

as told to Sr.-Capt. KATHERINE RUUD by Sr.-Major DOROTHY BERRY

WHEN a few days ago Narcotics Anonymous held its second anniversary meeting in New York City, no one listened to its members' stories with more understanding than Senior-Major Dorothy Berry, secretary of the Eastern Territory's Women's Prisons Bureau. The Major's interest in the meeting was twofold: as one of the group's advisors and as a Salvationist-friend of some of its women members.

As the accounts of daily victory in the fight against drug addiction ended, Miss X. was among those greeting the Major. X., well-educated and from a good family, became a drug addict in her teens. She was serving a sentence in a state institution when she first sought Major Berry's advice and help. Released, she knew the day by day struggle of all who wish sincerely to break the habit. When problems seemed overwhelming, and the craving for drugs most severe, the Major was always accessible with encouragement and practical help and friendship. Now there are five victorious, drug-free years to show and a place creditably filled in the community. Chatting with the Major, X. said gravely: "It couldn't be done if God were not helping me daily!"

Except for background, Miss Y's experience had been almost identical. Y. was from a slum neighborhood, her livelihood originally from city streets. She, too, had been a teen-age addict, serving a long prison sentence when visited by Major Berry. At first in need of help every step of the way, Y. now has been free of the habit for six years and is a respected member of a community church.

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the turn of the century. Said a Salvation Army officer at that time: "With drug addicts . . . the victim (is) very difficult to deal with." Good, nourishing food and regular living were part of the method of restoration. When well enough, "a regular occupation helped to combat depression, as well as bright, cheerful surroundings, music, special meetings. But far above other 'cures' (was) the power of salvation."

The first appointment of a retired Australian officer included work in the '90's for opium addicts on the streets of Sydney. And so around the world, wherever Salvation Army officers were at work.

And so today, using all that scientific progress can offer, but in the same loving spirit and with the same basic faith, Salvationists are in the fight against the evil which in recent years has increased and spread alarmingly. "To every one known drug addict, there are ten or fifteen unknown," says one expert.

THE problems confronting an addict anxious to reform and those willing to aid the reformation are endless. Apart from the addicts released to Major Berry's care in court, or through prison visitation, it is a work of "hidden statistics," in the Major's phrase. The initial steps are usually oblique, sometimes furtive. "They are loath to come," says the Major, "and more often than not come to us by word of mouth. Their first words are likely to be: 'If you could help her, you can help me.'"

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"THE SALVATION ARMY has always been interested in the problem of the narcotics addict," says the Major. Supporting her contention is a passage from William Booth's "In Darkest England," published in 1890, in which the Founder quoted Julia Hayes Percy's description, in "The New York World," of her visit with two young slum officers from their quarters in New York's Cherry Hill Alleys to their barracks in Washington Street. "In another room we find what looks like a corpse," the reporter wrote. "It is a woman in an opium stupor. Drunken men are brawling around her."

Lieut.-Colonel Madge Unsworth's informative book, "Maiden Tribute," refers to the problem as met by Women's Social Service officers in England at



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THE actual time spent with drug addicts and their problems, whether in court, prison visitation or in her office, is only one phase of Major Berry's work on behalf of women who have violated the law. And this in turn is but a part of the time she devotes to helping educate the public to an awareness of the extent and scope of the narcotics evil.

"Many people do not want to feel the problem

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He Who Is Scrupulously Honest Has The Essential Foundation For Building The Finest Character

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HARRIET, THE SALVATION WONDER

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daughter-in-law, knelt at the Mercy-Seat. A tribute of that day stated:

"No brighter trophy has ever been won for the Kingdom of God by the strange methods of The Salvation Army, and no minister of Christ has ever presented a more thorough devotion to His cause, than has 'Orange Harriet' since that day, years ago, when at the Penitent-form in Barnsley Salvation Barracks, bareheaded and in rags, she sought forgiveness for a life of sin.—*International War Cry*.

THE CROWD MAY BE WRONG

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In 1896, England still had a law prohibiting any power-driven vehicle from traveling over four miles an hour on the public highways. Furthermore, it required that such a vehicle should be preceded by a man bearing a red flag. The crowd was wrong once more!

Samuel Morse had adverse criticism from the press and Congress. But today the click of the telegraph is heard the world over. Wrong was the crowd!

Alexander Bell was called a fool in Philadelphia when he exhibited his telephone at the Centennial Exposition. Today, however, we talk around the world over his invention. Once more the crowd was wrong!

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Jennet Whitehead's first vaccination,

Bread Upon
The Waters

THE last will and testament of Charles Newsome was admitted to probate in December, 1951, in the Probate Court for Manhattan County, New York City.

In that will is one religious and charitable bequest as follows:

"I give and bequeath to The Salvation Army for a bowl of soup, which was wet and warm, a piece of bread, a shakedown, and tea and bread for breakfast, in 1897, when badly needed, the sum of six thousand (6,000) dollars."

As an organization today, The Salvation Army is better equipped than it was in 1897 to give spiritual and material help "when badly needed."

Would you like to help us serve others? If so, write to

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cotics Committee of the Welfare Council of the City of New York, the Subcommittee on Prevention and Education, and of the Legal and Investigating Committees, she is in close touch with medical and educational authorities concentrating on the roots of the problem. Her bonneted figure is familiar wherever experts gather to pool findings and recommendations, her knowledge and endless patience respected. Appreciating to the full why, in such a hard, day-by-day battle as that against the drug habit, it is so easy to fall, she refuses to be discouraged by those who set limits on the time an addict may remain free of his habit and, in appropriate paraphrases of Salvation Army belief, preaches salvation to the uttermost and grace for every day.

As Miss X. testified of her day-by-day victory in one of the greatest struggles known to mankind: "It couldn't be done if God were not helping me daily."

PHILADELPHIA CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED

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son. Mrs. First Lieutenant Robert Flinn led the singing of the National Anthem during which "Old Glory" waved in the breeze and lighting effects added a dramatic touch.

SEATED at the two-tiered head table, in addition to those already mentioned, were the Hon. Edward H. Dresel, Richard C. Bond, Frank C. Roberts, Jr., Harry L. Hawkins, William L. Day, George M. Neil, Frederic A. Potts, Colonel Ward E. Becker, Lee Ellmaker, Jr., Colonel J. Harry Labrum, J. Kent Willing, Warner F. Haldeman, Mrs. John M. Carter, John S. Peake, Mrs. Joseph Patterson, Harry J. Crosson, Mrs. Colonel Grace, J. Paul Skidmore, Mrs. Herbert W. Anderson, and William Shoemaker.

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literary campaigns were getting under way in the islands so that there would be readers for the Book when it finally arrived. Just before Christmas the first copies were received at the Bible House in New York and dispatched at once to Cristobal in the hope that at least a few of the books could reach the islands before the new year, two years after Dr. Nida's visit to the islands. The number of copies printed is 2,500.

And so the gospel finds its way into another language, bringing nearer the goal of the Bible Society, that every man may have the scriptures in a tongue he can read and understand.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY'S NOTES

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Senior-Captain Walter Eden, Senior-Captain Walter Hooper, and Senior-Captain John Waldron. The conference is to be held in Chicago during the month of April.

ILLNESS

It was a great disappointment to Commissioner Charles Mackenzie (R), and a sorrow to his comrades, that the Commissioner was taken ill during the Congress and was unable to remain to the end. The Commissioner is in the Roosevelt Hospital in New York, where he is responding to treatment and showing some improvement. Our prayers are with Commissioner and Mrs. Mackenzie in these trying and difficult hours.

FROM THE SOUTH

From Macon, Ga., comes good news from our comrades, Senior-Major and Mrs. Milton McMahon. Major and Mrs. McMahon, still officers of the Eastern Territory, are working with the USO, the Major being an area supervisor, responsible for USO work at three centers, Macon, Albany and Moultrie, Ga. The program is expanding and the services provided are deeply appreciated by the members of the Army and Air Force based nearby. Good work, Major and Mrs. McMahon!

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Jenner, who discovered vaccination, was jeered at. Some serious-minded men went so far as to say that all the animal diseases would be transferred to the human race. Horns had actually grown out on the foreheads of innocent people, some said. Yet Jenner eliminated the smallpox scourge by using his vaccine. The majority was mistaken!

Robert Fulton had only words of discouragement from the crowd as they watched him work on his steamboat. They derided it as "Fulton's Folly." Today steamboats cross the seas. Mistaken was the majority!

Madame Curie sorted through tons and tons of waste material in search of radium. The crowd laughingly asked, "What is radium?" Today it is a valuable asset in fighting disease. The crowd was mistaken!

Did you ever think that the majority may be wrong about its attitude toward Christ? Did you ever think that you are part of the crowd that is ignoring the rights that Christ has on your life? Are you sure that the smart crowd is right in its attitude toward Jesus and His salvation?

The crowd, as a whole, is ignoring Jesus Christ. Do you believe it is right in doing so? If not, why are you forming part of that crowd?

Think a moment. Tell me frankly—what better one is there to follow than Christ? What better person is there than He who was to be called "Jesus"

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Why, then, follow the ungodly crowd? The crowd as a whole is wrong. Will you not join the crowd that knows the truth, the truth that makes men free?—*Nathanael Olson. Procurable in tract from the American Tract Society, 21 West 46th Street, New York 36, N. Y.*

HELP FOR THE DRUG ADDICT

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exists," the Major feels. "Some communities deny it when the evidence is clearly before their eyes, on their own doorsteps. One report minimizing the problem will be seized and quoted while surveys giving overwhelming proof to the contrary are ignored."

Major Berry's cooperation with Narcotics Anonymous and its educational program dates from its founder's appeal to The Salvation Army for a meeting place for the group, offered gladly and used regularly.

As a member of the Teen-age Nar-

Acts 16: 31

... Believe on the Lord
Jesus Christ, and thou shalt
be saved and thy house.

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Delightful musical items included the march, "Rosehill," by the Staff Band (Lieut.-Colonel William Slater); the selection, "The Midnight Cry," by the Temple Chorus (Senior-Captain Richard Holz); a vocal solo by Songster Rosalie Peacock, and an organ number, "Glory In The Cross," by Mrs. Colonel Harris.

Others who participated included Senior-Captain Morrison, Mrs. First Lieutenant James Bozman, First Lieutenant Viola Gifford, Second Lieutenant Edward Canty and First Lieutenant Regina Johnson.

Prior to the meeting, the musical organizations teamed to present an appreciated fifteen-minute program.

GOSPEL IN SAN BLAS LANGUAGE

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language and examining a translation of Mark already begun by Peter Miller. Verse by verse and chapter by chapter the text was worked over by Mr. Miller and the group and tried out on the chiefs and village leaders. Chapters were recorded and played over for the village people to be sure all could understand it. In May of last year the typing of the manuscript was completed and Peter Miller flew to Colon to go over it again with Dr. Nida. While the manuscript was going through the long process of printing,

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WELCOME!

Welcome to Senior-Major Margit Andresen (R), who comes to us from Norway, to pay a visit to relatives in this country. We will no doubt be seeing the Major at the Territorial Center during the next few months, and will be delighted to greet her.

MUSICAL NOTE

Congratulations to Bandmaster Vernon Post, who was the subject of a feature article in the Music Section of the "Pittsburgh Press" newspaper recently. The article mentioned the Bandmaster's musical training and ability and spoke of his work with the Salvationist musicians of Western Pennsylvania.

ORDER OF THE FOUNDER

During The Salvation Army Diamond Jubilee celebrations at Perth, Western Australia, the Territorial Commander, on behalf of the General, conferred the Order of the Founder upon Envoy Robert Palmer, of the Perth Fortress Corps. Envoy Palmer is the older brother of our Colonel William Palmer, now living in retirement in Belmar, N. J. We congratulate Envoy Palmer upon this distinction, and rejoice with Colonel Palmer in the honor which has come to his brother.

God Brings Men Into Deep Water, Not To Drown Them But To Cleanse Them