time that had passed the ice had frozen over again. So again we broke the ice and another joined the fold of the good shepherd. What a wonderful day. In the house of God. Since that day we have had two more baptisms, Sister Borner's brother and sister-in-law, Brother George and Sister Jean Drake. Their 6 children were also blessed.

All in all we have had 7 baptisms and 13 children blessed since December. All this is to praise and glorify God for He and only gives the increase. We have several friends and relatives yet who visit with us almost every Sunday and our prayer is that God will not pass them by, but instill in their hearts this wonderful Gospel and give them the wisdom to accept its contents. We here in Painesville need your prayers for we hope and pray that God will continue to bless us in our efforts in spreading the Gospel throughout this vicinity.

Come and visit us when you can and God bless you all. Brother Cadman, we enjoyed your visit with us. Come again soon and God bless you in your work.

Sincerely
Your sister in Christ
Donna L. Kline

APRIL CONFERENCE CONVENED

In Monogahela, Pa.

Our Conference assembled here in Monogahela City on March 30th. 2 p.m. and we did not close the business thereof until 9:30 p.m. on April 1st. It was a very busy time for us. There were representatives present from the East and West Coast as well as from many of the intermediate states and Canada. In all there was a large crowd gathered together and all were glad to see one another again.

We are going through the process of districting the Church at present, with a view of reducing our routine of business to a minimum. However, there are many doors thrown open to us these days which is increasing our volume of business very much. Consequently, we were kept very busy during Thursday, Friday and until about 9:30 on Saturday evening.

Pres. Cadman and his Counselors Furnier and Bittinger were in charge of the Conference as usual, accompanied with many of the Apostles and Elders from the various parts of the vineyard. Many interesting incidents and happenings from far and near were brought to our attention. For instance, brother and sister Perdue along with those who had accompanied them into Mexico, are making quite a showing. Quite a number of the Mexican people have been baptized into the church. I understand that the building they built recently to worship in, is now crowded out and they are constructing another one. It happens that a Minister of another church has been baptized into the fold. May the Lord continue to bless them in Mexico.

Brother Daniel Picciutto along with his wife and little family who recently moved into Arizona due to an experience he had—is sort of stirring things up there. He has been holding meetings at or near to Phoenix and also on Indian Reservations, and thus far has baptiz-

ed several converts at both places. Several of our members from California paid them a visit just lately. Their presence was very encouraging to Brother and Sister Piccittto. Two of our brothers are preparing to go to Italy, where they expect to spend a year in the Missionary field. Another is preparing to go to Nigeria, Africa, to spend a year there. Brother Swanson who after spending a year in Nigeria and is due to return back home about the last of April, will prolong his stay there until brother Shazer arrives in order to take his place.

The work in Africa has grown immensely in the last year. There are about six thousand members in Nigeria at present. We should have another brother to accompany brother Shazer. There are quite a few converts now in Italy. We hope that brothers Casasanta and Nolfi from the McKees Branch will have much success in their native land.

Our brothers and sisters from Detroit and Windsor, Ont. are still carrying on at the Muncey and Grand River Reservations in Ontario. They have been very faithful among the Indian people. I might just add too—that among our guests at this Conference were Brother Hale a North Dakota Indian and his wife a Cherokee, descendant from the Cherokees of North Carolina, but who live in Duquesne Pa. And Brother and sister Maness from a Reservation near Sarnia, Ont. were all at this Conference. We were glad to see them worshipping with we palefaces.

There were a number of wonderful experiences reported from the various parts of the vineyard—making it very plain that the Lord was watching over us and guiding His people. There was some good singing during our business hrs. Brother Burgess and Bro. V. J. Lovalvo of California sang a few solos for us. I am not attempting to give all the ins and outs of this Conference. It was a very busy time for us.

We met in the Fireman's Hall in New Eagle for our meeting on Sunday morning (Easter Sunday). It was estimated that about 1200 people were seated. There was a song service before the opening of the Meeting. Several solos were sung, including one by Brother Burgess and his daughter of Windsor,

Canada. Various parts of the church were represented in the song service. Brother W. H. Cadman was our first speaker on this occasion, reading for his text the account given in the book of St. John of the resurrection of Christ. Several speakers followed, retaining the theme of the Resurrection throughout the service. Everybody apparently enjoyed the service. The weather was rather cool for Easter time. However, all seemed happy on the occasion.

I must not forget to give our sisters words of praise for their untiring efforts in serving meals to this large gathering during our business sessions. May the Lord bless our Sisters—they even served spaghetti for those who like it—and too: they served Milk and Honey to him who likes it.

P.S. The Monongahela M.B.A and Sabbath School held an Easter service on Sunday Evening. A large crowd was present—a very good service and the singing to my mind could not be better.

Editor

PLEASE HELP OUR MISSIONARY EFFORT

We are presently engaged in missionary work in various Countries of the world, besides several mission fields among the American Indians including Canada.

Our missionaries are making many sacrifices to carry the Gospel of Christ and bring Salvation to these various fields, and God is blessing their efforts abundantly, but it requires heavy financial expenditures to be able to continue this work. Contributions large or small will be greatly appreciated to help the church continue this great work of saving souls for Christ. Help us to bear financial burden involved. The need is great. May God bless every contributor to this worthy cause.

Second Counsellor,
Joseph Bittinger

ITEMS OF INTEREST

I received a letter from one of our subscribers this day, telling how he had enjoyed the March issue of the Gospel News, except for one thing that he read, in which I stated the funds, were very low for publishing the paper. He had subscribed for a number of our read-

ers, and it made him feel sad at the apparent lack of support to the newsy little paper.

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Also I received a letter yesterday, from a sister who seems to enjoy the paper very much. Her letter certainly was encouraging. She enclosed 20 new subscriptions and a Cheque for fifty dollars to pay for them—Many thanks dear Sister.

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CASPER, Wyo. (AP) Police Chief Paul Danigan questioned a man about reports he was claiming to be an FBI man. The man was released, Danigan said, when he explained that by FBI he meant a full blooded Indian.

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At our District Conference in Greensburg recently, a North Dakota Indian man was baptized, since then, his wife (a descendant of the Cherokee Indians of North Carolina) was baptized at the West-Elizabeth Church. They have, I believe five children who have all been blessed in the church. Their names are Mr. Edward O. and Mrs. Lydia Moore Hale.

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On receipt of "The Cherokee Times", Cherokee, N. C., dated March 4, 1961 (A very Newsy Indian paper) I observe that our Editorial of the January issue of the Gospel News concerning the lost tribe of Indians that had been discovered in a starving condition just across the Mexican Border was republished in that paper. The Cherokee Times is edited and owned by Sarah Beck, an Indian lady who also operates an up-to-date restaurant in Cherokee. I am acquainted with Mrs. Beck and have dined in her restaurant quite often. Any of our readers wishing to subscribe for, a paper mostly attributed to Indian affairs—published 52 times a year for \$3.00, Address the Cherokee Times at Cherokee, N. C. (Editor WHC)

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Chatham, Ont., Canada—March 27, 1961

A few lines from Bro. Bruce Russell who attends the Church at the Muncey Indian Reservation. He sends a new subscription for the Gospel News.

He says "We had a lovely day at the Muncey Church yesterday.

Several of the brothers were present from Detroit. We had a large crowd of children (60) present. He names a number of the Indian folks that were present. He would like to see a Elder live there. We had a lovely time in our S. School, also in our fellowship meeting. In closing their meeting they formed a circle and prayed for God's blessing upon us all. We had a rejoicing time together. May the Lord bless you all at Muncey.

Bro. Cadman

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Mexico. March 17, 1961

Brother Cadman; thank you for your note. Was happy to hear from you. This morning we had two baptisms. We are looking forward to seeing you in Mexico. We trust you are well and that the Lord God is blessing you abundantly. Bro. and Sister Perdue.

BENYOLA - SCHEFFLER

At 3 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 1961, the marriage between Paul Benyola, son of Brother Joseph and Sister Margaret Benyola, and Miss Dorothy Scheffler of Old Bridge, New Jersey, was consummated at double ring ceremony at the Church of Jesus Christ, Hopelawn, New Jersey. Officiating in the ceremony was Brother Nick Persico.

Miss Gloria Scheffler attended her sister as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Carol Janzik and Miss Patricia Hager, friends of the bride.

Best Man was Leonard Benyola, cousin of the groom. Julius Purkall, another cousin of the groom and John D'Orazi were ushers. Soloist, Sister Mary Feher, sang "Because" and "I love You Truly" accompanied by Brother Richard Benyola at the organ.

After a reception for the bridal party and immediate families the couple left for a 2-week wedding trip to Florida. Upon their return, they will reside in Fords, N. J.

We would like to extend our best wishes and God's speed for their continued happiness.

TADDIO - BENYOLA

On Saturday, February 18, 1961, at 4 p.m. united in holy matrimony were Mary Anne Benyola, daughter of Brother Sam Sister Mary Benyola, and Mr. Robert Taddio of

Perth Amboy, N. J., at the Church of Jesus Christ, Hopelawn, N. J. The double ring ceremony was performed by Brother Joseph Benyola.

Attending the bride as Maid of Honor was Margaret Calabro, while bridesmaids were Linda Kowalezyk and junior bridesmaid was Sharon Benyola, all cousins of the bride.

Best Man was Richard Benyola, brother of the bride. Usher was Gerald Benyola and junior usher was David Purkall, both cousins of the bride.

Soloist was Sister Mary Feher accompanied by Sister Mary Perri at the organ.

After the church ceremony a reception was held for friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

After a Florida honeymoon, the couple will reside at the Gordon Apartments in Perth Amboy, N. J.

May God bless them always in their new life together.

VARIOUS APPEAL IN VAIN

Few days after the Nigerian Immigration authorities has written to the British Consulate General in U.S.A. I went back to meet the Chief Immigration Officer.

Brother W. H. Cadman wrote various appeals to the Eastern Regional Government, the American Consulate General in Nigeria, and The Nigerian Immigration Authorities, I am very sorry to say all the Appeals were in vain.

It should be noted that, from July 22nd 1959, to December, 31st 1959 there were no VISAS issued.

I have to seek advice from friends and by so doing, an African Police Officer by name Mr. Raymond in The Immigration Office asked me whether there is a Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ in the Western Region of Nigerian and if there is, I should ask the Bros. to apply for VISAS to Western Region. On my hearing this, I rushed and mailed a letter to Elder John Ross and instructed him to apply for VISAS to the W. R.

Brother Ross hastened and applied for VISAS to the W. R. on December 6, 1959.

N. J. Umoh

FROM CALIFORNIA

Jan. 18, 1961

Dear Bro. Cadman;

Just a line to the Gospel News; I felt that I should do my part in

writing to the paper that we all love. My subject will be (The Kingdom of God).

Jesus taught His disciples to pray, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Surely we are not living in that day now, for it is a time of peace now, generally speaking. This world is in a terrible condition, morally, spiritually, and physically. We have men of great learning, scientists, of all sorts and men with knowledge that they can do most anything. But Paul said that the world by wisdom knew not God. They lack the wisdom of God to lead the people into a place where the will of God could be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Solomon prayed to God for wisdom to guide these THY people. This is the kind of leadership we need to-day. We need the wisdom of God to guide us into righteousness that we may live at peace with all men. Knowledge puffeth up, but wisdom edifieth. The Kingdom of Jesus Christ was different than anything that had been established before that time. If it was put into practice it would bring a condition on earth as it is in Heaven.

There were 625 precepts under the law, such as sacrifices, washings, circumcision, ect. Jesus condensed these all into two which were, (Thou shalt love the Lord Thy God with all thy heart, with all thy mind and with all thy strength, AND Thy neighbor as thyself. Upon these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. The symbol of the lion and the lamb lying down together would soon be noticeable in the earth if men everywhere would love God with all their hearts and their neighbor as themselves. Instead of making atom bombs we would be beating our spears into pruning hooks and our swords into plowshares, not learning war anymore. For the earth would be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the water covers the deep. The Kingdom of God would be here on earth and His will done as it is in Heaven.

There is no way of peace on earth or good will to-ward man without the love of God being in the hearts of men, regardless of nationality, creed or color. The persecution we have in the world today against the Jew and colored race is

a disgrace to any Christian Nation. Thank God we will not have such things in HIS kingdom. Jesus set up a kingdom on earth and He called it His church.

First Apostles, second Prophets, pastors, teachers, etc. for the perfecting of the saints until we all come to the unity of the FAITH. Jesus likened the Kingdom of God to a mustard seed, the smallest of seeds. He said it would grow and the birds of the air would find a lodging place there. He made no discrimination, The birds of the air included all birds regardless of nature. Some with natures of the dove and some of the Eagle, there is a great variety of natures and habits of different birds, But they can all dwell in peace and safety if they lodge in the Kingdom of God, or the mustard tree. There is nothing attractive about a mustard tree that would attract the eye or make one desire to lodge in it.

Isiah said there was no beauty or comeliness about HIM that men would desire Him. But what peace and comfort He gives to them that dwell in Him.

Daniel said it was a LITTLE stone cut out of the mountain without hands that would roll unobserved until it would fill the whole world. So is the church of today. It is certainly unobserved as far as this present day is concerned. But it is still rolling and when it has filled the earth then the will of God shall be done on earth as it is in Heaven. And as the different birds with their different natures, which represent all of mankind shall be changed thru loving God with all their hearts, then shall they form the Kingdom of God.

Jesus said that the kingdom of God was like a man that cast his net into the sea and catches all manner of fish both good and bad, teaching that HE came for all men, (WHO-SO-EVER) will may come and find shelter and rest for their soul. When this kingdom is established on the top of the hill in the last days, the prophet tells us that the nations will say, (Come and let us go up to the mount of GOD THE HOUSE OF THE LORD, let us learn of HIS ways and walk in HIS

paths.

So we see HIS Kingdom will be exalted above the hills. In the meantime I think as Jesus wept over Jerusalem crying O Jerusalem, how often I would have gathered you as a hen gathers her chicks, but ye would not. He weeps over souls today and I wonder how long will His arms of mercy be extended to a disobedient and sinful world. Christ is ready to set up His Kingdom but we will not, He is ready to gather the house of Israel, But they will not. He is waiting to save sinners, but they will not, He is waiting to shower His blessings upon us if we let HIM.

The Kingdom Jesus set up was as real as any kingdom that was ever set up, with laws, and rules to govern it. Indeed it was the only government set up of God for the welfare of His people. A government thru the people and for the people, not only in this life but for the life to come. Jesus is the head and supreme power of this kingdom. We are the citizens If we submit to all the laws and rules governing this kingdom. Faith, Repentance, baptism by immersion, laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost by those duly authorized and given authority from Jesus the head. Except a man is born of the water and the Spirit he can in no wise see the Kingdom of God. Jesus said men ought always to pray and not to faint. We who are citizens of this kingdom are called upon to travail in prayer and the promise is; When Zion travails she shall bring forth. Spiritual children shall be born and His kingdom will flourish. Too many are fainting by the wayside, instead of praying we are finding fault with one another and thus are hindering one another. God help us to pray and talk less. Jesus said offenses would come but woe to him by whom they come, it were better that a mill stone were hanged about his neck and he was cast into the sea, than to offend one of the least of my little ones. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. The kingdom of God is not in word but in power. Jesus said; my kingdom is not of this world else my

servants would have fought for it. That I would not be delivered to the Jews. My kingdom is not of this world.

After the resurrection His disciples asked Him if he was going to restore unto them, (the Jews) the kingdom. Jesus said it is not for you to know the times or the seasons which the Father has in His own power. He was not interested in a national kingdom but said unto them, But YE SHALL receive POWER after that the HOLY GHOST has come upon you. This promise is for us also and it is the will of God that we should have this same power and it is only by this power that His kingdom will be established and Zion shall be exalted and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Your Brother in Christ
James Heaps.

A PROMISE

The sorrows that we share
May seem more than we can bear.
But we who love the Lord
Are not able to afford and
Forget the promise we have made
In remembrance of the cross
That had been laid.
So let us not forget the
Blessing which shall be met
When we the Saints will obtain,
Our Godly Heritage to Reign.
Bro. Jim Benyola

First John 4-20

If a man say, I love God, and
hateth his brother, he is a liar: for
he that loveth not his brother whom
he hath seen, how can he love God
whom he hath not seen?

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Roman's 8-38, 39

For I am persuaded, that neither
death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor powers, nor
things present, nor things to come,
nor height, nor depth, nor any other
creatures, shall be able to separate
us from the love of God, which is
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Good For Thought

(Though the Author is unknown)

I went to town the other day
To buy some mignonette,
And rode beside a man in gray
Who smoked a cigarette.
He filled his lungs with nicotine
Then blew it in my face
Until it seemed our gas machine
Was reeling off in space.
Now he, with others of his kind,
May have his "chunk of rope,"
And smoke until his weakened
Mind gives way to poison dope.
But when he's in some public
Place where men and women
Meet
He ought to have the manly grace
To smoke out in the street.
Or in the "smoker" built for him,
In station, train and bus,
Where he can gratify his whim
Without disturbing us.
But once the habit has been
Formed he loses self restraint,
And with his sense of shame
Deformed he's deaf to all
Constraint.
The bold contempt which he
Assumes my sickened soul
Doth vex;
He fills the air with poison fumes
With no regard for sex.
Some day, we hope, he'll see 'tis
Wrong to be so impolite,
And with determination, strong,
Dethrone his appetite.
It is evident to me that the contributor of this poem is taking notice of the thoughtlessness of smokers of our day. My attention was recently drawn to a "No Smoke" sign posted in a Funeral Home. What a change one sees in a lifetime.

Editor

DETROIT

Dear Gospel readers, I thank God for all things—for the gospel which is the power of God unto salvation. Also for our little paper, The Gospel News.

It is only in and through the Gospel that man can accept that which Jesus has laid down before His creation. It behoves us to accept it in its fullness for it is the pearl of great price.

You know we have sold our church building, and have already purchased an acre of land in Allen

Park, Mich. Most suitable to build a Church on. We hope to get started soon. We are holding Wednesday night meetings in my home. We still enjoy the Sabbath Day meetings at Branch No. 4. — Psalms 116-12 "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me." Best wishes to you all.

Sister Anna Carlini

LOST and FOUND

I was lost and deep in sin,
No peace of mind or joy within.
Couldn't rest or couldn't find
Just a little peace of mind.
I wandered on from day to day,
Seeking to find the way.
That my heart could be set free
So peace could abide in me.
The Jesus came and beckoned me
To follow Him and be set free,
From the cares that were deep in me;
So that He may abide in me.
I obeyed and am set free
And now Jesus does abide in me.
And from Him I did learn to find,
The meaning of peace of mind.

Sister Nancy Harvey

A REPLY TO CRITICISM OF REPENTANCE

On several occasions in recent Months I have heard the assertion made or inference, that people are being baptized into the church who have not repented: I feel such critical remarks are derogatory in character, I think this is a serious reflection on the judgment and work of all Elders, especially those engaged in missionary work, by some who have set themselves up as judges of other men's work. To assume that anyone has not repented is a serious matter contrary to the humble precepts of Christ's teaching.

"Judge not, that ye be not judged, for with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again." Matt. 7:1 The words of Christ himself. Yet some will prejudge others (many) who they have never seen or heard to speak. Also the Apostle Paul speaking said, "But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judg-

ment seat of Christ." Rom. 14: 10. The Savior said on another occasion, judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

I cannot believe any Elder would knowingly baptize any person unless he was convinced of their sincerity in wanting to turn away from sin and unrighteousness. All that desires to come to Christ and the Church are to bring forth fruits worthy of repentance. But what is the meaning of this statement? If you were to ask ten people you probably would get as many different answers. But is it not when a person expresses their belief in God, with a desire to take upon them the name of Christ and the principles of His gospel and the church, forsaking their former way of life, when this has been done to the satisfaction of the Elder is he then not obliged to baptize the person. Some may be moved emotionally and shed tears of grief or sorrow, others show no outward sign of emotion whatever. Emotions are not pertinent to baptism as ^{sy-} one may be led to believe. It is ^{sy-} to become traditional and set in one's own opinion and belief and thus endeavor to narrow the operation of Gods Spirit to conform to a personal opinion or belief.

There appears to be the erroneous belief by some that the operation of the Spirit should be the same with all people producing the same out-ward effect, but the Scriptures say there are diversities of operations produced by the same Spirit. Sometimes emotions are mistakenly taken for the Spirit of God. The Spirit of God does cause emotions many times, but all emotions are not prompted by the Spirit. It is very evident that some people places great emphasis on the outward display, rather than on the more calm and rational operation by those who have given very serious consideration and deliberation to the whole matter before asking to be taken into the church.

Yes it is wonderful to see and feel the Holy Spirit move upon

someone. It is some of the most thrilling and enjoyable moments in life to see others obey the Gospel of Christ and become partakers of His blessings along with us. Apostle Paul said, for Godly sorrow worketh repentance to Salvation, not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death. 2 Cor. 7:10. Repentance, sorrow for sin, I would not assume that this sorrow is always manifested to others, because we cannot see into the heart of anyone neither discern the joy or sorrow dwelling there. Only God is able to judge that which is in the heart and reward accordingly.

It appears those who question the sincerity and integrity of others in obeying the Gospel think of themselves as being more acceptable, more righteous or worthy of Salvation, while they would deny it to others as being unrepentant, unworthy, unqualified. Jesus said, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye. Matt. 7:5 We should consider our own weaknesses and short-comings seriously and humbly strive to correct them as much as possible with the help of God. I am well aware of the fact there have been mistakes made. Men have made them ever since Adam made the first one in the Garden of Eden. (there is a proverbial saying) The only person who never made any mistakes is the one who never did anything, I think it is a true saying. But no person of intelligent mind would even think of condemning an entire project because there had been a mistake made, or because a piece of material used was not up to standard. The greater the undertaking or the project regardless whether it is material or spiritual, the greater the possibility of mistakes occurring.

I do not think it Christ like to condemn a person or their work when they did the best they could regardless of the circumstance. A person's best is all he can give and I am certain all that God requires of us in His service. Sometimes people are more difficult or technical to reason with, and no doubt David was well aware of this fact when he chose to fall into the hands of the Lord, rather than into the hands

of men. Paul writing to the Galatians 5:15. says "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another". It is not a saintly act to point out the weakness or faults of others publicly, and those so doing will find it adds nothing to their stature in the things of God or the church. The evil one always points out the weakest ones of the church as examples to discourage and turn away those seeking the truth and church, but we who are called Saints, certainly are required to use wisdom, to speak wisely, endeavoring always to build up good will and confidence in others towards the church. not words portraying malice, envy, strife, jealousy and evil feelings.

Joseph Bittinger

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We enjoy the letters of others telling about their interests and activities in the Church and in trying to spread the Gospel. It is all very wonderful to me to see how they use their various talents to do good in every way they have an opportunity.

Some are able to go far from home on missionary work. Some use their preaching talents at home to inspire and encourage those already in the Gospel. Members can set an example of faithfulness in attendance at meetings. After all what would it matter what great sermons were preached if no one was there to hear. Also by willingly helping with any good work undertaken. Always glad to do our part. We hear of those who give generously financially so that all of this work can be paid for. And in the Bible even the widow gave all she had.

I often think of the Sisters too, who so devotedly work in the Ladies Circle The young who love the work done by the M. B. A. The Sunday School teachers who implant the Gospel in the tender minds of the children. There are many, many other things I could mention, but it seems to me it is this working in the way best suited to each of us, that we are working together for same purpose. And some day it shall accomplish a glorious Kingdom upon the earth.

For our little Church here, we hear very wonderful, inspiring things spoken, and many times feel

sad that there are not many more to listen with us. There is a spirit of peace and contentment in our midst and we love each other.

From Fredonia we send our love to those of the Church everywhere.

Sister Martha Kelley

Feb. 21, 1961

Dear Bro. Cadman;

This morning Sister Annette Labauskas was going thru some of her papers and came across a poem written by our late brother Ben Stroud. I thought it was too good to keep in a box so I asked Annette if I could type it up and sent it to the Gospel News so others could read it and enjoy it. I think it is beautiful and conveys some wonderful thoughts. I felt a blessing when I read it and it just seemed like a message that Bro. Ben left for us. He did not give it a title so I will do that for I am sure that he would have it so if he was here to give his approval for I am sure that this was his aim.

MY AIM

By Bro. Ben Stroud

I look to the Heavens, a mountain
I see,
The hand work of GOD, ever meant
to be free,
Within me, my hungry soul seeks
true release
Leads me up to-ward the mountain,
seeking peace.
The journey is perilous, I grow
weary and sore,
My soul cries "pursue", the summits
not far,
So upward I travel, always looking
above.
I see by its richness, GOD'S gift to
be loved.
I've now scaled the heights, it's
the top of the range,
I feed soul and eyes, then I look
to the plain,
My eyes search the HEAVENS,
those orbits so fair,
It's then I know peace, for I'm sure
God is there.

Bro. Ben Stroud,
deceased

First Corinthians 1-10

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you: same judgment.

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

Strange things seem to happen: About two weeks prior to our recent Conference one of my brethren from a distance visited my home. In our general conversation on various matters, an experience had by Joseph Smith in 1820 came up in our talk — wherein it is stated that Father and Son appeared to him. This was his experience in the grove on his father's farm when he was about 14 or 15 years old. In the conversation with my visitor, it was evident, that to me the matter is being discussed among my brethren. I explained to him that that part of the experience has been questioned and that I myself entertained doubts about it. I stated, or drew his attention to the fact, that there was nothing on record in the Bible or the Book of Mormon in accord with it. Personally, I knew that it was questioned. I had a nice visit with my brother while he was here. The subject was dismissed from my mind, and I presume the same of my brother.

Somehow, in our recent conference, the same subject was sprung in our midst. I cannot recall how it came about. It was only of short duration but was sufficient to expose the fact that the recorded experience of Joseph Smith in that matter is under discussion among my brethren. And of course the conversation I had with my visitor revealed the same thing. And, too, there are many things in the way of experiences in Joseph's life as recorded that are being brought up and questioned today. This is not to be unexpected, for the angel of God told him that his name would be good and evil spoken of. The utterance of the angel has certainly proved to be true — for nothing has been too bad to say of him since the plates were delivered to him on the hill near Palmyra, N. Y., by the angel of God.

It is only one week today since our Conference closed here in Monongahela and in my mail yesterday I received a copy of T. M. edited by a Mr. Samuel Wood of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, concerning this very experience. He quotes from early history and records of the Church that it was two angels that appeared to him, and not the Father and Son as has been handed down in Joseph Smith's Own Experience. It seems strange to me that I should receive this periodical (TM)

so soon after the instance coming up in our Conference. Editor Wood's is bringing some strange things to light. He is I believe a member or was a member of the Re-organized Church, commonly known as "Young Josephites." I will publish the Editor's article in this paper elsewhere, that you all may read for yourselves.

I wish to make known to you all and especially the members of The Church of Jesus Christ, that the publishing of Mr. Wood's article is not to cause a controversy, but after reading you can have your own thoughts about the matter. But be it understood, that this Church was organized by our departed brethren by the revelation of God, and not after the many strange teachings attributed to Joseph Smith. We are firm believers in the Restoration of the Gospel by him. We accept the Bible and Book of Mormon and we measure the teachings of the "Unlearned Man" by its contents or teachings. Joseph was warned by the Holy angel to adhere to what was written.

From the controversy that has arisen among all factions of the Restored Gospel, it is evident that Joseph Smith may not be responsible for all that has been attached to his name, since the tragedy at Carthage Jail. It has been said "that it is easy to attach anything to a dead man's name." And to me, and I might add The Church of Jesus Christ as well, there is much attached to his name that the Word of God as contained in the Bible and Book of Mormon does not sustain. I feel to praise the God of heaven, for His Son whom He sent to the earth and has taught us "That there is nothing hid but what shall be uncovered—nothing covered but what shall be revealed. Let us all remember that through the instrumentality of the unlearned boy (Joseph) the long hidden records have been uncovered, bringing to light the marvelous works and wonders of God's purposes in these last days.

Yea to you all: do not forget the fact that Joseph Smith was a boy beloved of God, and the angel told him that his name would be used for both good and evil. No doubt he is or was accused of many things that the Eternal Tribunal will acquit him on. He is accused of polygamous conduct on the part of many who extoll his name today. My prayer is that we be careful and hold to the teachings of Him of Whom we just recently commemorated as being triumphant over hell and the grave. **FOR SO MUCH HAS BEEN WRITTEN TO SMEAR THE NAME OF THE ONE WHOM WAS A BELOVED BOY**, which was taken note of by one of the greatest of prophets—Isaiah. Read the Article (Angel Not Gods) elsewhere in this paper.

FROM MEXICO

Brother Cadman: Our brother Luis Urias will be ordained on April 23rd. He is truly worthy of this calling into the Ministry. We know that the Lord had him prepared for our church. We do hope you can be here with us on that date to witness the first ordination in Mexico. This brother is a full-blooded Indian. Before long we will send his testimony which we are sure you will enjoy reading, along with that of his wife. The Lord revealed unto her that the Bible and Book of Mormon were one in His hands by appearing to her. I am sending you a hymn the Lord gave to our brother. May God bless you brother Cadman. We do hope we shall see you shortly. Sincerely Bro. Edward and Sister Purdue.

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Lord teach us to pray," Luke 11:1

Dear Boys and Girls,

Many years ago when Jesus was here on earth he chose twelve men to be his disciples or helpers. He taught them many things. Wherever he went his disciples and the multitudes of people followed him. Jesus told many wonderful stories called parables. He told about flowers, birds, how to build a house, how to plant seeds, the rich man, a wedding, a fig tree and the Kingdom of heaven. He told about so many things it would take too long for me to tell you all of them. Everyone loved to hear his stories.

One day he took them up on a high mountain. He taught them about God's love. This was called the "Sermon on the Mount". Part of the sermon was about blessings or Beatitudes. His disciples asked him to teach them how to pray. Jesus taught them a beautiful prayer known as, "The Lords Prayer". We all know it. He told them when they prayed to talk to God as they would their fathers. He said our heavenly Father knows our needs even before we ask. Therefore we should pray wisely. Prayer is not just words, it is our life. It takes us into God's presence. So when we pray we talk to God. We tell Him how much we love Him. We ask Him to give us things that are good for us. We should always thank Him in our prayers for our blessings and to forgive us when we do wrong. Prayer is like a partnership with God. It gives us courage, faith and joy. Prayer opens the door, is like a ray of light in the darkness. Through prayer we have a friend in Jesus. When we are troubled He tells us to cast our burden upon Him.

In the morning when we waken we should thank God for His protecting care through out the night and ask Him to be our companion all day. At each meal we again pray, asking God to bless our food and provide for those who are hungry. Then as the day is gone and it is time to go to sleep we should

think of all the things we have done that day. Maybe some things were not very good, then we should ask for forgiveness and try to do better the next day. Maybe we should ask for more courage to say no, when things come before us we know are not right. There are so many ways to pray. No wonder the disciples asked the Lord to teach them.

In the Book of Mormon it tells of Jesus' visit to this land of America to the Nephite people. It says He taught them the same things here that he taught in Palestine. The Lord's Prayer was among His teachings. He spoke about forgiving each other. We are to forgive seventy times seven. If we can't, then we shouldn't expect God to forgive us.

During prayer, in our services we should close our eyes and listen to the prayer being offered to God. You will be surprised how beautiful some prayers are. Some of our brothers and sisters have the gift of prayer. Will you listen closely the next time you are in church?

There is a common saying, "Families who pray together—stay together." I think it pays to pray, don't you?

Here is a little poem about prayer. See if you can compose one and send it to me.

Forgive Me Lord
Forgive me Lord, if today
I was not good at work or play
Help me, Lord, to do what's right
Please watch o'er me throughout
The night.

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel
Box 72
Monongahela, Pa.

FROM SISTER FISHER PARLIN, N. J.

Brother Cadman:

I have a desire to let you know of the good work being done in Freehold, N. J.

Sister Bessie is employed in a nursing home taking care of patients. She is telling the people and giving her testimony about The

Church of Jesus Christ. On Sunday (April 2nd) Brother Matthew Rogolino, Sister Burke, my Sister-in-law (who is not a member of the church) and myself visited the Nursing Home and Sister Burke introduced us to many people. To see the condition of these poor people is very pitiful indeed, May God bless them.

We sang a few hymns and Bro. Rogolino offered up a prayer. The people seem to enjoy it very much. There is a man 41 years old who comes to every meeting and will become a member soon. There is a lady who is very much afflicted but comes to every meeting. Brother Cadman, please remember these poor people in your prayers.

May God bless Sister Burke in her labour for she is doing a good work. I thought you would be interested in this news.—Sister Fisher, we should all be interested in news of this kind. Among other things Jesus sent word back to John, the poor have the gospel preached to them. He came to those who had need of a physician and died on the cross for us all. May the Lord bless you all in your efforts to scatter good seed.

Editor

NUPTIALS

Vitto - Stewart

On Feb. 18th., 1961 at 11 A. M., Marriage Nuptials were exchanged between Miss Shirley Frances Stewart, and bro. Louis Vitto. The ceremony was performed in the Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 1, by bro. Paul Vitto, bro. of the groom. Bro. Frank Conti was the pianist throughout the double ring ceremony, and accompanied bro. Frank Vitto, also bro. of the groom, who sang 'Because.'

Attending the bride, was Miss Reba Ledbetter, as maid of Honor and sister Grace Santarcangelo, cousin of the groom. Best man was the groom's nephew, Gary Vitto, and Usher was Joe Piacentino. Also in bridal party, were little Paulette, and Perry Vitto, niece and nephew of the groom. Following the church ceremony, there was a dinner for the family, and bridal party, after which the Newly-weds, took a jet plane, for their Honeymoon, in Florida, with plans—to be back in two weeks. They will reside on Mott

Ave. in St. Clair Shores. May God's richest blessings abide with them always, and may peace, joy, and happiness be their heritage, is the prayer of us all.

Sister Angeline Scolaro
(Assistant Editor of
Branch No. 1)

Letter From Lorain, Ohio

Please renew our Gospel News for another year. A wonderful paper it is and we hope God may grant you many more years of life and strength so we may enjoy the news of the saints throughout the church, as well as many articles you add. God bless you always for the good work and example you are to us all.

Brother and Sister Charles Naro.

Our aged bro. passes on

On March 1st, 1961, our dearly beloved bro. Gesidio Farchione passed on to his reward. He was born April 6th., 1881, and died March 1st, 1961, making him nearly 80 years old. He was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 1, August 26th. 1923, and proved himself to be a very faithful bro. in Christ. He was one of whom it may be said, once he reflected the image and stature of Christ, he remained steadfast to the end. The body laid in State, at the Church of Jesus Christ, at Harper and 3 Mile Drive, 10 A.M. to 11 A.M. on Saturday, March 4th. Bro. Nicholas Pietrangelo, assisted by his father, bro. Anthony Pietrangelo, officiated at the services. Interment at Gethsemane Cemetery. Our bro. is survived by his companion, Antoniella, daughter Mrs. Mary Carro, four grandchildren, and one son. May our dear Heavenly Father abundantly bless his companion, son, daughter, and grandchildren, and help them, someday to be able to walk in his footsteps.

MARSH - THOMAS NUPTIALS

On Saturday Feb. 4, 1961 at 6:30 p.m., marriage vows were exchanged between Virginia Darlene Marsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Marsh of Smock, Pa., and John Richard Thomas, son of Bro. and sister John Thomas of Vanderbilt, Pa. The ceremony was performed by the groom's grandfather Oran

Thomas in The Church of Jesus Christ at Bitner, Pa.

The bride was given away in marriage by her step-brother Delbert Henderson. Maid of honor was Cheryl Lint, cousin of the bridegroom, and his brother Oran served as best man. Prior to the ceremony, Karen Lowe played several traditional wedding songs, with Molly Lint singing "O Promise Me" and "Because". Following the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride for all the friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

After a brief honeymoon, the newly-weds are now residing at Smock, Pa. Reported by Librarian Virginia Bobulich.

March 20, 1961

GESHWINDT - PFLUEGER NUPTIALS

We had a beautiful wedding on March 18 in our Church at San Diego when Bro. Buck Pflueger and Sister Joanne Geshwindt were united in marriage. Bro. Richard Castelli officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride was attended by her twin sister, Sister Joyce Geshwindt, as Maid of Honor, with Judy and Linda Pflueger, sister of the Groom as bridesmaids. The groom was attended by his brother, Bro. Gary Pflueger, as Best man, with Bro. Tom Carter and Bro. Bob Ravolette as Ushers. Sister Virginia Castelli played the accompaniment while Sis. JoAnn Smith and Bro. Tom Liberto sang a duet, "Because." Following a reception, the young couple left for their wedding trip, and are at home at 5163 Wightman Street, San Diego, California.

This wedding was especially inspiring when one realized how the Lord can guide two people. Sister Joanne and Bro. Buck came into the Church as perfect strangers, and met each other through the Church. Good wishes to the newly-weds, and may God bestow His richest blessings upon them.

Sister Ann Smith,
Branch Editor

DETROIT, MICH.

On March 25, 1961 at 11:00 a.m. marriage vows were exchanged between Brother Leonard Lovalvo (son of Brother & Sister Joseph

Lovalvo from Modesto, California) and Sister Grace Santarcangelo (daughter of Brother & Sister John Santarcangelo of Detroit, Michigan).

The double ring ceremony was performed in the Church of Jesus Christ, Detroit Branch No. 1 with the Groom's father (Brother Joseph Lovalvo) officiating.

The Bridesmaids were Sister Lovalvo, Sister Sharon Lovalvo and Sister Rose Ann Lovalvo. The Ushers were Brother Louie Vitto, Gary Vitto and Brother Leonard (Anthony) Lovalvo. The Maid of Honor was Sister Rosie Pontillo with Mr. Sam Randy as Best Man.

Soloist, Brother V. James Lovalvo sang "My Hero" and "Because" accompanied by Brother Frank Conti at the piano.

Following the Church ceremony, a Dinner was held at Alcamo's Hall for the Bride and Groom's family. At 7:00 p.m. a Reception Invitation was extended to all.

The newlyweds will reside in Modesto, California after their honeymoon. May the future hold nothing but happiness and the blessings of God as they venture into this new life together.

Sister Rosie Pontillo

"The Following is a Reprint (by request) of an article appearing in the September 1958 issue of The Gospel News on page 2".

NATIONAL LIBRARY, PARIS Sir:

The declaration of the cardinals to Pope Julius III, which you possess in English is a translation of the declaration in Latin, is found in the first volume of the works of Vergerius against the papacy—Tubingen 1563 (pp. 94104). If you wish to, you can order a reproduction (photostat or photocopy from our photographic service, upon indicating the cost of the book: Res. D22719 and the precision given above.

Accept, Sir, the expression of my very distinguished and very devoted greetings. Chief Curator of the Department.

Dear Readers: The article following this titled "Declaration of Cardinals To Julius II, In The Year 1550," was given to me some years ago. I do not remember who gave it to me. Not long ago I

wrote a letter to the Library at Paris to learn if the matter was recorded and cared for in the Library. The above is the reply sent to me from the Chief Curator of the department. It was written to me in French. I had a College student take it to one of our colleges here in Western Pennsylvania and have it translated into English for me. The above is the English Version of the letter sent to me from the Library in Paris. Following is the Article that was given to me some years ago. It may interest you.

Brother Cadman

Declaration of Cardinals To Pope Julius III, In The Year 1550

Found in the National Library of Paris. Sheet E.N.N.1088 Vol. 2 Pages 641-650.

"Of all advice we can possibly offer your Holiness, we have left the most important part below. We must open well our eyes and make use of our effort in this respect, that is, to allow the reading of the Gospel as little as possible and especially in the everyday language of all those countries which are under our jurisdiction."

Limit yourselves to that portion of the Gospel which is usually read during Mass and don't allow more to be read.

The people will finally be satisfied with such a limited portion and your interests will flourish; but, as soon as the people will wish for more, then your interests will suffer and perhaps fall.

The Bible, more than any other book, is the one which has caused rebellions and storms to come against us for which we had almost lost out. In fact, if one makes a strict examination by comparing the teaching of the Bible with those established in our churches, he will soon see the contrast and will understand that our teaching is often different from those of the Bible and even against it.

If this is discovered by the people, they will never stop to harass us till everything will be put to light and we'll become an object of scorn and universal hatred. Hence it is necessary to hide the Bible from the peoples vista but, with extreme caution so as not to cause a rebellion."

(John 20-31; Galation 1-8; Eze-

kiel 6-7; 2nd Timothy 3-16; I John 1-3; 5-13; Psalm 119-105; Mark 12-24; Acts 17-11; Colossians 4-16; Thessalonians 5-27 Revelation 1-3)

PART III

I GO TO SCHOOL WITH EVERYONE I MEET

TALKING — In this segment of life's classroom, is an individual who has abused some attention because of his constant talking; and his every effort to want to dominate the group gathered together for informal conversation and discussion. Such a person generally assumes that he knows all that there is to know in many fields of thought. His presumption of constantly wanting to advise everybody, affects many polite listeners with reserved disgust. This type of person is so egotistic that he strongly believes that by his constant flow of words and conversation, he is impressing people all around him with a sense of his importance.

In reality however, the over-extended talker only tends to expose his limitations more vividly. The excessive talker judges the importance of his speaking by its length and noise, and not its quality of substance and depth. This individual with the above inclinations maintains an interest in the group as long as he does most of the talking and is the center of attention. On the other hand, if some person is speaking other than himself, the latter becomes indifferent to what some one else may be saying; for he now loses complete interest in the group and moves off to seek attention and interest elsewhere. By nature, he is not sincerely interested in the collective concern of the group, for he is not truly corporate minded.

I learn from this talkative person that it's best to speak only when there is something constructive to contribute. To say as much as you can in as few words as possible. Weigh with soberness, the words that best express your thoughts, so that the contents of what you speak of, convey meaning and purpose; and comes directly to the point intended. Develop a sincere interest in the welfare of all other people; and let us respect the differences they may have until a better mutual understanding may be reached.

The person that trains his mind with constructive efforts, presents an orderly and well organized personality; who in proper time can command the respect as well as the confidence of his listeners. People are ready to listen when they can detect that a speaker knows of what he is talking about and also conveys a feeling of sincerity in what he says; for it is void of pretense. To be able to feel what you say, and say what you feel without artificial display-is the accomplishment of a mature and disciplined personality.

(To be continued)

Patsy Marinetti

The Value of Time

True wisdom lies in gathering the precious things out of each day as it goes by. Take time to live, that's what time is for. God gives us lives to live, grace and strength to hold our minds to the highest we know, and open our hearts to the best, thus asking Him to fill our minutes, with magnetic contents. Take time to work. It's the source of power, and success. While doing one's work, whatever it may be, spare the time to be kind. It is the source of happiness. Time is the greatest solver of all our problems. If only we had faith enough to trust it, and not put things off, but put them over.

Take time to dream, and meditate, it is medicine for the soul. Thankful for life, and the blessings given, thinking those thoughts that are right and good. Doing those deeds, that you think you should, with love, is the greatest of virtues. Take time to be courteous, it always pays. Take time to worship, it is the highway of reverence and obedience to the commandments of God. Take time to read, it is the foundation of knowledge, what we do with time, imprints a definite mark, or spot on our character, no matter what we do.

Some day when we least expect it, the sun will rise, on our last day of life. Those who are wise, live ready all the time, because we never know when the test will come. Matt. 25-13. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour, wherein the Son of man cometh. It's not the number of hours, days or years that we have put in the Church of Jesus Christ, but what our daily efforts, have been each hour, for the build-

ing of God's kingdom on earth. Matt. 7-21. Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my father.

Take time to plan, it is the secret of being able to look away from yourself, practice lifting your mind above the rush and confusion around you. Ps. 121-1-2. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help, my help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. There is time even in these busy days of ours, to try this daily dozen. A little patience, at least once. A few minutes of unselfishness. A flash of generosity. A prompt reply for loyalty. A noble thought, perhaps a text recalled. A good deed not left undone. A brief prayer for a friend in trouble. A moment of thankfulness for blessings enjoyed. A kindly smile, where it may brighten another's woe. A snatch of song, or hum of a tune, that helps, with life's load.

Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting sun, be to you as it's close, so that every moment, leaves its sure record of some useful, and purposeful activity, in our love and service to God.

Sister Muriel Miller.

FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA

Brother Editor:

We here in Ft. Pierce have desired to write to you for sometime. We are all in good health and enjoying the blessings of God. We thank Him for all blessings He has bestowed upon us.

On Sunday, March 19th, we had a wonderful day—we had two baptisms in the morning and words cannot tell of the joy we felt. Our new brother and sister have three children who were blessed. A vision was had while the Elders were preparing to confirm the baptized converts, of twelve men surrounding them. There were many visitors present and our prayer is that they will be brought to obedience of the gospel. We are striving each day to do the will of the Lord, that we may be found among the faithful at the last day. We thank Him for the crosses we have to bear—for without a cross there is no crown.

Work is very slow here, most of us have large families to care for. The Lord did not promise us luxuries, but only our daily bread. This He has provided, for which we give Him thanks. There is much Missionary work to do here. The brethren are out almost every night. We do ask to be remembered in prayer. May the Lord bless us all.

Sincerely,
Sister Juanita Rogolino

YOUNGSTOWN NEWS

Youngstown is happy to let our brothers and sisters-in-Christ know of our three baptisms here recently. In January after attending our meetings for three or four months, Sister Vera Edwards and her mother, Sister Eleanor Martin, of Sharon, Pennsylvania, were baptised into our fold. We want to thank God for their conversion and look forward to the day when their family will all be united in one accord.

Brother Jim Heaps of California spent a most enjoyable week with the saints of Youngstown a few weeks before Conference. We surely started the week off on a happy note for all. Brother Bill Constantine, son of sister, Bertha and brother, Jack, was called to follow in the steps of Jesus. Another young man of the Fredonia branch also made known his desire to become one of us. It was a wonderful day of rejoicing and thanksgiving. May the Lord bless our leaders in using their talents for Him, visiting various branches and missions throughout the church, striving to uplift, strengthen, and bring others to the knowledge of Christ.

Dear Brother Cadman,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of my brothers and sisters for their good wishes and cards and most of all for their prayers in my behalf during my recent affliction.

Several months ago I became very afflicted with pains in my stomach. These pains were so severe that I had to be taken to the Perth Amboy General Hospital. I was in the hospital for approximately two weeks and after numerous tests, X-rays, etc., the doctors could not find any origin for the pain. I was then released from the hospital and was only home a few

days when I had to return due to another severe attack of pain. After a few more tests and X-rays they still could not tell what was causing my pain. I was taken off my regular diet and am still not able to eat the foods which I have been accustomed to eating. Due to this limitation of food, I have lost a very considerable amount of weight and have been very very weak. Thank God I have improved and since my discharge from the hospital, about 3 weeks ago, I have been able to get around and most important of all attend meetings.

I still beget an interest in your prayers. I know that only the Lord knows my condition & only He can make me well. I understand if it is necessary to return to the hospital the doctors say they will operate my prayer is that this will not have to happen. Pray for me, my dear brothers and sisters, for all that I need is Jesus.

Yours - in - Christ
Brother Jim Mercurio
Hopelawn, New Jersey
HOPELAWN, NEW JERSEY

"WITHOUT THE SAVIOUR ON THE CROSS"

Without the Saviour on the cross, The purpose of which he came to die, The water, the blood pouring from His side, We would have no life eternally, Into which our souls would abide, Without the Saviour on the Cross.

He who died to save all or many Can not even save Himself, they cried! Seems as though he can't save any God forbid, that the saviour died.

Without the Saviour on the Cross, Fallen angels we would be, Living souls of misery, God Himself would suffer loss, There would be no life eternally, Without the Saviour on the Cross.

He who had life, is He who gave it, To as many as believed. He who lost life, he would gain it, If to this man he would cleave.

Without the Saviour on the Cross, To us would be no new dispensation. Jewels, gold, silver would be dross, God's heart and delight is Restoration. And how could these things ever be, Without the Saviour on the Cross.

Now we see the world around us Men hearts fear and failing fast.

they come willingly, for love and kindness need no advertising campaigns. This year 5,000 new ones came to us for the first time.

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Our largest church in the Moslem, part of Nigeria is at a leprosarium. To hear these baptized believers, over 100 of them, praise Him is a thrill that cannot be forgotten. Each one was formerly Moslem, living without hope for body or soul. Now each one is a follower of Him who said, "I am come that ye might have life."

Over 10,000 children are under our care for leprosy treatment. Years ago some Moslem parents sent their children to one of our leprosaria. Jesus met them. Today 30 young people from this one leprosarium are in full time Christian work. They are saved from the misery of leprosy. They are saved from a lifetime of servitude to Islam. Now they are saving others from darkness through the preaching of the Word of God.

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Yesterday was dark and hopeless. Today is dark but hopeful. What will tomorrow be? Better than today? Only through more help, more doctors, more yielded children of God giving themselves to Him who was not afraid to love the unlovely.

A better tomorrow? Only if the followers of Christ willingly obey His word, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself—and follow me." Tomorrow? Tomorrow depends on what you do today.

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P.S. These are a few excerpts of the work being done by the Sudan Missionary Workers—a good work indeed. May I ask what are you doing?

Brother Cadman

MARY LOPICCOLO

Branch #1, Detroit, Mich

Sister Mary Lopiccolo, 84, of Detroit, Mich., was born July 12, 1876, Terrasina, Sicily, Italy. Baptized in Church of Jesus Christ, Feb. 18, 1934. Passed away, April 3, 1961. She has been a very faithful sister of the Church and was loved and respected by young and old. She had been ill for a long time and had many struggles, but through the help of God, came through triumphantly. She is survived by two sons,

Joseph and Philip, one daughter, Mrs. Mary Decaro, eight grandchildren, and many friends. Funeral services were conducted in the Church of Jesus Christ, Three mile rd. and Harper, on April 6, 1961, with Bros. Paul Vitto, assisted by Bro. Anthony Pietrangelo, officiating. The Choir sang Hymn No. 415. There is a place of quiet rest, and hymn No. 436. Safe in the arms of Jesus. Accompanied by sister Earber Mangiapane. Place of Interment, Forest Lawn Cemetery.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

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that many reservations have problems which "need to be dealt with on a local level."

What I really want to know, Mr. Udall, is why this country, which is setting out to reform the entire wide world; which pays the police salaries in Laos; which is now trying to feed the Congo and also provide money for the budding war lords to murder each other; which is always talking about "emerging peoples" and depressed areas" and freedom for everybody everywhere—when is this noble nation of ours going to get around to striking the shackles off the local Injun?

I mean to say, aren't we being a bit presumptuous in our international meddling when there are some communities which do not allow our own red man to be buried in cemetery plots with the paleface? When do we stop treating our Indians as a not-very-bright savage minority and turn them loose to compete as Americans in America?

Is it not about time we quit thinking of the Indian on such out-dated planes as "reservation levels" and "wards of the nation?" Surely Pocahontas' children, who produced Jim Thorpe and Maria Tallchief and at least one editor I know named Trotting Rock, a sachem high in the council of deep thinkers are capable of integration outside the reservation?

It is granted that we stole the Indians' land fed them bad whisky poisoned their blankets, hunted them down with soldiery, murdered their beaver and buffalo, corrupted their women, pinched their oil and gave them television. But you can put this down to over-eager error by a young nation which was bringing them civilization.

I ask you, have the Indians got a seat in the United Nations? Does Khrushchev know of their plight? Suppose the Russians suddenly announce that since the American red Indian is popularly supposed to have come over the Bering Straits from Asia, our own Chief Trotting Rock is really a Russian? That America is really a part of Russia, and that we must free the Indian enclave immediately or be accused of persistent colonial slavery?

I want to leave you with one thought, Mr. Secretary. So long as one Apache, one Navajo is held captive on a reservation, so long as one

Seminole is still actively at war with the United States from the government in exile in the Everglades, the world is not free, and we better keep our meddlesome little fingers out of Africa before we clean ourselves up at home.

IT'S TIME TO SAY 'NO'

The National Council of Jewish Women, in session here, has approved one of the most thoughtful and convincing statements we have seen in the controversy over Federal aid to private schools.

The Council sees public aid to private schools not only as a violation of the constitutional separation of church and state but also as a threat to "the very foundation of public education in the United States."

"The public school," says the Council, "is and always has been the basic underpinning of American democracy. It is in the public school that children of diverse national origins, religions and races learn to know each other and get along together. The public school is where the fundamental American principle of the separation of church and state has its most significant application."

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As the Council president has pointed out, the public school system is the "most uniquely characteristic institution in American life." It is the greatest leavening force we have. Here Americans in their formative years learn to live and to let live.

But this institution can be crippled or perhaps eventually destroyed if public money is used to encourage the creation or expansion of religious or other-motivated educational enclaves in our society. Federal aid (and if Federal aid, why not state and local aid?) would encourage groups for whatever purpose or prejudice to segregate themselves. And that would breed divisiveness rather than unity.

Every American should respect the right of every other American to support private schools if the public schools do not meet his need. But to use public money for the propagation of religious beliefs would violate Federal and state constitutions and fragment our society.

It is not, as the Council agreed,

the government's business to subsidize private preference. The time to say 'no' is now.

P.S. To me, The Roman Catholic Church throws itself open for suspicion when it insists on Federal aid for their private schools. I believe it is in the rights of any church to have schools if they so desire, but not at the expense of the Federal Government. The Council of Jewish Women is to be commended and it certainly manifests a spirit of loyalty to the Government of the United States. Editor

"EXCERPTS"

From The Sudan Witness

Today an estimated 20,000,000 people are suffering from leprosy, "No one cares for my soul" is the cry of each heart surrounded by a leprous body.

You say, "That was yesterday, not today." The above figure is for the number of people with leprosy today—not yesterday. Tomorrow there will be more. The highest Government official in the Leprous Dept. in Nigeria says, "We are expecting the attendance in the leprous treatment centers to increase constantly for the next ten years. After that we hope it will be on the decrease."

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Yesterday these 20 million men and women with leprosy lived in darkness. Today for a small percentage of them there is hope in this darkness. This hope puts to flight the fear of exposure and shame. It sets aside the strict taboo of their beliefs and religions and overrides tribal differences. Miles and miles of walking on ulcerated, raw and bloody feet are overlooked because of one thing—the hope of finding a remedy.

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Moved by the love of Christ, dedicated missionaries of the SIM are doing everything possible to help control this disease and win the sufferers to the Saviour. In West Africa the SIM has eight complete hospitals at eight leprosaria used exclusively for these people.

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There are an estimated 1,000,000 leprosy infected people in West Africa, of whom only 140,000 are finding any help under Government and Missions combined. Of these, the SIM is treating over 31,000.

they come willingly, for love and kindness need no advertising campaigns. This year 5,000 new ones came to us for the first time.

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Our largest church in the Moselem, part of Nigeria is at a leprosarium. To hear these baptized believers, over 100 of them, praise Him is a thrill that cannot be forgotten. Each one was formerly Moslem, living without hope for body or soul. Now each one is a follower of Him who said, "I am come that ye might have life."

Over 10,000 children are under our care for leprosy treatment. Years ago some Moslem parents sent their children to one of our leprosaria. Jesus met them. Today 30 young people from this one leproarium are in full time Christian work. They are saved from the misery of leprosy. They are saved from a lifetime of servitude to Islam. Now they are saving others from darkness through the preaching of the Word of God.

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Yesterday was dark and hopeless. Today is dark but hopeful. What will tomorrow be? Better than today? Only through more help, more doctors, more yielded children of God giving themselves to Him who was not afraid to love the unlovely.

A better tomorrow? Only if the followers of Christ willingly obey His word, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself—and follow me." Tomorrow? Tomorrow depends on what you do today.

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P.S. These are a few excerpts of the work being done by the Sudan Missionary Workers—a good work indeed. May I ask what are you doing?

Brother Cadman

MARY LOPICCOLO

Branch #1, Detroit, Mich

Sister Mary Lopiccolo, 84, of Detroit, Mich., was born July 12, 1876, Interrasina, Sicily, Italy. Baptized in Church of Jesus Christ, Feb. 18, 1934. Passed away, April 3, 1961. She has been a very faithful sister of the Church and was loved and respected by young and old. She had been ill for a long time and had many struggles, but through the help of God, came through triumphantly. She is survived by two sons,

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The years sped by, and suddenly, one day, Glory to God, a youthful hand was placed into my hand; so tenderly, yet firm; I sighed, as once again the road, I faced. But now, the stones seemed smoother than I'd known, As I walked on, but, this time, not alone.

TIME

And so, we clung together, she and I; And still upon that road, our feet were set. Sometimes the stones were large and sometimes small, Sometimes the sun was high, or rain would wet The path wherein we walked and we would groan For fear that we would slip . . . yet, not alone.

And soon, I knew another pair of feet Was nimbly taking strides along that road. Stalwart and tall and full of joyful zest, His voice an echo of the wealth that flowed From Jesus' storehouse: blessings, gifts unknown . . . He shared them all, and he walked not alone.

No, not alone, for soon he felt the touch Of soft and tender hand upon his arm. Shyly, she came, content at last to be Upon that road, beside us, free from harm. So, I had three who were my very own, . . . But, there was one, who still remained alone.

And now, years seem to leap, not one by one, But ten by ten, they seem to hurtle by. My eyes are dimmer and my hair, once gold, Is turning silver, and I question "Why"? Why can't he see that from that Golden Throne, Will come the summons, and he'll walk alone.

And so I walk along the street of Time, My eyes still focused on my Journey's End. Grateful to God, as every morn I count The feet of those He did, in mercy, send. Trusting that e're my Journey's End is known, A shoulder, stooped, will be beside my own . . . Flesh of my flesh, bone of my very bone, Our journey, end together, not alone.

Catherine Pone

FROM AFRICA

(Continued from last Issue)

The Break:

The failure of the Qua Iboe authorities to yield to the pleadings of the people had great repercussions on the Church for, in 1944 Elders J. U. Udoh, S. U. Bassey, Daniel I. Essien, Anderson Anaka, W. U. Inyang, Hezekiah Umoh, Jimmy

Umana, Sampson Udofia, Effiong Umo Ime, Peter Akpan and James E. Udo joined Elder G. Umo in a search for a new American, Mission. They finally decided to invite the Church of Nazarene with headquarters in the U.S.A. to come over and work with them.

An Observation:

It is, however, interesting to note that with the exception of Elder S. U. Bassey who was suspended and Mr. E. U. Imeh who left to join the Church of Christ, all the others are still serving in the Church of Nazarene Organization till date.

Early Efforts to Establish the Church:

In November 1946, letters were sent to the Church of Nazarene headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri. They were addressed to the Rev. Charles W. Jones who was then the General Superintendent of the Church. After a series of correspondences between both parties, the Rev. Jones wrote to announce his intention to visit Nigeria for the purpose of inspection, and possibly to grant a mandate for the Church of Nazarene to be established in Nigeria. When all arrangements were finalized Pastor Umoh and his twelve friends tendered their resignation to the Qua Iboe Church authorities on December 26, 1946. From this date the Church of the Nazarene was established in Nigeria pending the final approval of the home mission.

Rev. Jones' Visit Postponed:

While the New Church was steadily gaining ground in the District, a letter came from Rev. Jones to say that owing to the proposed visit of the late King George VI to South Africa to decorate a Dr. Hydn, a member of the Church, with an insignia he regretted he could not fulfill his obligation to visit Nigeria. He however promised to do so on some later date.

The Enemies Stepped In:

The news of Rev. Jones' postponed visit was a blow to the mission here. It gave the opponents joy, and from that time they fought tooth and nail to see that all chances of future visits by the Church of Nazarene officials from overseas were blocked.

The Struggle Continued:

Pastor Umo did not give up hope. He continued to write to the head-

quarters. Dr. Hardy C. Powers who succeeded Rev. Jones wrote back to say that he would visit the Church in Nigeria. He cabled Pastor Umo in 1950 to confirm his proposed visit and to acquaint him with the date of the visit. Pastor Umo left for Lagos towards the scheduled time to welcome Dr. Powers. While Pastor Umo was in Lagos expecting Dr. Powers, the latter was in Ghana. In Ghana he found out that Calabar airport was his best bet being nearer to Abak than any other airport. Dr. Powers decided to land at Calabar instead of at Lagos and sent a telegram to inform Pastor Umo accordingly.

Too Late to Know:

The telegram arrived a couple of days too late for Pastor Umo was already in Lagos. Pastor Umo's companion on receiving the telegram dispatched a team of men to meet Dr. Powers at Calabar. The team arrived just in time to see Dr. Powers who had already booked accommodation in the plane to fly back. Meanwhile Pastor Umo learned at Lagos airport that the person he was looking for had passed to Calabar that morning. He returned to Abak rather disappointed and unhappy.

The Church Continued

In Spite of Odds:

Though disappointed, Pastor Umoh was not discouraged. He carried on steadfastly with the work he had so courageously begun. He continued to write to Dr. Powers. This was indeed a trying period and Pastor Umo and his followers had to work harder than ever before to preserve the Unity of the Church and to safeguard themselves against their adversaries—at that time the Qua Iboe Church and the Catholic Church.

Education: A Major

Consideration:

The Nazarene Church believes steadfastly in the Education of the young. Education to them is a prime necessity if a nation is to progress along the right path. It was therefore one of the first major tasks undertaken by the organization to open and support several elementary schools. Besides the church encouraged Secondary education and supported students who embarked on professional training.

The Cross:

The history of the church has

been that of suffering, torture, humiliation and whatnots, inflicted on her members mostly by her adversaries, yet has the church maintained a Godly heritage. Today, the battle is only half won, for though there are many primary schools, less sufferings and persecutions than in those early days, there are still no Colleges, Technical Institutions, etc. etc., to which the children of her adherents could attend to further their education. The members of these organizations shall neither slumber nor sleep until they shall have found a religious group that shall help them achieve their goal — namely, the provision of higher educational facilities for their children.

What has Futurity to Offer:

Today the Nazarene Organization can boast of several Churches, thousands of members, and well established, and Government approved elementary schools. The great questions are: (1) What is the future of the Church in Nigeria? (2) What are the hopes and aspirations of her adherents? (3) What shall be the fate of the hundreds of children now studying in these primary schools after they shall have completed their primary school education?

A Passing Remark:

While the above questions are yet to be answered, one cannot help confessing that the burning desire for higher education, the thirst for the restored Gospel, the genuine need for social and economic advancement prompted Pastor Umoh to write to the Brethren in the Church of Jesus Christ in Monongahela, Pa., U.S.A. asking them to "come over to Macedonia and help us."

The members of the Organization hitherto known as the Church of Nazarene welcome with joy the friendly relationship established with them by the Church of Jesus Christ. They appreciate the efforts so far expended by the two Brothers Ross and Swanson in their missionary work.

The members of this organization look back with pride on their achievements, and they are particularly thankful to God who has most ingeniously removed all the

impediments and barriers which the enemies of truth tried to set up. The church organization is strong and it is to be hoped that greater stability and unparalleled progress shall attend her in the years ahead.

Pastor G. U. Umoh,
Obio, Utu

INDIANS SEE NEW FORTUNE

CIBECUE, Ariz. (A.P.) — The Apache Indians, once the scourge of gold and silver prospectors, stand to reap a potential fortune in a new mineral rush—iron ore.

Ore prospectors currently are concentrating their attention on the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation where the Bureau of Mines estimates the existence of 10 million tons of ore.

The Apache, says the American Iron and Steel Institute, were paid \$42,100 for prospecting rights and, if the strike pans out, they will receive a dollar an acre per year rental plus 15 to 20 cents a ton for ore shipped.

Feasibility of extracting the ore depends upon its quantity and quality to defray expenses in getting it out of the wilderness and into the blast furnaces.

FROM ERIE

This month (March) our group got together to observe Bro. John Mancinis' birthday by having a supper together. We do this about once a month just to enjoy each others company. In April our supper will be in observation of Easter.

We had a carload of Brothers and Sisters visit, Sunday, March 12th., from McKees Rocks. We had a wonderful blessing during the Service, also the Gift of Tongues was given which we felt added to the good feeling. It opened an opportunity for Bro. John to explain the Gift since there are so many that attend our Mission that never heard it before. We look forward to visits from every branch of the Church since our group is small it really gives us a lift. I'd like to extend an invitation to all to visit us, there's a long summer ahead of us, a good time to visit, Erie. God be with you.

Ed. Sister Florence La Rosa

Roman's 2,-1

THEREFORE thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou doest the same things.

WORDS OF WISDOM

"Hey, Reverend, did you see a rabbit go through here?" Turning, I faced two little boys with new air guns they got for Christmas.

"No" I said, "I didn't".

"There he goes!" from the smallest boy pointing with his gun. And sure enough, a little rabbit was hopping across my neighbor's yard. The boys took after him.

What good is a gun if you can't kill something with it? They didn't get the rabbit, so they set up a gang war, making believe that they were killing each other.

The guns were given on the day that the angels sang "Peace on earth." We give our children guns to kill with, and we shout into the heavens, "Give us peace, give us peace." by Raymond Cox (selected)

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The fact that an Owl can't talk may have something to do with his reputation for wisdom.

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Sometimes a charitable tongue is more important than a charitable purse.

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Money does not make a fool of a man, but it does grease the skids if he wants to make a fool of himself.

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It isn't the things that go in one ear and out the other that hurt, as much as the things that go in one ear and get all mixed up before they slip out the mouth.

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Conscience and reputation are closely related — a man who has a good conscience seldom gets a bad reputation.

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In Balaam's time it was considered a miracle when an ass spoke, but today it is considered an even greater miracle when one will shut up.

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ONLY JESUS

Only Jesus knows my life, people
only part,
Only Jesus knows what lies deep
within my heart.
Only Jesus cares, what I do with all
my days,
Only Jesus see's, what trouble comes
my way.
Only Jesus hears, my fervent silent
prayers,
Only Jesus hears, and understands
and cares.
Only Jesus knows, the heartbreak
that I feel,
Only Jesus sends me faith, with
hope and love entwined,
Only Jesus gives me these, because
He is good and kind.
Only Jesus brought me out, of this
worlds shameful sin,
Only Jesus took me from
"WITHOUT", and put me
"WITHIN".

Sister Donna Kline

TWO SIMPLE TESTIMONIES

By Two Jewesses

Being brought up in the Jewish faith, I tried hard to live up to it. but could not understand why we had so many laws that did not mean a thing to our salvation. I had a real longing to find out the truth of our religion. Starting to read the Old Testament first, I found many prophecies of the coming Messiah then, turning to the New Testament, that they had all been fulfilled.

Thank God for revealing it to me so beautifully. The emptiness in my soul is filled, and I can go along life's pathway feeling that God does care for all of us, and when we believe on Him whom God has sent to Israel to deliver us from our sins, we really get the blessing.

Your Hebrew Christian friend,

S. W.

I was a very devout Jewess for years, attending synagogue then temple. As I grew older, the word "Christ" seemed to haunt me, often while attending the service on Friday evenings. I tried to ignore the thought but could not. I was miserable at times. God of course was speaking to my heart. I began asking questions and prayed to Him

that if Christ was the true Messiah, to reveal Him to me. He answered that prayer. I prayed, "Lord, if I accept Him, please let me feel the change," and I did.

So I am happy to have found our true Messiah. He will come back again some day, "and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn" (Zech. 12:10).—
R. R.

From "Jewish Hope"

Oh! What a wonderful thing that
He did for me
When He took all my sins away
Oh! What a glorious thing that He
did for me
When He came in my heart to stay.
He washed me and cleansed me
and set me free
By the power of His blood on
Calvary.
I'll love Him and praise Him
eternally
Jesus, the Christ—How He loved
me.

Brother Joe Lovalvo

LET US THINK IT OVER

By Amy Martin

What about this plague of bagworms or caterpillars? For the past two years our beautiful countryside have been nearly eaten up. Many lovely home gardens almost destroyed in a short time.

I was riding with my son one day at his work (he is a dry cleaner) and I was amazed at what I saw. At some places my son would not drive close to the trees or the houses because these loathsome worms might drop on the truck and find their way inside. Very few have escaped these pests. Some people told me they had to even watch second floor bedrooms where they had found them. At one place I watched as they had covered yards of space on this large house, starting at the bottom they traveled towards the eaves, becoming so solid in their formation you could not see through them.

As I watched I thought of a scripture I had heard years ago. But I could not remember where to

find it or the meaning of it. But these words kept repeating themselves in my mind "What the cankerworms leaves the caterpillar will take." When I came home I looked it up and found it in Joel. Joel was telling the people to awaken, and told them to tell their children and their children and their children another generation. So I thought it might be good for us to think about it too. As God is the same today and he sent the Palmer worm, the locust, the cankerworm and caterpillar and told them what one left the other would eat. He promises to restore, if they will awaken from their unrighteousness. In Joel 2:25 it reads, "I will restore to you the years the locust hath eaten, and the cankerworm and the Caterpillar, the Palmerworms, My great army which I sent among you." Malachi 3:11 reads: "And I will rebuke the devourer; he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before time. AMOS likens the plagues sent on the people as similar to the plagues of Egypt. They were smitten with mildew and as their trees increased the palmerworm devoured them. And as their young men were slain with the sword. Yet they did not return to God.

For two summers now these loathsome worms have done untold damage. According to the law of nature they seem to be more than man can control. Another season is near. Will they continue to destroy? Or will the Lord call this destroying army back? Or will the awakening come? Only God knows.

A WRITEUP

By Sister Ann Damore

February 10, 1961

I would like to record a series of experiences that have taken place with Bro. and Sister Damore and Brother and Sister Furnier in regard to the Indian Missionary work started in Arizona by Bro. Dan Picciuto.

To begin with, Bro. Dan had told us of his desires to go there for this work when we saw him in Painesville just before our departure for Calif. Then while he visit-

ed in Calif. sometime later, he confirmed his desires even more and told us he was going back to Painesville to sell his home and business and prepare himself for work as he had so many experiences showing him that this was a work for him.

We received a card from him shortly after his move to Arizona and our thoughts and our prayers were in his behalf and for this work. Several months had passed and we often spoke of taking a trip to visit him and encourage him. One Sunday morning, Bro. Thurman Furnier was speaking to us and he spoke of how each of us has a responsibility to the Church and that there is a work for us to do in bringing forth the Gospel. During the meeting, I couldn't help but think of Bro. Dan there in Arizona, all alone.

My heart was heavy and I thought we should go there now to uplift him and encourage him. As soon as the meeting was over, I told my companion that I desired to make this trip on his next weekend off from work as he was overjoyed, as just a few days before he had spoken to Bro. Ether about making the trip. Immediately, he told Bro. Ether and Sister Ella and we made plans to go down in their new camper-truck. We invited Bro. Bob Ciarrochi to go down with us and together with our families, we left for Phoenix on a Friday night, Feb. 10, 1961, and arrived there early Saturday morning. Bro. Dan was waiting for us as he was ready to leave for the reservation but knew we would want to go too, so he waited. After traveling 425 miles thru the night, we got back into Bro. Dan's car and drove another 100 miles to the reservation. Bro. Pete and sister Dora from San Diego came with us as they had come to visit with Bro. Dan that week-end, too. We arrived at the reservation and we visited with an Indian couple that Bro. Dan had become acquainted with. We stayed in the car as Bro. Dan said it would be wise not to embarrass them for we all know they are a backward people. After a little conversation, he brought them to the car to meet us and then we all got out of the car and sang a few hymns with them. Bro. Bob Ciarrochi offered

a word of prayer and we all felt good in it. We sang a few more hymns and then Bro. Dan offered a prayer in which we all felt a great blessing and we surely felt the Lord was in our midst. Even the Indian woman, whose name is Ruth, felt a blessing in it for we could see the tears stream down her face. We left them and went on driving around the reservation. There was such a calm and peaceful feeling there, and although the housing conditions etc. are very poor there, we felt the place was beautiful. While there, we couldn't help but feel the great responsibility each of us has in the Church that we must bring the Gospel to Israel and that truly, the Harvest is great but the laborers are few.

When we got back to Bro. Dan's home, we found Bro. and Sister DePiero and their son from Youngstown and what a joy we felt in seeing them. This made quite a group; and Bro. Dan was so happy that we would have a nice number for a meeting he had planned on having in his home on Sunday. Sister Minnie DePiero also contacted Bro. Joseph Smail and his family who had just recently moved to Phoenix and told them of the meeting on Sunday. We prepared for the Sunday service and waited for everyone to come. Sister Louise DiBattista and her daughter, Jeanette and Jeanette's son arrived along with Sister Barclay. Then Bro. Joe Smail and his wife and so, without planning it, we were about 26 people at Bro. Dan's home for this meeting on Sunday. Bro. Pete Castelli opened the meeting and a good spirit prevailed. Bro. Dan spoke with much of the Spirit of God in his preaching. Then we had an opportunity to testify and the Lord poured out his spirit upon us so that even the children shed tears of joy and must have felt the Glory of God in our midst. Sister Dora told us of how she had been healed after being anointed in the Valley Branch of Calif. just the previous Sunday and we could feel the sincerity in her faith in the Lord. Bro. and Sister Smail asked forgiveness for having been neglectful in attending meetings while still in Youngstown; Sister DiBattista spoke of how the Gospel began in Detroit and of her faith in the

Lord that He would send someone to start a Mission in Arizona someday. Sister Jeanette's son, George asked for his baptism and was baptized that day on the McDowell Indian Reservation. The rest of us spoke of how we wanted to do a work for the Lord and even if it would be the Lord's will that we could come there to Phoenix and be a help to Bro. Dan in his work on the Reservation.

Before we left for this trip, the Damore's and the Furnier's set a day apart for fasting and prayer that the Lord would be with us and that he might show us if there would be a work for us there. Well, we didn't receive a direct revelation from God while there but He did bless us abundantly and I know that we have felt such a great burden for these people and our desires are even greater now, that we might go there to help with this work. We have been praying that the Lord would reveal Himself to us that we might know it is His will that we go. Sister Ella has had several dreams which we felt were from the Lord but we haven't as yet had a complete understanding on them.

We do feel that the Lord is working with us and will reveal to us His Will. This past Sunday, March 5, 1961, in our testimony meeting at the Valley Branch, Philip declared to the Branch this desire to work for the Lord and I followed in testimony telling the brothers and sisters that I am ready to go with my companion wherever the Lord would direct him for a work. Sister Ella related her dream and truly there was a great Missionary spirit felt. I know the Lord was in the matter, for surely, we didn't know each others desires to testify in this manner.

The following day Monday we had a meeting in our home with Bro. Jim Lovalvo in which we expressed our feelings and our desires and he felt good in our zeal but told us to continue praying that the Lord would give us an experience of our own and he too, would pray. Before he left, he asked that we pray, and we knelt down and Bro. Jim offered the prayers that the Lord would reveal Himself to us. Sister Ella and Bro. Ether remained for a while longer and we

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

On April 19th. I boarded a Jet plane at the Pittsburgh Airport at 8:20 A.M. and was on the ground about 5½ hours later at Los Angeles, California. According to the clock in Los Angeles, I was there in time for dinner—noon day meal. This is a wonderful day for modern conveniences. I returned home on May 29th.

My purpose was to visit our new Church in Mexico on the Mountain top bordering the city Tijuana with 443.00 thousand inhabitants which is located across the border from San Diego, Calif., in the part of Mexico known as Baja California. Brother and Sister Perdue along with some others have been labouring in the vicinity for about one year, and they have much to show for their labours for their efforts have not been in vain. The Lord has blessed them with about twenty converts, a nice new church building 24x30 and a Sunday School room 18x24 and, on a large lot which was donated to them which is mostly fenced at the present date. The buildings are of stucco and painted up nice. The floors are bare cement. I wish to be understood that I did not make this trip solely to visit in Mexico, but also to visit all our churches in California and also to visit our brothers and sisters in Arizona.

In landing at Los Angeles, I was taken to the San Fernando Valley where I stayed until early on Sunday Morning, I was then taken by brother and sister Jones, accompanied by Bro. V. J. Lovalvo in their car to our Church in Mexico. (I do not want to go too much in detail with my trip) There was a nice crowd present

at the church. The meeting was lengthy. There was lots of singing—the Mexican folks like to sing, even their children take a very active part in singing.

I believe it was myself that led the speaking, and of course they talk Spanish and do not know English. So brother Perdue was my interpreter on the occasion as well as with the other speakers whom did not know the Spanish language. We had a very nice meeting—various Elders took part in the speaking and of course there was several little groups that sang special songs for the occasion. One of our converts namely Luis Uries Jr. was ordained an Elder in this meeting. He seems to be a fluent speaker and with his wife and children, likes to sing.

During my time spent on this trip, I visited and crossed the border into Mexico five times. I occupied the pulpit in the church on three different occasions, enjoyed myself in speaking of the Gospel unto them and they were all very attentive. On two of my trips over there brother and sister Perdue took me around to some of their homes. I cannot describe the conditions of which I came in contact with. The poorest kind of homes, dirt floors, large families of children and may be one or two rooms poorly furnished to live in. May not the labours of our brothers and sisters from California, only enrich our Mexican brothers and sisters in the hope of Eternal Life, but may our Merciful God send down some rain and cause them to prosper some in the things which are necessary for their comfort and general welfare while abiding on His Earthly footstool. I read an article just recently by a man dwelling on the ancestry of the Mexican people—he said that the Spanish blood was very negligible—if that be true, then our new converts over there, will be among the seed of Joseph, may I say, rich in the blood of the pure minded boy who preferred the jail rather than yield to the enticings of Pharaoh's Queen. As far as we read of Joseph he was faithful to his God under the most trying circumstances and, may I add for that reason—the reason of his faithfulness, the Lord God has made it very plain that he will remember his children in these last days. The Book of Mormon makes it very plain that the God of us all, will yet deliver his (Josephs) posterity from the oppression they are now in on this Western Hemisphere, And I do not hesitate to say—Woe be unto this great Gentile nation if it repents not of its ungodly deeds. I spent some time in Arizona on this trip—Every where I go the Indian race of people are in a sad plight. May I ask, what are Book of Mormon readers doing to relieve the situation? May God continue to bless the efforts of our brothers and sisters who are making Old Mexico a part of the Vineyard for cultivation. More of this to follow.

continued our conversation on the spiritual things. The phone rang and Bro. Jim told us that he just received a call from Bro. Dan telling him that he had another baptism in Phoenix and he had had so many doors open to him that he can't handle the work all by himself. Also, that he had 16 Indians on the Reservation who are inter-

ested in the Gospel. We felt so good in hearing this news and especially so, on this very night when we had asked the Lord to show us something. The Lord did show us that there must be a great work started there and that someone must be sent to Bro. Dan's aid. Surely the Lord is with Bro. Dan and our prayer is that He will make

a way for us to go and help, or if not us, someone qualified to do His work.

We are looking forward to Conference this coming weekend and our prayers are that God will give us a great blessings and even reveal to someone who should go to Bro. Dan's aid.

Sister Ann Damore

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Ye must be born again," John 3:7
Dear Girls and Boys,

In a previous story I told you about some of Jesus' friends. This time I want to tell you of another friend. His name was Nicodemus. He was a Pharisee and a ruler of the Jews. No doubt he had heard about the miracles Jesus had performed. He knew Jesus was a wonderful teacher.

One night, Nicodemus came to visit with Jesus. I think he came at night because everything was quiet and he didn't want to be disturbed. During the day the multitudes followed Jesus everywhere. There wouldn't be a chance for a quiet talk then. As they sat together Nicodemus said, "Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God, for no man can do these miracles that thou doest except God be with him." Jesus replied, "Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Jesus was telling Nicodemus that to enter God's kingdom a person must be baptized or immersed in the water. But Nicodemus did not understand this. He was puzzled and asked Jesus, "How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus was thinking he had to become a baby again. He thought that was impossible now since he was a man. Jesus said, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Marvel not that I say unto thee Ye must be born again." Nicodemus asked, "How can these things be?" Jesus asked him, "Are you not a master of Israel and know not these things? If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how shall you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"

When a person is a little baby it is the starting of a new life. When one is baptized it is like starting a new life too, only this is our spiritual life. It is called being born again. This is what Jesus was explaining to Nicodemus.

Then Jesus continued, "For God so loved the world that he gave

his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Jesus was telling Nicodemus that He was sent from God and was the Son of God. He had come to bring light to the world. We do not know whether Nicodemus understood all that Jesus was trying to explain to him or not. We do not hear any more about him until after Jesus' death.

A rich man named Joseph of Arimathea went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. He put it in a new tomb in his garden. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes to embalm the body of Jesus. This was the custom of the Jews in that day. They took the body and wrapped it in linen clothes with the spices and put it in this sepulchre. From this incident I like to think that Nicodemus did all that Jesus advised him to do, when He said, "Ye must be born again."

In our church, The Church of Jesus Christ, we baptize for the remission of sins. Our elders place their hands on our heads and pray that we receive the Holy Ghost. Also in our church we bless babies just like the baby Jesus was blessed by Simeon. This is the way Jesus taught. We do not baptize babies because they are not big enough to understand and they have no sin. The Book of Mormon (Moroni chapter 8) tells us that little children do not need baptized. Jesus said, "I love little children with a perfect love." Little children are clean and pure before God. But as we grow older we do things that are not right. These things are called sins. Then when we are sorry it means we repent of these sins. We want to be forgiven of all the wrong things we have done. When we are baptized the Lord forgives and forgets all these sins. We start to live a new life, our spiritual life. So boys and girls when you are old enough to understand these teachings of Jesus you will want to do as He has told us. Then some wonderful day He

will call you to live with Him. This is what Jesus meant when He said to Nicodemus, "Except a man be born of water and the spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

Search the Scriptures

The answers are found in the third chapter of Matthew.

1. What man came preaching in the wilderness?
2. What did he eat?
3. What did he wear?
4. What was he doing at the river?
5. What happened when he baptized Jesus?
6. What did a voice say?

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

I GO TO SCHOOL WITH EVERYONE I MEET

ZEAL—A man stands up suddenly, in the rear section of life's classroom, and with very direct and positive assurance, commences with effective oratory to defend a cause which he feels will improve the social and economic status of a minority group. His general statements are reasonable, and his zeal for the cause in question is transmitted so effectively that he is quite successful in arousing even those who are normally passive toward the realization of such an objective, as presented by this zealous leader. This man's zeal has become contagious. He has caused such a re-action, that soon it sparks a united feeling for action in the minds and hearts of his listeners. The audience now demands that something be done. He has succeeded in starting a responsive fire of reaction through his effective application of zeal. The question now is, how large or to what extent will the reactionary flame grow? Can this zealous man direct and control this new born impulsive force? Can the general statements and promises which he has committed himself to achieve, be realized within reasonable bounds? This man suddenly realizes that his zeal can be used as a powerful instrument. He is suddenly faced with a serious problem. Does he have the capacity and the supplementing

moral integrity to direct this spontaneous bursting power for good or evil. This new born seething force can go either way, depending largely on the inclination of the zealous leader who channels its course.

I learned from this forceful leader that zeal plays an important role in many worthwhile causes. However, because zeal borders so closely to the unreasonable trait of fanaticism, it must be directed and controlled within a constructive arena where its productive and creative potential can be harnessed for the welfare of all. Zeal if not brought into proper focus, can behave like a runaway horse, causing confusion and harm to many who may be carried away by its emotional aspects alone.

When zeal is tempered with the neutralizing forces of self-control, compassion, tolerance, sincerity, etc.; its contribution to advance worthy objectives can be a vital factor. Therefore when zeal is interwoven with the above mentioned personality traits, it can motivate many individuals to support and realize many worthwhile objectives.

Submitted by
Patsy Marinetti

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Dear Friend:

All over the world people are looking to us for the hope, peace of mind and spiritual sanctuary that can be found only in the Living Word of God.

In Africa, Asia and Latin America many who have just learned to read are choosing between Christ and communism. Moscow is sending floods of atheistic books. There must be no shortage of the Holy Scriptures . . . more books of Bibles are needed now.

In our own land Christian workers among the migrants, juvenile delinquents, and in institutions for the ill and under-privileged, continue to rely on us for free copies of the Scriptures—the best tool of evangelism. We must never fail them.

Our Lord taught us to feed the hungry but also to know that "man cannot live by bread alone". In this materialistic age only a few have the vision to relieve spiritual hung-

er. That is why so much depends on you . . . the wonderful members of our Bible Society Family. Will you give one or more of the SPIRITUAL FOOD BOXES pictured on these pages? Searching eyes and hungry hearts await your answer?

Faithfully yours,
Robert T. Taylor
Executive Secretary

IF MAN SHOULD REACH THE MOON !

I'm sure you've heard or read about
The Satellites in space,
How Russia and United States
Are in a rocket race,
To hear them talk, it won't be long;
For space they'll conquer soon,
And then what next will man
attempt

If he should reach the moon?
If man should ever reach the moon,
There's one thing that, is clear:
He'll ruin everything up there
Just as he has down here.

With sin and crime, with lust and
greed

He's got enough to do,
To clear the mess he's made on
earth

And you know that is true!
The sickness, and the want and
fear,

The broken hearts and shame
The hungry millions cry each day
And man is all the blame,

I think we better set our sights
Above the moon and space,
And let's explore Eternity
While we have time and grace.

It's not the moon we need to reach
It's God who put it there;

The one who went to Calvary
The rugged cross to bear;
For sins of them with wicked hearts,
He died one afternoon.

With faith in Him you'll have no
fear

If man should reach the moon.

Selected by
Sister Jennie Hannah

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Gospel Readers:

We thank God above all things, for this most wonderful change has been wrought in our lives since Jesus has come into our hearts. We also thank Lord for the Gospel News, which causes us to draw closer to each other and, to learn of this wonderful Jesus.

We are still holding our Wednesday night meetings in my home and our Sabbath day worship with Branch No. 4. We hope that in the near future that we can start building our new church.

I must tell you at this time, that April the 30th. Sunday, was a glorious day for me. One more candidate arose and asked to be baptized. She was my daughter-in-law, Virginia Carlini. It brought such a joy into the hearts of all present. The spirit of gladness prevailed through out the day. My earnest desire is that the Lord will instill that spirit of understanding into each and every heart who are diligently seeking Him.

Sister Anna Carlini

ONTARIO, CANADA

In a letter dated May 23, 1961 from Sister Bertha Ford and her husband Douglas who live away up in Ontario, informs me that they visited the Indian Mission on the reservation near Brantford, Ont., two weeks ago.

She says they had a very nice Sabbath School and Church service which they enjoyed. Last Sunday we went to Muncey Indian Church and the Sabbath School. It was so nice to be there and, we can say that God was in our midst.

I have also received a letter from Sister Barclay of Mt. Brydges, Ont., her and her husband usually spends the winter in Phoenix, Arizona. Her letter is dated at her home on April 17th. She tells me that her husband was baptized while they were there. Several brothers was there from California, and they had many wonderful meetings and the blessings of God many and were great. Brother Dan Picutto baptized her husband in the Verde River in Arizona. I surely do thank God with all my heart. Yesterday we attended church at Muncey (our first Sunday at home). There was a nice gathering, had a wonderful meeting and a wonderful sermon from Bro. Peter Capone (of Detroit "keeping the communication line of" God clear and not allowing anything to interfere with it.

P.S. I am glad to hear from these two sisters and of their recent visit to the churches where we have members of the Indian race worshipping with us. May the Lord continue to

bless you all.

Brother Cadman

TO OUR BEAUTIFUL AMERICA

By B. J. Martin, Roscoe, Pa.

When, as a beautiful wilderness, the Lord chose Thee America, as a beautiful plot of ground as a resting place for his church, during the terrible famine spoken of in the eighth chapter of Amos. Not a famine for bread and water but a famine for hearing the word of God; When men would wander from sea to sea, from the north to the east, running to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord and not finding it.

During this terrible time, the woman, clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, with a crown of 12 stars upon her head (or the church of Jesus Christ) as described in Rev. 12, the woman that fled into the wilderness; Yes unto thee America, where God had prepared a place for her to dwell as a place of rest, until the time and season when the Lord would restore to her the man child (the authority) which God had taken back to heaven.

And at this time, it would be her resurrection and the restoration of His church in all it's Glory, after the long night of the most terrible famine ever known. The famine for the word of God. Yes, here in your wilderness America, God shed his grace on thee; here His church was restored and the famine ended. Once again man could walk in the light of Jesus Christ.

3rd Nephi 21:22-25 is a promise to this Gentile nation that if they would repent, he would establish his church among them. And they would be numbered among his people, the seed of Jacob, to whom he had given this land of America as their inheritance, and they would assist his people, the house of Jacob and as many of the house of Israel as would come, to build a new Jerusalem upon this land of America. And also assist in gathering his people into the new Jerusalem.

Also in the book of Jacob, 5-43, he speaks thusly; 'of a branch planted in a good spot of ground, yes, even that which was choice above all other parts of the land of his vineyard.' America, the beautiful, as described by Jacob of old, as

the utmost bounds of the everlasting hills, which he received as a blessing of the Lord, as inheritance which would exceed the blessings of his progenitors and would fall upon the seed of Joseph as attested in Gen. 49:22, speaking of Joseph as a fruitful bough by a well, whose (speaking here of the great sea branches would run over the wall. wall) And the seed of Joseph would go over the wall or sea into your wilderness, America, where a remnant remains today.

It fills my heart with humility to think how the Lord loved this wonderful land in which we live, above all other lands; and has been mindful of us Gentiles and even in our nothingness, he has made it possible through repentance and baptism and obedience to his holy word, we can also become children of the promise and be numbered among his people in building and gathering into the new Jerusalem and become one people. And then God shall crown their good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

YES AMERICA. the beautiful, surely God has shed his grace on Thee!

FREEDOM IN MEXICO

By Charles Johnson

Recently, Mexico celebrated its 150th anniversary of independence. As America, it broke off from the rule of a colonial power. As America, it had a civil war and other conflicts to bring about a stability of government that it enjoys today.

Yet, it is apparent that there exists a yoke and a bondage. This is the curse and power of sin. As never before, the message of Christ and His freedom and salvation is needed to echo back and forth through the land.

The Constitution of Mexico grants the people freedom of speech and religion as in the United States. Therefore, the soul winner has the liberty to go from person to person and bring the gospel of Christ to the people.

You, who live in a free land and are enjoying the liberty in Christ. Do you not sense the urge to go to other lands to bring the gospel of deliverance to them? Certainly, it was no accident that you were born in America. Certainly, the commandment from Christ to "go into all the world and preach

the gospel" was not just a last word of farewell to his followers. It is a must if we are going to see a free world.

In Mexico, the fields are white unto harvest. The regions beyond beckon. We urge you to come and work with us to bring hope and salvation into the hearts of the people. Will you give your life and your all to help us in the work in Latin America? We have established our headquarters in Mexico City, the capital of this great nation. In Mexico City our hearts have been challenged by the open door" for the gospel.

MEXICO CITY CALLING

In a city pushing close to 5,000,000 in population and in a country which boasts one of the highest birth rates in the world, a soul winner must work fast to see that every person hears the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Mexico presents a great challenge but with God's divine ability we can meet it.

The acquiring of a location and quarters for the Mexico Training Center has been a step in a forward direction. It now is nearly furnished and open for operation. But there has been one very necessary item which we have not been able to possess. This is a telephone.

This may seem a bit strange to you who live in a country where everyone who wants a telephone can have one without trouble. In Mexico, people may wait for several years before they can have a telephone in their home. Fortunately, in our headquarters, we will be able to have one right away, however, there is one requirement. We must deposit \$260 with the telephone company before the installation will be made. After the telephone is installed, most of this money is refunded. We will use it for the Voice of Christianity and the other activities of our center.

Your gift, designated for Telephone — Mexico Training Center will be appreciated very much at this time. It will be used to secure this invaluable aid in our soul winning ministry. What we do we must do quickly.

P.S. A paper was sent me by brother Perdue who is laboring in Mexico. This letter of a Mr. John-

son is certainly an urge to any one who has ambition to preach the Gospel of Christ. It seems that doors are thrown wide-open everywhere. May the Lord bless the hungry souls.

Brother Cadman

I AM GRATEFUL

Dear Editor:

Be it known to all who believe: I feel if I had not been visited by Bros. Tony DiBattista, George Neill, and Teman Cherry I would not be here to write this note or thank all who remembered me in prayer. I wasn't rational at all times but I knew when I saw them—my first words were "did you bring the oil?". My husband told me that the lady in the other bed was so afraid and worried that she sat on her bed and prayed her rosaries all night. Sunday, Bro. Oran Thomas came. It was such an effort for him, traveling so far in his condition, but when the Lord is with you who can be against you.

Marguretta Nusida

COLANGELO - CIOTTI

On Saturday, April 11, 1961, Sister Ann Colangelo and Brother Paul Ciotti were united in marriage in the McKees Rocks Branch. The double-ring ceremony was performed by the bride's uncle, Brother Dan Casasanta.

Ann is the daughter of William and Sister Chris Colangelo, and Paul is Brother Joe and Sister Nancy Ciotti's son.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. William Colangelo. Attending the bride was Sister Arlene Ciotti, the bride's sister, as matron of honor. Marlane Nolfi, cousin of the bride, and Nancy Ciotti, sister of the groom, were bridesmaids. The best man was Brother Ralph Ciotti, brother of the groom, and ushers were Anthony DeSimone and Brother Frank Ciotti, the groom's younger brother.

Sisters Erme Lawson and Betty Ann Manes sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "Close as Pages in a Book".

After their honeymoon to Williamsburg, Virginia, the couple will reside at 135 Roosevelt Drive, McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

We wish them the best of every-

thing and God's blessing to be with them continuously.

Sister Nina DeCenzo

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear bro. Editor:

I was very pleased to have attended our recent conference, and see all the strides the Church is taking forward, in the right direction. I am very positive, as those revelations to conference depict, that if we are all in one accord, if we have all things in common, if we have equality among us, and make distribution as we ought, that God will use us for the evangelization of this whole human family. According to bro. Swanson's report, in our last Gospel News, there is much reason for optimism among the people of God, that if we can only hold our own, in going in the right direction, God will be more than pleased to bless our insufficiency, and cause the goal of our ambition, "The preaching of the Gospel, throughout the world, to be realized, before we are able to think of it. (Isaiah 66th. Chap., 8th. verse, who hath heard such a thing Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.) This could easily be our lot, if we are faithful to the promises we have made in the Master's service.

I shall now mention a few of the events which have taken place in these parts, recently. On Sunday, March 19th. bro. Otto Henderson, spoke in Windsor, to the honor, and glory of God, of what we may all do, to bring the kingdom of Heaven, on earth, so that wherever we go, we may find a bro. and a friend. This was a good topic, and all there felt blessed. In the afternoon bro. Cliff Burgess spoke, and brought a good feeling in our midst. On Wed. night, April the 5th. bro. James Heaps was visiting Branch No. 1. He sang a melodious song entitled, "I will pilot thee." He read a portion of scripture found in 1 st. Cor. 12th. and 13th. Chapters, speaking on the gifts of the spirit, and how careful we should be to understand the things of God, by the spirit of God.

He said the only gift we may take with us to eternity, is the gift of charity, hence we should see to it that we possess this gift, (which is the love of God.) His visit in our midst, was welcomed by all, and we were blessed.

On Sunday morning, April the 9th., the speaker at Branch No. 1, was bro. Nick Pietrangelo. He spoke from the 15th. Chapter of Luke, and gave us quite a talk on the Prodigal Son. It was enjoyed by all. Bro. Concetto Alessandro, made closing remarks. (On the 1st. Sunday of April, while we were in Conference, bro. Pietrangelo's daughter, Mary Kibat, was baptized. On Sunday April 16th., we were in Windsor. Bro. Eurgess and daughter, Dorothy, sang us a beautiful selection, entitled "God has not promised," accompanied on the organ, by his son Bobby. This was enjoyed by all.

Bro. M. Miller spoke on the 16th. Chapter of Acts, on the subject: "Come over into Macedonia and help us." Paul could not go in any other direction, than where the spirit bade him, and as a result, we had Lydia, and her household baptized to the honour and glory of our God. Bro. Allen Henderson, introduced the afternoon service, (which was a washing of feet service,) and we were greatly blessed. Bro. and sister Douglas Ford, from Meaford, Canada, were in our midst, we enjoyed their fellowship. At Branch No. 3, on Sunday, April 23rd., we enjoyed a wonderful topic, found in Amos 8th. Chapter, 11th. verse to the end of the Chapter.

On Sunday, April, 30th., Bro. Dominic Cotellesse, his companion, son Matthew, my wife and I, also sister Maude Stallworth, went to Sarnia. We had heard that bro. John Gammichia, who is in charge of the Inkster Mission, was coming to Sarnia, with a number of bros., sisters, and children. Soon after our Sunday School was opened they arrived. Bro. Gammichia taught the lesson, which was found in the 19th. Chapter of Luke, about Zacchaeus the publican. We received a wonderful blessing in our Sunday School. This was the line-up, of the elders who spoke in our service which followed, bro. Dominic Cotellesse, introduced the service, speaking on Luke

19th. Chapter, 9th. and 10th. verses, followed by bro. Frederic Straccia, bros. John Gammichia, and John Visconti, bro. M. Miller making closing remarks. There were many wonderful testimonies, and all in all, we just had a time of rejoicing. There were present at this meeting, 52 persons. Bro. and sister Maness, and other saints in Sarnia, were overjoyed to see the large crowd, that came to Sarnia. There are many bros. and sisters, afflicted in our midst, kindly remember them in your daily devotions.

Matthew T. Miller

McKEES ROCK NEWS

These past few weeks have been a great blessing to us in the McKees Rocks branch. On Tuesday night, April 11, we went to the water to witness another baptism. Sister Mary Nolfi was baptised. Afterward, we went to church and the elders laid hands upon Sister Mary and prayed for the confirmation. The rest of the evening was spent in testifying and singing hymns.

On the following Sunday, Brother and Sister Tony Corrado, and daughter, of Youngstown, Ohio, visited us for the day. Brother Corrado opened the meeting stressing the word "labor". He said, "There is labor for everyone. To all, from the first to the last, he told to go to work. So, you realize that you have a part to play in the Church of Jesus Christ. The responsibility rests upon you and me."

"To reach heaven one must go upward. Some say it is easy and some say it is hard. Going up takes more hard work; so it is to work your soul, that you may inherit the mansions that Christ has prepared."

He also continued by reading a few verses found in the tenth chapter of St. Luke. He added, "The lawyer was well instructed in the law. Now he was caught in a trap. Because he knew of the Lord, he tried to justify himself by saying, 'Who is my neighbor?' (29th verse) Jesus answered by saying, 'And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other way.' (30th verse) Have you failed to do good when you had the opportunity to do so? When you do good, praise God that you had the opportunity to do good. Do good and you shall be repaid, be-

cause all good comes from God. If you want a united church, you must have a united priesthood. Therefore, we rejoice that the Lord has inspired us to do some good each day."

Brother Tony went on saying, "Sincerity is not enough, if he is not faithful and obedient to the word of Jesus Christ. It is good to be sincere and obedient to the word of God . . . He that says he loves God and hates his brethren is a murderer . . . The Lord loves those are willing to learn . . . We don't want anyone to come into the Church without making it a matter of prayer, who hasn't been touched by the spirit of God. It is necessary that we are born again of the water and the Spirit; otherwise, they can not enter the kingdom of heaven. We that have been buried with Him by the waters of baptism have arisen in the newness of life." In conclusion, Brother Tony urged us to tell someone about Jesus. He said that not everyone can go to a land far away and tell about Jesus. But we could tell our neighbors. Our neighbors need Jesus just as much as those who are in the far away lands.

We enjoyed Brother and Sister Corrado's stay with us, and we wish to extend an invitation to them and all the brothers and sisters everywhere to come and stay with us a while.

April 23 was another wonderful Sunday for us. Brother Mario Milano, his family, Sister Sara Manes, and also Brother Joe Manes, of Cleveland, Ohio, stayed with us during the morning service. Brother Mario opened the meeting by reading the first Psalm. The following are a few points which Brother Mario talked about:

"We have the greatest blessing here on earth which is the Gospel . . . It has been through faith that we have been blessed . . . We have found in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, a place of safety and security."

"Faith is a wonderful thing. Because the world believes only in their own strength, they cannot succeed in their attempts, but shall fail."

"Never be afraid to speak in defense of the Church of Jesus Christ."

"Few are those that will find the

truth. We are few in number but not so few in God's power. Why are we just a handful of people? Because God wants us to be that way."

"Everything that we do there must be a purpose, and the church of Jesus Christ has a purpose to fulfill. It won't be long when the Lord will make a final decision and the people will want to find the truth."

"God is not a respecter of persons. I have had many discussions with the so-called aristocrats; and I said to them that if they want to find salvation, they must humble themselves. Saint Paul had to lower himself."

"Destruction is coming. It has touched many lands and many people. Therefore, Brothers and Sisters, it behooves us to do something for the Lord, Jesus Christ. There is much work ahead for all of us."

"There is no other blessing for us greater than the brothers and sisters that we have acquired in the church. We have found more dearer friends here in the Church."

Both Brother Mario and Brother Tony talked about work. They emphasized the fact that there is work for all of us in the Church. We should spread the Gospel to the best of our ability, and tell everyone we know. Again, I speak for all the brothers and sisters of the branch. We thank God for the brothers and sisters that visit us from time to time, and we pray that they will return again.

Nina Di Cenzo

THY WILL BE DONE

By The Rev. William H. Cadman

The Church of Jesus Christ, Lincoln Street, Monongahela,

Jesus taught His disciples to pray thus: "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." This prayer is being repeated by Christian people today, yet the world is rampant in sin and wickedness.

Christ has been preached for centuries, still His will is not done as it is in heaven, they are not yet sitting under their own vine and fig tree, as did Israel. I Kings 4-25. After all the efforts of Missionaries in foreign fields and at home a divided condition still remains in Christendom the world over; which proves that all is not well therein.

Can the Christian domain say no? Did not Jesus teach: "If ye love me keep my commandments" He taught that it was vain to call Him Lord, Lord and not do His bidding. Refusing to obey, certainly is at the root of the wars and rumors of war today. God created man that he might have joy, but instead of overcoming evil with good, the spirit of revenge has very much displaced that command.

May I ask who is at fault? Did Jesus teach to pray for an idle thing? Surely not, He taught to pray for a reality. I read that transgression of the law is sin. Obedience is better than sacrifice and to hearken better than any earthly substance. Paul taught to obey and he makes prophetic utterances that are being fulfilled today. He says: after my departure grievous wolves shall enter the flock, and not spare them. Acts 20-29, 30, and perverse things shall be taught. Also he warns them in II Thess. 2-3, 4, not to be deceived for that day (second advent) shall not come except there come a falling away first. And the man of sin be revealed—the son of perdition etc.

Space is short—but there is consolation, that God will yet pour out His wrath on wickedness and the nations become as the chaff of the threshing floor. The little stone that smites the image, becomes a great mountain and fills the whole earth—the kingdom of heaven wherein the will of God shall be done. Let us praise God—for faithful Daniel declares that the Kingdom shall be given to the Saints of the Most High God. And His will shall be done therein.

Taken From The Monongahela Republican

"FREDONIA NEWS"

We at Fredonia rejoice at this time because of God's great blessing in calling two more souls into the Gospel. Brother Martin Klein and his son, Brother Martin Klein Jr. were baptized at Monongahela April Conference by Brother Samuel Costarella.

We wish also to report that Brother Arthur Gehly was ordained into the Ministry on April 9th. We can truly say God's Spirit certainly is with him. Brother Samuel and Sister Ann Costarella, Brother Nick and Sister Pauline Ritz and daugh-

ters, and Sister Pauline's mother from Youngstown were with us for this ordination.

We have had many visitors from different Branches within the last few months and are always spiritually strengthened by their visits.

This year my daughters and I had the privilege of going to Conference on Saturday and so we met many of the Brothers and Sisters we have often heard of. We enjoyed our stay very much.

Branch Editor
Sister Norma Walker

HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

Dear Brother Cadman:

I am enclosing the sum of two dollars for renewal of the Gospel News for another year. I always enjoy reading the paper. I think its a very good way keeping in touch with one another.

It has been a joy for me, along with other sisters of our church to meet at W. Palm Beach for fellowship and prayer. May the Lord be with you in all your undertakings for the good of the latter day gospel. Sister Katherine Henshaw. —I am pleased to hear from our sister in Hollywood.

Editor

MYSTERIOUS TRIBE IN ETHIOPIA MAY BE JEWS

ADDIS ABABA (AP) — Hidden away in the wilds of northern Ethiopia lives a mysterious tribe who call themselves the House of Israel but who speak no Hebrew and most of whom don't know the meaning of the word "Jew."

Living in a remote and almost inaccessible mountain region north of Lake Tana, these people are known in Ethiopia as Falashas but often are called "black Jews." Their scriptures are the Old Testament and their religious practices those pre-scribed in the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible.

They call themselves Sons of Abraham and House of Israel and have a priestly system similar to that of primitive Judaism.

Does this mean the Falashas are a long-lost Hebrew tribe who in the dim past went into seclusion in Ethiopia?

To students of the Jewish community, that has become the big question. Are the Falashas Jews,

or are they not? The answer could have important consequences.

If the Falashas should suddenly decide to emigrate to Israel—as have several other Middle Eastern Jewish communities—the State of Israel would have to decide officially whether they are Jews.

MEANS 'EMIGRANT'

So far, the Falashas have shown no signs of moving to Israel. Probably the great majority of the estimated 25,000 "black Jews" are not even aware there is a state of Israel today.

Like Jews everywhere, the Falashas use the Old Testament as their Bible. They observe rigidly the observances and feasts prescribed in the Pentateuch. They strictly observe Saturday as the sabbath. The word Falasha itself is translated "emigrant" and could imply they are a community in exile.

On the other hand, the Falashas never heard the word "Jew" until Europeans penetrated their region early this century. Not a trace of the Hebrew language can be found in their scriptures, prayers, or colloquial speech. Their Bible is written in Ge'ez, an ancient Ethiopian language.

Falasha have no synagogues and have never heard of the Mishnah or Talmud. They have priests like the Old Testament Jews, but differ from other Jewish communities in practising monasticism. They believe in black magic and superstition—secret charms and incantations sorcery and witchcraft.

What tantalizes the imagination of those studying the Falasha is: If they are not Jews how did all those Jewish religious influences manage to take root in one of the world's most isolated spots?

NEWS GREENSBURG, PA.

Dear Brother Cadman,

We had the organization of the Ladies Uplift Circle in our branch, on Monday evening May 1. Sister Mabel Bickerton, the President of the General Ladies Circle helped to organize us. We were so happy to see her and can't help to comment on the fact that she is a wonderful sister and a very able leader. There were also sisters present from various circles throughout the

church. We had a very nice meeting and received a blessing to hear the testimonies of our sisters concerning the experiences they have received through the Circle. We're so thankful that God has heard our prayers and made it possible for a Circle to be established in our branch.

The first Circle meeting I ever attended was the General Ladies Circle in Glassport. There was such a humble spirit there, that we were determined to do our part for the Church along with these wonderful sisters. We realize that God inspired sister Cadman and other sisters to establish the Ladies Circle for the purpose of uplifting themselves to a higher level. By drawing closer to one another, we draw closer to God. We along with other circle sisters have the desire that other branches may establish a circle someday.

We've had a few meetings thus far, and almost all of the sisters in our branch attend. We have enjoyed lessons and understand them very clearly, thanks to our teacher sister Viola Swanson.

In closing might I say we're so thankful that it is possible to serve our Creator and our church in so many ways. May we always make good use of the opportunities God has given us to grow in the Church. We all have our duties to perform in the Gospel. So let us appreciate all the organizations in the Church, and our part in furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our elder brothers and sisters have left us a wonderful example, may we follow them and keep our lives uplifted towards the things of God daily.

Sister Marie Fallavolliti
Greensburg, Pa.

A WRITE-UP

By Sister Ann Damore

March 17, 1961

Now, I must continue with my report, for it would not be complete without relating the results of Conference held on March 11 & 12th of 1961. We prayed for a blessing and that God would reveal great things at this Conference and surely He heard and answered our prayers.

There was a fairly nice crowd on Saturday afternoon and much

of the business of the Church was discussed. We waited patiently for the evening meeting, for we found out that was when the Missionary reports would be given.

The evening meeting was opened with the usual procedure, singing several hymns and then prayer and another hymn. Brother Eddy Purdue was asked to give his Missionary Report from Mexico and he told of some new converts and of the wonderful work that is being done among these people. We felt a blessing in his report and could see that he is very happy working with these people. Then, Sister Purdue was asked to give a report, as she has been a great help to her companion in this work. She, too, gave an inspiring talk and told of the much work there is to be done there. Next, was Brother Dan Picciuto, who told of the work started on the Apache Reservation and of the work in Phoenix. We could see that he has surely dedicated his life to the Lord and to His work. He told of his joy in working with the Seed of Joseph and that he has confidence in the Lord that he will send him help for the work there. Brother Jim Lovalvo spoke of how good it is to see men zealous to do the Lord's work and said that there were two brothers in the Valley who are ready to help. Then, he asked that the men who visited with Brother Dan several weeks ago come up front to give their testimony as to how they felt while there and since coming back. Brother Ether Furnier gave his testimony first, and told of his desires to do work among the Indians and how wonderful he felt when we visited there. Brother Phil Damore followed and also spoke of the good work that is being started and told that he would like to be a part of it. Then, Brother Bob Ciarrochi gave his testimony and told of his desire to do work for the Lord and of how he, too, enjoyed that visit. When they were finished, Brother Jim Lovalvo started to speak and immediately, Brother Jim Heaps arose on his feet and said, "I make a motion that these three men be appointed as elders, the Spirit of God tells me so." Brother Joe Lovalvo seconded the motion and Brother Dan Picciuto arose and said something to the effect that he knew it should be this way. Brother Jim Lovalvo praised God and said he

felt that it should be, too.

From then on, the Glory of God was in our midst and I, personally, have never felt such a great blessing since coming into the Church.

A few more Missionary reports were given and then Brother Mark Randy was asked to close in prayer. There was no room for us to form a circle but we all joined hands across the aisles and while Brother Mark was praying he spoke in the gift of tongues and in such a peaceful, humble manner. When the prayer was over, Brother Richard Castelli said that when Brother Mark started to pray, he prayed to himself, 'Oh! Lord, to confirm that this that has happened here tonight is of thee, let Brother Mark speak in the gift of tongues.'

The Glory of God and His Love was so great among us there, that we could not part one from another. All of the Ministry and Brother Phil, Brother Ether, and Brother Bob were up on the rostrum and from where we were standing below, it was a glorious picture, for we saw all of them embracing one another and we could see the Love of God was manifested so greatly among them and all of us.

On Sunday morning, Brother Mark Randy opened the service and the same humble Spirit prevailed and it seemed that this meeting was such a wonderful carryover from the night before. I neglected to mention that Brother Dan brought with him three Indians from the Indian Reservation; Ruth, her husband Gilbert and another man whose name is Pete. When the meeting was over, Ruth and Pete asked for their baptism and again, there was such a great blessing felt in our midst. Brother Dan arose to praise God and thank Him for these two who had come to the Lord and also, to thank God that he had chosen the three brothers to go to his aid.

I must say, this Conference is one that we will long remember, but we look forward to even greater blessings in the future.

ARTICLE CONTINUED

April 10, 1961

The General Church Conference held April 1st and 2nd is over now, and Brother Jim Lovalvo has come back to the District with a wonderful report. Along with some

wonderful dreams and experiences that have been presented, the District presented the three men for acceptance into the Ministry. They have been accepted and the ordination took place yesterday, April 9, 1961.

Before I go into this, I would like to write some of the things that have happened since their calling at the District Conference. We have taken another trip to Phoenix along with Brother Bob Ciarrochi, this time with the purpose in mind that Phil might work in one of the post offices in or around Phoenix. Before leaving, Phil stated to Brother Jim Lovalvo that if he should be accepted in one of the post offices there, this in itself, would seem to be an answer to prayer, as to whether or not we were to go there for this work in Phoenix and the Reservation.

The first morning there, Philip went to the post office in Scottsdale, a suburb of Phoenix. He stated to the postmaster his reasons for desiring a transfer from Calif. telling him that he wants to do Church work in Phoenix and on an Indian Reservation. The postmaster was quite impressed and asked to know more about the Church; so for one hour Phil talked about the Church, the Book of Mormon etc. Then for another hour, this postmaster gave Phil his testimony on how he believes in helping people and just how this came about for him. Before he left the office, the postmaster was convinced of the necessity of Phil's transfer, and promised him a job for the 15th of April. We were overjoyed, for we know that God has provided this way for us to go to Phoenix.

On Saturday, Phil, Brother Bob Ciarrochi, Brother Joe Ciarolla, Brother Joe Smail and Brother Dan Picciuto left for the Reservation. Just before arriving there, Brother Dan stopped off in a wooded area and requested that they pray. Each of them offered a prayer, and when Brother Dan prayed, I am told, he went into the gift of tongues, which was so beautiful and sounded like the Indian language or ancient Hebrew. They were overwhelmed and the Spirit of God was so great in their midst that they found it hard to describe to us when they returned home. They stopped to see Gilbert, Ruth's husband, who has

been upset about her baptism and has spoken to Bro. Dan harshly about intruding in their lives. He received them with open arms and apologized for his behavior and of course, that was a great blessing to Dan and the others. They visited with several others and when they arrived home, they were happy and content for such a wonderful day spent on the Reservation.

Along with the many blessings, we have encountered some disappointments and discouragements in regard to this work but the Lord has always come thru with another experience and has encouraged us along. One of these problems arose, when Phil told his postmaster in Chatsworth, Calif. about the plans he has for leaving. He was quite upset because there are two other men leaving on the 15th and another man on sick leave so that leaves him short-handed. He asked Phil to call Phoenix to ask for an extension. We know that God has helped us all the way, for when Phil called and told them the problem, the postmaster in Scottsdale gave him a two-week extension. So, Phil, will be leaving for the 29th and I'll stay behind to sell our home and wait for the boys to complete the school term here in the Valley.

We are confident that the Lord will continue to make the way for us even in selling the house and provide us with another place to live in Arizona.

In regard to the Ordination on Sunday, I find it hard to express in words, the glorious day we spent in the House of the Lord. I believe, that God revealed Himself again and proved to us all that this calling came from Him. Brother Bob Ciarrochi was asked to administer the communion along with Brother Jim Lovalvo and the Spirit of God took hold of him so greatly that he sobbed and cried thru the whole time he administered the communion. There was a wonderful spirit felt and the Love of God prevailed among us. Brother Phil and Brother Ether also, were overcome with joy and thanksgiving to the Lord for this calling. The meeting was closed with our forming a chain and a prayer offered.

We gathered again in the evening for M.B.A. and each of the new elders were asked to express themselves. We sang hymns and when

the meeting was closed, we spent a little while longer in the kitchen in fellowship and enjoyed some refreshment. The day was well spent in the service of the Lord and it will be another day we will long remember.

THE BETTER WAY

I'd rather see a sermon, than hear one any day;

I'd rather one would walk with me than merely tell the way.

The eye's a better pupil, and more willing than the ear;

Fine counsel is confusing, but example's allways clear.

The best of all the preachers are the men that live their creeds
For to see good put in action is what everybody needs.

I soon can learn to do it if you'll let me see it done

I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.
The lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,

But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do.

I may not understand the high advise that you may give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act, and how you live.

Edger A. Guest

A Squirrel Hill correspondent points out that a recent bulletin of the Christian Church there observed: "It is so easy for prayer to degenerate into sanctified begging."

"I'll go where you want me to go,
Dear Lord, except to a foreign strand,

So please don't ask me to go, Dear Lord, to serve in a heathen land.
For I hear the traveling is very rough, all the water they have to boil,

I hate the devil and dirt, Dear Lord, but also hate work and toil.

Just let me sit in a rocking chair, and enjoy a life of ease,

If you'll just give me all the luxuries, Lord, send me wherever you please."

In closing, remember the old poem that says "I never see my rector's eyes, he hides their light divine. When he prays he shuts his own, and when he preaches, he shuts mine."

See you in church.
Selected.

BE WISE IN THE LORD

Dear Gospel Readers:

We learn in the scriptures the boldness of Peter and John, altho they had no theological training, yet what they had was achieved by sitting at the Master's feet.

The Lord chose these three unlearned men to confound the mighty. The wisdom and knowledge of the world cannot prompt man today with all his learning, to go into the high-ways and by-ways and say, "silver and gold have we not," but what we have, in the name of the Lord rise up and walk. The Lord tells us, Let the wise be fools, that they may be wise. Solomon was one of the wisest kings, because when he lacked of wisdom he called upon God and because of his obedience, the Lord blessed him with all the Godly gifts a king could possess. Therefore, if we possess the knowledge of Christ, there is no room for the foolishness of men.

These disciples the unlearned by the world's standard, made a greater impact than the intellectuals of their day upon the world which they lived in. We thank the Great Almighty God for the restored Gospel in these the latter days.

Surely we can say that we have a Paul and a Peter and all the spiritual gifts that adorn a most Glorious Church, "The Church of Jesus Christ." May God bless you all.

Sister Anna Carlini
Mexico

While I was in Tijuana recently and visiting our church which our people have built up on the Mountain top where there are no others churches around—A priest and some others with him were parading in the vicinity of the church and shouted through a Megaphone as follows: "When the hour of evil presents itself, pray to the shadow of Peter for deliverance." I was told that the foregoing was to warn the people against the Protestant Churches.

P.S. As far as we can learn of Peter in his preaching: He taught people to look unto God and His Son Jesus Christ for deliverance. Puny man eventually delivered Peter to the cross. What a contrast be-



Elder Luis Urias Jr.

Brothers Urias was ordained into the Ministry of The Church of Jesus Christ on April 23, 1961 in our

Church in Tijuana, Mexico. He is a native of that country and speaks Spanish. Brother W. H. Cadman was present on the occasion.

tween Peter and the priest of today.

Editor

FREDONIA NEWS

On Sunday, April 30th. we observed the ordinance of feet washing and enjoyed the fellowship of the Saints from Erie, also some from McKees Rocks, Painesville and Youngstown, Ohio.

Sister Florence LaRosa sang, "I Am Praying For You" and Carol Sue Mancini played a piano solo, "The Old Rugged Cross."

Brother Bucci opened the morning meeting and spoke on how wonderful it is to praise God, and if we draw near to Him, He will draw nearer to us. This is our aim and goal in life. And when we were baptized we became separated from the world and the things in the world that were not good. Brother Bucci also spoke on how in these last days perilous times would come.

Brother Mancini followed and spoke on how man has resisted the changes that God has introduced into the world, and we should be thankful we are in this Church that has come through the ashes of the Restoration. God is interested in

a people that will harken unto His commandments.

The Young boys Sunday School class of Erie sang "Christ For America," this is a hymn composed by Sister Esther Dyer and is very beautiful.

Brother Bucci and daughter, Dolly, sang "Come Ye Heavy Laden,"

Brother Paul Gehly spoke of a great work to be done in these latter days and that it will take a destruction of some sort to humble people into serving God.

Brother Behanna told of being baptized into the Church many years ago by Brother Cherry and how God has spared his life for 82 years, for which he is thankful.

We are very happy to tell of the advancement in the Church of two of our Brothers. Today Brother Otto Gehly was ordained a Deacon and Brother Carl McCartney was ordained a Teacher.

This was a very wonderful day and we enjoyed many of the gifts and talents of God among the Brothers and Sisters present.

Sister Norma Walker,
Branch Editor

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OUR BIBLE SCHOOL IS GOING STRONG

June 12th., this is the second day of our Bible School here in Monongahela and I want to give praise where praise is due. The School opened at its appointed time yesterday with 82 present, and with ten additional the second day. I have nothing but praise to speak of our sisters who will take a couple weeks of their summer vacation and spend it at our House of Worship, teaching our little tots and older ones the Word of God. In a more simple way to the "we" ones, and I might say stronger meat to older ones.

I appreciate very much to see sisters come from other Branches of the Church and work with our sisters here in Monongahela. Yea, sisters who are not only capable of helping—but sisters who are interested enough in the growing generation to endeavor to plant good seed in their little hearts and minds, that will bring much good fruit into the harvest for the reapers in the growing season of golden grain. May God bless you all whom can lay aside their own personal desires, and spend a couple of weeks for the welfare of our little tots. The word of God teaches us that faith and works go together and to that all good comes from our God.

Editor

NEW NAMES IN GLORY

The Saints of Monongahela are happy to tell you that we have five new names written down in Glory and we hope and pray that the Lord will continue to bless us.

Our first baptism was April 12th when we all went to the river to see Brother Bob Gandley make his covenant with the Lord. We had been waiting for Brother Bob for five years and were overjoyed when the news came that he had made his decision to serve the Lord.

The following evening, April 13th we again went to the river, this time to baptize my husband, Brother Jim Crosier. He had been attending our meetings for two years and was waiting for the Lord to call him. He received his calling while at work. Needless to say, our cup was full to running over.

On Wednesday evening of the next week Sister Judy Seighman went down into the watery grave and made her promise to the Lord in her young and tender years. May God bless and keep her and ever walk by her side.

Then on May 21st two more wonderful sisters asked for their baptisms: Sister Alice Griffiths and Doris Jean Metz. We had been praying for these two sisters for some time and were so happy when they asked to be baptized into this wonderful Gospel.

We here in Monongahela are singing along with the poet:

"For there's a new name written down in glory,
And it's mine,
O yes, it's mine,
With my sins forgiven
I am bound for heaven
Never more to roam."

Pray for us in this part of the vineyard for we have quite a few more who we hope someday soon will desire to have their names written down in Glory.

Ethel Crosier,
Branch Editor

P.S. On this date June 14th this evening at the waters edge, another will follow the foot-steps of the Saviour.

TAKE NOTE.

Dear Editor:

My booklet "Jew and the American Indian" will be off the press by July the first. They will sell at 30 cents each or four for one dollar. Any one wishing one, address T. D. Bucci, 344 E. Avondale, Youngstown, Ohio.

AGAIN I SAY: "IT IS WRITTEN"

Let The Word of God Prevail:

I have been approached about the status of Adam and Eve. To me, the Bible and Book of Mormon are very plain. Yet, I have been approached on the subject in a way that I have never heard of before, and I will say further, I am surprised at any one professing the restored gospel as to how they read the Bible and Book of Mormon.

As far as the Bible is concerned, the first sin of our parents in the garden, was the eating of the forbidden fruit. The results of their

transgression was—the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (I am quoting from Genesis chapter 3). In verse 10 Adam confesses that he was afraid and they hid themselves because they were naked. Up until this time there were no children born to them, they knew not each other in that sense until after they transgressed the commandment and did eat of the forbidden fruit—their eyes were then opened, and fear and shame were brought upon them—they saw each other as male and female. It was disobedience that caused their eyes to be opened, otherwise they would have retained their primitive state. In verse 3 they were not only commanded not to eat of the tree, but they were commanded not to touch it. They were disobedient—the results were inevitable—they brought death upon them. It was after their fall that they became father and mother.

In the Book of Mormon II Nephi 2-22 I quote: "And now, behold if Adam had not transgressed he would not have fallen, but he would have remained in the garden of Eden. And all things which were created must have remained in the same state in which they were after they were created; and they must have remained forever, and had no end. And they would have had no children; wherefore they would have remained in state of innocence, having no joy, for they knew no misery; doing no good, for they knew no sin. "May I ask, how could language be plainer?

Any one putting up the claim that Cain married a sister born to Adam and Eve, before their fall—is certainly seeing things that are not sustained by the word of God.

In Genesis 5-4 I read that there were sons and daughters in the family of Adam, but this is speaking of Adam after he had fallen and was driven out of the garden. Had he been allowed to remain in the garden and eat of the Tree of Life he would have lived forever in a non-redemptive state. Yea, had he not transgressed, he would have

lived forever in his primitive state—no children would have been born. Their eyes were not opened in the sense of knowing each other thus, until they had fallen into the mortal state. I read in the Acts. 17-26 that all nations have been made of one blood.

P.S. A warning voice to all readers of the Gospel News—Acts. 20-26, and 34 inclusive which are the words of Paul—"Take heed therefore unto yourself, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.—For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.—Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.—Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.—And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.—I have coveted no man's silver or gold, or apparel.—Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me."—I quote the word of God as it is written; In my past life I have heard so much, the word of God "likened as to a sign board leading us from Earth to Heaven. Amen.—It is our duty to teach the word of God and not to ignore the simplicity and plainness thereof.

APPRECIATION

Dear Brother Cadman,

Enclosed is \$2.00 for the Gospel News. It is a great joy to read. I certainly would not want to miss a copy—I look forward to it every month.

Sister Mamie LaValle
(Thank you Edt.)

SISTER LAMBERT WRITES. WINDSOR, ONTARIO

Dear Brother Cadman:

You asked me a few years ago to write you as to how I came to the Church. I have been slow about it. I was born in Douglas on the Isle of Man, an Island in the Irish

sea. The inhabitants are called Manx.

I was raised in a Christian home; we had our family prayer daily, never missed Sunday School or services unless we were sick. I taught Sunday, worked in the Y. P. Meetings and did whatever there was to do. When a girl 17 I was chosen as one to go in a Missionary group to India or China. We were required to stay seven years before returning home. Well that was in May and in February my mother passed away, I then concluded I could work at home. I also worked in a league and we visited hospitals, Sanitariums, Jails and other Institutions which I enjoyed. Later I married a man who was not a Christian which put an end to all my activities for a few years.

I came to Windsor with my son. I got interested again in the same kind of work but was not satisfied. I visited various missions and I noticed a sign "The Church of Jesus Christ" but had not been at their meeting, when I had a very bad accident and was in the hospital 31 weeks. After about one month Rose-Belle now Mrs. Steve Johns was brought in. The church people use to visit her, one of them (Brother Ford) use to go around visiting all the patients. So he visited me, but I was under a box of lights—no one could see me, nor I couldn't see anyone. Brother Ford talked and prayed for me. He had others of the Church to come and see me and Sister Ford came in almost every day. They helped me very much. After returning home from the hospital, I went to the church one Sunday afternoon. Brother Joseph Lov-alvo spoke of the Book Mormon. I thought OH, OH thats where I am. Later, Sister Burgess had some sickness and I tried to help out what I could. At this time they built a church and Brother James Heaps conducted special meetings. I did not feel satisfied but I called Brother Ford to my home, shortly after this I was baptized and enjoyed myself very much.

Sister E. M. Lambert

NOTICES FOR GOSPEL NEWS

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The pamphlet (my testimony) by Bro. Ishmael D'Amico are now available. Anyone interested. Please

contact your District Librarian or write Ero. Ansel D'Amico - 135 Yates Street - Rochester, New York.

Sister Anna Cerame of Sopris, Colorado humbly requests and invites all Saints traveling to and from the West Coast, that they do not forget to stop over in Colorado and visit with them. They are hungry and thirsty for righteousness and especially appeal to all elders of the Church to remember them.

Brother Paul D'Amico

FLIES PLAGUING VALLEY IN CALIFORNIA

MODESTO, Cal., June 20 (AP)

—A 36-square-mile area of California's San Joaquin Valley has been infested with flies, bred on corpses of poultry that perished during last week's heat wave.

Stanislaus County Sanitation Officer Clarence Weaver said yesterday the plague of bottle flies is the worst he has ever seen.

Some 100,000 turkeys were killed in Stanislaus County last week as the temperature soared as high as 112 degrees.

P.S. In the last issue of the Gospel News and on page one, Sister Amy Martin gives us a write-up about the caterpillars becoming a plague. The above articles appeared in the press this June 1961—Well we must remember that God is the same, He will bless and He will curse if needs be. We all profess to believe the Bible to be His word. In my recent trip to the coast, I saw much of the beauty and wonders of the State of California, but we must all remember that God is no respecter of persons. Read the 28th chapter of Deuteronomy—It might do us all good.

Editor

NEWS LORAIN, OHIO

Dear Brother Editor:

It is good to give thanks unto the Lord. We in this part of His vineyard give thanks unto Him; and make known his deeds among his children here. We wish to tell our brothers and sisters everywhere how our hearts rejoice in the wondrous works of our Heavenly Father.

Sunday, May 7, 1961 Brother and Sister Furnier were with us along with Brother Richard Smith, from

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EDITORIAL LY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

Continuing the account of my trip to the Western Coast and after relating an account of my trip to Tijuana, Mexico in the last Editorial, I attended and occupied the pulpit in the San Diego Church for three nights. It was evident that the saints there were all glad to see me again in their presence. I was glad to be with them again. I could not ask to be made more welcome in their homes than was extended to me. The meetings were well attended and I enjoyed myself with them. Besides meeting in their church with them, I visited their homes as much as time permitted—I also went to the hospital to visit their sick. San Diego is a very large city and our folks live far apart from one another. And, they are blessed with very nice homes, in which I was treated as one of their own.

On April 27th. Brother and Sister Perdue drove me in their limousine to Anaheim, to the home of Brother Heaps where I occupied their pulpit for two nights. Their congregation is not very large. The property they purchased some time ago, which included a warehouse has been remodeled, and they have a very nice building in which to worship. They have considerably more than an acre of ground and a very good residence property in which brother and sister Heaps along with our sister, the widow of our late brother Stanley lives. Our brethren, financially speaking, made a very good deal in the purchase. Another church has bought one acre of ground right close on the same street, and paid \$50,000 dollars for it—ours cost us less than half that amount including a ware house and a good, very good house on it besides. They are working hard to build up a good Branch of the Church in Anaheim. May the Lord bless them in their efforts. In driving from San Diego

to Anaheim, we followed Rt. 101 which runs along the Pacific shore for close to 100 miles. The rolling waves along with the extensive Orange Groves makes it a wonderful drive.

After spending two or three days with Bro. Heaps they drove me into SouthGate, where in a lovely park, the young folks were holding a wiener-wurst roast. There was a nice crowd present, but the evening was very cool—a top coat was very comfortable. The next day, Sunday, I spent at the Belle Branch of the church—occupied the pulpit in the morning session and attended the afternoon meeting as well. There was a nice gathering including quite a few saints from the SanFernando Valley. We had a very nice day together.

At the close the days service at the Belle Church, a car load of our folks had been visiting a Indian Reservation considerable east and south of the Belle Church—they were on their way home to Modesto, possibly 400 miles from the Belle Church. In this car were brother and sister Gilley whom I had never met before and Bro. Randy. I got in the car with them. It was my opportunity to visit the saints in Modesto. We arrived at the home of Bro. Randy about 11:15 p.m., on Sunday night. Much of the trip was yet in the daylight and we drove through some wonderful country, the orange and the various groves of citrus fruits and including the vineyards, are so extensive and marvelous to behold and, it is a country though depending on irrigation—has made the desert to blossom like the rose. I arrived in Modesto on Sunday night and remained there until after the next Sunday. I visited many of their homes and occupied their pulpit on three evenings and then twice on Sunday. Their congregation is not so large, but still there was nice attendance. I was invited to the Editor's office of one of the large printing houses in Modesto, and after been questioned much concerning our faith, he wrote a lengthy article for his paper, announcing me as the guest speaker at The Church of Jesus Christ on Sunday Morning. Consequently there were several non-members present, and by-the-way—there was quite a write up about the Roman Catholic Church in the same paper, and they had a photo of President Cadman alongside of Pope John. I have read sometimes of men having strange bed-fellows.

With it all, I enjoyed myself in the pulpit of our Church in Modesto. And too, one matter I want to mention: on the outskirts of the city of Modesto on Evergreen Avenue there is a well furnished-up-to-date Nursing Home, as I understand it, Brother and Sister Benedict V. Cipponeri had built themselves a home, then later remodeled it. They now have a well equipped "Evergreen Nursing Home" with Doctors, Nurses and are taking care of 18 old men and women, complete with 18 beds and meeting all lawful requirements. A wonderful achievement by Brother and Sister Cipponeroi and a credit to any community.

Editor

Glassport, Pa. We were also pleased to have visitors from Youngstown, Ohio. Brother Furnier opened the morning service by enlightening us on the prophecies both from the Bible and the book of Mormon. We were blessed in the afternoon serv-

ice by hearing many testimonies of the goodness of God, to those that love and serve Him. We especially enjoyed the testimonies of the two young Brothers Youngstown, Ohio.

Monday evening May the 8th. Brother Furnier began his series of

lectures on his charts. We of Lorain, wish to thank him for his time and effort put forth to enlighten us on ever so many points of scripture. I for one look forward to the day when I can have a booklet of all the information brought forth in

his wonderful lectures. He talked to us for 6 nights, and I must say no one knew where the time went to. May God, bless him and his companion for putting in so much work and time with us.

On Mothers' Day Sunday May 14, 1961 we were truly showered with blessings. Brother Furnier spoke on the subject of baptism. He spoke so ably with the spirit of God, that after the morning service closed, a young Mother (a visitor for the first time I believe) asked to have her baby blessed. She said she felt the Church of Jesus Christ was doing right by Blessing little children and not baptizing them. Brother Alfred Dominico asked God's blessing upon Beth Sheba Alberta Montalvo.

In the afternoon service Brother Louis Ciccati expounded to us the great love of a mother. He also spoke on how the Church of Jesus Christ was his spiritual Mother, for the love of God, is greater than the love of any Mother.

The heartfelt praises to God for all things filled our afternoon service with joy and our eyes with tears of gladness. His goodness and mercy to his children is far greater than tongue can ever tell. Blessed be his Holy name forever! We heard many experiences and dreams through out the afternoon. The testimony of our dear Sister Furnier was so filled with the love of God, that we sat there almost breathless as our vessels were filled to overflowing with God's Holy spirit. Mrs. Helen Tisler stood up in testimony and in the midst of it she asked to be baptized. Sister Tisler, formerly of the re-organized Church of Jesus Christ of L. S. S., has been in most of our meetings for the past 3 yers. We thank God, from all blessings flow, for our new Sister in Christ. Our prayer is that others may follow her footsteps. That God, will bless her greatly, hold her firm and set her apart as an example and a shining light for others to follow into the true Church of Jesus Christ.

After the service we went to the lake to see our Sister immersed by Brother Joseph Calabrese. We resumed our meeting at 6:30 p.m. Sister Tisler was confirmed by Brother Furnier. After this service ended Brother Furnier gave his last talk of the series of his lectures. We had a full day in the service of our

Holy Lord, which we enjoyed to the fullest. May the Lord bless us with many more Sabbaths such as this one.

Wednesday evening of the 17th. we were delighted have Bro. Alma E. Cadman with us. We thank Bro. Rocco Biscotti and his companion for bringing him to our branch to spend a few days with us. Bro. A. B. Cadman opened the service and filled our hungry souls to overflowing. He spoke so well from all parts of the Holy Bible and the Book of Mormon. He spoke from the beginning of the world by God, to the end thereof. Time went so fast, if Bro. Cadman would have spoken till midnight I do not think anyone would have noticed the time. Young people in the Church, like me, learn so much from such a wonderful old Brother like him, Bro. R. Biscotti spoke to us about our trials and temptations. How we should draw closer to the Lord. That it would not be the Church of Jesus Christ if we did not have our trials. Then Bro. Joe Altomare spoke in Spanish to our Puerto Rican visitors. At the close of the meeting a little boy, who has been afflicted since birth, was anointed by Bro. Biscotti. The boy is a child of one of our Spanish speaking visitors. May the good Lord be his Physician is our prayer.

Bro. A. B. Cadman stayed with us till Saturday morning. He taught our M.B.A. class on Friday evening. It was enjoyed by all. Our prayer is that God, will bless him, and keep him in his tender care always. I will always be grateful to God, for giving me the privilege of knowing such a true and faithful brother in Jesus Christ.

On Sunday, May 28, 1961 in the afternoon service Bro. F. Calabrese asked God's blessing upon the son of Bro. and Sister Bob Collison.

Then on June 2 Friday evening we had the privilege of hearing Domonic Bucci of Youngstown tell us of the plates of the Book of Mormon. His talk was very interesting and enlightening. It helped us to understand the Book of Mormon better. May God bless him in his efforts in bringing to others more knowledge of the Book of Mormon. We need more Brothers like him, to go out and tell others of the knowledge God, whom has blessed them with; in order to be a better

servant in his fold. We were given time to ask him questions which he answered very ably.

Sunday, June the 11th. we were very happy to see so many brothers and sisters from many places. Some were from Detroit and Glassport, Pa. Bro. Domonic Thomas opened the service with the 11th chapter of Isaiah. He spoke mostly to the young graduates of high school. We all enjoyed it very much. May God watch over our young people as they go to colleges away from home, or out into the world to make a place for themselves. May they always remember what they learned in the Sunday school classes and M.B.A. May they always look to our Lord and Savior in their need and some day come into His fold to serve Him to the end is our prayer.

The glory of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works.—We rejoice in the glory of the Lord and thank Him with grateful hearts for his wonderful works.

Your Sister in Christ Always
Margaret E. King

GEORGE WILSON PASSES ON

Brother George Wilson departed this life very sudden in the McKeesport hospital on May 19th, 1961, he was born on February 9, 1887. He was buried from the Drum Funeral at West Elizabeth, Pa., on May 23rd. Services were conducted by Elder Alma B. Cadman, Interment in the Monongahela Cemetery.

Brother Wilson was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ at Jefferson (West Elizabeth) for many years. He was married to Mary E. Griffiths Wilson whom he leaves to mourn his passing along with one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Richards of Lexington, Mass., two grandchildren, two brothers, John and Martin of Wilson-Clairton, Pa. and two sisters, Mrs. Maud Stoops of Dravosburg, and Mrs. Emma Maple of Weirton, W. Va.

He was a retired employe of the Clairton Works, U. S. Steel Corp., and was very well known in his community. May the Lord comfort the bereaved ones and especially his beloved wife.

We all extend our sympathy to Sister Wilson.

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Bow down thine ear Oh Lord, hear me," Psalms 86: 1
Dear Boys and Girls,

This is a story from the Book of Mormon, from the book of Enos. Enos was a man the son of Jacob. Now Jacob was a just man and taught Enos his language and about God. Jacob kept a record of his people on plates. As he grew old he taught his son to care for them. Enos blessed God for his father's teachings.

One day Enos went out in the forest to hunt beasts. The teachings of his father came to him. He was thinking about the joy of the saints and eternal life, but his soul longed for something. He wanted a forgiveness for his sins. All day long he cried unto God. When night came he raised his voice high so that it reached the heavens. He heard a voice say, "Enos your sins are forgiven. You shall be blessed." Enos was very happy. He knew God could not lie and his guilt was swept away. But Enos could not understand how this could be. So he asked, "Lord, how is it done?" The Lord answered, "Because of your faith in Christ, whom you have never seen or heard. Many, many years will pass away before He shall come in the flesh. Therefore go, thy faith has made thee whole." The Lord was telling Enos about Jesus. This was hundreds of years before His birth. The people on this land of America, whom we know as Indians, knew many wonderful things about God's plan.

After Enos heard these words he was worried about his people, the Nephites. He then prayed for his people. While praying the voice of the Lord came saying, "I will visit your brethren if they keep my commandments. I have given them this land which is holy and I will not curse it unless they sin." These words strengthened Enos' faith in the Lord. He prayed much for his people. The Lord told him He would grant his desires because of his faith.

The people had been very wicked. They said they would destroy their records and traditions of their fath-

ers. Enos knew the Lord was able to preserve the records because of these words. "Whatever things ye shall ask in faith believing, that ye shall receive in the name of Christ, ye shall receive it."

Enos went among the people of Nephi testifying and prophesying of the things he had heard and seen. They tried to restore the Lamanites unto the faith in God. They were an evil people and hated the Nephites. They were a wild and blood-thirsty people. They ate nothing but raw meat of beasts. They were very skillful in using the bow, cimeter and ax. They lived in tents in the wilderness, wandering about, with a short skin girdle and their heads shaven. Because of sin God had cursed the Lamanites with a dark skin.

Now the people of Nephi began to till the land, and raise all kinds of grain and fruit. They had cattle, all kinds of flocks, goats, wild goats and horses. They were a stiff-necked people, hard to understand. Many prophets were among them and spoke very harshly reminding them of the judgements of God. It was the power of God and plainness of speech that kept them from being destroyed.

It was now 179 years since Enos' grandfather Lehi had left Jerusalem, and came to this land. During Enos' life he had seen many wars between these two groups of people, the Nephites and Lamanites. Enos knew he would soon die and leave this earth. But he was happy, that with the power of God he had been able to preach and prophesy to these people. He rejoiced that he had declared the word according to the truth which is in Christ. He longed to see the Lord and hear these words, "Come unto me, ye blessed, there is a place prepared for you in the mansions of my Father."

Enos commanded his son, Jarom to take charge of the plates and keep a record of the Nephite people. These plates were handed down from father to son. This is the way their genealogy was kept. They were all preserved according to

God's promise and today we have the Book of Mormon.

Search The Scriptures

1. Look in Matthew chapter 10:16 and find a wild animal, a farm animal something without legs and a bird that means peace.

2. Also in the same chapter it tells of birds. We are of more value than many of them. What are they?

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

MRS. MARY AMBROSE PASSES ON.

Sister Ambrose died at Belle Vernon, Pa., June 12, 1961 age 68 years. She was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ at Roscoe, Pa., which she joined forty year ago.

Surviving is her husband Bro. Lawrence Ambrose, three sons, Charles of Monessen, Anthony of Cleveland, Ohio, Albert of Texas and a brother, Ray at Belle Vernon. Three daughters, sister Louise Welch, sister Virginia Comdena and Florence Comdena all of Belle Vernon. Ten grandchildren and a sister in Italy.

Funeral Services were held in the Roscoe Church, Brother George Johnson and Brother Idris Martin officiating. Music and singing by the Roscoe Choir.

Sister Ambrose will be missed in our meetings in the Roscoe Branch of the Church. May God bless and comfort her loved ones.

Sister L. Walters

A TRIP TO ERIE

On Saturday, June 17th I went in a car from here to Erie, Pa., to attend the Ladies Uplift Circle General Meeting. I was surprised to see the large delegation of sisters and lots of brothers from the various parts of the Church. It was a fine day for traveling, and the Sisters in Erie made much preparation for the visitors and cared for them well. Canada was represented among them. Personally, I enjoyed meeting so many of the sisters on the occasion and seeing their interest in helping the church out in its obligations in carrying on our Missionary work. I addressed their gathering about my recent trip to the West Coast including Mexico and Arizona. The Sisters are exhibiting their faith in the Church's efforts in preaching the Gospel, by their works—and not by mere talk

alone. I stayed for the Sabbath Morning service as well. The church was very well filled up. May the Lord bless the Uplift Circle.

Sincerely,
Editor

BLESSED BE THE SACRED TIE THAT BINDS

By B. J. Martin

At a recent marriage performed in our Church, we beheld a beautiful scene, which filled our hearts with humility and thankfulness. For although the complete ceremony was beautiful, the most beautiful moment was when the young bride walked down the narrow aisle. For although I was seated where I could not see her enter, I was permitted to see her presence in the face of he who loved her, the Bridegroom. For as she started down the aisle toward him, his countenance changed and a great love was very visible upon the young Brother's face for his young bride, and I could feel the presence of the spirit of God there and as the young bride walked past me, I saw the same look upon her face, a little smile, and her eyes were single to her husband-to-be. I believe she did not see anyone else at this moment and each step she made I felt as though she was not walking up to stand before the minister but that she was walking to him, who had chosen her to be his helpmate for life. And although each pew was filled, I believe this moment was theirs and they were not aware of anyone else.

Later, in thinking over this sacred scene, my heart was caused to feel the presence of the GREAT BRIDEGROOM. And in deepest humility I was made to realize that He stands waiting, with that beautiful smile and that great love upon HIS face; also waiting for His bride, THE CHURCH, to come unto him. Yes, as the young bride, step by step with our eyes single to HIM, and as my thoughts were lead this way, I knew that if the young bride would have turned to the right or left or turned away from him, who was waiting for her, his countenance would have fallen, and he would be most miserable, and so we know also that the great bridegroom, JESUS CHRIST, also becomes grieved, when we, of HIS CHURCH, turn to the right or left. So let us walk that narrow aisle

also with our eyes looking up to HIM, the great bridegroom, who waits for each step we make nearer to HIM. Yes, let us look to HIM for assurance and guidance, that we may be able to make all of the steps needful to reach HIM. And at that day it shall be well with us forever and ever—Amen.

APPRECIATION

Brother Editor:

Please renew my Gospel News for another year. It brings joy to me to be able to read the articles concerning the different Branches and Missions and also, the many edifying articles by various brothers and sisters.

My prayer is that God might bless you with many more years of strength that you might continue this wonderful paper that brings a blessing to all who read it. Thank you for your efforts and may God bless you.

Brother Richard Lawson

THE SABBATH DAY

By Bro. V. James Lovalvo

(A Reprint)

Is it Saturday, the seventh day of the week, or Sunday, the first day of the week? This has now become a very controversial question among Christian Churches, especially since the Seventh Day Adventist Church has come into existence.

They boldly proclaim that the Christian world is wrong in observing Sunday as the Sabbath instead of Saturday.

While it is true that among the Ten Commandments it is written, "to keep the Sabbath (Seventh Day) holy" I assure the reader that I have no intention to change the law of God; yet it is my firm belief, founded on scripture and Sacred History, that to observe Sunday, the first day of the week, as our Sabbath was approved by the Lord and was taught and exemplified by the Holy Apostles as well.

Jesus once said that He had come, not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it. (Matt. 5:17) Consider the statement well, for it is truly an important one. In no way was the law and the prophets to be destroyed, for God's word is never destroyed, but it can be fulfilled. (developed, completed, etc.) And it was in Christ Jesus. He superseded the Law and the prophets by fulfilling

them and did so in all their respective phases. The law of sacrifice was fulfilled in His Sacrificial death. Circumcision became the "circumcision made without hands", e, i. Baptism. The Passover became the "Lord's Supper". The Law, "Thou shalt not kill" was superseded by the more perfect law, "Whosoever is angry with his brother shall be in danger of the Judgement" (Matt. 5:22) "Thou shalt not commit adultery" was superseded by "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her, hath committed adultery with her already in his heart" (Matt. 5:28).

If the reader will study the 5th Chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, he will readily see how completely Christ fulfilled the law.

In the Book of Mormon, 3rd Nephi, 9:17, Christ says, "In me is the Law of Moses fulfilled". The Bible tells us that Jesus preached in the Synagogues on the Sabbath Day. I do not question this because He did come to fulfill the Law. Therefore, He was obedient, even to observing the Sabbath day. However, as His commandments superseded the rest of the Law, so I believe that the day of His resurrection (the first day of the week) superseded the old Sabbath day. (seventh day) This I shall endeavor to subsequently prove.

To complete or fulfill the Law does not destroy it, but rather enhances it by the more Glorious teachings of our Lord, Jesus. Of the Sabbath Law, He once said that "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath." Note that the authority of Christ extends to the abrogation of the whole Law, including the Law of the Sabbath. This does not mean that Christ denies the divine law of the Sabbath, but boldly proclaims that He, as the Word of God made flesh, is the Lord of the Sabbath, even as He was Lord of all the Law and the prophets.

In Jesus Christ then we see a fulfillment of the law, (including the Sabbath law) and the birth of a new Testament of which He was the Giver, Mediator, Instructor and Divine beginning. History gives us conclusive evidence that the Christians of the Apostolic days observed the first day of the week as the day of Worship and partaking of the Lord's Supper in commemoration of the Resurrection of Christ.

This day, Sunday, the first day of the week was referred by the Apostles and the Christians as "The Lord's Day". The term, "The Lord's Day" given to the first day of the week (Sunday) unquestionably was used by the Apostles and Christians as attested to by Bible and History. In Acts 20:7, it is recorded "And upon the first day of the week when the disciples came together to break bread, etc." 1st Cor. 16:2, "Upon the first day of the week" etc. Rev. 1:10, "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day", etc.

Mosheim, in his Ecclesiastical History, Century II, Book I, Chapter 4, writes, "The Christians assembled themselves for the worship of God in private dwelling houses, in caves and places where the dead were buried. They met on the first day of the week (Sunday: and here and there on the seventh day Saturday). Which was the Jewish Sabbath".

Observe that the historian emphasizes that the Christians met on the first day of the week for the "Worship of God". And this continued from then on. Notice that the seventh day is referred as the "Jewish Sabbath" and that the Christians met "here and there" on the Jewish Sabbath. But, most important, they assembled on the first day of the week. (Sunday) Thus, indicating that the first day was superseding the seventh day as the day for worshipping God.

Mosheim, in Book I, page 178, writes; "When the Christians celebrated the Lord's Supper, which they were accustomed to do on Sundays" etc. (He then describes the manner in which they administered the Lord's Supper). It had now become a custom to worship God on the FIRST day of the week, and partake of the Lord's Supper (Sunday) Some of the modern Theologians, who claim that the Sunday Sabbath is wrong, had better study the Word of God and Ecclesiastical History, all the more, for if we, who worship God on Sunday are erring, then the Apostles and all the early followers of Christ were wrong. I do not think they were wrong, because they were, without a doubt, men endowed with Divine Inspiration. Surely, if they were erring, God would have put them straight on this question.

Justin Martyr, near the close of his "Apology", which he presented

to Antoninus Pius, A.D.150, gives the following account. "On the day, which is called Sunday, all, whether dwelling in the towns or in the villages, hold meetings; and the Memoirs of the Apostles, and the writings of the Apostles are read. —We all commonly hold our assemblies on Sunday because it is the first day on which God converted the darkness and matter, and framed the world; and Jesus Christ, our Saviour, on the same day arose from the Dead."

Again note that as early as 150 A.B., the disciples are still meeting on the first day of the week plainly called by them, SUNDAY. The writer, Justin Martyr, compares the Resurrection of Christ, which took place on the first day of the week to God's conversion of darkness and matter on the first day of Creation. This to me is a wonderful thought.

In the beginning of Creation, on the first day God said, "Let there be light. "And so it was" His first work was to create "Light", because it is essential to life and progress. Without light there can neither be life nor progress. Darken the light of the Sun and all life would quickly perish, and deterioration would set in and shortly the Earth would die.

The actual beginning of the "New Testament", the Body and Blood of Christ, or of His Gospel was not in His birth, which in itself was miraculous, but in the Light of His glorious Resurrection. Hebrew 9:16, 17 reads, "For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the Testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead; otherwise it is of no strength at all while the Testator liveth". Now death is the end of life. It is symbolic of Darkness. If Christ had not Risen, the world would have remained in Darkness, as it was in the beginning. But Christ arose on the first day of the week and the glorious LIGHT of His Love and Life begins to illuminate the entire world. Now, at His Resurrection would life and progress really commence. On the FIRST day or SUNDAY.

Is it any wonder then that the Apostles and disciples of Jesus worshipped on the first day of the week. They understood the Divine significance of His Resurrection on the "FIRST DAY". Hence the rea-

son they called it "The Lord's Day", in His honor. (The seventh day superseded by the first day, Sunday), Let us continue with a little more History.

It is written in Mosheim's Ecclesiastical History, Century I. Book I, Chapter 4, Paragraph 4, "The Christians of this Century assembled for the Worship of God, and for their advancement in piety, on the FIRST day of the week; the day on which Christ re-assumed His life. For that this day was set apart for religious worship by the Apostles themselves, and that after the example of the Church in Jerusalem, it was generally observed, we have unexceptionable testimony".

Gabriel Albaspinus, in his Ecclesiastical History, Book I, Page 58, writes "In vain some learned men labor to persuade us, that in all the early Churches, both, the first and last days of the week were held sacred. The Churches of Bithynia, mentioned by Pliny devoted but ONE stated day to their public worship; and beyond all controversy, that was what we call the Lord's Day, or the first day in the week."

Eusebius, in his Ecclesiastical History, Volume I, Page 168, writes "So then, Synods and Assemblies of Bishops came together and unanimously drew up in letters an ecclesiastical decree for the faithful everywhere, to the effect that the mystery of the Lord's resurrection from the dead should never be celebrated on any other day but the Lord's Day (Sunday), and that on the close of the Paschal feast." that day alone we should observe

I believe I have given the reader sufficient proof, Biblically and Historically that the worshipping of God on the FIRST day of the week, or SUNDAY does not constitute a breaking of the Sabbath law as given to Moses, but rather a fulfillment of it, and that it was taught by the Apostles and observed by the early Christians. I believe it was by Divine Inspiration, or else God would have revealed otherwise.

The Catholic Church has been accused by the Seventh Day Adventist church of being guilty of changing the law of the Sabbath from the seventh day (Saturday) to the first day (Sunday) of the week. This allegation is referred to as the "Mark of the Beast" by them, I write this plainly because the Seventh day Adventist do not hide this

fact from anyone. In fact, they hold the worshipping of God on the Seventh day of the week as the Basis of their faith. They are bold in this proclamation, thus justifying their tenets on the law of the Sabbath. I beg humbly to differ with them on the subject, not because I want to defend the tenets of the Catholic Church, but I differ only in the light of Biblical and Historical Facts. It is true that the Catholic Church (History reveals this very plainly) enacted a law making the worshipping of God on Sunday a mandatory thing and declares that it is the originator of the Sunday Sabbath. Allow me to say, without fear of contradiction, that the Catholic Church was NOT the originator of the Sunday worshipping of God. All it did was to follow the custom that had already been established by the Apostles and substantiate that which had already been observed by the Holy men of God hundreds of years before. If the Catholic Church takes credit for being the originators of the Sunday Sabbath, then it should study the Bible and Ecclesiastical History more thoroughly.

I write this article with prejudice towards no church or persons, but only in the hope that this controversial subject can be cleared up in the minds of any who may be confused over it. For the members of The Church of Jesus Christ, I say in conclusion that when the Gospel was restored the Lord blessed the Brethren as they met on Sunday. If God would have wanted us to worship Him on the seventh day (Saturday), He certainly would have revealed it. As a Minister, I counsel all my Brethren and Sisters to keep our Sabbath Holy unto the Lord. It is shameful how the world desecrates the Lord's Day. As a word of warning, do not let the world attract you, but rather live so we may attract the world by our righteous example.

P.S. I reprint this article due to the fact, that I have been approached on this very subject. I have referred them to the Article written by Bro. V. James Loyalvo, which I think is a master piece on the Sabbath Day question. If he has quoted history correct (of which I am not doubting) I fail to see where his argument can be punctured. I will just add that this Article was published in the December Issue

1959 beginning on page 7 of The Gospel News. I mailed copies of it to various Institutions, including the Headquarters of the Adventist Church, anxious to hear of some reaction that might weaken me in V.J.s. argument, or strengthen me further into the historical researches of Bro. Loyalvo. Thus far, I have not received anything. And I will add further, that if history has been quoted correctly by him, the arguments of either the Catholic Church or the Seventh Day Adventist's, has certainly had the props knocked from under them.

Editor

THE GOD OF THE SCRIPTURES

The Faith and Doctrine of the Church of Jesus Christ.

1st. We believe in God, the Eternal Father; and his Son Jesus Christ; and in the Holy Spirit; these three are the great matchless power that rules all things visible and invisible, for it is of him and through him that we receive all things both for this life and that which is to come.

2nd. We believe God, the Father, to be a personage of glory and that the Son is the express image of the Father, and that he was with the Father before the foundation of the World; and that in the fullness of time he came from the bosom of the Father and was born of the Virgin Mary according to the scripture, became man, suffered and died for the sins of the whole World, and on the third day he rose again and brought about the resurrection (according to the scriptures), and ascended up on high to sit at the right hand of God.

First Cor. 5, 11 'knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men.' In Hebrews 10,31 I read that "it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." Let us all consider this one thing, that the scripture reveals unto us very much, the character of God. We are taught that He is a lovable God, also that He is a jealous God, an angry God, a God of mercy; yet we are also taught that He is a God of justice, even that all His passions cannot rob His justice. He cannot be swayed to the right nor to the left, only in as much wherein, a fervent, faithful prayer moves Him toward us. In that way His anger or wrath may be turned from His creatures

because of their penitence. Self-justification on the part of the creature will not win His compassion.

In First Samuel 15:22 I read, "Behold to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." I gather from this scripture, that to hearken and obey the Lord is strictly required on our part in order to be in His favor. King Saul failed to obey the command of God, though at a first glance, he performed what many may term an economical act—sparing the best of the flocks for sacrificial purposes. But he disobeyed the command that was given. God was just, and Saul lost his throne. Sympathy nor mercy could not set aside God's justice.

There is an instance recorded in First Kings 13:9 I wish to refer to. The man of God was charged to, "Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by the same way that thou camest." In this case the man of God was commanded not to eat nor drink in that place, and indeed he was not to return home the same way that he went. It is not becoming the creature to question as to why God gave such a commandment, it is the creature's duty to obey the Creator's commands. In verse 11 it gives us an account of an old prophet in Bethel. And while the "Man of God" was on his way back home, the old prophet meets him and persuades him to return to his, the old prophet's home, and in verse 19 the "Man of God" eats and drinks in the old prophet's home—in doing so, he violated the command of the Lord.

After all it was only a matter of eating and drinking, or not doing so at a certain place. But let us all remember, it was the command of God that was transgressed by the 'Man of God' and for his disobedience he was slain by a Lion on his way home. Had he hearkened to the Lord's word in this case, he undoubtedly would have returned home safe. Is it not very plain to us all, that while God is a God of love and tender compassion, that He also metes out justice without mercy to him who will transgress His will? May I ask, Do you believe in this same God? If so, then let all not only hear, but obey as well. There is so many instances in God's word, both in Bible and Book of Mormon wherein God's mercy was withheld and His justice

fell heavy.

There is another matter I wish to draw attention to, and that is in the Garden of Eden. In Genesis 2,8 I read that "God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed." God was very gracious indeed, for all of what He planted, He only reserved one tree of which they should not eat—the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; for in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." yet they could eat freely of all the other trees. Therefore it was the duty of our first parents to listen to their benefactor—their God who had blessed them with such a place of grandure to live in, rather than to listen to God's enemy. You know God had an enemy, the devil, and he is always on the job. In this case he speaks through the serpent, He is the arch enemy of God. We read of him later making war in heaven. It appears that he was not satisfied to dominate the earth, but he wanted to rule heaven too, so the Lord God was obliged to throw him out in order to have peace.

To reach one's hand up and pluck a piece of fruit off a tree and eat it, does not look like a very serious matter, does it? Yet God had said: "Thou shalt not". We are not told what kind of fruit it was, but it must have been a very dangerous fruit to eat, or the Lord would not have forbidden it. In fact it proved to be a very serious matter—they ate, and immediately they lost their pure and holy state. They became ashamed and afraid to meet the God who had been so generous to them—only asking them to keep their hands off the one tree, but they listened to the enemy of Him whom planted the garden in Eden, which was for holy ones to dwell in—even forever, if they would have kept their hands off the forbidden tree.

Apparently there was nothing left for the All Merciful God to do, but to drive our first parents out of their comfortable home, into a cold and cruel world, where thorns and thistles pricked their bodies, and they were obliged to till the soil for a livelihood—yea, in the sweat of thy face thou shalt eat bread, till thou return unto the ground. No longer a beautiful and plenteous garden to call their home. Their disobedience not only brought

sickness, pain and death. To the natural mind of man, it would seem unmerciful on the part of God, our Heavenly Father to drive father Adam and mother Eve out of this comfortable home just because they ate some fruit of which they had been forbidden to eat. We must not question the ways and doings of the Lord, for we are but the clay in His hands; it was an all-wide-act on His part, lest they would again reach and eat of the Tree of Life in their lost and fallen state and live forever therein. Though He was a sympathetic God, yet He meted out justice, and then extended to them a helping hand that they might recover or redeem themselves by looking forward to Him, the seed of the woman who would bruise the serpent's head, even Jesus Christ.

In Genesis 6,7 I read, "And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth Me that I have made them." To me, this implies that the Lord God was going to destroy all life from the earth. But I read in verse 8 that the man Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord, and I read that he was a just man and perfect in his generations and that he walked with God. While the world was about to realize the terror of a terrible God because of disobedience, yet Noah because of obedience, finds in God, a God of mercy and compassion because he, Noah, was just etc.

We are told that Noah moved with fear, prepared an Ark to the saving of his house, Heb. 11,7. It says he moved with fear, yea. Noah knew that God would not spare him unless he did God's will. Therefore the Terrible God was a kindly God to Noah because of righteousness and obedience. Do we of today really believe that God is the same? If so, He will only be a merciful God unto us in as much as we strive to keep His commandments, otherwise He will be a God of terror unto us today. For His Word is yea and amen.

God has always been good and kind to His people, as for the devil, I cannot recall of ever reading of him ever doing one good thing for

man, have you? The Saviour has this to say of him, "Ye are of your father the devil and the lusts of your father ye will do, He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father of it." If the Saviour's words are yea and amen, there certainly is no good thing in the devil. The Lord was so good to His loved ones, yea, those who were styled as the Apple of His eye", that He warns them of what is good to eat and what is not good to eat, Among the many things He forbade them to eat was, Deuteronomy 14,8 "And the swine because, it divide the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it is unclean unto you; ye shall not eat their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase." What! not touch their dead carcase." Yet today we love to eat the swines' body. Undoubtedly the Gentiles of today in eating the things that God forbid His chosen people to eat is, the cause of so much disease in their bodies. The promise of God was that He would keep them free from the diseases then rampant in Egypt if they kept His commands, otherwise they would suffer the same things that the Egyptians suffered. May I ask again, is God the same? The apostles Paul says: "unto the pure all things are pure." but may I ask: will the pure in heart willfully transgress the law of God, and sin against their bodies? If the people of God live as do the world, they shall suffer with the world. Let every body remember that God is a lovable being on the one hand, and a terrible God on the other. It is recorded that the wages of sin is death, and there is an old adage that the way of the transgressor is hard. Jesus says come unto me all ye that are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. He did not only die to heal the soul, but the body as well, but we must walk in obedience to the laws of our God and Creator. Amen

Bro. W. H. Cadman

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA

Dear Bro. Cadman,

As I write this letter to you, it is 7:30 in the morning (June 19). It is very quiet and peaceful. There is something that I love about the dawning of a new day, it is good.

Yesterday was the Lord's, day and we gathered in His house to worship Him.

There were quite a few visitors from out of state here so I will not mention names, only those who are connected with this experience.

The rostrum was full of the ministers of God. We sang a few hymns and there was a request to hear Sister Sylvia Curry, sing. When we left our house that morning for church Sister Ella Furnier, said that she would like to hear the hymn "My God, Thou See'st Me". So I requested that Sister Curry, sing this. As she began to sing I received such a blessing that I bowed my head and began to pray. As I prayed Bro. Joe Lovalvo's face came clearly before me. I felt that he was going to speak, but I didn't know when nor the purpose. We heard a nice song from Bros. Dan Paravano, Leonard Lovalvo, Joe Paravano, after which Bro. Jim Lovalvo, left the meeting open for our visiting brothers to speak, asking that they might speak according to the spirit.

And that since there were so many we would like to hear at least 3 speakers. Bro. Tony Piccuto, opened the meeting using mostly the Book of Mormon for his sermon. We enjoyed this very much. Bro. Dominic Givannone followed and spoke about the goodness of God, during his some 28 or 29 yrs. in the gospel. He was followed by Bro. Louis Ciacotti.

Bro. Ciacotti, spoke to us about our works while we are here on earth. What material we send up to heaven while we are here on probation will determine what we will have in heaven. The time was twelve o'clock, so Bro. Lovalvo asked if we would like to make the meeting longer so that we could hear at least one more brother, we voted yes. I kept praying Lord, why did I see Bro. Joe Lovalvo's face? As I thought this, Bro. Joe, arose and began to speak. He continued on the same thought that Bro. Piccuto, spoke on the Restoration.

How by the coming of Christ we can have a closer relationship with God. Jesus said, "I have come to do the will of my father", and "What so ever you ask the father in my name he shall give it unto you", Bro. Joe spoke many things which space does not allow me to write.

He began to speak about the whole house of Israel, and especially the seed of Joseph, on this land and the covenant that God the father had made to them, and how their heavenly father has not forgotten them. As he was speaking thus, Bro. Dan Piccuto, arose and spoke in the gift of tongues, with great power, to my ears it sounded like an Indian praying. After this he fell upon his knees and prayed that God, would deliver his people and that if he did not do his best to do God's will that he would take his life now. I cannot remember all the words but I hope that when my brothers and sisters read this that it will not be the words, but that God, will bear evidence to the truth. After Bro. Dan finished his prayer Bro. Joe asked if any one had received the interpretation of the tongues. No one answered so he finished his sermon. At this point Sister Delores Piccuto, was ordained as a deaconess, Sister Virginia Lovalvo washed her feet, Prayer was offered by Bro. Jas. Lavalvo, and Bro. Tony Piccuto anointed her along with Bro. Bob Ciarrochi. The meeting was then dismissed. As we dismissed, Sister Virginia Lovalvo told Bro. Dan that she had the interpretation of the tongues. But that she could only remember one line, because she was so filled with the spirit. The line she remembered was "My People Shall Come Out Of The Desert" Bro. Dan told us that he felt to speak in tongues before he did but felt that he did not want to seem forward or that he might do the wrong thing. So he withheld the spirit, he said that he felt sick all over his body and so utterly depressed, and he prayed that God would forgive him and give him that spirit again, that is when he arose in the power of God. I feel that God showed me Bro. Joe's face to prove that he was going to use the words he spoke by the power of the Holy Ghost to bring forth the gift of tongues and the interpretation, by the same spirit. Moroni says in the 10 ch. 3vr. And by the power of the holy ghost ye may know the truth of all things".

I shall close for now Bro. Cadman, I am sorry that this is such a lengthy letter, but when there is such a blessing one cannot leave any thing out. May we as the people of God, strengthen ourselves, for as in the vision that Bro. Campetelli had the prophesies are

about to be fulfilled. You may print this in the paper if you like. So that God, May be glorified.

Sister June Jones

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mrs. Anne Stephens

Passes On.

Sister Stephens passed away June 14, 1961. She was born Jan. 1, 1894 and thus lived to the age of 67. She was the daughter of the late Bro. and Sister James Curry who were both faithful members of the church.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Keturah Mae Crews, three grandchildren and one great grandchild. Also she is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Lydia Allen, Mrs. Della Day, Mrs. Esther Andrews, all of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Gertrude Little of Clairton, Pa. and one Brother James Curry of Elizabeth, Pa.

Sister Stephens was baptized on July 5th, 1948 and has attended church ever since at the Mission in Washington, D. C.

Funeral Services were held in the Simmons Funeral Home on June 17th. Brother Donald Curry from Glassport, Pa., officiated. Sister Stephens will certainly be missed in the Mission in Washington. She was a living testimony for the Gospel of Christ and was loved by all who knew her.

We extend our sympathy to the loved ones.

Editor

GOOD THOUGHTS AND SAYINGS

Dear Readers:

There is a common saying about a good thing—"To Pass It On." I have received two or three letters with in the last few days and I will not mention any names, but I am going to "pass on" some sayings contained in them.

From a young sister (though married) but who lives far away from the church says: "I want you to tell Brother Bittinger I agree with him". When I was baptized I remember so many people were crying—all I could feel inside was a wonderful joy and a great calm. I wanted to shout to everyone to be happy too, because this was the most joyous moment of my life. For although, we are truly repentant before, but at the precise moment of baptism, aren't we thrilled and so happy to be with God and

to do His will and allow Him to use us as He will? Brother Bittinger is right when he says we are not all emotional. Isn't that what makes us wonderful and unique?

P.S. This young sister in her married life, (which I think is a happy one) her husband's profession is such that she has been obliged to move across state lines and even across our national boundary to be with her husband—She says: "I have learned something else too. Even though you cannot attend the Church of Jesus Christ every Sabbath, you can, carry its gospel and teaching in your heart and you can appreciate it more than some who have it at their doorsteps, through study and service to others."—Darlene, lots of good sayings in your letter, but I will not quote you further, but though your lot is that you are far away from the church, may God bless you and your husband.

Bro. Cadman

ARNOLD C. AKERMAN PASSES ON.

Arnold Akerman age 40 the son of Sister Gertrude Akerman Smith and the late Brother Fritz Akerman met with sudden death in the Mine on June 23rd and was laid away to rest on June 26th., from the Cox Funeral Home in Elizabeth, Pa., Bro. W. H. Cadman officiating. He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters. His mother, one brother, four sisters and one half brother Issac Smith, and several step brothers and sisters.

Arnold was a World War Veteran, and was employed in the Mathias Coal Mine near Monongahela. His death was a very sad affair. May the Lord comfort his young widow and children; his aged mother and all his brothers and sisters and friends.

EDITORIALS OPINION SUP- PORTS THE SENECA

"The United States has a good record of adhering to its treaties except in treaties made with Indian Tribes. The oldest of such treaties still in force . . . is that signed with the six nations in 1794 during the presidency of George Washington. This treaty set aside certain lands in Western New York and Pennsylvania to be forever 'the property of the Seneca Nation.' The beautiful phrase used in such

treaties was that these lands would be Indian 'as long as the moon rises, the grass is green, the river flows and the sun shines.' . . .

"Only a few hundred Indians are involved; but perhaps the rights of hundreds are as sound as the rights of millions . . .

"Can't we stop in all our understandable hurry to right the wrongs of the big world, and do justice to a handful of people in one small corner of the earth?"

THE NEW YORK TIMES,
February 22,

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FROM THE WASHINGTON POST, April 8, 1961

"Free men rightly are indignant when the Soviet government pushes around its ethnic minorities. But to many people it looks as if the United States is doing the same thing when the Corps of Engineers or the Niagara Power Authority dislodges Seneca and Tuscarora Indians from their homes. . .

"Therefore, we hope that President Kennedy will make clear that the case of the Seneca Indians cannot be brushed aside so simply. Instead, there ought to be a clear indication that the United States will . . . treat its own minorities with the same scrupulous respect that it repeatedly urges on Mr. Khrushchev."

Taken from the Cherokee Times, Cherokee, N. C.

OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL By Irene M. Griffith

The Vacation Bible School of the Monongahela Branch ended its two weeks work with a program Friday evening June 23, showing what the children gained in the Bible and Book of Mormon knowledge and also their handwork. The theme of our lessons was Answered Prayer. Our days lessons were as follows:

- 1st. day—Lord teach us to pray
- 2nd. day—The Tower of Babel
- 3rd. day—Jared's journey to the New World
- 4th. day—Prayer on the Mountain
- 5th. day—The Promised Land—Prayer Answered
- 6th. day—Kings and Prophets
- 7th. day—The end of the Jaredites
- 8th. day—The Prayer of young Joseph
- 9th. day—The Book of Mormon
- 10th. day—Our Church—The Church of Jesus Christ

I know all the teachers and help-

ers felt a great blessing in working with the boys and girls again this year. Our average attendance was 100 with 23 teachers and helpers. Each day we all recited the Books of the Old and New Testaments, the 121 Psalm and our memory verse for the day.

As in other years we tried to do something as missionaries to help somebody, and this year we heard of the misfortune of a ten year old girl who had her arm amputated by a farm machine. The children contributed a basket of fruit.

We are so very thankful that we have Sister Mabel Bickerton as our leader who wrote both lessons and music for our Bible School. We all surely enjoyed singing the beautiful songs this year. Our theme song daily as we went to and from our classes was:

Smile, Smile, Smile
Be happy and be gay,
Smile, Smile, Smile
Another sunny day.
Smile, Smile, Smile
Our faces all aglow,
God's love like the sunshine
His light to others show.
Frown, Frown, Frown
No never ne'er a frown,
Smile, Smiles, Smiles
Will turn clouds upside down,
Frown, Frown Never,
Have joy and laughter gay,
Give your smiles to others
Then have a happy day.

And we can truly say that all the children just beamed with joy to go into their classes. They were also eager to open up their Bibles and Book of Mormon to study their lessons for the day, I'm sure I speak for all the teachers and helpers at the end of each day, we could all say that God had truly blessed us for the small effort that we put forth to bring His message to the children.

We as parents are thankful that we have through the talented people in our church these Vacation Bible Schools which are being held in increasing numbers throughout the church, that our Gospel may be planted in the hearts of our children, along with many outsiders who visit and take part.

Another very good example of the material used in our school which was given to our Sister Mabel by the inspiration of God, are the following words which we sang

everyday:

His word will stand forever
As a light will it ever be;
It goes before us
And will uphold us
Won't you join our prayer band?
Look up and praise your maker
Grace and glory, He'll give to thee;
His arm will hold you
And love enfold you,
Welcome in this Prayer Band.

So we go singing onward
Marching forward and heaven
bound,
The Lord's our Leader
Enlist and follow,
Come and join this Prayer Band.

TAKE NOTE PLEASE!

To the subscribers of The Gospel News, and especially you who are members of The Church of Jesus Christ, for without your patronage we could not keep going—prices have soared much since we started publishing the paper, now in its seventeenth year but we are managing to keep our heads above water thus far. But there is one inconvenience which we are having much of—that is, so many of our subscribers moving and changing addresses and not notifying us. Apparently the Post Office Dept, cuts the address off the paper and with a notice enclosed in an envelope is returned to us, with a fee of five cents on each one. It is getting to be very common, three were received this day. But of course it is not the five cents that we are concerned about, but the inconvenience it causes—inkeeping our mailing list up to date. The responsibility of keeping the list straight is on Sister Hertha Jones. She volunteered her services to help me. She is a wonderful help to me. When the papers are printed, they are taken direct to her home—she looks after all the work of mailing and sees that between 900 to 1000 papers are placed in the post office. Sister Hertha has of her own free will taken all that work off my shoulders—May the Lord reward her in some way. I still attend to editing the paper—placing the material (copy) in the printer's hands and am looking after the financial end of the business—which takes much time—but we are all

carrying on cheerfully.

What I want you all to do, when your paper is marked 'EXPIRED' will you please renew as soon as possible—and many thanks to you all. We want you all to receive your papers. Please co-work with us.

Sincerely
Editor

LETTER FROM NIGERIA

Dear Brother Cadman:

I thought it would be good to write and let you know that things are going along fairly well. The church is in a good spirit of unity and pretty well settled now, barring any new developments. I hope this finds you well and enjoying the blessings of God.

Having less stations to take care of, I am campaigning heavily among our people to inform them of the facts about our church, for I believe to have them enlightened will strengthen our position. We had Feet Washing all over the church here, to be in keeping with the church in America. At the weekly Elders meeting this morning, every one reported good meetings and for most of the people, it was the first time in their lives to attend feet washing service. Especially was I glad to hear that the spirit of God was working among them, for a meeting like that will endear our gospel to the people.

In one branch that went back to the Nazarenes, one of our Elders remained loyal. He secured some land and is now clearing the bush out to put up a church building and carry on. Some of these men are exceptionally good. I plan to help him clear the land in my spare time, as you will remember that I am a farmer and understand how to clear brush. I thought you would like to know everything is all right again. Love to all Brother Alvin Swanson.

GRASSHOPPERS STRIP FIELDS IN 3 STATES

By: United Press International

The worst invasion of grasshoppers since the 1930s in three northern farm states today stripped fields bare, defied control and brought warnings of "near crop failure."

The grey and green insects, thriv-

ing on recent drought conditions, have attacked nearly all of Montana's 56 counties and hundreds of thousands of acres in North Dakota and South Dakota.

"They look like popcorn flying up from under your feet," a North Dakota sheriff said. "It's the worst grasshopper outlook since 1934."

The three states have appealed to the Agriculture Department for disaster area aid. Together with drought losses, costs of the grasshoppers' ravages will run into million of dollars.

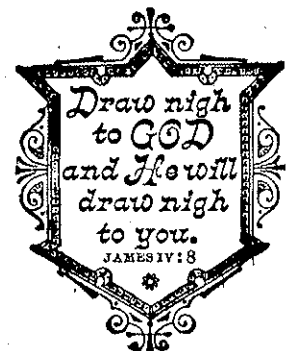
GOD'S WORD IS PLAIN

The Gospel News Readers:

I have been asked to answer the following question: "Will it be possible for a participant of the First Resurrection as spoken of by John in Rev. chapter 20th not to be saved." My answer is NO it will not be possible for any one having a part in the first resurrection to be cast off. My scriptures for that, is the sixth verse—"Blessed and holy is He that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." This is not my saying nor my opinion, but it is the plain word of God as given by John when on the Isle Patmos. How questions like this arise among Bible readers is more than I can understand.

Again I warn you all, that in the restoration of the Gospel—the principal person engaged therein was warned from Heaven, to abide by what was written. The failure to do so is very much the cause of some being led by the opinions of others.

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BROTHER JOSEPH SHAZER OFF TO AFRICA.

Brother Shazer boarded a TWA Plane about 2:20 p.m. on July 31st. at the Pittsburgh Airport left, for the International Airport in New York, on his way to Nigeria, West Africa. A few of the brothers and sisters gathered to see him off. I had boarded an Allegheny Plane on the 29th for Newark, N. J. and spent Sunday at the Hopelawn, N. J. Church. I met Brother A. Corrado there from Youngstown, Ohio. We enjoyed the services with our brothers and sisters in worship.

About noon on the 31st (Monday) Brother and Sister Joseph Benyola, Brother Corrado and myself drove to the International Airport and met Bro. Shazer. He arrived there in a big rainstorm. Later Brothers Rose and Link of Brooklyn came. Due to the heavy storm the B.O.A.C. Jet liner on which Brother Shazer was to leave for London at 8:10 p.m. was postponed until 11:00 p.m. The Aviation Company took all the passengers to a hotel and got them their supper.

Owing to the flooded streets in N. Y. we did not wait to see his plane go. Brother Shazer was very well but felt lonely in making such a long trip by himself. We presume that he arrived at his destination safe. Thus far August 2nd we have not heard from him.

Returning back to Hopelawn the following three nights were spent at our various churches holding meetings. Brother Corrado was there part of the time, Sister Carlini was also visiting in New Jersey the week I was there.

Bro. Cadman

THE LAND OF PROMISE

How can I ever thank my God,
For planting my feet upon this sod.
This wonderful land so fair and free
Where all could live in harmony,
If only they'd answer the Gospel call,
Where salvation is free to one and all.
To the world outside, the people do hasten,
Not knowing how them, the Lord will chasten
This land to the seed of Joseph was given,
But the Gentiles, since for the land

have striven,
For the sake of the righteous God
promised a blessing
But because of the wicked, there's
pronounced a cursin.
So harken ye people of this great
nation,
The call has gone out in this last
dispensation,
The time is at hand it is now yours
to choose
But hasten or the blessing of this
land you will lose.

Sister Olive Elzby

A LITTLE STORY

A little story as it has been told to me: Our brethren in Arizona have been building a church on San Carlos Indian Reservation about 100 miles east of Phoenix. The brothers lived in and around Phoenix. It was very hot, the thermometer hovering around 113. On this occasion two of the brothers had left their homes in a car for to work on the building. The weather was so hot that some of the brothers got concerned about the brothers working in the heat, and unbeknownst to them the brothers went to prayer in their behalf asking God to take care of them in some way.

When the brothers returned home in the evening from their work, they said that a CLOUD had hung over them all day long—which protected them some from the hot sun. I, brother, Cadman don't know if I have this worded just correct or not, but I did feel glad to hear that our brothers prayers were answered in behalf of their brethren working out in that heat—Protected from the sun's hot rays by the shadow of a cloud.

Editor

July 2, 1961

Dear Bro. Cadman:

Find enclosed \$2.00 for the renewal of the Gospel News. We appreciate receiving this little book, and noticed there have been many wonderful experiences written in it. It encourages our hearts. We enjoy reading all about them, being we are so far apart, it is the only way we hear from the saints. We certainly welcome them to our home when they are vacationing.

We hold our meetings as usual, and are blessed accordingly. It gives

us a real lift when we meet with the saints.

May the Lord be with you all there until we meet in that heavenly land with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Hoping this will find you well and enjoying the Peace and Blessings of God.

Your Bros. & Sisters in Christ
Sister Phyllis Wergin &
Family

CAN THE DEVIL CAST OUT HIMSELF?

Let us see what the Saviour says about the matter:

"Matthew 12:26" And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?—And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? therefore they shall be your judges.—But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

It is a positive statement on the part of the Saviour, the devil cannot act against himself, if it be otherwise then the devil is divided himself, and his kingdom cannot stand.

If then, sin caused our first parents to fall and with the fall, it brought sickness and death to these bodies in which we dwell—can the devil undo what he did in the garden of Eden? If he now can heal the afflicted body, of which yielding to him brought sin into the world—I ask, if the devil can undo what he did in bringing death into the world, what would stop him from healing—or restoring life to the dead? Would he not be divided against himself? Would the atoning blood of Christ be the sole redemption of mortals? I have always understood and have always preached—that Christ did not die only to heal the soul, but to heal these afflicted bodies as well. Death is the result of sin, life is the result of obedience. Obedience would have permitted our first parents to live forever, disobedience caused them to die. Christ yielding Himself unto death, but because of obedience unto His Father in all things, death could not hold Him. He led captivity (death) captive and gave gifts unto men—not only the gifts of healing the body, but

the gift of Eternal life through obedience to His will. Death is an enemy, it was caused by transgression, but all enemies shall yet be destroyed — The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. First Corinthians 15-26. Jesus broke the power of death—He broke the power of the last enemy.

I ask all my readers to read the seventh chapter of Moroni and read it carefully. I will quote the 12th verse as follows: "Wherefore, all things which are good cometh of God; and that which is evil cometh of the devil; for the devil is an enemy unto God and fighteth against Him continually, and inviteth and enticeth to sin, and to do that which is evil continually." May I warn all—Let us be careful as to how we judge our fellow man: Good is Good, and Evil is Evil, and as for me I am persuaded that no good thing can come from the devil. There are ways that seemeth right unto a man, but the end of those ways is death. I remember an incident of many years ago, in fact it was before I was married. I was boarding away from home and in the community where I was, there were cottage prayer meetings being held in homes around. I attended one of the meetings one evening and heard a woman bear her testimony of being visited by an angel. I was not too much impressed with her testimony, but may I ask: what was I, or who am I to say that she was not visited by an angel?

Let us all remember that Jesus did not only teach us to love one another, but He warned us very seriously about setting ourselves up as judges, not only that, but He makes it very plain that ye shall render an account of our idle words.

Brother Cadman

G. M. B. A.

The General Missionary Benevolent Association held its bi-annual conference at Detroit, Michigan on Saturday, May 20, 1961. Representatives were present from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Florida, Ohio, Michigan, and Canada.

The morning session was taken up with communications, unfinished business, and officers' reports.

In the afternoon the new business, commencing with the reports of the locals, was conducted. Comments from the locals on the ques-

tion of whether or not limitations should be imposed upon the number of consecutive terms G. M. B. A. officers may hold were read. The locals were asked to vote on this question and present the results to the November conference. A suggestion to permit the areas to collect free will offerings for missionary work at their area gatherings was sent to the conference, and permission was granted to those areas who wish to do so.

At the evening meeting the Detroit local no. 3 presented a program entitled "Reservation."

The November conference will be held in Alliquippa, Pennsylvania on the second Saturday of the month.

Corresponding Secretary:
Ruth Akerman

GENERAL CIRCLE IN ERIE, PENNA.

The Circle meeting convened in the church here in Erie on June 17, 1961 at 10:30 A.M. Opening remarks were made by our president Sister Mabel Bickerton followed with words of welcome by Sister Mary Mancini of Erie. A song was also sung by the Erie Circle written especially for the occasion by Sister Esther (DiBattista) Dyer with a very nice tune.

A MARVELOUS WORK AND A WONDER

As the women of our circle,
Staunch and virtuous we must be,
Giving aid to all our missions,
At Home and Overseas.

In our Circle we are few, and we
have a job to do

A marvelous work and a wonder.
We will turn no one aside,
Try to be a willing guide,
Live beside the Golden Rule,
With the Bible as our tool.
Have you joined the Ladies Circle?
Put a link into the chain . . .
Come lets join the Ladies Circle
And a priceless pearl gain.

A good spirit prevailed throughout the day with evidence of the Spirit of God in our midst, testimonies and talks from some of the Brothers with us. Bro. Wm. Cadman gave us some details of his trip out West and into Mexico. It was interesting to us all, especially to hear of the difficult conditions that exist among the Indians and the good work our Brothers are doing among them. Bro. John Mancini made a few interesting remarks also.

We in Erie only hope that the ones that were here enjoyed themselves as much as we enjoyed having them. It was very uplifting for us to prepare for their coming and to enjoy their stay and have the pleasant memories of the day together.

Our Circle here in Erie consists of thirteen members. We are studying the teaching of Christ and the set-up of the church. Also the pamphlets on the restoration of the Gospel. We also had quite an extensive lesson on The Mother setting an example in the home in the church. As a family we must teach our children the importance of the church. As a church should come first in our lives. It was very interesting and very enlightening.

May God be with all of our Circle members throughout the church. Our next meeting was appointed for Lorain in September. If it is Godswill we will see each other there.

Sisters; Phyllis (Bucci) Kovacic
Florence (DiBattista) LaRosa

THE MIGHTIEST FORCE ON EARTH

What is the mightiest force on earth?

The writer says, "The pen."
For it changes thoughts of nations
Of all deep thinking men.
And if you should ask the

Statesman,

He promptly says, "The sword."
It forces men against their will
To do the bidden word.

Again the radio is thought to
Be the greatest power,
When man's voice goes o'er all the earth,

In this world's latest hour.
Another says, "Love is the might,
"Twould gladly serve the world.
By shunning evil, doing good,
With liberty's flag unfurled."
But, No, my friends you all are wrong,

Prayer shakes the power of pen and sword,

Through Jesus' majesty.

You see, it is a power so strong,
Immune to sin and fraud,

When prayer is wafted up to Heaven

It moves the hand of God.

If you have doubts at all of this
Just scan your bible through,
And see the mighty works God did
Through His believing few.

—Mrs. Annie J. Irwin
Assiniboia, Sash., Canada

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

In continuing with my third article on my West Coast tour, I am still in the Modesto community, it is a wonderful country. Though once (as I understand) a sandy desert, today is one of the wonderful fruit countrys in the world. The peach orchards, grape vineyards and the citrus and many other fruits abounding, is simply beyond my ability to describe and I must not forget the walnut and the almonds, the flowers, vegetables, the wonderful homes and the bright sunshine in a sandy desert—yet even in the rocky and might I say: wasteful looking mountains, God has dwelt, and not only dwelt, but has blessed with an abundance of water thus far, and has caused what was once a wasteful sandy country, to become, might I say a Garden of Eden. Surely this land of America is a blest land, and it is known in the Book of Mormon as a Land of Promise by the forefathers of whom are now known as American Indians.

I spent my last evening with many at the home of Brother and Sister Louis Peravano. They have a wonderful ten acre vineyard and other fruits for their home. I stayed all night at Brother and Sister Gilley's home. He drove me to the Modesto Airport the next morning (May 8th). There were 5 or 6 brothers present to see me off. I appreciated their thoughtfulness.

It is from 300 to 400 miles flight from Modesto to Los Angeles, and what a wonderful flight it was to me—over fruit lands, sandy deserts, mountains and vales, practically no vegetation except in the irrigated districts—I felt as though I was looking down on another world—What a wonderful God; Father, Son and Holy Ghost must be—For at His word the world was and still is today, and MAN is so much dissatisfied—he is digging down the mountains and filling up the vales—and to, with all the wonders on earth yet, he wants to get on the moon.

On arriving at Los Angeles Airport (and what a

busy place it is) brother Heaps met me and took me to his home in Anaheim, possibly a fifty mile drive. This was on Monday afternoon. I stayed at the Heaps home for a few days, occupied their pulpit on Wednesday evening. Their congregation is not very large, but still there was sufficient to give God praise for His everlasting kindness towards us. Brother Heaps and Kirkpatrick are doing considerable visiting among neighbors in the community and there were signs of their efforts being blessed—a few neighbors were beginning to come to their meetings. May God fill their little church with humble worshippers. You all know that Bro. Heaps has passed through very serious physical conditions in late years. I will say that he looks big and strong in body, but he is a weak man, but still anxious to do something for the Lord. On the next day after their Wednesday night service, he drove me to the San Fernando Valley Church, possibly 100 miles of a drive, (driving is real tiresome for him). We arrived there for the evening meeting and where I occupied the pulpit two evenings in succession, with very nice attendance. Brother Heaps remained over night before returning home. By this time I had my plans laid out in my mind concerning the balance of my stay in California, and then visit Arizona on my way home. But circumstances were such that my plans were completely changed. While I had spent two nights at the Valley Church and visiting until after Sunday services, which found me in the pulpit again both morning and evening—a car drove in from Phoenix to take me back with them. To do this and I did not want to disappoint them, but it did cause a reversal of travels.

But before going farther—you know that Bro. V. J. Lovalvo has quite a Barber Shop in the San Fernando Valley, and he made an appointment for me to be at his shop at a given time. Eventually I found myself in his barber chair and while he was using the clippers on my head and a razor on my face—the first thing I knew there was a nice young lady sitting on a stool beside me and was manicuring my finger nails—well one surprise brought on another—for the next thing I knew, a young colored attendant was sitting on another stool and was polishing my shoes—well, I had heard of the phrase “three-in-one”, but had never experienced it before. But after all, they apparently did a good job among the three of them, for I was complimented as looking much younger after it was all over. It looks as though barbers in Calif. learn the trade perfectly out in the sunny state.

Well, my visit ended at the Valley Church on Sunday evening and on Monday May 16th I started in a car at 7 p.m. with Brother and Sister Joseph Small formerly of Canton, Ohio, for their home in Phoenix, Arizona. Arriving there about 3:30 a.m. on Tuesday; Brother Philip Damore formerly of Youngstown, Ohio, was also with us. It was about 400 miles of a drive but all went well with us.

I spent a week in Arizona with our brothers and sisters and then returned to California and Mexico and spent another week with them. To be continued,

Editor

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"But whom say ye that I am?"
Matthew 16:15

Dear Boys and Girls,

I want to tell you another story from the Book of Mormon, found in the thirtieth chapter of Alma. Once upon a time there was a man named Korihor, who came to the land of Zarahemla. He was Anti-Christ which means he was against Christ. He did not believe all that the prophets had taught the people, that some day Christ would come. Now there was no law to make a man believe these things just as it is today. The scripture said, "Choose ye this day, whom ye will serve", so man could believe or not believe. Korihor knew this, also that the law could not hold him for not believing in Christ. He went among the people preaching that there would be no Christ. He told the people they were foolish to believe such things. His words were flattering and he led away the hearts of many. Therefore the people became wicked.

Next Korihor went over to the land of Jershon and began to preach these things there. But these people were wiser than the others so they took him and bound him. They carried him before Ammon, the high priest, who said to carry him out of the land. Korihor then went to the land of Gideon. He began to preach to the people there. He did not have much success. These people also took him and bound him. He was taken before their high priest and chief judge. The high priest, whose name was Giddonah, asked, "Why do you go about perverting the ways of the Lord? Why do you teach that there shall be no Christ? Why are you speaking against all the prophecies?"

Korihor answered, "Because I do not teach the foolish traditions of your fathers. I do not teach the people to bind themselves down to the foolishness which is laid down by ancient priests. You say that this people is a free people, but I say they are in bondage. You also say that Christ shall come and I say that you do not know that there shall be a Christ. You also say that

He shall be slain for the sins of the world. You make them believe that they will offend some unknown being, who they say is God, a being who never has been seen or known, who never was, nor ever will be."

Now when Giddonah saw that Korihor's heart was hard and he reviled God, he would not make a reply. They bound Korihor and gave him to the officers to take back to Zarahemla. Here he was brought before the chief judge and Alma who was the governor over all the land. When he was questioned he spoke as he had before the rulers in the land of Gideon. He accused Alma and the priests of living upon the labors of the people. Alma said, "I have never received so much as even one senine for my labor, neither has any of my brethren. We have always worked with our hands for our support. Why do you say we preach to our people to get gain when you know it is not true? Do you believe we deceive this people that causes such joy in their hearts?" Korihor answered, "Yes" Alma asked, "Do you believe there is a God?" He replied, "No". Then Alma asked, "Will you deny again that there is a God and also deny the Christ? I say unto you that I know there is a God and that Christ shall come. What proof have you that there is no God or that Christ will not come? I know that you believe but you are possessed with a lying spirit and the spirit of God has no place in you. The evil one has power over you."

Now Korihor said to Alma, "If you will show me a sign I will believe in God and show me he has power." But Alma replied, "You have had signs enough. Will you tempt your God? All these brethren have had a testimony and the scriptures are laid open to you. Everything shows there is a God, even the earth and it's motion, also all the planets. Yet you go about telling the people there is no God. Will you deny all this?" Alma felt very sad because of the hardness of Korihor's heart. Again Alma spoke, "If you deny again, behold God shall smite you and you will be-

come dumb and you shall never open your mouth anymore to deceive this people. Korihor continued to deny God and still wanted a sign. Alma said, "This I will give you for a sign. You shall be struck dumb." Now when Alma spoke these words Korihor became dumb. When the chief judge saw it, he wrote this to Korihor, "Are you convinced of the power of God? In whom did you desire that Alma should show his sign? Did you want him to afflict others to show you a sign? Now will you dispute more?"

Korihor wrote, "I know I am dumb, for I cannot speak and I know it was the power of God that brought it upon me. I knew that there was a God but the devil deceived me. He appeared to me in the form of an angel and taught me to say, "There is no God". I taught this to the people and had success and I began to believe it was true".

Korihor begged Alma to pray to God that this curse might be taken from him. But Alma said if he would, he would only lead the hearts of the people away again. The curse was not taken away from Korihor and he was cast out. He went from house to house begging for his food. Now the knowledge of what had happened to Korihor was published throughout the land. Everyone was soon convinced of his wickedness. As he went among the people begging, behold, he was run upon and trodden down, even until he was dead. So this was the end of the man who had tried to pervert the ways of the Lord. The evil one who had taught him to deny God was not able to help him in his last days.

I received so many nice poems you children composed on Prayer. I will try to let you read some of them. Candido Nolfi, age 9, sent this one:

I Love Jesus

I love Jesus for you see
He died for us on Calvary.
Always in a time of need
He hears my prayers and yours
indeed.

All He wants from us is prayer
Which we can do most anywhere.
He watches o'er us in work and play
I pray to my Jesus day after day,

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

AN EXPERIENCE

During the first week of Bible School in Monongahela, one of the sisters asked me what we were going to have next year (usually some thought is given to me before one year is over). I answered her that I did not know. That night, June 14, when I went to bed I lay there thinking of a theme for our next year's work. My thoughts were like this, "Lord, what will I use for next year?" This is what came to me; "Heroes of Long Ago", start with Noah and the building of the ark, show how the Gospel is the ark of safety; go into Moses and the ten commandments, then the law of Christ, the law of love". I must have dropped off to sleep immediately as I don't remember pondering over this. In the morning it was all fresh in my mind and I began to think about it. It sounded good but I thought, there is nothing about the Book of Mormon in this and I like to use both books. Right away this thought came to me, "use the 2000 young striplings". I then wrote an outline for 10 days study of the above for our children for next year.

But as Bible School continued I felt a little discouraged and thought I would write the material for next year but I will not help with the school. These thoughts continued to stay with me. Then Bro. J. Calabrese of Lorain, Ohio, met with us in Jefferson on Sunday, June 24, and spoke of the need to train our children in our faith and the benefits of Sunday School and Bible School. After meeting Bro. Santelli of Youngstown, Ohio, he came to me and told me how much good the Bible School had done for their children. I came home from church feeling more encouraged that the work I had done, had done some good.

After supper I picked up a religious paper I get and thought I would read but instead of starting at the front to read, I turned it over and on the back were these words "Neglect not the gift that is in thee". I read the article but was not impressed with it but these words kept coming back to me over and over, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee". That night I had a dream. I dreamed I had found chests of old money in my home. I had used the money in one chest and opened the second chest. It was full of

very old money, old paper money. I picked up one bundle of paper money, fastened with a wide rubber band, when one our brethren, an Evangelist, came to me. He said, "Sister Mabel, some have been watching you use the money and have not approved of the way you used it". I said, "But I only used it for good". He said, "Yes, I know. You have nothing to worry about for I will plead your cause". This was the end of my dream.

In the morning when I sat down to read, I opened my Bible to Thess. and read both I and II books. As I read, these verses seemed to touch me "Rejoice evermore", and "be not weary in well doing", but they did not seem to suit my mood. I was just going to close my Bible when I turned over a couple of pages, glancing down I saw the words I had read the night before, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee", I Timothy 4:14. I continued to read the next verse, "Meditate upon these things". I thought over all the things, my dream etc. I felt to rejoice that this which I had found was not new but very, very old. I had used it for good not for myself but for others, and the brother had told me not to worry. I continued to read, the chapter ends that in doing this I will save myself and others. So with God's help I will try to prepare a course of study for our children for next year.

Sister Mabel Bickerton

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Bro. Editor:

I heard that you have been down in California, Mexico, Arizona, Rochester, Lockport, Erie, and perhaps other places, that I have not mentioned, "Congratulations", but how about coming out to the Michigan, Windsor, District? I am positive we would be overjoyed to have you come out here, as soon as possible. Glad the dear Lord, has blessed you with pretty fair health, and that you are using it to the honour and glory of God, may you live long, to be a light, to lighten the pathway of the whole Church. Thank God we are at the fountain drinking, and God helping us, we hope to be there, unto the end of our lives. As far as I know, we are all working steadfastly, to save our souls, into the Kingdom of Heaven, and do hope, that whoever the Lord

sees fit, to bring into His Kingdom, may come in for no other reason, than that, I have stated above. I shall now relate a few incidents, of what is going on in these parts, of the Vineyard. On Sunday morning the 11th. of June in Port Huron, we had a lovely Sunday School, Bro. Jess Johnson, and the Manesses from Safnia, being present with us. Our main speakers for the service were Bros. Silver Coppa, and John Visconti. We enjoyed ourselves to the fullest extent in Port Huron. On Sunday the 18th. of June, in Branch #1, Our lesson was taken from 1st. Cor. 4th. Chapter, 15th. verse, about many teachers in the Church, but not many fathers, also the 24th. Chapter of Alma, where the Anti-Nephi-Lehies, once they had been cleansed, did not want to soil, their swords again, but rather buried them in the depth of the earth, that they would remain clean, and pure in the sight of God. We received a great blessing in our morning service, and in the afternoon, we enjoyed ourselves, with the many good testimonies of saints. On June 21st. in Branch #1, Our speaker was Bro. John Buffa, he read a portion of scripture found in Matthew 10th. Chapter, 37th. verse to the end and spoke on the calling of the apostles, mentioning especially, the calling of Matthew, also treating on the ten commandments, wherein the Lord has made out of them, two great commandments, and now if we love the Lord our God, with all our hearts, with all our souls, and minds, and our neighbor as ourselves, we are well on our way to be saved in the Portals of Glory. Our bros. talk was well blessed, and we enjoyed a great blessing. On Sunday June 25th., in Windsor meeting was opened, on Alma 26th. Chap. 1st. verse to the 9th verse, also Matt. 10th. Chap. 37th., 38th., & 39th. verse. Bro. Cliff Burgess followed, and we had a great blessing bestowed upon us, sister Josephine D'Amico, was in our midst, and enjoyed herself to the fullest. In the afternoon, we also enjoyed ourselves, when Bro. Allen Henderson spoke. On Sunday morning July 2nd. at Branch #3, our speaker, was Bro. Silver Coppa. He read a portion of scripture found in 2nd. Cor. 3rd. Chap. 17th. verse, which reads as follows, "Where the spirit of God is, there is liberty", Our

bro. was quite free to speak, and delivered us a wonderful sermon, young and old, were pleased alike, to hear his wonderful admonition. On Sunday July 9th. in Branch #1, our speaker was Bro. Domonic Cotellesse, he spoke from the 5th. Chapter of Matthew, 8th. verse, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Bro. and sister Maness, were in our midst, and we were greatly blessed. After lunch, accompanied by the Manesses, we drove out to Inkster, where we had an outdoor meeting. Bro. John Gammichia, and others had made great preparations for this meeting and we were greatly blessed. Do pray for us, that the good spirit, may ever abide with us, and we will be praying for the whole Church, as the Lord enables us. May the Lord watch between you, and us, while we are absent one from the other, is the prayer of your dear bro. in Christ.

Matthew T. Miller

A GARDEN

He who makes a garden, has never worked alone, the rain has always found it, the sun has always shone, the wind has blown across it, and helped to scatter seeds. Oh: there is joy and gladness around us, if we will open our eyes to see. The earth is full of treasures, found in blossoms, bush and tree. They are here to teach us lessons, of our Maker kind indeed, who enriches us with blessings, and supplies our every need. Life is like a garden, it can be beautiful, fragrant, and fruitful, when proper care is given it. A good gardener, carefully selects the seeds which he plants, and cultivates his plot, keeping it free from weeds, and growing the fruits, and flowers which he requires. How much more cautious we should be, in the care of the garden of life. We must allow only choice thoughts, desires, attitudes, and actions to grow in our garden, because the thoughts, that we think, and words we speak, are seeds. They may be most insignificant, but yet the extent of their influence, for good or evil, can be immeasurable. Eph. 6,6. Not with eye-service, as men pleasers, but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. We must nurture carefully, every high ideal, noble thought, radiant vision, for they are flowers, of exquisite

fragrance and hue. While a thought, that is selfish, will bring into existence, jealousy, bitterness, hatred, and impurity, for these are weeds, that will choke out the plants that are attractive, and beautiful. Weeds can spoil a garden, sin can spoil a life. Gal. 6-7. Be not deceived; God is not mocked, for whatsoever, a man soweth, that shall he also reap. The operation of God's spirit in our lives, will keep sin out, and produce the fruits of the spirit. Gal. 5-22, But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. A natural garden, is dependent upon God, it requires light, sun, and refreshing rains. We too, for the nourishment of the garden of life, should draw freely upon the sunshine of God's love. Where love is, God is. 1st. John 4-7, Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and everyone that loveth, is born of God, and knoweth God. If our garden is to be divinely fair, we must drink of the water of life, which Christ has provided for us. John 4-14, But whosoever, drinketh of the water, that I shall give him, shall never thirst, but the water that I shall give him, shall be in him, a well of water, springing up into everlasting life. It is the daily struggle, to keep alive, in one's life, the pattern set by Jesus Christ, and to kindle in the lives of others, those unquestionable, spiritual, sparks which give life quality, and beauty. Life centered around our Church, and it's activities, will make one live, every day in the Lord's way. Harsh words, like birds, love to stray, but they come home to roost each day. If you have angry words to say, stop and meditate. The world will judge you by your deeds, they can be flowers, thorns or weeds. Before you plant those tiny seeds, stop and meditate. God gave us each, a heart for song, a brain to reason, right from wrong, and when temptation, gets too strong, stop and meditate. Today is ours, let's live it, if our love is strong let's give it. Our work is here let's do it. If the road is rough let's clear it.

Muriel Miller

MEXICO

A few quotations from a letter written by Brother Perdue dated July 18th., in Mexico. We were

quite surprised to see a picture of brother Luis and his family in the Gospel News. We shall most certainly cherish this edition with so much news of Mexico.

We baptized four converts last Saturday and expect to baptize another on next Saturday. We do hope that some day again you might have the opportunity of visiting us here in Mexico. May God bless you brother Cadman. Continue to pray for us. Brother and Sister Perdue.

P.S No doubt everybody will be glad to hear this good news.

Editor

A LETTER FROM DONORA, PA.

Dear Brother Cadman,

I have been wanting to write to you about an experience I had sometime ago. It happened when you wrote a Hymn in the Gospel News ("God moves in a Mysterious way"). I started to read it and I was carried away—the Spirit of God came down upon me and you stood before me and spoke out loud in my ear "Oh! this Grand old Hymn". It has been a Grand old Hymn to me for years, and I know another Grand old Hymn for me, "Oh for a heart to praise my God."

I hope you can read this, I am so nervous. Sister Cromlish.

P.S. Sister Cromlish has been in the church many years and she is 92 years old. May the Lord bless you sister Cromlish.

Bro. Cadman

Dear Brother Cadman,

Just a few lines to inform you and the brothers and sisters throughout the Church of the Lord's work started in Arizona.

The three families, the Ciarrochi's, the Furnier's, and the Damore's are now settled in Arizona after moving here from Calif. We are holding meetings in a little hall in Phoenix and the Lord continues to bless us. To date, we have had 5 baptisms in the Phoenix area; one just a week ago.

There is a lot to keep us busy here. The brothers visit the Indian Hospital about once a week and the people are receptive and happy to be prayed for. Thru these visits, our brothers have had an opening to bring the Gospel to another reservation.

Foremost in our minds at this time, however, is the work already

started on the San Carlos Reservation. Brother Dan Piccuito has obtained a 5-year lease for an acre of ground on the Reservation and at present, the brothers are working on a little Church building, 20x36, which we hope will seat 75 when it is completed. We are grateful and thankful that Brother Joe Ciarolla and Brother Bill Lotgering came from the San Fernando Valley to give a helping hand on the building. The temperature has averaged 107 degrees and we know, only the Lord can strengthen the brothers to work out in this heat. God bless each of them for their efforts.

There are three on the Reservation that have made their covenant with the Lord; we hope and pray there will be many more who will accept when we are able to hold regular meetings there.

We have had some discouragements and disappointments in this work but each time the Lord has blessed us abundantly to overcome these trials. Continue to pray for us that we might be successful in helping the Lord's work go forth.

Sincerely,
Sister Ann Damore

YOUNGSTOWN BIBLE SCHOOL

The Youngstown, Ohio branch under the sponsorship of the Sunday School held its first Vacation Bible School from June 12th through June 23rd.

Attendance was very good throughout the two weeks with 38 children registered, ranging in age from 3 years to 15 years. It was especially gratifying to have registered, five children who were visitors to our church. This gave our sisters an opportunity to teach the children and also to meet their parents.

Brother Earl Theodore, superintendent of the Sunday School, Sister Dorothy Damore, director of the Vacation Bible School, the teachers, Sisters Ann Costarella, Annabel Santilli, Ann Fortunato, Irene Perry, Alma Finnick, Mary Cosetti and other brothers, sisters and friends worked hard to make this school a success.

A very appropriate theme was used throughout the two weeks, "Jesus, The Light of the World," and each lesson in some way exemplified this thought. Material was obtained from Sister Mabel Bickerton

and typed booklets were made for each person in the Primary, Intermediate, Junior and Teenage classes. Certainly the sisters of Youngstown conducting the Vacation Bible School are greatly indebted to Sister Mabel Bickerton for the material furnished; not only the lessons, but also the songs to go with the lessons.

As a conclusion to the Bible School, parents and friends were invited to an evening program where the children displayed the wonderful teachings of the previous two weeks. Awards were given consisting of honor pins and certificates in recognition of good work done. A successful beginning to a very much needed program for the children. May the Lord bless our sisters' efforts in this direction as one of our most important programs should be to teach the little ones.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

By Joseph Calabrese

Romans 13:8 "Owe no man anything but to love one another"

Recently I have read several articles about the way Americans are going into debt due to the way business has been given liberalized methods of credit buying which has prompted me to write somewhat upon the subject.

Needless to say that credit buying has become a big business and most of us find ourselves involved at one time or another. The important thing to remember is that if we use it wisely it can provide us with opportunities but if used unwisely it can bring about our ruin temporally and spiritually.

Each day advertisements are encouraging many to buy items of every nature on credit so that a sale can be made for the seller and that large interest gains can be made by the lender. Perhaps many are not aware of the cost of buying on credit but the margin of profit is not made on the sale of the article itself but on the finance charges. It is to be noted that if checked most finance companies work on a 18 to 25% or more rate. The banks about four or five per cent. So we can figure for ourselves that this is profitable going business and a big business.

One would wonder why does the average person plunge into buying many things on credit, especially items that we can do without or

wait until there is sufficient money to buy? It seems that the trend is to "keep up with the Jones." Somehow people feel that it is a disgrace not to maintain as high or higher standard of living than their neighbor. The fact is that the disgrace is when after one has plunged himself into debt and then cannot get himself out. Living high when you cannot afford to eventually catches up to you. Then when this takes place the individual sees he is a victim of improper planning and feels himself tied up naturally, which automatically affects him spiritually. Then in desperation he tries to free himself either by looking for extra work (2 jobs) which generally ends up in affecting his health. When this begins to happen he then says to his wife, 'maybe it would be easier if you went to work to help.' The results are that the children then are neglected or being raised by someone other than the parents. Then too we have seen where many a home has been broken when the housewife goes to work. So now that we see somewhat how it affects the natural we turn to the spiritual.

When the husband begins to look for extra work or (2 jobs) he begins to miss many meetings or visiting the saints whether in affliction, socially or to do missionary work. When the housewife goes to work she too begins to miss meetings and of course when this happens it not only affects her but also the children because if Mom is too tired or has to now take care of her housework and cannot go to the meeting the children stay home too. This then we see has a definite bearing on our spiritual lives.

True most of us like fine things and this in its self is not entirely wrong. The wrong is that quite often we spend a greater portion of our lives accumulating things to lighten our lives and satisfy our desires. I believe that the Lord has intended that we can have fine things but when we go to the extreme and allow things to become our gods, we are denying our soul the right of proper development. You see being human we are prone to tell ourselves that we will get the things we want first then there will be time to think about the church and our soul. This thought of course is very dangerous because I have yet to see one put the na-

tural before the spiritual and succeed, but I have seen many that have put the spiritual first (or the Church) and succeed for did not the Lord say in Mathew 6:33, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things (natural) shall be added unto you."

Truly God has called us in these latter days to establish a kingdom. Therefore, we need be setting the example in the area of temporalities rather than drifting with current practices. As individuals we would be strengthened financially if we followed the counsel of the apostle Paul to the Romans (13:8) and we would be able to contribute to the Church to a much greater degree, which would enhance the cause of the kingdom. To do this Christ said when He arose from the tomb and commanded His disciples in Mathew 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. He meant for us to plan properly (naturally and spiritually) as He has commanded and we will see His kingdom grow. Yes, owe no man anything but to love one another for Jesus also said that "by this all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another." John 13:35.

Bro. Joseph Calabrese
Lorain, Ohio

SHORT TRIP TO NEW YORK STATE

I was contemplating a short trip up into New York State, when I was approached by Bro. Idris Martin—him and his wife were making a trip into Canada and offered me a place in their car with them as far as Lockport, N. Y. I was pleased for the opportunity, and we left here on July 1st. We had a lovely trip heading north through Pennsylvania—weather was ideal. In going through Butler county, we turned off the Highway and went 'way' out in the woods which seemed a long ways from anywhere. We finally arrived at what I might call an out-door recreation camp for girls—the grounds are owned by Allegheny County and the housing-facilities are mostly tents — almost

like living in the open. Here was Sister Virginia (brother and sister Martin's daughter) spending her summer vacation, and at the same time was teaching a class of young girls. I suppose the girls would all be strangers to Virginia, but to me it was a wonderful opportunity for her to impress them with much good to the point, that she might never be forgotten by many of them. May God bless her efforts to that effect. Our visit with her was short and we returned back through a wooded country to the Highway and continued on to Lockport, N. Y.

The route we were traveling on was very scenic — the Allegheny River lying so low in the deep canyons, along with its winding course makes a wonderful scene. We arrived at Lockport about 5:20 p.m. at the home of Brother and Sister Paul D'Amico, and unexpected to us there were visitors from Detroit. We spent the night with them and all day on Sunday with them in church and enjoyed the day in worship with them. On Monday morning brother and sister Martin continued on their way to Montreal where they would be visiting Sister Martin's sister.

I remained at Lockport until Wednesday afternoon, and during this time, brother Paul and I visited the Tuscarora and Tonawanda Indian Reservations. We called at Indian homes that we had not visited for several years and they were visits not soon to be forgotten. On one of these Reservations, we met a retired General of the U. S. Army and a Mohawk Indian traveling together—both from Los Angeles, Calif. The conversation was such that we were glad to learn of, and to, we were given an opportunity to acquaint them with our status relative to the Book of Mormon and the Restored Gospel. They were particularly concerned with the status of the Mormon church in Utah. We really considered our visit with the two men worthwhile.

Brother Paul drove me to Rochester on Wednesday afternoon and we spent the evening in their new church in prayer meeting, and I occupied their pulpit for the evening. They have a lovely church building. I remained with the Rochester Branch until Monday, when brother Ansel D'Amico and his wife drove me to Buffalo where I boarded a plane for Pittsburgh, arriving

home very well.

While at Rochester Brother Patsy Marinetti, his wife and her mother drove me to Cumorah Hill and Joseph Smith's home of much over a hundred years ago. I like to go there, for it does seem to be a sacred spot to me. We walked out into the woods on his father's farm where he went to pray along about 1820. He was only a boy of about 15 years old at that time—but was given a wonderful experience which is still fresh in my mind today—while in the woods we bowed our heads in prayer also. The poor, and pure minded boy Joseph—the angel told him that his name would be used in both good and evil ways, and I believe that he has been accused of many bad things of which he is not guilty. He has been accused of polygamy, both teaching it and practicing it. But I read with pleasure once, the words of his wife, Emma, wherein she stated that she was the only wife that Joseph Smith had. Truth may be covered by mortals, but Eternity will reveal the facts.

Sincerely,
Editor

FROM CALIFORNIA By Sadie Nicosia

Readers Of The Gospel News:

It has been quite awhile since I have written. The saints out here send their love to you all, and especially here in the Anaheim Mission.

We are grateful for all prayers that are offered in our behalf. In the months of April and May, we here on the west coast have been blessed in having Bro. W. H. Cadman among us. His messages of the Word was and still is refreshing to our souls. Regardless of his age, he went from one Branch to another and preached the Word without tiring. God has and is blessing him with wonderful health.

The night before his departure from Calif., as he was on his way to Ariz. to visit the Indian work there—the saints had a gathering at Bro. James Scalise's home. The house was filled of the saints and the table was spread for all. After awhile many of them left, but a few families remained. We sat around the table like as of old with Brother Cadman in the center.

Many questions were asked of him concerning the scriptures. Without haste he answered all the

questions so that every one understood. Then he was asked to tell us the experience of his father and mother coming to America. He related the story to us from the time his father met and married his mother, till all the children were born. Many more experiences also of his meeting our beloved Sister Sadie. Dear readers, I read this wonderful experience and heard many of Elder brothers relate it, but you will never enjoy it and be blessed and realize how our wonderful God, has worked in this experience till you hear it from Brother Cadman personally. I left that night for home a wiser sister as to how God has blessed His Children. We hated to see our brother leave, but like Jesus said "Other sheep I have I have to go to." May God bless you brother Cadman and I know the Lord will always be your companion and guide. Please come back soon. I am sure I speak for all the saints on the West Coast.

Sister Nicosia—thus far I have copied your letter about as you have written it. You have written very flowery or praising of me—but as for me I always feel that I am only one weak man among my fellow-men. For some reason I am generally well spoken of wherever I go. And I often think of the words of the Saviour — "Woe unto you when all men speak well of you." With all the rest of you I hope to save my soul in the Kingdom of God by the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Continuing your letter — The Anaheim Mission asks the brothers and sisters not to forget us in prayer. You know how hard it is for a Mission to get a firm hold. The evil one doesn't like to see another Branch of God's House take hold.

We have a few visitors coming and they are enjoying the services much. Brothers are going out many nights knocking on doors. Sometimes it is very discouraging. "Discouragement is the evil ones business says Bro. Heaps." But on they go. Some people will listen to our brother's testimony, but on Sunday morning they don't come. People are so relaxed in their own profession and pretty well satisfied. If they would only come and hear the true message of God, and truly open their hearts, they will know that this is God's church. Our Elder brother says, Be not discouraged,

God will open doors, Jesus says: as long as there are two or three gathered in my name—I will be with you. Our meetings have been blessed with His presence many times.

While the vacation season is on, we hope to see some of the saints come out this way and visit the Anaheim Mission. I would have written sooner, but due to my illness I have been neglectful in writing. I am getting stronger every day. May God bless you all.

Sister Nicosia

THOMAS - KORB NUPTIALS

Brother Ben Ciccatti officiated at the double-ring wedding ceremony of Betty Ann Thomas (granddaughter of Sister Bernadine Thomas) and Walter D. Korb, at 1 p.m. on June 3, 1961, in the Church of Jesus Christ at San Diego, California. The attendants were: Margaret Thomas, sister of the bride, as maid of honor; bridesmaids were Lorraine Thomas, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Dalyn Sherman. Best man was Edward Scheye, cousin of the groom; ushers were William Thomas, brother of the bride, and Ronald Walker. "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer" were sung by Sister Virginia Castelli, accompanied by Sharon Saczko at the piano. The ceremony was followed by a garden reception at the home of the bride's parents, after which the couple left for their wedding trip. They will reside in Fairbanks, Alaska for the next 18 months. May God's richest blessings accompany the newlyweds.

SIMMONS - LIBERTO NUPTIALS

On June 24, 1961 at 2:30 p.m., Orletta Simmons and Paul Liberto were united in marriage in the Church of Jesus Christ at San Diego, California. Brother Felix Buccellato officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Attendants were: Maid of honor, Sister Jo Ann Smith, cousin of the groom; and bridesmaids were Sister Marcia Liberto, sister-in-law of the groom; Leana Liberto, sister of the groom; and Jennie Larcom. Flower girls were Debbie and Lynn Liberto, nieces of the groom. Best man was Kenneth Buccellato, and ushers were Brother Tom Liberto, brother of the groom; Joseph Simmons, brother of the bride; and Jared Lombardo. "Because," "Always," and "The Lord's Prayer" were sung by the

soloist. The bride's book was in charge of Carol Johnson. Following a garden reception at the home of the bride's parents the couple left for their wedding trip, and will be at home at 6134 Acorn Street, San Diego 15, California. May God richly bless the newlyweds.

POMA - O'BRIEN NUPTIALS

Sister Rita Poma became the bride of Harold O'Brien at a double-ring ceremony on June 30, 1961 at 7 p.m. Brother Felix Buccellato officiated, assisted by Brother Ben Ciccatti. The attendants were: Maid of honor, Sister Marlene Ciccatti; bridesmaids were Sister Angela Pouliott, sister of the bride; Margaret Vultaggio and Kathy Poma, cousins of the bride; and Sister Jo Ann Smith. Best man was John Maloney, brother-in-law of the groom; ushers were Paul Roundtree, cousin of the groom; Larry Barr, Frank Beasley and Dennis Pacquin. The bride's book was in charge of Sharon Campbell, cousin of the bride. "Because," "The Lord's Prayer," and a lovely song entitled "I Pledge My Troth," words and music written by the bride's mother (Sister Catherine Poma) were sung by the soloist. The ceremony was followed by a wedding dinner at the Catamaran Hotel, after which the couple left for their wedding trip. On their return they will reside at 5163 Wightman Street, San Diego, Calif. Our sincere prayers and good wishes to the newlyweds.

Sister Ann Smith
San Diego Branch Editor

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LORAIN, OHIO

Dear Brother Editor:

The Lorain branch is proud to tell of the first Vacation Bible School it has held during the first two weeks of summer vacation. We praise God, for it was a big success. We wish to thank Sister Mable for all the material she has supplied for us, making the Vacation Bible School possible.

The regular attendance was 47, with 10 visitors, making 57 children in all. We can never thank the Sisters and Brothers enough who worked so hard to make it such a success. Sister Rosamond Calabrese and Sister Marie Caldwell were in charge, with our Sunday School Supt., Charles Naro assist-

ing. It was wonderful the way the teachers not only thought of their classes, but also drove their cars to pick up the children and took them home again. The theme of the classes was "Joseph". There were five classes of children. Sister Helen Tisler, taught the Intermediate class. Sister Marie Caldwell had charge of the Junior class with Sister Eunice Bernard assisting. Sister Rosamond Calabrese had charge of the Primary class with Sister Victoria Calabrese assisting. Sister Tisler's two daughters had charge of the other two classes as follows: Nancy Tisler taught the Kindergarten class and Sheryl Tisler the Nursery, with Sister Jennie Herstek assisting her.

It was wonderful to have the children so eager to learn, they were taught from the Bible and the book of Mormon. We had two Indian children in our classes. The Mother of these two lovely children is full blooded Navajo. She is now attending our M.B.A. classes and worshipped with us this past Sunday morning. Brother Frank Calabrese has given her a Book of Mormon to read, we pray that God will bless her and take the scales from her eyes, that She may see and know our saviour Jesus, and know that she is of the house of Israel through the seed of Joseph. The children had crafts along with their classes and learned the songs that Sister Mable wrote. Carla Naro was the pianist for all five classes. She did very well, we are proud of her. The last day the children were served refreshments, orange drink and cookies furnished by the Sisters of the Church. Enclosed is a picture of most of the children that attended classes along with the teachers and Brother Joseph Calabrese, who was present most mornings to open in prayer. Bro. Frank Calabrese attended a few times when possible. Brother Charles Naro spent a whole week of his vacation at the Bible School, helping wherever and whenever he was needed. May God, bless this Brother for spending his vacation helping the children, and not thinking of himself. It is really wonderful how this vacation Bible School has brought so many blessings to so many people. Our prayer is that God will bless all the people who had a part in this, teaching the children (our Church of Tomorrow)

the Love of God, his Blessing and his promise to those who will serve him to the End.

On Friday night the M.B.A. gave up their meeting to see the program of the V.B.S. Achievement Night. Songs were sung by the classes, the children answered questions asked by the teachers and awards were distributed to them along with a certificate of recognition for perfect attendance. All 47 children attended and completed all the assignments that were given them. It was an evening well spent seeing the children so eager to show us what they had learned in the Bible School. Some even wished for longer than two weeks of these classes. May God bless their little hearts and minds. May they never forget what they have learned here in The Church of Jesus Vacation Bible School. They are looking forward to next year. May our next V.B.S. be even bigger and better than this our first and a very successful one. Our hope is that all the branches of the church will soon have a V.B.S. every summer. Children are eager to learn if some one will take the time and effort to teach them all the good there is in God's creation and of his laws, love and the purpose of all His ways. The world is full of evil, hate and selfishness, therefore let us take the opportunity to teach our children as well as others, the goodness of serving God his love for all, the joy in helping others and telling others of what God has done for us. God will bless us for our efforts and his kingdom here on earth will grow greater and stronger the more effort we all put into his work. Therefore let us labour for the master from dawn to setting sun as the poet has penned, for there is much work to be done and there is work for each and every one.

Lorain Editor

IF HE WOULD COME TODAY

Dear Gospel Readers:

If Jesus should come today would I be able to greet Him with a whisper in my heart, just as I am without one plea? or would I be found giving heed to the foolishness of this world? The Lord tells me to be ready at all times, for ye know not the hour when I come, Therefore, it behoves me to prepare myself for this blessed event.

After accepting this Gospel and it placed in my heart as a pearl of great price—I cannot live without it.

The Lord tells me that if you keep my commandments, He will care for His own. The most wonderful thing that could happen to man is to accept Christ as a personal Saviour through the great atoning blood of Jesus which washes away all sin. If He should come today, what would happen to all churches that are built after the pattern of man? They would all tumble down and only the true Church of Jesus Christ would be raised to the highest peak in glory. And the saints of God will sing the song of redeeming grace and look upon that church which Jesus is the Foundation—even the Rock of Salvation. The poet says I hold not the Rock, but the Rock holdeth me. I rest in the Rock of God.

My greatest desire is, that some day this whole earth will be filled with the knowledge of God as the waters cover the sea.

Sincerely,
Sister Anna Carlini

THE LORD IS MY JUDGE

The Lord is my Judge! What a thought full of hope, of peace; what a dispenser of new faith! What great strength and renewed courage can be reaped from those blessed words. For we know that God, and God alone, has appointed Himself sole Judge over us as regarding our Eternal life, and the acts performed by us which shall decide our Eternity. And we know that nothing man can do, or say, or think, about us can alter that sublime fact.

Circumstantial or apparent evidence can often convict us in the eyes of our fellow man as being unworthy, at least temporarily, to receive the reward that God has promised us. Man, who should be the most merciful, because he, himself, must so often seek mercy for his own apparently errant acts, is the quickest to condemn and prosecute others, if not outwardly, at least in his innermost thoughts.

Man is not, generally speaking, endowed with a merciful trait. Though like unto God, in outward appearance, he is so completely unlike his Maker in mind and thought and 'heart'. So ready to reprove, to condemn, and to judge others.

And yet, he himself, who has so often judged others, is quick to cry out, "The Lord is my Judge". when, in turn, others condemn him.

How is this? Is the Lord MY Judge, alone? Is He not, also, everyone's Judge? How can I cry out for mercy and understanding and forgiveness, when I, myself, have been slow to show it unto others? "As ye judge, so shall ye be judged", seem to be mere idle words, as one listens to the multitude sitting in the judgment seat of his fellow man. We seem to truly believe that God is a partial Being, allowing us to judge others, while He, alone, will judge US. And, verily, He shall judge us . . . with the same measure that we have given unto others.

Let us step down from that magnified, self-appointed judgment seat; we have no authority at all to be there for truly God, alone is OUR Judge.

Catherine Poma

YOUNGSTOWN NEWS

On Sunday, July 2, 1961, we in the Youngstown branch were richly blessed. Brother Harry Robinson from the West Elizabeth branch was in our midst and gave to us wonderful words—food for our soul. We had a nice crowd and had visitors with us from West Elizabeth, Little Redstone and Fredonia.

Brother Ralph Berardino opened the meeting and Brother Harry Robinson followed. Their words were truly inspiring—reminding us and telling us of the Restored Gospel and what we have therein. At the close of the meeting Meredith Martin from Sharon, Pennsylvania, daughter of Sister Eleanore Martin, who was baptized here just recently, asked for her baptism. Sister Meredith is in the nursing profession at a hospital in S. Williamson, Kentucky. Our thoughts, our prayers, and our love go with her as she goes about her daily duties. Brother A. A. Corrado offered confirmation prayer on her behalf. The spirit of God was in our midst making us all to feel it is good indeed to serve the Lord.

We were happy on this Sunday, too, to welcome back in our midst, Brother Elmer Santilli, who has been away from home in the service of our country for the past two years. We thank God for His constant care in watching over all of our loved ones who from time to

time find it necessary to be away from the fold in some strange land, or place. May they ever be a light and an example to the many new faces round about them, leaving their testimony of the Gospel Restored wherever they go.

(Discrimination) . . . Erickson V. Sunset Memorial Park Assn., Inc. decision of the Minnesota Supreme Court, March 24, 1961.

In an action brought by an American Indian, the court ruled that a covenant to a cemetery lot in a public burial ground, which provides that the lot shall be used only for the interment or burial of deceased person of the Caucasian race is void. The decision was based on a Minnesota statute which makes unlawful, covenants in writing relating to real estate which discriminate against any class of persons because of their religious faith, race or color.

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"Great Nations Like Great Men Should Keep Their Word" By Justice Hugh L. Black, dissenting in the recent Tuscarora case (Federal Power Commission V. Tuscarora Indian Nation, 1960).

Taken from the Cherokee Times, Cherokee, N. C.

CARR & SEIGHMAN NUPTIALS

Thressa Mae Seighman, daughter of Brother Herbert and Sister Seighman was united in marriage on June 24 at 7:30 p.m. to Paul A. Carr, son of Brother Jesse and Sister Carr of Export, Pa. The double ring ceremony was performed by Elder Meredith Griffith assisted by Elder James Grazan in the Church of Jesus Christ at Monongahela, Pa. Sister Janet Wilson was the maid of honor and Sister Janice Carr, a sister of the groom was bridesmaid. A little niece of the bride, Joyce Matthews acted as flower girl and Terry Seighman, a nephew, was ringbearer. Brother Philip Seighman, brother of the bride, served as best man. The ushers were Lee Griffith, George Seighman, brother of Thressa, and Edward Whelan of New York. Sister Mabel Bickerton was organist and Sister Ethel Crosier sang.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the Ginger Hill Grange Hall for the friends and relatives.

L.-Cpl. Carr, the groom, has been in the Marines for the past two

years. He has been stationed at Quantico, Va., where the newlyweds will make their home. May God bestow His richest blessings upon Brother and Sister Carr.

JULY 2, 1961 — RONKONKOMA, LONG ISLAND GATHERING

Early Sunday morning a bus filled with Brothers and Sisters of the Bronx Branch, Brooklyn Mission and some from New Jersey, started on the trip to Ronkonkoma, Long Island, N. Y. This was the day selected to dedicate the temporary place of worship; where services will be conducted for this missionary work. This small building has been offered by Brother Salvatore Valenti to be used for Church services until some day a Church building will be erected on the lots already purchased for the purpose.

The trip was a pleasant one. Brother Tony Mazzeo and his family of New Brunswick and a few others as well as visitors living on the Island arrived in their private cars in time for the start of the service.

Brother Joseph Benyola, President of the Atlantic Coast District and Brother Dominick Rose, Second Counselor were both present.

Brother Vincent Lupo, Presiding Elder of the Bronx Branch and Brother James R. Link, Presiding Elder of the Brooklyn Mission were there and also the following Elders: Brother Sirangelo of West Palm Beach, Brother Joseph Difede of New Brunswick, Brother Frank Briotta of California, Brother Salvatore Feola of Bronx and Brother Salvatore Valenti of Ronkonkoma who is doing the Missionary work there with the help of the Lord.

The building was filled to capacity which was about forty-five to fifty people and others were sitting outside listening by the doorway.

Brother Joseph Benyola took charge of the service.

After the singing of Hymns and Prayer, Brother Benyola read St. Luke Chapter 4, from verse 16; which was followed by wonderful words of exhortation inspired by the Lord, which prevailed while Brother Difede and Brother Rose followed in that order.

At the close of the morning service, the congregation retired for a brief luncheon and get - together.

The afternoon meeting was opened by Brother James Link in words

of testimony and praise to the Lord followed by the rest of the Elders present.

The congregation was also given an opportunity for testimony which was enjoyed by all. Sacrament was then passed for all members to partake, after the prayers of those afflicted were offered.

A request was made in behalf of Sister Anna Valenti; who has lost her eyesight, that the Lord may bless her in her affliction.

It was a beautiful day, though somewhat on the hot side; nevertheless the blessings of the Lord were present to offset the heat and everyone was happy and joyful.

We ask you all to pray for this missionary work, for our brother in charge and for the brethren who travel to assist in this work, that the Lord may touch the hearts of the children of men. God Bless Everyone.

Sister Belle Rose

LABOURING IN INDIAN TERRITORY

A few notes from a letter written by Bro. Bruce Russell of Tilbury, Ont. dated July 15th/61. He informs me that his wife passed away last May. I am sorry to learn of it. (It is the first I had heard of it.) He also renews the subscription to the Gospel News for Sister Williams of the Muncey Reservation. She is a much afflicted woman but is always full of smiles. I hear that she lost her husband recently. May the Lord bless Sister Williams.

Brother Russell, while he lives at Tilbury, he worships at the Muncey Church. He speaks of and appreciates very much the visits to the Muncey Church by our folk in Detroit. I also am glad for their thoughtfulness of our Indian people at Muncey. May the Lord bless you abundantly. Brother Russell says: The Gospel News is always a blessing to him.

I am also in receipt of a short letter from Bro. Daniel Picciutto of Phoenix, Arizona dated July 17/61: "He says we have been enjoying the blessing of God here in Phoenix. We have had two baptisms since you were here." He sent me some pictures of the church which is under construction on the San Carlos Re-

servation. Some of the brothers from California were there helping them. I imagine that by the time this paper reaches you, they will be meeting in the new building on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, which is about 100 miles east of Phoenix. I am sending the Gospel News to several Indian Hospitals out there, and at Brother Dan's request I mailed him two packages of the papers today. May the Lord bless you all out in Arizona.

P.S There is a wonderful opportunity for The Church of Jesus Christ today—Will we prove ourselves equal to the occasion: Remember the command of the Saviour to His disciples—Pray that the Lord send more labours into the vineyard.

Editor

LOADING 10,000 TONS OF PHOSPHATES IN EILAT

Eilat.—The Akron, a 10,000 ton Liberty ship flying the Greek flag arrived here recently in ballast to load 10,000 tons of phosphates for the Far East. She is the largest ship to tie up at the Eilat wharf to date.

Another vessel left here for Japan with a 9,000-ton cargo.

August, 1961

Taken from "Jewish Hope."

RELICS UNCOVERED

REGINA, Sask., July 16 (AP) —Relics of a 4,000-year-old civilization have been found in Northern Saskatchewan, reports F. G. Bard, director of the Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History.

A TRIP TO GEORGIA

Brother Cadman:

On the third of July I made a trip to Georgia. We visited Mrs. Deaver's home. She received us warmly and took us to a few places where they had heard the Gospel. There did not seem to be much interest with the ones we met. She wanted us to meet Mr. Norman but he was away. However she persuaded us to stay a couple of days longer in the hope that we could get in touch with more people. I held a service at her home. Her daughter and son-in-law seemed interested. But I feel as you do—someone must stay there before

much good can be accomplished. I hope and pray that we may finally reach this goal. Mrs. Deavers sends you her regards.

Brother Matthew Rogolino

By Bernadine Thomas
of Calif.

Dear Bro. Cadman:

Just a note along with my subscription renewal for the Gospel News.

I trust this finds you well and enjoying God's blessings.

I wanted to tell you again how much we look forward to our little paper each month, and I know that God blesses your efforts in this work. You will notice I have enclosed a subscription going to Alaska. This is for my granddaughter who was recently married and is now living in Alaska. I know the paper will be of interest and inspiring to her. Though Alaska is one of the States, it is still quite a distance from home.

Regards to you and to all my Brothers and Sisters.

Sister Bernadine Thomas

THE NEW NATION OF ISRAEL IS FORGING AHEAD.

Everyone you travel in Israel you will find settlements ranging from the old established, prosperous villages, in the Jezreel Valley to the struggling, new, work-by-day-guard-by-night farms on Israel's frontier. Agriculture — dairy-farming, instrial crops, the new cattle-ranches, all of its varied aspects—is the backbone of Israel. As the new im migrants become part of the farming framework Israel moves closer towards self-sufficiency. Whichever direction you travel in Israel, you will find the face of the land changing.

Dear Brother Cadman,

Please renew my subscription for the Gospel News. Enclosed find the sum of two dollars for same. May God bless you and I hope you are in good health.

I enjoy reading this wonderful paper which gives me great enlightenment and strength spiritually.

Sister Anna Pape
Turtle Creek, Pa.

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BRO. RUSSELL IN ONTARIO WRITES.

Dear Brother Cadman,

We are having wonderful meetings at our church here in Muncey. Had 46 children at our Sunday School on the past Sunday. Brother and Sister Miller, Brother Joe Milantoni and family, Brother Frank Morley and his wife and others were here from Detroit. Also find two subscriptions enclosed for the Gospel News. Bro. Bruce Russell, Thank you Bro. Russell.

A LETTER FROM NIGERIA

AUGUST 8, 1961

Dear Brother Cadman,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope you are the same. Well Brother Swanson is getting ready to come home, so he will tell you all the news. I have been on the go every morning. We get up at 6 A.M. Have one class from 7 to 9 and another class from 9 to 11 a.m. I have seven sections to visit, so I get one section each day.

About every day we take some one to the hospital. Things are going along fine. There is a lot of work here to do. The church here is twice as big as it is in America and it is growing bigger every day. We have some one calling on us all hours of the night and this morning we had about 50 in one class. We get about two classes a day. We have lots of traveling, sometimes about 50 miles the round-trip. The Brothers and Sisters welcome me with open arms, they lay chickens and eggs at my feet—so I am getting along fine. Brother Shazer. Love to all.

Box 37, Ikot Ekpene, Nigeria, E.R. West Africa

I WILL STAND THE TEST

I was so sad; full of despair,
My troubles seemed to grow.
I felt that my God did not care
For His people here below.
I went into the woods to pray;
And fell down on my knees.
O, God! will you hear me today
As I offer up my pleas?
Then a light shown all around me;
I couldn't open up my eyes!
At last my God has found me;
He has surely heard my cries!
A voice spake unto me just then;

It said, "be not afraid; for I
hear prayers of all men;
I heard you when you prayed—
But all men must be tried, you see,
And if they stand the test
They'll live here in heaven with me
And have Eternal rest."
I arose. The light had fled.
There was faith and hope again;
I would meet the trials that lay
ahead;
I would stand the test.

Amen

Given me by inspiration
Helen C. Tisler

"THE GOD, THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST HAS ALWAYS TAUGHT"

Dear Readers:

A little write-up on the subject of spirit might be interesting and edifying to us. I observe some controversy on the matter of "God is a Spirit" and in doing so, it creates the impression that He has no body. To me, that certainly is not in conformity with the context in the Bible or Book of Mormon. I read in the Book of Mormon 5-2 that the Creator is a Being. And, of course we are all acquainted with the story as recorded in Genesis about man being created in the image of God, in His likeness. &. I cannot reconcile the foregoing to mean that God is merely a spirit and, as I hear by some that spirit cannot be seen—to me, that makes God to be but a myth—and you know the thing (or any thing) spoken of as a myth is used very lightly today by our most learned men—for instance the Rev. James A. Pike, Episcopalian Bishop of California speaks of the Garden of Eden and other instances as myths and he has many friends among the Clergy.

The following is an account of different Versions of scriptures of the translation of the verse in John 4-24, "God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and truth." Both King James's and the Douay Versions are identical.

The translation by George M. Lamasa, the authorized Bible of the Church of the East reads as follows; "For God is Spirit; and those who worship him must worship him in spirit and truth."

The James Moffitt version reads as follows: "God is Spirit, and his worshippers must worship him in Spirit and reality."

New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures is as follows: "God is a Spirit and those worshipping him must worship with spirit and truth", and then in the foot-notes it adds, "Or, God is Spirit."

The Revised Standard Version reads: "God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

A translation by Geo. Campbell, James Macknight, and Philip Doddridge, Doctors of the Church of Scotland as follows: "God is a spirit, and they that worship him worship him in spirit and truth."

When in my more youthful days, the saying "God is a spirit" never sounded proper to me, though I have always quoted it as it is written. The spirit or Holy Ghost has made its self manifest in so many ways and forms both in the Book of Mormon and Bible. On the day of Pentecost it sat on the disciples as cloven-tongues of fire, at the baptism of Christ it sat on Him in the form of a dove, Servants of God have left on record that they were carried away by the spirit and were set down on mountain tops. Take note of Nephi's experience in the 11th chapter of First Nephi—he conversed with the Spirit and the spirit was in form as a man, and he spake unto him (the spirit) as a man. The scriptures abound with evidence of this kind. Turn to Isaiah 31-3, "Now the Egyptians are men and not God, and their horses flesh and not spirit." The horses being flesh and not spirit certainly conveys to me as a fact: that the Mighty God is not merely a spirit, but I firmly believe that His body is composed of spirit which is an Eternal composition beyond my power to explain.

When I was in the 26th year of my life, The Church of Jesus Christ called and ordained me as one of its Ministers, and I accepted the Ministers license the Church gave me—in doing so, it placed me under obligations to the Church. If it ever had become necessary, I could have returned my license to

the church and walked out the door which would have severed my obligations, and it would have left me free to preach as I would wish too, as far as The Church of Jesus would be concerned.

It is the written faith of the Church that God has a body, parts and passions, and such is in harmony with the testimony of both Bible and Book of Mormon. For instance love is a passion—He loves His creatures. Anger is a passion. I read that He is angry with the wicked every day. The Saviour exhibited the passion of love very much, and likewise He exhibited His anger on more than one occasion. Note Mark 3-5. As to Him having parts, I read that Moses saw His hinder parts — I conclude from that expression that He had "front parts" as well. I read in Genesis 8-21, "And the Lord smelled a sweet savour; He must have a nose, or at least an organ of some kind He could smell with.

In the Hymn No. 391 "My God Thou See'st Me," our late brother Ashton the composer, surely believed that God had a pair of eyes. I read also that Heaven is God's throne and earth is His Footstool. He must have at least one foot. I have described in a brief way the make-up of the God of the scriptures and which the literature of The Church of Jesus Christ has always taught. If there are any Ministers in this church who will not reconcile themselves to our faith as to the kind of a God we serve and have all these years, please surrender your license to the Church that we might have peace in our midst, and that men and women may still be moved upon in miraculous ways to obey the Gospel, as it has been heralded into the world now for many years.

President W. H. Cadman

CHRIST FOR THE JEWS

Dear Friend:

My heart is so burdened for my people because they are perishing and going into Christless graves. I am, therefore, so anxious to win every Jew to Christ. We have prayed and asked the Lord to give us more missionaries and in answer to prayer, He brought us in contact with another converted Jew, Bro. Isador Karp and his wife, who have been working in Mexico. We have appointed them as our missionaries, and they immediately started to

witness to our people. Bro. Karp wrote to us about his experience and stated in his letter as follows:

"We have many Jews here and I witnessed to them. They listened and asked me some questions. I also called on the Rabbi who invited me into his house, where I expounded the Word of God to him. I read Scripture after Scripture to him and showed him that Jesus is the Jewish Messiah. He listened intently for almost an hour. When I gave him my testimony, his heart was so touched that tears filled his eyes. Please pray with us that the Lord may save him!

There is a great awakening among the Jews everywhere and many are reading the New Testament. We have distributed thousands of them, and precious Jewish souls are being born again through God's Word.

You have heard about the tension in Algiers, where the suffering among the Jews is so great. Many have been killed and others were driven from their homes. We are grateful that by your kindness and sacrifice, we were able to feed and clothe them.

Our missionary Mrs. Chauhoub in Algiers, wrote us as follows:

"The situation here in Algiers is very dangerous and I cannot go into details because every letter is censored. The suffering among the Jews is indescribably great and we urgently need more milk and food."

We immediately ordered another shipment of milk and sent our missionary more funds to buy the necessary food for the poor sufferers.

We have marvelous opportunities today to bring multitudes of Jews to Christ, if we could show them His love by helping to feed and clothe them. This is a great challenge and we want to take advantage of it, but we do not have the means to take care of all the poor people. Shall we go forward in our endeavor to bring them all to Christ or must we pass this opportunity?

My heart breaks when I think of millions of Jews in darkness and without hope. Please pray with us that the Lord may undertake and help us as much as you can, for it means the saving of precious Jewish souls. God's promise is still

true today, "I will bless them that bless Israel." Will you claim this promise?

Eagerly looking forward to your response to this letter and with all best wishes and heartfelt gratitude for your kind co-operation, I remain,

Yours in His Service for Israel,

A. G. Michelson

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London Mission Compound,
Tivandrum-1, S. India
April, 1961.

My dear friend in Christ,

Greetings in His Name! Immense thanks for your kind letter, and literature of different kinds, you had sent me some months back. We are using them for our "Literature Distributing Service" So, kindly send literature of all kinds available such as books, magazines, papers, tracts, Bible pictures, etc. . . . monthly or weekly. You know that without your supply and hearty co-operation we cannot continue the work.

We are very glad to enclose the report of the C. L. D. Service. Please read it carefully, and from it you can understand the rapid development of our work. From this report you can also note that we are distributing the literature for over 300 friends monthly. But everyday we are receiving requests from different places and new people for gospel literature, and we urgently need more stuff. So, we shall be very much thankful if you will kindly send us more literature regularly. We can also make use of picture rolls and used Christmas cards.

Right now, we are receiving a few copies of the Gospel News regularly. But will you kindly increase the number of copies? This will be a real help for us to win more souls for Christ. Old papers and back number of magazines are also welcome. The more you help, the more we can work.

Kindly continue to send us a packet of tracts and other materials from time to time.

We request you to advertise in your papers and magazines, that we are urgently in need of Gospel literature. We shall be very much thankful if you will kindly do it as early as possible telling that we have started a C. L. D. Service,

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

In continuing an account of my trip to the West Coast—this is May 16th, and I am now in Phoenix and Scottsdale, Arizona visiting around with brother Joseph Smail. It is real warm here. Brother Piccuito had left early in the morning, I believe with another brother for the San Carlos Reservation (Indian) so brothers Smail, Damore and myself left in the afternoon for the same place. It is about 100 miles of a drive east of Phoenix, brother Piccuito had baptized three converts at this place. The mountain scenery on this route is beyond my ability to describe. The mountains of rocks, the deep canyons, the winding highways and isolated small villages—far from most everywhere it seems; are hard to tell about. It gives me much thought as to the Mighty God creating us in His own image, planting our first parents in the Garden of Eden—no doubt its grandeur beyond description and imagination, and now see them scattered into the nooks and corners of the earth, as they are today.

Well we finally reached the San Carlos reservation where I found as usual in my travels among the Indian people—a poverty stricken oppressed race, who once enjoyed the liberty and freedom of these vast domains on this Western Hemisphere; prior to the advent of the palefaced people. In their faces I observe the kindly countenance, a friendly smile along with beauty and good, in their faces, not only in the adults, but in their little children as well, with their heads of black hair, even as I see with the various people in my travels. In my experience, I see beauty, love and affection among all people—Even though His displeasure has fallen upon those who were created a little beneath the angels, yet much of the image of His person—goodness, mercy and tenderness are still prevalent with the human race where ever we go, and because of His love for us all, He sent His Son into the world to die for us all.

May I ask, all of you who profess to be enlightened by His love—what manner of creatures should we be? Well, maybe that I have digressed some—what

from giving account of my trip, but I cannot help exposing my feelings towards the down-trodden among my Heavenly Father's children, and of whom are so great promises made for them to enjoy in these last days. May God help us all not only to talk of God's purposes, but to do a little more, for His only begotten Son set the greatest of all examples—Thy will be done and not mine. We arrived back at Phoenix late that night.

Before leaving California for Arizona, brother Piccuito had made an appointment to meet with the Indian Council on the Pima Reservation right near to the city of Phoenix, with a view of starting a church on their reservation. We met with them according to appointment and spent possibly an hour in their midst without much encouragement, though they promised to give us an answer later. Thus far I have not heard what kind of a reply they made to the brethren. In the conversation we had with the council, we were told that there was eight different churches already on the Reservation. On the San Carlos reservation which I have previously referred to us visiting; the council had already allotted an acre of ground to Bro. Piccuito for him to erect a church on. If I remember right they gave him a lease for 25 years for one dollar. It seemed as though a very welcome attitude was made manifest towards us, and he had already baptized three converts whom lived on San Carlos.

There are lots of Indian people in that part of the country, and in our travels to and from these Reservations, we met two young couples with their little children who were very friendly with us. If the brothers can succeed in getting a small building erected on San Carlos, it looks to me that a congregation of converts among them may soon be a realization. May God bless our brethren to that end.

We have possibly a dozen or more members living in and around Phoenix and Scottsdale who meet in a rented place, and it is costing them sixty dollars per month rent. I occupied their pulpit on Wednesday night and Sunday and enjoyed myself in fellowship with them. In one of these meetings a non-member rose to her feet and gave praise to God; apparently much pleased to be in our midst. I was pleased to meet Sister Louise DiBatista and her daughter, also her grandson whom was lately baptized. I had not seen Louise for a number of years—like the rest of us she has grown older, her hair has gotten gray. I used to go to her home in Detroit when she was a young girl—I was glad to meet her again and to hear her still bearing her testimony to the Gospel. She has been widowed in the years that have gone-by, and no doubt has had many lonely hours to endure. May God bless sister Louise Framolinno DiBatista formerly of Detroit, Michigan.

While in Arizona we made a trip or visit to Montezuma Castle, possible 60 or 70 miles north of Phoenix. It is or was a dwelling place in the Rocky Cliffs estimated to be about the 11th or 12th century. The cliffs are about 500 feet high. We climbed very steep steps and entered the rooms in the rocks where at one time in the far distant past—fathers and mothers and little children lived. After a very warm (hot) and pleasant visit in Arizona, brother Piccuito with his wife and children drove me back to San Diego, Calif. on Monday, May 22nd. I was glad for the privilege of visiting our folks in Arizona. May God bless them is my prayer.

(To be continued)

and urgently need gospel materials of all kinds from the readers.

Always pray for us, and for our work. We do remember you all in our daily prayers. May all praise, honour, and glory be for Him forever!

Thanks for reply. I am sorry to hear that you can't send me 50 copies of your paper monthly, but will you kindly try and send me 25 copies each time. Your paper is very nice, hence I would like to distribute some copies each month. Please try and send me one packet of back numbers regularly.

You asked do the India's read English? Most of the India's can read and write English very well. You know 8 out of 10 can read and talk. India is a highly educated country—especially our state. Kindly print my letter in your paper. Also kindly send me a good reference Bible for my use.

Waiting to hear from you, yours for lost souls.

Eddie S. Alfred

A Hymn suggested for our new Hymn Book. These words came to me at work, while I was meditating over our future hopes.

Bro. Ether M. Furnier.

(1)

Seed of Joseph, seed of Joseph,
Whom the archer's sorely grieved,
Look unto the God of Jacob,
All your burdens, He'll relieve.

CHORUS

Gentile's! Comfort ye my people,
With these words of love, so plain,
Tell them that their warfare's over,
Enter now, the peaceful reign.

(2)

Long has been your sore dispersion,
Afflicted, tempest tossed, forlorn,
And your name, a hiss and by word

Israel Heritage, laughed to scorn.

(3)

Hear the words of Mormon crying,
As a witness from the dust,
When you see this record coming,
In the Lord, put all your trust.

(4)

From the seed of Lehi's children,
Comes a shepherd of the flock,
Out of Zion a deliverer,
A servant of thy Lord, the rock.

(5)

Now your eyes shall all be opened,

And your ears unstopped shall be,
For thru grace, the veil is lifted,
And pure truth, will set you free.

(6)

Oh no longer shall ye witness,
The face of Jacob waxing pale,
With his children's peace established,
In Zion's happy peaceful vale.

NIGERIA, WEST AFRICA

August 17, '61

Dear Brother Cadman:

Just a line or two to let you know how things are over here. There is sure lots of work to do over here. On the 21st we will have 75 or a 100 to baptize. The Church is growing every day, not only in numbers but in spirit.

We have classes at 7 A.M. We have a lot of nice church buildings—in one Branch there are 850 members, and in another one there is 350. There is a lot of brothers and sisters over here. If there was ever a time to pray like Jesus said: The harvest truly is plenteous but the labourers are few—pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more labourers into the harvest. There are so many sick people here.

Brother Shazer

May the Lord be with you brother Shazer, (Brother Cadman)

INTERESTING LETTER FROM MEXICO

Dear Brother Cadman, We trust you are well and that everything is going along all right for you. The Church building is completed except for the name which we hope to put on next week. We are also putting in plants and trees. It really is quite nice now.

Last month we had seven baptisms. We also had our first funeral, which was quite sad, but as Brother Luis (Elder) says, "We thank God that now Mexico has sent up its first fruit unto the Lord." I don't know whether you remember this little blind sister. She was baptized on July 15th on a Saturday. On Sunday her testimony was that now she was ready if the Lord wanted to take her home. The following day she had a cerebral hemorrhage and went into a coma and died on the 4th day of August. Well, we are sure this soul went to glory.

We have increased in numbers since you have been here, and our

prayer is that God might once again gather in Israel. There are many people moving into these mountains almost daily and it surely is a miracle how the Lord led us out here.

Last week we traveled quite far out into the mountains. We found a family of ten who did not even have a roof over their heads. They lived right out in the open with their meager belongings. I would say this was really being poor. Even a cardboard house with sand floors is something in comparison.

We enjoyed seeing Brother Luis and his family in the Gospel News as well as your article about Mexico. We feel most unworthy. We have many sad moments out here when we look about and see the sad conditions of the House of Israel. Surely the time is almost here when the Lord is going to work in a Mighty Way to cause them to fall to their knees. They have wandered so far away; lost in sin and abominations.

The Nations are arming for war and we know destruction is close. The Church of Jesus Christ is now in the borders of the Lamanites, prepared and waiting, for which we thank God.

Brother Luis's wife had a dream wherein she saw three Men walking towards the Church. They were walking above the ground and their clothes anciently styled. They were holding hands. As they were coming towards the building—in her mind she was thinking, "They are coming to help the Church." (3 Nephites, we think)

We were sorry your time out here was so limited. There are many places we could have taken you to visit.

Well, Brother Cadman, there is so much we could write but will save some for another time. Will send you a picture of the building as soon as the name is put on it. We do not know how far the Lord will use us, but we are grateful for anything that we can do. May God bless and keep you, Say hello to all out there for us. Brother and Sister Perdue.

P.S. Brother and Sister Perdue, your letter is very encouraging to me. I think letters of this kind, should cause all members of The Church of Jesus Christ to shun the things that cause discord — and spend a little more time even as Brother and Sister Perdue are do-

ing. My faith has always been that, if we will move and do the best we can, the Lord will direct His servants, such as the three Nephite Brothers to our rescue, on the other hand if we find more comfort sitting in a easy chair, I believe the Lord will let us sit. Again your letter is encouraging to me and may God bless you abundantly.

Brother Cadman

AS OTHERS SEE US

By Brother B. J. Martin

Roscoe, Pa.

The Poet in hymn 4, "Let your light so shine", brings forth a very important thought in the way we should walk and live before our fellow man; as well as before God. The deeds we do daily, as well as on the Sabbath Day, do more to express the love we have for the Church of Jesus Christ, than all the words we utter from our lips. In the way of a question, the poet brings this forth, quote, "Do you think the world's a better place because you're living here? and also "Do you help another's woes to bear and change to smiles their tears"? Yes, if we fulfill this latter question, you can answer the former with the affirmative; for surely where there is one true child of God, doing good deeds daily, and with that love of God abounding forth from them into helping others, surely we must say that would be a better place, or a better community because He or She was living there. Yes, we must also say that "The world should be a better place because we're living here."

We should try to live a life beyond reproach. Yes, we must live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as well as teach it. This brings to my mind an article written by our late Sister Sadie Cadman, not too long before her passing, when she expresses great wisdom as she said, "When you make this statement, that "You belong to the Church of Jesus Christ," at that time the Church of Jesus Christ is judged by the type of person you are. If you are living a good clean life, as the poet brings forth in this hymn, a life that would make the place in which you abide a better place because you are living there. If this be your life, then it would cause those around you to judge the Church as good; or to fulfill our desire, that they would want

to know a little more about the Church we love so well. But if our deeds are not in accord with that which we preach; if we are unstable, or do anything unbecoming one who professes to be following Jesus Christ, then we do a terrible thing; We cause the Church of Jesus Christ to be judged as a thing of naught. And to me, we have sinned greatly.

Brothers and Sisters; consider this very seriously. Remember the scripture in Acts 16, of the woman who followed Paul and the apostles, saying to the people, "These men are servants of God, which show us the way of salvation! Surely we must confess that these were true words she spoke; yet, we find that Paul became grieved over this condition and commanded the evil spirit to come out of her. Here was one who spoke true and good words, yet an evil spirit dwelt within her. Do you see the parallel here? In my mind, I would assume that if such a person, as this woman, made the statement that "These were the servants of God, and teaching the way of Salvation," then the people would surely believe they were NOT servants of God. Or she being evil, doing evil deeds daily, would not support them.

Yes, Brothers and Sisters; it is the same today. If our daily lives are not above reproach, then our saying "We are servants of the most High God and that we are teaching the way of salvation", will be to no avail and our labors will be lost, and justly so. Because preaching the words without works only hinders the work of God, and we come under this category — "They do honor me with their lips but their hearts are far from me." These are the words of our Lord.

In closing, I don't wish to censor anyone, but in the thoughts of our late Sister Cadman, it would grieve us also to see the most precious thing to our hearts, the Church of Jesus Christ, being judged wrongly, because of perhaps a little lack of wisdom, or mostly not being sincere enough in living the Gospel. We hope we haven't offended any one in this writing, but rather our desire is that, we along with you, may strive every day of our life, to be a good representative of His Church. Let us watch and pray; and may God find us ever ready to serve Him.

MEDITATIONS

By Sister Amy Martin

"The King's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water; He turneth it whithersoever he will." Proverbs 21:1

Many times the Lord said, "I will harden the heart of Pharaoh, which he did. When the Lord told Israel to go and possess the land, He told them 'not to meddle with certain nations, and he would put fear into the hearts of these nations toward them. They could buy food from them, but He would not give them even a foot of their land'.

Some nation's hearts were made stubborn, that they might be destroyed. But always they were told when to fight, with the Lord on their side, or when not to meddle; telling them he would put fear of them in the heart of the nations under the whole heavens.

I always like the scripture, the sixth chapter of Second Kings, where Elisha's servant asked him, "What they could do?" Elisha answered, "Fear not, for they that are with us are more than they that are with them." And Elisha prayed and asked God to open his servant's eyes, that he might see. And the young man saw the mountains filled with horses and chariots of fire around Elisha.

Then Elisha prayed and asked the Lord to smite the enemy with Blindness. Then when he asked the Lord to open their eyes, they were before the King of Israel. Elisha told the king to feed them and let them return to their masters.

So the Lord has many ways of hardening or softening the heart; making blind or letting us see. Thinking of men like Hitler and Mussolini, who brought themselves to a dishonorable death and their people almost to ruin; it would seem a natural thing to hate them. But a very foolish thing too, since they seemed to be a scourge. Thinking how the German nation, even as the Lamanites did, built up their strength and made war, time after time; until she brought her own ruin, and heartache to every nation on earth. And even today, while under subjection, this same nation is bringing war clouds. So she seems to be kept as a scourge, to call the nations to remembrance, as the Lamanites were. Nephi 12:24 and 2nd. Nephi 5:25.

And why let ourselves have bitter hatred against some of the ar-

rogant rulers of today, or why fear them? For by filling our hearts with hatred, we harm ourselves more than our enemy. If we can know as an individual, a church, a place or a nation, that we are pleasing in the sight of God; then we can remember, "The King's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water: He turneth it whithersoever He will."

MONONGAHELA NEWS

The new addition to the Monongahela Church Bldg. was dedicated on August 13th. with a large congregation present. Some very appropriate singing was rendered on the occasion. The services were opened by Brother James Moore of the Imperial Branch of the church. The following speakers were Bros. Samuel Kirschner and W. H. Cadman.

The theme of the sermons were very much on the thought of our Spiritual House and the temporal houses we build. Along with other scripture reading, Isaiah 66-1, 2 "Where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? For all these things hath my hand made, and all these things have been, saith the Lord: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word. With the people of the Restoration many structures are being erected today, which may be monuments to their condemnation if they serve God not aright. The Gentiles should be lifted up to as a standard of righteousness, not only to Israel but to all mankind in a Spiritual House with lively stones in the building, where the Lord God with all His people will find a place of rest to their souls. For that condition to develop, the Gospel of Christ must be preached and obeyed.

Beginning on the evening of this same day, a week of services were held and were very nicely attended—lots of visitors present from other places. We had a very good week of meetings—very good sermons were delivered by our brethren. One evening was taken up by brother Alvin Swanson who had just returned home from Africa, after spending almost 15 months in Nigeria on Missionary work. Our largest crowd was present on this occasion, all anxious to hear brother Swanson. He had a very attentive audience, whom were much interest-

ed in his message. A recording was made by Bro. Arthur Landrey of the discourse.

Much good singing was rendered during these meetings, which were presided over by Presiding Elder Olexa.

WRITTEN BY THE EDITOR

Readers of The Gospel News:

There is a article printed elsewhere in this issue of the paper, titled "Extremes" and written by Sister Martha Kelly of Greenville, Pa., which has prompted me to write the following. Her letter should create much thought in all thoughtful readers. There are many that read without observing the depth of that which they read and the results are, that much of the intended good is lost sight of, or soon forgotten.

I wonder at the extreme conditions there are in this world. Some people travel around much and allows their minds to become completely absorbed in the material side of life, while some hardly move out of their tracks and become narrow minded and cannot see any good aside from their own narrow conceptions of life. When I was a young man and before I married, I made a trip to England to see my parents native land and my many relatives who were unknown to me. Aside from this I wanted to get some conception of this world—its vastness and its ways among people. I did not want to be like the man told of in story who had never been away from home in Arkansas, eventually he made a trip to Kansas City, and when he returned he was so amazed in what he had seen, that he exclaimed "that if the other half of the world is as big as the half which I saw, it must be a big world. The lack of knowledge gives us extreme thoughts in one direction, while much knowledge will give us the same thing in the opposite direction. What little traveling I have done has had a lasting affect in my life.

My trip to Africa when I was about 78 years old taught me much, or at least gave me much to think about. I never thought that I was a very close observer of my surroundings—but still my eyes and ears have not always been closed. I wonder why it is when we are all of the family of Adam and Eve—the one God having created us, how does it come that we are so won-

derfully blessed in this land of America, and seeing Africa so much neglected. Then too, in this land of America, we see the extremely and adverse conditions prevailing in the midst of plenty. During my life, I have visited much among the Indian race of people, and the conditions have been and still are, that it makes me wonder how their little babies born into this world, have ever survived and grew to man and womanhood. I have preached the gospel in Mexico — and what a change you see in crossing an imaginary line, and to me it creates a feeling that the Mexican people cannot entertain much hope of betterment, at least under the existing conditions of today. It looks as though the existing nations of today have about finished their course—are being weighed in the balance and are found wanting. Hence, the kingdom of Christ which, according to the prophets of old will subdue them all is our (the inhabitants of the world) only hope.

To my understanding, this United States of America has arisen upon the the land which the word of God in the Book of Mormon reveals unto us is a choice land with Him. It has been presented as a land of liberty and freedom wherein a nation of people could use their liberty to serve Him if they will—they can use their liberty should they choose to do so, in ignoring the will of God and not treat their fellowman as they would like to be treated — or as the Master has taught "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." This, to my mind is the basic principle of salvation. Man cannot serve God acceptable and at the same time close his eyes or ears and ignore the unfortunate of our day—this will apply to a nation as well as to individuals. We may use our liberty as to how we use our wealth and be justified by constitutional law, and yet find ourselves under condemnation of God, because of a lack of love and mercy for our neighbors—whom we are commanded to love even as ourselves. I might add, that the greater our knowledge of God and Godly things, the greater our condemnation if we fail to measure up to our standing. This will apply to us as nations as well as to individuals.

In this land of America, when

measured by the teachings of Jesus Christ both in the Bible and Book of Mormon, I believe you will find as much sin and corruption as you will find anywhere. We must remember that God is no respecter of persons, and all things are naked to His eyes. He knows the secret things and doings of those high up as well as those low down. The past history of all nations reveals the fact, that their brilliancy in every way, has not prevented them from being leveled to the ground when the Maker of all saw fit not to leave them carry on longer—even the kingdom of Israel whom attained to the elevated position of sitting under their own vine and fig tree in the days of their renowned king "Solomon" and in who's midst God dwelt, yet because of the failing to abide as the Apple of His Eye, He left His wrath fall and fall heavy. And from time immemorial, He has raised up one nation or kingdom after another—but they have failed to treat others as they would be treated—thus the nations of the present day will reap the same reward, unless they are spared through repentance and obedience to the Gospel of Jesus Christ wherein He has taught us, that unless a Man is born of water and the spirit he cannot be saved.

The United States among the many nations, has been wonderfully blessed for some reason—best known to the God who rules on high. But as a nation we have gone to the extreme in many ways—to the extent we have become extremely wasteful, and I am afraid we are overstepping the bounds of good judgment. The billions upon billions that we are spending, of which the most part will not bring us any good returns, but it will tax the working class to the limit if we do not use better judgment. Our dealings with Russia and Cuba, apparently, reveal the fact, that we have not been fair nor truthful in all our dealings with nations. Liberty! Liberty! what a loving principle thou art, but should we use thee or degrade thee in not being honest with our fellowmen? We have gone to the extreme and used our God-given Liberty in ways that are not good.

Let us be careful about going to the extreme and let us use Liberty to do good and not to do evil.

Editor

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Thy people shall be my people and thy God my God," Ruth 1:16
Dear Boys and Girls,

Our story this month is from the Bible from the book of Ruth. Once there was a man named Elimelech. His wife was Naomi and their two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They lived in Bethlehemjudah. There was a famine in their homeland so they moved to Moab. They were not there very long until the father died. Naomi was left with her two sons who were now young men.

In the land of Moab lived two sisters Ruth and Orpah. Naomi's sons fell in love with the sisters and they were married. Naomi loved these girls as she would have loved her own daughters. For ten years they were all very happy. But one day all was sad. Naomi's two sons died. She decided to return to her own people in the land of Judah. She heard there was no famine there now. Ruth and Orpah started with her.

Soon after leaving the city, Naomi said to the sisters, "Each of you go back to your mother's house. You were good to my sons and to me. May the Lord be kind to you." As she kissed them, they all wept. Both of the girls said they would go to Judah and live with Naomi's people. But Naomi felt it was best for them to stay in their own country. Orpha kissed her mother-in-law goodbye and returned to Moab. But Ruth clung to Naomi and said, "Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. Where you die I will die and there will I be buried; the Lord do so to me and more also if ought but death part me and thee." Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her so they went on their journey.

As they came to Bethlehem it was the time of barley harvest. Many in the city remembered Naomi and came to see her. But she had changed. They asked, "Is this Naomi?" Naomi said, "Call me not Naomi but Mara," (which

means bitter). She had left her home happy with her husband and sons but now was returning without them. Naomi told her friends she had sorrow. She had brought one of her son's wives with her, who was like her own child.

It was the custom for the poor to gather grain in the fields after the reapers were through. It was the law given by Moses years before (Leviticus 19:9, 10). There was a relative of Naomi's husband named Boaz, who was a rich man. Ruth said to Naomi, "Let me go and gather corn in this man's field." Naomi said, "Go my daughter." Ruth being a stranger here, went to Boaz's field. As she was gleaning Boaz came. He inquired about this young lady. He saw she was a stranger. He greeted the workers with, "The Lord be with you." They answered, "The Lord bless thee." He was told by his servant that the young lady was Ruth from the country of Moab who had returned with Naomi. Boaz went over to Ruth and told her to glean in his fields whenever she wished. He gave her permission to drink from the vessels when she was thirsty. Ruth was pleased and asked, "Why are you so good to me, a stranger?" Boaz replied, "I have heard how good you have been to Naomi. How you have left your own country to come here. May the Lord bless you." Ruth told Boaz that with these words he had comforted her.

When mealtime came, Boaz invited Ruth to eat with them. As the reapers ate together Boaz gave her extra parched corn. As they went back to the fields to glean, Boaz told the reapers to leave fall on purpose more barley than usual so Ruth could have plenty.

At the end of the day Ruth returned home to Naomi. She told her all that had happened in the fields of Boaz. Naomi thanked the Lord for caring for them. She told Ruth that Boaz was a relative of theirs. Naomi said it was good for Ruth to go to the fields of Boaz to glean. Every day she went to his fields to gather grain. Boaz watched Ruth day by day and saw that she was good. He fell in love

with her. Soon they were married and everyone was happy. Naomi was very happy. But her happiest day was, when God sent a baby boy to Ruth and Boaz. They named him Obed. Naomi held little Obed close to her. She was like a nurse to the little boy. The neighbors saw how happy Naomi was. They said, "There is a son born to Naomi." They all blessed the Lord that he had not left Naomi without a kinsman. They told her Ruth was better to her than seven sons.

This is a story of love. A great love that Ruth had for her mother-in-law and the God of Israel. Obed became the father of Jesse, who was the father of David. Look in Matthew chapter one and find all these names listed, down to the name of Jesus.

Search the Scriptures

1. Who are we told to love as ourselves? Lev. 19:18
2. How does a friend love? Proverbs 17:17
3. What did God give us because He loved the world? John 3:16
4. What kind of a giver does God love? II Cor. 9:7

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Gospel Readers:

At this time I find myself on a plane returning home from New Jersey with a prayer in my heart for a safe arrival. While riding in this high altitude it caused me to meditate of the wonders of God, how great He is. He created man and gave him power to decide and choose—in the hour of decision let us be wise and choose the most treasured gift—the Gospel which is the Power of God unto Salvation.

Truly we can say that we are a very fortunate people, to have met the "Great I Am", and through obedience, He has become a living God, causing His Arm to move from time to time. The sweetest melody ever heard is the sound of the Gospel, Which causes the power of God to prevail, bringing forth victory in to each and every heart which is diligently seeking Him.

While visiting in New Jersey, we were glad to have met brother W. H. Cadman, and Brother A. Colorado of Youngstown, Ohio. They had been at the airport in N.Y. to see Brother Joseph Shazer off on his way to preach the Gospel in Nigeria, West Africa. May the Lord

bless Brother Shazer, while laboring in the vineyard.

We are still holding our Wednesday night meetings in my home. Salutations with God's love.

Sister Anna Carlini

FAIR — CHECCHI

At the Church of Jesus Christ, South Greensburg, Bro. Idris Martin officiated at the wedding ceremony uniting in marriage Patricia Fair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fair of South Greensburg to Bro. Louis J. Checchi, son of Mrs. Bessie Checchi, of Allenport.

Sisters Margie Swanson and Leda Sheffler accompanied by Alice Spisak sang "I love You Truly", and "Because".

Jane Davey, Pittsburgh, was maid of honor, and Corinne Doratio, McKeesport, cousin of the bride was brides maid.

Joseph Checchi, brother of the groom served as best man, and Bro. James Anderson, Donora served as usher.

A reception was held in the South Greensburg fire hall for approximately 150 guests.

The newlyweds are now residing in Roscoe.

May God bless them in their new life together.

THE VITAL LIGHT

One must build with wisdom and courage, this precious temple where love must shine. To be lights along the pathway of life, to friend and foe alike. May our purity be as the rays of the mountain sunrise, our character as the beacon light at the harbor entrance, striving to live daily, in the sunshine of God's love. To each of us is given the privilege of bearing his own light, as a witness to the love of God. Alone our light is dim, together the world is aglow with the love of Christ. Jesus is the light of the world. We are all called to serve God in our daily works and ways, so that the operation, of God's Holy Spirit in our lives can influence others, to draw nearer and nearer to Christ. Light up the lamp of faith, in your heart, it will lead you safely through the mists of doubt, and the black darkness of despair, and over the treacherous places, of temptations and uncertainty. Matt. 5-8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. To know God's will and do it, calls for sincerity, and honesty, with one's self. Matt. 5-16. Let

your light so shine before man, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven. His lamps are we, to shine where, He shall say. And lamps are not for sunny rooms, nor for the light of day, but for dark places of the earth, where shame, wrong, and crime, have birth, or for the twilight gray, where wandering sheep, have gone astray. So we may shine His light, the flame, that men may glorify His name. Hymn No. 385-2nd. verse:—No darkness have we who in Jesus abide. The light of the world is Jesus. We walk in the light, when we follow our guide, The light of the world is Jesus.

Sister Muriel Miller

COSTARELLA — GRAZIOSE

Sister Joanne Costarella and Mr. Joseph Graziose were united in marriage in the Youngstown branch of the Church of Jesus Christ on June 24, 1961. Brother Sam Costarella, the bride's father, officiated.

Sister Phyllis Kuhn of the Niles branch sang I Love You Truly, Because and Wedding Prayer, accompanied on the piano by Sister Teresa Pandone.

A reception was held from 2 to 5 p.m. after which the newlyweds left for the Pocono Mountains. Our sincere and best wishes are extended to this young couple, along with our prayer that the Lord will richly bless them in all things.

CIARAVINO — PICCOLO

Sister Carol Ciaravino and Brother Anthony Piccolo were joined in Holy Matrimony on May 27, 1961. The bride is the daughter of Sister Antoinette and Brother Gorie Ciaravino of Detroit. The bridegroom is the son of Brother and Sister Piccolo also of Detroit. The wedding took place in Branch No. 1 of The Church of Jesus Christ in this city at one o'clock in the afternoon. The bride's father officiated at the ceremony assisted by her uncle, Brother Alfred Dominico of Ohio. The maid of honor was Sister Marcie Marderosian and those attending the bride were Sister Ann Beyers, Sister Roseanne Lovalvo, and sister Yvonne Capone. The best man was the bridegroom's brother, Alex Piccolo and the ushers were Gordon Ciaravino, brother of the bride, and Jimmy Cotellesse and Fred Dominico of Ohio, both cou-

sins of the bride. The junior attendants were Karen Melantoni and Anthony LaCiveta. Sister Kay Hornberger of Branch No. 4 was vocalist and one of the beautiful Selections she sang was "The Day of Golden Promise." Pianist was Sister Barbara Mangepani.

The church ceremony was followed by a reception and the guests were served a buffet dinner.

Following their honeymoon the couple will make their home in San Diego, California where the groom resides.

DETROIT, MICH.

Dear Bro. Cadman,

Thank God, we are still on the land of the living, and struggling eagerly to push our way through, from grace to glory, hoping, that come what may, we can continue to the end, and finally come out more than conqueror. When we think, of all the elect, who have pleased God, and have brought forth such beautiful lives on the face of the earth, one is inspired to go on, regardless of obstacles, knowing that as our dear Heavenly Father, helps others to succeed, we may win also, if we will but trust Him without fail.

I will now relate some of the incidents, that have taken place in our midst recently. On Sunday morning, April 7th at Branch #3, Brother Anthony Scolaro read a portion of scripture, found in St. Luke 12th Chapter, 16th verse to the 21st verse, also 34th verse, to the 40th verse. Bro. Scolaro gave a wonderful treatise, of the difference between living for God, versus living for ourselves. The main topic, was the story of the rich fool, and our bro. proved profoundly, the security of living for God, whereas an opposite life, will be disastrous to any man. A handkerchief, was anointed for a friend, seriously ill, in the Hospital. Bro. Nick Pietrangelo, spoke also on this parable, and gave us an inspiring talk.

On Sunday morning, May 14th in Windsor, the Quartet, from Branch #1, sang two selections, "My wonderful Lord", and also: "When I stand with Him". Bro. Concetto Alessandro, read a portion of scripture, found in Matthew 7th Chapter, 7th and 8th verses. He spoke about the sound of the Gospel that came to him, when he had visited the Church, for 16 months. During this period he used to be very sick, and had his cabinet, filled with

medicine, the Lord spoke to him, and he threw all his medicine away, obeyed the Gospel, and since then, the Lord has helped him to be cured of all his ailments. Bro. Nick Pietrangelo, also spoke on the same subject and we had a wonderful time indeed. I have in my hand the Program, "Restoration", given by Branch #3, at the G.M.B.A., May 20th, 1961. It was very auspiciously drawn up, and everyone was delighted, at it's rendition, may God abundantly, bless all those who contributed to it's success, for it was a grand success.

On Sunday, the 21st of May, 1961, in Branch #1, bro. Tony DiBattist, of Glassport, Pa. read a portion of scripture, found in Rev. 12th Chapter, 7th verse to the end of the 9th verse, and spoke of John on the Isle of Patmos, how God took care of him, and will take care of all His children, to the uttermost, if we will be true to Him, as John was, and all the other covenant people of the Lord. Our brother's sermon was soul inspiring. Bros. Patsy Marinetti, of Rochester, New York, and Frank Mazzeo, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, also spoke, and we just had a feast of good things. Several were anointed for illness, may God bless their souls, and raise them up.

On Sunday the 28th, in Branch #1, the Choir sang a selection, "I shall never walk alone, He holds my hand". Bro. Paul Vitto, read a portion of scripture, found in Job 1st Chapter, 1st verse to the end of the Chapter. He gave us a good talk on the life of Job, bro. Concetto Alessandro, making concluding remarks. In the afternoon, we, along with bro. Pat. Calahan drove out to Inkster, and had a grand blessing. Everyone was overjoyed to see us, and the blessings of God, really overflowed us. The Ladies Uplift Circle, of Branch #1, reported to me that in their fast, and prayer meeting, on the 3rd of June, they were praying to God for a resumption of the gifts in the Church, a sister saw a vision, of a bride, appearing in their midst, fully dressed in white raiment, having on her head a Crown, and Veil, but the veil was taken away. In 2nd Nephi, 28th Chapter, and 32nd verse, it is said, Woe be unto the Gentiles, saith the Lord God of Hosts: For notwithstanding, I shall lengthen out my arm unto them, from day to day, they will deny me; nevertheless, I

will be merciful unto them, saith the Lord, if they will repent, and come unto me; for mine arm is lengthened out all the day long, saith the Lord God of Hosts. I would say to all bros. and sisters in the Church of Jesus Christ, while the arm of the Lord is stretched out to us, let us awake, and not procrastinate our day of salvation. Best love to all bros. and sisters, throughout the Church, Do pray for us, and we will do the same for you, as the Lord enables us.

Your bro. in Christ,
Matthew T. Miller

EXTREMES

The tremendous extremes in different phases of life on this earth today, is a strange and puzzling thing. First, the extreme intelligence of scientific men who in a life time have produced things from electricity and all the household conveniences to nuclear instruments of warfare beyond the understanding of most people. And also outer space machines that circle the earth in something like an hour, and rockets in which men are to travel to the Moon and other planets. Then there is the large class of humanity that might be called average, we can read, write, think and reason. Some are more or less talented in various ways than others.

But the other extreme are the uncivilized with no education, they cannot read, write and apparently have very little reasoning power. Generally they are the Natives of many of our Nations and Islands. I heard a woman tell of visiting a South Pacific island where the people are still cannibals. I have seen pictures of people who were supposed to never have seen a white person before. They seem to live by instinct and all waking hours were spent hunting for food so they could stay alive. Isn't this as extreme as life can be?

The people of God have only one place to go for the answer to these things. It reminds me of the days of the tower of Babel, God said, "and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do." But He did something about it, and in the first Chapter of 1st Corinthians it is written, "The foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God stronger than men," also, "not many wise men AFTER THE FLESH, not many mighty, not

many noble, are called. But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, etc." Read it. The wisdom of men did not impress the Apostle Paul.

There are also extremes in living conditions. The multi-millionaires in mansions with servants to do all the work and wait on them in every way. I wonder how they can even spend the interest on all the millions they own. Again there are those who are grateful for comfortable homes, for clothing and nourishing food. Christ said, "Ye have the poor always with you." But the poorest, most of us have never seen. We have seen pictures of children dying of starvation. I have read that in India people are born, live and die in the streets, never knowing what it is like to enter a home. It is said that half the population of the world goes to bed hungry each night. Also the filth and disease of many is more than we can imagine. The young doctor who gave the last few years of his life trying to ease the pain and heal the illness of these poor souls, wrote that many of them had to be put in the river and some of the filth scrubbed from their bodies before he could even treat them.

We read of billions being spent for defense and we know a little of the preparations being made for war; we know Russia gains more of the world, it seems each day. Then when I hear some one say the world is getting better, I wonder who they mean, for all the people of the world or just themselves. I wonder if God agrees with them. In Matthew 24, Christ speaks of wars and rumors of wars, nation rising against nation, in explaining the end of the World, and Paul said, "In the last days perilous times shall come", also, "that evil men shall wax worse and worse."

If these things are depressing to read about, how could we live as some are forced to do. Isn't it too bad that the billions for defense, billions for space efforts and billions for foreign aid could not be used to educate, to feed and to cure the ills of the uncivilized, and to teach them how to live?

How many times we are told in the Bible that if all men will repent of their sins, there is no limit to the good God will do for us. But if we will not serve Him, we shall bring on our own misery and destruction. I wonder about the consci-

ence of those owning hundreds of millions of dollars and also of the Churches building temples and other structures costing many millions. Do they think the humble Nazarene wants to be worshipped in such places?

Martha Kelly

**"Book of Mormon Error—
The Indians Not Jews"
(The Sword of The Lord)
John R. Rice—Editor**

The Editor introducing his subject He says: "We have a letter from a Pennsylvania man who has been deceived by the false claims of the Book of Mormon. He says he is not a Mormon, yet he believes the story of that novel which Joseph Smith plagiarized and then claimed was the Word of God. He believes that half of God's revelation is in the Bible and half in the Book of Mormon. He says, 'There is not ONE preacher in America preaching the 'full Gospel of Jesus Christ'—simply because he either does not possess it or refuses to believe it,' End of quote.

I, Editor of the Gospel News must concede that the Pennsylvanian (whoever he may be) has not used much intelligence or wisdom in his approach to the Book of Mormon if Editor Rice has quoted him correctly. Sorry to have to say so. However, the inability of one to express himself properly—sometimes gives the apparent intelligent adversary an opportunity to expose his own ignorance, as Editor Rice has done in his article in replying to the Pennsylvanian. If Joseph Smith PLAGIARIZED in the production of the Book of Mormon, then, he Joseph was a thief and Mr. Rice is certainly fulfilling the word of the angel of God—in, that Joseph's name would be used for good and evil. Whether the Editor believes it or not—Men of honor went to their death reaffirming their testimony that an angel ministered unto Joseph and his fellow workers and they saw the Plates from which the Book of Mormon was translated. Editor Rice, or might I address you as Dr. Rice—be careful as to what kind of judgment you pass on by what you may have read or heard—for you might have to face the unlearned man, spoken of by the prophet Isaiah in Chapter 29-11,12, at the Eternal Bar of God.

I quote Editor Rice again, he

says: "I do not know; perhaps some Mormons have truly been converted. But they were not converted by the doctrine in the Book of Mormon. And if they take seriously the instructions on the plan of salvation in the Mormon Church they would not be saved." End of quote. If in referring to Mormons in this instance you mean the Mormon Church in Salt Lake City, you should be careful how you refer to the Book itself. The Church of Jesus Christ with Headquarters in Pennsylvania, are firm believers in the Book of Mormon but have no affiliation with what is commonly called the Mormon Church. And, if you will get more familiar with the Book of Mormon you might discover to your surprise, that the Lord Jesus Christ appeared on this land we call America and preached the necessity of repentance and baptism for the remission of sins, yea even as is taught in John, in chapter 3 "Unless a man is born of water and the spirit he cannot enter the kingdom of God. Yea, even as an angel of God delivered Peter from the prison, likewise did angels deliver His servants from prison on the land now known as America. I notice what you say about God Closing the canon of scripture with the Book of Revelation." Mr. Rice what kind of a Bible have you? I have several versions of the scripture in my house but I never read anything like that in them. Yea, one of the Book of Mormon prophets says the "Gentiles shall say; A Bible! We have a Bible, and there cannot be any more Bible, But thus saith the Lord God: O fools, they shall have a Bible; and it shall proceed forth from the Jews, mine ancient covenant people. And what thank they the Jews for the Bible which they received from them? Yea, what do the Gentiles mean? Do they remember the travels and the labours, and the pains of the Jews, and their diligence unto me, in bringing forth salvation unto the Gentiles? O ye Gentiles, have ye remembered the Jews, mine ancient covenant people? Nay; but ye have cursed them, and have hated them, and have not sought to recover them. But behold, I will return all these things upon your own heads; for I the Lord have not forgotten my people. Thou fool, that shall say: we have got a Bible, and we need no more Bible. Have ye obtained a Bible save it were by the

Jews? You will find these prophetic utterances in the 29th chapter of Second Nephi. Editor Rice, you certainly make a mistake in trying to make a contrast between the doctrine in the Book of Mormon and the doctrine in the Bible—intentionally or otherwise I know not, the Lord is the Judge.

Paul taught that there was but one Gospel, yea the Gospel as taught in the New Testament teaches us not to judge, but to love one another, faith repentance and baptism for the remission of sins, the reception of the Holy Ghost to lead and guide us into all truths and righteousness and show us things to come. It also teaches us that men shall be ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth and yet they are among people who have a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. It would be well for you to get a little more familiar with the doctrine in the Book of Mormon, for it teaches the self and same doctrine that was taught by Peter, James, John, Paul and by Jesus Christ the Head. As to the plan of salvation, the Book of Mormon teaches the self and same doctrine. Your assertions alone are not sufficient.

In addressing the Pennsylvanian whom wrote the letter, the Editor says: "Dear Mr. D—I thank you for your letter of May 23 and answer briefly. I am sorry you have been led astray by the foolishness of the Book of Mormon. I am familiar with it. I have gone into the whole movement very carefully. It is not the Word of God. It is not the other half of the Gospel. (A very foolish remark on the part of the Pennsylvanian WHC).

One reason we know this, is that the Lord plainly promised a curse on anybody who should add to or take from the words written in the Bible when He closed the canon of Revelation in Revelation 22:18 and 19. For another reason, the Book of Mormon does not have the true plan of salvation. For another reason, it is historically incorrect as all historians know. And all ethnologists know that the Indians could not have descended from the Jews and are not Jews." End of quote.

In reply to this, I will say, that all historians and ethnologists do not know the origin of the American Indians—they only THINK

they know. Columbus proved that the wise of his day did not know so much as they thought they did.

Dr. Rice differs with many of his equals in the defining Rev. 22-18 and 19. One of the most Reverend Divines known in this country is at variance with Dr. Rice on that scripture. Anybody with reason should know that the Bible is a book of books, and John is simply referring to his own writings in that case, even as Moses did in Deut. 4-2. I challenge the statement wherein God ever closed the canon of Revelation, unless it was because of the wickedness of mankind. The scripture abounds with evidence that God's spirit will guide you into all truth and will show you things to come, and if not in exact word, the Book of Mormon teaches likewise.

The Saviour teaches that there is nothing covered or hidden but what will be uncovered and revealed or brought to light in God's own due time.

The Book of Mormon reveals the fact that the forefathers of the American Indian, are the offspring of Lehi and his family, whom along with another family emigrated from Jerusalem to this land of America 600 years B.C. They were descendants of the Joseph who was sold into Egypt by his brothers. They were inhabitants of the Kingdom of Judea (citizens thereof) and consequently are referred to as Jews, or the Seed of Joseph of the House of Israel. Their immigration to this land is prophesied of in Genesis 49-22 and 26 inclusive.

There is also an account of a people in the Book of Mormon, known as Jaredites who came here from the tower of Babel after the confounding of the languages Genesis 11-8, "So the Lord scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city." What a GOLDEN book of information the BOOK OF MORMON is. Rather than murmuring and complaining I advise all readers to cast aside your prejudice and read a book, A Marvelous Work and a Wonder. Let us all praise God for His ways are past finding out. Yea, how foolish weak MORTALS are. To the Editor of "The Sword of The Lord," Do get a little more familiar with the Book of Mormon. (Editor)

QUAKER VIGIL WILL PROTEST KINZUA SITE

WARREN, Pa., Aug. 11 (AP)—A group of Quakers was scheduled to start a three-week silent vigil, August 12, at the site of the proposed Kinzua Dam. The Quakers are opposing construction of the dam, claiming it violates Indian rights.

There were expected to be about 20 persons in the group which calls itself the "Treaty of 1794 Committee."

The dam, when completed, will flood a portion of the Seneca Indian reservation. The Indians have been fighting the project all along.

The Quakers say they have a special interest in the dispute. They claim their predecessors told the Indians to go ahead and sign a treaty with the United States which covered Indian rights to the land.

Thus, the Quakers say Quaker honor is involved.

The Quakers will carry no signs nor make any demonstrations during the vigil, it was reported.

P.S. With all due respect of our Government, yet when men individually or as Nations, overstep their lawful treaty obligations and take liberty that infringes on the lawful rights of others, in my judgment they are just going too far. The Quakers deserve praise and not criticism.

THE WELCOME SONG

Welcome! Welcome! glad you all could come,
Hope you find your stay in Erie, such a pleasant one.
Welcome! Welcome! Oh how do you do?

We send our special greetings to everyone of you.
I see Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio, New York and New Jersey, California,

Way back in the corner I see Canada, Just one great big welcome no matter who you are

Our Scripture Reading was taken from Galatians 3:26, 27, 28, read by Sister Phyllis (Bucci) Kovacic, our local president. Another song written by Sister Dyer was sung by Sister Florence La Rosa and Mrs. S. Sellare, Dr. and Mrs. Sellaro and their two children have been attending our Mission since about May and are very interested to learn our beliefs and background of the Church.

FIND PREHISTORIC RELICS ON BANKS OF JORDAN RIVER

A farmer leveling ground with his bulldozer in the fields of Afiqim village on the western banks of the Jordan River has uncovered finds going back to the beginning of man.

The announcement said only two other prehistoric sites of the kind had ever been found before—both in Africa—at Oldoway in Tanganyika and at Ain Hanech in Algeria.

The Afiqim finds were of about the same period as the others but the geological conditions were better.

NEW OIL FIELD FOUND AT NEGBA

Tel Aviv.—A new oil-field was added to Israel's map when a Johnston stem-test, carried out at Negba III, a Lapidot concession, disclosed a seven-foot thick layer of exploitable, oil saturated sands at a depth of over 5,000 feet.

The depth and thickness of the layer are similar to the average Heletz-type well, five kilometers to the southwest, but Negba's oil strike definitely opens a new and unrelated structure area, Lapidot officials say.

DO CHRISTIANS ACT CHRISTIAN?

While Sydney J. Harris is on vacation, we are reprinting some of the best columns from his new books, "Last Things First."

BY SYDNEY J. HARRIS

I couldn't answer the Hindu. Maybe you can. Maybe you can make a better defense of so-called Western civilization than I could.

"Since traveling in the Christian world of the West," he said at dinner, "I have been puzzled by my readings in the New Testament. How do you people interpret the words of Jesus?"

"What do you mean?" I asked, afraid of what was coming.

"I mean," he said politely, "how do you reconcile His plain doctrine of nonresistance with your guns and your planes and your wars every few decades? Which Christian nation has ever turned the other cheek? Who among you is willing to return good for evil? How can people who share in the good news

of His message continually kill one another, while both sides are praying to Him?"

* * *

"WELL," I stammered, "after all, that's a doctrine of perfection that Jesus preached. Ordinary mortal men can't always live up to it."

"That I understand," he nodded, "but it should be your goal—and I can only see that you go in the opposite direction. Gandhi was not a Christian, and yet it seems to me he practiced the New Testament more than Westerners do."

"But Gandhi was a saint," I protested. "Surely the mass of Indian people are no better, morally and spiritually, than Westerners are."

"Perhaps not," he said. "All the same, we do not claim to have a special revelation from the Son of God. We do not insist that we follow the Prince of Peace, and then follow the Prince of War."

"Not everybody agrees that Jesus was a pacifist," I objected. "Some people point to his scourging the money-changers out of the temple."

"Ah, but there is a difference between scourging—as you might a disobedient child out of love for him—and wantonly killing millions of innocent men and women and children, all in the name of God. You are commanded to love your neighbors — and today, in this shrunken world, everybody is a neighbor."

I HAD ONE defense left: my Sunday punch, if you'll pardon the expression. "Don't we have a right, an obligation to fight against injustice and wickedness and tyranny?" I demanded.

"Yes," he said, "you must fight against it—but in your own minds and souls, for that is where it begins, not in some foreign land. When you have purified yourselves, the example of your goodness will be the most effective weapon in the world—if not for now, then in the future."

Maybe you can answer the Hindu. I could not, in all honesty.

Gospel News Readers:

For sometime past I have been observing a condition that to me, has about reached the extreme—and then in the midst of my ob-

servations, I receive a religious periodical containing a copyrighted article on the subject which has attracted my attention.

It is a matter of the extreme of uniting a young couple in marriage as is being carried on today, and too, it is not accusing any one class of people, but evidently the general trend has become so noticeable, that those who look upon the Marriage Vows more sacredly, are beginning to express their feelings as to the extremity that mortals are prone to. One Minister has expressed himself as follows: "Sometimes I think I should begin the wedding ceremony by saying, 'Dearly beloved, casual acquaintances, and business associates of the parents, we are gathered together here in the presence of a complete set of silver, china, glassware, and linen, to join in holy matrimony . . .'" and then it is added as follows: The Minister who said this recently was not joking. End of quote.

In addition to this article—there is a heading as follows, "When the Wedding Becomes a Show"—Too much emphasis on preparation and pomp can destroy the spiritual values of the wedding ceremony and even endanger the marriage itself."

To my mind, marriage is a sacred ordinance instituted by the Creator of the human family. We are living in a day of Perilous times, yea perilous in so many ways in our modern way of life. The automobiles all decked in various colors and their horns screaming—to attract attention, and sometimes the wedding party is wrecked and the great a-do is turned into mourning. Weddings are held in public affairs as an advertisement to draw the crowds—church weddings are solemnized on Saturday evenings, with the crowds present—a reception follows until a late hour and instead of following the example of old—"making preparation for the Sabbath Day"—feasting and showing the beautiful gifts seems to the way of the world in these perilous times. The apostle Paul is speaking to a people whom have a form of Godliness—yet they are lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God.

Editor

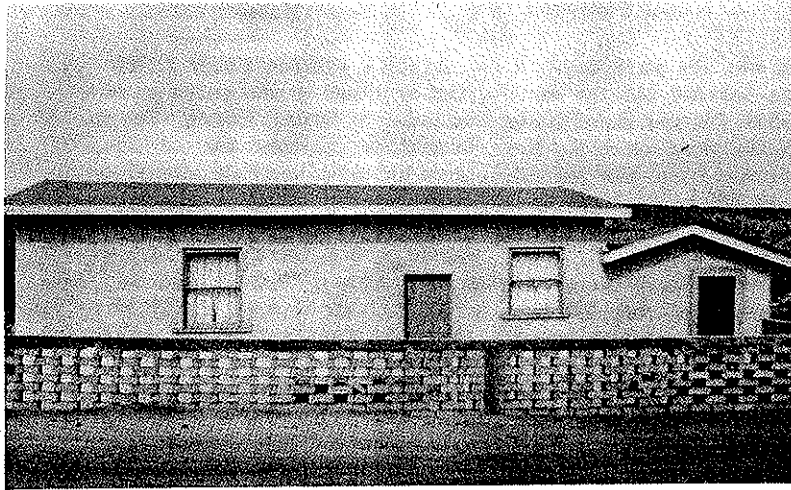
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FROM MEXICO — HOME OF BRO. AND SISTER PERDUE



A side view of the building, the rear door standing open is the little home of our Missionary Workers—Brother and Sister Perdue. May God continue to bless them.

Bro. Cadman, I am enclosing a few pictures of the Church Bldg., as well as the childrens Sunday School Bldg. These have been finished except for a few minor things.

Mexico: Last Sunday—Sept. 3rd. There were six carloads from here went to our Conference in San Diego, Calif. We here in Mexico sent a letter (I presume to the Immigration Officials) for permission to cross the border. We really had a wonderful day. Our people from here sang many hymns, also bore their testimony, and also Brother (Elder) Luis from Mexico preached. It was really a blessing to see Israel in our midst.

Brother Joseph Lovalvo had a vision, "for when he first looked at Brother Luis, it seemed to him that it was Brother Ishmael D'Amico. When he looked again it was Brother Luis—a voice then spoke to Brother Lovalvo and said: "I will put the same spirit in this brother (Luis) that he (Bro. D'Amico had) that he will preach to his people"—the Mexican people.

There were many blessings and the good Lord was with us for which we are grateful. There was other experiences regarding Brother Luis and his calling into the Ministry in our branch of the Church here in Mexico. We now have the name of the Church on the outside of the building and on the inside. Trust you are all well and pray for us. May God bless you, Brother Cadman.

P.S. The vision related herein is interesting to me, for it is my de-

sire to see the Church of Jesus Christ whose territory has been so much limited for so many years spread among the nations. Elder Luis, may God bless you, I hope to see the vision of Brother Lovalvo's realized—though one of my age cannot expect to be here much longer, yet my time in this world is the the hands of God and not mine. Brother Ishmael D'Amico before his affliction was a worker, especially among his people — May God bless you with desire and overwhelm your soul with the Evangelistic Spirit of the Restored Gospel of Jesus Christ, even beyond the limits of the border lines of your own country. Sincerely Bro. Cadman.

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NEW ROAD WORK SHOWS INDIAN VILLAGE REMAINS

Excavations for a new road between Sutersville and Irwin have revealed the remains of an Indian village, believed to be 1,000 years old, on the McGrew farm in Sewickley Township near Sutersville.

Bob Spaniel, an archaeologist from Sutersville, has verified the discovery and said previous studies had indicated that the site had been used as a village by the Delaware Indians. Probing through the area,

after dozers had uncovered fire pits and refuse, Spaniel found Indian artifact including bone heads, pendants, stone axes, arrowheads and pieces of pottery.

PRAYERS

Jesus gave us a good example,
Of how we should pray,
He taught us to pray all the time,
And even what we should say.
We should thank Jesus for his help,
Especially in time of trouble,
And when we give things to
someone else,
He pays us back—double.
We should ask Jesus for more
strength,
To endure trials along lifes way,
We should ask Him to help us be
good,
Through the troubles of each day.
To Him we should pray,
When the day is done,
For letting us see once again,
Another beautiful setting sun.

Ruth Laird

MRS. PEARL KELLER PASSES ON.

Sister Keller born Sept. 24, 1895, daughter of the late Brother and Sister Charles Keller died on April 14, 1961 at the home of her sister, Mrs. Herrington. She was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ on May 21, 1921 by the late Bro. Martin King. She was a member of the Bitner Church at the time of death.

Funeral Services were held in Perryopolis, with Brothers Oran Thomas and Alma Cadman officiating.

Sister Keller filled a space in the hearts of her brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews and all the family that never will be forgotten. She will be sadly missed by all. She has suffered, but we know she is gone to her home of peace and rest with God.

By Virginia Bokulich

POEM

Each is given a bag of tools
A shapeless mass, A book of rules.
And each must make Ere life is
flown,
A stumbling block Or a stepping
stone.

By R. H. Sharpe

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy". Exodus 20; 8.

Dear Boys and Girls,

"In the beginning", are the first three words in the Bible. So our story this month goes back to the beginning of time. The earth was without form and darkness was upon the face of the waters. The Spirit of God moved upon the waters and God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw the light, it was good. God divided the light from the darkness. He called the Light, Day and the darkness, Night. This was the first day.

God said, "Let there be a firmament (sky) in the midst of the waters. Let it divide the waters which were under and the waters which were above. God called the sky, Heaven. This was the second day.

God said, "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together in one place and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land, Earth and the waters, Seas. God saw that it was good. He said, "Let the earth bring forth grass and seeds and the fruit tree, fruits". And it was so. This was the third day.

God said, "Let there be lights in the heaven to divide the day from the night and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years." God made two great lights, the greater to rule the day and the lesser to rule the night. He also made the stars. This was the fourth day.

God said, "Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creatures that have life and fowls to fly above the earth in the heaven." God created the whales and every creature that moved. God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply." This was the fifth day.

Then God created man in His own image. God said to man, "I have given you power over the fish of the sea, the fowls of the air and over the cattle and over all the earth. Behold, I have given every herb bearing seed and every tree, to you it shall be for food." And it was so. God saw everything that He had made and it was very

good. This was the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished. On the seventh day God ended His work which He had done. God rested on the seventh day from all His work. He blessed this day and called it holy. We too must keep this day holy.

The children of Israel were very strict about remembering the sabbath day. In the days of Moses' leadership, they were told to gather enough manna on the sixth day for the seventh. If anyone gathered more than they needed, it spoiled. If some of the people went out to gather on the seventh day, they found none. The people in that day rested on the sabbath.

Once a man was found gathering sticks on the sabbath and he was brought before Moses and Aaron. The Lord said to Moses, "The man shall be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp." He was taken out, and stoned to death.

It is written in Isaiah, the prophet, "Thus saith the Lord, Keep ye judgment and do justice; for my salvation is near to come and my righteousness to be revealed, Blessed is the man that doeth this and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it and keepeth his hand from doing any evil."

It seems in our day people have difficulty in knowing how to keep the sabbath holy. Sometimes boys and girls think their parents are too strict in requesting they do not do certain things on the sabbath day. They want to know, "Why?" So we must turn to God's word for the answers. If it was so important in the earlier days, it must still be very important in our day. His word teaches, "God is the same, yesterday, today and forever." If we keep the sabbath holy, I believe the Lord will bless and guide us the other days of the week. What do you think?

Search the Scriptures

IF?

1. If you had a talent, what would you do with it?

Matthew 25:14, 30)

2. If you had lived in Joshua's

day and heard these words, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve?", what would your answer be?

(Joshua 24:14, 15)

Sincerely,
Sister Mabel

RUSSIA PERSECUTES JEWS

Anti-Semitism seems to be a new crusade in Soviet Russia. For a long time, persecutions of Jews were limited to local situations. Recent reports indicate that anti-Semitism is nationwide and is growing in a way reminiscent of German Naziism.

Many Jews have reportedly been separated from families and removed to Siberia.

PROPHECY FULFILLED

It seems that the animal worlds of today have also learned that the prophecies of future Israel are now being fulfilled, for we hear that wild life which has until now shunned this barren country is returning. With the increase of trees and greenery in the Negev, wild life is returning to the area in considerable numbers. Deer have drifted down from the North and are roaming the wooded sections in large numbers. Travellers in the Arabia have sighted wolves which have come over from Jordan, and a flock of wild geese was observed in the area for the first time in many years.

"Jewish Hope"

DIRADO-SCARSELLA NUPTIALS.

Filomena Scarsella, adopted daughter of the late Brother and Sister Scarsella, was united in Holy Matrimony to Paul DiRado of Detroit, Michigan. The double ring ceremony was performed by Brother Joseph Milantoni in The Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 4 in Detroit. Sister Catherine Bologna was maid of honor, Sister Sandra Batalucco and Kathy Moore were brides maids. The Ushers were Brother Alex Gentile, Gabriel Scarsella brother of the bride, and Brother Jim Cotellesse.

Love Divine and the Lord's prayer was sung by Sister Delores Thomas, accompanied by Sister Rose Ann Wood at the piano.

Following the ceremony, a lovely dinner was enjoyed by all who were present. The newlyweds will reside in Dearborn, Mich. May the Lord bless them with a happy married life.

By Anna Carlini

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

(fifth)

At the close of my last editorial relative to my trip to the Western Coast, I stated that we were leaving Phoenix for San Diego, Calif. That was on Monday, May 22nd. It had been very hot while in Arizona, but we found it much cooler in California. I had planned to be at the Bell church in Los Angeles on the following Sunday. So I made good use of my time while in San Diego, attended meetings while there and made another trip into Mexico. By this time, or while I had been visiting other places, our folks in Mexico had painted their new building inside and out, also had painted their second hand pews, and everything was real nice and comfortable.

Brother Piccuito accompanied me over there on this occasion. We had a very nice turn-out at the meeting and both of us took part in the speaking and I believe the meeting was enjoyed by all present. The Mexican people all seemed to be very happy to have us with them. And may God bless them. (This is now July 21st and in a letter recently received from Bro. Perdue, more people are wanting to be baptized.) To me the prospects seem bright to build up a nice congregation of good people on that Mountain top.

On Friday Brother and Sister Felix Buccelatto

drove me in their car to Los Angeles—a wonderful drive of about 100 miles along the Pacific coast on Rt. 101. Much of that part of the country is irrigated and the groves of citrus fruits were abundant. The water for irrigating, I understood was furnished by drilled wells. On arriving at the home of Brother and Sister Jim Scalise, where we spent the night, we also attended an outing of the saints at the South Gate Park. We met quite a lot of our brothers and sisters there and we spent a nice evening together, except that it was real cool—a top coat was very comfortable. I spent Sunday at the Bell church—occupied the pulpit in the morning session. If I remember right there were other speakers following me, and we had a very nice meeting, I also spent the afternoon meeting there and my last day in California was spent very well. I spent the night at brother and sister Capone's home and the next morning they drove me to the Airport, where I boarded a Jet plane and jetted my way back to Pennsylvania. I left home on April 19th and returned on May 29th. It was quite a busy trip. I was treated well everywhere I went, and I hope my time was not spent in vain.

Before closing the account of my trip, I wish to write a little bit more. While we were driving from Phoenix toward San Diego, and not very far from Phoenix we passed a large grounds where obsolete Planes were stored—at least I understood they were obsolete. For miles along the highway and I do not wish to exaggerate, but I imagine there were thousands of planes stored away and I suppose their days of usefulness are passed. Yet, as far as appearance, they looked almost like new. I could not help think of the wastefulness and the extravagance of our present day. No doubt there are millions of dollars represented in those obsolete planes. And too, while these grounds took in miles of territory, yet it is only one little spot in this great land of America. When we think of Battle Ships with their millions of investment that are in 'mothballs', the navy equipment that which has become obsolete, the junk automobiles that are covering the landscape from coast to coast, and in some places I am told that they are dumping them into the sea. What a wasteful nation of people we have come to be, and yet the people we have in the world that are struggling for a mere existence. Well did the prophet see the time yet future: They shall learn war no more. I have often heard the phrase used: "Wilful waste brings Woeful want."

The End

Dear Brother Cadman,

This essay was written for my final exam two years ago. I received a perfect mark. It was the only perfect paper and I was asked to allow the school to print it in the school yearbook.

The Long Road

No matter when or where a journey starts, there always has to be an end. The journey all of us are going to take will be very hard. Many people will want to stop off here or there, but we must keep going or our destination will never be reached.

The road we are taking is very narrow, but it is perfectly straight. This is the only road that will take us where we are going. There are many travelling our road and it is very crowded. We wonder how a road could be so perfectly straight. Well, God constructed this road and He can do anything. This road leads straight to His heaven and we are His servants trudging along for the judgment day.

The country beside us is very beautiful. The grass on both sides is long and green. The pretty flowers forming the border on our road are

beautiful. They are all different from one another. There are various species and so many colors as the sands of the seashore. The flowers go beyond the sandy ground near the road, and scatter themselves among the blades of refreshing grass.

As we turn our eyes back to the road, we gaze at the people around us. There are many kinds of people dressed different ways. Not only white people make up the crowd, but yellow, black and brown. Clothes and the colour of their skin make no difference here. Some are dress-

ed in silk and satin, others in the dress of their country, and still others shabbily dressed or with hardly anything to cover them. Yes, they are different people, short, fat, tall or thin, different costumes and different colours of skin, but still on the same road.

We all have a hope. Each one of us is hoping for eternal life with God, Jesus and all those who have gone on before us. All of our life we have been working for this. We have tried to show others the way and have done our best. Now we are on our way to receive our reward.

Many people are straying off to the side of the road. They want to pick the flowers and lie in the soft grass for a little while. As they begin picking the flowers, their feet start to sink down into soft sand. There is no getting back on the road for them. They have left the road and it is their life they have given, but they have not given it to God.

Why do we keep on going? The road is easier to travel now, and those of us that are left have seen what happens to anyone that leaves the road. We turn our eyes heavenward and ask God to help us. Our goal is coming into view now and we do not want to leave. All of our hopes and lives spent doing what we thought was right, serving God to the best of our ability, will be lost if we wander off now. Only a few steps more and we will be there.

We have reached the golden gate. God and His Son, Jesus are standing there ready to welcome us as we enter in for the judgment. It is a beautiful place and we, that remain, hope that this will be our home. We can rest now. We have reached heaven. Have we been true and faithful? Have we really done all that we could on earth? Now we will see and find out what God thinks. The long journey is over.

Sister Gail Collison
Windsor, Ont.

LETTER FROM SISTER NASTASIA

Just a line to praise the Name of God for His mercies towards me. Concerning my health, I can say that God gives me comfort and strength, to gather with the saints and enjoy the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ from day to day.

I know that my days are not

long in the world, but God is still guarding my life to glorify His name. In a dream I had recently of Paradise, it can not be explained. There is nothing so beautiful on earth.

PART OF A LETTER WRITTEN BY MARIE CHALHOU IN ALGIERS, N. AFRICA (It may do the Reader Good)

One day I was told that we missionaries always exaggerate the facts and that after all, there are plenty of churches to take care of the spiritual needs of the people. It is true that there are quite a number of churches. I have been on the mission field here in North Africa for the past nine years and know that up until Dr. Michelson, guided by the Holy Spirit, landed in Algiers over 3 years ago, there was not one church or mission concerned about the "lost sheep of the House of Israel". Thousands of Jews here are living in dreadful conditions and still have never heard the Gospel.

The test has been great indeed. Very often I have been told that it was useless, but the Lord said differently. Now after three and one-half years of hard effort and sacrifices, with the faithful help of Dr. Michelson, the work in Algiers has progressed. The light of the Gospel has been spread over one thousand Jewish homes and the love of the Lord manifested through substantial help of food, clothing, medicine and many other ways. We have now a Jewish congregation of over 160 Jewish men and women, who have accepted Jesus and have been baptized.

After the synagogue was destroyed, a Jewish man, with his poor wife, came to our Hall, and both were in tears. They had heard of the mission and came to seek help. The man was quite desperate, crying aloud in the meetings. When I tried to comfort him, he kept saying, "The God of Israel has completely abandoned us. They have burned our synagogue. The curse is upon us. We are lost, we are lost". I tried to comfort him and spoke to him of Jesus. Apparently it was the first time the man heard of the Lord Jesus. Then I went through the Scripture and explained to him that Jesus was the promised Messiah, who came to save him and help him.

Finally, at the end of the meet-

ing, he came and knelt down in front of the altar, and asked us to pray for him. He and his wife gave their hearts to Jesus. The man was out of work, ill with heart disease. The lack of proper food was readily apparent, for they were so thin, the poor wife has a disease, whereby her spinal bones are getting soft. They were like walking skeletons. We fed and clothed them and tried to help them in every possible way.

P.S. May God bless all people who are sympathetic with the poor Jews; a people who have been trodden upon by professed Christian people.

THE LADIES UPLIFT CIRCLE

The Ladies Uplift Circle held its quarterly conference in Lorain, Ohio in September. Reports of the work of the Circles were given by delegate or letter. Also reports of the work on the Indian Reserves in Canada and missionary work in Africa were enjoyed. There are now eleven Circles organized in Africa. We will try to supply these Circles with needed material for their Circle work. Brother Alvin Swanson, a returned missionary, from Africa was the speaker in the afternoon session. He gave a very inspiring report of the work accomplished thus far. He also told of the appeal of 3000 sisters for help in spiritual matters, child welfare, hygiene, etc. Lady missionaries, teachers and nurses are needed. This is a great opportunity for the sisters in America. In looking back to the beginning of the Circle work, we find our sisters very eager to help with missionary work. Today we are still interested and willing to help the Church with this great work. During the next three months all Circles are to put forth a greater effort for the work in Africa. The next meeting will be December 9, 1961 at 10 o'clock in the morning at the church in Monongahela, Pa.

Our donations for the past quarter are \$300.00 for Indian Mission; \$100.00 to the Church Mission Fund; \$50.00 to Conference and \$50.00 for literature for Circle work in Africa.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Brother Editor:

It was certainly a great privilege to have you in our midst recently, and the ground you covered is real-

ly amazing, we can imagine, that you are still here, and the flock, gathered around you, to hear the burning words of everlasting life, ringing in our ears. Concluding your stay, we hope your visit to Muncey, was a great success. We shall be awaiting the time, when if the Lord so sees fit, He will bring you back amongst us again. I shall now relate a few of the incidents that have taken place out here, in the Vineyard of the Lord, recently. At Branch No. 1, Wednesday night, August 9th, we had visiting us from Edison, New Jersey, Bro. August Derasio, he spoke from a text found in 3rd. Nephi 17th. Chap. 1st. verse to the end of the Chapter, and gave us a very spiritual talk, everyone was delighted to hear him.

At Branch No. 3, on Sunday, August the 13th., a beautiful lesson was treated on in the morning, and everyone seemed to be quite pleased with it. In the afternoon, Bro. Pete Capone, spoke on 3rd. Nephi 17th. Chapter, and all were quite pleased to hear his message. On Sunday, August 20th. at Branch No. 1, service was introduced by Bro. Frank Altomere, of Loraine, Ohio. He read a portion of scripture found in 3rd. Nephi, 17th. Chapter to the end of the 10th. verse, and gave us a good talk, regarding the present status of the people of this world, that they are ripening for destruction, but to those who serve God, they need have no fear, for if God be for us who can be against us. At Branch No. 1, on August 27th, meeting was opened by Bro. Anthony Pietrangelo, he took his text from Exodus 20th. Chapter, 1st. verse to the 12th. verses, and gave us a wonderful talk, Bro. Patsy Marinette, spoke next, saying God will never force the human mind, man is a free agent, he may accept the good from the Lord, or he may choose the opposite course, of going after the evil one, whatever we sow, we shall reap. He stresses the advisability of keeping the commandments of God. Our bros. talk was quite encouraging.

On Sunday, Sept. 3 rd. Bros. John Visconti, Silver Coppa, and I, met in Port Huron, and enjoyed ourselves, to the fullest in Sunday School, and service, all else who met there seemed to have enjoyed themselves, to the utmost. On Sept. 7th., the speaker at Branch No. 1, was Bro. W. H. Cadman, he spoke from the 6th. Chapter of Galations,

and oh what a wonderful, and edifying talk did he give us, everyone went home, rejoicing in the liberty wherewith Christ has set us free. On Friday night, Sept. 8th., at Branch No. 3, Bro. W. H. Cadman, read a portion of scripture found in Isaiah 53 Chapter, 1st verse to the 11th verse. Here are some of his expressions. If we cannot love our fellow-men whom we see, how can we love God, who we do not see. We should love our neighbors as we do ourselves, and treat others as we do ourselves. Saving our souls in the Kingdom of Heaven, is the most serious proposition that we have to face, many other words of life, too numerous to mention, but everyone enjoyable to all present.

May God abundantly bless our older brethren, and help us to walk in their footsteps, so that when they are taken away from us, there may be many, treading in the pathway, they trod before us. We had our District meetings in Detroit, and Windsor, August 31st., and Sept. 1st. and 2nd, and the 3rd. Sunday, Sept. 17th. in Lincoln Park, High School, we had our Gathering. It was introduced by Bro. Gorie Ciaravino, reading a portion of Scripture found in Matthew, 13th. Chapter, 47th. and 48th. verses. The following bros. also spoke, Reno Bologna, and Nick Pietrangelo, who gave the audience very stirring talks. In the afternoon, many young bros. occupied the rostrum, and what a blessing did they bring in our midst. On Monday night, Sept. 18th., the Ladies Uplift Circle, had a repast for Bro. and Sister Galante, who will soon be leaving for Arizona. Sister Galante was awarded a nice present, and card from the sisters, and responded gratefully, all felt the peace and love of God. On Sept. 22nd., we were back to Branch No. 3, to listen to Bro. W. H. Cadman, who spoke from James 2nd. Chapter, 8th. verse through the 16th. verse. Our bro. in his expressions advocate strictly the teachings of Christ. Mentioned about reading in the papers, where-in Sid Harris, a Free Press, writer was asked about our present day Religion, which seems to be so mixed up, as contrasted with Mohammedanism, which does not even believe in Christ said, that many phases of their religion, come so near to the teaching of Christ, than the religion of the world, that he could not answer

the question asked. Our bro. said the Church of Jesus Christ, should stand as a pattern, before this dark world, to bring the nations to the Lord. May God bless our bro. abundantly, and all else who are publishing peace in Zion. Kindly remember all the sick in the Church, and otherwise. Your bro. in Christ.

Matthew T. Miller

RANDY-DULISSE NUPTIALS

On Saturday, August 5, 1961 in Modesto The Church of Jesus Christ, Lydia and James Dulisse were united in marriage. Bro. Mark Randy officiated in the double ring ceremony in the presence of 200 guests.

Mary LaCommare, Elaine Watson, Patricia LaCommare and Sharon Lovalvo all cousins of the bride attended her.

Peter Dulisse was best man for his brother. Ushers were Richard Bologna of Detroit, Mich., Joseph and Samuel Randy, brothers of the bride.

Rose Lovalvo cousin of the bride was soloist, accompanied by Sister Arlene Gamble, on the Organ.

Reception followed at Legion Hall in Modesto.

Lydia is the daughter of Bro. Mark and Mary Randy.. James is the son of Bro. Joseph and Lena Bologna.

May God's blessing accompany them always.

Branch Editor

THANKFULNESS

May we always give thanks and praise to Him from whom all blessings flow. Grateful to Thee for our friends, and the joys that they have brought. Thankful for the happiness of sharing work, problems, laughter, and kindness enjoyed. Fill our hearts with greater love that in the depths of our souls, we may increasingly abound in thankfulness to Thee for all Thy gifts that are more than can be numbered. Help us always to show our thankfulness for an opportunity to love, and be loved, not because of cleverness or goodness, but in spite of faults and differences. Let not our thankfulness be limited to words, but be expressed in thoughts, actions, and deeds, acceptable in Thy sight. Col. 3-17. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him. Help us to find our

chief delight in work, wherein we join our hands, our hearts, to Thy power and Thy love, and choose the task which best serves the world's deepest need. Thankful that Thou didst lead us out of darkness into light, through the gift of Thy dear Son. Help us to become more worthy of Thy watchful care and love. Keep us in the straight and narrow path. Bless us in our plans, and purposes, but defeat us in them, if they lead us from the Gospel of Jesus Christ. 1st. Cor. 1-4-5.

I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ. That in everything ye are enriched by Him in all utterance, and in all knowledge. We are thankful for Thy word, a lamp to our feet, a guide to our pathway. Reveal Thy will to us through it, and enlighten us by Thy Holy Spirit, that our influence will be contagious in spreading this glorious Gospel until worldwide, mankind is free to serve Thee in Spirit and Truth. (A favorite Hymn) May we, who know the joyful sound, Still practice what we know, Not hearers of the word alone, But doers of it too. (2) By acts of mercy let us show, We have not heard in vain. But kindly feel another's woe, And long to ease his pain. (3) Thankful that we the Gospel hear, And love the joyful sound. Oh, may the sacred fruits appear. And in our lives abound.

Muriel Miller

WHAT IS HE LIKE?

Have you ever had to explain to a small child who God is or what He is like? If you have you are well aware that it is quite a difficult task. Through the many years since the creation of man there have been hundreds of books written about God. Authors expounding their ideas and beliefs about the great mysteries which lie within the heavens.

No mortal can actually say Who or What God actually is, for our understanding is not great enough to conceive of such things. I sincerely believe, however, that we can say this about God. Take all the Doctors who have ever lived, are living, or will live on this earth; all the musician, the architects, artists, humanitarians, lawyers, scientists, clergymen, and all the other professional men who have been working for generations for the betterment of mankind; take such

people as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Schweitzer, Clara Barton, Dr. Saulk, Dr. Einstein, and the many thousands of others who have helped the human race; take such things as charity, grace, joy, peace, hope, love, kindness, and then combine these professions or institutions, these great men, and these virtues all together and you will arrive at a good concept of what God is like.

How could there ever be a greater engineer than the one who built this universe? Where the stars, sun, moon, and earth revolve and rotate amongst one another to form a network of complete and utter perfection.

Show me a scientist that can produce a being which has the ability to run on its own power for, in some cases, hundreds of years. A being made of millions of cells, each one a living structure, and all working together to form a human body. One that has the ability to think, see, smell, touch, and hear.

Where can you find an artist or designer that could have clothed this world in such beauty as did the Supreme Artist? One that could place the fields, the streams, the woods, the mountains, rivers and seas so perfectly that it would form the most marvelous structure in the world.

Where could you find a Humanitarian that would give His only begotten Son to a world of chaos and confusion to suffer and die for the sins of mankind? One who would show mercy and grace to people even after they killed that Son and hung Him on a cross to be shamed.

Where are these people? Alas, they cannot be found. There's no being in existence that can match the potentials of God for He is the supreme ruler of the universe.

Many times I've heard our Ministers say that as we accept Christ and are born again that God puts a little of His own love into us. I think we can take this one step further and say that when we're born into this world that God puts a little of his own creative ingenuity into us. To an artist is given some of His artistic ability. To a scientist is given a little of His scientific ability. This can be said of all the various other talents which are found imbedded in the minds of mankind. Therefore we can say that God is the sum to-

tal of all the creative ingenuity and all the good found in mankind and more. He is also a realization of all the potential which is possible in man. In Him are found the ideals that men will live by when we reach that state of perfection which we are continually working toward.

This can never describe in full who or what God is or what He's like for as I've said no mortal has the ability to do that. It's merely an idea and can never be proven except through the convictions and dictates of your own heart.

Written by
Richard S. Curry

ANGELO CAPOTS Youngstown, Ohio

Brother Angelo Capots, 51, died suddenly at his home September 1, 1961, of a heart attack. He married Sister Amelia DeSantis on October 28, 1938 in Italy. Besides his wife, two daughters, and a son, he is survived by his mother and father, Brother Tony and Sister Mary Capots, two brothers, and a sister, Sister Angeline Gioia of Detroit, Michigan.

Brother Angelo was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ on January 9, 1927, and faithfully fulfilled the office of Deacon.

Funeral services were held September 4th at the Youngstown church with Brother A. A. Corrado officiating.

Brother Angelo was well thought of for his steady devotion to the Lord. Our prayer for his loved ones in the days that lie ahead is for added strength and ever increasing faith.

WILSON-SEIGHMAN NUPTIALS

Sister Janet Wilson became the bride of Brother Phillip Seighman at a double ring ceremony on Sept. 23, 1961 at 7:30 P.M. in the Church of Jesus Christ Monongahela, Pa. with Brother Rocco Tassone officiating. Sister Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Wilson and Brother Phillip the son of Brother and Sister Herbert Seighman. The attendants were: Maid of honor, Nancy Kelly; bridesmaids, Nancy Koslosky and Sister Judy Seighman. Flower girl, Joyce Matthews; Ring bearer, Terry Seighman, niece and nephew of the groom. Best man, Carl Kirschner; ushers, George Seighman and Artie Landrey. Soloist, Sister Patty

Christman sang, "Because", "The Lord's Prayer", "Oh Promise Me" and "A Wedding Prayer", accompanied at the organ by Amanda Parkinson. Following the wedding a reception was held at the Ginger Hill Grange for all the friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

After a brief honeymoon, the newlyweds will reside at the home of Brother and Sister Herbert Seighman, P.O. Box 126, Monongahela, Pa. May the future hold much happiness and many blessings from God as they venture into this new life together.

Sister Ethel N. Crosier

PRAYER

Sincere prayer is both cleansing and purifying.

How, you may ask. Let us analyze the feelings that precede or take hold of us prior to prayer.

1. We feel a desire to pray, or, hold communion with God.
2. A sense of unworthiness is awakened in us for our shortcomings, whether in thought or actual deed. This brings a feeling of guilt.
3. Guilt is the realization that we have erred, and, if we are sincere, it brings repentance, for without repentance, we cannot speak to God.
4. Repentance is a true sorrow for our wrongdoings, and with repentance comes a desire to refrain from committing wrong in the future.
5. With repentance, God gives forgiveness, and the cleansing of our spiritual stains; we are purified to the extent that we are able to receive the freedom to pray, to thank God His goodness and, as man is wont to do, to implore Him for future benefits. Thus, prayer has cleansed us, if it is from the heart.

Without the knowledge that we need prayer, it is doubtful whether man would take stock of himself and his ways in order to make himself 'Right with the Lord'. He might even postpone prayer and repentance until it is too late.

Prayer tends to have the same daily effect, tho in a lesser degree, perhaps, as partaking of holy communion, or contemplating the ordinance of feet washing. In each case, we must come face to face with our conscience which demands a thorough cleansing before we can sin-

cerely partake of these sacraments. Therefore the commandments to 'pray often', may actually be an admonishment or exhortation to CLEANSE often.

All of this does not apply to so-called 'lip prayer', which is worthless if not actually harmful, because each time we practice it, we lull ourselves into a state of complacency concerning our shortcomings, hiding them in the crevices or corners of our minds, instead of bringing them out in the open, until we become so engulfed or smothered in filth, or sin, that we become accustomed to it, and the weight of this sin may cause us to collapse, so that we may never reach our intended goal, heaven.

But, true sincere, prayer, often practiced, is like a daily, thorough cleansing. It makes us fit to be in His church and His Paradise.

Catherine Poma

NIGERIAN STUDENTS ARRIVES HERE.

On Monday evening Sept. 18, at 11:30 P.M. Brother Moses Akpan arrived at the Greater Pittsburgh Airport from his home in Alak, Nigeria.

Upon his arrival he was greeted by a number of the brothers from our Branch. During his stay with us Brother Moses visited many of the homes of the Saints and spoke at our regular Wednesday evening service. He told us of the work in Africa and the great task that is before the Church in working with the Nigerian people.

Thursday the personnel director of The Jones and Laughlin Steel Co. gave Brother Moses and Brother John Ross a tour of their mills. He also was interviewed by the local newspaper concerning his plans during his stay in the United States. All in all we are pleased to have such fine brothers as Brother Moses in the Church in Nigeria, for he is truly a credit to our people.

Friday morning Brother Moses boarded a plane for Columbia, South Carolina, where he is to attend college at Allen University.

Brother John Ross was instrumental in securing a scholarship for Brother Akpan at this school.

We all wish God's richest blessings and guidance on his stay in this Country and the work that is before him.

P.S. Brother Cadman, I am enclosing the interview by The Beav-

er County Times.

Brother Charles Jumper

CONVENTION ROUGHHOUSE KILLS PASTOR

(Sept. 7, 1961)

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Rev. A. G. Wright of Detroit died today of injuries suffered Wednesday during an outburst of jostling and pushing when two factions of the National Baptist Convention sought control of the rostrum at Municipal Auditorium.

Mr. Wright fell off the stage during the struggle. His head hit the floor. He died at 3 a.m. today in Monorah Hospital without regaining consciousness, attendants said. He was about 50 years old.

Delegates to the annual meeting are scheduled to elect officers today under a court-approved plan designed to prevent further violence. About 6,000 delegates are here for the meeting.

Heads of the factions are Dr. Joseph H. Jackson of Chicago and Dr. Gardner C. Taylor of Brooklyn. Both claim they were elected president at the 1960 convention in Philadelphia.

At a hearing in Circuit Court Wednesday, the leaders agreed that Dr. D. A. Holmes of Kansas City should preside over today's election.

The court order enjoined the delegates from "any boisterous, unruly, or other conduct tending to interfere or obstruct the business of the convention."

ROSS-GIBSON NUPTIAL

Sister Janet Ross, daughter of Brother Thomas Ross and Sister Josephine Ross was united in marriage on Sept. 23, at 1:30 P.M. to Paul Gilbert Gibson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gibson.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Elder Thomas Ross assisted by Elder John Ross in The Church of Jesus Christ at Aliquippa, Pa.

Sister Ruth Palimeri, Aunt of the bride was Matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sister Elizabeth D'Antonio, cousin of the bride and Miss Judith Progar.

Sharon Ross, sister of the bride and Earleen Gibson, niece of the groom acted as flower girls.

Brother Paul Palimeri served as best man. The ushers were Donald Ross, brother of the bride and Brother Ben Palimeri.

Sister Mary Tamburrino was the organist and Sister Ruth Jumper sang "I Love You Truly" and "The Wedding Prayer."

At 5:30 dinner was served at Hotel Barr in Aliquippa, for relatives and friends. Following this the couple boarded a plane for their wedding trip to Miami, Florida. Upon their return they will make their home at 260 Division St., Aliquippa. May God richly bless Janet and Paul as they start their journey through life together.

Brother Charles Jumper

A TRIP TO MICHIGAN & ONTARIO

By W. H. Cadman

I got on board a plane on Sept. 5th at the Pittsburgh Airport and was met by one of my brethren at the Airport in Detroit about noon. It had been sometime since I had visited there. I was taken to the home of Brother Carlini. I visited our three churches during the week—occupying the pulpit in each of them during the three nights I was there. On Saturday morning I went to Windsor, Ont. and along with Brother and Sister Burgess and Brother Cotellesse, we drove to the Six Nations Indian Reserve, a distance of a little better than 200 miles. We arrived on the Reservation late in the afternoon and visited at several Indian homes in the evening—among them was Brother and Sister Beaver's home. We found Brother in his usual state of health, not very good. Sister Beaver had had a fall and broke her ankle and her limb was in a cast—otherwise she was very well. I have been visiting their home ever since the year of 1937. We also visited Brother Issacs home, him and Sister Isaacs were very busy on their farm, each of them was very well.

The attendance at the Sunday Meetings was not large, but among them was Mrs. Garlow a very faithful attendant and worker among the children in the Sunday School. I occupied the pulpit on this occasion and of course I always find pleasure in preaching the gospel to the Indian people, but the audience was not very large. Brother and Sister Douglas Ford happened to be at the meeting, so I got in their car and went home with them. They live at the water's edge of Georgian Bay, about 165 miles of a drive to the town of Meaford, Ont. I

visited at Bro. Ford's and Sister McKay' home for several days—held a meeting with them and enjoyed myself on the shore of Georgian Bay, though it was cool and stormy. The morning I left there I don't think I ever saw such a heavy bank of clouds as was in the Eastern sky. The sun was rising up from beneath the cloud, just as though it was coming up out of the Bay, and was as red as fire. It makes one think of the Psalmist—"The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handiwork."

On this morning (Friday) I started off for the Indian Reservation near Sarnia, Ont. It was very cool and wet. Brother Ford drove me in his car to Owen Sound, 18 miles away, where I boarded a Bus and by-way of Guelph and London, Ont.. I arrived at Sarnia late in the afternoon. Brother and Sister Maness met me and took me to their home on the St. Clair Indian Reserve, where I stayed until Sunday morning. Their home is on the water front of the St. Clair River, near the entrance of Lake Huron. I could sit at the table at meal time and watch the large boats go by. One of them was from France. It is a very busy stream of water boats almost continually passing by since the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

While at the home of our good Indian members of the church, I held a meeting in their home—the attendance was not large, but we had a few Indian people present, besides several of our members from Port Huron, Mich. Most all took part in the meeting and I was particularly interested in the testimony of our old Sister Jackson. She was much concerned about their young people on the reservation. Though she has just recovered from the ordeal of having a broken hip, and too, she is up the eighties, she looks well and is very active. She was born on the reservation. While at the Maness home, Sister Maness took me in their car across the river to the Michigan side, to visit our old Sister Hanna. She is living all alone, is 87 years old and while she is feeble, she is very active with a cane in getting around. We had a nice evening with her. She is much interested in the missionary activities of the church and she remembered the Missionary Fund with an offering. May the

Lord bless our aged sisters.

As previously stated, I stayed at the Maness home until Sunday morning, when they then drove me to our church at the Muncey Reservation about 65 or 70 miles away. On the way, we stopped at Brother and Sister Barclay's home in Mt. Brydges, Ont. We found Brother Barclay very poorly. We ate dinner with them and Sister Barclay went with us to the Muncey Church. Brother Barclay was hardly able to go with us. We had a very nice time at Muncey. A very nice attendance of Indian and pale-faces gathered together—you know The Church of Jesus Christ opens its doors to those whose faces may be colored as well as those who may have a pale face. Jesus Christ established but one church and He died on the cross for all sinners, and sinners are found among all races of people. It may be mysterious to the mortal mind to understand—but I read that in the shedding of His blood, all men became guilty before God. While in Africa, and in Mexico and among the American Indian people both north and south, I see the reflection of good in the faces of all nations of people. After spending the day in Muncey I returned to Windsor with the car from Detroit. I stayed in Windsor visiting until the close of their meeting on Tuesday night, and then in Brother Cotellesse's car returned to Detroit. I really enjoyed myself in our pulpit in the Windsor church. I also visited Bro. Henderson who was in the hospital awaiting his turn to go on the operating table. He was operated upon later and the last I heard he was getting along very well.

Back in Detroit again, I spent one evening with Bros. Ciaravino and Secretary Pietrangelo. They wanted an evening with me, and we had a very nice two or three hrs. together. I then occupied the pulpit in No. 3 Branch of the church, one evening, and at No. 2 Branch meeting in a large spacious and well equipped basement room in the home of Brother Carlini and I had a large audience to talk to. Sister Filomena, the adopted daughter of our late Brother Scarella wanted me to visit her home, so at the close of the latter meeting I went to her home. On Saturday morning I returned to Muncey with Bros. Milantoni and Gerace and spent the day visiting among old

Indian friends (I made my first trip there in 1932). We had a very nice day and in the evening we held a meeting in one of the Indian homes with very nice attendance. At the close of the meeting we drove out on to the highway and obtained beds in a Motel for the night.

The next day (Sunday) we spent at the Muncey church and spent another nice day. I was particularly interested with the 40 to 50 Indian children in the Sunday School. I sang a song for them and they sang one—might I say for me? A wonderful opportunity is presented to the brothers and sisters whom are traveling from Detroit to administer in Muncey. These Indian children range from 3 or 4 years to possibly 14 or 15 years old—fine appearing boys and girls, who may be quite an asset to The Church of Jesus Christ in a few years to come. Brother Frank Morle is the Superintendent of the Sunday School, and to my mind was handling the children and himself very well. Brother Frank, it will be a wonderful experience in your life, if you see these youngsters someday, become members of the Church of Jesus Christ. May God bless you to that end.

Our afternoon fellowship meeting was very active—Sister Nicholas who was baptized in 1932 (on our first trip there) is still holding on and she had a testimony to bear. She is not so young as she once was. Sister Williams, who is much crippled with rheumatic trouble, still has a face full of smiles, though hobbling around on crutches. She has no complaints, but does have a humble testimony to bear. May God continue to bless her soul. Brother Amos Deleary, along with several of his family was present. He had been out of fellowship for a number of years but was restored to fellowship in this meeting. He is getting feeble, having reached the age of 81. Our Indian members were all very active.

At the close of this meeting we returned back to Detroit, arriving late at the home of brother Gerace where I spent the night. On Tuesday, Sept. 26th two nice young Ladies in Detroit took me to the airport and bid me good-bye as I boarded a plane for Pittsburgh. In addition to what I have written, while I was at the Grand River Reserve, I went to visit our old Sister

George formerly of Muncey, may be better known by some as Alice Seth. She is not able to go to church anymore. She is about 87 years old, looks well but is feeble. She has been a very faithful sister in the church for many years. May the Lord care for her the rest of her days on the earth. All told, I had a very nice trip in Michigan and Canada.

Brother W. H. Cadman

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

In Aliquippa, Pa.

September 2, the Aliquippa Branch was honored with the Pennsylvania District Conference. We all enjoyed the presence of so many of our brothers and sisters of the district.

Saturday evening Brother Alvin Swanson related his experience, and reported on his and Brother John Ross's mission to Nigeria. All in attendance felt a blessing in our brothers' talk.

Sunday morning the Church was filled to capacity. Brother Alvin Swanson opened the meeting relating his feelings prior to his trip into Africa, and also encouraged our brethren in the ministry to cast their lots among the missions that are open to the Church. Brother Alvin was followed by brothers Sam D'Amico visiting from Rochester, New York, John Ross, Harry Robinson, and Alma Cadman. Before closing Brothers William H. Cadman, Thurman Furnier, and Sam Kirchner, also spoke briefly. What a wonderful day and experience to have sat under the sound of our brothers voices.

Brother John Manes closed with prayer. After the meeting Cora Adela Barns of Washington, D. C., asked for her baptism. Many of our brothers and sisters gathered at the site to witness another soul finding redemption in the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Brother Alvin Swanson officiated in the baptism.

We gathered in Brother John Ross's home for the confirmation of our sister by Brother Thomas Ross. Sister Cora is a cousin of Brother Swanson and is related to the Ashtons and Currys of Glassport.

Brother Charles Jumper

SAN CARLOS RESERVATION

Dear Brother Cadman:

I thought I would write you a note (Oct. 1st) to inform you of

a wonderful meeting we enjoyed on the Reservation today.

Mrs. Nash, whom I wrote you about, and her daughter, Lily, were baptized today. Also Lily's three children were blessed. Please remember this work in mighty prayer at Conference. For I feel that the Lord is working. We will also remember you brethren—May God bless you all. Brother Dan.

P.S. Brother Picciuto I am glad to hear the good news, and may God continue to bless you all. Brother Cadman.

"SPIRITUAL THRUST"

It may do us well to peruse this thought, "Spiritual Thrust." We are living in a day when the term "thrust" has great significance. For example, is it not the power of thrust which pushes our enormous space ships into the cosmos.

Man, in our day, has accomplished great things in the natural realm. I was recently reading in one of our leading magazines how that many of the learned men of this generation are determined to discover the origin of the cosmos. While I feel certain that I cannot judge the conditions of our world today, but it seems to me that when man begins to undertake such a tremendous responsibility as this upon himself, he should consider the Great Creator of all things.

Just to divert for a moment, we are taught simply in our life that if we were to behold a sign "No Trespassing: Violators will be Prosecuted by the Law," should we not obey that sign?

So then, does not man today feel that the great mystery of the cosmos belongs to Him who created it? And also, can we feel certain there is no divine law which may forbid us to trespass against our Heavenly Father in probing his great mysteries. We read in the 12th Chapter of Alma (Book of Mormon), 9th Verse, thus: "It is given unto many to know the mysteries of God; nevertheless, they are laid under a strict command that they shall not impart only according to the portion of his word which He doth grant unto the children of men, according to the heed and diligence they give unto him."

So, while there are many in the world today who feel they are able to reach such great heights without the council of our Heavenly Father,

I just feel to say, "Our God is Not Mocked." And, as in the days when man thought he could build a tower (Genesis 11th Chapter, 4th Verse) and reach the heavens, God himself found it essential to come down and confuse their language. Not only did this action of the Great Omnipotent stop them from building their tower, but that occasion left a mark upon mankind which most probable is one reason today why men have such great difficulty in understanding one another.

At this point we remind ourselves of various places in the Record of the Jaredites (Book of Ether) which speak "When the Gentiles (is it not the Gentiles who are building these satellites to reach outerspace) are fully ripened in iniquity, the wrath of God shall be poured down upon them." Now we of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who know God according to his word, can we term this wrath as the "Spiritual Thrust" which will utterly bring to an end the evil designs of the men and women of this dispensation of time? In the 10th Chapter of Luke we refer to our Saviour, Jesus Christ, warning the evil peoples of His day, saying, that if they did not repent of their iniquities, they would be "thrust" into hell.

So then, as I have heard recently one Brother state in his discourse, we who are affiliated with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, let us Close Ranks and not be swallowed up by the Popular Opinion of our day, but rather in all of our objectives in life let us exercise faith in God, knowing that he is able to supply all of our needs, both spiritually and temporally as well.

And in the conclusion of our thoughts we may feel that in His own due time, our Heavenly Father, who has created both Heaven and Earth, will show unto us All of his great mysteries. May God bless all is my humble prayer.

Brother Jim Benyola
Hopelawn Branch, N. J.

LOVALVO-CARNEVAL

On June 17, 1961, Sister Priscilla Marie Lovalvo, daughter of Bro. and Sister V. James Lovalvo, and Bro. Delio James Carneval were united in Holy Wedlock by the Bride's Father, who prior to the Ceremony gave a brief sermon on the sacredness of marriage. The text used was

Ephesians 5:22-23. The Bride's Father was assisted by Bro. Anthony Picciuto, uncle of the Groom.

The Bride was attired in an Alfred Angelo Original gown of Chantilly lace and pleated organza completed with a beautiful cathedral train.

The Bride was attended by her cousin, Sister Rose Lovalvo as Maid of Honor. The Bridesmaids were Sisters Vera Lovalvo, Theresa Biddle and Elaine Watson.

The Groom was attended by Bro. Sam Ciccati as Best Man. The Ushers were Bro. Leonard James Lovalvo, Eugene Biddle and Marshall Biddle.

Terrance Randazzo, cousin of the Bride, was Ring Bearer with Lucille Cavallaro as Flower Girl.

Sister June Jones sang "Oh Promise Me" and "Oh Perfect Love". The Organist was Sister Diane Brutz.

At the close of the Ceremony, the Bride's Father sang a beautiful composition entitled "Until".

Penny is a graduate of Van Nuys High School and attended Pierce College. At present, she is an Executive Secretary at the Radio Corporation of America in Van Nuys.

Del, son of Sister Catherine Carneval, is a graduate of Glassport High School and received a B. A. degree at Bethany College. For the past two years, he has taught school in Lindsay, California. Presently, while teaching at Northridge Military Academy, he is also concentrating on obtaining a Masters degree at San Fernando Valley State College.

The newlyweds, after honeymooning in Lake Arrowhead, have made their home in Panorama City, California.

May the Lord bless them all the days of their lives.

NOTICE

At the General Conference, approval was given the Ladies Uplift Circles to raise \$1500, to build a Mission House in Africa for our missionaries.

Anyone wishing to donate may send donations to Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, Box 63, West Elizabeth, Pa. Circles members are to contribute through their local Circles.

BLESSED ARE THE SAINTS

Blessed are the saints of latter days who follow the straight and narrow way, for a place in heaven

they shall have and with white raiment they shall be clad. Oh what a glorious day it will be, when the Lord you worship you will be able to see, and the air will be filled with wondrous love when the air white robed servants meet up above.

Can you imagine the joy at this great feast when you sit down with the dove of peace, and a prayer is said to the King of Kings and the bells of heaven do cease to ring. For the prayer is said by all in white, thanking God for their victorious fight, Oh what a feeling we all shall receive, for satan the saints did not deceive.

Now God of heaven has bound the king of darkness and all evil things, the battle is over for all the saints, and all those souls that weak did faint. Just is our God—right to the end, lets praise His name forever and ever.

Kenneth Hatch, Florida

CONFERENCE AT YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

Our Conference met in our Church in Youngstown, Ohio at the appointed time October 6th, at 2:00 p.m. There was quite a delegation present from various places, East and West Coast's and from various States throughout the U. S. Also representatives from Canada and two of our Nigerian brothers who are in colleges in Indiana, Pa. and South Carolina were in our midst. All told, we had members present from a broad territory. It was a pleasure alone, just to meet one-another—to all sit around the same tables in our basement and eat and visit together. Our host (the Youngstown Church) played their part well I am sure.

Our meetings on Friday after noon and evening was very much on the routine order of general business—hearing of the reports from the various districts of the church, which is always interesting and also occupies considerable time in threshing some things out. For instance we are having more building activity than has been among us. We have built a small church in Mexico to help take care of the growth of our Missionary work in that country. Likewise in the State of Arizona there is much activity among the Indian people which has required a church bldg. and some extra rooms to help take care of our Missionary workers on the San Carlos Reservation, where a num-

ber of the Indian people have already been baptized into the Church. And too, our congregation is growing in Phoenix and Scottsdale and we are now making a move to erect a Church Edifice there. And right here, I will extend an invitation to any of the Gospel News readers, who may feel interested in our cause sufficient to lend us some financial help—I am sure it will be much appreciated.

Our business on Saturday was carried on much the same as on Friday. There was a much larger audience present on Saturday and of course for the night meeting, we usually open our doors for the brothers and sisters who may be gathered for the Sunday services. So in the night meeting there was a housefull of us together.

During this day (Saturday) there was very much of interest for us. The reports of the various districts on the many different angles of our labours was very interesting. The need of having some of our literature printed in the Spanish language is becoming urgent, likewise literature in the Italian language for the work in Italy. We have thus far printed a small selection of songs for the latter use. The same condition is arising in Nigeria, also schools for Nigerians as well. In fact, our spreading out among different nations is making demands on us in a material sense as well as supplying missionary workers to fulfill the demand where doors are being thrown open to us to preach the Gospel of salvation. As it was when Jesus was on earth the harvest was bounteous, the laborers were few—so it is today and to overcome that situation, the Saviour commanded them to pray that the Lord send more laborers into the harvest—we should pray to that end today as well—for the Gospel is to be preached throughout the world. At least that is what Jesus taught. There are two of our Brothers Daniel Casasanta and Chester Nolfi from the McKees Rocks Church leaving for Italy on Oct. 15th. May the Lord be with them. We are much lacking of workers for Nigeria at present—to date there has been several thousands of converts baptized there. Do I hear any of you say: Send Me!

There was not much business left for the Saturday night meeting. So the time was mostly taken up by speakers whom had been away on

Missionary work. And too we had present with us Brother Moses Akpan from Nigeria who is a student in a college in South Carolina. We give him a half hour in the Rostrom. He gave us a wonderful address. He is quite an Orator. It was wonderful to have Moses address us. Brothers Swanson, Nolfi and Ross, who have spent time in the Nigerian Field all took part in the speaking. A very nice evening was spent. Brothers Burgess from Canada and Lovalvo from California sang solos for us. It was good entertainment for the large audience present. It was getting late when the meeting was closed.

On Sunday morning one long meeting was held. The Youngstown young people sang quite a selection of spiritual songs prior to the opening of the meeting.

Also Brothers Burgess and Lovalvo sang for us again. Brother Furrner opened the service and gave us a very instructive discourse. Other speakers were Brothers John Mancini, V. J. Lovalvo, A. B. Cadman, benediction by Bro. Samuel Kirschner. I suppose there would be possibly 800 people present at this meeting. All told we had a very satisfactory Conference. May we all profit from what we saw and heard. It was good see one another from afar, and it was good to hear the many things touched upon by our brethren including Brother Moses from Africa. I might add that Brother Josiah Osugua, a student from Nigeria who is in a school in Indiana, Penna., arrived late at the Sunday morning meeting. He is also a very bright young brother. May the Lord bless our two young Nigerians who are here for an Education and who expect to return home in about five years and hope to be able to help their people materially and spiritually. They have sacrificed the association of their loved ones for a long time. At least one of these young men has a wife and child at home. May the Lord bless and comfort them is my prayer.

Editor

IN MEMORY

of Sister Sadie B. Cadman who passed away Nov. 18, 1959

SAFELY HOME

I am home in heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in heaven at last.
There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth—
You shall rest in God's own land.
When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!

Selected

Sadly missed by her husband and daughters.

THANKSGIVING DAY

From its very first start our nation has set aside one day, each year, on which to render thanks to Almighty God. The President of the United States annually asks each citizen to express gratitude on Thanksgiving Day to a bountiful creator.

Throughout the year we continue to call upon God to guide us. When we repeat the pledge of the flag we declare ourselves to be "one nation under God" and every government official, be he the president, a congressman, or a member of city government, concludes his oath of office with the prayerful petition: "So help me God".

We, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ have much to give thanks to our God for, not only on Thanksgiving Day but each day of our lives. First of all for his Son, Christ Jesus, this perfect and glorious gospel and this wonderful land of America which is a promised land above all others. We are so grateful to be allowed to live in this land of beautiful America, the land of the restored gospel. We are thankful for our homes, loved ones and all of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Because we are a new convert to this gospel, we want to say along with the poet, "Thank You Lord for Saving My Soul". When we petition God for blessings let us also give thanks for the blessings we have already received. Let us make everyday, "A Thanksgiving Day".

Brother James Crosier

EASY LIFE, POOR HEALTH (From the Oshawa Times) Ont.

Dr. Paul White, the famous heart specialist who treated ex-president Eisenhower, says American parents were shortening the lives of their children by allowing the children to

eat too much and exercise too little. His remarks could also be directed at Canadians. He said "they are overeating and under-exercising their way into middle-age strokes and heart trouble." He insists the average American has almost forgotten what it is to walk.

Tests which Dr. White recently conducted showed that in the cases of 350 Americans, arteriosclerosis (hardening of the arteries) must have begun in the teens. This disease was evident in all of them by the time they were in their 20's; Dr. White's summary:

The average American teenager is taken to school either in a special bus or was driven by his mother. At high school he often drives his own car.

A small child is dressed as an imitation adult. Boys go from rompers into long pants. In winter they wear heavy lined coats, usually caps pulled down over their ears, and muffed up in scarves.

Parents, he said, "should set the example and children should walk to school, which would be a good beginning for a new health program.

"School buses should not be used unless a child has several miles to walk," he said "There are so many labor-saving devices in America today that Americans actually have to hunt for ways to get exercise.

"There has been a radical change in living since the turn of the century," said Dr. White. "Physical exercise not only helps to keep the arteries young; it also help to improve the mental outlook."

"DIVISION"

Disunity in the name of Christ is a scandal and a shame, but it is nothing new — even Jesus had to deal with it. One day His disciples found a stranger casting out devils in Jesus' name and warned him to quit, on the ground that "he followeth not with us." Christ rebuked them, "Forbid him not," he said, "for he that is not against us is for us" (Luke 9:4-50)

Rev. Eugene Carson Blake

DOCTOR'S CONFERENCE

During the symposium in Israel, several of the lecturers reviewed, for the doctors assembled, the

chemical, biological and calciogenic aspects of tobacco, and the results of major statistical researches conducted in the United States and in Britain. They pointed out that the worldwide increase in lung cancer is also reflected in the Israeli figure, although they are still lower here than in the U.S.A.

However, the doctors were not too optimistic about using the scare-method to wean people from smoking. What has to be done is to tell parents that the only effective way to prevent their children from becoming smokers and future cancer victims is—if the parents themselves stop smoking and give an example.

September, 1961

FIND PILATES NAME ON STONE

The engraved name of the Roman Procurator of Judea, Pontius Pilate, was found on a stone 10 miles South of Haifa, it was revealed here. This is the first time that archaeological evidence has been discovered of the Roman who ordered the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The only previous evidence of Pilate's existence was known through the Christian Gospels and the writings of the Jewish historian, Flavius Josephus.

The stone, 31 by 29 inches, was found near Caesara, the Roman capitol of Judea, in the ruins of a Roman amphitheater, by a University of Milan archaeological expedition.

(Jewish Hope)

NEWS FROM NEW JERSEY

Dear Brother Cadman,

This is to inform you that the Lord is still blessing us greatly here in the New Brunswick, New Jersey Branch. On Sunday, October 1, 1961 the Metuchen Branch was closed so as all the saints there could meet and fellowship with us which was their desire to do for sometime. We were happy to have them all in our midst and were doubly blessed to have a nice representation of all our branches and missions here in New Jersey which made it seem as though we were having a little conference. The Lord did richly bless us on this day. Brother Joseph Perri opened the

morning service and spoke unto us wonderful words of life and was followed by Brother Julius Sipos who also spoke encouraging words which were beneficial to our souls. Our afternoon service was opened with Brother Joseph Difede as speaker. He was truly inspired by the Lord. The service was then turned over to the congregation who testified to the goodness and mercy of the Lord and was enjoyed by all as the spirit of the Lord prevailed in our midst. We are truly grateful and thankful to all our Brothers and Sisters from Metuchen who helped make this memorable day possible. May the Lord richly bless each and every one of them and may he remember us all through out this wonderful and glorious church. Love and regards from the saints in New Brunswick. May the Lord continue to bless you.

Sincerely,

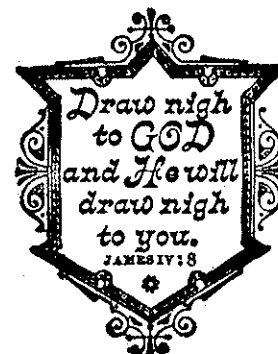
Sister Loretta Mazzeo
Branch Editor

ASHKENAZIC & SEPHARDIC JEWS

Immigrants to Israel now represent 82 lands around the globe, from Manchuria to Chile, from Alaska to New Zealand. Because AshKenazic Jews form only about half of Israel's population but hold virtually all of its top posts, the Government is spurring educational aid for Sephardic Jews to help equalize their social, economic and political status.

ISRAELI FREIGHTER JEHUDA

Israeli Freighter Jehuda arrived at Port Champerico, Guatemala, making the first time an Israeli vessel had ever called at the Central American country. It will make monthly visits in the future.



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CHRISTMAS SEASON

Once again we are approaching the season when our minds revert back to the birth of our Savior and the wonderful events surrounding it.

We recall how the Lord sent His angel, Gabriel, unto the virgin, Mary saying "Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women." It is written that Mary was troubled and wondered what manner of salutation this was. We can imagine how she felt, having an angel of the Lord come down from Heaven to say these wonderful words: "Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favor with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of his father David. And shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

She surely must have been somewhat confused, but how wonderful that she was able to say, "Be it unto me according to thy word." How many times we understand what the Lord wants us to do, and we still are unable to say "Do with us what Thou wilt, Lord."

We read in the word of God that Mary brought forth her son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room at the inn. Is it any wonder, then, that only a few believed this was the Savior of the world. If we were there, would we have believed? Most of us would have expected the Son of God to be born in finery, and not in a lowly stable. Perhaps we would have believed if we had been given a sign like the shepherds abiding in the field. An angel of the Lord appeared, bringing the glad news: "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And a multitude of the heavenly hosts praised God, saying "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Surely, with an experience such

as this, it wouldn't be hard to believe. But what if we were the ones that heard the story from the shepherds, but did not partake of the blessings they did. Would we have believed?

In our present day we have this same condition. To the world, Christmas is a holiday celebrated by the gathering together of the family to exchange presents and to partake of a large meal. Not much thought is given to the birth of our wonderful Savior.

But we in the Church of Jesus Christ, who have made a covenant with God, not only hear of His blessings but partake of them as the shepherds did. To us, Christmas is a day of remembrance—remembering the child wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

Sister Lucetta Scaglione

A CHRISTMAS ARTICLE

By Bro. C. W. Holmes

The year of our Lord, AD 1961, is fast drawing to a close and, as December twenty-fifth approaches, a large part of the world is anxiously looking forward to Christmas (Christi Missa), that is the mass of Christ, with its religious ceremonies, songs, trees and toys. History indicates that the twenty-fifth of December was advocated by Julius I, Bishop of Rome from 337 to 352, as the most suitable time to commemorate the birth of Christ. This made it possible for all nations to observe a festival of rejoicing that the shortest day of the year had passed.

No certain knowledge of the birthday of Jesus Christ exists, but it is said His birthday was first celebrated in the second century by order of Telesphorus, seventh Bishop of Rome, who shortly after suffered martyrdom, the observance of the anniversary of Christ's nativity being one of his offenses. In the reign of Diocletian, who was Emperor of Rome from 284 to 305, we read of a vast multitude of saints assembled, of windows and doors barred by the pagan emperor's order, of torches applied to the crowded building, and the burning alive of hundreds of worshippers assembled to celebrate the birthday of Christ. Although the initiators of the observance died, the observance

lived — lived through flame and sword.

The stick of Judah preserved for the world the beautiful story of how the Son of God was born into the world, and men have delighted for centuries in expounding and spiritualizing the various signs and occurrences. Great lessons have been learned and much has been said about the genealogy, the notices to Zacharias, to Joseph and Mary, the experiences of Mary and Elizabeth, the birth of John, the birth of Jesus, the experiences and visits of the shepherds and the wise-men, the presentation, the flight to Egypt, the murder of innocent children, the return from Egypt and the return to Nazareth. But hidden from the world for eighteen centuries was the story of another sign that accompanied His birth. That story is recorded in the stick of Joseph.

The Book of Mormon tells us that a man of God named Samuel, one of the progenitors of the American Indian, prophesied to his people on this land, saying: "Behold, I give unto you a sign; for five years more cometh, and behold, then cometh the Son of God to redeem all those who shall believe on his name. And behold, this will I give unto you for a sign at the time of his coming; for behold, there shall be great lights in heaven, insomuch that in the night before he cometh there shall be no darkness, insomuch that it shall appear unto man as if it was day. Therefore, there shall be one day and a night and a day, as if it were one day and there were no night; and this shall be unto you for a sign; for ye shall know of the rising of the sun and also of its setting; therefore they shall know of a surety that there shall be two days and a night; nevertheless the night shall not be darkened; and it shall be the night before He is born. And behold, there shall a new star arise, such an one as ye never have beheld; and this also shall be a sign unto you. And behold this is not all, there shall be many signs and wonders in heaven. And it shall come to pass that ye shall all be amazed, and wonder, insomuch that ye shall fall to the earth. And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall believe on the

Son of God, the same shall have everlasting life. . . ."

We are then told that some five years later another man of God named Nephi heard the voice of the Lord saying; "Lift up your head and be of good cheer; for behold, the time is at hand, and on this night shall the sign be given, and on the morrow come I into the world, to show unto the world that I will fulfill all that which I have caused to be spoken by the mouth of my holy prophets. Behold, I come unto my own, to fulfill all things which I have made known unto the children of men from the foundation of the world, and to do the will, both of the Father and of the Son—of the Father because of me, and of the Son because of my flesh. And behold, the time is at hand, and this night shall the sign be given."

It came to pass that the words which came unto Nephi were fulfilled, according as they had been spoken. At the going down of the sun there was no darkness and the people began to be astonished because there was no darkness when the night came. They knew that the Son of God must shortly appear and they were so exceedingly astonished that they fell to the earth and began to fear because of their iniquity and their unbelief. There was no darkness in all that night, but it was as light as though it was mid-day. And the sun arose in the morning, according to its proper order, and they knew that it was the day that the Lord should be born, because of the sign which had been given. It came to pass also that a new star appeared, according to the word.

We can assume that the star was the same one seen by the Magi, but the mysterious night seems to have been a unique sign reserved for the people on this land. The Bible gives us the record of a long day when Joshua went to the rescue of Gibeon and, at his command, the moon stayed and the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hastened not to go down about a whole day, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. But the sign given on the eve of Christ's birth differed in that the sun went down, but there was no darkness when the night came.

According to man's limited understanding of light, a visible object must be a source of radiation. This radiation may either be emit-

ted by the object itself or be received from another source. The sun, which is the principal source of visible radiation, had followed its usual course on this strange evening and disappeared beyond the horizon; yet an unexplained source of radiant energy, by its action upon the retina of the human eye, continued to produce the sensation of vision. Is it any wonder that the iniquitous unbelievers were overwhelmed by fear and fell to the earth? The heavenly light that fell on Paul, when he was on the road to Damascus, had a similar effect upon him.

The Bible is replete with references to "light." Through this symbol God has revealed much to man regarding His resplendent glory. However, this area of divine revelation has not been accorded any appreciable significance in the Christian world's celebration of the birthday of Christ. The Christmas season in most of the world has become an occasion for man to annually present a great display of artificial light. Correspondingly, many other aspects of the holiday have also taken on an artificial tone. This ostensibly holy day has deteriorated extensively, until in recent years feeble cries have come forth, from the midst of a world lost in the darkness of sin, to "put Christ back into Christmas." We wonder, if the world had known of the magnificent sign of supernatural light given on this land, what effect it would have had on the commemoration of Jesus' birthday?

Inscribed upon the famous Eddystone Lighthouse in England was the beautiful motto: "To give light and to save life." These words not only appropriately express the office of a lighthouse, but they express with equal beauty the office which the Christ child came to fill as the Light and the Savior of mankind. But Jesus intended that every one of His saints should in some degree fulfill this same high office. "Ye are the light of the world," He said to His disciples; and, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

A writer, describing a torchlight procession in honor of a returned hero, reported: "As the procession started, one torch after another blazed into radiance, as if touched by electricity. One couldn't tell what lighted them, but presently a small

child was discovered crouching under some timbers to keep away from the wind, with a lighted candle in his hand. Every torch-bearer came to him for light. Silent, smiling, happy, with one little hand sheltering the flame in the other, this little fellow was lighting up the world of darkness!" The gospel of Jesus Christ is the light of the world before which the unprofitable works of darkness will flee, but the saints, like the little child, must hold it up and give it out.

In this twilight time of calamity, if every brother and sister will become as a little child passing out light, even the night shall become light about us and the fulfillment of prophecy shall come to pass in that it shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord, not day, nor night, but it shall come to pass that at evening time it shall be light and the Lord shall be King over all the earth and men shall dwell in it and there shall be no more utter destruction.

Let us then, individually and collectively, with solemn determination, begin at once to present the gospel light of Jesus Christ that is within us, to the world about us, wheresoever we may be, as our Christmas gift, AD 1961.

Euclid 19, Ohio

October 17, 1961

Dear Brother Cadman:

I trust that these few lines will find you in the best of health and that the Lord may continue to bless you in your efforts to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ unto others. We also feel to thank God for all that He has done for us here in Cleveland, Ohio.

On Sunday, Oct. 1, 1961, the brothers and sisters gave thanks unto the Lord for calling five new souls into The Church of Jesus Christ. Bro. Oliver Lloyd opened the morning service using the 23rd Psalm for his text, "The Lord is my Shepherd". He then proceeded to tell of Nicodemus when he went to Jesus by night to ask of Him what he must do in order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus told Nicodemus that "except ye be born again, ye cannot see the Kingdom of God". Bro. M. Milano, Bro. V. Gibson, and Bro. R. Biscotti each gave a brief talk on what we must do in rendering obedience unto God. We then proceeded to close the morning service and sang Hymn No.

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

by William H. Cadman

QUESTION?

Does or does not the Church of Jesus Christ uphold a Minister to continually add the title of Rev., after his name in our local telephone Directories and Newspaper Church Ads? What scriptural reference will back up the answer?

Opinions of various ones in this matter are pro and con—But I never knew of the Church interfering with any person for using the term Rev.

The word "Reverend" is found only once in the Bible in Psalms 111, 9th verse. "holy and reverend is his name", undoubtedly referring to the Lord.

First—I will relate my own experience relative to the term Rev. I never sign Rev. to my name except in some instances where it seemed to be required on my part in signing papers—but even in that case it is not absolutely necessary on my part. Sometimes there are inquiries made of me, Are you Reverend Cadman? I answer yes. Many letters that I write, the nature of them are such, that I, in return am addressed as Rev. In the local newspapers I am always addressed as Rev. In most all letters I write I sign my name plain W. H. Cadman, or in some instances I will

sign Minister or Pastor according to the nature of the letter. I never object to any person addressing me as Rev. for I truly believe that it is meant as a term of respect, and is meant well.

Here in Monongahela City, I wanted the phone Co. to place Elder at the head of my name. They refused to do so with the reply, "that there are Elders in every church who are not preachers." Being president of the Church, I ask them too if they would use the term Bishop—they refused to do that. I then told them just to use plain W. H. Cadman which I am perfectly satisfied with, and I have always won the respect of a Minister where ever I lived. I am most always addressed by my fellow man as Rev. and some times as Doctor, the former is not degree in learning, but the latter is.

There is nothing in the Church of Jesus Christ, nor in the Bible, that would absolutely condemn a person for using the title Rev., nor do I know of anything that absolutely justifies a humble servant of God for using it. The individual himself is much responsible for the criticism that may come his way for over indulging, in using a title which solely refers to the Lord, and also any professed servant of God who deliberately indulges in black clothing because he is a Minister, is certainly throwing himself open for just criticism. In my judgment, it is not the cassock or title, so much as it is the heart that is enclosed within. As for me—I feel grateful to be honored with an invitation and introduced as Mr. Cadman and should it be Rev. Cadman I will try and not show any outward signs of displeasure, and while I do not like to be called Bill, yet I bear it: and too, some people still call me Willie which always makes me think of my father and mother. Some call me William which always makes me think of my beloved wife.

I like the saying of Paul in Philipians 4-11, 12 "I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both to be abased, and I know how to abound every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need."

May I ask you all that read this one-handed typing of your humble servant (a title I do not often use) but since you left the water's edge: I humble ask. "How have ye learned Christ?"

Your brother Editor

157, "Just As I Am". At that moment, a young woman arose to her feet to ask for the laying on of hands for spiritual strength. Although the young woman did not ask for baptism, we felt the presence of the Lord's spirit in our midst as the hands were laid upon her head. At the close of the meeting, three young people came to the front and asked for baptism—Bro. & Sis. Hufnagle and Sister Dolores Lepovich; Sister Lepovich's husband, Stanley, had been baptized two months previous. Bro. Ed Jenkins had asked for his baptism on Sunday, Sept. 24th, and it was his desire that his wife be present to witness his baptism on the follow-

ing Sunday. A wonderful feeling prevailed as we gathered at the lake for the four baptisms. At the waters edge after the baptismal of the candidates, a young man decided to go "Just As I Am" and was baptized in his dress suit (Bro. Jack Bushnell). At this occasion the lake was very rough, as the waves rolled threateningly, but this did not stop the Elders from performing the baptisms to the glory of God.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1961, another young woman, Sis. JoAnn Gibson, was baptized. Sis. JoAnn had asked for her baptism on a Wednesday evening; it was decided to wait for the following Sunday

so that her husband would be able to attend the baptism.

We feel to thank God for these new, young converts. We can surely say that we have much to be thankful for, not only for the blessings here in Cleveland, but also for the many that the Lord is bestowing upon His people everywhere. Shortly after I was baptized, I had a dream that the pews in our little church building were filled to capacity with many strange, young faces. We thank God that this dream is coming to pass and it is our hope that many more will come to the realization that there is a Living God and that without His guidance we have nothing and are

nothing. We ask an interest in your prayers that we may strive to do our best in the Gospel. Give our best to all the brothers and sisters in Monongahela and also to the many other branches that you may visit in your many travels. We would like to extend a warm welcome to you, as we would like to hear of your many travels among the Indian people.

May God bless you always is our prayer.

Sis. Betty Milano

HARLAN, KY.

A card from Brother Shazer informs us that his wife has been removed to the Harlan Memorial Hospital at Harlan, Kentucky. He asks us to remember her in our prayers.

Joseph Shazer

ARTICLE

BY THURMAN S. FURNIER

My wife and I left Connellsville, Pa. via B. & O. R. R. Wednesday, October 18th. 1961 en route to Phoenix, Arizona. Brother Wm. H. Cadman boarded the train at McKeesport, Pa. We stopped off at St. John, Kan. arriving there Friday, the 20th. at 3:39 A.M. Brother and Sister Alex Robinson met us at the depot. What an hour to awaken people out of a bed of slumber. 'ha ha' This could not be remedied for that was the only train that was scheduled to stop there. We had a meeting with Brother Elder's Wm. Cox, Chas. Giles and Alex. Robinson on Saturday evening. On Sunday we held services morning and evening in the St. John church. We enjoyed the blessings of God to have the privilege of preaching the gospel in St. John where many of our worthy elder brother's had preceded us in doing so. My wife and I left St. John Tuesday, 24th. at 3:39 A.M. on our way to Phoenix. Again disturbing the slumber of our brother and sister Robinson to take us to the depot. We thank all our brother's and sister's in Kansas for their hospitality shown to all of us. We arrived in Phoenix Wednesday, 25th. at 8:25 A.M. Where we were met by our son, Ether and his family. We thank God that their son, Vincent had recovered from a serious illness, from which the Doctor's had but very little hope that he would. Many prayer's—God heard that was offered up in his behalf. 'Prayer changes things.' That evening

(Wed.) we had services at brother and sister Phillip D'Amore's home. The following Saturday Ether took us and family to Brother Dan'l. Piccuitto's home at Globe, Ariz., where he and family are stationed at present, waiting completion of the home he is building on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, which includes a room for church services. A lot of effort, and faith was required on the part of himself, supported by his good wife Delores, to undertake such a task. This is a very comfortable place for them to live, and a very nice meeting room. May God bless their efforts with much success among the Apache's. I recall that a revelation was given our people many years ago, viz: "That God would prepare a home on the borders of the Lamanites by the preaching of the gospel." We do not know how much success he may have, but at least it is a start in the right direction.

Globe is 80 miles from Phoenix, from Globe to the San Carlos Indian Reservation is about 25 miles. Sunday morning we had Sunday School in the church room of the new building, with children's and adult classes, followed by a combined preaching and fellowship service. I enjoyed myself in the pulpit preaching to the seed of Joseph, there being sixteen adult Indian people in attendance. We also enjoyed hearing some of them that have obeyed the gospel bearing their testimonies. After the services which was dismissed about 2:00 P.M. (a lengthy service, but all of us enjoyed it) we again returned to the home of brother and sister Piccuitto, where we were served refreshments, then wended our way back to Phoenix. Arriving there about 6:30 P.M., and stopped off at brother and sister D'Amore's home, telling them of our nice time we had among the Apache's, and in turn we were acquainted that they had enjoyed themselves in God's service in Phoenix also. We thank God for another good day spent in His services. Pray for us. All of us are looking forward to a better day, but knowing well that evil days are upon us, when we will be glad to have a brother and sister to go to for words of comfort.

Thurman S. Furnier & wife

ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA

Dear Readers of the Gospel News:

Since my letter in the September Issue, I am happy to say that one soul has surrendered to the Lord in our small branch of the church. Sister Heaps wrote an article in the April issue about a family attending our meetings in the Anaheim Mission. The husband was an Indian of the Seed of Joseph.

One Sunday he picked his son up from our Sunday School and before the morning preaching service was over he passed away. Our Elders were called but it was too late. His wife and son has been very faithful in coming to church. The Lord moved upon her and she has now obeyed the Gospel, her son also was blessed. We pray that this will be the beginning of many more souls to be obedient to the Gospel. It has been some time since we have had a baptism.

Brother Heaps always says: "bring one soul to God and two more will follow". Nine young people came to visit this mission from San Fernando Valley Branch. We had a nice testimony service. Most of them testified to how wonderful it is to be in God's service. How good God is to them, I can truly say Jesus was with us. Their desire in visiting us here in Anaheim was good, it not only lifted us up but it strengthened these young saints to be—as there were some of them not yet baptized. May God bless them.

There are some of our brothers and sisters that are not too well, we ask an interest in your prayers for them.

Sister Sadie Nicosia

DIFEDE-PURKALL NUPTIALS NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Dear Brother Cadman,

On Saturday, September 30, 1961, Sister Ruth Ann Dife and Julius Purkall were united in matrimony in the New Brunswick, New Jersey Branch. The double ring ceremony was performed by the bride's cousin, Brother Dominick Rose of Brooklyn, New York. Ruth Ann is the daughter of Brother Joseph and Sister Marie Dife. Julius is the son of Sister Jeannie Purkall and the late Sam Purkall. The bride who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by her sister, Angelina Mocchio as matron of honor and another sister, Rose Naples as bridesmaid, Denise Mazzeo as Junior Bridesmaid, and Tina Chivarelli as flower girl. The best man was Joseph Scaglione and

Nicholas Davella brother-in-law of the groom was usher. The grooms brother David served as Junior usher and the brides nephew, Daniel Naples Jr. was ring bearer. Sister Mary Feher was soloist. After a honeymoon in Florida, the newlyweds will reside in New Brunswick. Our sincere wishes are extended to the bride and groom and may the Lords richest blessings be with them as they journey on to a happy life together.

Sister Loretta Mazzeo
Branch Editor

Modesto, California

Dear Editor;

LA COMMARE and ECKLE NUPTIAL

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen James La Commare, who were wed in the First Methodist Church on June 10, 1961.

Brother Mark Randy Uncle of the bridegroom, of The Church of Jesus Christ officiated.

Janet Eckle daughter of Mrs. Willa Eckle was given in marriage by her Uncle Mr. John M. Jarrett.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of silk organdy and lace appliques.

Miss Carol Sue Eckle was Maid of honor, and Mary La Commare, sister of the groom, and Judy Oliver and Mrs. Alex Liakus as bride-maides.

The groom is son of Brother and Sister Vito La Commare.

The best man was Sam Randy cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Andy Williams and Mr. Alex Liakus.

Trina Jo Cippioneri was flower girl and Joseph La Commare was the ring bearer.

Reception followed with 200 guests.

They will establish their home in San Francisco, California.

God bless them in the future.

Sister Josephine Buffa

"YE NEED NOT EVER WALK ALONE."

By Bro. B. J. Martin, Roscoe, Pa.

It is believed by many in the world today, yes even many who say they are walking after Christ, that in our last moments upon the face of the earth, we must walk alone and no one can go with us. As it is brought forth by one writer, "You must walk that lonesome valley by yourself." We, who have really learned to know God, must testify this is not so. It is wonderful to know, without a doubt,

that our Lord comes to us in this time of departure from this life, and removes all fears by HIS Presence, and walks by our side until we are HOME.

There has been many experiences in the church bearing this out; but I can speak with assurance and knowledge, concerning this matter. A few years ago I was stricken with a severe heart attack. The Doctor told my wife no one could help me, only GOD. And as I was carried away in the ambulance, I could feel the presence of God so near, I thought if I could stretch forth my hand I would be able to touch HIM. And at this time I remembered an experience told years ago, about Brother Corrado's death. It was said that he called nurses and his Doctor in his room at the hospital, and with a strong voice, not the voice of a dying man, and preached many things unto them and one of the Doctors said, "Mr. Corrado, you must be living near your God." And our Brother said, "Yes. He is right here," and stretched for his hand to the side of the bed and he told them "the Lord was going to take him home." And so it was, as soon as he finished speaking to them, his life or soul left his body.

This experience, coming to me at this time, made me feel sure that in like manner the Lord had come for me. And all fears of death was gone and that blessed assurance was there in the presence of our Lord, and I knew, with a perfect knowledge, that all things would be Alright, and I was ready to go home with Him. The love of my Brothers and Sisters for me caused them to meet in mighty prayer to God, that I might be able to stay here awhile longer with them and my family. The Lord granted them their desires and my life has been lengthened at this time; although I did walk in the shadows of the Valley of Death and I walked NOT ALONE, for He was ever at my side.

It is wonderful to know that we not need face death with that awful dread, as those without hope, for all fear and trouble is removed from us at that time by He, who walks with us. I remember well the experience of my Dad's passing, (Brother Gus Martin) He called all of his children to his bedside and laid his hands upon us, one by one and asked the Lord's blessing upon us. And there was no

fear in his voice as he prayed, only a love for us and HIS LORD. We found out later, after his death, that he knew he was going to be taken and He was willing and ready to go; for in a New Testament, that he gave me a few days before his death, He had underlined in ink this scripture found in 2nd. Timothy, 4th Chapter, 6 to 28 Verses, that read thusly: "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, The righteous Judge, shall give me at that day and not to me only, but unto all them also that LOVE HIS APPEARING."

Although it was a month after Dad's death that I found this underlined scripture, it was a great consolation to me, and a proof that the sting of death is lost to those who serve God, and only victory is there when we finish our life here and life begins anew. A life that is everlasting and glorious. I hope and pray that, whether my days may be many or few, I may be able to say, like Ether of old, that it mattereth not, only that I may please the Lord. And when my days are finished here I may be with the Lord forevermore in that heavenly kingdom. Yes we can surely say and testify, with a perfect knowledge, that we need not ever walk alone, but that OUR LORD IS EVER NEAR. What a glorious consolation and promise!

TO WHOM MAY BE INTERESTED

Quite a number of years ago, I received a letter from a Mr. A. O. Armstrong in British Columbia, Canada. We have corresponded more or less since and we have sent him the Gospel News almost continually. In a letter I had from him I believe along in September he informed me that he was not very well. I sent him the October Gospel News to his last address (Burns Lake, B. C.) and it has been returned to me marked Deceased.

Mr. Armstrong was baptized into the Reorganized Church in Independence, Mo. as I understood him, many years ago. Later in his life he was associated with the Church of Christ (Temple Lot) in Independence and in the latest years of his life he was not in fellowship with any part of the L.D.S., but

was still firm in the faith of the restored Gospel, and had baptized a couple of converts recently.

A few years ago he visited our people in California. In my correspondence with him, he related a most wonderful experience to me—in fact he seemed to be miraculously blessed in the years gone-by, but because of difficulties in the Reorganized and the Church of Christ peoples in Independence he had remained aloof from them and him and his wife has now passed on. I would like to have met them, but did not have the privilege.

Sincerely,

Brother W. H. Cadman

The following poem expresses the opinions of the author and not necessarily those of the Church, since the Church has never taken an official stand one way or the other on this subject. I do know, however, that there are many in the Church who see the outcome of the world situation the same as set forth in the poem.

I have attempted to paint a broad picture; one must, therefore, in his own mind, fit the role of the Church into this broad structure.

D. J. Curry

THE GREAT STRUGGLE

It is coming; we shall see
A great battle between the East
and Christianity.

War clouds are already black,
Even as Washington saw in his
dream,
Hordes from across the sea,
Advancing like a never-ending
stream.

It is coming; we shall see
A great battle between the East
and Christianity.

The enemy camp has gathered for
years,

Even before it aroused our fears.
Now it is plain to be seen,
We're already at war,
And nothing can help us
Save we prepare more.

The enemy camp has gathered for
years,

Even before it aroused our fears.
Now the challenge is recklessly
hurled,

Free nations rise, your standards
unfurled.

Rise to meet the threat of great
power,

Rise to answer might with might,
Rise to save the world from
slavery,

Rise to arms, rise to fight.

Now the challenge is recklessly
hurled,

Free nations rise, your standards
unfurled.

Never has the machinery of war
Held such destructive power before.

The atom, its fury and power
unleashed,

Germans can millions destroy in a
moment,

Missiles fly faster than sound round
the globe,

And space paves the way for each
warring proponent.

Never has the machinery of war
Held such destructive power before.

This is a struggle of ideal and
mind,

Shall our principles wane or new
proselytes find?

The dignity of the individual
against

The right of the state to use one
as a tool,

Can honor and justice and truth
withstand

The code of the Godless who know
no rule?

This is a struggle of ideal and
mind,

Shall our principles wane or new
proselytes find?

What holocaust shall o'er shadow
the earth?

Shall we afterward find a chance
for rebirth?

The cities shall level, the world
shall be drenched,

With a stream of fire and death
like a flood,

The cries of the people will rise
from the smoke,

And millions of victims shall
bathe in their blood.

What holocaust shall o'er shadow
the earth?

Shall we afterward find a chance
for rebirth?

Hear now the voice that will stand
for a light;

In the name of religion we'll rise
to unite!

We'll realize our one last hope,
And join all our forces — a mighty
crusade,

The power of which has ne'er been
seen,

To make our last stand for our
mutual aid.

Hear now the voice that will stand
for a light;

In the name of religion we'll rise
to unite!

And shall our foes o'er us prevail?
Nay, the power of Christ shall
never fail.

Though we give our lives down

to the last,

The truth of Christ shall stand
forever,

To be taken by our sons and theirs,
To yield the victory never.

And shall our foes o'er us prevail?
Nay the power of Christ shall
never fail.

And when this terrible time is past,
The world will find its sense at
last.

And vow no more to raise the
sword,

Lest all of life should disappear,
The flag of peace will here be
raised,

And hope shall vanquish every fear.
And when this terrible time is past,
The world will find its sense at
last.

Donald J. Curry

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

On Sunday, October 29, 1961 we in the Youngstown Branch were blessed with another Day well spent in the Lord's service. Our morning meeting was opened by Brother Sam Costarella who read from the Book of Mormon. Brother A. A. Corrado followed and gave wonderful words of exhortation inspired by the Lord. At the close of the meeting, Carl DiFabio, son of Sister Lizzie DiFabio, asked for his baptism. Brother Carl had been attending our meetings for some time, and we were all happy to see him take this step to serve the Lord. May the good Lord richly bless him, and be his company at all times is our prayer.

Our afternoon meeting was well attended, a large group was present. Brother Rocco Biscotti and his companion from the Cleveland Branch were in our midst. Brother Biscotti offered confirmation prayer on behalf of our new candidate. Some wonderful testimonies were given by the Brothers and Sisters present. After the Sacrament was passed, the Ordinance of Feet Washing was attended to. A wonderful Spirit prevailed throughout the meeting, making us to feel that it is good to serve the Lord.

A fellowship meeting in the evening was held, and a nice crowd was present, including visitors from Cleveland, Warren, and Niles, Ohio. Various hymns were sung at the opening of the meeting, and afterward the visiting Elders from the various branches were called to the rostrum. A very nice talk was given by each of our visiting Brothers. Surely our Cup runneth

over this day with the Lord's blessings, and we can all say it was good to have been there,

Sister Ester Santilli

Modesto, California

Dear Editor;

We have a very good Membership here in Modesto. We are close together worshipping God.

We hold six meetings a week and Sunday School with good attendance.

Fellowship and testimony on Sunday afternoon, Many Brothers and Sisters testify of the goodness of God and how they were called into the Gospel. They tell of many experiences of how God Blessed them and some receive healing.

Our Elder Brothers are doing all that our Lord has given them to do in leading the Flock. God is blessing us in wisdom to do his will and not our own.

Monday evening our Ladies Uplift Circle meet together in spiritual work, enabling us to help our Ministers and our branch.

Wednesday evening the flock meets together for worship, preaching and prayer meetings for those who are sick or in special need of prayer.

Friday evening we meet for M.B.A. We have five classes. The Youth Class is taught by Brother Joseph Lovalvo. He is teaching the Restoration and the Falling Away of the Gospel. There is a large number in attendance.

We have at this time three Missions.

The Mission in Monterey, is in charge of Brother Vito Buffa. Although it is one hundred-twenty miles one way travel, he is faithful, as our dear Sisters wait for their Brother to arrive and to hear the Word of God.

The Mission in San Jose, eighty miles away is led by Brother Joseph Lovalvo. They report that many times God has blessed them and the small membership is faithful to listen to the word of God.

The Mission in Chico, one hundred eighty miles away has three young sisters, and once a month an Elder holds a meeting there.

These Mission trips are always a blessing to those who go to worship with them. The Lord left the 99 to find the 1, and how happy he was when the lost was found.

On August 7, 1961 we had a large gathering in our Modesto Branch, with visiting Brothers and

Sisters of San Fernando Valley, Bell, and San Diego, Calif. and Detroit, Michigan. Brother James Lovalvo opened the meeting with singing and preaching. The Spirit of God was in our midst. In our midst was our Sister, Rachel Rigen. Brother James Lovalvo gave out Hymn No. 239, "Won't You Come Back Home."

Sister Rachel arose to her feet and said, "Brother Jim, I want to come back home."—another one lost is found. Praise God, for his loving care and outstretching arms.

We had a wonderful meeting.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is sweeter as the years go by. Blessed be His Name to all who seek and obey him, and serve a Living God.

We of Modesto send our blessing to all the Saints of God.

Sister Josephine Buffa

NOT QUITTING

Growing old, but not retiring

For the battle still is on;

Going on without relenting,

Till the final victory's won.

Ever on, nor think of resting,

For the battle rages still,

And my Saviour still is with me

And I seek to do His will.

Years roll by, the body weakens;

But the spirit still is young;

Breath of God — it never ages,

Is eternal, ever strong.

Rather, year by year it strengthens,

Gaining o'er the things of sense

By Thy Spirit, lead my spirit,

Saviour, till Thou call me hence.

Things of earth decrease in value,

Brighter shines the light above;

Less the power of human hatred,

Sweeter far the Saviour's love.

Let me tell it to the needy,

Far and wide Thy worth

proclaim;

That my closing years may praise

Thee —

Glorify Thy blessed Name.

Let me labor in Thy harvest

More than ever in the past,

Reaping in what Thou hast planted,

Till I dwell with Thee at last;

That before Thy throne eternal

I may have some fruit to bring,

Not my work—the fruit of Calvary,

All Thine own, my Lord and

King.

Author Unknown

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Dear Bro. Cadman:

We received your card from Ro-

chester, and also your very nice letter. We were extremely pleased to hear from you and to be alerted of progress the Church is making, in the right direction; in the process of making progress, the evil one, will be butting in, but if God be for us who can be against us, we shall conquer anyhow. Glad you are able to go around, the way you do, and we shall be awaiting our turn, when it comes, with open hearts, minds, and souls. Hope the family re-union was a grand success, and may the Lord enable you to enjoy, many more of them in this life, and in the life to come, **Eternal life.**

I shall now treat on some of the activities, out here in the Vineyard of the Lord. On Sunday July 16th., 1961 in Branch No. 1, Bro. Jack Pontillo was our speaker. He read a portion of Scripture found in the 1st. Psalm, also Alma 37th. Chap. 32nd. verse, through the 37th. verse. He treated on the life of David as a man after God's own heart, and how he had rather trust in the Lord, than to trust in the precepts of men. Bro. Concetto Alessandro also spoke, and we were wonderfully blessed. On July 23rd. 1961, in Port Huron, Bro. Domico Cotellesse, read a portion of scripture found in John 15th. Chap., 1st. verse to the end of the 17th. verse. He spoke about the dark veil that encircled Lehi, when he was in the dark and dreary wilderness, and how when he had persisted in going forth, until he came in touch with the tree that bore fruit, that was whiter, than anything he had ever seen, and sweeter than anything he had ever tasted. All and all our bro's talk was quite inspiring, and filled everyone who heard it, with pleasure unspeakable.

We had a sister in our Sunday School, who told an experience, which brought a blessing to all assembled in our midst. Bro. John Visconti also spoke, and gave us something to think about. Our trip was quite an encouraging one. On Wed. night July 26th., in Branch No. 1, our speaker was Bro. Frank Rosati, of Rochester, New York. He read the 103rd. Psalm, 1st. verse to the end of the 5th. verse. Our bro's talk was quite interesting, he said the Psalm he read, was his favorite. He spoke about David, saying that he made many mistakes, but always went to the Lord, to ask for forgiveness, and always

received it. The speaker following Bro. Rosati, was Bro. Anthony Pietrangelo, who gave us a good talk. Bro. Pietrangelo, told of a wonderful experience, given one of his daughters, many years ago, that confirmed sister Rosati's desire, and helped her to get baptized. On Sunday July 30th. 1961, in Windsor, meeting was introduced by Bro. M. Miller, who read scripture found in Matthew 11th. chapter, 28th., 29th., and 30th., verses, also 1st. Nephi 22nd. Chapter and 17th. verse. The Lord was with us and we had a very enjoyable time. Bro. Otto Henderson, then spoke and our meeting just beamed with a blessing through the spirit of God. In the afternoon, Bro. Allen Henderson spoke, and when our meeting was to an end, we all went away, rejoicing in the Liberty wherein Christ has set us free.

On Sunday August 6th. in Muncey, our speaker was Bro. Domonic Cotellesse. He spoke from the 27th. Chapter of 3rd. Nephi, 1st. verse through the 8th. verse, and gave us a wonderful talk. Besides Bro. Domonic, we had as Elders, Bros. Joe Milantoni, (in charge) Tony Gerace, and myself. And helpers to carry on the Sunday school, Bros. Frank Morley, and David Campitelli. I am sure we had at least 70 in our service, of which nearly 50, are children of the Sunday School. I am really wonderfully edified to see what is going on in Muncey. May God abundantly bless our faithful brethren, who are carrying on such a successful work there. There were many anointed for illness, do pray for the work of God, that is in progress everywhere. May God abundantly bless you. Your bro. in Christ.

Matthew T. Miller

INTERESTING LETTER FROM ITALY.

Oct. 30, 1961

Dear Brother Cadman,

Just a few lines to say hello, and to let you know we are in very good health, thanks to God. We are in Cannitello, Reggio, Cal. Tomorrow morning at 7:00 A.M. our train leaves for Bro. Buonfiglio's home at San Demetrio Corone.

Here at Cannitello we have had some very nice meetings with our brothers and sisters. Yesterday we went to San Leonardo and held two services in Bro. Sister Melidona's home. They held their membership in the Youngstown, Ohio branch

three years ago. We had 15 visitors in our meeting. They were interested in the Restored Gospel. Our Bro. Melidona, for not being an elder, has done a very fine job in gathering these people together. He is 84 years "young" and a very fine brother. Bro. Dan Casasanta opened the meeting in the morning. He spoke on the Restoration. The Lord gave him wonderful liberty. He spoke for an hour and a half. You could feel the Spirit of God. Brother Fotti followed, saying that nothing could be added to what Bro. Dan had said, so he just gave his testimony. After the meeting they had a wonderful lunch for us. The afternoon meeting was singing, testimony and communion. Even some of the visitors thanked God for what He did for them. We closed the meeting about 4:15 P.M. because San Leonardo is about 40 miles from Cannitello. The Lord has been wonderful to us. We have heard others say they had trouble here with the law and the Catholic Church. Brother Cadman we haven't any trouble, Thanks to God. We are preaching the Restored Gospel, that an angel flew etc. just like you always tell us. We aren't preaching against any church. All we can do is plant the seed. We could never win them by preaching against their church.

We miss the Gospel News very much here. We are wondering if you could send one to Guiseppe Lo Ricco, Via Cavour 18 Cannitello, Reggio, Cal. Italy, and one copy to Leonardo Francesco, San Gregorio, Magno Pro. Salerno, Italy.

We will be at both addresses because there is much traveling to do. The brothers and sisters live far apart here in Italy. We do a lot of walking too. We would appreciate if you could let the brothers and sisters know what we are doing, by putting some of this letter in the Gospel News. The Saints here in Cannitello send their love to all the brothers and sisters in America and everywhere.

I will close for now. Take care of yourself Brother Cadman and may God bless you in all you do.

Your Brothers in Christ,
Casasanta
Dan and Chester Nolfi

ARIZONA NEWS (From Bro. Furnier)

Dear Readers:

I am in receipt of a letter this

day, Nov. 9th, from Brother Furnier. He along with his wife are with brother and sister Picciutto at Globe, Arizona, possibly 25 miles from San Carlos Reservation. They are preparing to move into their new home built jointly with the church edifice on the Reservation—and the Furniers are lending them a helping hand. May the Lord be with them. He says they attended a funeral service of a very prominent Indian man, approximately 600 Indian people attended. They saw some very strange and ancient customs carried out in the burying of their dead.

He says Brother Dan is doing a good work out there. May the Lord bless him. They are attending another funeral this week. An Indian man's body was shipped in there from California and is being buried from our church on the Reservation.

Brother Furnier speaks of the women coming to church with their babies in what they call a cradle, these are made from some sort of a root that is easily bent. They paint them very colorful. When they are walking they carry these cradles on their backs, when they sit in church they hold them on their laps. The babies are held very rigid and straight in these cradles, having been wrapped up in a blanket very tightly drawn, then ribbons across the front to keep them from falling out. It is a beautiful sight to see.

They have their own officers of the law, and their own jails. At the time of a death, prisoners are released to cut wood, and do other manual labor about the house, they also go to the cemetery, where they assist in shoveling the dirt into the grave, after that they are placed back in jail to serve their time. (poor Indians). We are told that the prisoners are glad to get out of jail to take part on these occasions. Notes from brother Furnier's letter dated on Nov. 7th.

A short letter from Brother Picciutto dated November 12th says: "We had two baptisms today (Indian women) and a wonderful blessing was had by all. Looking forward to seeing you this week-end."

ST. JOHN, KANSAS

Dear Readers of the Gospel News:

We want to let you know that Brother Cadman and Brother and Sister Furnier were here to spend a little time visiting with us, encouraging us to press on in the

gospel of Christ and bringing a spirit of love and peace to our midst. We spent quite a little time visiting and also had several meetings together. Brother and Sister Furnier went on to Arizona and Brother Cadman stayed a week with us and held meetings in the church. It was good to sit under the voice of our elder brother who seems more like a father to us. His words of wisdom gave us new courage and hope for better things for St. John. We enjoyed very much the visits of these dear brothers and sister and hope to see them visit us again soon.

Brother Cadman returned home by way of Wichita where he spent a few days with our brothers and sisters there and I am sure they can say it was good for him to be there.

Our hope is that we may have more love in our hearts for one another that the world might be able to see his love and desire to be partakers of it and the blessings which belong to those who love and serve God.

Please pray for our little group in St. John.

Sister Eva Delp

Lord Unto Thee I Pray

Lord unto Thee I pray
Guide me through each day
Help me to be true
In everything I do.
Bless Thy people everywhere
Keep me in Thy loving care
Be with me each night
That I may see the morning light.

Written by Samuel Cuomo, age 11, Windsor, Canada.

Jesus Helps Me

Jesus helps me with my play;
All through the long, long day,
He evens helps me with all my work
And all my hard subjects of school.
I try to pray,
As much as I can each day.
I love Jesus very much
Because He always helps me.

Written by Anthony Nolfi, age 11, McKees Rocks, Pa.

KRISTINA TLACBABA

Hopelawn, New Jersey

Deceased

Sister Kristina Tlachaba, 82, died at her home on November 2, 1961 after a very long illness and being bedridden for the past 5 years. Our sister was born in July 1879 in Nitra, Czechoslovakia. She was married to Mr. Frank Tlachaba, who has been deceased since Febru-

ary 1943.

Left to mourn her passing away, are her daughter, Catherine, Mrs. E. Szeg and two grandchildren, Frank and Christina Szeg.

Sister Kristina has been a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ for over 20 years. Funeral services were held at 8:30 a.m., November 6th from Flynn Funeral Home in Perth Amboy, followed by church services in the Hopelawn Branch. Interment in the Church Cemetery in Hopelawn. Officiating were Brothers Joseph Benyola and Jim Benyola.

CALABRO - ONORATO

Marriage vows were exchanged between Bro. Paul Calabro of Hopelawn, New Jersey and Sister Dorothy Onorato of Brooklyn, New York on Saturday, October 21, 1961 at 11:00 a.m. in the Hopelawn Branch. Officiating in the double ring ceremony was Bro. Joseph Benyola, assisted by Bro. Paul Benyola.

The bride was given away in marriage by her father. Matron of Honor was Mrs. Marie Perillo of Brooklyn, New York, while serving as best man was Bro. Carl Huttenberger of Fords, New Jersey. Elizabeth Perillo, niece of the bride, was a flower girl. Sister Lucille Zampella, soloist, sang "I Love You Truly" and "Where My Dreams Come True" accompanied by Mrs. Eleanor Zane at the organ.

After the church ceremony, a reception was held at the Kenny Acres Restaurant for the wedding party and immediate families of the bride and groom, followed by an open house affair at the home of the groom for all friends and relatives.

Upon return from a wedding trip to Washington, D. C., Bro. Paul and Sister Dorothy will reside in their new home on Howard Street in Hopelawn, New Jersey.

We wish to extend our sincerest wishes for God's continued blessings to be with them throughout their lives.

PRAYER

When I am lost in deepest grief,
And filled with dark despair,
The only thing that gives relief
Is prayer, simple prayer.
And when I see the ones I love
So burdened down with care,
I turn my thoughts to God above,
Who hears and answers prayer.
Sometimes I call out Jesus' Name
And think: "He doesn't care" . . .

But, to my deep remorse and shame,
He's answering my prayer.

And tho' there's nothing else to learn,

Of one thing, I'm aware:

The world may change and friends may turn,

But God still answers Prayer.

Catherine Poma

Excerpt From Jewish Hope

There has never been, since Pentecost, such an awakening among the Jews as there is today. Apostasy has already gained the ascendancy in Christendom and today we find in most places that the unconverted are indifferent to God, but many Christians are becoming slack in His service. Side by side, with the apostasy and this falling away on the part of the Gentiles, there is a wonderful awakening among the Jews. Everywhere there is a great hunger for the truth of God's Word as it is in Christ Jesus. There are many Jews today who are crying out for God's salvation. It is the greatest challenge to the Christian church, and to Christians, to bring to them the Bread of Life, the Lord Jesus Christ, who alone can still the hunger of their hearts. All these centuries the Jews have been apathetic to the Gospel but today they are crying out for it in many places. Oh, how I wish that everyone of our friends would realize the signs of the times, and what this awakening means. It means the coming of the Lord; He is very near.

Slow Me Down

Slow me down, Lawd, Ah wants to see
More of the things that's good for me;
A little less o' me and a little more o' You;
Ah wants the heavenly atmosphere to trickle thru.
Let me help a brother when the goin's rough,
When folks work together, it ain't so tough,
Slow me down, Lawd, Ah's going too fast.
Ah can't see my brother when he's walkin' past,
Ah misses a lot of good things day by day,
Ah don't know a blessing when it comes my way,
Slow me down, Lawd, so I can talk with some
O' Your angels,
Slow me down, Lawd, to a walk.

Anon.

The Children's Corner . . .

Mabel Bickerton

"On earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:14

Dear Boys and Girls,

The time has rolled around again when everyone is happy and preparing to give gifts to his loved ones. But I want to tell you the old, old story of God's gift to the world. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

Many, many years ago, there lived in the city of Nazareth a young lady named Mary. She was a very good girl and loved God. God's word tells us she was a virgin. One day a strange thing happened to Mary. An angel stood before her. She was afraid. The angel said, "The Lord is with thee. Fear not Mary, for thou hast found favor with God." The angel said that God would send His Son to the world and she was to be his mother. She was told to name the baby Jesus.

Mary was very happy. She sang a song of thanksgiving. She hurried to tell her cousin Elizabeth the wonderful news. Elizabeth was happy too. She had good news for Mary. God was going to send her a baby too and his name would be John. My! how happy Elizabeth and Mary were. They rejoiced together and praised God. But most of all they were happy because God was sending His own son into the world because of His great love.

Mary's husband was named Joseph. He was a carpenter. Now an angel had appeared to him in a dream and told him about the baby. He was told the baby was to be named Jesus. The king of Judah sent word that all the people in the kingdom were to go to their own city where they were born, to be taxed. Joseph and Mary were to go to a little town called Bethlehem. But when they arrived many, many people were already there. All the inns were filled. There was no place to stay. No doubt they were very tired after their long journey. Can't you just see Joseph going from place to place asking for a place to stay? And the inn

keepers saying "No room. No room." But God had prepared a place for them and in doing so, it had fulfilled prophecy. This was the night Jesus was to be born. It was all in God's great plan. When Jesus was born he was laid in a manger for a bed. Now mangers are found in stables so this prepared place for Jesus' birth must have been a stable. This place was filled with joy and love because Jesus was a holy child. Baby Jesus didn't have clothes like our babies have. Mary wrapped him in a clean cloth called swaddling clothes. This was their custom. Mary was very happy.

On this night, that Jesus was born, there were shepherds in the fields watching their sheep. All at once the sky became bright. It frightened the shepherds. The glory of the Lord shone round them. An angel spoke, saying, "Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you. Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger." (Luke 2:10,13) This was a very unusual place to find a baby but shepherds would understand what a manger was and where to look. Suddenly the whole sky was filled with angels praising God. They sang, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." Then the angels were gone into heaven. The shepherds said to each other, "Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us." Off they hurried to Bethlehem to the place where Baby Jesus was. Here they found Him lying in a manger just as the angel had said they would. What a wonderful sight! How happy these shepherds were to see God's Son. They told the good news to everyone. They praised God for all the things they had seen and heard. It was something they would never forget. But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

God sent His Son to bring peace

and love to the world. Everyone needed Jesus then and people still need Him today. Let us not be like the inn keepers and say, "No room. No room." But rather be like the shepherds and tell the good news abroad.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

I have told you the story of the shepherds. Maybe you would like to read about the wisemen. It is found in Matthew 2:1,11. See if you can answer these questions.

1. What did they see in the east?
2. What did they ask the king?
3. How did the king feel when he heard the news?
4. What did he want the wise-men to do?
5. Where did they find Mary and the child?
6. What gifts did they bring?
7. Did they return to tell the king? Why?

Sincerely,

Sister Mabel

NEWS OF ERIE, PA.

Our Summer was very enjoyable with visits from many Brothers and Sisters on the week-ends and their vacations with us. The only way we'll know if they enjoyed us as we enjoyed them is if they come again. If you recall, in my article early in the Summer I extended an invitation to all, I'd like to thank all of them who accepted, and the invitation still stands.

We're still having pleasant visits from many . . . On Sunday, Oct. 22nd the Fredonia Mission came up to spend the day and have our Feet-washing service together, we shared a great blessing all day. There was a neighbor of Bro. and Sister Mancini's, Mrs. Inez Search, who came along to see how we went about our ceremony. She is a very well read and well informed person on all types of religions of even the remotest parts of the world. She was born Catholic but has been interested in all religions all her life. She has been attending our Circle and every Sunday service she is able. Bro. John asked if she would like to express herself after we had our feet-washing and her testimony was that after all of her inquiry and investigating of faiths she feels she has found a pure and humble faith she would some day, if God will open her heart and mind to understand she will become a part. She also requested we pray for her.

On Sunday, Oct. 29th we had a carload from Detroit, Mich., Bro. and Sister Gorie Ciaravino, Ero. and Sister (Dr.) Michael Randazzo and son, and Bro. Joseph Calabrese, also a car from Monongahela, Pa., Bro. and Sister Tehman Cherry, Bro. and Sister George Neil and Bro. Alma Cadman. Bro. and Sister Jess Carr of Greensburg were also with us. Bro. John Charles Mancini, whom we consider a visitor to Erie since he is making his home in the Pittsburgh area to attend college, also came and had Bro. Alma Nolfi of Glassport and Bro. Josiah N. Osuagwu with him, Bro. Josiah gave us a talk on life in Nigeria during our Sunday School period which was very interesting. Our visiting Elders from Detroit expressed themselves in the morning service. Those who had the time went to our homes for dinner. I think it was a most enjoyable day.

The following week-end, Bro. and Sister Alvin Swanson came up to show us his films and the progress of the work in Nigeria, which was well worth hearing, Sunday morning Bro. Alvin gave us a talk on the love of God and WHY we should appreciate what we have in America.

We are now looking forward to a visit from Bro. D. T. Bucci of Youngstown, Ohio, to give us a talk, complete with maps and pictures to explain in detail the findings of the plates and some points of interest of our beliefs in regard to the future and what we base them on.

We thank God for our visiting Brothers and Sisters, it's so encouraging to spend time with them and to talk over the Blessings of God God is sure good to us. Our love and prayers go with you.

Erie Editor

Sis. Florence (DiBattista)
La Rosa

Selected

Jesus Exclaims! Behold

I am Jesus Christ the Son of God. I created the heavens and the earth, and all things that in them are. I was with the Father from the beginning. I am in the Father, and the Father in me; and in me hath the Father glorified His Name. I came unto my own, and my own received me not. And the scriptures concerning my coming are fulfilled. Third Nephi 9th Chapter. May I ask, Where is the pun^y man that dare say no to the words of the Son of God? To me, it would be like

contradicting Him to His face.

Brother Cadman

COMMON OWNERSHIP HOPE Of The FUTURE

A transition period is taking place in world society, but the leadership in the ancient system of private ownership can't and won't realize it.

The press, politicians, educators and clergy call it Socialism, Communism and other isms. This has created so much prejudice and hate that stupidity prevails along with education, and it is hard for society to act intelligently, hence the social dilemma.

Understanding the social relationship is the most important point of religion and education.

The only reason private ownership, now its protegee, Capitalism, has endured this long is because of militarism. This authority has whipped the devil in line all these years for the profit motive, to protect private property rights first.

In view of this fact a student of social science can understand that the monetary system breeds class rule and discontent.

Man has outgrown his old environment of dollar values and wants to transform himself into a better idea of social service. It can be done only by a new route via common ownership.

The first hundred years may be painful, but the principal is honest, secure and moral. What else can save mankind?

W. C. JOHNSON

Slippery Rock, Pa.

P.S. — Sometime ago I was having thoughts upon the financial conditions in this world and the strife between nations, and especially the strife between Russia and the U.S.A. The former has as I understand "government or common ownership, which principle is more Christlike—though, as to whether Russia is functioning the principle in the Spirit of Christ, is another question. We of the U.S.A. have what is known generally as a capitalistic system. The next day or two after my meditation on the subject, I found this letter of Mr. W. C. Johnson in my daily paper and, it interested me. I am taking the privilege of re-printing it in the Gospel News, and, in doing so, I do not think Mr. Johnson will find any fault.

To me, he is very much at the root of the strife that is in this

world, and that thought is very much sustained by the Apostle Paul wherein he declares that the love of money is the root of all evil. While we of the U.S.A. have a wonderful system of government—liberty, freedom, and, yet it is such that the more wealth one may have, more liberty can be taken which brings citizen or citizens into servitude, and at the same time, the oppressor can keep within his constitutional rights and the principle of mercy is ignored—even though the Saviour of men has taught us "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy," which certainly implies that if mercy is not shown the reverse will be our lot, not only to the individual but to the nations as well—the United States of America not exempted. Private ownership as is carried on today in our Government, certainly throws the door open to use liberty to take advantage of one another in low places as well as high—the poor man who has done his best to meet his obligations, can be thrown out of his home over night—no mercy shown, while the other fellow may be getting richer.

Russia is referred to as atheistic, and how their people really fare under their system of government I do not know. In Sidney Harris's column not long ago, and while in controversy with an India man, whose people do not believe in Jesus Christ, Mr. Harris could not defend this Christian people against the accusation, that the people of India (though non-Christian) lived up to the New Testament teachings more so than the Christian's who profess to believe in Jesus Christ. The greed and selfishness of the nations of today who profess Christ is certainly no good example to the nations who do not accept Him as their Redeemer. The Jewish people in gathering back to their home land today, and whose fathers slew the Messiah in their ignorance, certainly are setting an example to all the world today. They are throwing their doors open to their distressed people from all over the world—even though rejecting the Christ who was of the Jews, His divine nature seems to be permeating through their veins and is demonstrating itself in love for their neighbors and gathering them in from all over the world. Where else in the world today is such a thing taking place? The United States of America, with all of its

Christianity apparently invented the Atomic weapons and dropped them on Japan, it seems now are about to reap what they have sown.

As Mr. Johnson's article or letter is titled "Common Ownership Hope of the Future". Who can say he is wrong? The scripture abounds with evidence that the nations are going to become as the chaff of the summer thrashing floor, and the power that smites them will become a great mountain and fill the whole earth—yea, His Kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Jesus taught all things common among His people. The nations have all transgressed His will with greed and a lack of mercy, and while we have wars and rumors of war, the worst has not yet come, but the Mighty God will take care of His own—shelter or no shelter. The time will yet come when "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord.

Brother Cadman

"Churches Growing Complex—Social, Recreational, Educational Needs met by Plants." By Luis Cassels (Excerpts therefrom by Editor Cadman)

Once upon a time, not so many years ago, a church was a simple auditorium-like building used mainly for Sunday worship services.

No more.

Today's typical church is a complex physical plant with educational, social and recreational facilities. It functions as a community center as well as a house of worship. It is likely to be in use every day and evening.

One result of this trend is noted by the U.S. Department of Commerce. "Construction cost of religious buildings have soared in recent years. The construction costs for many churches today approaches the \$500,000 mark.

Some larger churches include kitchens, snack bars, craft and game rooms, libraries and rendezvous rooms, some of which are equipped with hi-fi, television sets, and radios.

It is extremely difficult, even in a well-heeled suburban congregation, to raise enough money for such a layout. So it is becoming customary to build church plants in installments.

The first unit usually, though not

always, is the sanctuary. This is the big auditorium where worship services are conducted.

The next step (and in some suburban areas it may be the first step) is to put up a separate wing for Sunday School classrooms &.

Then cometh the parish hall. It includes a spacious room which can be used for meetings, dinners and social events; a kitchen well equipped. &.

Even Bowling Alleys

Lately there has been a growing tendency for large churches to install bowling alleys, basketball courts and other sports facilities. A Baptist church in St. Louis recently spent \$759,000 for a three-story building which contains a complete gymnasium and skating rink, plus bowling and ping-pong rooms. A church in Jacksonville, Fla. has a baseball diamond, tennis courts, shuffleboard, a croquet court and a barbecue pit.

Many Clergymen feel churches are completely justified in building such facilities. They say social and recreational trimmings attract young people (and adults) to the church. There in the course of time, they may be led into what is presumably still the principal business of a church, namely, the worship of God.

This argument apparently is convincing to the great majority of church members who put up, more or less willingly, the money necessary to finance church construction at the current rate of \$1 billion a year.

Some Are Disturbed

But some thoughtful ministers and laymen are beginning to ask disturbing questions.

They wonder, for example whether a suburban congregation needs a bowling alley more than an inner-city mission needs a pastor.

Or whether the heavy demands which churches make on their members in their perennial building fund drives may have something to do with their inability to raise more than token sums for church colleges, foreign missions, and overseas relief agencies.

A few extremists have even pointed out that Jesus of Nazareth was able to attract very sizable crowds without a skating rink, or even an air-conditioned building.

All He offered was the living

word of God.

P.S. The complex condition of religious professors of today, and especially in this United States of America, should cause any God-fearing man to sit up and take notice, yea take notice and read chapter 8 of the Book of Mormon, wherein the prophet Moroni is speaking directly to this American people in particular, and speaks as follows: "Behold I speak unto you as if ye were present, and yet ye are not. But Jesus Christ hath shown you unto me, and I know your doing". And I will add, that the doings of this American people are far from being good.

Editor Cadman

A REMINDER

There has been much talk about the weather of 1961, the delayed cold spring and the unseasonably cool summer. Occasionally some one speaks of the year without a summer. But no one seems to know when it was or if it is just a legend. WARD PRINTING COMPANY decided to look it up, and we print below a brief account of the strange summer of 1816.

This information comes with the help of the PITTSBURGH WEATHER BUREAU and DR. E. K. TOLAN, C. D. CUSTER and DR. R. M. BELL, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

THE YEAR WITHOUT A SUMMER - 1816

"The year 1816 is known both in the United States and England as "The Year Without a Summer." In this country, especially in New England it is sometimes referred to as "Poverty Year," because of the ruined crops."*

"The trouble started early in the June of that year. After an unseasonable incursion of southerly air, with the temperatures in the 90s, the wind shifted on June 5, to the northwest. At Salem, Massachusetts, the temperature fell from 92 to 43°F. in 24 hours. During the next few days there were severe frosts every night from the Canadian border (and beyond) down to Virginia. Snow fell in Ohio, New York State, and all across northern New England. The editor of the DANVILLE (Vermont) NORTH STAR, writing in the issue of June 15, reported that "on the night of

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