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A Typical Winter Scene Near Lake Tahoe

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What's Happening

The Rev. C. E. Schoenleber has resigned his charge in Odessa and Lind, Wash., and will begin his ministry on the new field at Startup, Wash., with the first of February. We wish the pastor and church much joy in their work together in God's Kingdom.

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A baby boy was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Rudolph Klein of Loyal Okla., on Nov. 23 who has been named Merle Eugene. Mr. Klein is pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church near Loyal and has recently had the joy of leading the church in the festivities of dedicating their new church building.

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The Rev. William Kuhn, D. D., was the guest preacher at our church in Bison, Kansas, on Sunday, Dec. 15, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary. The Rev. R. Vassel is minister of the church. On the following Sunday, Dec. 22, Dr. Kuhn preached in our church in Baileyville, Ill.

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On Sunday, Dec. 15, the Rev. M. L. Leuschner visited and spoke in the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the morning and in the Fourth Street Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio, in the evening. The pastors of these churches are the Revs. P. C. A. Menard and E. J. Baumgartner, respectively.

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The Rev. Gustav Schmidt, pastor of the West Baltimore Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md., recently baptized 4 persons on confession of their faith. Evangelistic services were held for two weeks in the church beginning with Dec. 8, which were conducted by the Rev. R. Boyer.

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In the recent report of the Wisconsin Association, the name of the Rev. L. B. Berndt should have appeared as the newly elected vice-moderator rather than that of the Rev. Louis B. Holzer. This correction has been sent to the editor by the Rev. J. C. Kraenzler, the reporter for the association sessions.

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The Rev. C. H. Edinger reports that three new and renewed subscriptions to "The Baptist Herald" were secured in our church at Elm Creek, Texas, which he serves once a month, by means of the sale of the following farm products: 14 pounds of pecans, 2 gallons of honey, 40 pounds of peanuts and 2 bales of peanut hay.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Mueller, members of the West Baltimore Baptist Church, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary

on Sunday, Nov. 10. The church was packed with more than 300 people to witness the program in which the honored couple and children and grandchildren took part and to attend the service of worship.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE IN 1937

At the last session of the General Conference held in Milwaukee it was voted to hold the 1937 meeting with the churches in Chicago. At the annual meeting of the Pacific Conference held during the past summer in Vancouver, B. C., a suggestion was made to invite the General Conference to hold the 1937 session with the churches of Portland, Oregon. This suggestion was met with a hearty and enthusiastic response by the delegates and visitors present. The General Conference Council took the matter under advisement and recommended the submission of the proposed change in the meeting-place to the respective conferences. All conferences have expressed themselves as favoring the proposed change with the exception of the Dakota Conference which met earlier in the year and therefore did not have an opportunity to submit it to their conference for action. In addition the officers of the General Conference, the churches of Chicago and the General Mission Committee were asked to voice their opinion. All have acted favorably. We are not ready at present to announce the definite dates of the Conference. This will be done at our earliest convenience. The fact that Portland has on two occasions invited the General Conference but was turned down came into consideration in making this final decision. There is no doubt that Portland will attract a great many of our constituency, due to the picturesque surroundings of the city and also because of the trip to and from the conference.

LOUIS B. HOLZER,
Recording Secretary of the
General Conference.

The Rev. N. A. Christensen has been instrumental in organizing several B. Y. P. U. societies in the churches which he is serving. On Sunday evening, Nov. 24, the first meeting of the young people's society in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada was held with 22 young people present. The society in Irvine was or-

ganized in August with 14 members and in Albeck a young people's society was started with 10 members.

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"A Friendly Gospel Crusade" was held in the Grace Baptist Church of Racine, Wis., with evangelistic services every evening from Nov. 10 to 24, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. A. Engel. Afternoon meetings were held for the children in which choruses were taught and Bible stories related by Mrs. Otto Jander. There were many testimonies as to the spiritual blessings received from these services.

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On Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 28, the B. Y. P. U. of the Immanuel Church, Kankakee, Ill., presented a pageant-play of Christian stewardship, entitled, "The Ring of Rama Krishniah" before a large audience. Twenty young people of the Senior and Junior societies participated. This presentation of a play on Thanksgiving evening is an annual occasion which elicits a wide-spread response by the community.

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The Rev. William Barsch, formerly pastor of our church in New Britain, Conn., and of an English Baptist church in Meriden, Conn., began a promising pastorate in Lockhart, Texas, with the first of November. He is minister of a newly organized church, composed of the congregation of two amalgamated churches. Lockhart is only a few miles from the place of Mr. Barsch's birth and from our German Baptist Church near Kyle.

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The B. Y. P. U. of our church in Randolph, Minn., observed its 50th anniversary on Wednesday evening, Dec. 4. The
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EDITORIAL

THERE is something wonderfully exhilarating about every New Year's Day. You may call it "turning over a new leaf" or entering "the Land of Beginning Again" or "the time for resolutions," but you are bound to be affected by the spirit of this season even as youth and age alike thrill to the surging life of warmth and beauty in the early days of spring. The New Year's clarion call is for youth to be at its best during the weeks and months that are ahead, and blessed is the youth who responds with resolute determination!

Youth at Its Best

There are almost limitless possibilities which lie dormant in youth. Life's span has only begun; the five and three talents have just been granted; opportunities knock repeatedly at the door of each day. If only young people could have a vision of this New Year's Day of what they could do and be with God's help and grace, I am sure that the resolve to live at one's best would be translated into great deeds and heroic lives.

"Into our hands is given all the wealth and power
To make your life just what you will."

The spirit of youth is naturally responsive to causes which have as their aim the uplift of mankind. Evidence of this can be found even among the irreligious youth of Russia which is ready to sacrifice heavily for the cause in which it believes. How much more wonderfully will youth be at its best in the lives of those who are motivated by God's spirit and by the high ideals of his truth and his Kingdom! Open your eyes to the vision of the possibilities of faith! Bare your breast to the sunshine of God's ideals for man! Unlatch your heart to God's guiding purposes, for as Dr. Jowett said: "We are great only as we are God-possessed."

Youth is naturally eager and ambitious, unbridled in its enthusiasm and virile in its strength. In that sense of the word, the years of youth are

the best of life, for when harnessed to purposive ends, there seems to be unlimited power for great achievements. New Year's Day seeks to direct the enthusiasm and the zeal of youth into the channels of earnest living and faithful service for Christ and his cause. That will mean adventures such as no young person ever dreamed of before. But that will also mean life at its best, for every thought and deed will be the expression of the expression of the spirit of Christ in them.

A hopeful, optimistic spirit is characteristic of youth at its best. When young people seem to be bored with the age in which they are living, they are regarded as old and withered in spirit. Youth that is glad to be "alive in such a time as this," confident of ultimate achievement and victory despite overwhelming odds is nearer to the heart of the Christian faith than any other group of people in life. How the Christian youth of our day needs to lead the hesitant, retreating church into the new year toward an unswerving goal of conquering the citadels of evil for Jesus Christ.

Youth loves to be busily active, for its years of physical strength and vigor are the arena of ceaseless action. But so much of modern youth is engaged in tasks that bind them to a vicious circle in activities that have no abiding significance. When young people know themselves to be co-laborers with God and plunge themselves into action for God that his will might be done on earth and his gospel proclaimed to the uttermost parts of the earth, then youth in its most beautiful and winsome picturization appears before us.

"I am the New Year and I come to you pure and unstained,
Fresh from the hand of God.
Each day, a precious pearl to you is given
That you must string upon the silver thread of Life."

"And be ye renewed in the spirit of your mind; and put on the new man, that after God hath been created in righteousness and holiness of truth." That "new man" in 1936 should be youth at its best!

The Youth of Our Churches

By Martin L. Leuschner, General Young People's Secretary

THE young people of our churches are worthy of the denomination's highest admiration. As future leaders in the work of God's Kingdom they should provide the impetus for great rejoicing on the part of those who understand them. With a generation of consecrated and eager Christian youth such as is appearing at present on the scene of our denominational life, we can be definitely assured of several decades of spiritual prosperity and aggressive advance in the cause of Jesus Christ among our churches.

The questionnaires concerning the young people's societies and Sunday Schools of our churches, which were recently addressed to our ministers, have been largely returned and have provided us with some very interesting data. Statistics become exceedingly exciting to read, when they are clothed with the faces and achievements of young people who are personally known to us.

The Young People's Societies at Work

The young people's societies of our churches are strong and large numerically. To be sure, in some sections of the country, the age for B. Y. P. U. membership is not in any way restricted, but youth, after all, is a spiritual attitude rather than an affair of the calendar. The total constituency of our B. Y. P. U. societies, according to the data received, is 10,216 young people. Such is a very gratifying total in contrast to our denominational membership of 36,000. The increase over the figures published in the 1935 Conference Booklet can be attributed to the additional complete reports of Junior and Intermediate societies which are rapidly growing in our churches. The Dakota Conference with 2212 young people in their societies heads the list of conferences for membership.

The most revealing and interesting data has to do with the number of young people attending our assemblies and institutes. This usually involves a week or its equivalent at some retreat, where they attend religious classes throughout the day and inspirational services in the evenings. The number of young people in attendance at such institutes last summer reached the unusually fine total of 1811. This does not include the young people attending the conferences nor is it the complete story, but in itself it is a revelation of the marvelous success of these assemblies. The Dakota Conference again leads with 305 young people. The conferences with 200 or more are the Central (251), Southwestern (244), Northwestern (240), Pacific (216), and Northern (211). The other conferences reported as follows: Texas and Louisiana, 211; Atlantic, 122; Eastern, 52. Such assemblies have been held at Camp Unami and Madison, Conn., in the Atlantic Conference; at Linwood near Cleveland, the Detroit Four-Church

Union retreat, and the Des Plaines Camp Grounds near Chicago in the Central Conference; at Twin Rocks, Oregon, and in churches of California and Washington and British Columbia in the Pacific Conference, in or near churches of the Northern North Dakota, South Dakota and Central Dakota Associations of the Dakota Conference; in Oklahoma and Kansas of the Southwestern Conference; in Minnesota (usually at Mound Park), Wisconsin and Iowa of the Northwestern Conference; and as Bible Schools for an extended period in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, Canada, besides several week-end retreats of various Unions in the Northern Conference. The Texas and Louisiana Assembly, which is held annually over the Thanksgiving holidays, has recently met at Waco, Texas, where the registration for which a charge was made, reached 170 and at some of the services almost 500 people were in attendance. These young people's assemblies are exerting a wide-spread and spiritual influence on our youth beyond the highest dreams of a few decades ago.

The Organizational Network of Our Y. P. & S. S. W. Union

Every section of the United States and Canada in which our churches are located has its regional gatherings. The organization of our National Y. P. and S. S. W. Union with its many subdivisions is an exceedingly intricate network of subdivisions, but with each an integral part of the whole. There is the Atlantic Y. P. and S. S. W. Union with its annual conference in May, the Jugendbund of New York and Vicinity with its rallies, the Ontario as well as Western New York and Pennsylvania Associations in the Eastern Conference, the Dayton, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Union with its annual convention over Labor Day, the Midwest Union comprising the churches in southern Illinois, the Chicago Jugendbund and Chicago Lehrerbund, the Sunday School Associations of the three associational areas in the Dakotas, the several state Unions besides the Conference Unions in the Northwestern and Southwestern Conferences, the Northwest Y. P. and S. S. W. Union besides the state Unions, all of them exceedingly active, in the Pacific Conference, and the Southern and Northern Texas Associations with rallies held during the year.

The officers of the National Union are Mr. Norman L. Boehm of Detroit, Mich., president; Mr. Walter S. Schaible of Waco, Texas, vice-president; and Miss Edith Dueterhoeft of Milwaukee, Wis., secretary. The conference areas are represented on the council of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union by council members, who are important cogwheels in the larger organization. They are Mr. Edwin H. Marklein, Atlantic Conference; Mr. Harold Johns, Central

Conference; Rev. G. G. Rauser, Dakota Conference; Rev. P. Geissler, Eastern Conference; Rev. A. Felberg, Northern Conference; Mr. Elmer Wengel, Northwestern Conference; Rev. F. W. Mueller, Pacific Conference; Rev. J. J. Renz, Southwestern Conference, and Mr. Chester A. Buenning, Texas and Louisiana Conference.

Our Sunday Schools Are Steadily Growing

The Sunday Schools of our churches are the most thriving and forward-moving organizations within our churches. During the past few years they have been showing an encouraging numerical increase. The total enrollment of our Sunday Schools amounts to 36,355 scholars with 8014 enrolled in the schools of our Dakota Conference and 6329 in those of our Central Conference. The average attendance shows the fine record of about 85% in most of our Sunday Schools.

The Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 500 or more are those of the Bethel Church, Detroit, Mich. (650); the Ebenezer Church, Detroit, Mich. (630); the Oak Street Church, Burlington, Iowa (600); the Clinton Hill Church, Newark, N. J. (595); the Evangel Church, Newark, N. J. (575); and the First Church, Portland, Ore. (520);

The number of Vacation Schools and Teacher Training classes which are being conducted by our Sunday Schools are comparatively few. We need to emphasize the training of Sunday School teachers and the supplementing of the Sunday teaching with further religious instruction throughout the year. Only 30 Sunday Schools reported that Vacation Bible Schools were conducted last summer, and only 28 schools seem to have a regular Teacher Training Class for prospective teachers. Several articles will shortly appear in "The Baptist Herald" about the way in which to begin a Teacher Training Class, and the "S. S. and Y. P. Workshop Page" which begins with this issue will contain much material of an instructive and helpful nature for wide-awake Sunday School officers. The Northwestern Conference with 9 Vacation Bible Schools and the Central Conference with 9 Teacher Training Classes took the honors concerning these questions.

There was such a diversity of answers in regards to "the Lesson Material" used that no statement can be given in this report concerning them. Suffice it to say, that for those Sunday Schools, which are still bilingual, the "Lektionsblätter," edited by Professor G. H. Schneck of Passaic, N. J., are unusually fine in their adaptation to our needs and their interesting content.

What Will Tomorrow Have in Store?

Crucial days are facing our churches which will largely determine the future course of our denominational existence. The banner of Jesus Christ needs to be carried into new fields of conquest. The torch of the Spirit of God is waiting to be passed into the hands of another generation. Our united prayer should be for young people consecrated to Jesus Christ, ready to dare and to do great things for God!

A Challenge for 1936

By NORMAN J. BOEHM of Detroit, Michigan
President of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union

THE calendar indicates a new year and with it a new opportunity. 1935 is now history, and with it go its regrets. There are many joys that should linger in our hearts and minds.

As Christian workers we have had opportunities to present Christ to others by our words and by our living. No, we did not use all our opportunities for the greatest good. God grant that we may try harder in 1936! Life is a book that unfolds and records. What is written on the pages depends on us. There are blotches on the pages of each life. All of us are certainly not satisfied with our records—or at least we shouldn't be. Our efforts should be not to repeat the same mistakes but rather to overcome our deficiencies and strive so to live as to present a better life for the review of time a year from now. May our resolutions mean more than empty promises, only to be broken with the first adversity crossing our path!

All over this country in our denomination are groups of faithful workers for the Lord. Discouragements of various kinds have confronted us. Plans have gone awry. Hopes dashed. Sorrows, bereavements, sickness, disappointments—all have challenged our faith. But the grace of our Lord has been sufficient for our needs, and it is ours for the asking in simple faith and trust.

No, we have not seen all our plans, which we thought to be good, materialize, even in the Christian life. Perhaps, later we shall be thankful for One who understands us better than we, ourselves, do and who keeps from us those things which are not in His plan for us. He gives us other plans, some of them to develop and to test our calibre and character. With Him—ours is the victory!

As a National Union we are looking forward to a new year of service and fellowship through our organization, our general secretary, the Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, The Baptist Herald, and through other means. Let us go forward and with Paul, the great apostle, this one thing let us do forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before."

This young people's issue of "The Baptist Herald" will be an annual feature hereafter, sponsored by the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union. We trust it will better acquaint you with our extensive field.

To all of you, sincere greetings and a hand clasp—even though only by the printed word! To pastors, executives, council members, Sunday School superintendents, Young People's Society presidents and all workers, the challenge—"Carry On!"

BEAUTY for ASHES

by Grace Livingston Hill

SYNOPSIS

Gloria Sutherland awoke one spring morning to find all which she thought was love swept away in one night. The week before her wedding to Stanley Asher he had been killed with a chorus girl in a New York speakeasy, both having been shot by the jealous lover of the chorus girl. In spite of objections by her mother, who was always concerned about observing the proper formalities of the social set in which she and her family were members, Gloria's father prevailed on her to motor with him into the country and to spend a few days away from the city and the scene of the recent tragic event. He surprised Gloria by taking her to the little country village, which was the scene of his birthplace, and telling her about the background of his life with its poverty, simplicity and religious associations. Here she and her father spent several gloriously happy days, becoming acquainted with the farm, going fishing in the old trout brook, enjoying the delicious country meals, breathing in the pungent fragrance of the pine trees and meeting their many relatives who seemed to be especially interesting to Gloria. But at Uncle George's house she had a sudden set-back in her enthusiasm for searching out relatives.

CHAPTER SIX

In the house the welcome was unsmiling and almost haughty. Aunt Miranda Sutherland was a woman with a prim mouth and gimlet eyes. Gloria could see at the first glance that she disapproved of her at sight, and Joan was only a slightly more modern edition of her mother. She seemed a good deal older than Gloria. They shook hands stiffly and sat down as far from the chair they had given Gloria as the limits of the big parlor would allow. For a few minutes they said little leaving the conversation entirely to the two brothers but when Gloria began to say how charmingly their house was located, and to rave over the view the cousin turned and looked her over critically, and the aunt said with a sharp tinge to her voice:

"How is it you're off up here? The last I heard of you you were going to be married. We got your cards. Wasn't it this week?"

The color suddenly drained out of Gloria's sweet face and pain came into her eyes.

"Yes, I was—" she began haltingly. It hadn't occurred to her that she would

meet with that tragic matter up here so far out of her world. It stabbed through her heart like a knife and twisted about cruelly. What to answer, how to explain the terrible thing without making it more tragic? It seemed as if there were no words to go on. But her father had heard and answered for her.

"Gloria has been through a very sorrowful time," he said gravely. "Her fiancé is dead. That was why I brought her up here, to get her away from everything for a little while."

An embarrassed instant of silence fell upon the room, and Gloria's eyes were down, but bravely she lifted them and sent a little wan, wistful smile cut toward her unknown relatives.

"Oh!" said the aunt obviously curious. "I wondered. We saw a notice in a New York paper. Joan brought it home from Portland. It was the same name as that on the invitation but I thought it might be just a coincidence."

"No," said Gloria quietly, "it wasn't just a coincidence." There was infinite sadness in her tone, but it did not invite further questioning. Her aunt looked at her avidly for a moment, obviously expecting more details, but Gloria remained silent.

"Well, that certainly was too bad!" she said at last, half grudgingly. "There's many a slip, of course, but we aren't always looking for it to happen to folks we know. Did you know the girl he was with when it happened?"

Suddenly Gloria's father arose and stepped forward, his hat in his hand, his voice clear and a bit haughty.

"Well, I guess we must be going," he said offering his hand to his sister-in-law, and then to his niece. "It's quite a drive back to Afton and Mrs. Weatherby is expecting us both to tea. Also, I'm rather expecting a business telegram which may call me back home suddenly. I'm glad to have seen you. It's nice to know you're so pleasantly located. The view certainly is lovely from here. You must enjoy it a lot."

He talked incessantly, keeping between Gloria and her aunt and giving her no opportunity to reply to the question that had been asked her. Gloria managed to keep a semblance of a smile on her face until they were in the car and started off again. She even had the grace—or the courage—to say graciously as they drove away, "can't you drive over to Afton and see us while we are there? We're going to stay a few days yet I think."

Joan thanked her ungraciously and said:

"I don't think it'll be possible. I go back to Portland in the morning, and mother doesn't go out much any more."

Gloria, once out of their sight, settled back in the car with a stricken look.

Her father gave her a troubled glance. Finally he said:

"I wouldn't mind so much what she said. I don't think they really meant to be unkind. They're just curious, and perhaps a little hurt that we didn't write and explain, as they are relatives. I think that has been their grievance all along. They think we feel ourselves above them."

"No, I don't mind so much about them," said Gloria with a sorrowful little sigh. "I was just thinking, all the world knows my disgrace. I didn't realize anybody would know it outside of Roseland."

"Why do you call it *your* disgrace? You had nothing to do with shooting Stan."

"No," sighed Gloria again, "but it is a disgrace to have been connected with a man who died in that way. You know that, Dad."

"I always knew he wasn't worthy of you," said her father vehemently.

"After all, Dad, what have I done that should make me worth so much. I've been just a good-for-nothing parasite!" said the girl. "When I hear about Grandmother Sutherland and all that she did I'm ashamed."

"Times have changed," said her father sharply. "You were not required to do so much. Your circumstances were different. If you were lack in those times and had the same necessity upon you I'll warrant you would do as well."

"I wonder?" said Gloria thoughtfully. The telegram that Mr. Sutherland had spoken of so lightly without any real idea one would come, arrived over the telephone as they were coming down to breakfast next morning.

"Your presence in office imperative today. Important news from England just arrived."

Gloria's father turned troubled eyes upon her.

"I'm sorry," he said, "I've got to go home at once. I'll have to fly if I can catch a plane in time. Will you stay here? I can probably return tomorrow or next day. Or will you go with me? I could send the chauffeur up on the train to bring down the car."

Gloria's eyes took on a look of panic.

"Oh, I'd rather not go home—yet!" she pleaded. "Would it be all right for me to stay here a little while longer?" Her eyes sought Mrs. Weatherby's face which reassured her.

"Sure, you're welcome as the spring in winter!" exclaimed John Hastings pulling out his chair from the breakfast table. "And Mr. Sutherland, you've time to eat your breakfast." He looked at his watch. "I'll drive you down to the airport. There's a plane that leaves about the time we'll get there. I've gone on it myself."

In ten minutes more they were on their way, for Gloria decided to ride down and see her father off into the sky.

They sat together in the back seat, with the Hastings in front.

"I'm afraid you're going to be mighty lonesome," said the father, taking his distracted mind from his business for a glimpse at his daughter.

"No," said Gloria, "I'll be all right, I've got some thinking to do while you're gone, and I found a lot of old books in the parlor bookcase. I'm going to sit in the hammock on the porch and read between thinks."

She kept up a cheerful front till he had kissed her and gone, even until the plane was a mere speck in the distance. Then suddenly there descended upon her a sick feeling of desolation. Why had she let him go without her? Why had she not gone along with him?

And like a great bird of prey all the burden of her sorrow and the shame of Stan's death came down upon her terror-stricken soul. How was she going to endure the days without her father?

All the way back to Afton she was listening to Emily Hastings with her ears as the kind hearted woman told her who lived here and there and what was what along the road, but her heart was suddenly living over again the tragedy that had come into her life and crying out in horror.

It was as if her father had been a kind of protection that had been about her, wherein she had been able to exist as in a new world, living back in the years of his early life. But now that he was gone the glamour of this place was gone with him, and it became an alien atmosphere wherein she could not breathe aright. She looked into the far bright sky that had swallowed him up a few minutes before, and wished she had gone with him. Going home would not have been any worse than being in a strange world with people who thought they had to entertain her every minute, while all the time she was longing to crawl away in a hole and hide.

Every detail of that terrible funeral lived itself over hour by hour in her mind as the day crawled through its seemingly endless minutes. Every expression on every face she had seen since Stan's death passed before her in review. She shrank again from Nance and her bitter words, her covert sneers at herself for caring about that girl. And then her mind leaped to the cousin Joan, and Aunt Miranda's blunt questions. She saw again the cold unsympathetic glances of those two, and knew

that they were enjoying her disfigurement as if she had been a worm on a pin and they had been watching her squirm. With supernatural insight it came to her that it was not because those two women were cruel that they had been glad of her trouble and had tried to rub it in, but because they had been jealous of her wealth and easy life, and it helped to assuage some of their pangs of envy to know that she too had seen disappointment. They had presumed to think of her as feeling above them, and now they were glad that she was brought low. She perceived that it was a state of mind with them rather than personal enmity.

Yet though she could thus excuse and in a sense forgive them, her soul groveled in the earth to think that Stan, her lover whom she had trusted so perfectly, had laid her open to such pity as this. Doubtless this was the way everybody thought of her, in spite of their modern standards, as a girl whose lover had gone after another girl on the very eve as it were of her marriage.

She went to her room when they reached the house saying she must write some letters, but she did not write letters when she got there. She buried her face in her pillow and let the whole wretched horror sweep over her soul and rack it as it would. There was no one now to interrupt. The tears did not flow down her face, for still they would not come, but she knew they were flowing down in a torrent into her heart. Tears of her life's blood, and she wished—oh, how she wished—that she could cry out her life and be done with it all.

Then just in the midst of her orgy of sorrow the dinner bell rang for the hearty midday meal, and she wondered how she could ever go down and eat. Was there no place in this wide world where one could get away and grieve to death?

Then she heard the dear old lady's voice calling her, "Gloria, Gloria dear! Come down to dinner!" and the spirit of her own grandmother seemed to stir in the sweet lavender-scented room and urge her. "Go, dear! Don't grieve my old friend."

Grandmother would never have slunk away and grieved to death. Grandmother would have got up and done her duty.

Gloria arose, washed her face hastily and hurried downstairs.

There was johnnycake, hash and applesauce for dinner. It was the first time Gloria had ever been on intimate terms with any of them and she liked them all. Somehow the good cheer around the table dispelled her gloom. After she had helped with the dinner dishes she hunted out a book from the bookcase, put on a heavy coat, for the spring air was chilly, and curled up in the hammock on the porch to read.

It was a gorgeous day and the very air seemed buoyant, yet her heart was so heavy the sunshine fairly hurt, but after a time she grew interested in the

book and managed to while away most of the afternoon.

She tried taking a walk alone but somehow, with her father away, the romance was gone, and when she looked down the aisle of the woods she could only see a long vista of years, her life, with the zest gone out of it.

Her father called her up on the telephone that night to know if she was all right, and to say he might have to stay a couple of days longer. Did she want the chauffeur to come up after her or could she stand it a little longer without him?

She answered cheerily that she was doing beautifully, and though her heart shrank from another day or two of monotony without him she shrank still more from going home, so she told him she was quite all right and he mustn't hurry away from important business just for her.

But when she hung up she had a dreary feeling of being a prisoner in a strange land.

Yet home would have been worse. There would have been Mrs. Asher and her woes, there would have been Nance with her fierce morbidness, and there would have been all the bridesmaids running in to make painful duty calls and bemoan her fate with her. No, a thousand times no, she could not go back home yet. She must get her bearings before she went back, though just how she was to get them was beyond her. She didn't seem to be doing anything about it here, just mooning along through the days, sorrowing through the nights, getting black rings under her eyes, a sorrowful droop to her mouth. How was she ever to bear life again?

For three days except when she could persuade Emily Hastings to let her help in some household duty, she spent most of her time on the front porch reading.

The second day she heard whistling, and it cheered her a little. It wasn't like any whistling she had ever heard before, not jazzy, nor half crooning as was the crazy music at home. It was clear sweet notes like a bird in the early morning, and sweet quaint tunes that she had never heard before, though occasionally there was a melody which she recognized from some great symphony. The whistler was familiar with fine music, that was evident.

Whoever was whistling was working just out of sight behind the big white farm house that stood a little back from the road, diagonally across the highway. She heard the sound of a saw, and a hammer—good strong sturdy blows—driving a nail of proportions into wood. It made a musical ringing that chimed well with the whistling. Later there came the ring from a heavy roller going over smooth ground, and a little tinkle each time it turned as if some metal fragments were caught within the cylinder and were striking against the iron. Not that she reasoned this out. She was not familiar with saws and

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program consisted of musical numbers, a brief history of the society, the according of special honors to the charter members of whom 17 of the original 29 are still living, and an address on "Spiritual Athletics" by the Rev. F. H. Henemann, pastor of the Minnetriska Church in St. Bonifacius. This was followed by a social period of fellowship and refreshments.

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Mr. E. Elmer Staub of Detroit, Mich., general treasurer of our denomination, has been confined to his bed at home for the past six weeks because of a severe heart attack. The Rev. William Kuhn, general missionary secretary, visited him twice, the latter time on the occasion of a meeting of the Investment Committee at Mr. Staub's home. He has made constant improvement and hopes to be back at his business desk shortly after the beginning of the new year.

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On Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 28, the B. Y. P. U. of Tacoma, Washington presented its annual program before a large crowd of people that filled the church. The main feature of the program was the presentation of the play, "The Pill Bottle," by young people of the church. Several musical numbers and reports were also brought. The offering of \$26 was sent to Miss Margaret Lang, sister of the pastor of the church, the Rev. George A. Lang, who visited the church last summer and has now returned to Northern Nigeria where she is engaged in medical missionary work.

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The Immanuel Baptist Church of Kankakee, Ill., has recently sponsored a campaign for the raising of \$3500 for the purposes of repairing the church and parsonage and meeting all missionary obligations. Pledges were solicited to be paid within three years, and the amount was oversubscribed to the joy of the church. The repairs on the church are being made immediately. A check for \$600 for missions was sent to our General Missionary Society, representing the church's recent missionary contributions. A new interest in our entire field of service has been awakened.

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Revival meetings were held for four weeks in November in Hazelton, N. D., and for several weeks in Temvik N. D., by the pastor of these churches, the Rev. Frederick Alf, who is also serving our church in Linton. During the evangelistic services held in Hazelton 18 persons confessed Christ as their personal Savior. Mr. Alf reports that since he began his ministry on these fields three B. Y. P. U. societies with a membership of 100 persons and three choirs have been organized. Such reports are exceedingly gratifying to hear and to read!

The B. Y. P. U. of the Second German Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., won the attendance banner at the Fifth District Rally in the city. The society has held the banner for almost two years without a break. The unusually fine weekly church bulletins, edited by the pastor, the Rev. Alfred R. Bernadt, are being bound in book-form for several members of the church. From Jan. 7 to 12 the Rev. M. L. Leuschner will be the special speaker at "the Week of Prayer" services to be held on each evening at the church.

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At a service which taxed the seating capacity of the auditorium of the Memorial Baptist Church of New Britain, Conn., on Sunday, Nov. 10 the Hammond electric organ, which was recently purchased, was publicly dedicated. Visitors from the neighboring churches of our denomination were present. An address of dedication was delivered by the former pastor, the Rev. G. H. Schneck, after which the present pastor, the Rev. Reuben P. Jeschke, conducted the service of dedication. An organ recital was given by Mr. Robert Knox Chapman of Hartford, Conn., assisted by Miss Edna Charsky, organist of the church. This organ is the first of its kind in the city of New Britain and is looked upon as a new departure in organ construction.

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The B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School of the Minnetriska Baptist Church at St. Bonifacius, Minn., united with the church in arranging a Thanksgiving Day service. In spite of a blinding sleet storm, the church was well filled. The first part of the program consisted of numbers by the Primary and Intermediate departments and of songs by the male quartets and mixed choruses of the church. The second part of the program consisted of festivities around the tables in the basement with singing and short talks by Mr. B. B. Wendt and Mr. John Pilz from the Skandia Baptist Church. The guest speaker of the evening was Mr. F. E. Heinemann, superintendent of schools at Wayzata, Minn.

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On Tuesday evening, Nov. 26, a Fathers'-Sons' banquet was held in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kankakee, Ill., with about 55 fathers and sons enjoying the dinner prepared by the ladies of the Beacon Light C.ass. Mr. Ed. Stewig served as toastmaster and addresses were brought by Mr. Arthur Salzman, Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Ed Hoennicke, church treasurer and police magistrate of Kankakee, and Mr. Nichols, superintendent of the Big Four Railroad for the district, who was the guest speaker. A quartet composed of Mr. Emil Seedorf, his two sons, Harold and Marvin, and the Rev. George Hensel rendered several selections. After the program the pastor, the Rev. George Hensel, had charge of an interesting social period of games.

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road, we must walk, not recklessly like fools, but cautiously, wisely picking out the right steps to be taken.

Prayer: "Lead my steps in the path of righteousness and truth, O Lord!"

Tuesday, January 14

First Things First

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness." Matthew 6:33.

Read Matthew 6:24-34

If our sense of values is distorted, our perspective of life's duties and aims will be obscured. Life will become a hopeless tangle. We shall put last what should be first and first what should be last. First, God's Kingdom, the essence of which is righteousness!

Prayer: "Thy Kingdom come!"

Wednesday, January 15

Denatured Salt

"Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?" (That is, its quality as salt be restored?) Luke 14:34.

Read Matthew 5:13-16

Salt that has lost its virtue to conserve cannot be brought back. It has become useless and is ready for the dung-pile. Christians are the salt of the earth, but only if the salt be good and its seasoning quality be active.

Prayer: "More purity give me, more strength to overcome."

Thursday, January 16

Face To Face

"I have seen God face to face and my life is preserved." Genesis 33:23-32.

Read Genesis 32:23-32

"Peniel!" To wrestle with God in contrite prayer, to be face to face with him in willing self-surrender is to come off victoriously with a joyous song in the heart. Face to face with God Jacob was transfigured into Israel. As a new man with a new name he comes away from the place of struggle with a new life in his soul.

Prayer: "And I shall see him face to face—and tell the story—saved by grace."

Friday, January 17

Halting Christians

"How long halt ye between two opinions?" 1 Kings 18:24.

Read 1 Kings 18:20-24

The besetting sin of Israel was its lack of constancy. It pursued a vacillating (literally, "limping") course, serving at one time Baal and at another time Jehovah. We cannot, however, serve two masters—God and Mammon or the world—at the same time.

Prayer: "I surrender all to thee."

Reports from the Field

Pacific Conference

The Oregon State Convention

From November 21 to 24 the delegates and friends of the Oregon State Convention met in Bethany for the convention.

After a hearty welcome by the local pastor, the Rev. Th. A. Leger, and a happy response by the Rev. E. P. Wahl, the opening message was delivered by Dr. J. F. Olthoff, the new minister in Salem. Dr. Olthoff expounded in a marvelous way the passage in 2 Cor. 5:9, "That we may be well pleasing unto him." Oregon Baptists are thankful to the Lord for sending Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Olthoff to swell our ranks in this needy field.

In his usual inspiring way Dr. J. Kratt led the devotional periods on Friday and Saturday mornings. His themes were "The Judgment of Sin at the Cross," and "The Judgment of the Saints." On Friday morning the Rev. G. Neumann handed the theme, "Communism and Christianity" in a masterful way. The Rev. E. P. Wahl considered "The Preservation of the Saints" in an excellent way, clarifying the often misunderstood theme of "Falling from Grace."

The Women's Missionary Societies followed with an interesting program. Reports from the churches were heard. Songs were rendered and a piano and organ duet was given by the Bethany Church, which, on request was repeated on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. J. Voth of Salt Creek presented "The Mission Work in Europe." Mrs. J. Kratt gave an address on "Cameroon Missions," in her usual attractive way.

On Friday evening the Rev. G. Neumann preached a sermon on "The Irrevocable Past," based on John 19:22. Mr. C. H. Seecamp brought an address on "The Unemployment in the Service of the Lord." The work of the Old People's Home was presented by Dr. J. F. Olthoff, president. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. E. P. Wahl; vice-president, Dr. J. Kratt; secretary, Rev. G. Neumann; treasurer, Dr. J. F. Olthoff. The Rev. E. P. Wahl welcomed the new workers into the convention; namely, Dr. and Mrs. John Olthoff, of Salem; Rev. and Mrs. John Lucas of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Seecamp, student pastor and his wife at the Stafford. The latter are students at the Western Baptist Theological Seminary in Portland.

The Sunday morning sermon was brought by the Rev. F. W. Mueller in his usual apt manner on "Aggressive Christianity." The afternoon was in charge of the Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union. The capable band of Bethany treated the assembly with musical selections in the afternoon and evening preceding the services. The choir rendered excellent selections at all services.

J. F. Olthoff was the speaker of the afternoon and spoke on "The Influence of a Consecrated Life" in an appeal to the young people to surrender fully to the Lord. The closing message was brought by the Rev. E. P. Wahl on "Following the Lamb," showing us the great work of the German Baptist denomination in its various phases.

The memories of this convention with its fine spirit of fellowship and with the presence of the Lord that could be felt will linger with us for a long time.

C. H. SEECAMP, Reporter.

Central Conference

Thanksgiving Day in Our Children's Home

The spirit of Thanksgiving and of good cheer pervaded our Children's Home in St. Joseph, Mich., in a larger measure than ever before on Thanksgiving Day of this year, and all of us, who had the privilege of being present, agree that this day will long be remembered for several reasons. One of these reasons is that we had a long-wished-for "family-reunion." "Mom" and "Pa" Steiger kindly invited all the "ex-homers" in the vicinity to spend Thanksgiving Day at the Home, and all, who in any way found it possible, responded eagerly. Some even came early so as to help with the dinner, and others pitched right in with the dish-washing, the potato-mashing and the table-setting, as though they had never been away and declared that it was just like "old-times." Meanwhile "Pa" Steiger and the boys were doing a hard morning's work out-of-doors, finishing up all that had to be done before the real winter set in. In this way every one worked up a hearty appetite and ate the proverbial Thanksgiving dinner with real relish.

Thoughtful friends from Kansas and the Dakotas and "the Helfende Hand" from Benton Harbor, our sister city, supplied us with chicken, cranberries, cake and cookies for our dinner while "the Service Guild" from our church here in St. Joseph supplied us with ice-cream for our desert. As may be seen, there was nothing left to be desired in this excellent meal served on tablecloths sent in time for this occasion by "the Ladies Mission Society" of Ellinwood, Kansas. After the dishes were cleared away and every one had had an opportunity to exercise, there was singing in the sitting-room with every person participating heartily. When each one was again ready to leave, we all recited with real feeling a verse which summed up our attitude of the day: "Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, because His mercy endureth forever."

DOROTHY GUTZEIT, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Annual Report From the Plum Creek B. Y. P. U., Emery, South Dakota

The Plum Creek B. Y. P. U. Society of Emery S. D., is able to report the close of a successful year in the work of the Master. On Friday, Nov. 8, we had our annual business session and election. Every month we render a mixed program, consisting of musical numbers, songs, dialogues and addresses. We also invite other societies to render programs in our church and we ourselves do likewise in other churches.

On Sunday, November 10, the B. Y. P. U. in collaboration with the Sunday School held a Harvest Festival program which was enjoyed by all who attended. The platform was decorated with the fruits of garden and field. We listened to the praise of God in song and message. The pastor, the Rev. E. Gutsche, delivered an address on the first harvest festival.

We are looking forward to a greater and more successful future in the work that must be done to build the Kingdom of God.

CARL TRIEBWASSER, Reporter.

Baptist Young People's Rally At Anamoose, N. D.

With Thanksgiving Day, November 28, also came the Baptist Young People's Rally which was held at Anamoose, N. Dak. As a group of young people we joined together in praise and thanksgiving to God for the wonders he has wrought.

The devotional period was led by Edmund Wehr of Anamoose. This was followed with a welcome from the local president, Gilbert Derman. The response was given by the Union president, Ernst Klein. The Thanksgiving sermon was delivered by the Rev. R. Kaiser of McClusky.

In the afternoon the following topics were discussed: "What is a B. Y. P. U.?" by Reuben Engel of Grand Forks and "What is a Sunday School?" by Leslie Albus of Pleasant Valley. Frieda Klein of Germantown treated us to a "Baptist Map Talk." It was interesting to note that North Dakota leads all the states in the United States with the greatest number of German Baptist Churches. Thomas Mar of Honolulu, Hawaii, who is now attending the University of North Dakota, gave us an excellent talk about Hawaii.

During the first part of the evening service our president, Ernst Klein, brought to our attention future plans for our young people's work and especially for the assembly which will be held in June or July. The Rev. Henry Koslow of Max brought the evening message

on "Youth in Quest of the Abundant Life."

Music throughout the day was furnished by the Cathay Ladies' Trio, a violin duo by Nathan Schmidt and Gottfried Kurzweg of Anamoose; a cornet and trombone duo by Gordon and Walter Paul of Fessenden, a solo with guitar accompaniment by Ira McCoy of Carrington, and choruses from Fessenden and Anamoose.

"Progress," the motto of the rally, was well discussed and exemplified by all who took part and attended the rally. It is our ultimate aim to go forward in the footsteps of our Master!

ELLA ALBUS, Reporter.

Texas and Louisiana Conference

The Junior Society of Our Church At Kyle

On Nov. 24 the Junior Society of the B. Y. P. U. of our church in Kyle, Texas, gave a fine program on "In Everything Give Thanks." The Juniors are under the direction of Mrs. George Lengefeld as sponsor and Mrs. John Lengefeld as leader.

A large heart was used as "the B. Y. P. U. heart" and each Junior pinned on his or her heart the name of whatever object for which he or she was thankful. The topics used were the First Thanksgiving, Life, Country, Songs, Home, Work, Friends, Everyday Blessings, the Bible, Jesus, Prayers and Thanksgiving. One of the smaller Juniors sang a fitting verse of a song between the rendition of the topics.

Our Junior B. Y. P. U. has 15 members besides a sponsor, a leader and six prospective members. The present members are as follows: Naomi, Edwin and Raymond Edinger, Gilbert Heideman, Kathleen Battle, Roland Ahlhardt, Florine, Dorne, Calvin and Myrtle Schmeltekopf, Roland Kraemer, Alice Ruth Hill and Charles Earl Wiegand.

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A NEW YEAR'S THOUGHT

"The serene, silent beauty of a holy life is the most powerful influence in the world, next to the might of God."

—Pascal.

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AN OPEN LETTER FROM MRS. BENDER

God alone sees the hearts that in prayer and Christian love have so graciously remembered us during our bereavement. We trust this medium of acknowledgement may express, to a degree, our sincere appreciation. In addition to the many individuals, we extend thanks to the churches as a whole. In particular, we thank Dr. Kuhn for his many considerations.

Marie Bender and Family.

What About the Harvest?

By the REV. WILLIAM KUHN, General Missionary Secretary

It will only be natural for many of our members to wonder and to inquire: What has been accomplished through the DENOMINATIONAL THANKSGIVING AND SACRIFICE WEEK? After such an aggressively active promotion in the interest of our "Denominational Week" the question is most certainly justified: What about the harvest? God alone knows about the many prayers of thanksgiving for blessings bestowed upon our denominational enterprises which have ascended from the hearts of our members to the throne of grace. Although such prayers of thanksgiving are not recorded in our denominational statistics, nevertheless, we believe that just because of our gratitude the heavenly Father will pour out his rich blessing upon our churches.

Whatever may have been accomplished through our "Denominational Week" has been subject to God's unalterable law of the harvest. Our reaping is invariably in direct relationship to our seed-sowing. We personally know of many pastors who with intelligence and

devotion have promoted the "Denominational Week" in their own circles. All such pastors have also experienced the joys of a successful harvest.

Here in Forest Park we have already received many thank-offerings; some larger, others smaller. We accept all of these with sincere gratitude as the first fruits of a richer harvest that is to follow. It will be very much appreciated if our churches everywhere will send their thank-offerings without delay to this office. The Lord Jesus himself has not overlooked one single thank-offering, and he will put his own infallible appraisal upon it. Every thank-offering will be used most conscientiously for supporting our much beloved denominational enterprise. Our observations lead us to believe that in the hearts of many of our members and especially of our young people a new love has been born for our own denominational work. As never before our people have seen the extent and importance of our own enterprise. We believe that many have consecrated themselves anew.

A Chat About Books

By the Editor

The new year is most vividly pictured for us as an ocean voyage which will take us to strange and adventurous shores or as the beginning of an uncertain pilgrimage with many joyous surprises as well as sorrowful disappointments in store for us. Because life is a constant travelogue, most people are enthralled by the picturesque accounts of world travelers and adventurers of conquest. Travel books are legion in number and at the top of popularity lists, but several of the recent books have unusual religious significance.

THE GIRDLING OF THE GLOBE FOR GOD. As the result of a recommendation of the Rev. John Schmidt of Union City, N. Y., I recently bought a book in Dallas, Texas, called "Girdling the Globe for God" by Dr. M. S. Dodd, (Western Baptist Publishing Co.—1935—\$1-184 pages), and I am as enthusiastic about the travelogue by the president of the Southern Baptist Convention as every other reader has been.

IN THE STEPS OF THE MASTER. There have been many books on Palestine, that little spot in the world which all of us would love to see and to visit, but no book has been so vividly colorful and interesting as H. W. Morton's "In the Steps of the Master," (Dodd, Mead and Company—1935—\$3-440 pages). Indeed, with a little exercise of one's imagination, one can feel oneself transported into Judea and Galilee as one travels through the pages of this masterful and fascinating book.

THE CURSE IN THE COLOPHON. For our readers who want an unusual novel with a thrilling mystery and adventure story written in the matchless English of one of the most famous translators of the New Testament, I should like to recommend Edgar J. Goodspeed's "The Curse in the Colophon." You will be so captivated by the mystery of the curse of the colophon, or final inscription on a beautiful manuscript, that you will not rest until you reach the last page, but you will afterwards discover, as I did, that you have thereby learned a great deal about Bible manuscripts and documents, papyri, archeological searches, customs and typical life in "the Old World" around the Black Sea and the Adriatic as well. I agree most heartily with a reviewer that "it is a whale of a good story for any intelligent fiction reader who likes action and romance and can appreciate the subtle humor of a style just academic enough to be consistent with the subject-matter." And the search for the mysterious treasure which will lead you from America through Italy, Dalmatia, and Greece to a Greek monastery in Anatolia will be one of the most exciting trips of your life!

THE SCRIPTURE PRESS. Such an unusual staff of writers has never before been brought together for work on a Series of Sunday School Lessons. Directed by Clarence H. Benson, educator, author and editor. GRADED BY DEPARTMENTS. All classes in the same department have the same lesson any given Sunday. The nation-wide trend is toward this simple and most efficient grading plan. Answers the growing demand for true Bible lesson material. EACH PUPIL CARRIES BIBLE. Lesson Bible passages not printed, thus encouraging the wholesome habit of each pupil and teacher studying and carrying his or her own Bible. Soul-winning naturally accompanies the use of these lessons by spiritual teachers. THE JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH MANUALS for Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior departments now ready. The Teacher's manual, each department, 25c; Pupil's manual, 10c. Reserve your supply today. Pastors, Superintendents, Officers, Teachers—mail coupon for sample.

The religious faith of the author is the most important factor in making this book so outstanding and worthwhile. The note of a warm, personal faith in Christ as Master sounds throughout the book. Galilee is described by the author with enrapturing beauty because, as he says, "of all places that I have seen, it is the one in which the Spirit of Christ is still present."

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Advertisement for 'ALL BIBLE GRADED SERIES' by The Scripture Press. Includes text about the series being 'called into existence' by the need for more Bible in the Bible school, lists of books for various levels (Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Senior), and a coupon for ordering materials from 800 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.



The Baptist Herald

Greets Its Readers In Its New Appearance



The changes which have found expression in this first issue of the new year are held to be improvements in dress, in typography and arrangement. It is sincerely hoped that all features will have the approval of our ever-growing group of readers.

The outstanding change is in the front cover. That it is strikingly modern and is pleasing in outline will no doubt be conceded. It is the work of an accredited artist and a professional art-instructor.

An ANNOUNCEMENT Final Results in Contests

For a Cover Design

FIRST PLACE

Mrs. Clara Gebauer of the Cameroons, Africa

HONORABLE MENTION

Mr. Theodore Diedricksen of New Haven, Conn.
Mr. Beekman Myer of Cleveland, Ohio

OTHER ENTRIES

Miss Pearl Adam of Madison, South Dakota
Miss Elsie H. Jahnke of North Freedom, Wisconsin
Mr. Frank Kuenne of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Miss Ruth R. Lohmann of Burlington, Iowa
Mr. Ben T. Mihm of River Forest, Illinois
Miss Hilda Reiser of Washburn, North Dakota
Mr. George Von Seggern of Union City, New Jersey
Mr. E. Zarsky of Cleveland, Ohio

A most gratifying array of attractive cover designs were submitted by young people throughout the country. We have artists with special gifts in our churches who have revealed their talents in this contest.

The cover design which has been used for this issue of "The Baptist Herald" and will be continued throughout 1936 was one of eight submitted by Mrs. Clara Gebauer, the recent bride of our Cameroon missionary, the Rev. Paul Gebauer. It was selected by the judges because of its adaptability and unique modern features. The cover designs which have received "Honorable Mention" were of such a high artistic caliber that the judges found it exceedingly difficult to make their final selection. To all who had a part in this contest the business manager and editor of "The Baptist Herald" want to express their heartiest gratitude!

On "Why I Like to Read 'The Baptist Herald'"

FIRST PLACE

Miss Margaret Kittlitz of Waco, Texas.

SECOND PLACE

Miss Ella Albus of Carrington, North Dakota

THIRD PLACE

Miss Martha M. B. Roberts of Mound City, S. D.

HONORABLE MENTION

Miss Ruth R. Lohmann of Burlington, Iowa
Miss Mabel Liss of Vesper, Kansas

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Mr. Frederick Gurney of Detroit, Michigan
Mrs. Ernest W. Herr of Wishek, North Dakota
Miss Hilda Reiser of Washburn, North Dakota
Mr. A. D. Schantz of San Angelo, Texas
Rev. Hans Steiger of St. Joseph, Michigan

All contributions were exceedingly fine and are deserving of special praise in the estimation of the judges. After due consideration, the above mentioned awards were made. The prize of five dollars will go to Miss Kittlitz, whose letter will be published in the January 15th issue of "The Baptist Herald." The letters of those who won second and third places and received "Honorable Mention" will be published soon thereafter.

The business manager, Mr. H. P. Donner, and the editor, Martin L. Leuschner, of "The Baptist Herald" desire to thank all contributors for their encouraging co-operation in making this contest so happily successful. Mr. Norman J. Boehm, who also served as judge, expressed his deep personal appreciation for all the letters submitted.

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If so, how about your subscription? Has it run out? If so, don't fail to renew it at once. A failure to renew will mean that the mailings will be discontinued after the initial numbers. Please don't neglect this important matter. It's important to you and important to the publishers. At any rate we must continue, without abatement, the progress registered during the past year. To this end we encourage our boosters, we urge our pastors to endorse these efforts, we request our readers to recommend the "Herald."

THE MANAGEMENT.