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## EDITORIAL

### MORE TRAVEL NOTES

On Friday, Jan. 6th, I got aboard the C. N. R. "Ocean Limited" at Moncton, and started on a trip that took me over more than four thousand miles in twelve days. I arrived at Toronto Saturday afternoon, and was met at the train by Rev. Dwight Deeks, manager of the Canadian Nazarene Publishing House, and a former friend of Bible School days. I subsequently met Rev. L. Guy Nees, pastor of St. Clair Avenue Church of the Nazarene, who had invited me to speak at his church Sunday morning. I had soul-inspiring fellowship in this service and enjoyed the blessing of the Lord upon my heart as I preached the Word. Rev. R. B. Warren, Principal of Lorne Park College, an esteemed friend of many years, came in to Toronto for the service and was on the platform, and in the congregation were Sterling Hicks, of Killams Mills, N. B.; Mrs. William Wright, of Moncton; and Mrs. E. S. Cosman, of Saint John. By 'phone I had conversation with Harold and Thelma Burtt, formerly of Hartland, N. B., the Jamiesons, of Fredericton and Marysville, Audrey Harvey, of Seal Cove, in training at Toronto General Hospital, and Fred Clark, another former resident of Marysville. Then I had a call from Rev. Ralph Hobson, of Peterboro, Ontario. I left Toronto Sunday afternoon feeling that I had been quite near the Maritimes. On the invitation of Brother Warren, I stopped at Lorne Park College for a brief visit, and had the privilege of seeing the campus and buildings of this Free Methodist training school which is doing a fine work preparing young people for Christian life and service. I also enjoyed a brief visit with Brother Sterling Hicks.

My appointment for Sunday evening was with the Nazarene Church of Hamilton, Ontario, of which Rev. R. F. Woods, another friend of Bible School days, is pastor. Here, as in Toronto, I enjoyed good fellowship with the Lord's people and liberty in proclaiming the uttermost salvation. I discovered after the service that there were quite a number of people present who had formerly lived in the Maritimes and Newfoundland.

At 11.30 p. m. Sunday evening, I left Hamilton on the "International Limited" and arrived in Chicago the next morning at 8.00

a. m. There was just good time to transfer to the Kansas City train, the crack Santa Fe streamliner, "Kansas Cityan." This is a fast, smooth-riding train which runs from Chicago to Los Angeles, California. The average speed from Chicago to Kansas City, a distance of 450 miles, was better than 60 miles per hour. At times the train, which made nine stops between the two points was said to be travelling between 90 and 100 miles per hour.

I was met at K. C. by Dr. G. B. Williamson, and was soon comfortably located at the Mayfair Hotel, and looking forward to the meetings which I had travelled 2,000 miles to attend. Tuesday I enjoyed the privilege of visiting the Nazarene Publishing House and going through the plant, also the Beacon Hill Book Store operated in conjunction with the Publishing House. I also visited the Headquarters Building of the Nazarenes, and the fine Theological Seminary Building. Then I had a brief look at the city, a very fine and beautiful center in the mid-west Missouri State, Kansas City, Mo., is on the very border of its State, and across the river is Kansas City, Kansas, so they are twin cities with a total population of more than 600,000.

Tuesday evening I attended a service in the First Nazarene Church and heard a challenging message on Sunday School work by Dr. Albert Harper.

On Wednesday morning the two-day Superintendents' Conference was opened with a devotional period under General Superintendent D. I. Vanderpool, and a message by Rev. Edward Lawlor, of Calgary, Alberta. The remaining part of the morning and afternoon sessions were taken up with papers on various phases of the Lord's work. In the evening, Dr. Purkiser, president of Pasadena College, gave a very able address on Christian education. The message was scholarly in content and the speaker was eloquent, but there was a strong emphasis to holiness throughout.

On Thursday morning I was privileged to address the Conference in the devotional period which was presided over by General Superintendent Williamson. During the remaining part of the day we listened to several more fine papers. The closing service of the Conference was highlighted by the wonderful singing of the Seminary Choir, about thirty-five male voices blending in beautiful and soul-thrilling harmony under the direction of the seminary president, Dr. Hugh Benner, and the closing message, "Holiness, the Theme Song of the Church," by Rev. C. B. Cox.

The large church, seating six or seven hundred people, was filled for nearly every service, and crowded to capacity in the evenings. There was a clear, strong emphasis on holiness throughout the Conference, and an atmosphere of freedom and blessing which often made me think of Beulah Camp.

On Friday afternoon I travelled via the Sante Fe back to Chicago arriving in the "Windy City" at 10.00 p. m. to receive a typical Chicago greeting, perhaps accelerated somewhat above average, a 70 mile an hour gale. Rev. M. K. Millikan, pastor of Chicago's Northside Nazarene Church, met me at the train and drove me to his home. On Saturday, Brother Millikan kindly drove me around the city and showed me some of the "sights." It was a most enjoyable experience to see some of this great city, second largest of the U. S., and I believe the sixth largest in the world. While going through the Fields Museum, a

wonderful building indeed, with an endless variety of phenomena, natural and mechanical, I was greatly surprised and pleased to see Rev. Earl Newton, of the National Holiness Missionary Society.

Sunday morning I preached in the Northside Church with considerable freedom and blessing on my soul and once more enjoyed good fellowship with the people of the Lord. On Sunday afternoon I travelled across the great city to the home of Rev. Wilson Lanphor, pastor of Austin Nazarene Church, where I spoke to a large and responsive audience Sunday evening. In all of these services in Toronto, Hamilton, Kansas City, and Chicago, I felt at home preaching the Word to people who seemed to like the truth. I felt grateful for the courtesy shown me by the pastors of the various churches, the leaders of the Kansas City Conference, and the hundreds of ministers with whom I mingled.

On Monday evening I climbed aboard the train to travel back to Toronto, Montreal and Moncton. I arrived at home Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 18th. I had travelled through three provinces of Canada and five states of the U. S. A., and had thoroughly enjoyed covering so much territory, meeting so many wonderful people, having the privilege of ministering in the various places, and realizing the gracious care of the Lord throughout the journey, but, I know you won't be surprised if the last words of a brief account of so wonderful a trip are—it was good to be home again!

### REVIVAL MUST COME FIRST

By Robert J. Wells

Without question, the greatest need of the nation and church is a mighty spiritual awakening. In spite of all the gigantic efforts the Church is making, with the many problems with which she is confronted, she is making very little progress.

In fact, when we analyze the overall picture, we are forced to conclude that the very best efforts of the Church avail but little and for the most part she has had to acknowledge dismal failure. The forces of the opposition, the schemes and ideologies of the enemy, are gaining ground rapidly, and in spite of her best intentions, and the investment of her greatest efforts, she is not even stemming the tide, and in many instances the cause of Christ is being forfeited by default.

#### If Revival is the Remedy, Apply the Remedy

The question we naturally ask is: "What is wrong?" Why are we not succeeding?" I think there can be no question but that our difficulty lies in the fact that we are not putting first things first. There is a solution to every problem of the Church, and that solution is REVIVAL!

A tremendous, sweeping, Heaven-sent, Holy Spirit revival would do for us what nothing else and no amount of effort can ever do. It will fill our churches; revitalize our missionary programs, and provide the man power and the money with which to accomplish the evangelization of our communities, our cities, our nation and the world! The problems pertaining to youth and the Sunday School; to juvenile delinquency and an adequate educational program; in fact, every problem of the Church would be solved gloriously and triumphantly in the wake of a mighty awakening of the forces of righteousness!