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Out-of-Debt Campaign

December first, the day set for the payment of pledges made to the Debt-Eliminating Campaign, has passed and the response was fine. Thouands of dollars were received, for which we are truly thankful, but just a few words to those who have not paid their subscription. Remember, according to the plan of the Campaign, nothing can be paid out until all has been received. You see we can make no definite proposals to our creditors for settle-

ment until we have the *Cash in Hand*, and every week that settlement with our creditors is delayed means \$100.00 more of accrued interest.

Please, please nake a special effort to pay your pledge at the earliest possible moment, for we must know in the near future just what we can do in order to make our plans for another year. Do not wait for a personal letter, but send remittance today to A. E. Sanner, Treasurer, Nampa, Idaho.

Yours to save N. N. C.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, J. C. HENSON, Agent.

Opening Preachers' Convention

The Idaho-Oregon District Preachers' Convention and the District Women's Missionary Auxiliary will meet Feb. 1 to 5 at Nampa. The special speaker will be Dr. J. B. Chapman, Editor of the "Herald of Holiness." In addition there will be several papers and other addresses. Pray and come believing for a great Convention.

For further particulars address,

District Superintendent A. E. Sanner.

Second Semester begins JANUARY 30, 1928 Plan to Enroll For further information write the Registrar.

Giving Gifts

"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,"

God gave a GIFT to man in the form of HIS Son. Man in response gave GIFTS unto the Son. The true Christmas spirit is expressed in GIFTS to God.

Christmas has come to mean a time of giving gifts to one another. The spirit of the first Christmas has been perverted. In

> our remembrance of others let us not forget to make a Christmas present to Christ and the Church.

> NORTHWEST NAZAR-ENE COLLEGE is an institution of the Church. The Board of Directors, Faculty and Student-body are devoted to Christ. Their one purpose is to perpetuate and propagate the Kingdom.

> The COLLEGE is hampered in its work by an indebtedness. If it is to functlon this incubus must be destroyed. Unless the debt is liquidated the institution must close its doors. CAL-

AMITY OF CALAMITIES!!!

BUT——It will not be so if everyone will do his best. We shall, by the help of God, celebrate the emancipation of NORTH-WEST NAZARENE COLLEGE in the near future.

In giving GIFTS this Christmas to your friends DO NOT FORGET to give a gift to YOUR College. If every Nazarene in this Zone would give something it would mean thousands of dollars. Why not RIGHT NOW send a Christmas Gift to your College?



REV. J. C. HENSON

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The Christmas Spirit

Christmas is almost here again and we have all, old and young, looked forward joyously to its coming. And why should we not? Is it not a time of happiness, mirth and recreation? A time when gifts are given? A time when our minds are especially drawn to the nativity of Christ, the blessed author of our glorious salvation?

But the Christmas celebration of the Western world is a combination of several ancient customs. In the fifth century the Western Church ordered it to be celebrated forever on the day of the old Roman feast of the birth of Sol, as they had no certain knowledge of the date of Christ's birth. The German and Celtic tribes celebrated the winter solstice with the Yule festival; from them have come to us the holly, mistletoe, Yule log, and the wassail bowl.

Today, while Christmas is celebrated in commemoration of the birth of Christ, our festivals are in a measure flavored with a pagan spice. Our revelries and the exchange of costly gifts are not symbolical of the Christ spirit. He taught that we should give gifts hoping not to receive again. For Himself, the greatest gift, nothing adequate can be given in return.

So then, as we come to this Christmastide let us manifest more of the true spirit of Christ. We need not give gifts to all our friends just because it is custom; rather let us seek out some needy one, some one who is suffering from sorrow or privation, or in some way less fortunate than we are and minister to them. Perhaps then we shall hear the Master say, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." L. R. Metcalf, Col. '28.

Putting First Things First

The thing in my life which I would seek to put first is my devotion to God. I would put it first because I realize how great is its influence upon each day and upon my whole life. That I may not be hurried in my devotion to Him I try not to yield to the temptation to take another "forty winks" of sleep in the morning. Should this happen, however, I then must sacrifice the time I would spend on something else in order to keep God first in my life.

Second to my devotion to God is my school work, This must be so if I am to make the most of the nine months I spend in school. Again, I must be on guard against trivial things or I shall be always having a good time and accomplishing nothing.

Then I owe to my school the debt of enthusiastic cooperation in its various activities in the classroom, in the chapel, or on the playground. I own its right to my best in influence, talent and effort. To my fellow students I owe the right to expect friendliness, courtesy, sympathy and assistance at all times. I owe it to myself to keep physically fit that I may continue to enjoy my friends and carry on my work in a satisfactory manner. I must sandwich in some exercise, fun and recreation each day.

To do all these things I must necessarily watch the moments as they fly and with real forethought make the best use of my time. I dislike, however, to look upon my daily schedule as an inflexible thing exercising tyranny over me and making me a slave to its many demands. I like rather to think of living as choosing between the important and the less important things of life, be they little or big, and selecting those which I desire most and rejecting others—that my life might count for the most.

Lettie Mylander, Col. '32.

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School Notes

Compiled by L. R. Metcalf

We are praising God because he has seen fit to revive his works again. A gracious spirit of revival is in our midst; many of the students are renewing their vows and the Holy Spirit is leading them on to new heights and depths of Divine grace. It is the earnest prayer of all who know God that this may be a time when many shall become "stablished, strengthened and settled" in the things of God. The chapel services are wonderful times of salvation.

The six weeks' tests are again upon us. There is much cramming, and midnight oil is at a premium.

The Literary societies were reorganized this year and a new system inaugurated. The students were divided into three equal groups. The new plan is working nicely and everyone is taking great interest in the inter-society contest for the silver loving-cup given by the faculty.

We have had several chapel and prayer meeting messages recently from a number of our young preacher students. Among the speakers were: Albert Harper, Bertram Peterson, Neehard Malmberg and Thor Gudmonson. We believe God is raising up and equiping numbers of young men to take the place of the old warriors of the cross. By the grace of God we will be true to the "Faith of our Fathers."

Acting President DeLong held an all-day meeting for Rev. R. J. Plumb of our Sellwood Church, Portland, Ore., on Sunday, December 4.

Among those who have visited us during the past few weeks are: Rev. V. W. Anglin, pastor of our church at Kalama, Washington; Evangelist Littrell spoke in chapel on "Three Things Essential to Success"; Dr. Paranougian, a native of Armenia, brought a stirring message on the needy conditions of the orphan children of Armenia. Then we were more than delighted to have Mr. Edward Klindtworth with us for a day, Mr. Klindtworth spent his college years at N. N. C. He is now employed by the Jensen Knit-Woolens Co. and is on his way to Australia to act as manager of the new mills being built there.

On account of an accident to his youngest son, Business Manager Henson has been forced to give up his Campaign itinerary, but hopes to be in the field again in a short time.

A runner wearing the "Orange and White" ran breathlessly into the city of New York on Friday, Dec. 2 and triumphantly presented the rest of the \$350 to the Judges of the Oasis Contest. This race was conducted by the Oasis staff for the purpose of collecting the money for the annuals which the students so enthusiastically subscribed. A beautiful loving cup was offered as a trophy to the Literary Society which could collect its share of the Oasis money first. The winning runner represented the S. L. A. Society.

Our Part

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform;

He plants his footsteps on the sea And rides upon the storm."

It is interesting to notice as one studies the history of Christianity that although God moves in mysterious ways, yet he does move and his wonders are performed. Jehovah has never failed his people in a time of crisis when they have earnestly sought divine assistance. We as a church have been seeking such assistance in our OUT OF DEBT CAMPAIGN-but, have we sought as earnestly as we may? Have we given all-and then given again? After such endeavor only may we seek divine aid with an earnestness which will bring God to our rescue. If we will DO and then SEEK. God will move, his wonders will be performed-and our school will be free A. F. Harper, from debt. Col. '28