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## COLLEGE CLASSES OPEN JANUARY 8, 1945

The Divine Science College offers a course of study that enables the student to find those eternal values which are based upon Truth Principles. This training is open to every one regardless of religious beliefs, social standing, educational attainments, age, or condition. It develops an expansion of consciousness that enables the student to live a life of power, dominion and security.

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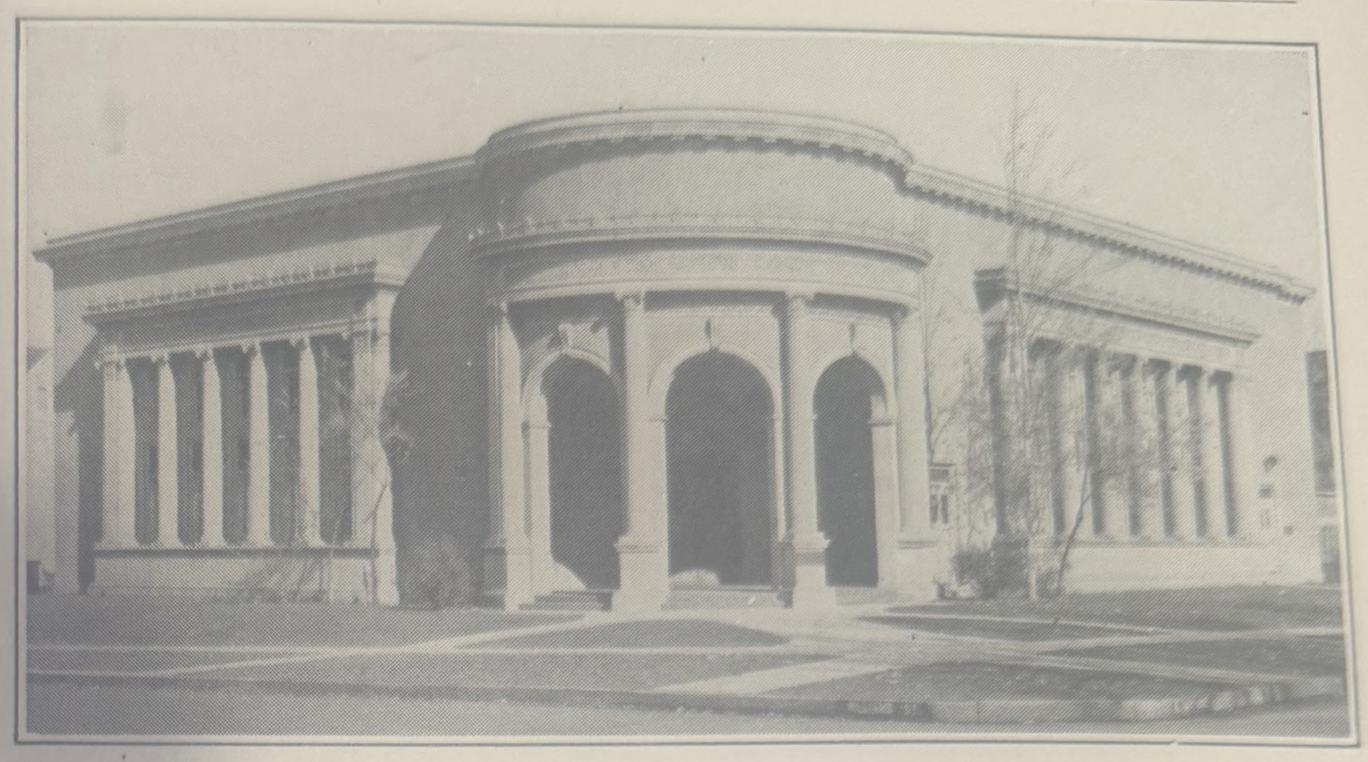

## DR. NONA L. BROOKS AND DR. CARRIE F. MUNZ DELIVERED SPECIAL HOLIDAY SERMONS

The First Divine Science Church of Denver closed the year with special services that will be remembered always by those fortunate enough to attend. They were a further demonstration of the tremendous power that was put into motion years ago in the Divine Science organization: a power so potent and irresistible that it must continue as an ever-expanding, ever-growing presentation of the highest spiritual Truth.

Sunday, December 24, Dr. Carrie F. Munz occupied the pulpit. She chose as her subject, *In Thy Light Shall We See Light*. Mrs. Munz gave a Christmas message that explained the birth of The Christ in each of us as we come into a higher realization. Her sermon was a perfect demonstration of her marvelous ability to present a great Truth that is both idealistic and practical.

She showed how the Christ Consciousness illuminates each soul when we first behold the Light of Truth, and how it grows in a never-ending ray of unfoldment. Mrs. Munz brought out the steps of such unfoldment as the Light of Certainty, the Light of Faith, the Light of Understanding, the Light of Beauty, the Light of Sympathy, and the Light of Joy. She explained these as consisting not only of creative, illuminating Rays, but also as being actual expressions in daily living.

On the last Sunday of the month, which was also the last day of the year, Dr. Nona L. Brooks spoke from the pulpit. It was a celebration of the 46th anniversary of her first sermon, given January 1, 1899. Her subject, appropriately, was, *Past, Present and Future.*

Briefly Miss Brooks reviewed the beginning of the Divine Science movement, which started about fifty-eight years ago. Perhaps no one in the congregation that gathered to hear her was present at her first sermon, but those present appreciated the tremendous power, poise, and serenity that she has developed through her long years of unselfish service.

It is easy to understand why the Divine Science organization has grown and expanded under the strong and wise guidance of Dr. Brooks. Crowned with her snow-white hair, speaking in a voice both musical and clear, a perfect example of the beauty and understanding that maturity of consciousness brings, she inspired everyone with her faith and courage. By right Nona Brooks speaks, not as one quoting from the scribes and the prophets, but as one having authority. Hearing her, seeing her, basking in the light of her presence, one understands the words of Robert Browning:

"Grow old along with me!
The best is yet to be;
The last of life, for which the first was made.
Our times are in His hand
Who saith, 'A whole I planned,

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## EDITORIAL

*"I and my Father are one."*—John 10: 30.

This is an ideal theme for the new year, for it logically follows the birth of the consciousness of the Christ Self within, celebrated at the Christmas season. The new year is the accepted time for new beginnings, the occasion "to turn over a new leaf," a perfect time to make God one's partner in life from this day forward. The desirability of this is so great and the reasons why are so excellently expressed in a recent Divine Science Fellowship lesson that it was felt that the thousands of News' readers should have the benefit of studying it. Permission was graciously given to quote from that lesson as follows:

"God is the Creator; we are the channels for His creation. God is Universal Life; we are the individualized manifestations of that Universal Life. Is not this the answer, O Humanity, the answer to your cry of 'Why are we here? What is it all about?' Are we not here for the express purpose of cooperating with God?

God is Love, God is Wisdom, Power and Life. We are the instruments through which individual love, wisdom, power, and life are being expressed in form. God is the Senior Partner and man is the junior partner in the greatest cosmic adventure ever conceived, the adventure of Divine Life coming forth into expression by means of individual men and women who are unfolding day by day into a higher and higher awareness until they at last become fully conscious of the partnership, and work in knowing harmony with it.

So God is your Partner. He is your constant Companion and Guide, and you can never be separated from Him. From this Partner of yours comes all your power, your intelligence, your happiness; your very life comes from Him. No man can ever be separated from God. Of course, he can feel separated; he can work up an illusion in his own mentality, an illusion that God is a long way off. But he also can connect himself *consciously,* when he realizes that he *is* connected, his power and wisdom will be doubled, and his joy in life will be doubled.

Be spontaneous in your choice of your own kind of partnership. Meet your own specific needs. Allow your imagination to catch hold of the picture that best suits your present level of development. Think of yourself as a human servant of the Divine Lord and King, or as a branch on the tree of God, or as a concentrated center in the vibrating flow in Infinite Life, or as a chord in Life's Symphony, or as a junior partner in your Father's business, or think up a new figure of partnership that has not been thought of or mentioned before. Which picture you use makes little difference. What does make the difference is that you take it for your own, explore its possibilities, meditate upon its meaning, and live its implications.

Every good partner of God is a man of thought and a man of action. In this, as in all things, we must free ourselves from the error of thinking that we must be one or the other. We do not have to choose between being men of thought and being men of action; every well balanced man is both. Every man who is truly following his own Christ nature 'acts as a man of thought and thinks as a man of action.'

Let each of us, then, accept his responsibility. Here within me, 'nearer than breathing,' dwell the two of us. Here we dwell—my Father and I. We are one, yet we seem like two, for my Father is the 'I' of this partnership; He is absolute and changeless. The 'me' of the partnership is the personality that walks about the earth making his mistakes and learning a step at a time. As I think upon the closeness of this companionship, as I listen more and more to my Senior Partner, the distance that now seems so real between the two of us will be shortened, until at last I shall achieve the illumination that reveals the 'I' and the 'me,' the Father and the son, the Subject and the object, to be one. This conscious unity is the goal of my life—the goal of every man's life."

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## MINISTER'S CORNER

The Spirit of God is within us as it was in Jesus. We have innately the Power to do the works. God's Spirit with its power is within us and It is active in our lives and in our affairs to the degree that we are conscious of It.

We may accept this Truth intellectually merely and do but little with it. So long as our belief is purely a passive mental assent, we have only the letter and not the vital Essence of Knowledge. Intellectual recognition can do but little for us. It is somewhat better than former ignorance, but not much. It is only as we change this intellectual acceptance into vivid and dynamic realization that real power is evidenced.

We have discovered one great law of growth, of self-development. As a man thinks with deep conviction, so does he experience. We have come to see that it behooves us to know the Truth and to live the Truth that we know. We realize that Jesus stated a law when he said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Thought is the instrument used in our mental and spiritual unfoldment. Here is where obedience, self-discipline, comes in. A Truth discerned must fill our thoughts and must be lived. We must seek earnestly to know Truth and persist steadfastly in living the Truth we know.

—Nona L. Brooks,
*Minister Emeritus*

# CHURCH SCHOOL

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WAS VERY ATTRACTIVE

The Christmas Program presented by the Church School on Sunday evening, December 17, has been declared almost unanimously to have been the lovliest in several years. As always there was a background of spicy evergreen; ropes in long festoons, wreaths and boughs and a tree whose symetry was outlined in blue lights. A bright note was added in the little pine logs serving as holders for red candles arranged along either side of the auditorium. The glow of the candles and of the tree created a magical Christmas setting.

Every department was represented on the program. The intermediates, carrying flags of the nations formed a verse choir, reciting "Everywhere, Everywhere Christmas Tonight." First Graders, holding Christmas wreaths almost as large as themselves sang, "Christmas Wreath." The beautiful Nativity Tableau was enacted by members of the senior group while the entire church school lead by the choir of senior girls sang appropriate carols.

No Creche Scene is complete without "Holy Night" and "Away in a Manger" and these were sung by children of the primary and kindergarten departments with accordion accompaniment.

As to Santa Claus—bound to secrecy, we can only say that he played his important part in outstanding fashion leaving memories of jollity and curling white whiskers not soon to be forgotten.

Simple as this program was it required skilled musical direction and this was given by Mrs. Clarence Cobb who lead the singing and took the part, most beautifully, of the narrator in the Nativity Tableau, and by Mrs. Val Fogh who played carols on the organ with warmth and understanding.

After all has been said the chief beauty of the evening lay in the spirit of the children themselves, their joyousness, their order, their real appreciation of the meaning of Christmas.

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The Church School offers classes for all ages each Sunday morning at 9:30, and extends a cordial invitation to all who are interested.

# ORGANIZED CHURCH ACTIVITIES

## CIRCLE OF THE BLUE CROSS

We are proud of the students we have sponsored in "Fundamentals." A higher degree of consciousness has been attained, demonstrations have been made and deep appreciation for the benefits derived has been expressed. The repayment of loans in the last month will enable us to sponsor new students for the spring term. Anyone in need of this help should apply.

The January meetings will be as follows:

Thursday, January 11, 2 p. m.

Karoline Munz will speak on "Spirit-Substance." Clara B. Smith will lead the meditation. Fannie Watts and Blanche D. Bundick will read from "Truth and Health."

Thursday, January 25, 2 p. m.

"The Law of Expression" will be the subject given by Rosamond Harsh. The healing silence will be conducted by Ida Swanson. Mrs. H. M. Gunther and Mrs. Harold Rogers will also take part in the program.

Great inspiration for the New Year was received by us from Nona L. Brooks' beautiful message at our annual candlelight service.

## WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

The Christmas meeting was held Thursday, December 7. A fine luncheon was served and enjoyed by seventy-five persons. We are indebted to Miss Fallis and Mr. and Mrs. Pratt for the beautiful table decorations. The program was very uplifting, consisting of original poems by five of our own members, depicting the life of Jesus. Mrs. Clarence Cobb sang appropriate Christmas carols between each reading, with Mrs. V. P. Fogh at the organ.

## CHURCH BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS

The Christmas decorations of the church are unusually lovely this year but like all good things they did not just "happen." The official committee was composed of Miss Belle Fallis and Mrs. McClelland Whitely. They were most ably assisted by Mr. Albert Stoll, Mr. Whitely and Phillip Whitely and by Mr. J. B. Pratt who made the effective pine log candle holders. The Christmas Tree was decorated by Mr. John Chase, Mr. Val Fogh, and the senior high school boys. Our thanks to all of them.

## THE STUDY CLUB

The Study Club met in the lecture room of the Church on the evening of December 19th. Alan M. Emley gave a talk on the seven basic stages of religious development, tracing them from the primitive savage up to the realm of Mastery. A general discussion followed, and the meeting closed with a social hour.

The program of the Club is for the purpose of understanding Divine Science as the highest known method of personal development. The various religious systems of the Far East are compared and contrasted, as well as the different phases of Christianity. The program is not for the purpose of studying the technique of Divine Science, which is essentially the work of the College, but it makes a comprehensive survey by comparing it with other systems.

The time of the next meeting is set tentatively for January 4th, when the subject will be, *What Is Your Stage of Unfoldment?* Notice of the time and place will be given in the Church Bulletin. Everyone interested in Metaphysics is invited.

## CHRISTOPHER-SWENSON WEDDING

A military wedding took place in the Divine Science Church on Thursday evening, November 30, when Miss Eleanor Swenson became the wife of M/Sgt. Guilford Christopher. Dr. Orlando Wanvig, former minister of the Divine Science Church and a close friend of both the bride and groom, performed the ceremony.

Miss Swenson, lovely in white satin and bridal veil, had as her bridesmaids Miss Esther Mae Swenson and Miss Yvonne Christopher. Her other attendants were Mesdames Ralph Ord, Richard McDanal, Richard Moore, Phil Hawkins. Cathy Lou Ord made an exquisite little flower girl.

The ushers were M/Sgt. Zane H. Gordon, M/Sgt. John H. Germaine, M/Sgt. Howard A. Dysart, and 1st Sgt. Jeff V. Terry. Pfc John L. Stramel was best man.

Sgt. and Mrs. Christopher are making their home at 1320 Pennsylvania Street, Apartment 16. Our every good wish for their happiness goes with these two Divine Science young people.

## ARE YOU PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE?

Perhaps you are one of the many who are wondering about the world of the immediate future, and what your place in it may be. Will you live in a world of harmony and peace, or one of bitter struggle between factions representing different ideologies? Will it be a world of abundance, or one of unemployment and poverty?

Whatever it may be, there are literally thousands of people today who are intelligently planning a life of peace and happiness, health, abundance and a true spiritual development, and they are planning in accordance with definite laws that never fail.

If you have not already taken such steps to assure for yourself the abundant life of the future, then read carefully our invitation to you.

## A NEW DESIGN FOR LIVING

What are these laws that never fail?

Nearly two thousand years ago the small Palestinian world had undergone a travail that had lasted many decades. Its people had been overrun by a conqueror whose cruelty and ruthlessness was in accordance with the philosophy of "to the victor belongs the spoils." Their strong and beautiful youths and maidens, as well as their educated and wise, had been marched away to a foreign land, leaving only the old, the halt, the lame and the blind to carry on at home. Nearly a century later a remnant returned with the hope of rebuilding their former civilization, only to be overrun and conquered again and again.

In spite of all travail, these people kept the faith. They accepted the idea that they had been chosen by an all-discerning Deity to fan into flame a dwindling spark of civilization which revolved about the belief in a God of Righteousness, and the inherent righteousness of His people. Among other expectations, was that of a King who would be born among them, and would free them from the Roman yoke that was making their lives a burden. They expected a King of the royal line, of the house of David, who would lead them to victory over the foreign invader and restore their ancient, material glory.

So intent were they on this idea, that they failed to recognize the teachings of a lowly son of a carpenter from Nazareth as the way to a greater glory, abundance and understanding of life than even their prophets had dared to envision, for these teachings constituted a Design for Living, both for the individual and for all mankind.

It is not surprising that the Jews of two thousand years ago failed to accept them. Even in modern times a discussion of *who Jesus was* has become so involved that *what he taught* often is considered a matter of minor importance.

## A GREAT TRUTH SHOWS THE WAY

There comes a time in your life, as with everyone, when you are discontented with the *design for living* that you have used; when there is a restless urge to seek something higher and better and more satisfying than you have ever known. There is a "still, small voice" within that tells you that the teachings that are generally accepted regarding science as well as theology have not yet reached the ultimate in an understanding of Cosmic Law. It whispers that sometime, somewhere, somehow, you will find a philosophy of life that probes deep within the Heart of Things to bring back great Truths, like a diver who goes into the depths of the sea and finds pearls of great price.

If your longing is sincere, and you persist in your search, the time comes when you stand before the gateway to a higher spiritual understanding. And here you pause, for a great test is at hand. It seems simple enough to go on, yet many never penetrate beyond the gateway. There seems to be an old habit self within you, a repressive self, a natural skepticism, and it tells you to wait. It tells you that even though there is a Great Truth beyond—a Truth that will show you the way to the abundant, happy spiritual attainment of which the still, small voice has told you—it is better not to begin now. There is no hurry. Wait until tomorrow or next week or next year.

The old thoughts arising from superstition, ignorance and "let well enough alone" are pretty firmly entrenched. It seems that all Nature rises to protest and delay when you desire a change for betterment.

The first test in making such a change is to recognize the sincerity of the invitation that offers entrance to the gateway. Will your faith carry you forward? Will it be stimulated by the dawning rays of Divine Light? Or, at the critical moment, will you, with your long training in negation refuse to enter, because the gateway does not have the expected appearance? Will the inner voice whisper that this is the Great One? Or will a louder, harsher voice exclaim, "Wait! This is only a lowly carpenter?"

This first test marks a dramatic moment in your life, and in the life of anyone who seeks higher understanding, for it leads to true heights of metaphysical knowledge, to a vibrant, glowing health and the abundance and peace that come from alignment with the basic, spiritual principles on which all life and its progressive unfoldment are formed.

## THE DIVINE SCIENCE COLLEGE

Many years ago the Divine Science College was organized to teach principles which were so new and revolutionary and different that they brought about ridicule and even veiled threats from those who did not understand.

It teaches the Omnipresence of God; that all the stars and suns and worlds and atoms that people limitless, unfathomed space are part of one great plan; that everything is God and the manifestation that comes from God in action.

Remember the intolerance of a generation or two ago, and you will understand why such a principle met drastic opposition. The religious systems then taught people to petition an outside God to give them food or shelter or whatever they happened to desire. Divine Science told

them such prayers were of little avail, for they petitioned for something they already had.

It was a far cry from the outside God of Israel to the God of Omnipresence who is everywhere, in everything, and is law, life, love and power. Each of us is a part of God and of the Divine Plan; each is a manifestation of God; each is capable of expressing the love and power and peace and glory that God is. Divine Science tells you that you have the necessary creative power to bring all things that are good into your life and your environment.

It teaches that all is yours; that God has given you everything that He has, everything that He has created, everything that He is. If you lack anything, whether it be health, happiness or material needs, the fault lies, not with God, but with you. God has not failed to give. You have failed to receive. You have closed the door through wrong thinking, wrong acting, and a misunderstanding of Divine Law.

*Divine Science teaches you how to open that door.*

## THE DIVINE SCIENCE FELLOWSHIP

The Divine Science College, which was incorporated in the year 1898, has now established the Divine Science College Fellowship to provide a means by which students everywhere may study and practice the principles which are proving beneficial in countless numbers of lives. Neither the college nor the Fellowship is a closed religious institution. They do not require students to accept any creed or doctrine. Rather do they ask that you keep the mind open and receptive to new ideas.

The Fellowship conducts a weekly lesson service for members and they are to be studied by you in your office or home. They constitute a method for individual unfoldment. There are no questions to answer, no examinations to pass.

Week by week, you will receive this proved way of reaching the higher realms of consciousness, where "all things shall be added unto you." The lessons show you how to open the door to your own high place in the great kingdom of God.

The service to you is conducted without profit, for the tuition is approximately the cost of producing, printing and mailing the lessons. They come to you each week, and, in addition, you will receive the *Divine Science News*, which tells you of the activities of fellow students in the various fields that are open to trained leaders in spiritual Truth.

## AN INVITATION TO YOU

Today the world is stirring itself spiritually after many years of material development and exploration. It is preparing the way for the great New Era that is at hand. Mankind has solved the age-old problem of production. Yet we do not have material abundance because we lack spiritual development. To gain it, people are considering once more the words of the Nazarene who came to give us a new way of living whereby we may find and keep the gifts that God has prepared for us.

To become one of this group that is finding the light, fill in the application and mail it. You, too, can develop the super-conscious power that is lying deep within your own inner self. It is the greatest power in the universe, for it is the Creative Power of God.

## WEEKLY LESSON-SERMONS BY MAIL

The Divine Science College Fellowship is now conducting a weekly lesson service for the benefit of Fellowship members who wish to clarify and increase their knowledge of Divine Science. These lesson-sermons are of a popular nature; that is, there will be no questions to answer or papers to write and no examinations.

The lessons are issued in series of twelve, with an additional lesson on the holiday occurring in each quarter. This amounts to a lesson a week for three months.

The Divine Science College Fellowship was officially instituted September first, 1944, and the Fellowship year will be from September first to August thirty-first. Application for membership and for the study course may be made at any time and the student will receive Lesson One, Series One, and will continue to receive a lesson each week until the course is completed.

The membership fee, including the first year's dues, is $2.00. Thereafter, the dues will be $2.00 per year, payable on or before the first of September. The tuition for the Fellowship Course is $3.00 for each series of twelve lessons or for each quarter. (If it is more convenient, arrangements can be made to pay $1.00 per month.)

If you have not already enrolled, we invite you to do so now. Fill out the application, making check payable to the DIVINE SCIENCE COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP and mail at once to the Divine Science College Fellowship, 1819 East Fourteenth Avenue, Denver 6, Colorado.

THE DIVINE SCIENCE COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
AND WEEKLY LESSONS

It is my desire to become a member of the Divine Science College Fellowship and receive the Fellowship Lessons until further notice.

I inclose herewith $2.00, fee for membership for one year, also $3.00 tuition fee for the first quarter. Total $5.00.

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# The Pueblo Divine Science Church

## Dr. Max H. Ballard, Minister

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

A Christmas Pageant, depicting Christmas costumes and celebrations in other lands, was presented by the Sunday school classes of the Pueblo Divine Science Church, December 24, with all the children of the Sunday School taking part. Following the program, Santa Claus visited the Church and distributed treats among the younngsters. The members of the high school and intermediate classes sang Christmas songs, while the younger children enacted Christmas eve scenes in various nations of the world.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF

An all-college staff has been enlisted to conduct the Sunday School classes of the Pueblo Divine Science Church this season. For the fourth straight year, Mrs. Norma L. Clark is again serving as superintendent and has for aides Mrs. W .E. Swearingen, instructor of the class for youths and girls of high school age; Mrs. Malcolm Clark, intermediate department; Mrs. D. D. Phelps, juniors, and Mrs. Ed. Orazem, primary and beginners department. D. D. Phelps is again conducting the men's forum, while Mrs. Elizabeth Walmsley leads the women's class.

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The Tuesday night public lectures of the Pueblo Divine Science Church are proving a great blessing to our community. At the conclusion of the lectures we are sharing in a powerful mass healing treatment. Advanced students from the college are assisting Dr. Max H. Ballard, pastor, with the healing work.

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Dr. Max H. Ballard, pastor of the Pueblo Divine Science Church, has been helping as a substitute lecturer in the psychology department of Pueblo junior college. Last month Dr. Ballard also lectured for soldiers and WACS stationed at the Pueblo Army air Base.

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### IN MEMORIAM

MRS. VINNIE DAVIS DUKE

To the Life that she glorified thru integrity and love, that we might have a daily example.

—Dr. Max H. Ballard.



DR. MAX H. BALLARD

Degree of Doctor of Divine Science was bestowed upon the Rev. Max H. Ballard, pastor of the Pueblo Church, in December by the Divine Science College in Denver.

The degree was bestowed for his excellent work since coming to Pueblo in the fall of 1941. At the time there was only a center here. Dr. Ballard, in five brief months, had a following that justified an application for a charter and the Pueblo Divine Science Church was born on January 30, 1942. Today, the Pueblo Church has a membership 200 percent over what it was when the charter was applied for. Property was purchased last June at Fifteenth and Grand where a church building and college will be erected when the war ends.

Dr. Ballard comes from a long line of ministers. He is a relative of the late Henry Ward Beecher, one of America's foremost pulpit orators. His grandfather was a Methodist circuit rider in the pioneer days of Colorado and built the churches in Cripple Creek and Victor. Dr. Ballard's father, The Rev. Guy Ballard of Whittier, California, served for more than 25 years in the ministry. Dr. Ballard's mother is a Divine Science practitioner.

The Pueblo Divine Science Church uses the Federated Women's Club building, Thirteenth and Grand, for the Sunday services and Tuesday night public lectures. The college holds its classes at the study, 1418 North Main.

### HONOR ROLL

The Pueblo Divine Science Church is represented in every branch of military service, and a prayer for the safety of their young people is given during each meeting of the congregation. In the air force are Robert Haver and William Haver. Robert Clark and Jasper Haver are in the Naval air force; Jay Dailey is in the army; James Gore is in the Navy; Marian Wheldon is in the WACS and Marjorie Wheldon is in the Red Cross.

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One of the most beautiful and popular features of the Tuesday night and Sunday morning services of the Pueblo Divine Science Church is the prayer of protection given by the congregation for American boys serving with the nation's armed forces.

The Prayer:

God is your refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night, nor the arrow that flieth by day. There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; He that keepeth thee will not slumber nor sleep. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil. He shall preserve thy soul.

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### BONDS FOR CHURCH

The building fund of the Pueblo Divine Science Church has been greatly increased by members who grasped an opportunity to do a patriotic duty and at the same time help the church. Many war saving bonds were purchased by the members and given to the building fund, to be used when the church is ready at the conclusion of the war, to construct a church building and college at Fifteenth and Grand. The ground was purchased last spring, when the building fund was started.

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Dr. Max H. Ballard, pastor of the Pueblo Divine Science Church, announced that his lectures in January will be on the following subjects:

Jan. 7—"You Are; So You Can."
Jan. 14—"The Mirrors of God."
Jan. 21—"I Love Life."
Jan. 28—"A Sphinx Sits in Egypt."

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## HOME STUDY IN DIVINE SCIENCE

*Full credit for courses by correspondence*

### THE FUNDAMENTAL COURSE

This Home Study Course deals with the basic principles of Divine Science and their application in daily living. The same material which is given in the resident classes in Fundamentals at the Denver College is included in these lessons by mail. The student has the opportunity to ask and answer questions and to do creative writing.

When the requirements of the assignments have been met the student receives a certificate of full college credit.

### THE BIBLE COURSE

This is the study of the Bible as given from the point of view of man's ascending consciousness. It includes the latest in modern scholarship and research as well as the spiritual interpretation according to Divine Science. The student comes to know the Book of Books from the historical, the literary, and the metaphysical standpoints.

Full credit towards a degree of D.S.B. is also given for this course in Bible when the assignments have been met.

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## LETTERS

The following interesting extracts are from letters written home by Roger Prater, one of our former Church School boys who is now in the armed forces somewhere in the East Indies:

"Last night we really had a rainstorm with a strong wind and just about everything I own is well soaked. This is a great climate, one minute it is so hot one almost suffocates and the next it is pouring rain. I'll sure be glad to see some snow again though I'd probably freeze to death after all this heat. It doesn't seem like Thanksgiving time though without any snow.

We didn't go to chow last night, instead we enjoyed a very good meal of coffee, sardines, crackers, cookies, and fruitcake."

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Mrs. Lillian G. Burke is at present in Los Angeles, California. She writes: "I am sending my blessing to you all in the Denver church. May this Truth ever grow and make people more united in love, to live in a world of beauty and goodness. I send a message of sincere gratitude for all the many blessings and the knowledge that has been unfolded to me during the many years I have been a student of Divine Science, and for all those who have had a part in letting this Truth be expressed by them. Infinite Love and prosperity enfolds and expresses through our church." Mrs. Burke's two sons, Donald and Sammy are serving overseas.

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Pfc Mae P. Whilden of 2106 Eighth Ave., Greeley, Colo. is one of the first 50 WACS to arrive recently at the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station in Asheville, N. C. to join the administrative personnel there.

"I'm mighty happy to be assigned to Asheville, it reminds me so much of my home state, Colorado. Naturally, one always loves her home state best, and thinks there is none equal to it anywhere. It is a treat, particularly after a year in an army camp, to be a guest at the Battery Park Hotel with hundreds of Service people just returning from combat areas."

The WACS moved into their permanent quarters at Asheville College shortly after arrival, since their accommodations there were not quite ready when they arrived. A week at the Battery Park Hotel enables them to understand the complete program of hospitality which is being offered to the returnee.

The government has leased four of Asheville's best hotels — the famous Grove Park Inn, the George Vanderbilt, the Asheville Biltmore and the Battery Park for the redistribution program.

When the business of checking thru the station is completed, his real vacation begins. He dines in luxury with his buddies at the hotel; he receives maid and waitress service; partakes of all the athletic sports and visits points of interest on well-organized tours planned by the Special Service Division at the Station—in short, he enjoys the same comforts the millionaire tourist did in pre-war days.

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Mrs. W. U. S. Parsons of Wilson, N. Y. writes that she reads the News carefully and enjoys it very much. She also says, "I began the Fellowship lessons September 1st, and find them very, very helpful, instructive, and inspiring, as well as the daily readings in the Divine Science Monthly. I can never be grateful enough that I was led into the helpfulness of Divine Science."

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## DR. BROOKS AND DR. MUNZ DELIVERED HOLIDAY SERMONS

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Youth shows but half—trust God; see all nor be afraid.' "

On New Year's day, Miss Brooks conducted an inspiring Vesper Service in the Church. At the conclusion, a reception was held in her honor under the auspices of the different women's organizations.

Beginning on the first day of the New Year, the occasion seemed to presage a new activity, a gathering strength and an increased expansion of Divine Science. Every member knows that a movement, so strongly founded in high spiritual Truth, can never be halted or delayed, but must go forward with the power of a great Prophet whose vision is never darkened, and whose words are never stilled.

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## LET GO AND LET GOD

*By* Louella Gottlieb

We are free moral agents. Every trial and every testing can be either our strengthening or our weakening.; our griefs and sorrows will either make or break us. Through them we can become stalwart warriors proclaiming great and beautiful faith in God, or we can take the line of least resistance and be whining, sniffling children, with receding chins, so to speak, who "can't take it." Yet it doesn't really make any difference how our chins are built after all, we all are capable of "letting go and letting God."

By exercising faith we strengthen our faith just as we build stronger muscles by using them. Active faith is alive. It lives; it grows; it manifests itself in glorious, miraculous ways. If we have faith, even in the face of bitter opposition, it will blossom like a rose. Faith is the thing hoped for and yet not seen.

God is so capable and so accurate, and He can time things so perfectly, that we will wonder whether he used a calendar and a stop watch. We must not become impatient. He knows our every need and He knows *when* our need is. If we worry we have not faith.

I have used an affirmation over a period of years, which carries a load of truth. When doubt slips in or a negative thought begins to take hold, I repeat: "According to your faith be it unto you." It is a two-edged sword. It works both ways; if I have faith for good, so will it be; but if I have faith for evil, so also will it be. We can *think* ourselves into a situation; for as our faith is, so shall our thoughts be.

Let us have a New Year's housecleaning and brush out all the old anxieties and replace them with faith—faith in the Infinite Mind, faith in the all-powerful God who can bring good into our life and make it one glorious manifestation of His Power. But, remember, this is not a promise that all is going to be a bed of roses, but, rather, that you will be given strength for the day. Without the problems how could we exercise our faith?

Recently I was confronted with a problem that simply had to be worked out and yet it did not seem within my power to do so. I read Nona Brooks' sermon in *The Divine Science News* on "Integrity," and I began to feel somewhat differently. Soon my problem began to shrink in size. Where it was as high as Pike's Peak, it became a lesser pinnacle, and after reading the sermon the fourth time on the fourth day, the problem looked more like an ant hill. I learned again the power of letting go and letting God. I became so relaxed that I could say, "God, I don't know *how* it will be, but I *do* know it will be all right." And it was all right. It was one glorious victory. Let us not try to "bombard heaven." Let us all resolve to start the New Year by letting go and letting God, and according to our faith will it be done unto us.

## KIND WORDS

What silences we keep year after year
With those who are near to us and dear;

We live beside each other day by day
And speak of myriad things, but seldom say

The full, sweet word that lies within our reach

Beneath the common ground of common speech.

Then out of sight and out of reach they go,

These dear, familiar friends who loved us so,

And, sitting in the shadows they have left,

Alone with loneliness, and sore bereft,
We think with vain regret of some kind word

That once we might have said and they have heard.

—James Russell Lowell

## ONE WORLD—NOT TWO

Many students of metaphysics fall into the vital error of thinking that there are two worlds; a world of limitation and trouble "down here," and another world of perfection "somewhere up there." It is probable that they do not always visualize their mistake as clearly as this, but that they do labor under such a delusion is evident from the remarks they often make when off their guard.

Watch your own phraseology and notice whether you speak as if you thought there were two worlds; and if you do, you must hasten to correct that view.

The truth is that there is one world—God's world—spiritual and perfect now, but that we see it in a limited and often distorted way owing to our false beliefs, and this distorted view of the real world is the so-called world of limitation. By practising the presence of God wherever distortion shows itself, you will rapidly redeem your own existence and help to liberate the whole race too.

— Emmet Fox

## BE YOURSELF

The phrase "Be yourself," is a misleading arrangement of words, for no man can help being himself. And what a comfort it is to know that each of us eternally *is* what God knows him to be. Since God-Mind thinks only perfection, each man is a perfect center of consciousness for that Mind. This truth man can never change. Since creation comes forth with the nature of its Creator at its core, man must of necessity be a channel for the expression of love, wisdom, and power. So *man is what he is eternally*. But because of free will, man is given liberal rein in his conduct. As a result, although he must *be* himself, he may not always act like himself; he may not always act like the Self that God knows as His beloved Son.

—Gayle King Keables