

What's Happening

signed his charge in Odessa and Lind, was packed with more than 300 people Wash., and will begin his ministry on to witness the program in which the the new field at Startup, Wash., with the first of February. We wish the pas- children took part and to attend the servtor and church much joy in their work ice of worship. 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 Immanual 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. Vasel is minister of the church. On the following Sunday, Dec. 22, Dr. Kuhn preached in our church in Bailevville, 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 Caurch 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 ranewed 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 hav.

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

The Rev. C. E. Schoenleber has re- sary on Sunday, Nov. 10. The church honored couple and children and grand-

THE GENERAL CON-FERENCE 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 suggest on 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 de'egates and visitors present. The General Conference Council took the matter under advisement and recommended the submittance 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 Confererce, 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 peop'e's society in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada was held with 22 young people present. The society in Irvine was organized 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 Bapt'st 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 bless ngs received from these services.

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On Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 28, the B. Y. P. U. of the Immanual 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 partic pated. This presentation of a play on Thanksgiving evening is an annual cccasion which elicits a wide-spread response by the community.

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The Rev. William Barsch, formerly pastor of cur 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 b'rth 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 (Continued on Page 12)

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EDITORIAL

THERE is something wonderfully exhilerating L about every New Year's Day. You may call it "turning over a new leaf" or entering "the Land

Youth at Its Best

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!

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 on 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 vour heart to God's guiding purposes, for as Dr. Jowett said: "We are great only as we are Godpossessed."

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



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the best of life, for when harnessed to purposive ends, there seems to be unlimitet 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 colaborers 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!

Conference; Rev. G. G. Rauser, Dakota Confernece; 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 Boble 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 unsually 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!

The Youth of Our Churches

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

THE young people of our churches are worthy I 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. Unon 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 Widwestern 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 Duesterhoeft 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

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, disappointmentsall 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 g rl. 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.

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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 g'ance 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 Glor'a. 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 eves.

"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 ansswer, 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 fiance is dead. That was why I brcught 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 sl'p, 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-inlaw, 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 vew certainly is lovely from here. You

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 f_{ew} days

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 lock.

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 d'sgrace. 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 g'rl. "When I hear about Grandmother Sutherland and all that she did I'm ashamed."

"Times have changed." said her father sharp'y. "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 Glor'a thoughtfully. The telegram that Mr. Sutherland had spoken of so lightly without any real idea one wou'd come, arrived over the telephone as they were coming down to breakfast next morning.

"Your presence in office imperative today. Irportant 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 the 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 even Her eyes sought Mrs. Weatherby's face which reassured her.

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"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 youre going to be mighty

lonesome," said the father, taking his distracted mind from his business for a glimpse at h's 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 to'd 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 swal'owed 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 ho'e and h'de.

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 aga'n the co'd unsympathetic glances of those two, and knew

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 bur ed 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 wou'd 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 th's wide world

where one could get away and grieve to death?

old friend."

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

and hurr'ed 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

fiture 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 glau that she was brought low. She perceived that it was a state of mind with them rather

Then she heard the dear old lady's voice calling her, "Gloria, G'oria 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

Gloria arose, washed her face hastily

that they were enjoying her discon- 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 a sle 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 l'ke any whistling she had ever heard before, not jazzy, nor half crooning as was the crazy music at home. It was c'ear 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 blowsdriving 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 (Continued on Page 8)

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Young People's and Sunday School Workshop Page

Departmentalizing a Small Sunday School

BY THE REV. J. H. KORNELSEN OF MARION, KANSAS

"The Young People's and Sunday School Workshop Page" will appear once a month as a regular feature of "The Baptist Herald" in 1936. Various problems of organization and the best possible methods of procedure in young people's societies and Sunday Schools will be considered in the light of practical adaptations to our churches. Any suggestive requests for treatment on this page from our readers will be grate ully received. Articles are already being planned on "Making the Young People's Meeeting More Interesting," "Teacher Training Courses," "the Six Point Record System" for greater efficiency in the young people's scciety, "Church Libraries" and the like.

We are very happy to begin this series by the accompanying article on "Departmentalizing a Small Sunday School" by the Rev. J. H. Kornelsen, the energetic pastor of the Strassburg Baptist Church of Marion, Kansas. He is able to write out of the depths of his successful experience in organizing the Strassburg Sunday School with remarkable effectiveness. His article deserves to be studied with meticulous attention to the practical suggestions which are given for a well organized and departmentalized Sunday School.-Editor. * * * *

More people attend small Sunday Schools: therefore, the small school should have trained teachers and graded lessons as well as the large. It should also be organized into departments that it might grow normally and give opportunity for real worship and expression.

Graded lessons can now easily be procured. A course in teacher training is at the disposal of all churches which desire it. But the problem of reaching the constituency is vexing nearly all of the small Sunday Schools of our country, notwithstanding the sincere efforts on rally days or the awarding of prizes to pupils for bring ng new scholars.

The answer to this problem is "to organize for extension." The field must be worked before permanent results will appear. To expect the Sunday School superintendent to work the field alone is unfair. He is busy with his farm or trade during the week; so the Sunday school must be organized into departments to assist him.

It is often said that departmentalization is for large Sunday Schoo's on'y. It is possible, however, to departmentalize small schools. The writer has had the privilege of participating in organizing and departmentalizing Sunday

Schools in rural school houses where the attendance was often less than 30. The Strassburg Baptist Church of Marion, Kansas, with an active membership of less than eighty persons has undertaken to reach its constituency through organized effort.

The pastor together with the superintendent and the director of education appointed a department superintendent for each of the following departments: Beginner-Primary, ages 4.8; Junior, ages 9-12; Intermediate, ages 13-16; Senior-Adult, ages 17 and above.

The director of education together with the pastor prepared a list of qualified teachers from which the department superintendents made their selections. The Junior and Beginner-Primary departments were given preference. Teachers were selected according to their ability to deal with children and to understand their problems.

Each of the department superintendents then appointed a department secretary to look after the recording of grades which the pupils earn each Sunday and to transfer these to the records of the registrar who in turn sends report cards to the parents at the end of each month. It is also the duty of the department secretary to riport the attendance and offering to the general secretary each Sunday.

Thus, there is division of labor. The department superintendent under the general superintendent provides equipment such as b'ackboards and maps for the teachers. She also keeps order in her department so that the teacher is relieved of all burdens except for the eflective presentation of the lesson. Each department superintendent together with her teachers plans a program of reaching and holding all pupils of their part'cular age in the community. A definite system of visitation or other ways of making contact is usually followed.

Such a plan of organization is readily instituted when each teacher and officer knows precise'y what his or her duty is. For a detailed discussion of the above plan and "the Six Point Record System" which the Southern Baptist Church has used so successfully we refer the reader to, "The Sunday School In Action" by Carence H Benson, which can be secured through our Publication Society in Cleveland, Ohio.

To begin such an organization where heretofore it had not been used, the pastor of the above named church met with the teachers and officers for five consecutive sessions in the fa'l prior to the opening of the Sunday School term. The plan was carefully studied so that each officer knew exactly what to do.

This series of sessions was also the beginning of a two year course in teacher training under the auspices of the Evangelical Teacher Training Association.

Since only two rooms were available for worship, the Beginner-Primary and Junior departments held their opening exercises in one room and the Intermediate, Senior and Adult departments in the other

Some one will undoubtedly object that this is too much "machinery." The reply is that it takes machinery to do work. It takes machinery to create interest. Experience has proven that the more people are put to work the smaller is the burden on a few individuals and the wider the interest. Your church, too, will thrive on many members with each doing a little work. Young people want to work; they like it.

The success of the educational work of the Strassburg Church is due to the willingness of the people to adopt a new but approved plan of organization which is adaptable to nearly every Sunday school situation, especially in rural districts. It is ev dent that the Lord does the final work through the Holy Spirit, but we have a right to ask for his blessings only when we do our part.

Let the slogan of our German Baptist churches be: "Real Sunday Schools with real pupils, real lessons and real teachers."

BEAUTY FOR ASHES (Continued from P. ge 7)

hammers and rollers and their work. Such things had not intimately touched her life. But an inner sense told her that somebody over there was doing something in which he was interested. and enjoying the work. Without realizing it that cheery whistle comforted her. It was probably that elderly gray haired man that she had seen working on the farm across the road, though it sounded like a young whistle.

But Gloria had discovered Lorna Doone, and was deep in the thrills of romance and adventure. She did not stop to think about the wh stler except to be glad that he was there making cheery noises. ,

The third day, however, she had come to the end of her book, and was lying back thinking it over, all its sweetness and sadness, beauty and tragedy, comparing it with her own life, realizing how different her lover had been from the lover in the story, feeling those terr ble tears in her heart again, feeling an almost desperation.

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Wednesday, January 1

The New Road

"For ye have not passed th's way heretofore." Joshua 3:4.

Read Joshua 3:2 5 You have reached a turn in the road of your life. Be sure that you are headed the right way. Nine-tenths of all the failures are the outcome of going a little wrong at the start. The first twenty years is the longest half of life, because starting just right settles destiny.

Prayer: "Jesus, Savior, pilot me "

Thursday, January 2

Getting There

"This one thing I do." Philippians 3:13

Read Philippians 3:7-14

Paul was not half-hearted. He had a fixed focus and a clear vision. Every thought, every plan and every act pointed to the great purpose of his devotion. No successful man has divided interests. Every thing is in subjection to his one controlling pass on.

Prayer: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

---- Friday, January 3

Keep Sweet

"Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, rejoice." Philippians 4:4. Read Philippians 2:12-18

Why not keep sweet throughout the whole year? No frown ever made a heart glad. No complaint ever made a dark day bright. No bitter word ever lightened a burden or made a rough road smooth. No grumbling ever brought sunshine into a home. Keep sweet!

Prayer: "Lord, keep me in the sunshine of thy joy."

> Saturday, January 4 **Burden Bearers**

"Bear ye one another's burdens."

Galatians 6:2. Read Galatians 6:1-10

If we put our shoulders under another's burden we lighten his and carry our own more easily. By sharing with others we enrich ourselves. To shoulder our burdens together in mutual he'pfulness is to lift society. Prayer: "O, may we all the loving mind that was in Jesus receive!"

> Sunday, January 5 **Hearts** Aflame

"Did not our hearts burn within us, while he talked with us on the way?"

Luke 24:32.

Read 1 Corinthians 13 The greatest thing in the world is not the jeweled crown upon the head of royalty but the sacrificial love in the humble child of God. The God of the universe is a God of love above everything else, "for God so loved the world." Woe unto us, if it were not so!

"And because they had no root, they withered away." Matthew 13:6. Read Matthew 13:5-6, 20-21

At first, so rich with promise! A

thing of joy for a little while. Then the sudden blight in the hot blasts. The budding beauty quickly fades and the young growth withers and dies. Such is the shallow life, where there is little

or no root. Prayer: "Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine."

Guides, Guards and Girds

"Thou wilt show me the path of life." P.alm 16:11.

Read Psalm 16

Put God to the test and you will find that he may be depended upon to guide to guard and to gird. He precedes, protects and provides for the trusting soul. He never fails. He never d'sappoints. Prayer: "Lord lead me to the rock that is higher than I."

Tell Me Your Thoughts "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." Proverbs 23:7.

Read Proverbs 23:1-8 Tell me your thoughts and I will tell you what you are. "Truth in the inward parts" is the decisive mark of character. A clean heart does not always go with a glib tongue.

Prayer: "Take my heart, O Father, take it; make and keep it all thine own."

Thursday, January 9 The Greatest Thing In The World

Daily Meditations

By Professor Lewis Kaiser

Read Luke 24:27-32

The crying need in this cold. cold world are hearts aflame. With the Risen One close to us we get the inner glow. The chill of doubt and gloom is d'spelled. We radiate the warmth of a pervasive faith.

Prayer: "O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free."

Monday, January 6

The Shallow Life

Tuesday, January 7

Wednesday, January 8

"But the greatest of these is charity (love)." 1 Corinthians 13:13.

Praver: "Take my love, my Lord; 1 pour at thy feet its treasure store."

Friday, January 10

Fire On The Altar

"The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out." Leviticus 6:13.

Read Leviticus 6:8-13

"Keep the fires on the altar burning -on the altar of the heart, of the home. of the church, of the community. The world greatly needs sacrificial deeds, the warmth of Christian friendship. Feed the fires. They must not go out.

Prayer: "Lord, let me not lead a useless life."

Saturday, January 11

A Well-Watered Garden

"Thou shalt be like a watered garden." Isaiah 58:11.

Read Isaiah 58:6-12

The Christian life is a transformed and transfigured life. The grace of God springing from the eternal fountains of his love makes the desert blossom as the rose and brings radiant beauty where all was barren and dead. Is there a reflection of his glory in you?

Prayer: "O Spirit Divine, all my nature refine, till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me."

Sunday, January 12

Ho! For Adventure

"Wherefore I put thee in remembrance, that thou stir up the gift of God which is in thee." 2 Timothy 1:6.

Read 2 Timothy 1:6-12

Stir up-that is, kindle into a living flame-the gift within you, ambitious youth! There is much to allure you to holy adventure and high endeavor. Colossal goals are before you: abolition of war and crime, security for the aged and unemployed, the abolition of the abuse of power and, above all, the call to Chr'st-likeness.

Prayer: "Lord open thou my eyes. that I may see."

Monday, January 13

Watch Your Step

"See that you walk circumspectly (cautious, watchful in all directions), not as fools but as wise." Ephesians 5:15.

Read Ephesians 5:8-21

How shall we keep in the way, unless we walk circumspectly? How shall we reach the goal unless we watch our step? Because of the dangers in the (Continued on Page 12)

Dramatizations and Dialogues

been selected from several hundred for use in our churches. Those which are marked "Forest Park" are to be secured by addressing Rev. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill. They are free but a nominal sum is expected for the postage involved, or a free-will or missionary offering will be gratefully accepted. The plays that are marked "Cleveland" are to be secured by addressing the German Baptist Publication Society, 3734 Payne Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, with definite instructions as to the number of copies desired. Any further information about religious dramatizations may be secured from the editor of "The Baptist Herald."

BIBLICAL

The Good Samaritan by Mary H. Hill

One Scene. Time, 20 minutes. 8 Men. The story of Jesus' parable brought with effective and interesting dramatic forse ulness. Available also in German. (New.)

Forest Park-Free

The Kingmaker's Choice by Grace Sevringhaus

One Scene. Time, 30 minutes. 8 Men. The story of God's choice of David as the successor to Saul to be King of Israel. A beautiful story with an effective message. (New.) Forest Park-Free

Nathaniel's Quest by O. G. Herbrecht

Three Scenes. Time, 40 mint tes. 8 Men. 3 Women.

A dramatization of Nathan'el's coming to Jesus with a profound spiritual message for all to follow the call of Jesus Christ. (New.) Forest Park-Free

The Test, the Story of Philemon One Scene. Time, 30 minutes. 3 Men, 2 Women.

A fine dramatization of the Bible Story of Onesimus and Philemon which can easily be presented. (New.) Forest Park-Free

The Romance of Ruth by Caroline Stanyon

Three Acts. Time, 1 hour, 40 minutes. 8 Men, 7 Women.

An effective and colorful dramatization of the story of Ruth. Easy to present.

Cleveland-50 cents

A Child of Destiny by Caroline Stanyon

Three Acts. Time, 1 hour, 40 minutes. 10 Men. 5 Women.

The story of the child, Moses, and of God's guidance in preserving his life in Pharaoh's palace.

Cleveland-35 cents

Moses by Richard W. Jungfer Five Scenes. Time, 40 minutes. 8 Men, 1 Woman.

The life-story of Moses is brought

The following dramatizations have briefly but impressively. Musical interludes are suggested. Cleveland-25 cents

The Prodigal Son by Caroline Stanyon

Five Scenes. Time, 1 hour. 5 Men. A forceful dramatization of the story of Jesus' parable.

Cleveland-35 cents Vashti by Lena Prather Martin Three Acts. Time, 21/2 hours. 5 Women, 5 Men.

A splendid picturization of the Bible Story of Esther.

Cleveland-35 cents Pontius Pilate by Elliot Field Three Acts. Time, 11/2 hours. Men. 8 Women.

A dramatic presentation of the scenes of the first Pentecost and of the persecution of the disciples of Christ.

Cleveland-25 cents Ten Stirring Bible Plays by Mar-

garet Parsons Ten Old Testament Bible plays are brought to be presented by children or young people, each requiring from 20 to 25 minutes. Exceedingly fine for

churches and B. Y. P. U.'s. Cleveland-50 cents

Amos

One Scene. Time, 35 minutes. 9 Men, 9 Women, extras. The story of Amos is dramatically

portrayed during a period of stress within the Hebrew nation with pertinent application to the present day.

Cleveland-50 cents Friends of Jesus by Lydia Glov-

er Deseo A collection of short plays, averaging

about 30 minutes for presentation, of Mary and Martha, the Samaritan woman, the w'dow, John, Peter and Simon of Cyrene. Strongly recommended.

Cleveland-75 cents John, the Beloved Disciple by

Esther C. Averill One Act. Time, 40 minutes. 5 Men,

4 Women. The best story of John pervaded by an atmosphere of reverence and rising to a climatic scene of much beauty. Cleveland-35 cents

Nason, the Blind Disciple by Lydia Glover Deseo

One Scene. Time, 40 minutes, 10 Characters. Nason, a young blind man, receives his spiritual sight through communion

with Jesus. Cleveland-25 cents

The Rock by Mary P. Hamlin Three Acts. Time, 2 hours. 8 Men. 3 Women.

A drama of Peter's denial, despair. and new life in the spirit of Christ. A most forceful drama. Cleve'and-50 cents

One of the Nine by Mary S. Hitchcock

Three Acts. Time, 1 hour, 45 minutes. 5 Men. 4 Women.

The story of the leper who thanked Jesus for healing him is here thrown against the imaginative background of his entire life.

Cleveland-35 cents One Thing Thou Lackest by

Blanche Bayliss Three Scenes. Time, 30 minutes. 2

Men. 2 Women. 2 Boys. A dramatic story of the rich young

man which can easily be presented. Cleveland-35 cents

The Light of the Cross by Sara E. Gosselink

Two Scenes. Time, 20 minutes. 6 Women. 3 Men.

The story of Mary Magdalene which is also appropriate for Easter.

Cleveland-25 cents

MISSIONARY

Back to the Father's House by Charlotte Lengefeld

Four Scenes. Time, 40 minutes. 8 Women. Choir.

A daughter, who through the fault of her mother and friend, left her home, was found by a missionary and led to Christ and later the mother after being reunited with her daughter also becomes a Christian. Available also in German.

Forest Park-Free The Stolen Testament by Rev. Wm. Kuhn

Four Scenes. Time, 45 minutes. 10 Characters.

The story is based on actual facts concerning our Baptist work among the Gipsies in Bulgaria which begins with the reading of a stolen Testament by the Gypsy Todor. Available also in German.

Forest Park-Free With the City Missionary in Vienna, Austria, by Rev. Wm. Kuhn One Scene. Time, 20 minutes. 5 Women. 2 Men.

The story is based on conversations of a missionary with the people living in the tenement houses of Vienna who are largely socialists and communists. Available in German.

Forest Park-Free The Fifty Dollar Bill by Rev. F. A. Bloedow

Three Scenes. Time, 25 minutes, 3 Women, 1 Man.

A woman who isn't interested in missions hides a fifty dollar bill in a newspaper and refuses to respond to several missionary appeals until her mind is suddenly changed by an unexpected occurrence as her husband takes the paper and wants to use it to start a fire. Available also in German.

Forest Park-Free This is the Lord's Doing by Rev.

Hans Grygo Four Scenes. Time, 45 minutes. 6 Women, 4 Men.

A young man goes to the foreign field as a missionary without his fiancee, who refuses to go because of the hardships involved but who later joins the husband in the Cameroons, and these are joined by another friend who has been

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led of God to dedicate his life as a medical missionary. Available also in

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Forest Park-Free

The Burning Cross by Rev. G. A. Schneck

One Scene. Time, 25 minutes. 5 Women.

Th's interesting dialogue is based on an actual occurrence near Tokyo, Japan, when Jesus seemed to be standing above a fire, which was burning a church building, anl stopped the flames from spreading, which is interpreted by the missionary's wife to five Japanese girls. Forest Park-Free

The Women Who Never Knew by Mrs. John R. Sampson

One Scene. Time, 40 minutes. Women.

A woman who has little missionary interest, has her eyes opened to the conditions of womanhood in five other countries of the world and thereby becomes a decided enthusiast for the missionary cause.

Forest Park-Free

The Mission Barrel by Mabel Conklin Allyn

One Scene. Time, 20 minutes. 11 Women.

The story deals humorously but with a real message with the Ladies' Aid Society which has met to pack a Home Mission barrel.

Cleveland-25 cents

A Greater Vision by Mabel Conklin Allyn

One Scene. Time, 20 minutes. 14 Women and Children.

Missionary truths are presented in a manner to bring smiles and tears to the faces of the audience.

Cleveland-25 cents

The Soldier of the Cross by Marie Jensen

Two Acts. Time, 45 minutes. 3 Men. 3 Women.

This is a stirring missionary play about a young college lad who heard the mission call, while his girl friend is influenced by her selfish mother and does not go with disastrous results. Cleveland-25 cents

real beauty. Soup, Sand and Sagebrush

Three Acts. Time, 45 minutes. 6 Women. 2 Men. 1 Child.

A good dramatization dealing with the d fficulties and needs of Home Missions Cleveland-25 cents

Color Blind by Margaret T. Ap-

Children and young people.

children of the parish.

One Scene. Time, 35 minutes. 22

A mother, who has lost a five year

old child, asks an artist to paint a pic-

ture of "children around the throne of

God" on the wall of the church as a

memorial but he paints only the white

Cleveland-10 cents

Ordered South by W. J. Noble Three Scenes. Time, 30 minutes. 4

A young man who goes to Africa as a missionary, influences his friends and father to take a more serious attitude toward their usefulness to humanity. Cleveland-15 cents

Robert and Mary by Anita B. Feris Three Acts. Time, 1 hour. 10 Wom-

A missionary romance adopted from

the true story of "The Moffats" and very effective in its message. Cleveland-25 cents

The Heroine of Ava by Helen L. Willcox

Three Acts. Time, 11/2 hours. 4 Men.

This dramatic story of Adopiram and Ann Judson is based on actual histor.

Cleveland-25 cents

Janey by Mrs. Gurnsey Walker Two Scenes. Time, 40 minutes.

The story deals with the transformation of a girl of the Kentucky Mountains. A very fine missionary p'ay. Cleveland-20 cents

The Pill Bottle by Margaret T. Applegarth Four Scenes. Time, 1 hour. 24

An interesting and gripping account of medical missions.

Cleveland-20 cents Missionary Arithmetic by Charlotte Porter Hiltner

Four Scenes. Time, 45 minutes. 9

An effective story that shows how it pays to be missionary-minded. Cleveland-10 cents

A Wheelbarrowful of Life by Mary Jenness One Act. Time, 30 minutes. 11 Per-

A play which shows the Christian influence on present industrial problems in China. A thought-provoking sketch. Cleveland-15 cents

Dinah, Queen of the Berbers Three Acts. Time, 1 hour. 11 Per-

A dramatic story of great historical and religious significance as well as

Cleve'and-50 cents

"EASTER"

"And Peter" by Phillips Endicott Osgood

One Scene. Time, 30 minutes. 5 Men.

The disciples are convinced of Jesus' resurrection from the dead and Peter promises to follow his Master without fail. An effective Easter message.

Forest Park-Free The Easter Song Bird by Bell Elliott Palmer

One Act. Time, 45 minutes. 8 Men.

The choir director feels that the choir members lack the true spirit in singing Easter songs and searches for a singer with a real soul. Cleveland-25 cents

The Triumph of the Cross by Kathleen Stott

One Act. Time, 30 minutes. 10 Men. 3 Women.

A portrayal of the Biblical incidents in connection with the resurrection of Christ.

Cleveland-25 cents

The Christ the Children Knew by Hartge Cortelyou

Scene. Time, 15 minutes. 7 One Girls.

Several girls, disputing the importance of Jesus, are all won to him as they learn of his resurrection from the dead. Cleveland-25 cents

The Power and the Glory by Mary Louise Gills

Three Scenes. Time, 20 minutes. 4 Women. 1 Man. Chorus.

The Easter message comes to Martha, Mary and Lazarus in three brief and exceedingly effective scenes.

Cleveland-25 cents

The Third Day by Karin Sundelof-Asbrand

Two Scenes. Time, 1 hour. 38 Characters.

The story is told of a mother, whose son has been seriously injured, who has little fa'th in God until she has three visions and awakens again with faith in God and a knowledge of Christ.

Cleveland-35 cents The Promise by Karin Sundelof-

Asbrand Two Scenes. Time, 40 minutes. 17 Characters.

A pageant-play depicting the victory of life over death as a result of Christ's resurrection.

Cleveland-35 cents

He Lives by Gertrude R. Goudey One Scene. Time, 30 minutes. 5 Men. 5 Women.

A dramatic story of the surrender of the rich young ruler to the Christ through the stirring events of the crucifixion and the resurrection. Cleveland-35 cents

The Way of the Cross by Dorothy Clark Wilson

One Scene. Time 40 minutes. 6 Women. 4 Children.

A certain man, for whom the Easter story holds little of living reality, suddenly finds himself thrust bodily into the center of those strange events of Good Friday and Easter morning. Cleveland-35 cents

Darkness and Dawn by Frederica Le F. Bellamy

Three Scenes. Time, 1 hour. 3 Men. 3 Women. 10 Children. Chorus.

The story is told of the crucifixion, the entombment, and the resurrection through the conversation of some children and simple folk who have lost their way in the darkness while picking flowers.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING (Continued from Page 2)

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 "Sp ritual Athletics" by the Rev. F. H. He nemann, 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 h.m 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 vear.

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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 Bott'e," 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 miss onary 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 contributons. 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 sel rendered several selections. After have been organized. Such reports are exceedingly gratifying to hear and to Hensel, had charge of an interesting

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 week'y 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 eve-

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ning at the church.

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 nurchased, 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 ot 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 Immanual Baptist Church, Kankakee, Ill, with about 55 fathers and sons enjoying the dinner prepared by the ladies of the Beacon Light Class. 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, super ntendent of the Big Four Railroad for the district, who was the guest speaker. A quartet composed of Mr. Emil Szedorf, his two sons, Harold and Marvin, and the Rev. George Henthe program the pastor, the Rev. George social period of games.

DAILY MEDITATIONS (Continued from Page 9)

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 op nions?' 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."

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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. Osthoff 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 Sn at the Cross," and "The Judgment of the Saints.' On Friday morning the REV. G. Neu.nann handled the theme, "Communism and Christianity' in a masterfu: way. The Rev. E. P. Wahl considered "The Preservation of the Saints" in an excellent way, clar fying the often misunderstood theme of "Falling from Grace.'

The Women's Missionary Societies followed with an interesting program. keports from the churches were heard, songs were rendered and a plano and organ duet was given by the Bethany Church, which, on request was repeated on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. J. Voth of Salt Creck 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. Secamp brought an address on "The Unemployment in the Service of the Lord." The work of the Old Peop.e's Home was presented by Dr. J. Kratt, president. The following offi-Cars were elected: President, Rev. E. P. Wahl; vice-president, Dr. J. Kratt; secretary, Rev. G. Neumann; treasurer, Dr. J. F. O.thoff. The Rev. E. P. Wahl welcomed the new workers into the convent.on; namely, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Olthoff, of Salem; Rev. and Mrs. John Lucas of Salem; Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Scecamp, student pastor and his wife at 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 house his usual apt manner on "Aggressive Christ'anity." The afternoon was in charge of the Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union Union. The capable band of Bethany treat. treated the assembly with musical selections in the afternoon and evening preceding the afternoon and evening the services. The choir rendered excellent selections at all services. Dr.

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 Thank 3giving 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-wishedfor "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 icecream 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 for-

ever.'

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 fellowsh'p 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

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 Fr.day, 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 1 kewise 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 pecp'e 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 Thanksg.ving 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 K'ein 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, Hawali, 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 Ju'y. 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 violind duet by Nathan Schmidt and Gottfried Kurzweg of Anamoose; a cornet and trombone duet 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 hs 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 Junier 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, Gibert Heideman, Kathleen Battle, Roland Ahlhardt, Florine, Dor'ne, Calvin and Myrtle Schmeltekopf, Roland Kraemer, Alice Ruth Hill and Charles Earl Wiegand.

* * * A NEW YEAR'S THOUGHT

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

> -Pascal. * * *

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 med.um 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 particu'ar, we thank Dr. Kuhn for his many considerations.

Marie Bender and Family.

The new year is most vividly pictured for us as an ocean voyage which will taks 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.

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.

His descriptions of Palestinian scenes are indelibly impressed on the reader. "Judea is fiercer than anything in Europe. It is a striped, tigerish country, crouched in the sun, tense with a terrific vitality, and sullen and dispassionate with age. The fierceness of the parched gullies, the harshness of the barren hilltops, the passion of the baked earth, where lizards dart and flash, and the burning cruelty of the waterless valley, are concentrated and made visible upon the highest of the hills. And the name of this materialization is Jerusalem."

The author begins his travelogue with Jerusalem. He vehemently dislikes the present ornate churches and shrines and the wilful commercialization of the sacred places associated with Jesus' life and as far as possible he tries to recover the simplicity and originality of Palestine of twenty centuries ago, so as to enable the reader to walk "in the steps of the Master." The scenes of the B ble now have color and actuality in their background for me as a result of reading this book. Difficult passages of the Bible have been clarified by the author's convincing interpretations. The site of Golgatha, the grotto in Bethlehem in which Jesus was born, Jericho with its present-day archeological excavations, the sea of Galilee with its rough-hewn fieshermen, the Dea Sea, Gethsemane and the Mount of Olives, all these and many other places are now

familiar landmarks to me. 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 au-

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 "Girdl ng 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.

The literary style of the book is far from exceptional but the forcefulness of Dr. Dodd's interpretations of the things and persons he saw on this world trip gives this book an abiding value as well as unique interest. The closing chapter on Kagawa is alone worth the price of the book, for nowhere else have I come across the story of Kagawa's \$75 house in Tokyo or of the weeds in his garden which he religiously cultivates in order "to find out what they are good for." "One who would see the real Japan must see Kagawa, the embodiment, the personification, by the grace of God, of the best and highest in Japan." The opening chapter is an evaluation

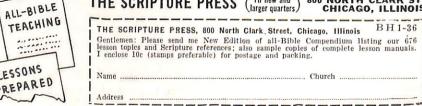
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What About the Harvest? By the REV. WILLIAM KUHN, General Missionary Secretary It will only be natural for many of devotion have promoted the "Denomina-

our members to wonder and to inquire: What nas been accomplished through the DENOMINATIONAL THANKS-GINVING 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 cur denom national stalistics, 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

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tional Week' in their own circles. All such pastors have also experienced the joys of a successful harvest. Hare 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

thor 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."

This is a book which you will want to read over and over again in connection with the study of Sunday School lessons, the preparation of sermons, the reading of the Bible and the hours set aside for sheer reading delight. Palestine will seem a great deal more familiar and Jesus' life much more vivid for every reader of this remarkable book! GIRDLING THE GLOBE FOR GOD

of the Baptist World Congress in Berlin, and his understanding of Germany under the Nazi regime is probably closer to the German mind than that of any other American preacher. The story of his sojourn in Palestine, especially the comparison between the Dea Sea and the greedy speculators who are trying to make a fortune from its depths, is intensely interesting. "They, like the sea, are dead, while they think they live. To deny is to die! To give is to live!"

The poverty and filth of India are compared with the matchless beauty of the Taj Mahal which, according to Dr. Dodd, "heads the list of world monuments for beauty and sheer appeal" as well as with the intellectual genius of Mahatma Gandhi. The chapter, "We See Gandhi," is undoubtedly the most interesting in the book. Our missionary work in Burma, China and Japan is also

Dr. Dodd and his wife girdled the globe with eyes open to the world's most interesting places and mankind's greatest personalities, and he interprets these in this splendid book in the light of his Christian faith and missionary passion.

NEW BIBLE EVIDENCE

One of this year's most interesting and invaluable books is Sir Charles Marston's "New Bible Evidence," (Fleming H. Revell Co.-1935-\$2-351 pages), which is a popular account of the most recant archeological discoveries in Palestine substantiating the history of the Bible. The subject of archeology becomes an exciting and fascinating adventure as described by Sir Marston in this book, and Palestine of forty centuries ago comes to life under the archeologist's spade.

Here you will find a parade of convincing and abundant evidence that monotheism was the original religion of the Israelites, that the flood actually occurred, that the Bible dates for Abraham and the Exodus are true, that Jericho fell with the walls falling outwards as described in the Bible, and that other disputed Bible incidents are being verified by Christian archeologists. Sir Marston is a crusader for "the faith of our fathers" and he is an able antagonist of Higher Criticism of the Bible with the evidence which he is able to marshall. Such men of scientific training and Christian devotion are sorely needed in our day. "Those who in all sincerity desire independent proof of the correctness of Christ's attitude to the Old Testament, will welcome the new knowledge that archeology is giving us." That is the heartening conclusion of this book which deserves to be read by every intelligent Christian in our day.

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 researches, customs and typical life in "the O'd 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 ficetion 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!

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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

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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 context 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

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Al' 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 do'lars 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 p'aces and received "Honorable Mention" will be published soon thereafter.

The business manager, Mr. H. P. Donner, and the editor, Martin L. Ieuschner, of "The Baptist Hera'd" desire to thank all contibutors 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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THE MANAGEMENT.

